# Research Article Bounded Doubly Close-to-Convex Functions

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We consider a new class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$  of bounded doubly close-to-convex functions. Coefficient bounds, distortion theorems, and radius of convexity for the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$  are investigated. A corresponding class of doubly close-to-starlike functions  $\mathscr{S}^*\mathscr{S}(\alpha, \beta)$  is also considered.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathscr{A}$  denote the class of functions of the form

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

which are analytic in the unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}.$ 

Let  $\mathscr{S}^*$ ,  $\mathscr{K}$ , and  $\mathscr{C}$  denote the well-known classes of starlike, convex, and close-to-convex functions, respectively.

A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be in the class  $\mathscr{C}(\beta)$  of closeto-convex functions of order  $\beta \ge 0$  (see [1]) if there exist  $g \in \mathscr{K}$  and  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\left| \arg\left( e^{i\theta} \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} \right) \right| \le \beta \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \,. \tag{2}$$

It is clear that  $\mathscr{C}(0) = \mathscr{K}$  and  $\mathscr{C}(1) = \mathscr{C}$ .

Denote by  $\mathscr{B}$  the class of analytic functions  $\omega$  in  $\mathbb{U}$  with  $\omega(0) = 0$  and such that  $|\omega(z)| < 1$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ .

Suppose that *f* and *g* are two analytic functions in  $\mathbb{U}$ . The function *f* is said to be subordinate to the function *g*, denoted by  $f \prec g$ , if there exists a function  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $f(z) = g(\omega(z)), z \in \mathbb{U}$ .

Let  $\mathscr{P}$  be the well-known class of analytic functions p normalized by p(0) = 1 and having positive real part in  $\mathbb{U}$ .

For a fixed  $\alpha > 1/2$  let  $\mathscr{P}_{\alpha}$  denote the subclass of  $\mathscr{P}$  defined by

$$\mathscr{P}_{\alpha} = \left\{ p \in \mathscr{P} : \left| p(z) - \alpha \right| < \alpha, z \in \mathbb{U} \right\}.$$
(3)

The class  $\mathscr{P}_{\alpha}$  has been investigated by Goel [2] and also by Libera and Livingston [3].

It is easy to observe that when  $\alpha \to \infty$ , the class  $\mathscr{P}_{\alpha}$  reduces to the class  $\mathscr{P}$ .

For  $\alpha > 1/2$ , the function

$$p_{\alpha}(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-(1-(1/\alpha))z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$
(4)

maps the unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$  onto the domain  $D_{\alpha} = \{z \in \mathbb{U} : |z - \alpha| < \alpha\}$ . It follows that a function p is in the class  $\mathscr{P}_{\alpha}$  if and only if  $p \prec p_{\alpha}$ .

If

$$p_{\alpha}(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_n z^n,$$
 (5)

then it is easy to check that

$$P_1 = 2 - \frac{1}{\alpha}, \qquad P_2 = \left(2 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right). \tag{6}$$

Some properties of the functions belonging to the class  $\mathscr{P}_{\alpha}$  are listed in the next lemma.

**Lemma 1** (see [2, 3]). Let  $p(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_n z^n$  be in the class  $\mathscr{P}_{\alpha}$  ( $\alpha > 1/2$ ). Then

$$|p_n| \le 2 - \frac{1}{\alpha}$$
  $(n \in \{1, 2, \ldots\});$  (7)

$$\frac{1-r}{1+(1-(1/\alpha))r} \le |p(z)| \le \frac{1+r}{1-(1-(1/\alpha))r};$$
 (8)

$$\left|\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)}\right| \le \frac{(2-(1/\alpha))r}{1-(1/\alpha)r-(1-(1/\alpha))r^2},$$
(9)

for  $z \in U$  and |z| = r < 1. All the inequalities are sharp.

Let  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  ( $\alpha > 1/2$ ) denote the class of all functions  $f \in \mathscr{A}$  for which there exists a function  $g \in \mathscr{K}$  such that  $f'/g' \prec p_{\alpha}$ , where  $p_{\alpha}$  is given by (4), or equivalently

$$\left|\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} - \alpha\right| < \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
(10)

It is easy to see that when  $\alpha \to \infty$  the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  reduces to the class  $\mathscr{C}$  of close-to-convex functions.

