

COEFFICIENT ESTIMATES FOR CERTAIN SUBCLASSES OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS OF COMPLEX ORDER

Qing-Hua Xu, Ying-Chun Gui and H. M. Srivastava*

Abstract. In this paper, we introduce and investigate each of the following subclasses:

$$\mathcal{S}_g(\lambda, \gamma) \text{ and } \mathcal{K}_g(\lambda, \gamma, m; u) \quad (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1; u \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\infty, -1]; m \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\})$$

of analytic functions of complex order $\gamma \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, $g : \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ being some suitably constrained convex function in the open unit disk \mathbb{U} . We obtain coefficient bounds and coefficient estimates involving the Taylor-Maclaurin coefficients of the function $f(z)$ when $f(z)$ is in the class $\mathcal{S}_g(\lambda, \gamma)$ or in the class $\mathcal{K}_g(\lambda, \gamma, m; u)$. The various results, which are presented in this paper, would generalize and improve those in related works of several earlier authors.

1. INTRODUCTION, DEFINITIONS AND PRELIMINARIES

Let \mathbb{C} be the set of complex numbers and

$$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} = \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$$

be the set of positive integers. We also let \mathcal{A} denote the class of functions of the form:

$$(1) \quad f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n,$$

which are *analytic* in the *open* unit disk

$$\mathbb{U} = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } |z| < 1\}.$$

A function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to belong to the class $\mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$ of *starlike functions of complex order γ* if it satisfies the following inequality:

Received April 9, 2011, accepted May 10, 2011.

Communicated by Jen-Chih Yao.

2010 *Mathematics Subject Classification*: Primary 30C45; Secondary 34-99.

Key words and phrases: Coefficient bounds, Analytic functions of complex order, Starlike and convex functions of complex order, Cauchy-Euler differential equations, Non-homogenous differential equations, Principle of subordination between analytic functions.

*Corresponding Author.

$$(2) \quad \Re \left(1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left[\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right] \right) > 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^* := \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}).$$

Furthermore, a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{C}(\gamma)$ of *convex functions of complex order* γ if it satisfies the following inequality:

$$(3) \quad \Re \left(1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left[\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right] \right) > 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*).$$

The function classes $\mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$ and $\mathcal{C}(\gamma)$ were investigated earlier by Nasr and Aouf [14] (see also [15]) and Wiatrowski [20], respectively, and (more recently) by Altıntaş *et al.* ([1] to [10]), Deng [11], Murugusundaramoorthy and Srivastava [13], Srivastava *et al.* [19], and others (see, for example, [12] and [18]).

For two functions f and g , analytic in \mathbb{U} , we say that $f(z)$ is subordinate to $g(z)$ in \mathbb{U} and we write $f \prec g$ or, more precisely,

$$f(z) \prec g(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

if there exists a Schwarz function $\mathfrak{w}(z)$, analytic in \mathbb{U} with

$$\mathfrak{w}(0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad |\mathfrak{w}(z)| < 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

such that

$$f(z) = g(\mathfrak{w}(z)) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

In particular, if the function g is univalent in \mathbb{U} , the above subordination is equivalent to the following relationships:

$$f(0) = g(0) \quad \text{and} \quad f(\mathbb{U}) \subset g(\mathbb{U}).$$

Recently, Srivastava *et al.* [17] introduced the subclasses $\mathcal{S}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B)$ and $\mathcal{K}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B, m; u)$ of analytic functions of *complex order* $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*$ by using the above subordination principle between analytic functions, and obtained the coefficient bounds for the Taylor-Maclaurin coefficients for functions in each of these new subclasses $\mathcal{S}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B)$ and $\mathcal{K}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B, m; u)$ of complex order $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*$, which are given by Definitions 1 and 2 below.

