

# ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS STAR-LIKE OF ORDER $p$ IN ONE DIRECTION

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**1. Introduction.** Recently A. W. Goodman and M. S. Robertson [1] have studied typically-real functions of order  $p$  which were defined as follows:

A function

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n z^n$$

is said to be a member of the class  $T(p)$ , if in (1.1) the coefficients  $b_n$  are all real and if either (I)  $f(z)$  is regular in  $|z| \leq 1$  and  $\Im f(e^{i\theta})$  changes sign  $2p$  times as  $z = e^{i\theta}$  traverses the boundary of the unit circle, or (II)  $f(z)$  is regular in  $|z| < 1$  and if there is a  $\rho < 1$  such that for each  $r$  in  $\rho < r < 1$ ,  $\Im f(re^{i\theta})$  changes sign  $2p$  times as  $z = re^{i\theta}$  traverses the circle  $|z| = r$ .

Concerning the above class of functions A. W. Goodman [2] has obtained the following result:

Let

$$(1.2) \quad f(z) = z^q + \sum_{n=q+1}^{\infty} b_n z^n$$

be a function of the set  $T(p)$ . Suppose that in addition to the  $q$ -th order zero at  $z = 0$ , the function  $f(z)$  has exactly  $s$  zeros,  $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_s$ , such that  $0 < |\beta_j| < 1$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ . Finally let the non-negative integer  $t$  be defined by

$$(1.3) \quad q + s + t = p \geq 1$$

and let  $m = \lceil (t+1)/2 \rceil$ . Then

$$(1.4) \quad |b_n| \leq B_n, \quad n = q+1, q+2, \dots,$$

where  $B_n$  is defined by

$$(1.5) \quad \begin{aligned} F(z) &= \frac{z^q}{(1-z)^{2q+2s}} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{2m} \prod_{j=1}^s \left( 1 + \frac{z}{|\beta_j|} \right) (1+z|\beta_j|) \\ &= z^q + \sum_{n=q+1}^{\infty} B_n z^n. \end{aligned}$$

When  $t$  is odd or when  $t = 0$ ,  $F(z) \in T(p)$  and the inequality (1.4) is sharp.

Now in the present paper we shall introduce wider classes of functions, to be defined precisely in §2, whose coefficients are not necessarily real, proving that inequalities similar to (1.4) can be obtained.

For the special case when  $t = 0$  in (1.3) the above work has already

been done by the present author. [3]

## 2. Preliminary considerations.

LEMMA 1. *Let*

$$(2.1) \quad w = f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

*be regular for  $|z| \leq 1$  and have  $p(\geq 0)$  zeros in  $|z| \leq 1$ , no zeros on  $|z| = 1$ . Then there exists a point  $\zeta(|\zeta| = 1)$  for which the following equality holds*

$$(2.2) \quad \arg f(-\zeta) = \arg f(\zeta) + p\pi.$$

This lemma was proved in [3].

DEFINITION 1. The straight line  $f(\zeta) \circ f(-\zeta)$  is said to be the diametral line of  $f(z)$  when  $\zeta$  satisfies Lemma 1.

The special case of Lemma 1 and Definition 1 we owe to S. Ozaki [4] and N. G. DeBruijn [5]

LEMMA 1'. *Let (2.1) be a function regular for  $|z| \leq 1$ , and  $f(z) \neq 0$  on  $|z| = 1$ . Then there exists at least one diametral line of  $f(z)$  in the  $w$ -plane.*

DEFINITION 2. Let  $f(z)$  be regular for  $|z| \leq 1$  and let  $C$  be the image curve of  $|z| = 1$ . If  $C$  is cut by a straight line passing through the origin in  $2p$ , and not more than  $2p$  points, then  $f(z)$  is said to be star-like of order  $p$  in the direction of the straight line. This set of functions is denoted by  $S^1(p)$ .

Especially when the direction of star-likeness of order  $p$  is that of the diametral line of  $f(z)$ ,  $f(z)$  is said to belong to the class  $D(p)$ .

The idea of being star-like in one direction was introduced by M. S. Robertson [6] and also extended to general  $p$  by him [7], [8]. And  $D(1)$  was studied in [4], [5] and generalized in [3].

