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Extensions of some generalized conditions for starlikeness and convexity

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Abstract

In the present paper we obtain generalized sufficient conditions for the starlikeness and convexity of some normalized analytic functions; the results extend those recently obtained in the work of Uyanik and Owa (J. Inequal. Appl. 2011:87, 2011). **MSC:** 30C45

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1 Introduction and preliminaries

Let $\mathcal{H}(U)$ be the class of holomorphic functions in the unit disk U = { $z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1$ }, and define

$$\mathcal{A}_n = \{ f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{U}) : f(z) = z + a_{n+1}z^{n+1} + \cdots, z \in \mathbf{U} \}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Also, let

$$\mathcal{S}_n^* = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A}_n : \operatorname{Re} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} > 0, z \in \mathbf{U} \right\}$$

be the class of *n-starlike functions* in U, and

$$\mathcal{C}_n = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A}_n : \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) > 0, z \in \mathrm{U} \right\}$$

be the class of *n*-convex functions in U. The notations $S^* := S_1^*$ and $C := C_1$ are well known, where S^* and C represent, respectively, the class of normalized starlike and normalized convex functions in the unit disc U.

In the recent years, many authors have obtained some sufficient conditions for starlikeness and convexity, that can be found, for example, in [1-5] *etc.*, together with many references. In the present paper, by using some simple integral inequalities, we generalize the results of [4] and we give some interesting special cases of our results. The methods used here are frequently used in complex analysis and operator theory on spaces of analytic functions; among others, for example, in obtaining estimations for point evaluation operators on spaces of analytic functions of one or several variables containing derivatives in the definition of the spaces (see, for example, [6] and [7]).



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Lemma 1.1 [1, 2] *If* $f \in A_n$ *and*

$$\left| f'(z) - 1 \right| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$
 (1.1)

then $f \in \mathcal{S}_n^*$.

2 Generalized conditions for *n*-starlikeness

Using the previous lemma, we will prove the next sufficient condition for *n*-starlikeness.

Theorem 2.1 Let $f \in A_n$ and suppose that

$$\left|f^{(j_0)}(z)\right| \le \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j_0), \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$
(2.1)

for some integer $j_0 \ge 2$ *, with*

$$M_n(j_0) := \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 2 \le j_0 \le n+1, \\ \sum_{k=1}^{j_0 - n - 1} |f^{(n+k)}(0)|, & \text{if } j_0 \ge n+2. \end{cases}$$
(2.2)

Then $f \in \mathcal{S}_n^*$.

Proof Since $f \in A_n$, we have

$$f^{(k)}(0) = 0 \quad \text{for } 2 \le k \le n.$$
 (2.3)

(i) First, we will prove that (2.1) implies $f \in S_n^*$ for $j_0 = 2$. Thus, if

$$|f''(z)| \le \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad z \in U,$$

then we have

$$\begin{split} \left| f'(z) - 1 \right| &= \left| \int_0^z f''(\zeta) \, d\zeta \right| \le \int_0^{|z|} \left| f''(\rho e^{i\theta}) \right| d\rho \\ &\le \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}} |z| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}, \end{split}$$

and according to Lemma 1.1 we deduce that $f \in S_n^*$.

(ii) Suppose that there exists an integer $3 \le j_0 \le n + 1$ such that inequality (2.1) holds. Using relation (2.3), we may easily see that

$$\begin{split} \left| f^{(j_0-1)}(z) \right| &= \left| \int_0^z f^{(j_0)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta + f^{(j_0-1)}(0) \right| = \left| \int_0^z f^{(j_0)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^{|z|} \left| f^{(j_0)}(\rho e^{i\theta}) \right| d\rho \leq \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} |z| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \end{split}$$

Consequently, if inequality (2.1) holds for some integer $3 \le j_0 \le n + 1$, then

$$\left| f^{(j)}(z) \right| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \text{ for all } 2 \le j \le j_0 - 1.$$

Using the fact that we have already proved that if (2.1) holds for $j_0 = 2$, then $f \in S_n^*$, from the above remark it follows that our result holds for any integer $2 \le j_0 \le n + 1$.

