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# Cesáro partial sums of certain analytic functions

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## Abstract

The aim of the present paper is to consider geometric properties such as starlikeness and convexity of the Cesáro partial sums of certain analytic functions in the open unit disk. By using the Cesáro partial sums, we improve some recent results including the radius of convexity.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $U := \{z : |z| < 1\}$  be a unit disk in the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$  and let  $\mathcal{H}$  denote the space of all analytic functions on  $U$ . Here we suppose that  $\mathcal{H}$  is a topological vector space endowed with the topology of uniform convergence over compact subsets of  $U$ . Also, for  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $\mathcal{H}[a, n]$  be the subspace of  $\mathcal{H}$  consisting of functions of the form  $f(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots$ . Further, let  $\mathcal{A} := \{f \in \mathcal{H} : f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0\}$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  denote the class of univalent functions in  $\mathcal{A}$ . A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is called starlike if  $f(U)$  is a starlike domain with respect to the origin, and the class of univalent starlike functions is denoted by  $S^*$ . It is called convex  $\mathcal{C}$ , if  $f(U)$  is a convex domain. Each univalent starlike function  $f$  is characterized by the analytic condition

$$\Re \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

Also, it is known that  $zf'(z)$  is starlike if and only if  $f$  is convex, which is characterized by the analytic condition

$$\Re \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

For a function  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ , we introduce the partial sum of  $f(z)$  by

$$f_k(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^k a_n z^n, \quad z \in U. \quad (1)$$

For the partial sums  $f_n(z)$  of  $f(z) \in S^*$ , Szegő [1] showed that if  $f(z) \in S^*$ , then  $f_n(z) \in S^*$  for  $|z| < \frac{1}{4}$  and  $f_n(z) \in \mathcal{C}$  for  $|z| < \frac{1}{8}$ . Owa [2] considered the starlikeness and convexity of

partial sums,

$$f_n(z) = z + a_n z^n,$$

of certain functions in the unit disk. Moreover, Darus and Ibrahim [3] determined the conditions under which the partial sums of functions of bounded turning are also of bounded turning.

In this paper, we consider the Cesáro partial sums, it is showed that this kind of partial sums preserve the properties of the analytic functions in the unit disk. Robertson [4] showed that if  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  is univalent, then also all the Cesáro sums are univalent in the unit disk. Moreover, if its ordinary partial sums (1) is univalent in  $U$ , then the Cesáro sums are univalent. By employing the concept of the subordination, these results were extended by Ruscheweyha and Salinas [5]. The classical Cesáro means play an important role in geometric function theory (see [6–10]).

From the partial sum

$$s_k(z) = \sum_{n=1}^k a_n z^n, \quad z \in U,$$

with  $a_1 = 1$ , we construct the Cesáro means  $\sigma_k(z)$  of  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_k(z) &= \frac{1}{k} \sum_{n=1}^k s_n(z) \\ &= \frac{1}{k} [s_1(z) + \dots + s_k(z)] \\ &= \frac{1}{k} [z + (z + a_2 z^2) + \dots + (z + \dots + a_k z^k)] \\ &= \frac{1}{k} [kz + (k-1)a_2 z^2 + \dots + a_k z^k] \\ &= z + \sum_{n=2}^k \left( \frac{k-n+1}{k} \right) a_n z^n \\ &= f(z) * \left[ z + \sum_{n=2}^k \left( \frac{k-n+1}{k} \right) z^n \right] \\ &= f(z) * g_k(z), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$g_k = z + \sum_{n=2}^k \left( \frac{k-n+1}{k} \right) z^n.$$

Our aim is to consider geometric properties such as starlikeness and convexity of the Cesáro partial sums of certain analytic functions in the open unit disk.