LEMMA 2. *Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a  $\bar{a}_3$  member of the class  $S^1(p)$  or  $D(p)$ .*

*Further let  $f(z)$  have  $s$  zeros  $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_s$  such that  $0 < |\beta_j| < 1$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ . Then the function  $F(z)$  defined by*

$$F(z) = f(z)g(z), \quad g(z) = z^s \prod_{j=1}^s (z - \beta_j)(1 - \bar{\beta}_j z)$$

*is also a member of the class  $S^1(p)$  or  $D(p)$ , respectively.*

PROOF. Regularity of  $F(z)$  in  $|z| \leq 1$  is evident. Now we easily see that

$$g(e^{i\theta}) = 1 \prod_{j=1}^s |e^{i\theta} - \beta_j|^2.$$

Hence  $\arg F(e^{i\theta}) = \arg f(e^{i\theta})$  for every  $\theta$ . Consequently if  $f(z) \in S^1(p)$  or  $D(p)$ , then  $F(z) \in S^1(p)$  or  $D(p)$ , respectively.

DEFINITION 3. The harmonic function  $V(r, \theta)$  is said to have a change

of sign at  $\theta = \theta_j$  if there exists an  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for  $0 < \delta < \varepsilon$

$$(2.3) \quad V(r, \theta_j + \delta)V(r, \theta_j - \delta) < 0.$$

Note that in (2.3)  $r$  is constant.

DEFINITION 4.  $\Im f(z) = V(r, \theta)$  is said to change sign  $q$  times on  $|z| = r$  if there are  $q$  values of  $\theta, \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_q$  such that

- (a) inequality (2.3) holds for each  $\theta_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, q,$
- (b)  $\theta_j \not\equiv \theta_k \pmod{2\pi}$  if  $j \neq k,$
- (c) if  $\theta_s$  is any value of  $\theta$  for which  $V(r, \theta)$  has a change of sign then for one of the  $\theta_j, j = 1, \dots, q \theta_s \equiv \theta_j \pmod{2\pi}.$

LEMMA 3. If  $V_1(r, \theta)$  and  $V_2(r, \theta)$  both have a change of sign at  $\theta_j,$  then the product  $V_1(r, \theta)V_2(r, \theta)$  does not have a change of sign at  $\theta_j.$  If  $V_1(r, \theta)$  has a change of sign at  $\theta_j,$  and if  $V_2(r, \theta)$  does not have a change of sign at  $\theta_j,$  then the product has a change of sign at  $\theta_j.$

The above two definitions and Lemma 3 were used in [1].

LEMMA 4. Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n, |a_0| = 1,$  be regular in  $|z| \leq 1$  and  $\Im f(re^{\theta})$  change sign  $2p$  times on  $|z| = r$  for  $r$  near 1. Further let  $f(z)$  have no zeros in  $|z| < 1.$  Then

$$(2.4) \quad f(z) \ll \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{p+1}$$

PROOF. Since  $f(z)$  is free of zeros in  $|z| < 1,$  there is a function  $h(z) = (f(z))^{1/p+1}$  such that  $h(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n z^n, |\alpha_n| = 1,$  is regular and has no zeros in  $|z| < 1.$  We shall see that for  $|z| < 1, \Re re^{i\alpha} h(z) \geq 0$  with a proper choice of  $\alpha.$

Since  $h(z)$  is free of zeros on  $|z| \leq 1$  by the above assumption, if we take a branch of  $\arg h(re^{i\theta}), \arg h(re^{i\theta})$  is a one-valued continuous function in the interval  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi.$  Hence for our purpose it is sufficient to show that  $\text{Max}_{0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi} \arg h(re^{i\theta}) - \text{Min}_{0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi} \arg h(re^{i\theta}) \leq \pi$  which means  $h(re^{i\theta})$  lies on a half plane.

Let us suppose that the above inequality does not hold. Then we have

$$\text{Max}_{0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi} \arg f(re^{i\theta}) - \text{Min}_{0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi} \arg f(re^{i\theta}) > (p+1)\pi$$

since  $\arg f(z) = (p+1) \arg h(z).$  Hence  $f(z)$  changes sign at least  $p+1$  times on the arc of the circle  $z = re^{\theta}, \theta_1 \leq \theta \leq \theta_2,$  where  $\arg f(re^{i\theta_1}) = \text{Min}_{0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi} \arg f(re^{i\theta})$  and  $\arg f(re^{i\theta_2}) = \text{Max}_{0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi} \arg f(re^{i\theta}).$  But  $f(z)$  has no zeros, so that on the full circle  $z = re^{i\theta}, -\pi + \varepsilon < \theta \leq \pi + \varepsilon, \Delta \arg f(z) = 0.$  Therefore on the full circle  $f(z)$  must change sign at least  $2(p+1)$  times. This contradicts to our assumption.

