

A CLASS OF UNIVALENT FUNCTIONS DEFINED BY USING HADAMARD PRODUCT

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Abstract. In this paper we introduce the class $L_{\alpha}^*(\lambda, \beta)$ of functions defined by $f * S_{\alpha}(z)$ of $f(z)$ and $S_{\alpha} = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{2(1-\alpha)}}$. We determine coefficient estimates, closure theorems, distortion theorems and radii of close-to-convexity, starlikeness and convexity. Also we find integral operators and some results for Hadamard products of functions in the class $L_{\alpha}^*(\lambda, \beta)$. Finally, in terms of the operators of fractional calculus, we derive several sharp results depicting the growth and distortion properties of functions belonging to the class $L_{\alpha}^*(\lambda, \beta)$.

1. Introduction

Let A denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disc $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$. And let S denote the subclass of A consisting of analytic and univalent functions $f(z)$ in U .

A function $f(z)$ from S is said to be starlike of order α if and only if

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

for some α , $0 \leq \alpha < 1$. We denote the class of all starlike functions of order α by $S^*(\alpha)$. Further, a function $f(z)$ from S is said to be convex of order α if and only if

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

for some α , $0 \leq \alpha < 1$. And we denote the class of all convex functions of order α by $K(\alpha)$. We note that $f(z) \in K(\alpha)$ if and only if $z f'(z) \in S^*(\alpha)$. The classes $S^*(\alpha)$ and $K(\alpha)$ were first introduced by Robertson [7], and later were studied by Schild [9], MacGregor [2] and Pinchuk [6].

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Now, the function

$$S_\alpha(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{2(1-\alpha)}} \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1)$$

is the well-known extremal function for the class $S^*(\alpha)$. Setting

$$C(\alpha, n) = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \prod_{k=2}^n (k-2\alpha) \quad (n \geq 2),$$

$S_\alpha(z)$ can be written in the form $S_\alpha(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} C(\alpha, n)z^n$. Then we can see that $C(\alpha, n)$ is a decreasing function in α and satisfies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C(\alpha, n) = \begin{cases} \infty, & \alpha < 1/2, \\ 0, & \alpha > 1/2, \\ 1, & \alpha = 1/2. \end{cases}$$

Let $f * g(z)$ denote the Hadamard product (convolution) of two functions $f(z)$ and $g(z)$, that is, if $f(z)$ is given by (1.1) and $g(z)$ is given by $g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n$, then

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

Let T denote the subclass of S consisting of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (a_n \geq 0). \quad (1.2)$$

We say that a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.1) belongs to the class $L_\alpha(\lambda, \beta)$ if $f(z)$ satisfies the following condition

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(f * S_\alpha(z))'}{\lambda(f * S_\alpha(z))' + (1-\lambda)} \right\} > \beta \quad (1.3)$$

for some α , $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, λ , $0 \leq \lambda < 1$, β , $0 \leq \beta < 1$ and for all $z \in U$.

Further we denote by $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$ the class obtained by taking intersection of the class $L_\alpha(\lambda, \beta)$ with T , that is $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta) = L_\alpha(\lambda, \beta) \cap T$. We note that:

- (i) $L_{1/2}^*(0, \beta) = T^{**}(\beta)$ (Sarangi and Uralegaddi [8] and Al-Amiri [1]);
- (ii) $L_{1/2}^*(\lambda, \beta)$ represents the class of functions $f(z) \in T$ satisfying the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f'(z)}{\lambda f'(z) + (1-\lambda)} \right\} > \beta,$$

where $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$;

- (iii) $L_\alpha(0, \beta)$ represents the class of functions $f(z) \in T$ satisfying the condition $\operatorname{Re}\{(f * S_\alpha(z))'\} > \beta$.

2. Coefficient estimates

THEOREM 1. *Let the function $f(z)$ be defined by (1.2). Then $f(z)$ is in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$ if and only if*

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)a_n \leq 1-\beta. \quad (2.1)$$

The result is sharp.

Proof. Assume that inequality (2.1) holds and let $|z| < 1$. Then we have

$$\left| \frac{(f * S_\alpha(z))'}{\lambda(f * S_\alpha(z))' + (1 - \lambda)} - 1 \right| = \left| \frac{-(1 - \lambda) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} nC(\alpha, n)a_n z^{n-1}}{1 - \lambda \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} nC(\alpha, n)a_n z^{n-1}} \right| < \frac{(1 - \lambda) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} nC(\alpha, n)a_n}{1 - \lambda \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} nC(\alpha, n)a_n} \leq 1 - \beta.$$

This shows that the values of $\frac{(f * S_\alpha(z))'}{\lambda(f * S_\alpha(z))' + (1 - \lambda)}$ lie in the circle centered at $w = 1$ whose radius is $1 - \beta$. Hence $f(z)$ satisfies condition (1.3).

