

On the class of starlike meromorphic function of complex order

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ABSTRACT: *We give some results for certain subclass of meromorphic function f of complex order defined on the punctured unit disk. A necessary and sufficient condition for functions to belong to the class will be discussed. Further, differential subordinations are also obtained.*

1 – Introduction

Let Σ denotes the class of functions f normalized by

$$(1) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k,$$

which are analytic and univalent in the punctured open unit disk $U^* = \{z \in: 0 < |z| < 1\} = U - \{0\}$, where U is the open unit disk $U = \{z \in: |z| < 1\}$.

A function $f \in \Sigma$ is said to be meromorphic starlike of order α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$), if

$$-\Re \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} > \alpha \quad (z \in U^*),$$

and we denote this class by $\Sigma^*(\alpha)$.

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Let A denoted the class of functions f normalized by $f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k$, which are analytic in the open unit disc U and let S be the subclass of A consisting of functions which are also univalent in U .

Let $\phi(z)$ be an analytic function with positive real part on U that satisfies $\phi(0) = 1$, $\phi'(0) > 0$ and which maps the unit disc U onto a region starlike with respect to 1 and symmetric with respect to the real axis.

Ma and Minda [10] introduced and studied the class $S^*(\phi)$ consists of functions $f \in S$ for which

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

Following Ma and Manda [10], Ravichandran *et.al* [9] defined a more general class $S_b^*(\phi)$ of starlike functions of complex order consists of functions $f \in S$

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

where $b \neq 0$ is a complex number.

Analogous to the class $S_b^*(\phi)$, for $f \in A$, the authors [1] defined the class $M_b^*(\phi)$ of meromorphic functions as the following:

DEFINITION 1.1. Let $\phi(z)$ be an analytic function with positive real part on U which satisfies $\phi(0) = 1$, $\phi'(0) > 0$ and which maps the unit disc U onto a region starlike with respect to 1 and symmetric with respect to the real axis. Let $M_b^*(\phi)$ be the class $f \in \Sigma$ satisfying

$$(2) \quad 1 - \frac{1}{b} \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + 1 \right) \prec \phi(z).$$

We shall write $M_1^*(\phi)$ by $\Sigma^*(\phi)$. In the case

$$\phi(z) = \frac{1 + (1 - 2\alpha)z}{1 - z}, \quad 0 \leq \alpha < 1,$$

it is obvious that $M_1^*(\phi)$ is the class of meromorphic starlike functions of order α .

Motivated by a similar result of Silverman *et.al* [2] for $f \in \Sigma^*(\phi)$, the authors[1] obtained the following theorem for $f \in M_b^*(\phi)$.

THEOREM 1.1. Let $\phi(z) = 1 + B_1 z + B_2 z^2 + \dots$. If $f(z)$ given by (1) belongs to $M_b^*(\phi)$, then for any complex number τ

$$(i) \quad |a_1 - \tau a_0^2| \leq \frac{1}{2} |b| |B_1| \max \left\{ 1, \left| \frac{B_2}{B_1} - (1 - 2\tau)bB_1 \right| \right\}, \quad B_1 \neq 0$$

$$(ii) \quad |a_1 - \tau a_0^2| \leq |b|, \quad B_1 = 0.$$

The bounds are sharp for the functions $G_1(z)$ and $G_2(z)$ defined by

$$1 + \frac{1}{b} \left(-\frac{zG_1'(z)}{G_1(z)} - 1 \right) = \phi(z^2), \quad \text{where } G_1(z) = \frac{1+z^2}{z(1-z^2)},$$

$$1 + \frac{1}{b} \left(-\frac{zG_2'(z)}{G_2(z)} - 1 \right) = \phi(z), \quad \text{where } G_2(z) = \frac{1+z}{z(1-z)}.$$

EXAMPLE 1.1. By taking $b = (1 - \beta)e^{-i\lambda} \cos \lambda$, $0 \leq \beta < 1$, $|\lambda| < \frac{\pi}{2}$, and $\phi(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$, we obtain the following sharp inequality

$$|a_1 - \tau a_0^2| < (1 - \beta) \cos \lambda \max \{1, |e^{i\lambda} - 2(1 - 2\tau)(1 - \beta) \cos \lambda|\}$$

Putting $b = 1$ in Theorem 1.1, we get the following result obtained by Silverman *et al.* [2].

COROLLARY 1.1. Let $\phi(z) = 1 + B_1z + B_2z^2 + \dots$. If $f(z)$ given by (1) belongs to $\Sigma^*(\phi)$, then for any complex number τ

$$(i) |a_1 - \tau a_0^2| \leq \frac{|B_1|}{2} \max \left\{ 1, \left| \frac{B_2}{B_1} - (1 - 2\tau)B_1 \right| \right\}, \quad B_1 \neq 0$$

$$(ii) |a_1 - \tau a_0^2| \leq 1, \quad B_1 = 0.$$

For $b = 1$ in Theorem 1.1, we can also get the following result obtained by Ali and Ravichandran [4].