(iii) Now we will prove that the result holds for $j_0 = n + 2$. Thus, a simple computation shows that

$$\begin{split} \left| f^{(n+1)}(z) \right| &= \left| \int_0^z f^{(n+2)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta + f^{(n+1)}(0) \right| \\ &\leq \left| \int_0^z f^{(n+2)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta \right| + \left| f^{(n+1)}(0) \right| \leq \int_0^{|z|} \left| f^{(n+2)}(\rho e^{i\theta}) \right| d\rho + \left| f^{(n+1)}(0) \right| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(n+2) \right) |z| + \left| f^{(n+1)}(0) \right| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}, \end{split}$$

that is,

$$\left|f^{(n+1)}(z)\right| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad z \in U,$$

and using the result of the part (ii) of our proof for $j_0 = n + 1$, it follows that $f \in S_n^*$.

(iv) Finally, supposing that there exists an integer $j_0 \ge n + 3$ such that (2.1) holds, it follows that

$$\begin{split} \left| f^{(j_0-1)}(z) \right| &= \left| \int_0^z f^{(j_0)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta + f^{(j_0-1)}(0) \right| \\ &\leq \left| \int_0^z f^{(j_0)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta \right| + \left| f^{(j_0-1)}(0) \right| \leq \int_0^{|z|} \left| f^{(j_0)}(\rho e^{i\theta}) \right| d\rho + \left| f^{(j_0-1)}(0) \right| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j_0) \right) |z| + \left| f^{(j_0-1)}(0) \right| \\ &< \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j_0-1), \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \end{split}$$

Consequently, if inequality (2.1) holds for some integer $j_0 \ge n + 3$, then

$$\left|f^{(j)}(z)\right| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j), \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \text{ for all } n+2 \le j \le j_0 - 1.$$

Since we have already proved that if (2.1) holds for $j_0 = n + 2$ then $f \in S_n^*$, from the above remark the second part of our result follows, and the theorem is completely proved. \Box

Remark 2.1 If we put n = 1 in the above result, we get [4, Theorem 2.1].

3 Generalized conditions for *n*-convexity

In order to prove our main result, first we give the following two lemmas.

Lemma 3.1 Let $f \in A_n$ and suppose that

$$\left|f^{(j_0)}(z)\right| \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad z \in \mathbf{U},$$
(3.1)

for some integer $2 \le j_0 \le n + 1$. Then $f \in C_n$.

Proof (i) First, we will show that this implication holds for $j_0 = 2$. Letting F(z) = zf'(z), then $f \in C_n$ if and only if $F \in S_n^*$. If

$$|f''(z)| \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

a simple computation shows that

$$\begin{split} \left|F'(z) - 1\right| &= \left|zf''(z) + f'(z) - 1\right| \le \left|zf''(z)\right| + \left|f'(z) - 1\right| \\ &\le \left|zf''(z)\right| + \left|\int_0^z f''(\zeta) \, d\zeta\right| \le \left|zf''(z)\right| + \int_0^{|z|} \left|f''(\rho e^{i\theta})\right| \, d\rho \\ &\le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} |z| + \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} |z| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}, \end{split}$$

and by Lemma 1.1 we deduce that $F \in S_n^*$, *i.e.*, $f \in C_n$.

(ii) Suppose that there exists an integer $3 \le j_0 \le n + 1$ such that inequality (3.1) holds. Using relation (2.3), we may easily see that

$$\begin{split} \left| f^{(j_0-1)}(z) \right| &= \left| \int_0^z f^{(j_0)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta + f^{(j_0-1)}(0) \right| = \left| \int_0^z f^{(j_0)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^{|z|} \left| f^{(j_0)}(\rho e^{i\theta}) \right| d\rho \leq \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} |z| < \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \end{split}$$

Thus, we have obtained that if inequality (3.1) holds for some integer $3 \le j_0 \le n + 1$, then

$$|f^{(j)}(z)| < \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \text{ for all } 2 \le j \le j_0 - 1.$$

Since we have already proved that if (3.1) holds for $j_0 = 2$ then $f \in C_n$, our result follows from the above remark.