Conversely, assume the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$. Then

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(f * S_\alpha(z))'}{\lambda(f * S_\alpha(z))' + (1 - \lambda)} \right\} = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} nC(\alpha, n)a_n z^{n-1}}{1 - \lambda \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} nC(\alpha, n)a_n z^{n-1}} \right\} > \beta \quad (2.2)$$

for $z \in U$. Choose values of z on the real axis so that $\frac{(f * S_\alpha(z))'}{\lambda(f * S_\alpha(z))' + (1 - \lambda)}$ is real. Upon clearing the denominator in (2.2) and letting $z \rightarrow 1^-$ through real values, we obtain

$$1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} nC(\alpha, n)a_n \geq \beta \left\{ 1 - \lambda \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} nC(\alpha, n)a_n \right\}$$

which gives (2.1). Finally, the result is sharp with the extremal function $f(z)$ given by

$$f(z) = z - \frac{1 - \beta}{n(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)} z^n \quad (n \geq 2). \quad \blacksquare \quad (2.3)$$

COROLLARY 1. Let the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$. Then we have

$$a_n \leq \frac{1 - \beta}{n(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)} \quad (n \geq 2). \quad (2.4)$$

The equality in (2.4) is attained for the function $f(z)$ given by (2.3).

3. Some properties of the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$

THEOREM 2. Let $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, $0 \leq \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then $L_\alpha^*(\lambda_1, \beta) \subset L_\alpha^*(\lambda_2, \beta)$.

Proof. It follows from Theorem 1 that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1 - \lambda_2\beta)C(\alpha, n)a_n \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1 - \lambda_1\beta)C(\alpha, n)a_n \leq 1 - \beta$$

for $f(z) \in L_\alpha^*(\lambda_1, \beta)$. Hence $f(z)$ is in $L_\alpha^*(\lambda_2, \beta)$. \blacksquare

THEOREM 3. Let $0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 < 1$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then we have $L_{\alpha_1}^*(\lambda, \beta) \subset L_{\alpha_2}^*(\lambda, \beta)$.

Proof. Since $C(\alpha, n)$ is a decreasing function in α , it follows from Theorem 1 that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha_2, n)a_n \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha_1, n)a_n \leq 1 - \beta$$

for $f(z) \in L_{\alpha_1}^*(\lambda, \beta)$. Hence $f(z)$ is in $L_{\alpha_2}^*(\lambda, \beta)$. \blacksquare

4. Closure theorems

We shall prove the following results for the closure of functions in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$.

THEOREM 4. *Let the functions $f_j(z)$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, defined by*

$$f_j(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{n,j} z^n \quad (a_{n,j} \geq 0) \quad (4.1)$$

for $z \in U$, be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$. Then the function $h(z)$ defined by

$$h(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n$$

also belongs to the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, where $b_n = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m a_{n,j}$.

Proof. Since $f_j(z) \in L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, it follows from Theorem 1 that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)a_{n,j} \leq 1-\beta \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, m).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)b_n &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n) \left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m a_{n,j} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)a_{n,j} \right\} \leq 1-\beta. \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Theorem 1, $h(z) \in L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$. Thus we have the theorem. ■

Employing the techniques used earlier by Silverman [11], and with the aid of Theorem 1, we can prove the following

THEOREM 5. *The class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$ is closed under convex linear combinations.*

As a consequence of Theorem 5, there exist extreme points of the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$.

THEOREM 6. *Let $f_1(z) = z$ and*

$$f_n(z) = z - \frac{1-\beta}{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)} z^n \quad (n \geq 2) \quad (4.2)$$

for $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then $f(z)$ is in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$ if and only if it can be expressed in the form $f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n f_n(z)$, where $\mu_n \geq 0$ ($n \geq 1$) and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n = 1$.

COROLLARY 2. *The extreme points of the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$ are the functions $f_n(z)$ ($n \geq 1$) given by Theorem 6.*

5. Distortion theorems

With the aid of Theorem 1, we may now find bounds of the modulus of $f(z)$ and $f'(z)$ for $f(z) \in L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$.

