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Properties for certain subclasses of analytic functions with nonzero coefficients

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Abstract

In the present paper, we obtain some mapping and inclusion properties for subclasses of analytic functions by using a linear operator defined by the Gaussian hypergeometric function.

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1 Introduction

Let \mathcal{A} denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (a_n \neq 0), \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$. We also denote by \mathcal{S} the class of all functions in \mathcal{A} which are univalent in \mathbb{U} .

A function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be in the class $\mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$ if

$$\left| \frac{f'(z) - 1}{t(A - B) - B(f'(z) - 1)} \right| < \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}), \quad (1.2)$$

where A and B are complex numbers with $A \neq B$, $t \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, and α is a positive real number.

In particular, for some real numbers A and B with $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ and $\alpha = 1$ without any restriction of the coefficients a_n ($n \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$) the class $\mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$ was introduced by Dixit and Pal [1]. Moreover, by giving specific values t , A , B , and α in (1.2), we obtain subclasses studied by various researchers in earlier works (see [2–6]).

A function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{UST}(\alpha)$ if

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{f(z) - f(\xi)}{(z - \xi)f'(z)} \right\} > \alpha \quad (z \times \xi \in \mathbb{U} \times \mathbb{U}; 0 \leq \alpha < 1).$$

Furthermore, a function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{UCV}(\alpha)$ if

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{(z - \xi)f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \alpha \quad (z \times \xi \in \mathbb{U} \times \mathbb{U}; 0 \leq \alpha < 1).$$

The classes $UST(0) \equiv UST$ and $UCV(0) \equiv UCV$ are introduced by Goodman [7, 8] (they are called the classes of uniformly starlike and uniformly convex functions, respectively). The classes of uniformly starlike and uniformly convex functions have been extensively studied by Ma and Minda [9] and Rønning [10].

Let us consider the Gaussian hypergeometric function $F(a, b; c; z)$ defined by

$$F(a, b; c; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n}{(c)_n} z^n \quad (a, b, c \in \mathbb{C}; c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots; z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

where $(v)_n$ is the Pochhammer symbol (or the shifted factorial) defined (in terms of the gamma function) by

$$(v)_n := \frac{\Gamma(v+n)}{\Gamma(v)} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \text{ and } v \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}, \\ v(v+1) \cdots (v+n-1) & \text{if } n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } v \in \mathbb{C}. \end{cases}$$

We note that $F(a, b; c; z) = F(b, a; c; z)$ and

$$F(a, b; c; 1) = \frac{\Gamma(c-a-b)\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \quad (\Re\{c-a-b\} > 0).$$

We also recall (see [11, 12]) that the function $F(a, b; c; z)$ is bounded if $\Re\{c-a-b\} > 0$, and it has a pole at $z = 1$ if $\Re\{c-a-b\} \leq 0$. Moreover, univalence, starlikeness and convexity properties of $zF(a, b; c; z)$ have been extensively studied by Ponnusamy and Vuorinen [13] and Ruscheweyh and Singh [14].

For $f \in \mathcal{A}$, we define the operator $I_{a,b;c}f$ by

$$I_{a,b;c}f(z) = zF(a, b; c; z) * f(z), \tag{1.3}$$

where $*$ denotes the usual Hadamard product (or convolution) of power series. For a special case of the operator $I_{a,b;c}f$, we can refer to the paper by Swaminathan [15] and the references cited therein.

In this paper, we obtain a necessary condition for the class $\mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$ and sufficient conditions for the classes $\mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$, $UST(\alpha)$, and $UCV(\alpha)$, respectively. Moreover, we find a condition for univalence of the operator $I_{a,b;c}f$ defined by (1.3).

2 Main result

Theorem 1 *Let a function f of the form (1.1) be in the class $\mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$ with $a_n = |a_n|e^{i\frac{(3n+1)\pi}{2}}$ ($n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$), then*

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1-\alpha|B|)|a_n| \leq \alpha|t||A-B|. \tag{2.1}$$

Proof From the definition of $\mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$, we have

$$|f'(z) - 1| < \alpha|t(A-B) - B(f'(z) - 1)| \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

and so

$$\left| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1} \right| < \alpha \left| t(A - B) - B \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1} \right|. \tag{2.2}$$

