



**A COEFFICIENT INEQUALITY FOR CERTAIN SUBCLASSES OF ANALYTIC
FUNCTIONS RELATED TO COMPLEX ORDER**

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ABSTRACT. In this present investigation, the authors obtain coefficient inequality for certain normalized analytic functions of complex order $f(z)$ defined on the open unit disk for which $1 + \frac{1}{b} \left[\frac{zf'(z) + \alpha z^2 f''(z)}{(1-\alpha)f(z) + \alpha z f'(z)} - 1 \right]$ ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ and $b \neq 0$ be a complex number) lies in a region starlike with respect to 1 and is symmetric with respect to the real axis. Also certain applications of the main result for a class of functions of complex order defined by convolution are given. As a special case of this result, coefficient inequality for a class of functions defined through fractional derivatives is obtained. The motivation of this paper is to give a generalization of the coefficient inequalities of the subclasses of starlike and convex functions of complex order.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let \mathcal{A} denote the class of all *analytic* functions $f(z)$ of the form

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (z \in \Delta := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\})$$

and \mathcal{S} be the subclass of \mathcal{A} consisting of univalent functions. Let $\phi(z)$ be an analytic function with positive real part on Δ with $\phi(0) = 1$, $\phi'(0) > 0$ which maps the unit disk Δ onto a region starlike with respect to 1 which is symmetric with respect to the real axis. Let $S^*(\phi)$ be the class of functions in $f \in \mathcal{S}$ for which

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \phi(z), \quad (z \in \Delta)$$

and $C(\phi)$ be the class of functions in $f \in \mathcal{S}$ for which

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \prec \phi(z), \quad (z \in \Delta),$$

where \prec denotes the subordination between analytic functions. These classes were introduced and studied by Ma and Minda [5]. They have obtained the Fekete-Szegő inequality for the functions in the class $C(\phi)$. Since $f(z) \in C(\phi)$ if and only if $zf'(z) \in S^*(\phi)$, we get the Fekete-Szegő problem for functions in the class $S^*(\phi)$.

For a brief history of Fekete-Szegő problem for the class of starlike, convex and close-to-convex functions, see the paper by Srivastava et al. [9].

Very recently Ravichandran et al. [8] introduced the following classes of functions involving complex order.

Definition 1.1. Let $b \neq 0$ be a complex number. Let $\phi(z)$ be an analytic function with positive real part on Δ with $\phi(0) = 1$, $\phi'(0) > 0$ which maps the unit disk Δ onto a region starlike with respect to 1 which is symmetric with respect to the real axis. Then the class $S_b^*(\phi)$ consists of all analytic functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfying

$$1 + \frac{1}{b} \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \prec \phi(z).$$

The class $C_b(\phi)$ consists of functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfying

$$1 + \frac{1}{b} \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \prec \phi(z).$$

They have obtained the Fekete-Szegő inequalities for functions in these classes.

Motivated by the aforementioned works, we obtain the coefficient inequality for functions of complex order in a more general class $M_{\alpha,b}(\phi)$ which we define below. Also we give applications of our results to certain functions defined through convolution (or the Hadamard product) and in particular we consider a class $M_{\alpha,b}^\lambda(\phi)$ of functions defined by fractional derivatives. The motivation of this paper is to give a generalization of the coefficient inequalities of the subclasses of starlike and convex functions of complex order obtained Ravichandran et al. [8].

Definition 1.2. Let $b \neq 0$ be a complex number. Let $\phi(z)$ be an analytic function with positive real part on Δ with $\phi'(0) = 1$, $\phi'(0) > 0$ which maps the unit disk Δ onto a region starlike with respect to 1 which is symmetric with respect to the real axis. Then the class $M_{\alpha,b}(\phi)$ consists

of all functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfying

$$1 + \frac{1}{b} \left[\frac{zf'(z) + \alpha z^2 f''(z)}{(1 - \alpha)f(z) + \alpha z f'(z)} - 1 \right] \prec \phi(z) \quad (0 \leq \alpha \leq 1).$$

For fixed $g \in \mathcal{A}$, we define the class $M_{\alpha,b}^g(\phi)$ to be the class of functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ for which $(f * g) \in M_{\alpha,b}^g(\phi)$.

To prove our main result, we need the following :

Lemma 1.1. [8] *If $p(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + \dots$ is a function with positive real part, then*

$$|c_2 - \mu c_1^2| \leq 2 \max\{1, |2\mu - 1|\}$$

and the result is sharp for the functions given by

$$p(z) = \frac{1 + z^2}{1 - z^2}, \quad p(z) = \frac{1 + z}{1 - z}.$$

2. COEFFICIENT PROBLEM

Our main result is the following :

Theorem 2.1. *Let $\phi(z) = 1 + B_1z + B_2z^2 + B_3z^3 + \dots$. If $f(z)$ given by (1.1) belongs to $M_{\alpha,b}(\phi)$, then*

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| \leq \frac{B_1|b|}{2(1 + 2\alpha)} \max \left\{ 1, \left| \frac{B_2}{B_1} + \left(1 - \frac{2\mu(1 + 2\alpha)}{(1 + \alpha)^2} \right) bB_1 \right| \right\}.$$

The result is sharp.

