



## Coefficient Estimates for Certain Subfamilies of Close-to-Convex Functions of Complex Order

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**Abstract.** Motivated from the recent work of Srivastava et al. (H.M. Srivastava, Qing-Hua Xu, Guang-Ping Wu, Coefficient estimates for certain subclasses of spiral-like functions of complex order, 23 (2010) 763-768), we aim to determine the coefficient estimates for functions in certain subclasses of close-to-convex and related functions of complex order, which are here defined by means of Sălăgean derivative operator and Cauchy-Euler type non-homogeneous differential equation. Several interesting consequences of our results are also observed.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the class of function  $f(z)$ :

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j, \quad (1)$$

which are analytic in the unit disk  $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . Let  $f$  and  $g$  be analytic in  $E$ , we say that  $f$  is subordinate to  $g$ , written as  $f(z) < g(z)$  if there exists a Schwarz function  $w$ , which is analytic in  $E$  with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  ( $z \in E$ ), such that  $f(z) = g(w(z))$ . In particular, when  $g$  is univalent, then the above subordination is equivalent to  $f(0) = g(0)$  and  $f(E) \subseteq g(E)$ , see [7]. Also let  $S^*(\gamma)$ ,  $C(\gamma)$ ,  $K(\gamma)$  and  $Q(\gamma)$  be the subclasses of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of all functions which are starlike, convex, close-to-convex and quasi convex of complex order  $\gamma$  ( $\gamma \neq 0$ ) respectively, for details see [1, 9–12]. We note that for  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ , these classes coincide with the well known classes of starlike, convex, close-to-convex and quasi convex of order  $1 - \gamma$ .

Sălăgean [14] introduced the operator  $D^n$  ( $n \in N_0$ ) which is also called Sălăgean derivative operator and is defined as:

$$D^0 f(z) = f(z) \text{ and } D^1 f(z) = z f'(z),$$

and, in general,

$$D^n f(z) = D(D^{n-1} f(z)) \quad (n \in N)$$

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or, equivalently,

$$D^n f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} j^n a_j z^j \quad (n \in N_0 : f \in \mathcal{A}).$$

Let  $h : E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a convex function such that  $h(0) = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Re} h(z) > 0$  ( $z \in E$ ). In a recent work Srivastava et al. [22] study the following class of starlike functions,

$$S_h^*(n, \lambda, \gamma) = \left\{ f : f \in \mathcal{A} \text{ and } 1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left[ \frac{z[(1-\lambda)D^n f(z) + \lambda D^{n+1} f(z)]}{(1-\lambda)D^n f(z) + \lambda D^{n+1} f(z)} - 1 \right] \in h(E) \ (z \in E) \right\}$$

where  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1; n \in N_0; \gamma \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ . Note that with  $h(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$

$$S_h^*(0, 0, \gamma) = S^*(\gamma), \quad S_h^*(0, 1, \gamma) = C(\gamma).$$

Here we define the following.

**Definition 1.**

Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $f \in \mathcal{KQ}_\zeta(n, \lambda, \gamma)$  if there exists a function  $g \in S_h^*(n, \lambda, 1)$  such that

$$1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left[ \frac{z[(1-\lambda)D^n f(z) + \lambda D^{n+1} f(z)]}{(1-\lambda)D^n g(z) + \lambda D^{n+1} g(z)} - 1 \right] \in h(E) \ (z \in E) \tag{2}$$

where  $(0 \leq \lambda \leq 1; n \in N_0; \gamma \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\})$ .

We note that with  $h(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$ ,

$$\mathcal{KQ}_\zeta(0, 1, \gamma) = K(\gamma), \quad \mathcal{KQ}_\zeta(0, 1, \gamma) = Q(\gamma).$$

Motivated from the recent work of Srivastava et al. [22] the main purpose of our investigation is to derive coefficient estimates of a subfamily  $T_h(n, \lambda, \gamma; \mu)$  of  $\mathcal{A}$ , which consists of functions  $f(z)$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  satisfying the following Cauchy Euler type non homogenous differential equation

$$z^2 \frac{d^2 w}{dz^2} + 2(1 + \mu)z \frac{dw}{dz} + \mu(1 + \mu)w = (1 + \mu)(2 + \mu)h(z), \tag{3}$$

where  $w = f(z)$ ,  $h(z) \in \mathcal{KQ}_\zeta(n, \lambda, \gamma)$ ,  $\mu \in \mathbb{R} - (-\infty, -1]$ , for related work see [2–6, 8, 15–27] and the references therein.

**2. Preliminary Results**

We need the following lemmas, which are essential in our forthcoming results.