Hence  $\Re re^{i\alpha} h(z) \geq 0.$  By Carathéodory's Theorem,  $h(z) \ll (1+z)/(1-z)$  and

hence (2.4) is proved.

3. On the class  $S(p)$ .

THEOREM 1. Let

$$(3.1) \quad f(z) = z^q + \sum_{n=q+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

be a function of the set  $S^1(p)$ . Suppose that in addition to the  $q$ -th order zero at  $z = 0$  the function  $f(z)$  has exactly  $s$  zeros,  $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_s$  such that  $0 < |\beta_j| < 1, j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ . Finally let the non-negative integer  $t$  be defined by

$$(3.2) \quad q + s + t = p \geq 1.$$

Then

$$(3.3) \quad |a_n| \leq A_n, \quad n = q + 1, q + 2, \dots,$$

where  $A_n$  is defined by

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} F(z) &= \frac{z^q}{(1-z)^{2q+2s}} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{2t+1} \prod_{j=1}^s \left( 1 + \frac{z}{|\beta_j|} \right) (1+z|\beta_j|) \\ &= z^t + \sum_{n=q+1}^{\infty} A_n z^n. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. Let us put

$$(3.5) \quad E(z) = f(z) \cdot z^s / \prod_{j=1}^s (z - \beta_j) (1 - \bar{\beta}_j z)$$

then by Lemma 2  $E(z) \in S^1(p)$ , since  $f(z) \in S^1(p)$  and

$$(3.6) \quad (-1)^s \prod_{i=1}^s \beta_i E(z) = z^{q+s} + \alpha_{q+s+1} z^{q+s+1} + \dots = \psi(z) \in S^1(p).$$

We wish now to show that

$$(3.7) \quad \psi(z) \ll \frac{z^{q+s}}{(1-z)^{2q+2s}} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{2t+1}.$$

For the purpose it will be sufficient to assume that the direction of star-likeness of order  $p$  is that of the real axis since otherwise we may consider  $e^{\alpha} f(z)$  with a proper choice of  $\alpha$ . Then by our hypothesis  $\Im \psi(z)$  changes sign  $2p$  times on  $|z| = 1$ , i. e. at  $\theta_j (j = 1, 2, \dots, 2p)$ .

Let

$$(3.8) \quad \varphi(z) = (-1)^{q+s+1} \exp\left(-\frac{i}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2(q+s)} \theta_{s_k}\right) \cdot \prod_{k=1}^{2(q+s)} (e^{i\theta_{s_k}} - z) / z^{q+s}$$

where  $\theta_{s_k} (k = 1, 2, \dots, 2(q+s))$  are chosen arbitrarily from  $\theta_s (s = 1, 2, \dots, 2p)$  then

$$(3.9) \quad \varphi(e^{i\theta}) = -2^{2(q+s)} \prod_{k=1}^{2(q+s)} \sin \frac{\theta_{s_k} - \theta}{2}.$$

Hence  $\varphi(e^{i\theta})$  changes sign  $2(q+s)$  times on  $|z| = 1$ , i. e. at  $\theta_{s_k} (k = 1, 2, \dots, 2(q+s))$ .

Let

$$(3.10) \quad G(z) = \psi(z)\varphi(z) = e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n z^n,$$

then  $G(z)$  is regular for  $|z| \leq 1$  and  $G(z)$  has no zeros in  $|z| < 1$ . Moreover by Lemma 3  $\Im G(e^{i\theta})$  changes sign  $2p - 2(q + s) = 2t$  times on  $|z| = 1$ . Furthermore  $G(e^{i\theta})$  touches the real axis at the origin  $2(q + s)$  times as  $z$  moves along  $|z| = 1$ . It should be noticed that  $G(e^{i\theta})$  does not touch the real axis at the other points. Hence  $\Im G(re^{i\theta})$  for  $r$  near 1 changes sign more than  $2t$  times in general. It does not, however, change sign more than  $4t$  times. This fact can be seen as follows. The image region of  $|z| \leq 1$  under  $G(z)$  contains a part of the real axis  $(0 + x, 0 - x)$  for properly small  $x$ , at most  $t$  times since  $\Im G(e^{i\theta})$  changes sign  $2t$  times. If we consider  $\Im G(re^{i\theta})$ , the points of contact stated above are removed and new changes of sign appear at most  $2t$  in the neighbourhood of the origin. Hence  $\Im G(re^{i\theta})$  changes sign at most  $4t$  times on  $|z| = r$  for  $r$  near 1. Consequently by Lemma 4,

$$(3.11) \quad G(z) \ll \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{2t+1}$$

On the other hand from (3.10) we have

$$\psi(z) = G(z)/\varphi(z) = z^{\eta+s} G(z) / (-1)^{\eta+s+1} \exp\left(-\frac{i}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2(q+s)} \theta_{s_k}\right) \prod_{k=1}^{2(q+s)} (e^{i\theta_{s_k}} - z)$$

which is dominated by

$$(3.12) \quad \frac{z^{\eta+s}}{(1-z)^{2(\eta+s)}} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{2t+1}$$

since we have (3.11).