Definition 1. (see [17]). Let $\mathcal{S}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B)$ denote the class of functions given by

$$(4) \quad \mathcal{S}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B) = \left\{ f : f \in \mathcal{A} \text{ and } 1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{zf'(z) + \lambda z^2 f''(z)}{\lambda z f'(z) + (1-\lambda)f(z)} - 1 \right) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \right\}$$

$$(0 \leq \lambda \leq 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*; -1 \leq B < A \leq 1).$$

Definition 2. (see [17]). A function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{K}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B, m; u)$ if it satisfies the following *nonhomogenous Cauchy-Euler type differential equation of order m* :

$$\begin{aligned}
 z^m \frac{d^m w}{dz^m} + \binom{m}{1} (u+m-1) z^{m-1} \frac{d^{m-1} w}{dz^{m-1}} + \dots + \binom{m}{m} w \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} (u+j) \\
 (5) \qquad \qquad \qquad = g(z) \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} (u+j+1) \\
 (w = f(z) \in \mathcal{A}; g(z) \in \mathcal{S}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B); \\
 u \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\infty, -1]; m \in \mathbb{N}^* := \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\} = \{2, 3, 4, \dots\}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Making use of Definitions 1 and 2, Srivastava *et al.* [17] proved the following coefficient bounds for the Taylor-Maclaurin coefficients for functions in the subclasses $\mathcal{S}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B)$ and $\mathcal{K}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B, m; u)$ of analytic functions of complex order $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*$.

Theorem 1. (see [17]). *Let the function $f(z)$ be defined by (1). If $f \in \mathcal{S}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B)$, then*

$$(6) \qquad |a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{n-2} \left(k + \frac{2|\gamma|(A-B)}{1-B} \right)}{(n-1)! [1 + \lambda(n-1)]} \qquad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Theorem 2. (see [17]). *Let the function $f(z)$ be defined by (1). If $f \in \mathcal{K}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B, m; u)$, then*

$$(7) \qquad |a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{n-2} \left(k + \frac{2|\gamma|(A-B)}{1-B} \right) \prod_{j=0}^{m-2} (u+j+1)}{(n-1)! [1 + \lambda(n-1)] \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} (u+j+n)} \qquad (m, n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Here, in our present sequel to some of the aforecited works (especially [17]), we first introduce the following subclasses of analytic functions of complex order $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*$.

Definition 3. Let $g : \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a convex function such that

$$g(0) = 1 \qquad \text{and} \qquad \Re[g(z)] > 0 \qquad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

We denote by $\mathcal{S}_g(\lambda, \gamma)$ the class of functions given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (8) \qquad \mathcal{S}_g(\lambda, \gamma) \\
 = \left\{ f : f \in \mathcal{A} \text{ and } 1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{z f'(z) + \lambda z^2 f''(z)}{\lambda z f'(z) + (1-\lambda) f(z)} - 1 \right) \in g(\mathbb{U}) \ (z \in \mathbb{U}) \right\} \\
 (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*).
 \end{aligned}$$

Definition 4. A function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{K}_g(\lambda, \gamma, m; u)$ if it satisfies the following *nonhomogenous Cauchy-Euler differential equation*:

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} z^m \frac{d^m w}{dz^m} + \binom{m}{1} (u + m - 1) z^{m-1} \frac{d^{m-1} w}{dz^{m-1}} + \cdots + \binom{m}{m} w \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} (u + j) \\ = h(z) \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} (u + j + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$(w = f(z) \in \mathcal{A}; h(z) \in \mathcal{S}_g(\lambda, \gamma); u \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\infty, -1]; m \in \mathbb{N}^*).$

Remark 1. There are many choices of the function $g(z)$ which would provide interesting subclasses of analytic functions of complex order $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*$. In particular, if we let

$$(10) \quad g(z) = \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (-1 \leq B < A \leq 1; z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

it is fairly easy to verify that $g(z)$ is a convex function in \mathbb{U} and satisfies the hypotheses of Definition 3. Clearly, therefore, the function class $\mathcal{S}_g(\lambda, \gamma)$, with the function $g(z)$ given by (10), coincides with the function class $\mathcal{S}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B)$ given by Definition 1.

