

SUBCLASSES OF MEROMORPHICALLY MULTIVALENT FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we consider some properties such as growth and distortion theorem, coefficient problems, radii of convexity and starlikeness and convex linear combinations for certain subclass of meromorphic p -valent functions with positive coefficients.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let \mathcal{A}_p denoted the class of functions $f(z)$ normalized by:

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (p \in N := 1, 2, 3, \dots), \quad (1)$$

which are analytic and p -valent in the punctured unit disk $\mathcal{D} = \{z : 0 < |z| < 1\}$.

The function $f(z)$ in \mathcal{A}_p is said to be meromorphically starlike of order α if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{-zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathcal{D}, p \in N) \quad (2)$$

for some α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$). We denote by $S_p^*(\alpha)$ to the class of all meromorphically starlike functions of order α . Similarly, a function $f(z)$ in \mathcal{A}_p is said to be meromorphically convex of order α if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(-1 - \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathcal{D}, p \in N) \quad (3)$$

for some α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$). We denote by $C_p(\alpha)$ to the class of all meromorphically convex functions of order α .

The functions of the form (1) was considered by Liu and Srivastava [11], and Raina and Srivastava [14].

Let S_p denoted the subclass of A_p consisting of functions of the form:

$$f(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} |a_n| z^n \quad (4)$$

as studied by Mogra[12] and Liu and Srivastava[11]. For function f in the class A_p , we define a linear operator I^n by

$$I^0 f(z) = f(z)$$

,

$$I^1 f(z) = z \left(\frac{1}{z^0} f(z) \right)' + \frac{p+1}{z^p}$$

$$I^2 f(z) = z^2 \left(\frac{1}{z} (I^1 f(z)) \right)' + \frac{p+2}{z^p},$$

and generally

$$I^k f(z) = z^k \left[\frac{1}{z^{k-1}} (I^{k-1} f(z)) \right]' + \frac{(p+k)}{z^p}$$

$$I^k f(z) = I(I^{k-1} f(z)) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P(n,k) a_n z^n \quad (f \in A_p, k \in N). \quad (5)$$

$$\text{where } P(n,k) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}.$$

Then it is easily verified that

$$z(I^n f(z))' = I^{n+1} f(z) + nI^n f(z) + \frac{n-p-1}{z^p}, \quad (f \in A_p, k \in N_0, p \in N). \quad (6)$$

The linear operator I^k was considered, when $p = 1$, by M.Albehbah and M. Darus [1]. Also note, by similar approach in getting the differential operator I^k , was studied extensively by Ghanim and Darus ([21],[22]) and [23],also they presented several results .

With the help of the differential operator I^k , we define the class $S_p^*(k, \alpha)$ as follows:

Definition 1. The function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$ is said to be a member of the class $S_p^*(\alpha, k)$ if it satisfies the following inequality:

$$\left| \frac{z(I^k f(z))'}{I^k f(z)} + p \right| \leq \left| \frac{z(I^k f(z))'}{I^k f(z)} + 2\alpha - p \right| \quad (k \in \mathbf{N}_0 = \mathbf{N} \cup 0) \quad (7)$$

for some α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$) and for all $z \in U$.

It is easy to check that $S_p^*(0, \alpha)$ is the class of meromorphically starlike functions of order α and $S_p^*(0, 0)$ covers all classes of meromorphically starlike functions for all $z \in U$. Many important properties and characteristics of various interesting subclasses of the class \mathcal{A}_p of meromorphically p -valent functions were investigated extensively by (among others) Aouf and Srivastava [3], Aouf and Hossen [2], Chen and Owa [4], Cho and Owa [5], Joshi and Srivastava [7], Kulkarni, Naik and Srivastava [8], Liu and Srivastava [9],[10], Mogra [12], Owa, Darwish and Aouf [13], Srivastava, Hossen and Aouf [16], Uralegaddi and Somanatha [18], [19], and Yang [20], (see also [17], [6]).

