PARTIAL SUMS OF CERTAIN ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. The object of the present paper is to consider the starlikeness and convexity of partial sums of certain analytic functions in the open unit disk.

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1. Introduction. Let A denote the class of functions $f(z)$ of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$. Let $S^*(\alpha)$ be the subclass of A consisting of functions $f(z)$ which satisfy

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right] > \alpha \quad (z \in U) \quad (1.2)$$

for some α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$). A function $f(z)$ in $S^*(\alpha)$ is said to be starlike of order α in U . Furthermore, let $K(\alpha)$ denote the subclass of A consisting of all functions $f(z)$ which satisfy

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right] > \alpha \quad (z \in U) \quad (1.3)$$

for some α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$). A function $f(z)$ belonging to $K(\alpha)$ is said to be convex of order α in U . We note that $f(z) \in S^*(\alpha)$ if and only if $zf'(z) \in K(\alpha)$ and denote by $S^*(0) \equiv S^*$ and $K(0) \equiv K$. For $f(z) \in A$, we introduce the partial sum of $f(z)$ by

$$f_n(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^n a_k z^k. \quad (1.4)$$

REMARK 1.1. It is well known that

(i) $f(z) = z/(1-z)^2 = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k z^k$ is the extremal function for the class S^* . But $f_2(z) = z + 2z^2 \notin S^*$.

(ii) $f(z) = z/(1-z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} z^k$ is the extremal function for the class K . But $f_2(z) = z + z^2 \notin K$.

For the partial sums $f_n(z)$ of $f(z) \in S^*$, Szegő [2] showed the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.2. (i) $f(z) \in S^*$ implies that $f_n(z) \in S^*$ for $|z| < 1/4$. The result is sharp.
(ii) $f(z) \in S^*$ implies that $f_n(z) \in K$ for $|z| < 1/8$. The result is sharp.

Further, Padmanabhan [1] proved the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.3. If $f(z)$ is 2-valently starlike in U , then $f_n(z)$ is 2-valently starlike for $|z| < 1/6$. The result is sharp.

2. Function $F_n(z)$. We define the function $F_n(z)$ which is the partial sum of $f(z) \in A$ by

$$F_n(z) = z + a_n z^n. \quad (2.1)$$

THEOREM 2.1. The function $F_n(z)$ satisfies

$$\frac{1-n|a_n|r^{n-1}}{1-|a_n|r^{n-1}} \leq \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{zF'_n(z)}{F_n(z)} \right] \leq \frac{1+n|a_n|r^{n-1}}{1+|a_n|r^{n-1}} \quad (2.2)$$

for $0 \leq r < \sqrt[n-1]{1/|a_n|} \leq 1$. Therefore, $F_n(z) \in S^*(\alpha)$ for $0 \leq r < \sqrt[n-1]{(1-\alpha)/(n-\alpha)|a_n|} \leq 1$.

PROOF. Note that

$$\frac{zF'_n(z)}{F_n(z)} = \frac{z + n a_n z^n}{z + a_n z^n} = n - \frac{n-1}{1 + a_n z^{n-1}}. \quad (2.3)$$

It follows from (2.3) that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{zF'_n(z)}{F_n(z)} \right] = n - (n-1) \frac{1 + |a_n| r^{n-1} \cos \theta}{1 + |a_n|^2 r^{2(n-1)} + 2|a_n| r^{n-1} \cos \theta}. \quad (2.4)$$

Since, the right-hand side of (2.4) is increasing for $\cos \theta$ if $|a_n| < 1$, we obtain (2.2). Further, we also see that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{zF'_n(z)}{F_n(z)} \right] \geq \frac{1-n|a_n|r^{n-1}}{1-|a_n|r^{n-1}} > \alpha \quad (2.5)$$

for $0 \leq r < \sqrt[n-1]{(1-\alpha)/(n-\alpha)|a_n|} \leq 1$. This completes the proof of the theorem. $\square$

Next, we derive the following theorem.