Remark 2. In view of Remark 1, if the function $g(z)$ is given by (10), it is easily observed that the function classes

$$\mathcal{S}_g(\lambda, \gamma) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{K}_g(\lambda, \gamma, m; u)$$

reduce to the aforementioned function classes

$$\mathcal{S}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{K}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B, m; u),$$

respectively (see Definitions 1 and 2).

In this paper, by using the subordination principle between analytic functions, we obtain coefficient bounds for the Taylor-Maclaurin coefficients for functions in the substantially more general function classes

$$\mathcal{S}_g(\lambda, \gamma) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{K}_g(\lambda, \gamma, m; u)$$

of analytic functions of complex order $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*$. The various results presented here would generalize and improve the corresponding results obtained by (for example) Srivastava *et al.* [17].

2. MAIN RESULTS AND THEIR DERIVATIONS

In order to prove our main results, we will need the following lemma due to Rogosinski [16].

Lemma (see [16]). *Let the function $g(z)$ given by*

$$g(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

be convex in \mathbb{U} . Also let the function $f(z)$ given by

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

be holomorphic in \mathbb{U} . If

$$f(z) \prec g(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

then

$$(11) \quad |a_k| \leq |b_1| \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Our first main result is now stated as Theorem 3 below.

Theorem 3. *Let the function $f(z)$ be defined by (1). If $f \in \mathcal{S}_g(\lambda, \gamma)$, then*

$$(12) \quad |a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{n-2} (k + |g'(0)| \cdot |\gamma|)}{(n-1)! [1 + \lambda(n-1)]} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Proof. Let the function $\mathcal{F}(z)$ be defined by

$$\mathcal{F}(z) = \lambda z f'(z) + (1 - \lambda) f(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Then, clearly, $\mathcal{F}(z)$ is an analytic function in \mathbb{U} , $\mathcal{F}(0) = 1$, and a simple computation shows that the function $\mathcal{F}(z)$ has the following Taylor-Maclaurin series expansion:

$$(13) \quad \mathcal{F}(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} A_j z^j \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

where, for convenience,

$$(14) \quad A_j = (1 - \lambda + j\lambda) a_j \quad (j \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Now, from Definition 3, we have

$$1 + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{z \mathcal{F}'(z)}{\mathcal{F}(z)} - 1 \right) \in g(\mathbb{U}).$$

Also, by setting

$$(15) \quad p(z) = 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{z\mathcal{F}'(z)}{\mathcal{F}(z)} - 1 \right),$$

we deduce that

$$p(0) = g(0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad p(z) \in g(\mathbb{U}) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Therefore, we have

$$p(z) \prec g(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Thus, according to the above Lemma based upon the principle of subordination between analytic functions, we obtain

$$(16) \quad \left| \frac{p^{(m)}(0)}{m!} \right| \leq |g'(0)| \quad (m \in \mathbb{N}).$$

On the other hand, we find from (15) that

$$(17) \quad z\mathcal{F}'(z) = (1 + \lambda[p(z) - 1])\mathcal{F}(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Further, we let

$$(18) \quad p(z) = 1 + p_1z + p_2z^2 + \cdots \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Since $A_1 = 1$, in view of (13), (17) and (18), we deduce that

$$(19) \quad (j-1)A_j = (p_1A_{j-1} + p_2A_{j-2} + \cdots + p_{j-1}) \quad (j \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

By combining (16) and (19), for $j = 2, 3, 4$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |A_2| &\leq |g'(0)| |\lambda|, \\ |A_3| &\leq \frac{|g'(0)| \cdot |\lambda| (1 + |g'(0)| \cdot |\lambda|)}{2!} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|A_4| \leq \frac{|g'(0)| \cdot |\lambda| (1 + |g'(0)| \cdot |\lambda|) (2 + |g'(0)| \cdot |\lambda|)}{3!},$$

respectively. By appealing to the principle of mathematical induction, we thus obtain

$$|A_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{n-2} (k + |g'(0)| \cdot |\lambda|)}{(n-1)!} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

