

## Certain coefficient inequalities for $p$ -valent functions

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### Abstract

In the present paper, applying lemmas due to Nunokawa et al. [3] and Jack's lemma we obtain some coefficient inequalities for certain subclass of  $p$ -valent functions.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}_p$  denote the class of functions  $f(z)$  of the form:

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad p \in \mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}, \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk  $\Delta = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Put  $\mathcal{A}_1 = \mathcal{A}$ . The subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of all univalent functions  $f(z)$  in  $\Delta$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{S}$ . A function  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  is called starlike (with respect to 0), denoted by  $f \in \mathcal{S}^*$ , if  $tw \in f(\Delta)$  whenever  $w \in f(\Delta)$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . A function  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  that maps  $\Delta$  onto a convex domain, denoted by  $f \in \mathcal{K}$ , is called a convex function. A function  $f(z)$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to be starlike of order  $0 \leq \gamma < 1$  if it satisfies

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \gamma, \quad z \in \Delta.$$

We denote by  $\mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$  the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of all starlike functions of order  $\gamma$  in  $\Delta$ . Furthermore, let  $\mathcal{M}(\beta)$  be the class of functions  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  which satisfy

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} < \beta, \quad z \in \Delta.$$

for some real number  $\beta$  with  $\beta > 1$ . The class  $\mathcal{M}(\beta)$  was investigated by Uralegaddi, Ganigi and Sarangi [6].

Further, let  $\mathcal{P}(\gamma, p)$  denote the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}_p$  consisting of functions  $f(z)$  which satisfy

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right\} > \gamma, \quad z \in \Delta,$$

for some real  $0 \leq \gamma < p$ . The class  $\mathcal{P}(1/2, 1) \equiv \mathcal{P}(1/2)$  was studied by Obradović et al. in [5]. We remark that  $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{P}(1/2)$ .

Nunokawa, Cho, Kwon and Sokół [3] obtained the following results.

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**Lemma 1.1.** Let  $B(z)$  and  $C(z)$  be analytic in  $\Delta$  with

$$|\Im\{C(z)\}| < \Re\{B(z)\}.$$

If  $p(z)$  is analytic in  $\Delta$  with  $p(0) = 1$ , and if

$$|\arg\{B(z)zp'(z) + C(z)p(z)\}| < \pi/2 + t(z),$$

where

$$t(z) = \begin{cases} \arg\{C(z) + iB(z)\} & \text{when } \arg\{C(z) + iB(z)\} \in [0, \pi/2] \\ \arg\{C(z) + iB(z)\} - \pi/2 & \text{when } \arg\{C(z) + iB(z)\} \in (\pi/2, \pi], \end{cases}$$

then we have

$$\Re\{p(z)\} > 0, \quad z \in \Delta.$$

**Lemma 1.2.** Let  $B(z)$  and  $C(z)$  be analytic in  $\Delta$  with

$$\Re\left\{\frac{C(z)}{B(z)}\right\} \geq -1, \quad z \in \Delta.$$

If  $p(z)$  is analytic in  $\Delta$  with  $p(0) = 0$ , and if

$$|B(z)zp'(z) + C(z)p(z)| < |B(z) + C(z)|, \quad z \in \Delta, \quad (1.2)$$

then we have

$$|p(z)| < 1, \quad z \in \Delta.$$

In this paper, applying the Lemma 1.1, Lemma 1.2 and Jack's Lemma, we obtain coefficient conditions for some certain subclasses of  $p$ -valent functions.

## 2 Main results

Our first result is contained in the following:

**Theorem 2.1.** Assume that  $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ . If

$$\left| \arg \left\{ z^{1-p} f'(z) - (p-1) \frac{f(z)}{z^p} - \frac{\gamma}{p} \right\} \right| < \frac{3\pi}{4}, \quad z \in \Delta, \quad (2.3)$$

then

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right\} > \frac{\gamma}{p}, \quad z \in \Delta, \quad (2.4)$$

where  $0 \leq \gamma < p$ , that is  $f \in \mathcal{P}(\gamma/p, p)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f(z) \neq 0$  for  $z \neq 0$  and let  $p(z)$  be defined by

$$\left(1 - \frac{\gamma}{p}\right) p(z) + \frac{\gamma}{p} = \frac{f(z)}{z^p}, \quad z \in \Delta, \quad (2.5)$$

where  $0 \leq \gamma < p$ . Then  $p(z)$  is analytic in  $\Delta$ ,  $p(0) = 1$  and

$$\left(1 - \frac{\gamma}{p}\right) p(z) + \left(1 - \frac{\gamma}{p}\right) zp'(z) = z^{1-p} f'(z) - (p-1) \frac{f(z)}{z^p} - \frac{\gamma}{p}.$$