A slightly different class than the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  was investigated in [2].

Recently, in [4] the authors considered a new class of analytic functions defined in a similar way to the class  $\mathscr{C}(\beta)$ . For fixed  $\beta \ge 0$  and  $\gamma \ge 0$  a function  $f \in \mathscr{A}$  is called doubly close-to-convex if there exist  $g \in \mathscr{C}(\beta)$  and  $\phi \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\left|\arg\left(e^{i\phi}\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)}\right)\right| \le \gamma \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
(11)

Motivated by the ideas from [4] we define a new class of bounded doubly close-to-convex functions.

Definition 2. Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$  be fixed. A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be in the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$  if there exists a function  $g \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  such that  $f'/g' \prec p_{\beta}$ , where  $p_{\beta}$  is given by (4) with  $\beta$  instead of  $\alpha$ , or equivalently

$$\left|\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} - \beta\right| < \beta \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
(12)

From the above definition and the definition of the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$ , it follows that  $f \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$  if there exist a function  $h \in \mathscr{K}$  and a function  $g \in \mathscr{A}$  such that  $g'/h' \prec p_{\alpha}$  and  $f'/g' \prec p_{\beta}$ , or equivalently

$$\left|\frac{g'(z)}{h'(z)} - \alpha\right| < \alpha, \quad \left|\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} - \beta\right| < \beta \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
(13)

In the next lemma we prove that the new class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$  is nonempty.

**Lemma 3.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . Then, there exists a function  $f \in CC(\alpha, \beta)$ .

*Proof.* Define the following three functions:

$$f(z) = \int_0^z (1 + \epsilon_1 u) (1 + \epsilon_2 u) \times ((1 + \epsilon_3 u)^2 [1 - (1 - (1/\alpha)) \epsilon_1 u]$$
(14)

$$\times \left[1 - (1 - (1/\beta))\epsilon_{2}u\right]^{-1}du,$$

$$g(z) = \int_{0}^{z} \frac{1 + \epsilon_{1}u}{(1 + \epsilon_{3}u)^{2} \left[1 - (1 - (1/\alpha))\epsilon_{1}u\right]}du,$$

$$h(z) = \frac{z}{1 + \epsilon_{3}z},$$
(15)

with  $z \in U$  and  $|\epsilon_k| = 1, k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Since  $h \in \mathcal{K}$  (see [5]) and

$$\frac{g'(z)}{h'(z)} = \frac{1+\epsilon_1 z}{1-(1-(1/\alpha))\epsilon_1 z},$$
(16)

it follows that  $g \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$ . The equality

$$\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} = \frac{1 + \epsilon_2 z}{1 - \left(1 - \left(1/\beta\right)\right)\epsilon_2 z} \tag{17}$$

together with  $g \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  shows that the function f defined by (14) belongs to  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ .

In this paper we obtain distortion theorems, radius of convexity, and coefficient bounds for the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ . In the last section of the paper a corresponding class of bounded doubly close-to-starlike functions  $\mathscr{S}^*\mathscr{S}(\alpha, \beta)$  is also considered.

## 2. Distortion Theorems

In this section distortion theorems for the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$  are obtained.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . If  $f \in CC(\alpha, \beta)$ , then

$$\frac{(1-r)^2}{(1+r)^2 \left[1+(1-(1/\alpha))r\right] \left[1+(1-(1/\beta))r\right]}$$

$$\leq \left|f'(z)\right| \qquad (18)$$

$$\leq \frac{(1+r)^2}{(1-r)^2 \left[1-(1-(1/\alpha))r\right] \left[1-(1-(1/\beta))r\right]}$$

for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$  and |z| = r < 1.

*Proof.* Let  $f \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then there exists  $g \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  such that f'(z) = g'(z)q(z), where q belongs to the class  $\mathscr{P}_{\beta}$  defined by (3) with  $\beta$  instead of  $\alpha$ . Since  $q \in \mathscr{P}_{\beta}$ , making use of inequalities (8) from Lemma 1, we obtain

$$\frac{1-r}{1+(1-(1/\beta))r} \le \left|\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)}\right| \le \frac{1+r}{1-(1-(1/\beta))r}$$
(19)

for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$  and |z| = r < 1.