We now easily find from (14) that

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{n-2} (k + |g'(0)| \cdot |\lambda|)}{(n-1)! [1 + \lambda(n-1)]} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*),$$

as asserted by Theorem 3. This evidently completes the proof of Theorem 3. ■

Theorem 4. *Let the function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ be defined by (1). If $f \in \mathcal{K}_g(\lambda, \gamma, m; u)$, then*

$$(20) \quad |a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{n-2} (k + |g'(0)| \cdot |\lambda|) \prod_{j=0}^{m-2} (u + j + 1)}{(n - 1)! [1 + \lambda(n - 1)] \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} (u + j + n)} \quad (m, n \in \mathbb{N}^*)$$

$$\left(0 \leq \lambda \leq 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*; u \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\infty, -1] \right).$$

Proof. Let the function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ be given by (1). Also let

$$(21) \quad h(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} h_k z^k \in \mathcal{S}_g(\lambda, \gamma).$$

Hence, from (9), we deduce that

$$(22) \quad a_n = \left(\frac{\prod_{j=0}^{m-1} (u + j + 1)}{\prod_{j=0}^{m-1} (u + j + n)} \right) h_n \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*; u \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\infty, -1]).$$

Using Theorem 3 in conjunction with (22), we arrive at the assertion (20) of Theorem 4. The proof of Theorem 4 is thus completed. ■

3. COROLLARIES AND CONSEQUENCES

In view of Remarks 1 and 2, if we let the function $g(z)$ in Theorems 3 and 4 be given by (10), we can readily deduce the following Corollaries 1 and 2, respectively, which we choose to merely state here *without* proofs.

Corollary 1. *Let the function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ be defined by (1). If $f \in \mathcal{S}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B)$, then*

$$(23) \quad |a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{n-2} (k + |\gamma|(A - B))}{(n - 1)! [1 + \lambda(n - 1)]} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Corollary 2. *Let the function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ be defined by (1). If $f \in \mathcal{K}(\lambda, \gamma, A, B, m; u)$, then*

$$(24) \quad |a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{n-2} (k + |\lambda|(A - B)) \prod_{j=0}^{m-2} (u + j + 1)}{(n-1)! [1 + \lambda(n-1)] \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} (u + j + n)} \quad (m, n \in \mathbb{N}^*)$$

$$\left(0 \leq \lambda \leq 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*; u \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\infty, -1] \right).$$

Remark 3. It is easy to see that

$$(k + |\gamma|(A - B)) \leq \left(k + \frac{2|\gamma|(A - B)}{1 - B} \right)$$

$$\left(k \in \mathbb{N}_0; -1 \leq B < A \leq 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^* \right),$$

which, in conjunction with Corollaries 1 and 2, would obviously yield significant improvements over Theorems 1 and 2 (see also the earlier work by Srivastava *et al.* [17] for several *further* corollaries and consequences Theorems 1 and 2).

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

This work was supported by the *National Natural Science Foundation of the People's Republic of China* (Grant No. 11061015), the *Jiangxi Provincial Natural Science Foundation of the People's Republic of China* (Grant No. 2010GZS0096), and the *Natural Science Foundation of the Department of Education of Jiangxi Province of the People's Republic of China* (Grant No. GJJ 09149).