Lemma 3.2 Let $f \in A_n$ and suppose that

$$\left|f^{(j_0+1)}(z)\right| \le \frac{1}{j_0+1} \left(\frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - N_n(j_0)\right), \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$
(3.2)

for some integer $j_0 \ge n + 1$, with

$$N_{n}(j_{0}) := M_{n}(j_{0}) + j_{0} \left| f^{(j_{0})}(0) \right| = \begin{cases} (n+1) |f^{(n+1)}(0)|, & \text{if } j_{0} = n+1, \\ \sum_{k=1}^{j_{0}-n-1} |f^{(n+k)}(0)| + j_{0} |f^{(j_{0})}(0)|, & \text{if } j_{0} \ge n+2, \end{cases}$$
(3.3)

where $M_n(j_0)$ is given by (2.2). Then $f \in C_n$.

Proof Suppose that there exists an integer $j_0 \ge n + 1$ such that inequality (3.2) holds. If we let F(z) = zf'(z), then $f \in C_n$ if and only if $F \in S_n^*$. Since

$$F^{(j_0)}(z) = z f^{(j_0+1)}(z) + j_0 f^{(j_0)}(z),$$

we obtain that

$$\begin{split} \left| F^{(j_0)}(z) \right| &= \left| z f^{(j_0+1)}(z) + k_0 f^{(j_0)}(z) \right| \\ &\leq \left| z \right| \left| f^{(j_0+1)}(z) \right| + j_0 \left| \int_0^z f^{(j_0+1)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta + f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \\ &\leq \left| z \right| \left| f^{(j_0+1)}(z) \right| + j_0 \int_0^{|z|} \left| f^{(j_0+1)}(\rho e^{i\theta}) \right| \, d\rho + j_0 \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \\ &\leq (j_0+1) \left| z \right| \left| f^{(j_0+1)}(z) \right| + j_0 \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \\ &< \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - N_n(j_0) + j_0 \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| = \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j_0), \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \end{split}$$

Thus, we have obtained that if inequality (3.2) holds for some integer $j_0 \ge n + 1$, then

$$|F^{(j_0)}(z)| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j_0), \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

and from Theorem 2.1 we deduce that $F \in S_n^*$, hence $f \in C_n$, which completes the proof of the lemma.

Combining Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.2, we obtain the next conclusion for the n-convexity sufficient conditions.

Theorem 3.1 Let $f \in A_n$ and suppose that

$$|f^{(j_0+1)}(z)| \le P_n(j_0), \quad z \in U,$$

for some integer $j_0 \ge 1$ *, with*

$$P_n(j_0) := \begin{cases} \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, & \text{if } 1 \leq j_0 \leq n, \\ \frac{1}{j_0+1} \left(\frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - N_n(j_0)\right), & \text{if } j_0 \geq n+1, \end{cases}$$

where $N_n(j_0)$ is given by (3.3). Then $f \in C_n$.

Remark 3.1 If we put n = 1 in the above results, we obtain [4, Theorem 3.1].

Using a similar method as in the proof of Theorem 2.1 and Lemma 3.1, we can easily derive the following result.

Theorem 3.2 *Let* $f \in A_n$ *and suppose that*

$$\left|f^{(j_0+1)}(z)\right| \le Q_n(j_0) := \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j_0+1), \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$
(3.4)

for some integer $j_0 \ge 1$, where $M_n(j_0 + 1)$ is defined by (2.2), i.e.,

$$M_n(j_0+1) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 1 \le j_0 \le n, \\ \sum_{k=1}^{j_0-n} |f^{(n+k)}(0)|, & \text{if } j_0 \ge n+1. \end{cases}$$

Then $f \in C_n$.

Proof (i) For $1 \le j_0 \le n$, the result follows from Lemma 3.1.