The function g belongs to the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  and thus, there exists a function  $h \in \mathscr{K}$  such that g'(z) = h'(z)p(z), where  $p \in \mathscr{P}_{\alpha}$ . Using once more the inequalities (8) from Lemma 1, we have

$$\frac{1-r}{1+(1-(1/\alpha))r} \le \left|\frac{g'(z)}{h'(z)}\right| \le \frac{1+r}{1-(1-(1/\alpha))r}$$
(20)

for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$  and |z| = r < 1.

Moreover,  $h \in \mathcal{K}$  implies that (see [5, 6])

$$\frac{1}{(1+r)^2} \le \left| h'(z) \right| \le \frac{1}{(1-r)^2}$$
(21)

for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$  and |z| = r < 1.

Combining the inequalities (19), (20), and (21), we obtain the desired inequality (18).  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 5.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . If  $f \in CC(\alpha, \beta)$ , then

$$\left| f(z) \right| \leq 4\alpha\beta \left[ \frac{r}{1-r} + (\alpha+\beta-1)\log\left(1-r\right) \right]$$
$$-\frac{\alpha\beta}{\alpha-\beta} \left\{ (2\alpha-1)^2 \log\left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)r\right] - (2\beta-1)^2 \log\left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{\beta}\right)r\right] \right\},$$
(22)

$$\left| f(z) \right| \ge 4\alpha\beta \left[ \frac{r}{1+r} - (\alpha+\beta-1)\log\left(1+r\right) \right] + \frac{\alpha\beta}{\alpha-\beta} \left\{ (2\alpha-1)^2 \log\left[ 1 + \left(1-\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)r \right] - (2\beta-1)^2 \log\left[ 1 + \left(1-\frac{1}{\beta}\right)r \right] \right\}$$
(23)

*if*  $\alpha \neq \beta$  *and* 

$$\begin{split} \left| f(z) \right| &\leq 4\alpha^{2} \left[ \frac{r}{1-r} + (2\alpha - 1)\log(1-r) \right] \\ &+ (2\alpha - 1) \left\{ \frac{r}{1-(1-(1/\alpha))r} \right. \tag{24} \\ &- 4\alpha^{2} \log \left[ 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right)r \right] \right\}, \\ \left| f(z) \right| &\geq 4\alpha^{2} \left[ \frac{r}{1+r} - (2\alpha - 1)\log(1+r) \right] \\ &+ (2\alpha - 1) \left\{ \frac{r}{1+(1-(1/\alpha))r} \right. \tag{25} \\ &+ 4\alpha^{2} \log \left[ 1 + \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right)r \right] \right\}. \end{split}$$

if  $\alpha = \beta$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ . Integrating along the straight line segment from origin to  $z = re^{i\theta}$  (0 < r < 1) the right-hand side of inequality (18) we obtain

$$\begin{split} \left| f(z) \right| \\ &\leq \int_{0}^{r} \left| f'\left(\rho e^{i\theta}\right) \right| d\rho \\ &\leq \int_{0}^{r} \frac{\left(1+\rho\right)^{2}}{\left(1-\rho\right)^{2} \left[1-\left(1-(1/\alpha)\right)\rho\right] \left[1-\left(1-(1/\beta)\right)\rho\right]} d\rho, \end{split}$$
(26)

which leads to inequalities (22) and (24).

To prove the lower bound of |f(z)| we proceed in the following way. Let  $\delta > 0$  be the radius of the open disk contained entirely in  $f(\mathbb{U})$ . Consider  $z_0$  with  $|z_0| = r < 1$  such that  $|f(z_0)| = \min_{|z|=r} |f(z)|$ . The minimum increases with r and is less than  $\delta$ . Hence, the linear segment  $\Gamma$  which connects the origin with the point  $f(z_0)$  will be covered entirely by the

values of f(z). Denote by  $\gamma$  the arc in  $\mathbb{U}$  which is mapped by w = f(z) in  $\Gamma$ . Making use of the left-hand side of inequality (18) we get

$$|f(z)| \ge |f(z_0)| = \int_{\Gamma} dw \ge \int_{\gamma} |f'(z)| |dz| \ge \int_{0}^{r} \frac{(1-\rho)^2}{(1+\rho)^2 [1+(1-(1/\alpha))\rho] [1+(1-(1/\beta))\rho]} d\rho.$$
(27)

After simple calculations we obtain the inequalities (23) and (25). Thus, the proof of our theorem is completed.  $\Box$ 

### 3. Radius of Convexity

In this section we obtain the radius of the disk which is mapped onto a convex domain by the functions belonging to  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ .

**Theorem 6.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . Suppose that  $f \in CC(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then, the function f maps the disk  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < r_0 < 1\}$  onto a convex domain, where  $r_0$  is the smallest positive root of the equation

$$(\alpha + \beta - \alpha\beta - 1)r^{4} + 4(\alpha\beta - \alpha - \beta + 1)r^{3} + (10\alpha\beta - 5\alpha - 5\beta + 1)r^{2} + 4\alpha\beta r - \alpha\beta = 0.$$
(28)

*Proof.* Let  $f \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then, there exists  $g \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  such that

$$f'(z) = q(z)g'(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$
 (29)

where  $q \in \mathcal{P}_{\beta}$ . Since  $g \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$ , there exists a function  $h \in \mathscr{K}$  such that

$$g'(z) = p(z)h'(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$
 (30)

where  $p \in \mathscr{P}_{\alpha}$ . Moreover, since  $h \in \mathscr{K}$  it follows that there exists a function  $k \in \mathscr{S}^*$  (see [5, 6]) such that

$$k(z) = zh'(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
(31)

Combining the equalities (29), (30), and (31), we get

$$zf'(z) = q(z) p(z) k(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
 (32)

By taking logarithmic derivative in (32), we obtain

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)} + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + \frac{zk'(z)}{k(z)}$$
(33)

which leads to

$$\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right)$$

$$\geq \min \Re\left(\frac{zk'(z)}{k(z)}\right) - \max\left|\frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)}\right| - \max\left|\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)}\right|.$$
(34)

For  $k \in S^*$ , we have (see [7])

$$\Re\left(\frac{zk'(z)}{k(z)}\right) \ge \frac{1-r}{1+r} \tag{35}$$

with  $z \in \mathbb{U}$  and |z| = r < 1.

Since  $p \in \mathscr{P}_{\alpha}$  and  $q \in \mathscr{P}_{\beta}$ , making use of inequality (9) from Lemma 1, we obtain

$$\left|\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)}\right| \le \frac{(2-(1/\alpha))r}{1-(1/\alpha)r-(1-(1/\alpha))r^2},$$

$$\left|\frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)}\right| \le \frac{(2-(1/\beta))r}{1-(1/\beta)r-(1-(1/\beta))r^2}$$
(36)

with  $z \in \mathbb{U}$  and |z| = r < 1.

Substituting (35) and (36) in (34) we have

$$\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) \ge \frac{1-r}{1+r} - \frac{(2-(1/\alpha))r}{1-(1/\alpha)r - (1-(1/\alpha))r^2} - \frac{(2-(1/\beta))r}{1-(1/\beta)r - (1-(1/\beta))r^2}.$$
(37)

It follows that the function f is convex whenever the expression in the right-hand side of (37) is positive. The numerator of this expression can be written as P(r) = (1 - r)Q(r), where

$$Q(r) = (\alpha + \beta - \alpha\beta - 1)r^{4} + 4(\alpha\beta - \alpha - \beta + 1)r^{3} + (10\alpha\beta - 5\alpha - 5\beta + 1)r^{2} + 4\alpha\beta r - \alpha\beta.$$
(38)

We observe that  $Q(0) = -\alpha\beta < 0$  and  $Q(1) = 4(2\alpha - 1)(2\beta - 1) > 0$ . It follows that the smallest root  $r_0$  of Q(r) = 0 and also of P(r) = 0 lies between 0 and 1 and, thus, the theorem is proved.

## 4. Coefficient Estimates

In order to find coefficient estimates for the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ , we will find first the coefficient estimates for the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$ .

