# ON A GENERALIZATION OF CLOSE-TO-CONVEXITY OF COMPLEX ORDER

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Abstract. The class  $V_k$  of bounded boundary rotation is used to generalize the concept of close-to-convexity of complex order. A function  $f: f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ , analytic in the unit disc E, belongs to  $T_k(b)$ ,  $b \neq 0$  (complex) if and only if there exists a function  $g \in V_k$  such that

$$Re\left\{1+rac{1}{b}\left(rac{f'(z)}{g'(z)}-1
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ight\}>0, \quad z\in E.$$

Some basic properties, rate growth of Hankel determinant and radii problems for the functions in  $T_k(b)$  are studied.

## 1. Introduction

Let A denote the class of functions f given by

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

which are analytic in the unit disc  $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . By  $S, K, S^*$  and C, we denote the subclasses of A which are respectively univalent, close-to-convex, starlike and convex in E. Let P be the class of analytic functions h given by

$$h(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n$$
 (1.2)

with Re h(z) > 0 for  $z \in E$ .

Let  $V_k$ ,  $k \ge 2$  be the class of functions of bounded boundary rotation and let  $P_k$  be the class of functions p analytic in E and have the representation

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

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where  $\mu(t)$  is a function with bounded variation on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  which satisfies the conditions

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\mu(t) = 2, \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |d\mu(t)| \le k$$

We note that  $P_2 = P$ .

It is known [13] that  $P_k$  is a convex set. Also f, given by (1.1), belongs to  $V_k$  if and only if  $\frac{(zf'(z))'}{f'(z)} \in P_k$ . It is clear that  $p \in P_k$  if and only if

$$p(z) = \left(\frac{k}{4} + \frac{1}{2}\right)p_1(z) - \left(\frac{k}{4} - \frac{1}{2}\right)p_2(z), \tag{1.3}$$

where  $p_1, p_2 \in P$ .

We define the class P(b) as follows.

Difinition 1.1. Let  $b \neq 0$  be a complex number. Then an analytic function h, given by (1.2), is said to belong to P(b), if and only if, there exists a function  $p \in P$  such that

$$h(z) = bp(z) + (1 - b).$$
(1.4)

We note that, for 0 < b < 1,

 $p(b) \subset P$ 

and P(1) = P.

In the following we define a generalized concept of close-to-convexity of complex order.

**Definition 1.2.** Let f be analytic in E and be given by (1.1). Then  $f \in T_k(b), k \ge 2$ ,  $b \ne 0$  (complex), if and only if, there exists a function  $g \in V_k$  such that  $\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} \in P(b)$  for  $z \in E$ .

We note that  $T_k(1) = T_k$ , a class of analytic functions introduced and studited in [9] and  $T_2(1)$  is the class K of close-to-convex functions. Also  $T_2(b) = K(b)$  consists entirely of close-to-convex functions of complex order introduced in [1] by Al-Amiri and Fernando.

# 2. Some Basic Properties of $T_k(b)$

Theorem 2.1.  $f \in T_k(b)$  if and only if

$$f'(z) = \frac{(K_1'(z))^{\frac{k}{4} + \frac{1}{2}}}{(K_2'(z))^{\frac{k}{4} - \frac{1}{2}}},$$

where  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are close-to-convex functions of complex order b.

**Proof.** From definition 1.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f'(z) &= g'(z)h(z), \ g \in V_k, h \in P(b) \\ &= \frac{(s_1(z)/z)^{\frac{k}{4} + \frac{1}{2}}}{(s_2(z)/z)^{\frac{k}{4} - \frac{1}{2}}}h(z), \ s_1, s_2 \in S^*, see[3]. \\ &= \frac{(K_1(z))^{\frac{k}{4} + \frac{1}{2}}}{(K_2(z))^{\frac{k}{4} - \frac{1}{2}}}, \quad K_1, K_2 \in K(b). \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.2** Let  $0 < b_1 < b_2$ . Then  $T_k(b_1) \subset T_k(b_2)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $f \in T_k(b_1)$ . Then there exists a function  $g \in V_k$  such that

$$\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} = b_1 h(z) + (1 - b_1), \ h \in P.$$

Now

$$1 + \frac{1}{b_2} \left[ \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} - 1 \right] = \frac{b_1}{b_2} h(z) + \left( 1 - \frac{b_1}{b_2} \right).$$

Since  $0 < b_1 < b_2$ , we have  $0 < \frac{b_1}{b_2} < 1$  and this means  $0 < (1 - \frac{b_1}{b_2}) = \alpha_1 < 1$ . Hence  $Re[1 + \frac{1}{b_2} \{\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} - 1\}] > \alpha_1 > 0$ . This implies that  $f \in T_k(b_2)$ , and this completes the proof.

We now discuss a geometrical property for the class  $T_k(b)$ . Here we investigate the behaviour of the inclination of the tangent at a point  $\omega(\theta) = f(re^{i\theta})$  to the image  $\Gamma_r$  of the circle  $C_r = \{z : |z| = r\}, 0 \leq r < 1$ , and  $\theta$  is any number of interval  $(0, 2\pi)$  under the mapping by means of a function f from the class  $T_k(b)$ .

