

# Coefficient problem for certain subclasses of bi-univalent functions defined by convolution

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we consider a general subclass  $H_{\Sigma}^{\lambda}(h, \beta)$  of bi-univalent functions. Bounds on the first two coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$  for functions in  $H_{\Sigma}^{\lambda}(h, \beta)$  are given. The main results generalize and improve a recent one obtained by Srivastava [18].

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $A$  denote the class of functions  $f$  which are analytic in the open unit disk  $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  with in the form

$$(1) \quad f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n.$$

Let  $S$  be the subclass of  $A$  consisting of the form (1) which are also univalent in  $U$ .

For  $f(z)$  defined by (1) and  $\Phi(z)$  defined by

$$(2) \quad \Phi(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \Phi_n z^n, \quad (\Phi_n \geq 0),$$

the Hadamard product  $(f * \Phi)(z)$  of the functions  $f(z)$  and  $\Phi(z)$  defined by

$$(3) \quad (f * \Phi)(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \Phi_n z^n$$

For  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , we let  $Q_{\lambda}(h, \beta)$  be the subclass of  $A$  consisting of functions  $f(z)$  of the form (1) and functions  $h(z)$  given by

$$(4) \quad h(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} h_n z^n, \quad (h_n > 0)$$

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and satisfying the analytic criterion:

$$(5) \quad Q_\lambda(h, \beta) = \left\{ f \in A : \operatorname{Re} \left( (1 - \lambda) \frac{(f * h)(z)}{z} + \lambda (f * h)'(z) \right) > \beta \right. \\ \left. 0 \leq \beta < 1, z \in U \right\}.$$

The Koebe one-quarter theorem [8] states that the image of  $U$  under every function  $f$  from  $S$  contains a disk of radius  $\frac{1}{4}$ . Thus every such univalent function has an inverse  $f^{-1}$  which satisfies

$$f^{-1}(f(z)) = z, \quad (z \in U)$$

and

$$f(f^{-1}(w)) = w, \quad \left( |w| < r_0(f), r_0(f) \geq \frac{1}{4} \right),$$

where

$$f^{-1}(w) = w - a_2 w^2 + (2a_2^2 - a_3) w^3 - (5a_2^3 - 5a_2 a_3 + a_4) w^4 + \dots$$

A function  $f(z) \in A$  is said to be bi-univalent in  $U$  if both  $f(z)$  and  $f^{-1}(z)$  are univalent in  $U$ . Let  $\Sigma$  denote the class of bi-univalent functions defined in the unit disk  $U$ . For a brief history and interesting examples in the class  $\Sigma$ , see [18]. Examples of functions in the class  $\Sigma$  are

$$\frac{z}{1-z}, \quad -\log(1-z), \quad \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)$$

and so on. However, the familiar Koebe function is not a member of  $\Sigma$ . Other common examples of functions in  $S$  such as

$$z - \frac{z^2}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{z}{1-z^2}$$

are also not members of  $\Sigma$  (see [18]).

In [16] the authors defined the classes of functions  $P_m(\beta)$ : let  $P_m(\beta)$ , with  $m \geq 2$  and  $0 \leq \beta < 1$ , denote the class of univalent analytic functions  $P$ , normalized  $P(0) = 1$ , and satisfying

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \left| \frac{\operatorname{Re} P(z) - \beta}{1 - \beta} \right| d\theta \leq m\pi,$$

where  $z = re^{i\theta} \in U$ .

For  $\beta = 0$ , we denote  $P_m = P_m(0)$ , hence the class  $P_m$  represents the class of functions  $p$  analytic in  $U$ , normalized with  $p(0) = 1$ , and having the representation

$$p(z) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 - ze^{it}}{1 + ze^{it}} d\mu(t),$$

where  $\mu$  is a real valued function with bounded variation, which satisfies

$$\int_0^{2\pi} d\mu(t) = 2\pi \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^{2\pi} |d\mu(t)| \leq m, \quad m \geq 2.$$

Clearly,  $P = P_2$  is the well known class of Caratheodory functions, i.e. the normalized functions with positive real part in  $U$ .

