

# Coefficient estimates of functions in the class concerning with spirallike functions

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## Abstract

For analytic functions  $f(z)$  normalized by  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(0) = 1$  in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$ , a new subclass  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha$  of  $f(z)$  concerning with spirallike functions in  $\mathbb{U}$  is introduced. The object of the present paper is to discuss an extremal function for the class  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha$  and coefficient estimates of functions  $f(z)$  belonging to the class  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha$ .

## 1 Introduction

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

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C}; |z| < 1\}$ . If  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies the following inequality

$$(1.2) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

for some complex number  $\alpha$  ( $|\alpha - \frac{1}{2}| < \frac{1}{2}$ ), then we say that  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\alpha$ . If  $\alpha = |\alpha|e^{i\varphi}$ , then the condition (1.2) is equivalent to

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( e^{-i\varphi} \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > |\alpha| \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Therefore, we note that a function  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\alpha$  is spirallike in  $\mathbb{U}$  which implies that  $f(z)$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ .

Further, if  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , then  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\alpha$  is starlike of order  $\alpha$  (cf. Robertson[3]).

Let  $\mathcal{P}$  denote the class of functions  $p(z)$  of the form

$$(1.3) \quad p(z) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k z^k$$

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which are analytic in  $\mathbf{U}$  and satisfy

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0 \quad (z \in \mathbf{U}).$$

Then we say that  $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}$  is the Carathéodory function (cf. Carathéodory [1] or Duren [2]).

**Remark 1.1** Let us consider a function  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  which satisfies

$$(1.4) \quad \left| \frac{f(z)}{zf'(z)} - \frac{1}{2\alpha} \right| < \frac{1}{2\alpha} \quad (z \in \mathbf{U})$$

for  $|\alpha - \frac{1}{2}| < \frac{1}{2}$ . If we write that  $F(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}$ , then the inequality (1.4) can be written by

$$\left| \frac{2\alpha - F(z)}{F(z)} \right| < 1 \quad (z \in \mathbf{U}).$$

This implies that

$$\alpha \overline{F(z)} + \bar{\alpha} F(z) > 2|\alpha|^2 \quad (z \in \mathbf{U}).$$

It follows that

$$\left( \frac{F(z)}{\alpha} \right) + \overline{\left( \frac{F(z)}{\alpha} \right)} > 2 \quad (z \in \mathbf{U}).$$

Therefore, the inequality (1.4) is equivalent to

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > 1 \quad (z \in \mathbf{U}).$$

## 2 Coefficient estimates

In this section, we discuss the coefficient estimates of  $a_n$  for  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\alpha$ . To establish our results, we need the following lemma due to Carathéodory [1].

**Lemma 2.1** *If a function  $p(z) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k z^k \in \mathcal{P}$  satisfies the following inequality*

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0 \quad (z \in \mathbf{U}),$$

then

$$|c_k| \leq 2 \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

with equality for

$$p(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}.$$

Now, we introduce the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.2** *Extremal function for the class  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha$  is  $f(z)$  defined by*

$$(2.1) \quad f(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{2\alpha(\operatorname{Re}(\frac{1}{\alpha})-1)}}.$$

*Proof.* From the definition of the class  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha$ , we have that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1\right) > 0.$$

Moreover, it is clear that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) > 1 \quad \left(|\alpha - \frac{1}{2}| < \frac{1}{2}\right).$$

Then, if the function  $F(z)$  is defined by

$$F(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 - i\operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)}{\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - 1},$$

we see that

$$\operatorname{Re}F(z) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad F(0) = 1,$$

so that,  $F(z) \in \mathcal{P}$ .

Therefore, Lemma 2.1 shows us that

$$F(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 - i\operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)}{\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - 1} = \frac{1+z}{1-z}.$$

It follows that,

$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} - \frac{1}{z} = 2\alpha \left(\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - 1\right) \frac{1}{1-z}.$$

Integrating both sides from 0 to  $z$  on  $t$ , we have that

$$\int_0^z \left(\frac{f'(t)}{f(t)} - \frac{1}{t}\right) dt = 2\alpha \left(\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - 1\right) \int_0^z \frac{1}{1-t} dt,$$

which implies that

$$\log \frac{f(z)}{z} = \log \frac{1}{(1-z)^{2\alpha(\operatorname{Re}(\frac{1}{\alpha})-1)}}.$$

Therefore, we obtain that

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{2\alpha(\operatorname{Re}(\frac{1}{\alpha})-1)}}.$$

This is the extremal function of the class  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha$ . □

Next, we discuss the coefficient estimates of  $f(z)$  belonging to the class  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha$ .