From (3.4) and (3.5) we have

$$f(z) = \psi(z) \prod_{i=1}^s (z - \beta_i)(1 - \bar{\beta}_i z) / \prod_{i=1}^s \beta_i z^s$$

which is dominated by

$$\frac{z^{\eta}}{(1-z)^{2(\eta+s)}} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{2t+1} \prod_{i=1}^s \left( 1 + \frac{z}{|\beta_i|} \right) (1 + |\beta_i|z) = F(z)$$

since we have (3.12).

q. e. d.

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let  $f(z)$  satisfy the condition of Theorem 1, and let  $F(z)$  be given by (3.4), then for  $0 \leq r < 1$*

$$|f^{(j)}(re^{i\theta})| \leq F^{(j)}(r), \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

This is a trivial consequence of Theorem 1, since all the coefficients in  $F(z)$  are positive.

**4. On the class  $D(p)$ .**

**THEOREM 2.** *Let*

$$(4.1) \quad f(z) = z^q + \sum_{n=q+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

be a function of the set  $D(p)$ . Suppose that in addition to the  $q$ -th order zero at  $z = 0$ , the function  $f(z)$  has exactly  $s$  zeros,  $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_s$  such that  $0 < |\beta_j| < 1$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ . Finally let  $t$  be defined by

$$(4.2) \quad q + s + t = p \geq 1.$$

Then

$$(4.3) \quad |a_n| \leq C_n, \quad n = q + 1, q + 2, \dots,$$

where  $C_n$  is defined by

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} F(z) &= \frac{z^q}{(1-z)^{2q+2s}} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{2t} \prod_{j=1}^s \left( 1 + \frac{z}{|\beta_j|} \right) (1+z|\beta_j|) \\ &= z^q + \sum_{n=q+1}^{\infty} C_n z^n. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. Although we can complete this proof by a slight modification of the method used in § 3, some notes must be added.

Employing the notations in § 3, we have by Lemma 2,  $E(z) \in D(p)$  and  $\psi(z) \in D(p)$ .

Now we wish to show that

$$\psi(z) \ll \frac{z^{q+s}}{(1-z)^{2q+2s}} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{2t}.$$

For the purpose it will be sufficient to assume that the diametral line in which direction  $\psi(z)$  is star-like of order  $p$  is  $\psi(1) \circ \psi(-1)$ , since otherwise we may consider  $\psi(\xi z) = g(z)$  for which  $g(1) \circ g(-1)$  is the diametral line.

Let  $\psi(1) = w = |w|e^{-i\alpha}$  then by our hypothesis  $\Re e^{i\alpha} \psi(e^{i\theta})$  changes sign at  $\theta_s$  ( $s = 1, 2, \dots, 2p$ ) where, in particular,  $\theta_1 = 0$ ,  $\theta_j = \pi$  ( $1 < j \leq 2p$ ).

Defining  $\varphi(z)$  as in § 3, in particular, with  $\theta_{s_1} = \theta_1 = 0$ ,  $\theta_{s_l} = \theta_j = \pi$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(z) &= e^{-i\alpha} G(z) / \varphi(z) \\ &= -e^{-i\alpha} G(z) / (1-z^2) (-1)^{q+s} \exp \left( -\frac{i}{2} \sum_{k=1, l}^{q+s} \theta_{s_k} \right) \prod_{k=1, l}^{2(q+s)} (e^{i\theta_{s_k}} - z) z^{-(q+s)} \end{aligned}$$

which is dominated by

$$\left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{2t+1} \cdot \frac{1}{1-z^2} \cdot \frac{z^{q+s}}{(1-z)^{2(q+s-1)}}$$

since we again have  $G(z) \ll \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{t+1}$ . Hence we have (4.3) by the same way as in Theorem 1. q. e. d.

Obviously we can obtain a corollary similar to the one in § 3. But we refrain from describing it.