Lewin [13] studied the class of bi-univalent functions, obtaining the bound 1.51 for modulus of the second coefficient  $|a_2|$ . Netanyahu [15] showed that  $\max |a_2| = \frac{4}{3}$  if  $f(z) \in \Sigma$ . Subsequently, Brannan and Clunie [4] conjectured that  $|a_2| \leq \sqrt{2}$  for  $f \in \Sigma$ . Brannan and Taha [5] introduced certain subclasses of the bi-univalent function class  $\Sigma$  similar to the familiar subclasses.  $S^*(\beta)$  and  $K(\beta)$  of starlike and convex function of order  $\beta$  ( $0 \leq \beta < 1$ ) respectively (see [15]). The classes  $S_\Sigma^*(\beta)$  and  $K_\Sigma(\beta)$  of bi-starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  and bi-convex functions of order  $\beta$ , corresponding to the function classes  $S^*(\beta)$  and  $K(\beta)$ , were also introduced analogously. For each of the function classes  $S_\Sigma^*(\beta)$  and  $K_\Sigma(\beta)$ , they found non-sharp estimates on the initial coefficients. Recently, many authors investigated bounds for various subclasses of bi-univalent functions ([1, 3, 9, 10, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20]). Not much is known about the bounds on the general coefficient  $|a_n|$  for  $n \geq 4$ . In the literature, there are only a few works determining the general coefficient bounds  $|a_n|$  for the analytic bi-univalent functions ([2, 7, 11, 12]). The coefficient estimate problem for each of  $|a_n|$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1, 2\}$ ;  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ ) is still an open problem.

**Definition 1.1.** A function  $f \in \Sigma$  is said to be  $H_\Sigma^\lambda(h, \beta)$ , if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$(1 - \lambda) \frac{(f * h)(z)}{z} + \lambda(f * h)'(z) \in P_m(\beta); \quad 0 \leq \beta < 1, \quad m \geq 2, \quad z \in U$$

and

$$(1 - \lambda) \frac{(f * h)^{-1}(w)}{w} + \lambda((f * h)^{-1})'(w) \in P_m(\beta); \\ 0 \leq \beta < 1, \quad m \geq 2, \quad w \in U,$$

where the function  $h(z)$  is given by (4), a number  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $(f * h)^{-1}(w)$  are defined by:

$$(f * h)^{-1}(w) = w - a_2 h_2 w^2 + (2a_2^2 h_2^2 - a_3 h_3) w^3 \\ - (5a_2^3 h_2^3 - 5a_2 h_2 a_3 h_3 + a_4 h_4) w^4 + \dots$$

We note that for  $\lambda = 1$ ,  $m = 2$  and  $h(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$ , the class  $H_\Sigma^\lambda(h, \beta)$  reduce to the class  $H_\Sigma(\beta)$  studied by Srivastava et al. [18].

The object of the present paper is to find for the first two coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$  for functions in  $H_\Sigma^\lambda(h, \beta)$ . The main results generalize and improve a recent one obtained by Srivastava [18].

In order to derive our main results, we require the following lemma.

**Lemma 1.1.** [6] *Let the function  $\varphi(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^\infty h_n z^n$ ,  $z \in U$ , such that  $\varphi \in P_m(\beta)$ . Then*

$$|h_n| \leq m(1 - \beta), \quad n \geq 1.$$

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $f$  given by (1) be in the class  $H_{\Sigma}^{\lambda}(h, \beta)$ , where the function  $h(z)$  is given by (4). If  $h_2, h_3 \neq 0$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{-1; -\frac{1}{2}\}$ , then*

$$|a_2| \leq \min \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{m(1-\beta)}{|1+2\lambda||h_2|^2}}, \frac{m(1-\beta)}{|1+\lambda||h_2|} \right\},$$

$$|a_3| \leq \min \left\{ \frac{m(1-\beta)}{|1+2\lambda||h_3|} + \frac{m^2(1-\beta)^2}{|1+\lambda|^2|h_3|}, \frac{m(1-\beta)}{|1+2\lambda||h_3|} \right\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $f \in H_{\Sigma}^{\lambda}(h, \beta)$ . From the Definition 1.1 we have