THEOREM 2.2. The function $F_n(z)$ satisfies

$$\frac{1-n^2|a_n|r^{n-1}}{1-n|a_n|r^{n-1}} \leq \operatorname{Re} \left[1 + \frac{zF''_n(z)}{F'_n(z)} \right] \leq \frac{1+n^2|a_n|r^{n-1}}{1+n|a_n|r^{n-1}} \quad (2.6)$$

for $0 \leq r < \sqrt[n-1]{1/n|a_n|} \leq 1$. Therefore, $F_n(z) \in K$ for $0 \leq r < \sqrt[n-1]{(1-\alpha)/n(n-\alpha)|a_n|} \leq 1$.

PROOF. Noting that

$$1 + \frac{zF''_n(z)}{F'_n(z)} = n - \frac{n-1}{1 + n a_n z^{n-1}}, \quad (2.7)$$

we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[1 + \frac{zF''_n(z)}{F'_n(z)} \right] = n - (n-1) \frac{1 + n|a_n|r^{n-1} \cos \theta}{1 + n^2|a_n|^2 r^{2(n-1)} + 2n|a_n|r^{n-1} \cos \theta}, \quad (2.8)$$

which derives (2.6). $\square$

By virtue of Theorems 2.1 and 2.2, we have the following conjecture.

CONJECTURE 2.3. For the partial sum $f_n(z)$ of $f(z)$ belonging to the class A ,

- (i) $f_n(z) \in S^*(\alpha)$ for $0 \leq r < \sqrt[n-1]{(1-\alpha)/(n-\alpha)|a_n|} \leq 1$,
- (ii) $f_n(z) \in K(\alpha)$ for $0 \leq r < \sqrt[n-1]{(1-\alpha)/n(n-\alpha)|a_n|} \leq 1$.

3. The partial sums of certain analytic functions. In this section, we consider the partial sums of functions $f(z) = z/(1-z)$ and $f(z) = z/(1-z)^2$.

THEOREM 3.1. Let $f_3(z) = z + z^2 + z^3$ be the partial sum of $f(z) = z/(1-z)$ which is the extremal function of the class K . Then $f_3(z) \in S^*(626/961)$ for $0 \leq r < \beta$ ($1/7 < \beta < 1/6$), where β is the positive root of

$$x^4 - 8x^3 + 9x^2 - 8x + 1 = 0 \quad \left(0 < x < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right). \quad (3.1)$$

PROOF. We consider α such that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{zf'_3(z)}{f_3(z)} \right] = \operatorname{Re} \left[3 - \frac{2+z}{1+z^2+z^3} \right] > \alpha \quad (3.2)$$

for $0 \leq r < \beta$. This implies that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{2+z}{1+z^2+z^3} \right] = 1 + \frac{(1-r^2)(1+r^2+r \cos \theta)}{1-r^2+r^4+4r^2 \cos^2 \theta + 2r(1+r^2) \cos \theta} < 3-\alpha, \quad (3.3)$$

that is,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{(1-r^2)(1+r^2+r \cos \theta)}{1-r^2+r^4+4r^2 \cos^2 \theta + 2r(1+r^2) \cos \theta} \right] < 2-\alpha. \quad (3.4)$$

Let the function $g(t)$ be given by

$$g(t) = \frac{(1-r^2)(1+r^2+rt)}{1-r^2+r^4+4r^2t^2+2r(1+r^2)t} \quad (t = \cos \theta). \quad (3.5)$$

Then, we have

$$g'(t) = \frac{r(r+1)(r-1)(1+5r^2+r^4+4r^2t^2+8r(1+r^2)t)}{(1-r^2+r^4+4r^2t^2+2r(1+r^2)t)^2}. \quad (3.6)$$

Letting

$$h(t) = 1+5r^2+r^4+4r^2t^2+8r(1+r^2)t, \quad (3.7)$$

we see that (i) $h(t) < 0 \Rightarrow g'(t) > 0$, (ii) $h(t) > 0 \Rightarrow g'(t) < 0$, and (iii) $h(t) = 0$ for $t = (-2(1+r^2) \pm \sqrt{3(1+r^2+r^4)})/2r$.

