

# A generalized univalent functions with missing coefficients of alternating type

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## Abstract

The normalized univalent function of the type

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}, k \geq 1,$$

has negative coefficient when  $n + k$  is odd, and positive coefficient when  $(n+k)$  is even. In this paper, the author investigated some properties of univalent functions with negative coefficients of the type  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}, k \geq 1$  and obtain some conditions for which the function  $f(z)$  belong to the subclass  $S^*(\alpha, \beta, k), C^*(\alpha, \beta, k)$ .

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# 1 Introduction and Preliminary Notes

Let  $S$  denote the class of normalized univalent functions of the form:

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

analytic in the unit disc  $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$

let  $T$  denote the subclass of  $S$  of the form

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad a_n \geq 0, \quad n = 2, 3, \dots \quad (1)$$

Let  $J(\alpha, \lambda) := \{f(z) \in A : |-\alpha z^2(z|f(z))'' + f'(z)(z|f(z))^2 - 1| \leq \lambda\}$ ,  $z \in E$  where  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{R} \setminus \{-\frac{1}{2}, 0\}$ . Kaur et al [3] established conditions under which functions in the class  $J(\alpha, \lambda)$  are starlike of order  $\Gamma$ ,  $0 \leq \Gamma < 1$  while Yi-Ling Cang and Jin-Lin Liu [1] showed certain sufficient conditions for univalence of analytic functions with missing coefficients.

Silverman [4] studied the properties of  $T$  in  $D$ , where

$$D = \{w : w \text{ is analytic in } U; w(0) = 0, |w(z)| < 1 \text{ in } U\}.$$

Khairnar and More [2] studied  $G(A, B)$ , a subclass of analytic function in  $U$ , which are of the form  $\frac{1+Aw(z)}{1+Bw(z)}$ ,  $-1 \leq A < \beta \leq 1$  where  $w(z) \in D$ .

Now, we define a subclass  $H$  of  $T$  to consist of functions of the form:

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}, \quad a_{k+1} \geq 0, \quad k \geq 1 \quad (2)$$

And let  $G(\alpha, \beta, k)$  denote a subclass of analytic functions in  $U$ , which are of the form  $\frac{1+\alpha w(z)}{1+\beta w(z)}$ ,  $-1 \leq \alpha < \beta \leq 1$  where  $w(z) \in D$ .

We shall in this paper investigate a subclass  $H$  of  $T$  in  $G(\alpha, \beta, k)$ .

We define  $S^*(\alpha, \beta, k)$  and  $C(\alpha, \beta, k)$  respectively as follows:

$$S^*(\alpha, \beta, k) = \left\{ f : f \in H \text{ and } \frac{zf'}{f} \in G(\alpha, \beta) \right\}$$

$$C(\alpha, \beta, k) = \left\{ f : f \in H \text{ and } \left( \frac{zf'}{f} \right)' \in G(\alpha, \beta) \right\}$$

**Lemma 1 [1]:** A function

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_{n+1} z^{n+1}, a_{n+1} \geq 0$$

is in  $M(A, B)$  iff

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n(B+1) - (A-B)}{A-B} \right) a_{n+1} \leq 1$$

**Lemma 2 [1]:** A function

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_{n+1} z^{n+1}, a_{n+1} \geq 0$$

is in  $C(A, B)$  iff

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{[n(B+1) - (A-B)](n+1)}{A-B} \right) a_{n+1} \leq 1$$

$$M(A, B) = \left\{ f : f \in M \text{ and } \frac{zf'}{f} \in G(A, B) \right\}$$

and

$$C(A, B) = \left\{ f : f \in M \text{ and } \left( \frac{zf'}{f} \right)' \in G(A, B) \right\}$$

## 2 Main Results

We now state and proof the main results of this paper.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let a function*

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}, a_{n+k} \geq 0$$

be in  $S^*(\alpha, \beta, k)$ , then,

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n+k-1(\beta+1) - (\alpha-\beta)}{\alpha-\beta} \right) a_{n+k} \leq 1$$

**Proof** Let

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}, \quad k \geq 1$$

Then,

$$f'(z) \geq 0$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} &= \frac{z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} (n+k) a_{n+k} z^{n+k}}{z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}} = \frac{1 + \alpha w(z)}{1 + \beta w(z)} \\ &\Rightarrow \left| \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} (n+k-1) a_{n+k} z^{n+k-1}}{(\alpha - \beta) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} [\alpha - \beta(n+k)] a_{n+k} z^{n+k-1}} \right| = 1 \end{aligned}$$

for  $r \rightarrow 1$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+k-1) a_{n+k}}{\alpha - \beta + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} [\alpha - \beta(n+k)] a_{n+k}} \leq 1 \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+k-1) a_{n+k} < (\alpha - \beta) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\alpha - \beta(n+k)] a_{n+k} \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[ (n+k-1) - \alpha + \beta(n+k) \right] a_{n+k} \leq \alpha - \beta \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[ (n+k-1) - \alpha + \beta((n+k-1) + 1) \right] a_{n+k} \leq \alpha - \beta \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[ (n+k-1)(\beta + 1) + \beta - \alpha \right] a_{n+k} \leq \alpha - \beta \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(n+k-1)(\beta + 1) - (\alpha - \beta)}{\alpha - \beta} \right] a_{n+k} \\ &\quad < \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(n+k)(\beta + 1) - (\alpha - \beta)}{\alpha - \beta} \right] a_{n+k} \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

This concludes the proof of Theorem 1. □

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let a function*

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}, \quad a_{n+k} \geq 0$$

be in  $C(\alpha, \beta, k)$ , then

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{(n+k)(n+k-1)(\beta+1) - (\alpha-\beta)}{\alpha-\beta} \right\} a_{n+k} \leq 1.$$