COROLLARY 1.2. Let $\phi(z) = 1 + B_1z + B_2z^2 + \dots$. If $f(z)$ given by (1) belong to $\Sigma^*(\phi)$, then for any complex number τ

$$|a_1 - a_0^2| \leq \frac{B_1}{2} \max \left\{ 1, \left| B_1 - 2\tau B_1 - \frac{B_2}{B_1} \right| \right\}$$

The object of this paper is to obtain some results for the class $M_b^*(\phi)$, using mainly the method of subordination. In that sense, we give some definitions, notations and lemmas we need in the next part.

Let F and G be analytic functions in the unit disk U . The function F is subordinate to G written $F \prec G$ if G is univalent, $F(0) = G(0)$ and $F(U) \subset G(U)$. In general, given two functions F and G which are analytic in U , the function F is said to be subordinate to G if there exist a function w analytic in U with $w(0) = 0$ and $(\forall z \in U) : |w(z)| < 1$, such that $F(z) = G(w(z))$.

The general theory of differential subordinations was introduced by Miller and Mocanu [6] (see also [7] and [8]). Namely let $\psi : C^2 \rightarrow C$ be analytic in a domain D , let h be univalent in U , and let $p(z)$ be analytic in U with $(p(z); zp'(z)) \in D$ when $z \in U$, then $p(z)$ is said to satisfy the first-order differential subordination if

$$(3) \quad \psi(p(z); zp'(z)) \prec h(z).$$

The univalent function q is said to be a dominant of the differential subordination (3) if $p \prec q$ for all p satisfying (3). If \tilde{q} is a dominant of (3) and $\tilde{q} \prec q$ for all dominants q of (3), then \tilde{q} is said to be the best dominant of (3).

Our results and their proofs are motivated by a similar result of Ravichandran et al. [9], Ali and Ravichandran [4] and Srivastava and Lashin [3] (see also Ibrahim and Darus [5]).

First we cite the following lemmas require to prove our results.

LEMMA 1.1. [8]. Let ϕ be a convex univalent function defined on U and $\phi(0) = 1$. Define $F(z)$ by

$$F(z) = z \exp \left(\int_0^z \frac{\phi(\eta) - 1}{\eta} d\eta \right).$$

Let $q(z)$ be analytic in U and $q(0) = 1$. Then

$$1 + \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)} \prec \phi(z),$$

if and only if for all $|s| \leq 1$ and $|t| \leq 1$,

$$\frac{q(tz)}{q(sz)} \prec \frac{sF(ts)}{tF(sz)}.$$

LEMMA 1.2. [7]. Let $q(z)$ be univalent in the unit disk U and ϑ and φ be analytic in a domain D containing $q(U)$ with $\varphi(z) \neq 0$ when $w \in q(U)$. Set $Q(z) = zq'(z)\varphi(q(z))$ and $h(z) = \vartheta(q(z)) + Q(z)$. Suppose that either $h(z)$ is convex, or $Q(z)$ is starlike univalent in U . In addition, assume that $\Re\left[\frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)}\right] > 0$ for $z \in U$. If $p(z)$ is analytic in u with $p(0) = q(0)$, $p(U) \subseteq D$ and

$$\vartheta(p(z)) + zp'(z)\varphi(p(z)) \prec \vartheta(q(z)) + zq'(z)\varphi(q(z)),$$

then $p(z) \prec q(z)$ and $q(z)$ is the best dominant.

2 – Main Results

We first prove a representation formula for functions in the class $M_b^*(\phi)$,

THEOREM 2.1. *A function $f(z) \in M_b^*(\phi)$ if and only if*

$$(4) \quad [zf(z)]^{\frac{1}{b}} = \exp \left(\int_0^z \frac{1 - \phi(w(\zeta))}{\zeta} d\zeta \right),$$

where $w(z)$ is analytic in U satisfying $w(0) = 0$ and $|w(z)| \leq 1$.

PROOF. Let $f \in M_b^*(\phi)$. Then (4) holds and therefore there is a function $w(z)$ analytic in U with $w(0) = 0$ and $|w(z)| \leq 1$ such that

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

Rewriting the above equation in the form

$$\frac{1}{b} \left(\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{1}{z} \right) = \frac{1 - \phi(w(z))}{z},$$

and integrating from 0 to z , we obtain

$$\frac{1}{b} [\ln zf(z)] = \left(\int_0^z \frac{1 - \phi(w(\zeta))}{\zeta} d\zeta \right),$$

which gives the desired assertion upon exponentiation. The converse follows directly by differentiation. \square

Using Lemma 1.1, we obtain the following necessary and sufficient conditions for functions to belong to $M_b^*(\phi)$.