If we take $z = re^{i\frac{\pi}{2}}$, then we see that

$$a_n z^{n-1} = |a_n| r^{n-1} \quad (0 \leq r < 1). \tag{2.3}$$

Then, by using (2.3) to (2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n| r^{n-1} &< \alpha \left| t(A - B) - B \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n| r^{n-1} \right| \\ &< \alpha |t(A - B)| + \alpha |B| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n| r^{n-1}, \end{aligned}$$

or, equivalently,

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1 - \alpha|B|)|a_n| r^{n-1} < \alpha |t||A - B|. \tag{2.4}$$

Letting $r \rightarrow 1^-$ in (2.4), we have the inequality (2.1). Thus we complete the proof of Theorem 1. \square

Theorem 2 *Let a function f of the form (1.1) be in the class \mathcal{A} . If*

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1 + \alpha|B|)|a_n| \leq \alpha |t||A - B|, \tag{2.5}$$

where A and B are complex numbers with $A \neq B$, $t \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, and α is a positive real number, then $f \in \mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$. The result is sharp for the function defined by

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha t(A - B)\epsilon}{n^2(n - 1)(1 + \alpha|B|)} z^n \\ &(A, B \in \mathbb{C}; A \neq B; t \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}; |\epsilon| = 1; z \in \mathbb{U}). \end{aligned}$$

Proof In view of the definition of $\mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$, it suffices to prove that

$$|f'(z) - 1| < \alpha |t(A - B) - B(f'(z) - 1)| \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \tag{2.6}$$

From (2.6), we have

$$\left| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1} \right| < \alpha \left| t(A - B) - B \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1} \right|.$$

Hence it is sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n|r^{n-1} < \alpha \left(|t||A - B| - |B| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n|r^{n-1} \right),$$

which is equivalent to the relation

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1 + \alpha|B|)|a_n|r^{n-1} < \alpha|t||A - B|. \tag{2.7}$$

Letting $r \rightarrow 1^-$ in (2.7), we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1 + \alpha|B|)|a_n| \leq \alpha|t||A - B|.$$

Therefore, by the assumption (2.5), we prove that $f \in \mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$. □

Theorem 3 *Let a function f of the form (1.1) be in the class \mathcal{A} . If*

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} ((3 - \alpha)n - 2)|a_n| \leq 1 - \alpha \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1), \tag{2.8}$$

then $f \in \mathcal{UST}(\alpha)$. The result is sharp for the function

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - \alpha)\epsilon}{n(n - 1)((3 - \alpha)n - 2)} z^n \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1; |\epsilon| = 1).$$

Proof It suffices to show that

$$\left| \frac{f(z) - f(\xi)}{(z - \xi)f'(z)} - 1 \right| \leq 1 - \alpha \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1; (z, \xi) \in \mathbb{U} \times \mathbb{U}).$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(z) - f(\xi)}{(z - \xi)f'(z)} - 1 \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n(\xi^{n-1} + z\xi^{n-2} + \dots + z^{n-1}) - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1}}{1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1}} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 2(n - 1)|a_n|}{1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n|}, \end{aligned}$$

which is bounded by $1 - \alpha$ if the assumption (2.8) is satisfied. Thus we complete the proof of Theorem 3. □

Theorem 4 *Let a function f of the form (1.1) be in the class \mathcal{A} . If*

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(2n - 1 - \alpha)|a_n| \leq 1 - \alpha \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1), \tag{2.9}$$

then $f \in \mathcal{UCV}(\alpha)$. The result is sharp for the function

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(1-\alpha)\epsilon}{n^2(n-1)(2n-1-\alpha)} z^n \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1; |\epsilon| = 1; z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Proof It suffices to show that

$$\left| \frac{(z-\varphi)f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| < 1 - \alpha \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1; (z, \varphi) \in \mathbb{U} \times \mathbb{U}).$$

We have

$$\left| \frac{(z-\varphi)f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| = \left| \frac{(z-\varphi) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n z^{n-2}}{1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1}} \right| \leq \frac{2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(n-1)|a_n|}{1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n|},$$

which is bounded by $1 - \alpha$ if the assumption (2.9) is satisfied. Thus we complete the proof of Theorem 4. \square

Theorem 5 Let $a, b \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ and $c > |a| + |b|$. If $f \in \mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$ with $a_n = |a_n|e^{i\frac{(3n+1)\pi}{2}}$, $0 < |B| < 1$, and

$$\frac{\Gamma(c - |a| - |b|)\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(c - |a|)\Gamma(c - |b|)} \leq \frac{1 - \alpha|B|}{1 + \alpha|B|} + 1,$$

then $I_{a,b;c}f \in \mathfrak{N}^t(A, B, \alpha)$, where the operator $I_{a,b;c}f$ is defined by (1.3).