Let us write

$$S_p^*[k, \alpha] = S_p^*(k, \alpha) \cap S_p \quad (8)$$

where S_p is the class of functions of the form (4) that is analytic and p -valent in U .

Next, we obtain the coefficient estimates for the classes $S_p^*[k, \alpha]$ and $S_p^*(k, \alpha)$.

2. COEFFICIENT ESTIMATES

Here we provide a sufficient condition for a function f analytic in U to be in $S_p^*(k, \alpha)$.

Theorem 1. Let the function $f(z)$ be defined by (1). If

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n + \alpha)|a_n| \leq (p - \alpha) \quad (k \in \mathbf{N}_0) \quad (9)$$

where ($0 \leq \alpha < p$), then $f(z) \in S_p^*(k, \alpha)$.

Proof. Suppose that (9) holds true ($0 \leq \alpha < p$). Consider the expression

$$M(f, f') = |z(I^k f(z))' + pI^k f(z)| \leq |z(I^k f(z))' + (2\alpha - p)I^k f(z)|.$$

Then for ($0 < |z| = r < 1$) we have

$$M(f, f') = \left| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n+p)a_n z^n - \frac{2(\alpha-p)}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n+2\alpha-p)a_n z^n \right|.$$

$$M(f, f') \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n+p)|a_n|r^n - \frac{(2(p-\alpha))}{r^p} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n+2\alpha-p)|a_n|r^{n+1},$$

that is,

$$r^p M(f, f') \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(n, k)(2)(n+\alpha)|a_n|r^n - (2(p-\alpha)). \quad (10)$$

The inequality in(10)holds true for all $r(0 < r < 1)$. Therefore, by letting $r \rightarrow 1$ in(10), we obtain

$$M(f, f') \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2)P(n, k)(n+\alpha)|a_n| - (2(p-\alpha)) \leq 0$$

by the hypothesis in(9). Hence it follows that $\left| \frac{z(I^k f(z))'}{I^k f(z)} + p \right| < \left| \frac{z(I^k f(z))'}{I^k f(z)} + 2\alpha - p \right|$.

So that $f(z) \in S_p^*(k, \alpha)$. Hence the theorem is complete.

Corollary 2. *Let $k = \alpha = 0$ in Theorem 1, then we have*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n|a_n| \leq p.$$

Corollary 3. *Set $k = 1$ and $\alpha = 0$ in Theorem 1, then we have*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2|a_n| \leq p.$$

Next we will give a necessary and sufficient condition for a function $f \in S_p$ to be in the class $S_p^*[\alpha, k]$.

Theorem 4. *Let the function $f(z)$ be defined by (4) and let $f(z) \in S_p$. Then $f(z) \in S_p^*[\alpha, k]$ if and only if*

$$\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n+\alpha)|a_n| \leq (p-\alpha) \quad (11)$$

($k \in N_0, n = p, p+1, p+2, \dots, 0 \leq \alpha < 1$).

Proof. In view of Theorem 1, it suffices to show that the 'only if' part. Assume that $f \in S_p^*[\alpha, k]$. Then

$$\left| \frac{\frac{z(I^k f(z))'}{I^k f(z)} + p}{\frac{z(I^k f(z))'}{I^k f(z)} + 2\alpha - p} \right| = \left| \frac{\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n + p)a_n z^n}{\frac{2(\alpha - p)}{z^p} + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n + 2\alpha - p)a_n z^n} \right| < 1. \quad (12)$$

Since $Re(z) \leq |z|$ for all z , it follows (12) that

$$Re\left\{ \frac{\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n + p)a_n z^n}{\frac{2(\alpha - p)}{z^p} + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n + 2\alpha - p)a_n z^n} \right\} < 1, \quad (z \in U). \quad (13)$$

We now choose the values z on the real axis so that $\frac{z(I^k f(z))'}{I^k f(z)}$ is real. Upon clearing the denominator in (13) and letting $z \rightarrow 1$ through real values, we obtain

$$\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n + p)a_n \leq 2(p - \alpha) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n + 2\alpha - p)a_n, \quad (14)$$

which immediately yield the required condition (9).