If we put  $B(z) = C(z) = 1 - \frac{\gamma}{p}$ , from (2.3) and applying Lemma 1.1 we obtain (2.4) immediately.  $\square$

If we take  $p = 1$  in Theorem 2.1, then it becomes the result from [4] of the following form:

**Corollary 2.1.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . If

$$|\arg\{f'(z) - \gamma\}| < \frac{3\pi}{4}, \quad z \in \Delta,$$

then

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z} \right\} > \gamma, \quad z \in \Delta.$$

**Theorem 2.2.** Assume that  $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ . If

$$\left| z^{1-p} f'(z) - (p-1) \frac{f(z)}{z^p} - \frac{\gamma}{p} \right| < 2 \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma}{p} \right), \quad z \in \Delta, \tag{2.6}$$

then  $f \in \mathcal{P}(\gamma/p, p)$ , where  $0 \leq \gamma < p$ .

*Proof.* For  $0 \leq \gamma < p$ , let  $p(z)$  be defined by (2.5). Then from (2.6) and applying Lemma 1.2, we can obtain the result.  $\square$

Putting  $p = 1$ , in Theorem 2.2, we have:

**Corollary 2.2.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . If

$$|f'(z) - \gamma| < 2(1 - \gamma), \quad z \in \Delta,$$

then

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z} \right\} > \gamma, \quad z \in \Delta.$$

Putting  $\gamma = 1/2$ , in Corollary 2.2, we have:

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . If

$$\left| f'(z) - \frac{1}{2} \right| < 1, \quad z \in \Delta,$$

then  $f \in \mathcal{P}(1/2)$ .

The following Lemma (popularly known *Jack's lemma* (see [1])) will be required on our present investigation.

**Lemma 2.3.** Let the (nonconstant) function  $w(z)$  be analytic in  $\Delta$  with  $w(0) = 0$ . If  $|w(z)|$  attains its maximum value on the circle  $|z| = r < 1$  at a the point  $z_0 \in \Delta$ , then

$$z_0 w'(z_0) = c w(z_0),$$

where  $c$  is a real number and  $c \geq 1$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** Assume that  $f(z)/z^p \neq \gamma$  and that  $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$  satisfies the inequality

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > p + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2(\gamma + 1)}, \quad z \in \Delta, \tag{2.7}$$

then  $f \in \mathcal{P}(\frac{1+\gamma}{2}, p)$ , where  $0 \leq \gamma < p$ .

*Proof.* Define the function  $w(z)$  by

$$\frac{f(z)}{z^p} = \frac{1 + \gamma w(z)}{1 + w(z)}, \quad (w(z) \neq -1, |z| < 1), \tag{2.8}$$

where  $0 \leq \gamma < p$ . Because  $f(z)/z^p \neq \gamma$ , then  $w(z)$  is analytic in  $\Delta$  and  $w(0) = 0$ . From (2.7), some computation yields

$$\frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} = p + \frac{\gamma z w'(z)}{1 + \gamma w(z)} - \frac{z w'(z)}{1 + w(z)}. \tag{2.9}$$

Suppose there exists a point  $z_0 \in \Delta$  such that

$$|w(z_0)| = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad |w(z)| < 1 \quad \text{when} \quad |z| < |z_0|.$$

Applying Lemma 2.3, then we have

$$z_0 w'(z_0) = c w(z_0) \quad (c \geq 1, w(z_0) = e^{i\theta}, \theta \in \mathbb{R}). \tag{2.10}$$