## 2 Main results

We define the function  $S_k$  which is a partial sum of  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  by

$$S_k(z) = z + \left( \frac{a_k}{k} \right) z^k, \quad k \geq 2, a_k \neq 0. \tag{2}$$

**Theorem 1** *The function  $S_k(z)$  satisfies*

$$\frac{1 - |a_k|r^{k-1}}{1 - \frac{|a_k|}{k}r^{k-1}} \leq \Re\left(\frac{zS'_k(z)}{S_k(z)}\right) \leq \frac{1 + |a_k|r^{k-1}}{1 + \frac{|a_k|}{k}r^{k-1}} \tag{3}$$

for

$$0 \leq r < \sqrt[k-1]{\frac{k}{|a_k|}} \leq 1, \quad |a_k| \neq 0.$$

Furthermore,  $S_k(z) \in S^*(\alpha)$  for

$$0 \leq r < \sqrt[k-1]{\frac{1 - \alpha}{(1 - \alpha/k)|a_k|}} \leq 1, \quad |a_k| \neq 0.$$

*Proof* Noting that

$$\frac{zS'_k(z)}{S_k(z)} = k - \frac{(k-1)}{1 + \frac{a_k}{k}z^{k-1}},$$

it follows that for  $\cos \theta \rightarrow 1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Re\left(\frac{zS'_k(z)}{S_k(z)}\right) &= k - (k-1) \frac{1 + \frac{|a_k|}{k} \cos \theta r^{k-1}}{1 + 2\frac{|a_k|}{k}r^{k-1} \cos \theta + (\frac{|a_k|}{k})^2 r^{2(k-1)}} \\ &\leq \frac{1 + |a_k|r^{k-1}}{1 + \frac{|a_k|}{k}r^{k-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we also observe that

$$\Re\left(\frac{zS'_k(z)}{S_k(z)}\right) \geq \frac{1 - |a_k|r^{k-1}}{1 - \frac{|a_k|}{k}r^{k-1}}.$$

Now assume that

$$\frac{1 - |a_k|r^{k-1}}{1 - \frac{|a_k|}{k}r^{k-1}} > \alpha$$

for

$$0 \leq r < \sqrt[k-1]{\frac{1 - \alpha}{(1 - \alpha/k)|a_k|}} \leq 1, \quad |a_k| \neq 0.$$

This completes the proof. □

**Remark 2** For example, the values  $\alpha = 0.5$ ,  $k = 2$  and  $|a_k| = 1$  imply the radius of starlikeness of  $S_k(z)$  is  $r = 0.8164965\dots$ , and for the same values, the radius of starlikeness of the ordinary partial sums  $f_k(z) = z + a_k z^k$  is  $r = 0.577350\dots$  (see [2]).

Next, we derive the radius of convexity.

**Theorem 3** The function  $S_k(z)$  satisfies

$$\frac{1 - k|a_k|r^{k-1}}{1 - |a_k|r^{k-1}} \leq \Re\left(1 + \frac{zS_k''(z)}{S_k'(z)}\right) \leq \frac{1 + k|a_k|r^{k-1}}{1 + |a_k|r^{k-1}} \tag{4}$$

for

$$0 \leq r < \sqrt[k-1]{\frac{1}{|a_k|}} \leq 1, \quad |a_k| \neq 0.$$

Furthermore,  $S_k(z) \in \mathcal{C}(\alpha)$  for

$$0 \leq r < \sqrt[k-1]{\frac{1 - \alpha}{(k - \alpha)|a_k|}} \leq 1, \quad |a_k| \neq 0.$$

*Proof* A computation gives

$$1 + \frac{zS_k''(z)}{S_k'(z)} = k - \frac{(k - 1)}{1 + a_k z^{k-1}}.$$

Therefore, for  $\cos \theta \rightarrow 1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Re\left(1 + \frac{zS_k''(z)}{S_k'(z)}\right) &= k - (k - 1) \frac{1 + |a_k| \cos \theta r^{k-1}}{1 + 2|a_k|r^{k-1} \cos \theta + |a_k|^2 r^{2(k-1)}} \\ &\leq \frac{1 + k|a_k|r^{k-1}}{1 + |a_k|r^{k-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we impose

$$\Re\left(1 + \frac{zS_k''(z)}{S_k'(z)}\right) \geq \frac{1 - k|a_k|r^{k-1}}{1 - |a_k|r^{k-1}}.$$