THEOREM 7. *If the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$, $0 \leq \beta < 1$, and either $0 \leq \alpha \leq 5/6$ or $|z| \leq 3/4$, then*

$$|f(z)| \geq \max \left\{ 0, |z| - \frac{1-\beta}{4(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z|^2 \right\},$$

and $|f(z)| \leq |z| + \frac{1-\beta}{4(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z|^2$. The bounds are sharp.

Proof. By virtue of Theorem 1, we note that

$$|f(z)| \geq \max \left\{ 0, |z| - \max_{n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}} \frac{1-\beta}{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)} |z|^n \right\},$$

$$|f(z)| \leq |z| + \max_{n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}} \frac{1-\beta}{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)} |z|^n$$

for $z \in U$. Hence it suffices to deduce that

$$G(\alpha, \lambda, \beta, |z|, n) = \frac{1-\beta}{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)} |z|^n$$

is a decreasing function of n ($n \geq 2$). Since $C(\alpha, n+1) = \frac{n+1-2\alpha}{n} C(\alpha, n)$, we can see that, for $|z| \neq 0$, $G(\alpha, \lambda, \beta, |z|, n) \geq G(\alpha, \lambda, \beta, |z|, n+1)$ if and only if

$$H(\alpha, |z|, n) = (n+1)(n+1-2\alpha) - n^2|z| \geq 0.$$

It is easy to see that $H(\alpha, |z|, n)$ is a decreasing function of α for fixed $|z|$. Consequently it follows that

$$H(\alpha, |z|, n) \geq H(5/6, |z|, n) = n^2(1-|z|) + \frac{1}{3}(n-2) \geq 0$$

for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 5/6$, $z \in U$ and $n \geq 2$.

Further, since $H(\alpha, |z|, n)$ is decreasing in $|z|$ and increasing in n , we obtain that $H(\alpha, |z|, n) > H(1, |z|, n) \geq H(1, 3/4, 2) = 0$ for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, $|z| \leq 3/4$ and $n \geq 2$. Thus $\max_{n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}} G(\alpha, \lambda, \beta, |z|, n)$ is attained at $n = 2$.

Finally, since the functions $f_n(z)$ ($n \geq 2$) defined in Theorem 6 are extreme points of the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, we can see that the bounds of Theorem 7 are attained by the function $f_2(z)$, that is

$$f_2(z) = z - \frac{1-\beta}{4(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} z^2. \quad \blacksquare$$

COROLLARY 3. *Let the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, $0 \leq \alpha \leq 5/6$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then $f(z)$ is included in the disc with the center at the origin and radius r given by $r = 1 + \frac{1-\beta}{4(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)}$.*

THEOREM 8. *If the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$, $0 \leq \beta < 1$, and either $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$ or $|z| \leq 1/2$, then*

$$1 - \frac{1-\beta}{2(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z| \leq |f'(z)| \leq 1 + \frac{1-\beta}{2(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z|.$$

The bounds are sharp.

Proof. It is similar to the proof of Theorem 7. \blacksquare

6. Radii of close-to-convexity, starlikeness and convexity

THEOREM 9. $L_{\alpha}^*(\lambda, \beta)$ is a subclass of S if and only if $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$.

Proof. Note that the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class S if $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n| \leq 1$ (cf. [11]). Hence it suffices to prove that $(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n) \geq 1 - \beta$ for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$, $0 \leq \beta < 1$ and $n \geq 2$ by means of Theorem 1. Since $C(\alpha, n) \geq C(1/2, n) = 1$ for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, we can see that, for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$,

$$(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n) - (1 - \beta) \geq (1 - \lambda\beta) - (1 - \beta) \geq 0.$$

Conversely, if we assume $\alpha > 1/2$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C(\alpha, n) = 0$. Taking the function $f_n(z)$ given by (4.2), we have

$$f_n'(z) = 1 - \frac{1 - \beta}{(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)} z^{n-1} = 0$$

for $z^{n-1} = \frac{(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1 - \beta}$ which is less than one for n sufficiently large. Thus $f_n(z)$ is not univalent for $\alpha > 1/2$ and $n = n(\alpha)$ sufficiently large. ■

By using Theorem 1, we can prove the following

THEOREM 10. Let the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) be in the class $L_{\alpha}^*(\lambda, \beta)$, $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then $f(z)$ is close-to-convex of order ρ ($0 \leq \rho < 1$) in $|z| \leq R_1$, where

$$R_1 = \inf_n \left\{ \frac{(1 - \rho)(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1 - \beta} \right\}^{1/(n-1)} \quad (n \geq 2).$$

The result is sharp, with extremal function $f(z)$ given by (2.3).