COROLLARY 2. Let  $f(z)$  in the form (3.1) be regular for  $|z| \leq 1$  and assigned with the same zeros as in Theorem 2. Suppose that  $f(z)$  satisfies one of the following conditions.

i)  $f(1) = \text{real}$  and  $f(-1) = \text{real}$  and  $\Im f(e^{i\theta})$  changes sign  $2p$  times on  $|z| = 1$ .

ii) All the coefficients are real and  $\Im f(e^{i\theta})$  changes sign  $2p$  times on  $|z| = 1$ .

Then (4.3) holds.

PROOF. i) In this case the diametral line of  $f(z)$  is evidently the real axis and star-like of order  $p$  in this direction by our hypothesis which proves the corollary by using Theorem 2.

ii) This is a direct consequence of the preceding i).

### 5. Classes of functions related to $S^1(p)$ or $D(p)$ .

DEFINITION 5. Let  $f(z)$  be regular for  $|z| \leq 1$  and  $C$  be the image curve of  $|z| = 1$ . Let, further,  $P$  be the orthogonal projection of  $f(e^{i\theta})$  onto a straight line. Then  $P$  will move on the straight line both positively or negatively when  $\theta$  varies from 0 to  $2\pi$ . If  $P$  changes its direction of movement  $2p$  times varies from 0 to  $2\pi$ , then  $f(z)$  is said to be convex of order  $p$  in the direction when  $\theta$  which is perpendicular to the straight line. This set of functions is denoted by  $K^1(p)$  and has been studied by M. S. Robertson [9] recently. Especially if, when we represent  $f(z)$ ,  $zf'(z)$  in the same plane, the straight line is parallel to a diametral line of  $zf'(z)$ , then  $f(z)$  is said to be a member of  $F(p)$ .

LEMMA 6.  $f(z)$  is a member of the class  $K^1(p)$  or  $F(p)$  if and only if  $zf'(z)$  belongs to the class  $S^1(p)$  or  $D(p)$ , respectively.

This is a generalization of M. S. Robertson's Lemma, and for  $F(p)$  and  $D(p)$  was proved in [3]. Analogous proof can be made for  $K^1(p)$  and  $S^1(p)$ .

THEOREM 3. Let

$$(5.1) \quad f(z) = z^q + \sum_{n=q+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

be a function of the set  $F(p)$ . Suppose that in addition to the  $q$ -th order critical points at  $z = 0$ , the function  $f(z)$  has exactly  $s$  critical points at  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s$ , such that  $0 < |\alpha_j| < 1$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ . Finally let  $t$  be defined by  $q + s + t = p \geq 1$ . Then

$$(5.2) \quad |a_n| \leq q C_n/n, \quad n = q + 1, q + 2, \dots,$$

$$(5.3) \quad |f(re^{i\theta})| \leq q \int_0^r \frac{F(r)}{r} dr \quad \text{for } r < 1,$$

$$(5.4) \quad |f'(re^{i\theta})| \leq q F(r)/r \quad \text{for } r < 1,$$

where  $C_n, F(r)$  are defined by

$$(5.5) \quad F(z) = \frac{z^l}{(1-z)^{2\gamma+2\delta}} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{2t} \prod_{j=1}^s \left( 1 + \frac{z}{|\alpha_j|} \right) (1+z|\alpha_j|) \\ = z^l + \sum_{n=q+1}^{\infty} C_n z^n.$$

PROOF. Since  $f(z) \in F(p)$

$$\frac{1}{q} z f'(z) = z^l + \frac{1}{q} \sum_{n=q+1}^{\infty} n a_n z^n \in D(p)$$

by Lemma 6. By using Theorem 2 we have (5.2) and (5.4). By integrating along a radius we have

$$|f(re^{i\theta})| = \left| \int_0^z f'(z) dz \right| \leq \int_0^r |f'(re^{i\theta})| dr \leq q \int_0^r \frac{F(r)}{r} dr \quad \text{for } r < 1,$$

which completes the proof.

REMARK. A theorem for  $K^1(p)$  analogous to the above one can be derived by using Theorem 1 and Lemma 6. But we do not arrange it here.

COROLLARY 3. Let  $f(z)$  in the form (5.1) be regular for  $|z| \leq 1$  and assigned with the same critical points as in Theorem 3. Suppose that  $f(z)$  satisfies one of the following conditions.

(i)  $f'(1) = \text{real}$ ,  $f'(-1) = \text{real}$ , and  $f(z)$  is convex of order  $p$  in the direction of the imaginary axis.

(ii) In (5.1) the coefficients are all real and  $f(z)$  is convex of order  $p$  in the direction of the imaginary axis.

Then (5.2), (5.3) and (5.4) hold.

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