(ii) We will prove that the result holds for $j_0 = n + 1$. A simple calculus shows that

$$\begin{split} \left| f^{(n+1)}(z) \right| &= \left| \int_{0}^{z} f^{(n+2)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta + f^{(n+1)}(0) \right| \\ &\leq \left| \int_{0}^{z} f^{(n+2)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta \right| + \left| f^{(n+1)}(0) \right| \leq \int_{0}^{|z|} \left| f^{(n+2)}(\rho e^{i\theta}) \right| d\rho + \left| f^{(n+1)}(0) \right| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^{2}+1}} - M_{n}(n+2) \right) |z| + \left| f^{(n+1)}(0) \right| \\ &< \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^{2}+1}}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}, \end{split}$$

that is,

$$\left|f^{(n+1)}(z)\right| < \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad z \in \mathbf{U},$$

and using the result of the part (i) of our proof for $j_0 = n$, it follows that $f \in C_n$.

(iii) Supposing that there exists an integer $j_0 \ge n + 2$ such that (3.4) holds, it follows that

$$\begin{split} \left| f^{(j_0)}(z) \right| &= \left| \int_0^z f^{(j_0+1)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta + f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \\ &\leq \left| \int_0^z f^{(j_0+1)}(\zeta) \, d\zeta \right| + \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \leq \int_0^{|z|} \left| f^{(j_0+1)}(\rho e^{i\theta}) \right| \, d\rho + \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j_0+1) \right) |z| + \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \\ &< \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j_0), \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \end{split}$$

Thus, if inequality (3.4) holds for some integer $j_0 \ge n + 2$, then

$$\left|f^{(j+1)}(z)\right| < \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j+1), \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \text{ for all } n+1 \le j \le j_0.$$

Since we have already proved to the part (ii) that if (3.4) holds for $j_0 = n + 1$ then $f \in C_n$, our theorem follows from the above remark.

Remark 3.2 If we put n = 1 in the above results, then we get [4, Theorem 3.2].

It remains to determine which of the above last two theorems gives weaker sufficient conditions for *n*-convexity, *i.e.*,

$$\left|f^{(j_0+1)}(z)\right| \le R_n(j_0) := \max\left\{P_n(j_0); Q_n(j_0)\right\}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

implies $f \in C_n$.

(i) First, let us consider the case $j_0 \ge n + 2$. A simple computation shows that $R_n(j_0) = Q_n(j_0)$ if and only if

$$Q_n(j_0) \ge P_n(j_0)$$
 and $Q_n(j_0) \ge 0$,

which is equivalent to $M_n(j_0 + 1) \le \min\{A; B\}$, where

$$A := \frac{j_0 - 1}{j_0} \left(\frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}} + \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \right), \qquad B := \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}}.$$
(3.5)

Moreover, it is easy to check that

$$\min\{A;B\} = A \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad (j_0 - 1) \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}},$$

and

$$\min\{A;B\} = B \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad (j_0 - 1) \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \ge \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}}.$$

Reversely, $R_n(j_0) = P_n(j_0)$ if and only if

$$Q_n(j_0) \leq P_n(j_0)$$
 and $P_n(j_0) \geq 0$,

that holds whenever $A \leq M_n(j_0 + 1) \leq C$, where

$$C := \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}} - (j_0 - 1) \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right|.$$
(3.6)

Moreover, we have

$$A \le C \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad (j_0 - 1) \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \ge \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}}$$

(ii) Secondly, let us consider the case $j_0 = n + 1$. A simple calculus shows that

$$R_n(n+1) = Q_n(n+1) = \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}} - \left| f^{(n+1)}(0) \right|$$

if and only if

$$Q_n(n+1) \ge P_n(n+1)$$
 and $Q_n(n+1) \ge 0$,

which is equivalent to

$$\left|f^{(n+1)}(0)\right| \le \min\left\{\frac{n(n+1)}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}; \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}\right\} = \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}.$$

Reversely,

$$R_n(n+1) = P_n(n+1) = \frac{n+1}{n+2} \left(\frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}} - \left| f^{(n+1)}(0) \right| \right)$$

if and only if

$$Q_n(n+1) \le P_n(n+1)$$
 and $P_n(n+1) \ge 0$,

that holds whenever

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} \le \left|f^{(n+1)}(0)\right| \le \frac{1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}.$$

In order to have

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} \le \frac{1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}},$$

we obtain that n = 1, but this case is contained in the first part of (ii).