THEOREM 11. Let the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) be in the class $L_{\alpha}^*(\lambda, \beta)$, $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then $f(z)$ is starlike of order ρ ($0 \leq \rho < 1$) in $|z| \leq R_2$, where

$$R_2 = \inf_n \left\{ \frac{n(1 - \rho)(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{(n - \rho)(1 - \beta)} \right\}^{1/(n-1)} \quad (n \geq 2).$$

The result is sharp, with extremal function $f(z)$ given by (2.3).

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$$R_3 = \inf_n \left\{ \frac{(1 - \rho)(1 - \lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{(n - \rho)(1 - \beta)} \right\}^{1/(n-1)} \quad (n \geq 2).$$

The result is sharp, with extremal function $f(z)$ given by (2.3).

7. Integral operators

THEOREM 12. *Let the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, and let d be a real number such that $d > -1$. Then the function $F(z)$ defined by*

$$F(z) = \frac{d+1}{z^d} \int_0^z t^{d-1} f(t) dt \tag{7.1}$$

also belongs to the class $L_\alpha^(\lambda, \beta)$.*

Proof. From the representation of $F(z)$, it follows that $F(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^\infty b_n z^n$, where $b_n = \left(\frac{d+1}{d+n}\right)a_n$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^\infty n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)b_n &= \sum_{n=2}^\infty n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)\left(\frac{d+1}{d+n}\right)a_n \\ &\leq \sum_{n=2}^\infty n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)a_n \leq 1-\beta, \end{aligned}$$

since $f(z) \in L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$. Hence by Theorem 1, $F(z) \in L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$. ■

THEOREM 13. *Let the function $F(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^\infty a_n z^n$ ($a_n \geq 0$) be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, and let d be a real number such that $d > -1$. Then the function $f(z)$ defined by (7.1) is univalent in $|z| < R^*$, where*

$$R^* = \inf_n \left\{ \frac{(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)(d+1)}{(1-\beta)(d+n)} \right\}^{1/(n-1)} \quad (n \geq 2.)$$

The result is sharp.

Proof. From (7.1) we have

$$f(z) = \frac{z^{1-d}(z^d F(z))'}{d+1} = z - \sum_{n=2}^\infty \left(\frac{d+n}{d+1}\right)a_n z^n.$$

In order to obtain the required result it suffices to show that $|f'(z) - 1| < 1$ in $|z| < R^*$. Now

$$|f'(z) - 1| = \left| - \sum_{n=2}^\infty n \left(\frac{d+n}{d+1}\right)a_n z^{n-1} \right| \leq \sum_{n=2}^\infty n \left(\frac{d+n}{d+1}\right)a_n |z|^{n-1}.$$

Thus $|f'(z) - 1| < 1$ if

$$\sum_{n=2}^\infty n \left(\frac{d+n}{d+1}\right)a_n |z|^{n-1} \leq 1. \tag{7.2}$$

But Theorem 1 confirms that $\sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} a_n \leq 1$. Hence (7.2) will be satisfied if

$$\frac{n(d+n)}{d+1} |z|^{n-1} \leq \frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} \quad (n \geq 2)$$

or if

$$|z| \leq \left\{ \frac{(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)(d+1)}{(1-\beta)(d+n)} \right\}^{1/(n-1)} \quad (n \geq 2). \tag{7.3}$$

The required result follows now from (7.3). The result is sharp for the function

$$f(z) = z - \frac{(1-\beta)(d+n)}{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)(d+1)} z^n \quad (n \geq 2). \quad \blacksquare$$

8. Modified Hadamard products

Let the functions $f_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2$) be defined by (4.1). The modified Hadamard product of $f_1(z)$ and $f_2(z)$ is defined by

$$f_1 * f_2(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{n,1} a_{n,2} z^n.$$

THEOREM 14. *Let the functions $f_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2$) defined by (4.1) be in the class $L_{\alpha}^*(\lambda, \beta)$ with $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then $f_1 * f_2(z) \in L_{\alpha}^*(\lambda, \gamma(\alpha, \lambda, \beta))$ where*

$$\gamma(\alpha, \lambda, \beta) = 1 - \frac{(1-\lambda)(1-\beta)^2}{4(1-\lambda\beta)^2(1-\alpha) - \lambda(1-\beta)^2}.$$

The result is sharp.