Proof We want to prove from Theorem 2 that

$$T_1 := \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1 + \alpha|B|)|A_n| \leq \alpha|t||A - B|,$$

where

$$A_n = \frac{(a)_{n-1}(b)_{n-1}}{(c)_{n-1}(1)_{n-1}} a_n.$$

Since, from Theorem 1,

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n| &\leq \frac{\alpha|t||A - B|}{n(1 - \alpha|B|)}, \\ T_1 &\leq \frac{\alpha|t||A - B|(1 + \alpha|B|)}{1 - \alpha|B|} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(|a|)_{n-1}(|b|)_{n-1}}{(c)_{n-1}(1)_{n-1}} \\ &= \frac{\alpha|t||A - B|(1 + \alpha|B|)}{1 - \alpha|B|} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(|a|)_n(|b|)_n}{(c)_n(1)_n} - 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{\alpha|t||A - B|(1 + \alpha|B|)}{1 - \alpha|B|} \left(\frac{\Gamma(c - |a| - |b|)\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(c - |a|)\Gamma(c - |b|)} - 1 \right) \\ &\leq \alpha|t||A - B|, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of Theorem 5. \square

We introduce the following lemma which is needed for the proof of the next theorem.

Lemma 1 [16] *Let ω be regular in the unit disk \mathbb{U} with $\omega(0) = 0$. Then, if $|\omega(z)|$ attains a maximum value on the circle $|z| = r$ ($0 \leq r < 1$) at a point z_0 , we can write*

$$z_0 \omega'(z_0) = k \omega(z_0) \quad (k \geq 1).$$

Theorem 6 *Let a function f of the form (1.1) be in the class \mathcal{A} . Assume*

$$\left| \frac{(I_{a,b;c}f(z))' - 1}{1 - \alpha} \right|^\beta \left| \frac{z(I_{a,b;c}f(z))''}{(I_{a,b;c}f(z))' - \alpha} \right|^\gamma < \frac{1}{2^\gamma} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \tag{2.10}$$

for some real α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$), $\beta > 0$, and $\gamma > 0$. Then

$$|(I_{a,b;c}f(z))' - 1| < 1 - \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \tag{2.11}$$

Proof Let us define ω by

$$\omega(z) = \frac{(I_{a,b;c}f(z))' - 1}{1 - \alpha} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Then it follows that ω is analytic in \mathbb{U} with $\omega(0) = 0$. By (2.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\omega(z)|^\beta \left| \frac{z\omega'(z)}{\omega(z) + 1} \right|^\gamma &= |\omega(z)|^{\beta+\gamma} \left| \frac{z\omega'(z)}{\omega(z)} \frac{1}{\omega(z) + 1} \right|^\gamma \\ &< \frac{1}{2^\gamma} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

Suppose that there exists a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{U}$ such that

$$\max_{|z| \leq |z_0|} |\omega(z)| = |\omega(z_0)| = 1.$$

Then, by Lemma 1, we can put

$$\frac{z_0 \omega'(z_0)}{\omega(z_0)} = k \geq 1.$$

Hence, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\omega(z_0)|^\beta \left| \frac{z_0 \omega'(z_0)}{\omega(z_0) + 1} \right|^\gamma &= \left| \frac{z_0 \omega'(z_0)}{\omega(z_0) + 1} \right|^\gamma \\ &\geq \left(\frac{k}{2} \right)^\gamma \geq \frac{1}{2^\gamma}, \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts the condition (2.12). This shows that

$$|\omega(z)| = \left| \frac{(I_{a,b;c}f(z))' - 1}{1 - \alpha} \right| < 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Thus we complete the proof of Theorem 6. □

Remark 1 The condition (2.11) in Theorem 6 implies that

$$\Re\{(I_{a,b;c}f(z))'\} > 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Therefore, by the Noshiro-Warschawski theorem [17], the operator $I_{a,b;c}f$ is univalent in \mathbb{U} under the restrictions of Theorem 6.

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