Now, from Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.2, we deduce the next conclusion.

Theorem 3.3 Let $f \in A_n$ and suppose that

$$\left|f^{(j_0+1)}(z)\right| \le R_n(j_0), \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$
(3.7)

for some integer $j_0 \ge 1$ *, with*

(i)
$$R_n(j_0) := \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad if 1 \le j_0 \le n,$$

(ii) $R_n(j_0) := \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - \left| f^{(n+1)}(0) \right|, \quad if j_0 = n+1$
 $and \left| f^{(n+1)}(0) \right| \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}},$
(iii) $R_n(j_0) := \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j_0+1), \quad if j_0 \ge n+2,$
 $(j_0-1) \left| f^{(j_0+1)}(0) \right| > \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} \text{ and } M_n(j_0+1) \le B,$
(iv) $R_n(j_0) := \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - M_n(j_0+1), \quad if j_0 \ge n+2,$
 $(j_0-1) \left| f^{(j_0+1)}(0) \right| \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} \text{ and } M_n(j_0+1) \le A,$

(v)
$$R_n(j_0) := \frac{1}{j_0 + 1} \left(\frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}} - M_n(j_0 + 1) - (j_0 - 1) \left| f^{(j_0)}(0) \right| \right),$$

 $if j_0 \ge n + 2, (j_0 - 1) \left| f^{(j_0 + 1)}(0) \right| \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}} \text{ and } A \le M_n(j_0 + 1) \le C,$

where $M_n(j_0)$, A, B and C are given by (2.2), (3.5) and (3.6), respectively. Then $f \in C_n$.

4 Special cases

In this section we give some special cases of our main results.

1. Taking the polynomial function

$$f_{n,m}(z) = z + a_{n+1}z^{n+1} + \dots + a_{n+m}z^{n+m}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C},$$
(4.1)

where $m \in \mathbb{N}$, then $f_{n,m} \in \mathcal{A}_n$, deg $f_{n,m} = n + m$. It is easy to see that

$$f_{n,m}^{(j_0)}(z) = j_0! \sum_{k=1}^m \binom{n+k}{j_0} a_{n+k} z^{n-j_0+k}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \text{ if } 2 \le j_0 \le n+1,$$
(4.2)

$$f_{n,m}^{(j_0)}(z) = j_0! \sum_{k=j_0-n}^{n-j_0+k} \binom{n+k}{n-j_0+k} a_{n+k} z^{n-j_0+k}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \text{ if } n+2 \le j_0 \le n+m,$$
(4.3)

and from Theorem 2.1 we deduce the following result.

Corollary 4.1 Let $f_{n,m}$ be the polynomial function of the form (4.1) and suppose that for some integer $2 \le j_0 \le n + m$, one of the following inequalities holds:

(i)
$$s_n^{(j_0)}(m) \le \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad if \ 2 \le j_0 \le n+1,$$

(ii) $s_n^{(j_0)}(m) \le \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - \sum_{j=1}^{j_0-n-1} (n+j)! |a_{n+j}|, \quad if \ n+2 \le j_0 \le n+m,$

where

$$s_{n}^{(j_{0})}(m) = j_{0}! \sum_{k=1}^{m} \binom{n+k}{j_{0}} |a_{n+k}|, \quad if 2 \le j_{0} \le n+1,$$

$$(4.4)$$

$$s_n^{(j_0)}(m) = j_0! \sum_{k=j_0-n}^m \binom{n+k}{n-j_0+k} |a_{n+k}|, \quad if \, n+2 \le j_0 \le n+m.$$
(4.5)

Then $f_{n,m} \in \mathcal{S}_n^*$.