Proof. Employing the technique used earlier by Schild and Silverman [10], we need to find the largest $\gamma(\alpha, \lambda, \beta)$ such that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n(1-\lambda\gamma)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\gamma} a_{n,1} a_{n,2} \leq 1.$$

Since $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} a_{n,1} \leq 1$ and $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} a_{n,2} \leq 1$, by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} \sqrt{a_{n,1} a_{n,2}} \leq 1.$$

Thus it is sufficient to show that

$$\frac{n(1-\lambda\gamma)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\gamma} a_{n,1} a_{n,2} \leq \frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} \sqrt{a_{n,1} a_{n,2}} \quad (n \geq 2),$$

that is that $\sqrt{a_{n,1} a_{n,2}} \leq \frac{(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\gamma)}{(1-\lambda\gamma)(1-\beta)}$. Note that $\sqrt{a_{n,1} a_{n,2}} \leq \frac{1-\beta}{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}$ ($n \geq 2$). Consequently, we need only to prove that

$$\frac{1-\beta}{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)} \leq \frac{(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\gamma)}{(1-\lambda\gamma)(1-\beta)} \quad (n \geq 2),$$

or, equivalently, that $\gamma \leq 1 - \frac{(1-\lambda)(1-\beta)^2}{n(1-\lambda\beta)^2 C(\alpha, n) - \lambda(1-\beta)^2}$ ($n \geq 2$). Since

$$A(n) = 1 - \frac{(1-\lambda)(1-\beta)^2}{n(1-\lambda\beta)^2 C(\alpha, n) - \lambda(1-\beta)^2} \quad (8.1)$$

is an increasing function of n ($n \geq 2$), for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$, letting $n = 2$ in (8.1), we obtain

$$\gamma \leq A(2) = 1 - \frac{(1-\lambda)(1-\beta)^2}{4(1-\lambda\beta)^2 C(\alpha, 2) - \lambda(1-\beta)^2},$$

which completes the proof of Theorem 14.

Finally, by taking the functions $f_j(z)$ given by

$$f_j(z) = z - \frac{1 - \beta}{4(1 - \lambda\beta)(1 - \alpha)} z^2 \quad (j = 1, 2), \quad (8.2)$$

we can see that the result is sharp. ■

THEOREM 15. *Let the function $f_1(z)$ defined by (4.1) be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$ with $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$, and the function $f_2(z)$ defined by (4.1) be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \tau)$ with $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \tau < 1$. Then $f_1 * f_2(z) \in L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \zeta(\alpha, \lambda, \beta, \tau))$, where*

$$\zeta(\alpha, \lambda, \beta, \tau) = 1 - \frac{(1 - \lambda)(1 - \beta)(1 - \tau)}{4(1 - \lambda\beta)(1 - \lambda\tau)(1 - \alpha) - \lambda(1 - \beta)(1 - \tau)}.$$

The result is sharp.

Proof. Proceeding as in the proof of Theorem 14, we get

$$\zeta \leq B(n) = 1 - \frac{(1 - \lambda)(1 - \beta)(1 - \tau)}{n(1 - \lambda\beta)(1 - \lambda\tau)C(\alpha, n) - \lambda(1 - \beta)(1 - \tau)} \quad (n \geq 2). \quad (8.3)$$

Since the function $B(n)$ is an increasing function of n ($n \geq 2$), for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \tau < 1$, letting $n = 2$ in (8.3), we obtain

$$\zeta \leq B(2) = 1 - \frac{(1 - \lambda)(1 - \beta)(1 - \tau)}{4(1 - \lambda\beta)(1 - \lambda\tau)(1 - \alpha) - \lambda(1 - \beta)(1 - \tau)},$$

which evidently proves Theorem 15.

Finally, the result is best possible for the functions

$$f_1(z) = z - \frac{1 - \beta}{4(1 - \lambda\beta)(1 - \alpha)} z^2 \quad \text{and} \quad f_2(z) = z - \frac{1 - \tau}{4(1 - \lambda\tau)(1 - \alpha)} z^2. \quad \blacksquare$$

COROLLARY 4. *Let the functions $f_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2, 3$) defined by (4.1) be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$ with $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then $f_1 * f_2 * f_3(z) \in L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \eta(\alpha, \lambda, \beta))$, where*

$$\eta(\alpha, \lambda, \beta) = 1 - \frac{(1 - \lambda)(1 - \beta)^3}{16(1 - \lambda\beta)^3(1 - \alpha)^2 - \lambda(1 - \beta)^3}.$$

The result is best possible for the functions $f_j(z) = z - \frac{1 - \beta}{4(1 - \lambda\beta)(1 - \alpha)} z^2$ ($j = 1, 2, 3$).