Proof. If $f(z) \in M_{\alpha,b}(\phi)$, then there is a Schwarz function $w(z)$, analytic in Δ with $w(0) = 0$ and $|w(z)| < 1$ in Δ such that

$$(2.1) \quad 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left[\frac{zf'(z) + \alpha z^2 f''(z)}{(1 - \alpha)f(z) + \alpha z f'(z)} - 1 \right] = \phi(w(z)).$$

Define $p_1(z)$ by

$$(2.2) \quad p_1(z) = \frac{1 + w(z)}{1 - w(z)} = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + \dots$$

Since $w(z)$ is a Schwarz function, we see that $\Re(p_1(z)) > 0$ and $p_1(0) = 1$. Define the function $p(z)$ by

$$(2.3) \quad p(z) = 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left[\frac{zf'(z) + \alpha z^2 f''(z)}{(1 - \alpha)f(z) + \alpha z f'(z)} - 1 \right] = 1 + b_1z + b_2z^2 + \dots$$

In view of equations (2.1), (2.2), (2.3), we have

$$(2.4) \quad p(z) = \phi \left(\frac{p_1(z) - 1}{p_1(z) + 1} \right).$$

Since

$$\frac{p_1(z) - 1}{p_1(z) + 1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[c_1z + \left(c_2 - \frac{c_1^2}{2} \right) z^2 + \left(c_3 - \frac{c_1^3}{4} - c_1c_2 \right) z^3 + \dots \right]$$

and therefore

$$\phi \left(\frac{p_1(z) - 1}{p_1(z) + 1} \right) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} B_1 c_1 z + \left[\frac{1}{2} B_1 \left(c_2 - \frac{c_1^2}{2} \right) + \frac{B_2 c_1^2}{4} \right] z^2 + \dots$$

from this equation (2.4), we obtain

$$(2.5) \quad b_1 = \frac{B_1 c_1}{2},$$

$$(2.6) \quad b_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(B_1 \left(c_2 - \frac{1}{2} c_1^2 \right) \right) + \frac{1}{4} B_2 c_1^2.$$

from the equation (2.3), we obtain

$$(2.7) \quad a_2 = \frac{bb_1}{(1 + \alpha)},$$

$$(2.8) \quad a_3 = \frac{bb_2 + b^2 b_1^2}{2(1 + 2\alpha)}.$$

By applying (2.5), (2.6) in (2.7) and (2.8) we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 &= \frac{bB_1 c_1}{2(1 + \alpha)}, \\ a_3 &= \frac{bB_1 c_2}{4(1 + 2\alpha)} + \frac{c_1^2}{8(1 + 2\alpha)} [b^2 B_1^2 - b(B_1 - B_2)]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have

$$(2.9) \quad a_3 - \mu a_2^2 = \frac{bB_1}{4(1 + 2\alpha)} [c_2 - \nu c_1^2]$$

where

$$\nu = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \frac{B_2}{B_1} + \left[\frac{2\mu(1 + 2\alpha)}{(1 + \alpha)^2} - 1 \right] bB_1 \right].$$

Our result now follows by the application of Lemma 1.1. The result is sharp for the function defined by

$$1 + \frac{1}{b} \left[\frac{zf'(z) + \alpha z^2 f''(z)}{(1 - \alpha)f(z) + \alpha z f'(z)} - 1 \right] = \phi(z^2)$$

and

$$1 + \frac{1}{b} \left[\frac{zf'(z) + \alpha z^2 f''(z)}{(1 - \alpha)f(z) + \alpha z f'(z)} - 1 \right] = \phi(z).$$

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For $\alpha = 1$, in Theorem 2.1 we get the result obtained by Ravichandran et al. [8].

Corollary 2.2. Let $\phi(z) = 1 + B_1 z + B_2 z^2 + B_3 z^3 + \dots$. If $f(z)$ given by (1.1) belongs to $S_b^*(\phi)$, then

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| \leq \frac{B_1 |b|}{2} \max \left\{ 1; \left| \frac{B_2}{B_1} + (1 - 2\mu)bB_1 \right| \right\}.$$

The result is sharp.

For a special case $\alpha = 0$, Theorem 2.1 reduces to another result obtained by Ravichandran et al. [8].

Corollary 2.3. Let $\phi(z) = 1 + B_1 z + B_2 z^2 + B_3 z^3 + \dots$. If $f(z)$ given by (1.1) belongs to $C_b(\phi)$, then

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| \leq \frac{B_1 |b|}{6} \max \left\{ 1; \left| \frac{B_2}{B_1} + \left(1 - \frac{3\mu}{2} \right) bB_1 \right| \right\}.$$

The result is sharp.