Thus, by using (2.9) and (2.10), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \Re \left\{ \frac{z_0 f'(z_0)}{f(z_0)} \right\} &= p + \Re \left\{ \frac{c\gamma e^{i\theta}}{1 + \gamma e^{i\theta}} \right\} - \Re \left\{ \frac{\gamma e^{i\theta}}{1 + e^{i\theta}} \right\} \\ &= p + \frac{c\gamma(\gamma + \cos \theta)}{1 + \gamma^2 + 2\gamma \cos \theta} - \frac{c}{2} \\ &\leq \frac{(2p+1)\gamma + (2p-1)}{2(1+\gamma)}, \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts the hypothesis (2.7). It follows that  $|w(z)| < 1$ , that is,

$$\left| \frac{(f(z)/z^p) - 1}{\gamma - (f(z)/z^p)} \right| < 1, \quad (z \in \Delta, 0 \leq \gamma < p).$$

This evidently completes the proof of Theorem 2.3.  $\square$

If we take  $\gamma = 0$  and  $p = 1$ , in Theorem 2.3, we get:

**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . If

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \frac{1}{2}, \quad z \in \Delta,$$

then  $f \in \mathcal{P}(1/2)$ , that is  $\mathcal{S}^*(1/2) \subset \mathcal{P}(1/2)$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Assume that  $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$  satisfies the inequality

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} < p + \frac{1-\gamma}{2-\gamma}, \quad z \in \Delta, \quad (2.11)$$

then

$$\left| \frac{f(z)}{z^p} - 1 \right| < |1-\gamma|, \quad z \in \Delta,$$

where  $0 \leq \gamma < p$ .

*Proof.* Let us  $f(z)/z^p \neq \gamma$ . Consider the function  $w(z)$  defined by

$$\frac{f(z)}{z^p} = 1 + (1-\gamma)w(z), \quad |z| < 1, \quad (2.12)$$

where  $0 \leq \gamma < p$ . Then  $w(z)$  is analytic in  $\Delta$  and  $w(0) = 0$ . From (2.12), some computation yields

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = p + \frac{(1-\gamma)zw'(z)}{1+(1-\gamma)w(z)}. \quad (2.13)$$

Suppose there exists a point  $z_0 \in \Delta$  such that

$$|w(z_0)| = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad |w(z)| < 1 \quad \text{when} \quad |z| < |z_0|.$$

Applying Lemma 2.3, then we have

$$z_0 w'(z_0) = c w(z_0) \quad (c \geq 1, w(z_0) = e^{i\theta}, \theta \in \mathbb{R}). \quad (2.14)$$

Thus, by using (2.13) and (2.14), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \Re \left\{ \frac{z_0 f'(z_0)}{f(z_0)} \right\} &= p + \Re \left\{ \frac{c(1-\gamma)e^{i\theta}}{1+(1-\gamma)e^{i\theta}} \right\} \\ &= p + \frac{c(1-\gamma)(1-\gamma + \cos \theta)}{1+(1-\gamma)^2 + 2(1-\gamma)\cos \theta} \\ &\geq \frac{(2p+1) - \gamma(p+1)}{2-\gamma}, \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts the hypothesis (2.11). It follows that  $|w(z)| < 1$ , that is,

$$\left| \frac{f(z)}{z^p} - 1 \right| < |1-\gamma|, \quad (z \in \Delta, 0 \leq \gamma < p).$$

This evidently completes the proof of Theorem 2.4.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.5.** Assume that  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . If  $f$  satisfies the inequalities

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} < 1 + \frac{1-\gamma}{2-\gamma}, \quad z \in \Delta,$$

then

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z} \right\} > \gamma, \quad z \in \Delta, 0 \leq \gamma < 1.$$

Taking  $\gamma = 1/2$  in Corollary 2.5, we have:

**Corollary 2.6.** Assume that  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . If  $f$  satisfies the inequalities

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} < \frac{4}{3}, \quad z \in \Delta,$$

then

$$f \in \mathcal{P}(1/2), \quad z \in \Delta,$$

that is,  $\mathcal{M}(4/3) \subset \mathcal{P}(1/2)$ .

Combining Corollary 2.4 and 2.6, we have:

**Corollary 2.7.** Assume that  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . If  $f$  satisfies the following two-sided inequality

$$\frac{1}{2} < \Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} < \frac{4}{3}, \quad z \in \Delta,$$

then

$$f \in \mathcal{P}(1/2), \quad z \in \Delta,$$

that is,  $\mathcal{S}(1/2, 3/4) \subset \mathcal{P}(1/2)$ , where the class  $\mathcal{S}(\alpha, \beta)$ ,  $\alpha < 1$  and  $\beta > 1$ , was recently considered by K. Kuroki and S. Owa in [2].

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