Taking $j_0 = n + 1$ and $j_0 = n + m$ in Corollary 4.1, we deduce that if one of the following inequalities holds:

$$(n+1)! \sum_{k=1}^{m} \binom{n+k}{n+1} |a_{n+k}| \le \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}},$$
(4.6)

$$\sum_{k=1}^{m} (n+k)! |a_{n+k}| \le \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}},$$
(4.7)

then $f_{n,m} \in S_n^*$. It is easy to check that condition (4.6) is stronger than (4.7), hence we get the following.

Example 4.1 If $f_{n,m}$ is the polynomial function of the form (4.1) and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{m} (n+k)! |a_{n+k}| \le \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}},$$

then $f_{n,m} \in \mathcal{S}_n^*$.

Remark 4.1 For n = 1 and m = 3, the above example reduces to the [4, Example 2.1], that is, if $|a_2| + 3|a_3| + 12|a_4| \le \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$, then $f_{1,3}(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + a_3 z^3 + a_4 z^4 \in S_n^*$.

According to Theorem 3.3 and using the differentiation formulas (4.2) and (4.3), we obtain the next result.

Corollary 4.2 Let $f_{n,m}$ be the polynomial function of the form (4.1) and suppose that for some integer $1 \le j_0 \le n + m - 1$, one of the following inequalities holds:

(i)
$$s_n^{(j_0+1)}(m) \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \quad if \ 1 \le j_0 \le n$$

(ii)
$$s_n^{(j_0+1)}(m) \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - (n+1)!|a_{n+1}|, \quad if j_0 = n+1,$$

(iii)
$$s_n^{(j_0+1)}(m) \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - \sum_{j=1}^{j_0-n} (n+j)! |a_{n+j}|,$$

$$if n + 2 \le j_0 \le n + m - 1, (j_0 + 1)!(j_0 - 1)|a_{j_0 + 1}| > \frac{n + 1}{2\sqrt{(n + 1)^2 + 1}},$$

and
$$\sum_{j=1}^{j_0-n} (n+j)! |a_{n+j}| \le B'$$
,

(iv)
$$s_n^{(j_0+1)}(m) \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - \sum_{j=1}^{j_0-n} (n+j)! |a_{n+j}|,$$

 $if n+2 \le j_0 \le n+m-1, (j_0+1)! (j_0-1) |a_{j_0+1}| \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}},$

and
$$\sum_{j=1}^{j_0-n} (n+j)! |a_{n+j}| \le A'$$
,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} \quad s_n^{(j_0+1)}(m) &\leq \frac{1}{j_0+1} \left(\frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}} - \sum_{j=1}^{j_0-n} (n+j)! |a_{n+j}| - j_0! (j_0-1) |a_{j_0}| \right) \\ & \text{if } n+2 \leq j_0 \leq n+m-1, (j_0+1)! (j_0-1) |a_{j_0+1}| \leq \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}}, \\ & \text{and } A' \leq \sum_{j=1}^{j_0-n} (n+j)! |a_{n+j}| \leq C', \end{aligned}$$

where $s_n^{(j_0+1)}(m)$ are given by (4.4) and (4.5), and

$$\begin{split} &A' := \frac{j_0 - 1}{j_0} \bigg(\frac{n + 1}{2\sqrt{(n + 1)^2 + 1}} + j_0! |a_{j_0}| \bigg), \\ &B' := \frac{n + 1}{2\sqrt{(n + 1)^2 + 1}}, \qquad C' := \frac{n + 1}{\sqrt{(n + 1)^2 + 1}} - j_0! (j_0 - 1) |a_{j_0}|. \end{split}$$

Then $f_{n,m} \in C_n$.

Taking $j_0 = n$ in Corollary 4.2, we deduce the following special case.

Example 4.2 If $f_{n,m}$ is the polynomial function of the form (4.1) and

$$(n+1)!\sum_{k=1}^{m} \binom{n+k}{n+1} |a_{n+k}| \le \frac{n+1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}},$$

then $f_{n,m} \in \mathcal{C}_n$.

Remark 4.2 For n = 1 and m = 3, the above example reduces to the following one: if $|a_2| + 3|a_3| + 6|a_4| \le \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}$, then $f_{1,3}(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + a_3 z^3 + a_4 z^4 \in C_n$.