Example 2.1. By taking $\alpha = 0$, $b = (1 - \beta)e^{-i\lambda} \cos \lambda$, $\phi(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$, we obtain the following sharp inequality for λ -spirallike function $f(z)$ of order β ;

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| \leq \frac{(1 - \beta) \cos \lambda}{1 + 2\alpha} \max \left\{ 1, \left| e^{i\lambda} + 2 \left(1 - \frac{2\mu(1 + 2\alpha)}{(1 + \alpha)^2} \right) (1 - \beta) \cos \lambda \right| \right\}.$$

This result was obtained by Keogh and Merkes [4].

3. APPLICATIONS TO FUNCTION DEFINED BY FRACTIONAL DERIVATIVES

In order to introduce the class $M_{\alpha,b}^\lambda(\phi)$, we need the following :

Definition 3.1. (see [6, 7]; see also [10, 11]) Let $f(z)$ be analytic in a simply connected region of the z -plane containing the origin. The fractional derivative of f of order λ is defined by

$$D_z^\lambda f(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1 - \lambda)} \frac{d}{dz} \int_0^z \frac{f(\xi)}{(z - \xi)^\lambda} d\xi \quad (0 \leq \lambda < 1),$$

where the multiplicity of $(z - \xi)^\lambda$ is removed by requiring that $\log(z - \xi)$ is real for $z - \xi > 0$.

Using the above Definition 3.1 and its known extensions involving fractional derivatives and fractional integrals, Owa and Srivastava [6] introduced the operator $\Omega^\lambda : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ defined by

$$(\Omega^\lambda f)(z) = \Gamma(2 - \lambda) z^\lambda D_z^\lambda f(z), \quad (\lambda \neq 2, 3, 4, \dots).$$

The class $M_{\alpha,b}^\lambda(\phi)$ consist of functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ for which $\Omega^\lambda f \in M_{\alpha,b}(\phi)$. Note that $M_{0,b}^0(\phi) \equiv S_b^*(\phi)$ and $M_{\alpha,b}^\lambda(\phi)$ is a special case of the class $M_{\alpha,b}^g(\phi)$ when

$$(3.1) \quad g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + 1)\Gamma(2 - \lambda)}{\Gamma(n + 1 - \lambda)} z^n.$$

Let

$$g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} g_n z^n \quad (g_n > 0).$$

Since

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in M_{\alpha,b}^g(\phi)$$

iff

$$f(z) * g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} g_n a_n z^n \in M_{\alpha,b}(\phi),$$

we obtain the coefficient estimate for functions in the class $M_{\alpha,b}^g(\phi)$, from the corresponding estimate for functions in the class $M_{\alpha,b}(\phi)$. Applying Theorem 2.1 for function

$$f * g(z) = z + g_2 a_2 z^2 + g_3 a_3 z^3 + \dots,$$

we get the following theorem after an obvious change of the parameter μ :

Theorem 3.1. Let the function $\phi(z)$ be given by $\phi(z) = 1 + B_1 z + B_2 z^2 + B_3 z^3 + \dots$. If $f(z)$ given by (1.1) belongs to $M_{\alpha,b}^g(\phi)$, then

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| = \frac{B_1 |b|}{2(1 + 2\alpha)g_3} \max \left\{ 1, \left| \frac{B_2}{B_1} + \left(1 - \frac{2\mu(1 + 2\alpha)g_3}{(1 + \alpha)^2 g_2^2} \right) b B_1 \right| \right\}.$$

The result is sharp.

Since

$$(\Omega^\lambda f)(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(2-\lambda)}{\Gamma(n+1-\lambda)} a_n z^n,$$

we have

$$(3.2) \quad g_2 := \frac{\Gamma(3)\Gamma(2-\lambda)}{\Gamma(3-\lambda)} = \frac{2}{(2-\lambda)},$$

$$(3.3) \quad g_3 := \frac{\Gamma(4)\Gamma(2-\lambda)}{\Gamma(4-\lambda)} = \frac{6}{(2-\lambda)(3-\lambda)}.$$

for g_2 and g_3 given by (3.2) and (3.3), Theorem 3.1 reduces to the following :

Theorem 3.2. *Let the function $\phi(z)$ be given by $\phi(z) = 1 + B_1 z + B_2 z^2 + B_3 z^3 + \dots$. If $f(z)$ given by (1.1) belongs to $M_{\alpha,b}^\lambda(\phi)$ then*

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| \leq \frac{(2-\lambda)(3-\lambda)B_1|b|}{12(1+2\alpha)} \max \left\{ 1, \left| \frac{B_2}{B_1} + \left(1 - \frac{3\mu(1+2\alpha)(2-\lambda)}{(3-\lambda)(1+\alpha)^2} \right) bB_1 \right| \right\}.$$

The result is sharp.

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