Proof. From Theorem 14, we have $f_1 * f_2(z) \in L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \gamma(\alpha, \lambda, \beta))$. We use now Theorem 15, and we get $f_1 * f_2 * f_3(z) \in L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \eta(\alpha, \lambda, \beta, \gamma))$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(\alpha, \lambda, \beta, \gamma) &= 1 - \frac{(1 - \lambda)(1 - \beta)(1 - \gamma)}{4(1 - \lambda\beta)(1 - \lambda\gamma)(1 - \alpha) - \lambda(1 - \beta)(1 - \gamma)} \\ &= 1 - \frac{(1 - \lambda)(1 - \beta)^3}{16(1 - \lambda\beta)^3(1 - \alpha)^2 - \lambda(1 - \beta)^3}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Corollary 4. ■

THEOREM 16. *Let the functions $f_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2$) defined by (4.1) be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$ with $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then the function*

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

belongs to the class $L_\alpha^(\lambda, \phi(\alpha, \lambda, \beta))$, where*

$$\phi(\alpha, \lambda, \beta) = 1 - \frac{(1-\lambda)(1-\beta)^2}{2(1-\lambda\beta)^2(1-\alpha) - \lambda(1-\beta)^2}.$$

The result is sharp for the functions $f_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2$) defined by (8.2).

Proof. By virtue of Theorem 1, we obtain

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} \right]^2 a_{n,1}^2 \leq \left[\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} a_{n,1} \right]^2 \leq 1 \quad (8.4)$$

and

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} \right]^2 a_{n,2}^2 \leq \left[\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} a_{n,2} \right]^2 \leq 1. \quad (8.5)$$

It follows from (8.4) and (8.5) that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} \right]^2 [a_{n,1}^2 + a_{n,2}^2] \leq 1.$$

Therefore, we need to find the largest $\phi = \phi(\alpha, \lambda, \beta)$ such that

$$\frac{n(1-\lambda\phi)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\phi} \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{n(1-\lambda\beta)C(\alpha, n)}{1-\beta} \right]^2 \quad (n \geq 2),$$

that is $\phi \leq 1 - \frac{2(1-\lambda)(1-\beta)^2}{n(1-\lambda\beta)^2C(\alpha, n) - 2\lambda(1-\beta)^2}$ ($n \geq 2$). Since

$$D(n) = 1 - \frac{2(1-\lambda)(1-\beta)^2}{n(1-\lambda\beta)^2C(\alpha, n) - 2\lambda(1-\beta)^2}$$

is an increasing function of n ($n \geq 2$), for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$, we readily have

$$\phi \leq D(2) = 1 - \frac{(1-\lambda)(1-\beta)^2}{2(1-\lambda\beta)^2(1-\alpha) - \lambda(1-\beta)^2},$$

and Theorem 15 follows at once. ■

9. Fractional calculus operators

The object of this section is to obtain several growth and distortion properties of functions in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$ involving a family of operators of fractional calculus (that is, fractional integral and fractional derivative).

First of all, in terms of Gauss hypergeometric function

$${}_2F_1(\delta, \tau; \gamma; z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\delta)_k (\tau)_k}{(\gamma)_k} \frac{z^k}{k!} \quad (z \in U; \delta, \tau, \gamma \in \mathbf{C}; \gamma \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots),$$

where $(m)_k = \frac{\Gamma(m+k)}{\Gamma(m)}$ denotes the Pochhammer symbol, we recall the definitions of fractional integral operator $I_{0,z}^{\mu, \nu, \eta}$ and the fractional derivative operator $J_{0,z}^{\mu, \nu, \eta}$ as follows (cf., e.g., [4] and [14], see also [13]).