**Theorem 7.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$ . If the function f given by (1) is in the class  $CC(\alpha)$ , then

$$|a_n| \le 1 + \frac{(2\alpha - 1)(n - 1)}{2\alpha} \quad (n \in \{2, 3, \ldots\}).$$
 (39)

*Proof.* Since  $f \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  we have

$$f'(z) = p(z)g'(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$
 (40)

where

$$g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n \in \mathcal{H},$$

$$p(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_n z^n \in \mathcal{P}_{\alpha}.$$
(41)

Equating the coefficients of  $z^n$  on both sides of (40), we find the following relation between the coefficients:

$$na_n = nb_n + p_{n-1} + 2b_2p_{n-2} + \dots + (n-1)b_{n-1}p_1 \quad (n \in \{2, 3, \dots\}).$$

$$(42)$$

For  $g \in \mathcal{K}$  we have  $|b_k| \le 1$ ,  $k \ge 2$  (see [5, 6]). In virtue of inequality (7) of Lemma 1 we have  $|p_k| \le 2 - (1/\alpha)$ ,  $k \in \{1, 2, ...\}$ .

Making use of (42), we find

$$n \left| a_n \right| \le n + \left( 2 - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k$$

$$= n + \left( 2 - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \frac{n \left( n - 1 \right)}{2} \quad (n \in \{2, 3, \ldots\})$$
(43)

and, thus, we get the desired inequality (39).

When  $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$  we find the well-known coefficient estimates of close-to-convex functions (see [5, 6]).

In the next theorem we obtain the coefficient estimates for the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ .

**Theorem 8.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . If the function f given by (1) is in the class  $CC(\alpha, \beta)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n| &\le 1 + \left(4 - \frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\beta}\right) \frac{n-1}{2} \\ &+ \left(2 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right) \left(2 - \frac{1}{\beta}\right) \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{6} \quad (n \in \{2, 3, \ldots\}). \end{aligned}$$
(44)

*Proof.* Let  $f \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then, there exist

$$g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha),$$

$$q(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_n z^n \in \mathscr{P}_{\beta}$$
(45)

such that

$$f'(z) = q(z)g'(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
 (46)

Comparing the coefficients of  $z^n$  on both sides of the above equality, we obtain the next relation:

$$na_{n} = nb_{n} + q_{n-1} + 2b_{2}q_{n-2} + \dots + (n-1)b_{n-1}q_{1} \quad (n \in \{2, 3, \dots\}).$$

$$(47)$$

Since  $g \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  and  $q \in \mathscr{P}_{\beta}$ , from (39) and (7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} |b_k| &\leq 1 + \frac{(2\alpha - 1)(k - 1)}{2\alpha} \quad (k \in \{2, 3, \ldots\}), \\ |q_k| &\leq 2 - \frac{1}{\beta} \quad (k \in \{1, 2, \ldots\}). \end{aligned}$$
(48)

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From (47) in connection with (48), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{n}| \\ &\leq 1 + \frac{(2\alpha - 1)(n - 1)}{2\alpha} \\ &+ \frac{1}{n} \left( 2 - \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \left[ 1 + \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} k \left( 1 + \frac{(2\alpha - 1)(k - 1)}{2\alpha} \right) \right] \\ &= 1 + \frac{(2\alpha - 1)(n - 1)}{2\alpha} \\ &+ \frac{1}{n} \left[ \left( 2 - \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \left( 1 + \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} k \right) + \left( 2 - \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \frac{2\alpha - 1}{2\alpha} \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} k (k - 1) \right] \\ &= 1 + \frac{(2\alpha - 1)(n - 1)}{2\alpha} + \frac{2\beta - 1}{2\beta} (n - 1) \\ &+ \frac{(2\alpha - 1)(2\beta - 1)}{6\alpha\beta} (n - 1)(n - 2) \end{aligned}$$

$$(49)$$

which leads to inequality (44).