$$(6) \quad (1-\lambda) \frac{(f * h)(z)}{z} + \lambda(f * h)'(z) = p(z)$$

$$(7) \quad (1-\lambda) \frac{(f * h)^{-1}(w)}{w} + \lambda((f * h)^{-1})'(w) = q(w)$$

where  $p, q \in P_m(\beta)$ . Using the fact that the functions  $p$  and  $q$  have the following Taylor expansions

$$p(z) = 1 + p_1z + p_2z^2 + \dots,$$

$$q(w) = 1 + q_1w + q_2w^2 + \dots,$$

and it follows from (6) and (7) that

$$(8) \quad (1+\lambda)a_2h_2 = p_1,$$

$$(9) \quad (1+2\lambda)a_3h_3 = p_2,$$

$$(10) \quad (1+2\lambda)(2a_2^2h_2^2 - a_3h_3) = q_2.$$

Since  $p, q \in P_m(\beta)$ , according to Lemma 1.1, the next inequalities hold:

$$(11) \quad |p_k| \leq m(1-\beta), \quad k \geq 1,$$

$$(12) \quad |q_k| \leq m(1-\beta), \quad k \geq 1,$$

and thus, from (9) and (10), by using the inequalities (11) and (12)

$$(13) \quad |a_2|^2 \leq \frac{|p_2| + |q_2|}{2|1+2\lambda||h_2|^2} \leq \frac{m(1-\beta)}{|1+2\lambda||h_2|^2}, \quad \text{for } \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \right\}.$$

From (8), by using (11) we have

$$|a_2| \leq \frac{m(1-\beta)}{|1+\lambda||h_2|}, \quad \text{for } \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{-1\}.$$

From (9), by using (11) we have

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{m(1-\beta)}{|1+2\lambda||h_3|}, \quad \text{for } \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \right\}.$$

Also, subtracting (10) from (9), we have

$$2(1 + 2\lambda)(a_3h_3 - a_2^2h_2^2) = p_2 - q_2,$$

and using (8), (11) and (12), we finally obtain

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{m(1 - \beta)}{|1 + 2\lambda||h_3|} + \frac{m^2(1 - \beta)^2}{|1 + \lambda|^2|h_3|}, \quad \text{for } \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \left\{ -1, -\frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

which completes our proof.  $\square$

Taking  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\lambda = 1$  in Theorem 2.1 we get following special cases, respectively.

**Corollary 2.1.** *Let  $f$  given by (1) be in the class  $H_\Sigma(h, \beta)$ , where the function  $h(z)$  is given by (4). If  $h_2, h_3 \neq 0$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} |a_2| &\leq \frac{\sqrt{m(1 - \beta)}}{|h_2|}, \\ |a_3| &\leq \frac{m(1 - \beta)}{|h_3|}. \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 2.2.** *Let  $f$  given by (1) be in the class  $H_\Sigma^1(h, \beta)$ , where the function  $h(z)$  is given by (4). If  $h_2, h_3 \neq 0$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} |a_2| &\leq \min \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{m(1 - \beta)}{3|h_2|^2}}, \frac{m(1 - \beta)}{2|h_2|} \right\}, \\ |a_3| &\leq \frac{m(1 - \beta)}{3|h_3|}. \end{aligned}$$

If we put  $\lambda = 1$ ,  $m = 2$  and  $h(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$  in Theorem 2.1, we deduce next corollary.

**Corollary 2.3.** *Let  $f$  given by (1) be in the class  $H_\Sigma(\beta)$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} |a_2| &\leq \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{2(1 - \beta)}{3}}, & \text{if } 0 \leq \beta \leq \frac{1}{3}, \\ (1 - \beta), & \frac{1}{3} < \beta < 1, \end{cases} \\ |a_3| &\leq \frac{2(1 - \beta)}{3}, \\ |2a_2^2 - a_3| &\leq \frac{2(1 - \beta)}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

**Remark 2.1.** For the special case  $\frac{1}{3} < \beta < 1$ , the above first inequality, and the second one for all  $0 \leq \beta < 1$ , improve the estimates given by Srivastava et al. in ([18], Theorem 2).

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