Now, consider that

$$\frac{1 - k|a_k|r^{k-1}}{1 - |a_k|r^{k-1}} > \alpha$$

for

$$0 \leq r < \sqrt[k-1]{\frac{1 - \alpha}{(k - \alpha)|a_k|}} \leq 1, \quad |a_k| \neq 0.$$

This completes the proof. □

**Remark 4** In view of Theorem 3, for example, the values  $\alpha = 0.5$ ,  $k = 2$  and  $|a_k| = 1$  pose the radius of convexity of  $S_k(z)$  is  $r = 0.577350\dots$  and for the same values, the radius of convexity of the ordinary partial sums  $f_k(z) = z + a_k z^k$  is  $r = 0.4082\dots$  (see [2]).

Next, we assume special ordinary partial sums depending so that their coefficients satisfy the relation  $|a_n| \leq (\frac{k-n+1}{k})$ .

**Theorem 5** Assume the partial sum

$$f_3(z) = z + \frac{k-1}{k}z^2 + \frac{k-2}{k}z^3, \quad k \geq 2.$$

Then the function  $f_3(z) \in S^*(\frac{1}{2})$ .

*Proof* We consider  $\alpha$  such that

$$\Re\left(\frac{zf_3'(z)}{f_3(z)}\right) = \Re\left(3 - \frac{2 + \frac{k-1}{k}z}{1 + \frac{k-1}{k}z + \frac{k-2}{k}z^2}\right) > \alpha.$$

This implies that

$$\Re\left(\frac{2 + \frac{k-1}{k}z}{1 + \frac{k-1}{k}z + \frac{k-2}{k}z^2}\right) < 3 - \alpha,$$

that is,

$$\Re\left(\frac{1 - \frac{k-1}{k}z^2}{1 + \frac{k-1}{k}z + \frac{k-2}{k}z^2}\right) = \frac{1 - \frac{k-1}{k}r^2(2\cos^2\theta - 1)}{1 + \frac{k-1}{k}r\cos\theta + \frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2\cos^2\theta - 1)} < 2 - \alpha.$$

By letting  $t = \cos\theta$ , we define the function  $g(t)$  as follows:

$$g(t) = \frac{1 - \frac{k-1}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)}{1 + \frac{k-1}{k}rt + \frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)}.$$

Logarithmic derivative of  $g(t)$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{g'(t)}{g(t)} &= - \left\{ \frac{(4t\frac{k-1}{k}r^2)[1 + \frac{k-1}{k}rt + \frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)] + (\frac{k-1}{k}r + 4\frac{k-2}{k}r^2t)[1 - \frac{k-1}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)]}{[1 - \frac{k-1}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)][1 + \frac{k-1}{k}rt + \frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)]} \right\} \\ &:= - \left\{ \frac{h(t)}{[1 - \frac{k-1}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)][1 + \frac{k-1}{k}rt + \frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)]} \right\} \\ &= - \frac{At^2 + Bt + C}{[1 - \frac{k-1}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)][1 + \frac{k-1}{k}rt + \frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)]}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 2r^3\left(\frac{k-1}{k}\right)^2, \\ B &= 4r^2\left[\frac{k-1}{k} + \frac{k-2}{k}\right], \\ C &= \frac{k-1}{k}r\left[1 + \frac{k-1}{k}r^2\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now, for all  $k \geq 2$  and  $r \rightarrow 1$ , the function  $h(t)$  has unique real negative zeros in the interval  $(-\frac{1}{2}, 0)$ . This leads to the fact that  $g'(t)$  has unique positive real zeros for all  $k \geq 2$

distributed in the interval  $(0, \frac{1}{2})$ . Therefore, we will calculate  $\alpha$  in  $t \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ . It is easy to check that  $g(t)$  is decreasing for  $r \rightarrow 1$  in the interval  $[\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ . Moreover, we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{k-1}{2k}}{1 + \frac{k-1}{2k} - \frac{k-2}{2k}} = \frac{3}{2}.$$