THEOREM 2.2. *Let $\phi(z)$ and $F(z)$ be as in Lemma 1.1. A function f belongs to $M_b^*(\phi)$ if and only if for all $|s| \leq 1$ and $|t| \leq 1$,*

$$\left(\frac{sf(sz)}{tf(tz)} \right)^{\frac{1}{b}} \prec \frac{sF(tz)}{tF(sz)}.$$

PROOF. Define the function $p(z)$ by

$$\frac{1}{p(z)} = [zf(z)]^{\frac{1}{b}}.$$

Then a computation show that

$$1 + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} = 1 - \frac{1}{b} \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + 1 \right).$$

The result now follows from Lemma 1.1. \square

In the next theorem we prove a differential subordination result for the class $M_b^*(\phi)$. The motivation of our result here is to generalize the result obtained by Ali and Ravichandran [4].

THEOREM 2.3. *Let α be a nonzero complex number. Let $q(z)$ be univalent in U , $q(0) = 1$. Assume that $q(z)$ or $\gamma + b(3\alpha - 2ab - 1)q(z) + ab^2q^2(z) - abzq'(z)$ is convex univalent and*

$$(5) \quad \Re \left\{ \frac{1 + 2ab - 3\alpha}{\alpha} - 2bq(z) + 1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)} \right\} > 0.$$

If $f \in \Sigma$ satisfies

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \alpha \frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} \prec \gamma + b(3\alpha - 2ab - 1)q(z) + ab^2q^2(z) - abzq'(z),$$

where $\gamma = ab^2 - 3ab + b + 2\alpha - 1$. Then

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

and $q(z)$ is the best dominant.

PROOF. Define the function $p(z)$ by

$$(6) \quad p(z) = 1 - \frac{1}{b} \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + 1 \right).$$

Differentiating (6), we obtain

$$\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z) - 1} = \frac{z^2 f''(z) + 2zf'(z)}{zf'(z) + f(z)} - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)},$$

From the above equality, we have

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

So that

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

A simple computation gives us

$$\frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{2zf'(z)}{f(z)} = b^2 (p(z) - 1)^2 + b(p(z) - 1) - bzp'(z).$$

This relation is equivalent with:

$$\alpha \frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = b(3\alpha - 2\alpha b - 1)p(z) + \alpha b^2 p^2(z) - \alpha b z p'(z) + \gamma,$$

where $\gamma = \alpha b^2 - 3\alpha b + b + 2\alpha - 1$. Define the function $\theta(w)$ and $\phi(w)$ by

$$\theta(w) = b(3\alpha - 2\alpha b - 1)w + \alpha b^2 w^2 + \gamma \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(w) = -\alpha b.$$

The functions $\theta(w)$ and $\phi(w)$ are analytic in C and $\phi(w) \neq 0$. Also, by setting

$$Q(z) = zq'(z)\phi(q(z)) = -\alpha b z q'(z),$$

$$h(z) = \theta(q(z)) + Q(z) = b(3\alpha - 2\alpha b - 1)q(z) + \alpha b^2 q^2(z) + \gamma + Q(z).$$

we find that Q is starlike univalent in U and that

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} \right\} = \Re \left\{ \frac{1 + 2\alpha b - 3\alpha}{\alpha} - 2bq(z) + 1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)} \right\} > 0.$$

Then the relation (5) follows by an application of Lemma 1.2. For $b = 1$ in Theorem 2.3, we get the following result obtained by Ali and Ravichandran [4].

COROLLARY 2.1. *Let α be a nonzero complex number. Let $q(z)$ be univalent in U , $q(0) = 1$. Assume that $q(z)$ or $(\alpha - 1)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) - \alpha z q'(z)$ is convex univalent and*

$$(7) \quad \Re \left\{ \frac{1 - \alpha}{\alpha} - 2q(z) + 1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)} \right\} > 0.$$

If $f \in \Sigma$ satisfies

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \alpha \frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} \prec (\alpha - 1)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) - \alpha z q'(z).$$

Then

$$-\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec q(z)$$

and $q(z)$ is the best dominant.

Setting $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$ in Theorem 2.3, we get

COROLLARY 2.2. *Let α be a nonzero complex number. Let*

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{1 + 2\alpha b - 3\alpha}{\alpha} - 2b \left(\frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \right) \right\} > 0.$$

If $f \in \Sigma$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \alpha \frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} < \gamma + b(3\alpha - 2\alpha b - 1) \left(\frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \right) + \\ + \alpha b^2 \left(\frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \right)^2 - \frac{\alpha b(A - B)z}{(1 + Bz)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$1 - \frac{1}{b} \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + 1 \right) < \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}$$

and $\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$ is the best dominant.

Setting $q(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$ in Theorem 2.3, we get

COROLLARY 2.3. *Let α be a nonzero complex number. Let*

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{1 + 2\alpha b - 3\alpha}{\alpha} - 2b \left(\frac{1 + z}{1 - z} \right) \right\} > 0.$$

If $f \in \Sigma$ satisfies

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \alpha \frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} < \gamma + b(3\alpha - 2\alpha b - 1) \left(\frac{1 + z}{1 - z} \right) + \alpha b^2 \left(\frac{1 + z}{1 - z} \right)^2 - \frac{2\alpha bz}{(1 - z)^2}.$$

Then

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

and $\frac{1+z}{1-z}$ is the best dominant.

Some other works related to meromorphic functions can be found in ([11] - [13]).

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