# **5. Maximum Value of** $|a_3 - (2/3)a_2^2|$

The problem of finding sharp upper bounds for the functional  $|a_3 - \mu a_2^2|$  for a family of analytic functions is known as the Fekete-Szegö problem. For the classes  $\mathcal{K}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$ , the following estimates are known (see, e.g., [8–11]):

$$\max_{f \in \mathscr{K}} \left| a_3 - \mu a_2^2 \right| = \max\left\{ \frac{1}{3}, \left| \mu - 1 \right| \right\},$$
 (50)

$$\max_{f \in \mathscr{C}} \left| a_3 - \mu a_2^2 \right| = \begin{cases} 3 - 4\mu, & 0 \le \mu \le \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{9\mu}, & \frac{1}{3} \le \mu \le \frac{2}{3} \\ 1, & \frac{2}{3} \le \mu \le 1. \end{cases}$$
(51)

In this section, the case  $\mu = 2/3$  of the Fekete-Szegö problem will be considered, first for the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  and then, for the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ .

In order to prove our results we need the following lemma due to Keogh and Merkes [9].

**Lemma 9.** Let  $\omega(z) = e_1 z + e_2 z^2 + \cdots$  be in the class  $\mathscr{B}$  and let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then

$$\left|e_2 - \lambda e_1^2\right| \le \max\left\{1, |\lambda|\right\}.$$
(52)

*Equality may be attained for*  $\omega(z) = z^2$  *and*  $\omega(z) = z$ .

**Theorem 10.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$ . If  $f \in CC(\alpha)$  is of the form (1), then

$$\left|a_{3} - \frac{2}{3}a_{2}^{2}\right| \le 1 - \frac{1}{3\alpha}.$$
(53)

*Proof.* Let  $f \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$ . Then there exists  $g \in \mathscr{K}$  such that  $f'(z)/g'(z) \prec p_{\alpha}(z)$ , where  $p_{\alpha}(z)$  is given by (4). Let  $g(z) = z + b_2 z^2 + b_3 z^3 + \cdots$ . Define

$$p(z) = \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} = 1 + p_1 z + p_2 z^2 + \dots \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
 (54)

Since  $p \prec p_{\alpha}$ , there exists  $\omega(z) = e_1 z + e_2 z^2 + \cdots \in \mathscr{B}$  such that

$$p(z) = p_{\alpha}(\omega(z))$$

$$= 1 + P_{1}e_{1}z + (P_{1}e_{2} + P_{2}e_{1}^{2})z^{2} + \cdots \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$
(55)

where  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are given by (6). Combining (54) and (55), after simple calculations, we get

$$a_2 = b_2 + \frac{p_1}{2}, \qquad a_3 = b_3 + \frac{p_2}{3} + \frac{2}{3}b_2p_1,$$
 (56)

$$p_1 = P_1 e_1, \qquad p_2 = P_1 e_2 + P_2 e_1^2.$$
 (57)

Substituting (6) and (57) in (56) we obtain

$$a_{2} = b_{2} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\alpha}\right)e_{1},$$

$$a_{3} = b_{3} + \frac{2}{3}\left(2 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)b_{2}e_{1} + \frac{2}{3}\left(2 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)\left[e_{2} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)e_{1}^{2}\right]$$
(58)

so that

$$a_3 - \frac{2}{3}a_2^2 = \left(b_3 - \frac{2}{3}b_2^2\right) + \frac{1}{3}\left(2 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)\left(e_2 - \frac{1}{2\alpha}e_1^2\right).$$
 (59)

Since  $g \in \mathcal{K}$ , making use of (50) with  $\mu = 2/3$ , we have

$$\left| b_3 - \frac{2}{3} b_2^2 \right| \le \frac{1}{3}. \tag{60}$$

In virtue of Lemma 9 and taking into account that  $\alpha > 1/2$ , we get

$$\left|e_2 - \frac{1}{2\alpha}e_1^2\right| \le 1. \tag{61}$$

Combining (59), (60), and (61), we obtain

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{3} - \frac{2}{3}a_{2}^{2} \end{vmatrix} \leq \begin{vmatrix} b_{3} - \frac{2}{3}b_{2}^{2} \end{vmatrix} + \frac{1}{3}\left(2 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right) \begin{vmatrix} e_{2} - \frac{1}{2\alpha}e_{1}^{2} \end{vmatrix}$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}\left(2 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{3\alpha}$$
(62)

and, thus, the proof is completed.