We conclude that for  $t \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ ,

$$g(t) < g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \leq \frac{3}{2} = 2 - \alpha,$$

thus  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ . This completes the proof. □

By letting  $k = 3$  in Theorem 5, we have the following result.

**Corollary 6** *The Cesàro partial sums*

$$\sigma_3(z) = z + \frac{2}{3}z^2 + \frac{1}{3}z^3, \quad z \in U,$$

of the function  $f(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$  are starlike of order  $\alpha = \frac{1}{5}$ .

**Theorem 7** *Assume the partial sum  $f_3(z)$  as in Theorem 5. Then the function  $f_3(z) \in \mathcal{C}(\frac{1}{5})$ .*

*Proof* We consider  $\alpha$  such that

$$\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf_3''(z)}{f_3'(z)}\right) = \Re\left(3 - \frac{2(\frac{k-1}{k}z + 1)}{1 + 2\frac{k-1}{k}z + 3\frac{k-2}{k}z^2}\right) > \alpha.$$

This implies that

$$\Re\left(\frac{\frac{k-1}{k}z + 1}{1 + 2\frac{k-1}{k}z + 3\frac{k-2}{k}z^2}\right) < \frac{3 - \alpha}{2},$$

therefore, a computation gives

$$\Re\left(\frac{\frac{k-1}{k}z + 1}{1 + 2\frac{k-1}{k}z + 3\frac{k-2}{k}z^2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} + \Re\left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}(1 - 3\frac{k-2}{k}z^2)}{1 + 2(\frac{k-1}{k})z + 3(\frac{k-2}{k})z^2}\right),$$

thus

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2}(1 - 3\frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2\cos^2\theta - 1))}{1 + 2(\frac{k-1}{k})r\cos\theta + 3(\frac{k-2}{k})(2\cos^2\theta - 1)} < \frac{2 - \alpha}{2}.$$

By putting  $t = \cos\theta$ , we define the function  $G(t)$  as follows:

$$G(t) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1 - 3\frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1))}{1 + 2(\frac{k-1}{k})rt + 3r^2(\frac{k-2}{k})(2t^2 - 1)}.$$

Logarithmic derivative of  $G(t)$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{G'(t)}{G(t)} &= - \left\{ \frac{[12r^2 \frac{k-2}{k} t][1 + 2(\frac{k-1}{k})rt + 3r^2(\frac{k-2}{k})(2t^2 - 1)]}{[1 - 3\frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)][1 + 2(\frac{k-1}{k})rt + 3r^2(\frac{k-2}{k})(2t^2 - 1)]} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{[12r^2 \frac{k-2}{k} t + 2r\frac{k-1}{k}][1 - 3\frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)]}{[1 - 3\frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)][1 + 2(\frac{k-1}{k})rt + 3r^2(\frac{k-2}{k})(2t^2 - 1)]} \right\} \\ &:= - \left\{ \frac{H(t)}{[1 - 3\frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)][1 + 2(\frac{k-1}{k})rt + 3r^2(\frac{k-2}{k})(2t^2 - 1)]} \right\} \\ &= - \frac{At^2 + Bt + C}{[1 - 3\frac{k-2}{k}r^2(2t^2 - 1)][1 + 2(\frac{k-1}{k})rt + 3r^2(\frac{k-2}{k})(2t^2 - 1)]}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 12r^3 \frac{(k-1)(k-2)}{k^2}, \\ B &= 12r^2 \frac{k-2}{k} \left[ 2 + 3r^2 \left( \frac{k-2}{k} \right) \right], \\ C &= 2r \frac{k-1}{k} \left[ 1 + 3r^2 \left( \frac{k-2}{k} \right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now, for all  $k \geq 3$  and  $r \rightarrow 1$ , the function  $H(t)$  has unique real negative zeros in the interval  $[-\frac{1}{2}, 0)$ . This leads to the fact that  $G'(t)$  has unique positive real zeros for all  $k \geq 3$  in the interval  $(0, \frac{1}{2}]$ . So, we calculate  $\alpha$  in the interval  $t \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ . A computation yields  $G(t)$  is decreasing for  $r \rightarrow 1$  in the interval  $t \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ . Thus, we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} G(t) < \frac{9}{10} = \frac{2 - \alpha}{2}, \quad 1 > t > 0.5,$$