**Lemma 1** [22]. If the function

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j \in S_h^*(n, \lambda, \gamma),$$

then

$$|a_j| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{j-2} (k + |h'(0)|\gamma)}{(j-1)! j^n (1-\lambda + j\lambda)} \quad (j \in N_0 =: N \setminus \{1\} = \{2, 3, 4, \dots\}).$$

**Lemma 2** [13]. Let the function  $g$  given by

$$g(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k,$$

be convex in  $E$ . Also let the function  $f$  given by

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k,$$

be analytic in  $E$ . If  $f(z) < g(z)$  ( $z \in E$ ), then

$$|a_k| \leq |g_1|$$

### 3. Coefficient Estimates for Functions in the Class $\mathcal{KQ}_{\lambda}(n, \lambda, \gamma)$

**Theorem 1.**

Let the function  $f$  given by (1). If  $f \in \mathcal{KQ}_{\lambda}(n, \lambda, \gamma)$ , then

$$|a_j| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{j-2} (k + |h'(0)|)}{j^n (1 + (j - 1)\lambda) j!} + \frac{|\gamma| |h'(0)|}{j^{n+1} (1 + (j - 1)\lambda)} \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{j-k-2} (k + h'(0))}{(j - k - 1)!}. \tag{4}$$

This result is sharp.

**Proof.**

Suppose that the functions  $F(z)$  and  $G(z)$  be defined in terms of the Sălăgean derivative operator  $D^n$ , by

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= (1 - \lambda) D^n f(z) + \lambda D^{n+1} f(z) \\ &= z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} A_j z^j, \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} G(z) &= (1 - \lambda) D^n g(z) + \lambda D^n g(z) \\ &= z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} B_j z^j, \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

where

$$A_j = j^n (1 + (j - 1)\lambda) a_j, \text{ and } B_j = j^n ((1 + (j - 1)\lambda) b_j).$$

From Definition 1, we have

$$1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left[ \frac{zF'(z)}{G(z)} - 1 \right] \in h(E) \quad (z \in E).$$

Let

$$p(z) = \frac{1}{\gamma} \left[ \frac{zF'(z)}{G(z)} - 1 \right] \in h(E).$$

This implies that

$$zF'(z) = [1 + \gamma(p(z) - 1)] G(z).$$

After some simplification, we get

$$jA_j = B_j + \gamma \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} p_k B_{j-k}$$

$$j|A_j| \leq |B_j| + |\gamma| \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} |p_k| |B_{j-k}|.$$

Therefore by using Lemma 1 together with Lemma 2, we have

$$|A_j| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{j-2} (k + |h'(0)|)}{j(j-1)!} + \frac{|\gamma| |h'(0)|}{j} \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{j-k-2} (k + |h'(0)|)}{(j-k-1)!}.$$

Hence,

$$|a_j| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{j-2} (k + |h'(0)|)}{j^n (1 + (j-1)\lambda) j!} + \frac{|\gamma| |h'(0)|}{j^{n+1} (1 + (j-1)\lambda)} \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{(k + |h'(0)|)}{(j-k-1)!}.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

We can state the following corollaries:

**Corollary 1.** Let  $h(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  be given by (1). If  $f \in \mathcal{KQ}_\lambda(n, \lambda, \gamma)$ , then

$$|a_j| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{j-2} (k + (A - B))}{j! j^n (1 + (j-1)\lambda) j!} + \frac{|\gamma| |A - B|}{j^{n+1} (1 + (j-1)\lambda)} \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{j-k-2} (k + (A - B))}{(j-k-1)!}. \tag{7}$$

The above corollary with  $n = 0$  is proved recently in [24].

**Corollary 2.** Let  $h(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  be given by (1). If  $f \in \mathcal{KQ}_\lambda(n, \lambda, \gamma)$ , then

$$|a_j| \leq \frac{1}{j^n (1 + (j-1)\lambda)} + \frac{|\gamma| (j-1)}{j^n (1 + (j-1)\lambda)}. \tag{8}$$

For  $\gamma = 1, n = 0$  in (8), we obtain the well known coefficient estimates of close-to-convex (with  $\lambda = 0$ ) and quasi convex (with  $\lambda = 1$ ) mappings respectively.

#### 4. Coefficient Estimates of the Class $T_h(n, \lambda, \gamma; \mu)$

The theorem below is our main coefficient estimates for functions in the class  $T_h(n, \lambda, \gamma; \mu)$ .

**Theorem 2.** Let  $f \in T_h(n, \lambda, \gamma; \mu)$  and be defined by (1). Then for  $n \in N^* = \{2, 3, 4, \dots\}$

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{(1 + \mu)(2 + \mu)}{(n + 1 + \mu)(n + \mu)} \left[ |a_j| \leq \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{j-2} (k + |h'(0)|)}{j^n (1 + (j-1)\lambda) j!} + \frac{|\gamma| |h'(0)|}{j^{n+1} (1 + (j-1)\lambda)} \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{\prod_{k=0}^{j-k-2} (k + |h'(0)|)}{(j-k-1)!} \right]. \tag{9}$$

**Proof.** Since  $f \in T_h(n, \lambda, \gamma; \mu)$ , then there exist  $h(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n \in \mathcal{KQ}_\lambda(n, \lambda, \gamma)$ , such that (3) holds true. Thus it follows that

$$a_n = \frac{(1 + \mu)(2 + \mu)}{(n + 1 + \mu)(n + \mu)} b_n, \quad n \in N^*, \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R} - (-\infty, -1].$$

Hence, by using Theorem 1, we immediately obtain the desired inequality (9).

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