**Theorem 2.3** *If a function  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\alpha$ , then*

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|) + (k-1)) \quad (n = 2, 3, 4, \dots).$$

*Equality holds true for  $f(z)$  given by (2.1).*

*Proof.* By using same method with Theorem 2.2 , if we set  $F(z)$  that

$$(2.2) \quad F(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 - i\text{Im}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)}{\text{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - 1},$$

then it is clear that  $F(z) \in \mathcal{P}$ .

Letting

$$F(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + \cdots,$$

Lemma 2.1 gives us that

$$|c_m| \leq 2 \quad (m = 1, 2, 3 \cdots).$$

Now, from (2.2),

$$\left(\text{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - 1\right)F(z) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 - i\text{Im}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right).$$

Let  $\text{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - 1 = s$  and  $1 + i\text{Im}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) = A$ .

This implies that

$$(\alpha s F(z) + \alpha A)f(z) = zf'(z).$$

Then, the coefficients of  $z^n$  in both sides lead to

$$na_n = (\alpha s + \alpha A)a_n + \alpha s(a_{n-1}c_1 + a_{n-2}c_2 + \cdots + a_{n-r}c_r + \cdots + a_2c_{n-2} + c_{n-1}).$$

Therefore, we see that

$$a_n = \frac{\alpha s}{n - \alpha s - \alpha A}(a_{n-1}c_1 + a_{n-2}c_2 + \cdots + a_{n-r}c_r + \cdots + a_2c_{n-2} + c_{n-1}).$$

This shows that

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n| &= \frac{|\alpha(\text{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - 1)|}{|n - \alpha(\text{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - 1) - \alpha(1 + i\text{Im}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right))|} |a_{n-1}c_1 + a_{n-2}c_2 + \cdots + a_{n-r}c_r + \cdots + a_2c_{n-2} + c_{n-1}| \\ &= \frac{\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|}{n - 1} |a_{n-1}c_1 + a_{n-2}c_2 + \cdots + a_{n-r}c_r + \cdots + a_2c_{n-2} + c_{n-1}| \\ &\leq \frac{\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|}{n - 1} (|a_{n-1}||c_1| + |a_{n-2}||c_2| + \cdots + |a_{n-r}||c_r| + \cdots + |a_2||c_{n-2}| + |c_{n-1}|) \\ &\leq \frac{\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|}{n - 1} (2|a_{n-1}| + 2|a_{n-2}| + \cdots + 2|a_2| + 2) \\ &\leq \frac{2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|)}{n - 1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} |a_k| \quad (|a_1| = 1). \end{aligned}$$

To prove that

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|) + (k-1)),$$

we need to show that

$$(2.3) \quad |a_n| \leq \frac{2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|)}{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} |a_k| \leq \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|) + (k-1)).$$

We use the mathematical induction for the proof.

When  $n = 2$ , this assertion is true.

We assume that the proposition is true for  $n = 2, 3, 4, \dots, m-1$ .

For  $n = m$ , we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} |a_m| &\leq \frac{2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|)}{m-1} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} |a_k| \\ &= \frac{2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|)}{m-1} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{m-2} |a_k| + |a_{m-1}| \right) \\ &= \frac{m-2}{m-1} \frac{2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|)}{m-2} \sum_{k=1}^{m-2} |a_k| + \frac{2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|)}{m-1} |a_{m-1}| \\ &\leq \frac{m-2}{(m-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{m-2} (2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|) + k - 1) \\ &\quad + \frac{2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|)}{m-1} \frac{1}{(m-2)!} \prod_{k=1}^{m-2} (2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|) + k - 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{m-2} (2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|) + k - 1) (m - 2 + 2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|)) \\ &= \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{m-1} (2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|) + k - 1). \end{aligned}$$

Thus the inequality (2.3) is true for  $n = m$ . By the mathematical induction, we prove that