It is easy to observe that when  $\alpha \to \infty$  inequality (53) reduces to  $|a_3 - (2/3)a_2^2| \le 1$  which is the same with (51) for  $\mu = 2/3$ .

**Theorem 11.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . If f of the form (1) belongs to the class  $CC(\alpha, \beta)$ , then

$$\left|a_{3} - \frac{2}{3}a_{2}^{2}\right| \leq \frac{1}{3}\left(5 - \frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\beta}\right).$$
(63)

*Proof.* Since  $f \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ , there exists  $g \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  such that  $f'(z)/g'(z) \prec p_{\beta}(z)$ , where  $p_{\beta}(z)$  is given by (4) with  $\beta$  instead of  $\alpha$ . Let  $g(z) = z + b_2 z^2 + b_3 z^3 + \cdots$  and p(z) defined by

$$p(z) = \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} = 1 + p_1 z + p_2 z^2 + \dots \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
(64)

From  $p \prec p_{\beta}$  it follows that there exists  $\omega(z) = e_1 z + e_2 z^2 + \cdots \in \mathscr{B}$  such that  $p(z) = p_{\beta}(\omega(z))$ .

Using the same method as in the proof of Theorem 10, we obtain

$$a_3 - \frac{2}{3}a_2^2 = \left(b_3 - \frac{2}{3}b_2^2\right) + \frac{1}{3}\left(2 - \frac{1}{\beta}\right)\left(e_2 - \frac{1}{2\beta}e_2^2\right).$$
 (65)

Since  $g \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$ , from (53), we have

$$\left| b_3 - \frac{2}{3} b_2^2 \right| \le 1 - \frac{1}{3\alpha}.$$
 (66)

Moreover, for  $\beta > 1/2$ , we get from Lemma 9 that

$$\left| e_2 - \frac{1}{2\beta} e_2^2 \right| \le 1.$$
 (67)

Combining (65), (66), and (67), the inequality (63) follows.  $\hfill \Box$ 

## 6. Bounded Doubly Close-to-Starlike Functions

Let  $\alpha > 1/2$ . Consider  $\mathcal{S}^* \mathcal{S}(\alpha)$  the class of all functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  for which there exists a function  $g \in \mathcal{S}^*$  such that  $f/g \prec p_{\alpha}$ , with  $p_{\alpha}$  given by (4), or equivalently

$$\left|\frac{f(z)}{g(z)} - \alpha\right| < \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
(68)

It is easy to observe that when  $\alpha \to \infty$  the class  $\mathscr{S}^*\mathscr{S}(\alpha)$  reduces to the class of close-to-starlike functions defined by Reade [12].

For  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$  we denote by  $\mathcal{S}^*\mathcal{S}(\alpha, \beta)$  the class of functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  for which there exists a function  $g \in \mathcal{S}^*\mathcal{S}(\alpha)$  such that  $f/g \prec p_\beta$ , with  $p_\beta$  given by (4), or equivalently

$$\left|\frac{f(z)}{g(z)} - \beta\right| < \beta \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
(69)

Connections between the classes  $\mathcal{S}^* \mathcal{S}(\alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{CC}(\alpha)$  and also between  $\mathcal{S}^* \mathcal{S}(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $\mathcal{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$  are given in the next theorem.

**Theorem 12.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . Then, the following relationships hold:

$$f(z) \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha) \quad iff \ zf'(z) \in \mathscr{S}^* \mathscr{S}(\alpha),$$
 (70)

$$f(z) \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta) \quad iff \ zf'(z) \in \mathscr{S}^* \mathscr{S}(\alpha, \beta),$$
 (71)

$$f(z) \in \mathcal{S}^* \mathcal{S}(\alpha) \quad iff \quad \int_0^z \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha),$$
 (72)

$$f(z) \in \mathcal{S}^* \mathcal{S}(\alpha, \beta) \quad iff \int_0^z \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta).$$
 (73)

*Proof.* It is well known that a function  $g(z) \in \mathcal{K}$  if and only if  $zg'(z) \in S^*$ .

The definition of the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  implies that  $f \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  if and only if there exists  $g \in \mathscr{K}$  such that  $f'(z)/g'(z) \prec p_{\alpha}(z)$ .