**Proof** Suppose  $f(z) \in C(\alpha, \beta, k)$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} (n+k)^2 a_{n+k} z^{n+k-1}}{1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} (n+k) a_{n+k} z^{n+k-1}} &= \frac{1 + \alpha w(z)}{1 + \beta w(z)} \\ \implies \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} (n+k-1)(n+k) a_{n+k} z^{n+k-1}}{(\alpha-\beta) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} (n+k) [\alpha - \beta(n+k)] a_{n+k} z^{n+k-1}} &= w(z) \\ \implies \left| \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} (n+k-1)(n+k) a_{n+k} z^{n+k-1}}{(\alpha-\beta) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} (n+k) [\alpha - \beta(n+k)] a_{n+k} z^{n+k-1}} \right| &\leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

since  $|w(z)| \leq 1$ . Let  $|z| \rightarrow 1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(n+k-1)(n+k) a_{n+k}}{(\alpha-\beta) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+k) [\alpha - \beta(n+k)] a_{n+k}} &\leq 1 \\ \implies \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+k-1)(n+k) a_{n+k} &\leq (\alpha-\beta) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+k) [\alpha - \beta(n+k)] a_{n+k} \\ \implies \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{(n+k) \left[ (n+k-1)(\beta+1) - (\alpha-\beta) \right]}{\alpha-\beta} \right\} a_{n+k} & \\ \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{(n+k) \left[ (n+k)(\beta+1) - (\alpha-\beta) \right]}{\alpha-\beta} \right\} a_{n+k} &< 1, \end{aligned}$$

which is the required result.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.3.** Let a function

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}, \quad a_{n+k} \geq 0$$

be in  $S_k^*(\alpha, \beta)$  then  $(1-\lambda) \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)}$  is also in  $S^*(\alpha, \beta, k)$   $0 \leq \alpha < 1$

**Proof** Let  $f(z) \in S^*(\alpha, \beta, k)$  then,

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{(n+k-1)(\beta+1) - (\alpha-\beta)}{\alpha-\beta} \right) a_{n+k} \leq 1$$

But,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{(1-\lambda)\left\{z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}(n+k)a_{n+k}z^{n+k}\right\}}{z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}a_{n+k}z^{n+k}} = \frac{1 + \alpha w(z)}{1 + \beta w(z)} \\
& \Rightarrow z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}(n+k)a_{n+k}z^{n+k} - \left\{\lambda z + \lambda \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}(n+k)a_{n+k}z^{n+k}\right\} \\
& + z\beta w(z) + \beta w(z) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}(n+k)a_{n+k}z^{n+k} \\
& - \left\{\lambda z\beta w(z) + \lambda\beta w(z) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}(n+k)a_{n+k}z^{n+k}\right\} \\
& = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}a_{n+k}z^{n+k} + z\alpha w(z) + \alpha w(z) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}a_{n+k}z^{n+k} \\
& \Rightarrow \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}\left[(1-\lambda)(n+k)-1\right]a_{n+k}z^{n+k-1} - \lambda}{(\alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}\left[\alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta(n+k)\right]a_{n+k}z^{n+k-1}} = w(z) \\
& \Rightarrow \left|\frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}\left[(1-\lambda)(n+k)-1\right]a_{n+k}z^{n+k-1} - \lambda}{(\alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+k}\left[\alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta(n+k)\right]a_{n+k}z^{n+k-1}}\right| = |w(z)| \leq 1
\end{aligned}$$

for  $|z| = r \rightarrow 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Rightarrow \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left[(1-\lambda)(n+k)-1\right]a_{n+k} - \lambda}{(\alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left[\alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta(n+k)\right]a_{n+k}} \leq 1 \\
& \Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left[(1-\lambda)(n+k)-1\right]a_{n+k} - \lambda \leq \alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left[\alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta(n+k)\right]a_{n+k} \\
& \Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left[(1-\lambda)(n+k)-1\right]a_{n+k} - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left[\alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta(n+k)\right]a_{n+k} \leq \alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta \\
& \Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left[\left((1-\lambda)(n+k)-1\right) - \alpha + (1-\lambda)\beta(n+k)\right]a_{n+k} \leq \alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta \\
& \Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left[\left((1-\lambda)(n+k)-1\right) - \alpha + \beta\left\{(1-\lambda)((n+k)-1) + 1\right\}\right]a_{n+k} \leq \alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta \\
& \Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left[\left((1-\lambda)(n+k)-1\right)(\beta+1) - \alpha + (1-\lambda)\beta\right]a_{n+k} \leq \alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta
\end{aligned}$$

But,

$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[ \left( (1-\lambda)(n+k) - 1 \right) (\beta + 1) - (\alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta) \right] a_{n+k}}{\alpha - (1-\lambda)\beta} \\ & \leq \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+k-1)(\beta+1) - (\alpha-\beta)}{\alpha-\beta} \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $(1-\lambda)\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}$  belongs to  $S_k^*(\alpha, \beta)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let*

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}, a_{n+k} \geq 0.$$

*belong to the class  $C(\alpha, \beta, k)$  then  $(1-\lambda)\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right)'$  also belong to the class  $C(\alpha, \beta, k)$*

**Proof**

$$\frac{(1-\lambda)\{1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} (n+k)^2 a_{n+k} z^{n+k-1}\}}{1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+k} (n+k) a_{n+k} z^{n+k-1}} = \frac{1 + \alpha w(z)}{1 + \beta w(z)}$$

and following the proof of Theorem 3, we obtain the result.  $\square$

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