If we write

$$t_1 = \frac{-2(1+r^2) + \sqrt{3(1+r^2+r^4)}}{2r} < 0, \quad (3.8)$$

then, $0 \leq r \leq \beta$ implies that $t_1 \leq -1$, so that, $h(t) \geq 0$. This gives us that

$$g(t) \leq g(-1) = \frac{1-r+r^3-r^4}{1-2r+3r^2-2r^3+r^4} = \frac{g_1(r)}{g_2(r)}. \quad (3.9)$$

It is easy to check that $g_1(r)$ is decreasing for r ($0 \leq r < 1/\sqrt{3}$). Therefore,

$$\frac{8-2\sqrt{3}}{9} = g_1\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) < g_1(r) \leq g_1(0) = 1. \quad (3.10)$$

Also, $g_2(r)$ is decreasing for r ($0 \leq r < \beta$), because $g'_2(0) = -2 < 0$ and $g'_2(1/6) = -31/27 < 0$. This gives that

$$\frac{961}{1296} = g_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) < g_2(r) \leq 1. \quad (3.11)$$

Consequently, we conclude that

$$g(t) \leq g(-1) = \frac{g_1(r)}{g_2(r)} < \frac{1296}{961} = 2 - \alpha, \quad (3.12)$$

that is, $\alpha = 626/961 = 0.651\dots$. Thus, we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{zf'_3(z)}{f_3(z)} \right] > \alpha \quad \left(\alpha = \frac{626}{961} \right) \quad (3.13)$$

for $0 \leq r < \beta$. □

Finally, we obtain the following theorem.

THEOREM 3.2. *Let $f_3(z) = z + 2z^2 + 3z^3$ be the partial sum of the Koebe function $f(z) = z/(1-z)^2$ which is the extremal function for the class S^* . Then $f_3(z) \in K(3191/15876)$ for $0 \leq r < \beta$ ($1/14 < \beta < 113$), where β is the positive root of*

$$81x^4 - 162x^3 + 72x^2 - 18x + 1 = 0 \quad \left(0 \leq x < \frac{1}{3} \right). \quad (3.14)$$

PROOF. Since

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[1 + \frac{zf''_3(z)}{f'_3(z)} \right] = \operatorname{Re} \left[3 - \frac{2(1+2z)}{1+4z+9z^2} \right] > \alpha \quad (3.15)$$

implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{1+2z}{1+4z+9z^2} \right] &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{4r(1-9r^2)\cos\theta + 1 - 81r^4}{2(1-2r^2+81r^4+8r(1+9r^2)\cos\theta + 36r^2\cos^2\theta)} \\ &< \frac{3-\alpha}{2}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

we have to check that

$$\frac{(1-9r^2)(1+9r^2+4r\cos\theta)}{1-2r^2+81r^4+8r(1+9r^2)\cos\theta + 36r^2\cos^2\theta} < 2 - \alpha. \quad (3.17)$$

If we let

$$h(t) = \frac{(1-9r^2)(1+9r^2+4rt)}{1-2r^2+81r^4+8r(1+9r^2)t + 36r^2t^2}, \quad (3.18)$$

then, we have

$$h(t) \leq h(-1) = \frac{1-4r+36r^3-81r^4}{1-8r+34r^2-72r^3+81r^4} \equiv \frac{g_1(r)}{g_2(r)}. \quad (3.19)$$

Noting that $0 < g_1(r) < 1$, and $g_2(r) > g_2(1/13) = 15876/28561$, we have

$$h(t) \leq h(-1) < \frac{1}{g_2(r)} < \frac{28561}{15876} = 2 - \alpha, \quad (3.20)$$

which implies that $\alpha = 3191/15876 = 0.200\dots$ □

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