DEFINITION 1. The fractional integral of order μ is defined, for a function $f(z)$, by

$$I_{0,z}^{\mu, \nu, \eta} f(z) = \frac{z^{-\mu-\nu}}{\Gamma(\mu)} \int_0^z (z-\zeta)^{\mu-1} {}_2F_1\left(\mu+\nu, -\eta; \mu; 1-\frac{\zeta}{z}\right) f(\zeta) d\zeta \quad (\mu > 0),$$

where $f(z)$ is an analytic function in a simply-connected region of the z -plane containing the origin, and the multiplicity of $(z-\zeta)^{\mu-1}$ is removed by requiring $\log(z-\zeta)$ to be real when $z-\zeta > 0$, provided further that

$$f(z) = O(|z|^\varepsilon) \quad (z \rightarrow 0; \varepsilon > \max\{0, \nu - \eta\} - 1). \tag{9.1}$$

DEFINITION 2. The fractional derivative of order μ is defined, for a function $f(z)$, by

$$J_{0,z}^{\mu, \nu, \eta} f(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\mu)} \frac{d}{dz} \left\{ z^{\mu-\nu} \int_0^z (z-\zeta)^{-\mu} {}_2F_1(\nu-\mu, 1-\eta; 1-\mu; 1-(\zeta/z)) f(\zeta) d\zeta \right\} & (0 \leq \mu < 1) \\ \frac{d^n}{dz^n} J_{0,z}^{\mu-n, \nu, \eta} f(z) & (n \leq \mu < n+1; n \in \mathbf{N}), \end{cases}$$

where $f(z)$ is constrained, and the multiplicity of $(z-\zeta)^{-\mu}$ is removed, as in Definition 1, and ε is given by the order estimate (9.1).

It follows from Definitions 1 and 2 that

$$I_{0,z}^{\mu, -\mu, \eta} f(z) = D_z^{-\mu} f(z) \quad (\mu > 0) \tag{9.2}$$

and

$$J_{0,z}^{\mu, \mu, \eta} f(z) = D_z^\mu f(z) \quad (0 \leq \mu < 1), \tag{9.3}$$

where $D_z^\mu f(z)$ ($\mu \in \mathbf{R}$) is the fractional calculus operator considered by Owa [3] and subsequently by Owa and Srivastava [5] and in many other works (cf., e.g., [12] and [13]). Furthermore, in terms of Gamma functions Definitions 1 and 2 readily yield

LEMMA 1. (cf. Srivastava et al. [14]) *The (generalized) fractional integral and the (generalized) fractional derivative of a power function are given by*

$$I_{0,z}^{\mu, \nu, \eta} z^\rho = \frac{\Gamma(\rho+1)\Gamma(\rho-\nu+\eta+1)}{\Gamma(\rho-\nu+1)\Gamma(\rho+\mu+\eta+1)} z^{\rho-\nu} \quad (\mu > 0; \rho > \max\{0, \nu - \eta\} - 1) \tag{9.4}$$

and

$$J_{0,z}^{\mu,\nu,\eta} z^\rho = \frac{\Gamma(\rho+1)\Gamma(\rho-\nu+\eta+1)}{\Gamma(\rho-\nu+1)\Gamma(\rho-\mu+\eta+1)} z^{\rho-\nu} \quad (0 \leq \mu < 1; \rho > \max\{0, \nu-\eta\}-1). \quad (9.5)$$

THEOREM 17. *Let the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, with $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\Gamma(2-\nu+\eta)}{\Gamma(2-\nu)\Gamma(2+\mu+\eta)} |z|^{1-\nu} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(1-\beta)(2-\nu+\eta)}{2(2-\nu)(2+\mu+\eta)(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z| \right\} \\ & \leq |I_{0,z}^{\mu,\nu,\eta} f(z)| \leq \\ & \leq \frac{\Gamma(2-\nu+\eta)}{\Gamma(2-\nu)\Gamma(2+\mu+\eta)} |z|^{1-\nu} \left\{ 1 + \frac{(1-\beta)(2-\nu+\eta)}{2(2-\nu)(2+\mu+\eta)(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z| \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (9.6)$$

($z \in U_0$; $\mu > 0$, $\max\{\nu, \nu-\eta, -\mu-\eta\} < 2$; $\nu(\mu+\eta) \leq 3\mu$), and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\Gamma(2-\nu+\eta)}{\Gamma(2-\nu)\Gamma(2-\mu+\eta)} |z|^{1-\nu} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(1-\beta)(2-\nu+\eta)}{2(2-\nu)(2-\mu+\eta)(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z| \right\} \leq \\ & \leq |J_{0,z}^{\mu,\nu,\eta} f(z)| \\ & \leq \frac{\Gamma(2-\nu+\eta)}{\Gamma(2-\nu)\Gamma(2-\mu+\eta)} |z|^{1-\nu} \left\{ 1 + \frac{(1-\beta)(2-\nu+\eta)}{2(2-\nu)(2-\mu+\eta)(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z| \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (9.7)$$