The relation (70) follows from

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{zg'(z)} = \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} \prec p_{\alpha}(z), \quad zg'(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*.$$
(74)

In the same way,  $f \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$  if and only if there exists  $g \in \mathscr{CC}(\alpha)$  such that  $f'(z)/g'(z) \prec p_{\beta}(z)$ . We have

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{zg'(z)} = \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} \prec p_{\beta}(z)$$

$$\tag{75}$$

and taking into account (70), the relation (71) follows.

The proofs of (72) and (73) are similar and will be omitted.  $\hfill \Box$ 

The condition (71) of Theorem 12 together with Lemma 3 and (14) shows that the function

$$=\frac{z\left(1+\epsilon_{1}z\right)\left(1+\epsilon_{2}z\right)}{\left(1+\epsilon_{3}z\right)^{2}\left[1-\left(1-(1/\alpha)\right)\epsilon_{1}z\right]\left[1-\left(1-(1/\beta)\right)\epsilon_{2}z\right]}$$

$$(z \in \mathbb{U}),$$
(76)

where  $|\epsilon_k| = 1, k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  belongs to the class  $\mathscr{S}^* \mathscr{S}(\alpha, \beta)$  and, thus, this class is nonempty.

Combining Theorem 12 with Theorems 4 and 8 the next properties of the class  $\mathscr{S}^*\mathscr{S}(\alpha,\beta)$  can be easily obtained.

**Corollary 13.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . If  $f \in S^* S(\alpha, \beta)$ , then

$$\frac{r(1-r)^{2}}{(1+r)^{2} [1+(1-(1/\alpha))r] [1+(1-(1/\beta))r]}$$

$$\leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{r(1+r)^{2}}{(1-r)^{2} [1-(1-(1/\alpha))r] [1-(1-(1/\beta))r]}$$
(77)

for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$  and |z| = r < 1.

**Corollary 14.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . If  $f \in S^*S(\alpha, \beta)$  is given by (1), then

$$|a_{n}| \leq n + \left(4 - \frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\beta}\right) \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + \left(2 - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right) \left(2 - \frac{1}{\beta}\right) \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}$$
(78)  
( $n \in \{2, 3, \ldots\}$ ).

Making use of Theorem 12, we can also obtain an upper bound of  $|a_3 - (1/2)a_2^2|$  for functions in the class  $\mathcal{S}^* \mathcal{S}(\alpha, \beta)$ .

**Corollary 15.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . If  $f \in S^*S(\alpha, \beta)$  is given by (1), then

$$\left|a_{3} - \frac{1}{2}a_{2}^{2}\right| \le 5 - \frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\beta}.$$
(79)

*Proof.* Let  $f \in S^* \mathcal{S}(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then, from (73), the function  $F(z) = z + b_2 z^2 + b_3 z^3 + \cdots$  given by

$$F(z) = \int_0^z \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \tag{80}$$

belongs to the class  $\mathscr{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ . Comparing the coefficients of  $z^2$  and  $z^3$  on both sides of the above equality, we obtain

$$a_2 = 2b_2, \qquad a_3 = 3b_3$$
 (81)

so that

$$\left|a_{3} - \frac{1}{2}a_{2}^{2}\right| = \left|3b_{3} - 2b_{2}^{2}\right| = 3\left|b_{3} - \frac{2}{3}b_{2}^{2}\right|.$$
 (82)

Now, the inequality (79) follows as an application of Theorem 11.  $\hfill \Box$ 

Once again making use of Theorem 12, we have that  $f \in S^* \mathscr{S}(\alpha, \beta)$  if and only if

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = 1 + \frac{zF''(z)}{F'(z)} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$
(83)

for some  $F \in \mathcal{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$ . Therefore, a radius of convexity for  $\mathcal{CC}(\alpha, \beta)$  will correspond to a radius of starlikeness for  $\mathcal{S}^* \mathcal{S}(\alpha, \beta)$ .

The next result follows easily from Theorem 6.

**Corollary 16.** Let  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ . Suppose that  $f \in S^* S(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then, the function f maps the disk  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < r_0 < 1\}$  onto a starlike domain, where  $r_0$  is the smallest positive root of (28) in Theorem 6.

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