which implies  $\alpha = \frac{1}{5}$ . This completes the proof. □

**Theorem 8** Assume the Cesàro partial sum

$$\sigma_3(z) = z + \frac{4}{3}z^2 + z^3$$

of the function

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^2} = z + 2z^2 + 3z^3 + \dots$$

Then the function  $\sigma_3(z) \in \mathcal{C}(\frac{1}{2})$  for all  $0.2 < r < 0.5$ .

*Proof* We consider  $\alpha$  such that

$$\Re \left( 1 + \frac{z\sigma_3''(z)}{\sigma_3'(z)} \right) = \Re \left( 3 - \frac{2(\frac{4}{3}z + 1)}{1 + \frac{8}{3}z + 3z^2} \right) > \alpha.$$

This implies that

$$\Re \left( \frac{\frac{4}{3}z + 1}{1 + \frac{8}{3}z + 3z^2} \right) < \frac{3 - \alpha}{2},$$

therefore, a computation gives

$$\Re\left(\frac{\frac{4}{3}z + 1}{1 + \frac{8}{3}z + 3z^2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} + \Re\left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}(1 - 3z^2)}{1 + \frac{8}{3}z + 3z^2}\right),$$

thus

$$\frac{1 - 3r^2(2 \cos^2 \theta - 1)}{1 + \frac{8}{3}r \cos \theta + 3(2 \cos^2 \theta - 1)} < 2 - \alpha.$$

By putting  $t = \cos \theta$ , we define the function  $j(t)$  as follows:

$$j(t) = \frac{1 - 3r^2(2t^2 - 1)}{1 + \frac{8}{3}rt + 3r^2(2t^2 - 1)}.$$

Logarithmic derivative of  $j(t)$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{j'(t)}{j(t)} &:= - \left\{ \frac{\tilde{h}(t)}{[1 - 3r^2(2t^2 - 1)][1 + \frac{8}{3}rt + 3r^2(2t^2 - 1)]} \right\} \\ &= - \frac{16r^3t^2 + 24r^2t + \frac{8}{3}r(1 + 3r^2)}{[1 - 3r^2(2t^2 - 1)][1 + \frac{8}{3}rt + 3r^2(2t^2 - 1)]}. \end{aligned}$$

The function  $\tilde{h}(t)$  has a unique real negative zero in the interval  $t \in (-1, 0)$  for all  $0.2 < r < 0.5$  which is around  $t \simeq -\frac{1}{2}$ . This leads to the fact that  $j'(t)$  has a unique positive real zero in the interval  $(0, 1)$  around  $t \simeq \frac{1}{2}$ . A computation yields  $j(t)$  is decreasing in the interval  $t \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$  and assuming its maximum at  $t = 0.5$  and  $r = 0.5$ . Thus, we have

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0.5, t \rightarrow 0.5} j(t) < \frac{3}{2} = 2 - \alpha,$$

which implies  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ . This completes the proof. □

Note that some other results related to partial sums can be found in [11–15].

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