($z \in U_0$; $0 \leq \mu < 1$, $\max\{\nu, \nu-\eta, \mu-\eta\} < 2$; $\nu(\mu-\eta) \geq 3\mu$), where $U_0 = \begin{cases} U, & (\nu \leq 1), \\ U \setminus \{0\}, & (\nu > 1). \end{cases}$ Each of these results is sharp for the function $f(z)$ given by

$$f(z) = z - \frac{1-\beta}{4(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} z^2. \quad (9.8)$$

Proof. First of all, since the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$, we can apply Theorem 1 to deduce that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \leq \frac{1-\beta}{4(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)}. \quad (9.9)$$

Next, making use of the assertion 9.4 of Lemma 1, we find from (1.2) that

$$F(z) = \frac{\Gamma(2-\nu)\Gamma(2+\mu+\eta)}{\Gamma(2-\nu+\eta)} z^\nu I_{0,z}^{\mu,\nu,\eta} f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \Phi(n) a_n z^n, \quad (9.10)$$

where, for convenience,

$$\Phi(n) = \frac{(1)_n(2-\nu+\eta)_{n-1}}{(2-\nu)_{n-1}(2+\mu+\eta)_{n-1}} \quad (n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}). \quad (9.11)$$

The function $\Phi(n)$ defined by (9.11) can easily be seen to be nonincreasing under the parametric constraints stated already after (9.6), and thus we have

$$0 < \Phi(n) \leq \Phi(2) = \frac{2(2-\nu+\eta)}{(2-\nu)(2+\mu+\eta)} \quad (n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}). \quad (9.12)$$

Now the assertion (9.6) of the theorem follows readily from (9.9), (9.10) and (9.12).

The assertion (9.7) of the theorem can be proven similarly by noting from (9.5) that

$$G(z) = \frac{\Gamma(2-\nu)\Gamma(2-\mu+\eta)}{\Gamma(2-\nu+\eta)} z^\nu J_{0,z}^{\mu,\nu,\eta} f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \Psi(n) a_n z^n,$$

where

$$0 < \Psi(n) = \frac{(1)_n(2-\nu+\eta)_{n-1}}{(2-\nu)_{n-1}(2-\mu+\eta)_{n-1}} \leq \Psi(2) = \frac{2(2-\nu+\eta)}{(2-\nu)(2-\mu+\eta)},$$

($n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}$) under the parametric constraints stated already after (9.7).

Finally, by observing that the equalities in each of the assertions (9.6) and (9.7) are attained by the function $f(z)$ given by (9.8), we complete the proof of the theorem. ■

In view of the relationships (9.2) and (9.3), by setting $\nu = -\mu$ and $\nu = \mu$ in our assertions (9.6) and (9.7), respectively, we obtain

COROLLARY 5. *Let the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) be in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$, $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < 1$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|z|^{1+\mu}}{\Gamma(2+\mu)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1-\beta}{2(2+\mu)(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z| \right\} &\leq |D_z^{-\mu} f(z)| \leq \\ &\leq \frac{|z|^{1+\mu}}{\Gamma(2+\mu)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1-\beta}{2(2+\mu)(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z| \right\} \quad (z \in U; \mu > 0) \end{aligned} \quad (9.13)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|z|^{1-\mu}}{\Gamma(2-\mu)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1-\beta}{2(2-\mu)(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z| \right\} &\leq |D_z^\mu f(z)| \leq \\ &\leq \frac{|z|^{1-\mu}}{\Gamma(2-\mu)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1-\beta}{2(2-\mu)(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} |z| \right\} \quad (z \in U; 0 \leq \mu < 1). \end{aligned} \quad (9.14)$$

Each of these results is sharp for the function $f(z)$ given by (9.8).

The assertions (9.13) and (9.14) of Corollary 5 can indeed be applied further in order to deduce the following interesting results for functions in the class $L_\alpha^*(\lambda, \beta)$.

COROLLARY 6. *Under the hypotheses of Corollary 5, $D_z^{-\mu} f(z)$ ($\mu > 0$) is included in the disc with its center at the origin and radius r_1 given by*

$$r_1 = \frac{1}{\Gamma(2+\mu)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1-\beta}{2(2+\mu)(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} \right\}.$$

COROLLARY 7. *Under the hypotheses of Corollary 5, $D_z^\mu f(z)$ ($0 \leq \mu < 1$) is included in the disc with its center at the origin and radius r_2 given by*

$$r_2 = \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\mu)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1-\beta}{2(2-\mu)(1-\lambda\beta)(1-\alpha)} \right\}.$$

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