Our assertion in Theorem 4 is sharp for a function of the form:

$$f_n(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{(p - \alpha)}{P(n, k)(n + \alpha)} z^n, \quad (n = p, p + 1, p + 2, \dots, ; k \in N_0). \quad (15)$$

Corollary 5. *Let the function $f(z)$ be defined by (4) and let $f(z) \in S_p$. If $f \in S_p^*([k, \alpha])$. Then for fixed n , we have*

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{(p - \alpha)}{P(n, k)(n + \alpha)}. \quad (16)$$

$(n = p, p + 1, p + 2, \dots, ; k \in N_0)$.

The result(16) is sharp for functions $f_n(z)$ given by (15).

3. COVERING THEOREM

A growth and distortion property for functions $f(z)$ in the class $S_p^*[k, \alpha]$ is contained in the following theorem.

Theorem 6. *If the function $f(z)$ defined by (4) is in the class $S_p^*[k, \alpha]$, then for $0 < |z| = r < 1$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{(p+m-1)!}{(p-1)!} - \frac{(p-k)!(p-\alpha)}{(p-m)!(p+\alpha)} r^{2p} \right) r^{-(p+m)} \leq |f^m(z)| \\ & \leq \left(\frac{(p+m-1)!}{(p-1)!} + \frac{(p-k)!(p-\alpha)}{(p-m)!(p+\alpha)} r^{2p} \right) r^{-(p+m)} \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

($m = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, p-1$).

These inequalities are sharp for the function f given by

$$f(z) = z^{-p} + \frac{(p-\alpha)}{P(p, k)(p+\alpha)} z^p. \quad (18)$$

Proof. Let $f \in S_p^*[k, \alpha]$. Then we find from Theorem 4 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(p+\alpha)}{(p-k)!} \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} n! |a_n| \leq \\ & \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} P(n, k)(n+\alpha) |a_n| \leq (p-\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

which yields

$$\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} n! |a_n| \leq \frac{(p-k)!(p-\alpha)}{(p+\alpha)}. \quad (19)$$

Now, by differentiating f in (4) m times, we have

$$f^{(m)}(z) = (-1)^m \frac{(p+m-1)!}{(p-1)!} z^{-p-m} + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{(n-m)!} |a_n| z^{n-m}. \quad (20)$$

Theorem 6 would readily follow from (19) and (20).

Next, we determine the radii of meromorphically p -valent starlikeness and meromorphically p -valent convexity for functions f in the class $S_p^*[k, \alpha]$.

4. RADII OF STARLIKENESS AND CONVEXITY

Theorem 7. *If the function $f(z)$ defined by (4) is in the class $S_p^*[k, \alpha]$, then $f(z)$ is meromorphically starlike of order δ ($0 \leq \delta < 1$) in $|z| < r_1$, where*

$$r_1 = r_1(k, \alpha, \delta) = \inf \left\{ \frac{P(n, k)(n + \alpha)(p - \delta)}{(p - \alpha)(n + 2p - \delta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{n+p}}. \quad (21)$$

The result is sharp for the function $f_n(z)$ given by (15).

Proof. It suffices to prove that

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + p \right| \leq p - \delta, \quad (22)$$

for $|z| < r_1$. We have

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + p \right| = \left| \frac{\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (n + p)a_n z^n}{\frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} a_n z^n} \right| \leq \frac{\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (n + p)a_n |z|^{n+p}}{1 - \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} a_n |z|^{n+p}}. \quad (23)$$

Hence (23) holds true

$$\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (n + p)a_n |z|^{n+p} \leq (p - \delta) \left(1 - \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} a_n |z|^{n+p} \right) \quad (24)$$

or

$$\frac{\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (n + 2p - \delta)a_n |z|^{n+p}}{(p - \delta)} \leq 1. \quad (25)$$

With the aid of (11) and (25) is true if

$$\frac{(n + 2p - \delta)a_n}{(p - \delta)} |z|^{n+p} \leq \frac{P(n, k)(n + \alpha)}{(p - \alpha)}. \quad (26)$$

Solving (26) for $|z|$, we obtain

$$|z| \leq \left\{ \frac{P(n, k)(n + \alpha)(p - \delta)}{(p - \alpha)(n + 2p - \delta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{n+p}}. \quad (27)$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 7.