REFERENCES

1. O. Altıntaş, Neighborhoods of certain p -valently analytic functions with negative coefficients, *Appl. Math. Comput.*, **187** (2007), 47-53.
2. O. Altıntaş, Certain applications of subordination associated with neighborhoods, *Hacettepe J. Math. Statist.*, **39** (2010), 527-534.
3. O. Altıntaş, H. Irmak, S. Owa and H. M. Srivastava, Coefficients bounds for some families of starlike and convex functions with complex order, *Appl. Math. Lett.*, **20** (2007), 1218-1222.
4. O. Altıntaş, H. Irmak and H. M. Srivastava, Fractional calculus and certain starlike functions with negative coefficients, *Comput. Math. Appl.*, **30(2)** (1995), 9-15.
5. O. Altıntaş and Ö. Özkan, Starlike, convex and close-to-convex functions of complex order, *Hacettepe Bull. Natur. Sci. Engrg. Ser. B*, **28** (1991), 37-46.
6. O. Altıntaş and Ö. Özkan, On the classes of starlike and convex functions of complex order, *Hacettepe Bull. Natur. Sci. Engrg. Ser. B*, **30** (2001), 63-68.
7. O. Altıntaş, Ö. Özkan and H. M. Srivastava, Neighborhoods of a class of analytic functions with negative coefficients, *Appl. Math. Lett.*, **13(3)** (1995), 63-67.

8. O. Altıntaş, Ö. Özkan and H. M. Srivastava, Majorization by starlike functions of complex order, *Complex Variables Theory Appl.*, **46** (2001), 207-218.
9. O. Altıntaş, Ö. Özkan and H. M. Srivastava, Neighborhoods of a certain family of multivalent functions with negative coefficient, *Comput. Math. Appl.*, **47** (2004), 1667-1672.
10. O. Altıntaş and H. M. Srivastava, Some majorization problems associated with p -valently starlike and convex functions of complex order, *East Asian Math. J.*, **17** (2001), 175-218.
11. Q. Deng, Certain subclass of analytic functions with complex order, *Appl. Math. Comput.*, **208** (2009), 359-362.
12. P. L. Duren, *Univalent Functions*, A Series of Comprehensive Studies in Mathematics, Vol. **259**, Springer-Verlag, New York, Berlin, Heidelberg and Tokyo, 1983.
13. G. Murugusundaramoorthy and H. M. Srivastava, Neighborhoods of certain classes of analytic functions of complex order, *J. Inequal. Pure Appl. Math.*, **5(2)** (2004), Article 24, 1-8 (electronic).
14. M. A. Nasr and M. K. Aouf, Radius of convexity for the class of starlike functions of complex order, *Bull. Fac. Sci. Assiut Univ. Sect. A*, **12** (1983), 153-159.
15. M. A. Nasr and M. K. Aouf, Starlike function of complex order, *J. Natur. Sci. Math.*, **25** (1985), 1-12.
16. W. Rogosinski, On the coefficients of subordinate functions, *Proc. London Math. Soc. (Ser. 2)*, **48** (1943), 48-82.
17. H. M. Srivastava, O. Altıntaş and S. Krc Serenbay, Coefficient bounds for certain subclasses of starlike functions of complex order, *Appl. Math. Lett.*, **24** (2011), 1359-1363.
18. H. M. Srivastava and S. Owa (Eds), *Current Topics in Analytic Function Theory*, World Scientific Publishing Company, Singapore, New Jersey, London and Hong Kong, 1992.
19. H. M. Srivastava, Q.-H. Xu and G.-P. Wu, Coefficient estimates for certain subclasses of spiral-like functions of complex order, *Appl. Math. Lett.*, **23** (2010), 763-768.
20. P. Wiatrowski, On the coefficients of some family of holomorphic functions, *Zeszyty Nauk. Univ. Łódź Nauk. Mat.-Przyrod. (Ser. 2)*, **39** (1970), 75-85.

Qing-Hua Xu and Ying-Chun Gui
College of Mathematics and Information Science
Jiangxi Normal University
Nanchang 330022
People's Republic of China
E-mail: xuqh@mail.ustc.edu.cn
guiycsd@yahoo.com.cn

H. M. Srivastava
Department of Mathematics and Statistics
University of Victoria
Victoria, British Columbia V8W 3R4
Canada
E-mail: harimsri@math.uvic.ca