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|) + (k-1)) \quad (n = 2, 3, 4, \dots).$$

For the equality, we consider the extremal function  $f(z)$  given by Theorem 2.2. Since

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{2\alpha(\operatorname{Re}(\frac{1}{\alpha})-1)}},$$

if we let

$$2\alpha(\operatorname{Re}(\frac{1}{\alpha}) - 1) = j,$$

then  $f(z)$  becomes that

$$f(z) = z(1-z)^{-j} = z \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{-j}{n} (-z)^n \right) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{j(j+1) \cdots (j+n-2)}{(n-1)!} z^n.$$

From the above, we obtained

$$a_n = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (2\alpha \operatorname{Re}(\frac{1}{\alpha}) - 1) + k - 1).$$

For  $n = 2$ ,

$$|a_2| = 2|\alpha| |\operatorname{Re}(\frac{1}{\alpha}) - 1| = 2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|).$$

Furthermore, for  $n \geq 3$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n| &= \left| \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (2\alpha \operatorname{Re}(\frac{1}{\alpha}) - 1) + k - 1 \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} |2\alpha \operatorname{Re}(\frac{1}{\alpha}) - 1| + k - 1| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (2(\cos(\arg(\alpha)) - |\alpha|) + k - 1). \end{aligned}$$

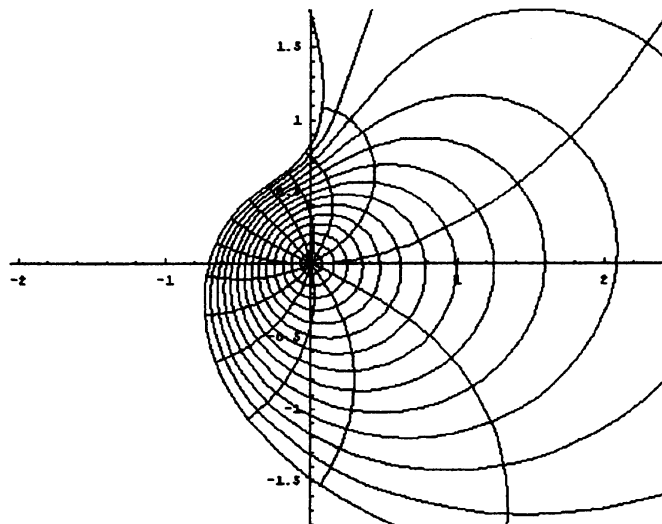
Equality holds true for some real  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha < 1$ ).

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.3 . □

**Example 2.4** Let  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}i$  in (2.1). Then we have that

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{\frac{6+3i}{10}}}.$$

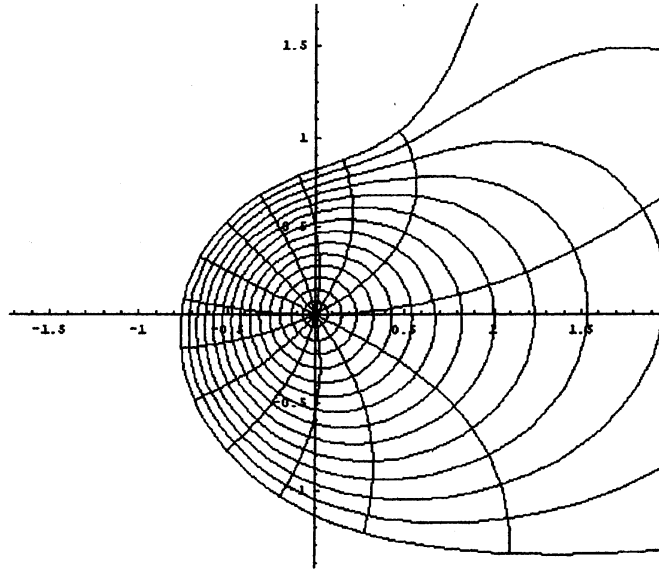
This function  $f(z)$  maps the unit disk  $U$  onto the following domain.



**Example 2.5** If we take  $\alpha = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4}i$  in (2.1), then we have that

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{\frac{184+69i}{438}}}.$$

This function  $f(z)$  maps the unit disk  $U$  onto the following domain.



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