2. For the function

$$f_n(z) = z + \alpha \left(e^z - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{z^k}{k!} \right) = z + \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{\alpha}{(n+k)!} z^{n+k}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C},$$
(4.8)

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$, we have $f_n \in \mathcal{A}_n$, and we may easily check that

$$\left|f_{n}^{(n+1)}(z)\right| = \left|\alpha \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^{k-1}}{(k-1)!}\right| \le |\alpha| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k-1)!} = |\alpha|e, \quad z \in \mathbf{U}.$$

If we take $j_0 = n + 1$ in Theorem 2.1 and $j_0 = n$ in Theorem 3.3, we deduce, respectively, the following.

Example 4.3 If f_n is the function defined by (4.8) and

$$|\alpha| \le \frac{n+1}{e\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}},$$

then $f_n \in \mathcal{S}_n^*$.

Example 4.4 If f_n is the function of the form (4.8) and

$$|\alpha| \le \frac{n+1}{2e\sqrt{(n+1)^2+1}},$$

then $f_n \in \mathcal{C}_n^*$.

3. Considering the function

$$g_{2n}(z) = z + \alpha \left(\sin z - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \frac{z^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} \right)$$
$$= z + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \alpha}{(2k+1)!} z^{2k+1}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C},$$
(4.9)

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$, then $g_{2n} \in \mathcal{A}_{2n}$, and

$$ig|g_{2n}^{(2n+1)}(z)ig| = ig|lpha \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+j} rac{z^{2j}}{(2j)!}ig|$$

 $\leq |lpha| \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} rac{1}{(2j)!} = |lpha| rac{e+e^{-1}}{2}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}.$

Taking $j_0 = 2n + 1$ in Theorem 2.1 and $j_0 = 2n$ in Theorem 3.3, we obtain, respectively, the following.

Example 4.5 If g_{2n} is the function defined by (4.9) and

$$|\alpha| \le \frac{2}{e + e^{-1}} \frac{2n + 1}{\sqrt{(2n + 1)^2 + 1}},$$

then $g_{2n} \in \mathcal{S}_{2n}^*$.

Example 4.6 If g_{2n} is the function of the form (4.9) and

$$|\alpha| \le \frac{1}{e + e^{-1}} \frac{2n + 1}{\sqrt{(2n + 1)^2 + 1}},$$

then $g_{2n} \in \mathcal{C}_{2n}^*$.

4. Taking the function

$$h_{2n+1}(z) = z + \alpha \left(\cos z - \sum_{k=0}^{n} (-1)^k \frac{z^{2k}}{(2k)!} \right)$$
$$= z + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+j} \alpha}{(2n+2j)!} z^{2n+2j}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C},$$
(4.10)

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$, then $h_{2n+1} \in \mathcal{A}_{2n+1}$, and

$$\begin{aligned} \left| h_{2n+1}^{(2n+2)}(z) \right| &= \left| \alpha \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+j} \frac{z^{2j-2}}{(2j-2)!} \right| \\ &\leq |\alpha| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2j-2)!} = |\alpha| \frac{e+e^{-1}}{2}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \end{aligned}$$

If we choose $j_0 = 2n + 2$ in Theorem 2.1 and $j_0 = 2n + 1$ in Theorem 3.3, we obtain, respectively, the following.

Example 4.7 If h_{2n+1} is the function defined by (4.10) and

$$|\alpha| \leq \frac{2}{e + e^{-1}} \frac{2(n+1)}{\sqrt{4(n+1)^2 + 1}},$$

then $h_{2n+1} \in \mathcal{S}_{2n+1}^*$.

Example 4.8 If h_{2n+1} is the function of the form (4.10) and

$$|\alpha| \le rac{1}{e+e^{-1}}rac{2(n+1)}{\sqrt{4(n+1)^2+1}},$$

then $h_{2n+1} \in \mathcal{C}^*_{2n+1}$.

We emphasize that all the above *n*-starlikeness and *n*-convexity criteria are very useful since the direct proofs are too difficult in each of these examples.

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