Theorem 8. *If the function $f(z)$ defined by (4) is in the class $S_{\omega}^*(k, \alpha)$, then $f(z)$ is meromorphically convex of order δ ($0 \leq \delta < 1$) in $|z| < r_2$, where*

$$r_2 = r_2(k, \alpha, \delta) = \inf \left\{ \frac{\frac{n!}{(n-(k-1))!} (n + \alpha)(p - \delta)}{(p - \alpha)(n + 2p - \delta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{n+p}} \quad (28)$$

$n \leq p$.

The result is sharp for the function $f_n(z)$ given by (15).

Proof. By using the technique employed in the proof of theorem 7, we can show that

$$\left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + p + 1 \right| \leq -\delta, \quad (29)$$

for $|z| < r_2$, with the aid of theorem 4. Thus we have the assertion of theorem 8.

5. CONVEX LINEAR COMBINATIONS

. Our next result involves linear combinations of the functions f of the type (15).

Theorem 9. *Let*

$$f_{p-1} = z^{-p} \quad (30)$$

and

$$f_{n+p-1}(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{(p-\alpha)}{P(n,k)(n+\alpha)} z^{n+p-1}, \quad (n \geq p; k \in N_0). \quad (31)$$

Then $f(z) \in S_p^*[k, \alpha]$ if and only if f can be expressed in the form

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p-1} f_{n+p-1}(z), \quad (32)$$

where $\lambda_{n+1} \leq 0$ and $\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p-1} = 1$.

Proof. From (32), it is easily seen that

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p-1} f_{n+p-1}(z) \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \frac{(p-\alpha)}{P(n,k)(n+\alpha)} \lambda_n z^n. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \frac{P(n,k)(n+\alpha)}{(p-\alpha)} \lambda_{n+p} \cdot \frac{(p-\alpha)}{P(n,k)(n+\alpha)} \\ = \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p} = 1 - \lambda_{p-1} \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$

it follows from Theorem 4 that the function $f(z) \in S_p^*[k, \alpha]$.

Conversely, let us suppose that $f(z) \in S_p^*[k, \alpha]$. Since

$$|a_{n+p}| \leq \frac{(p - \alpha)}{P(n, k)(n + \alpha)} \quad (n \leq p; k \in N_0),$$

setting

$$\lambda_{n+p} = \frac{P(n, k)(n + \alpha)}{(p - \alpha)} |a_{n+p-1}|, \quad (n \leq p; k \in N_0),$$

and

$$\lambda_{p-1} = 1 - \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p},$$

it follows that $f(z) = \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p-1} f_{n+p-1}(z)$.

This completes the proof of the theorem.

Finally, we prove the following theorem.

Theorem 10. . *The class $S_p^*[k, \alpha]$ is closed under convex linear combination.*

Proof. . Suppose that the function $f_1(z)$ and $f_2(z)$ defined by

$$f_j(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} |a_{n,j}| z^n, \quad (j = 1, 2; z \in U) \quad (34)$$

are in the class $S_p^*[k, \alpha]$. Setting

$$f(z) = \mu f_1(z) + (1 - \mu) f_2(z) \quad (0 \leq \mu < 1). \quad (35)$$

From 35 we can write

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \mu |a_{n,1}| + (1 - \mu) |a_{n,2}| z^n, \quad (36)$$

$(0 \leq \mu < 1; z \in U)$.

Thus in view of Theorem 4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} [P(n, k)(n + \alpha)] |a_{n,1}| \\ & + (1 - \mu) \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} [P(n, k)(n + \alpha)] |a_{n,2}| \\ & \leq \mu(p - \alpha) + (1 - \mu)(p - \alpha), \end{aligned}$$

which shows that $f(z) \in S_p^*[k, \alpha]$. Hence the theorem is proved.

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