We have

$$\phi(\theta) = \frac{\pi}{2} + \theta + \arg f'(re^{i\theta}) = \arg \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} f(re^{i\theta}),$$

and for  $\theta_2 > \theta_1, \theta_1, \theta_2 \in [0, 2\pi]$ ,

$$\phi(\theta_2) - \phi(\theta_1) = \theta_2 + \arg f'(re^{i\theta_2}) - \theta_1 - \arg f'(re^{i\theta_1}).$$

Now, since

$$\theta + \arg f'(re^{i\theta}) = \theta + Re\{-i\ln f'(re^{i\theta})\},\$$

then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \Big( \theta + \arg f'(re^{i\theta}) \Big) = Re \Big\{ 1 + \frac{re^{i\theta} f''(re^{i\theta})}{f'(re^{i\theta})} \Big\}.$$

Therefore

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \Big( \theta + \arg f'(re^{i\theta}) \Big) = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} Re \Big\{ 1 + \frac{re^{i\theta} f''(re^{i\theta})}{f'(re^{i\theta})} \Big\} d\theta.$$

On the other hand

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \{\theta + \arg f'(re^{i\theta})\} d\theta = \theta_2 + \arg f'(re^{i\theta_2}) - \theta_1 - \arg f'(re^{i\theta_1})$$
$$= \phi(\theta_2) - \phi(\theta_1).$$

So, the integral on the left hand side of the last equality characterizes the increment of the angle of the inclination of the tangent to the curve  $\Gamma_r$  between the points  $\omega(\theta_2)$  and  $\omega(\theta_1)$  for  $\theta_2 > \theta_1$ .

We now have the following.

Theorem 2.3. If  $f \in T_k(b)$  and  $0 \le r < 1$ , |2b - 1| < 1, then for  $\theta_2 > \theta_1$ ,  $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in [0, 2\pi]$ ,

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} Re\Big\{1 + \frac{re^{i\theta}f''(re^{i\theta})}{f'(re^{i\theta})}\Big\}d\theta > -\frac{k}{2}\pi + 2\cos^{-1}\frac{2|b|r}{1 - |2b - 1|r^2}.$$

**Proof.** From definition 1.2, we can write

$$Re\frac{(zf'(z))'}{f'(z)} = Re\frac{(zg'(z))'}{g'(z)} + Re\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)}, \ g \in V_k, h \in P(b)$$

With  $z = re^{i\theta}, 0 \le r < 1, \theta \in [0, 2\pi], \theta_1 < \theta_2$ , we have

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} Re\left\{1 + \frac{re^{i\theta}f''(re^{i\theta})}{f'(re^{i\theta})}\right\}d\theta = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} Re\left[1 + \frac{re^{i\theta}g''(re^{i\theta})}{g'(re^{i\theta})}\right]d\theta + \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} Re\frac{re^{i\theta}h'(re^{re^{i\theta}})}{h(re^{i\theta})}d\theta.$$
(2.1)

It is known [3] that, for  $g \in V_k$ ,

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} Re\left\{1 + \frac{re^{i\theta}g''(re^{i\theta})}{g'(re^{i\theta})}\right\}d\theta > -\left(\frac{k}{2} - 1\right)\pi.$$
(2.2)

Now in the second integral we observe that

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \arg h(re^{i\theta}) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} Re\{-i \ln h(re^{i\theta})\} \\ &= Re\Big\{\frac{re^{i\theta}h'(re^{i\theta})}{h(re^{i\theta})}\Big\}. \end{split}$$

Consequently

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} Re\Big\{\frac{re^{i\theta}h'(re^{i\theta})}{h(re^{i\theta})}\Big\}d\theta = \arg h(re^{i\theta_2}) - \arg h(re^{i\theta_1}).$$

Hence

$$\max_{h\in P(b)} \left| \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} Re \frac{re^{i\theta} h'(re^{i\theta})}{h(re^{i\theta})} d\theta \right| = \max_{h\in P(b)} |\arg h(re^{i\theta_2}) - \arg h(re^{i\theta_1})|.$$

Also, from (1.4), we have

$$1 + \frac{1}{b}(h(z) - 1) = p(z), \quad p \in P,$$

and, for |z| = r < 1, it is well-known that

$$\left| p(z) - \frac{1+r^2}{1-r^2} \right| \le \frac{2r}{1-r^2}.$$

From this, we have

$$\left|h(z) - \frac{1 + (2b-1)r^2}{1 - r^2}\right| \le \frac{2|b|r}{1 - r^2}.$$

Thus the values of h(z) are contained in the circle of Apollonius whose diameter is the line segment from  $\frac{1+(2b-1)r}{1+r}$  to  $\frac{1-(2b-1)r}{1-r}$ . The circle is centered at the point  $\frac{1+(2b-1)r^2}{1+r^2}$  and has the radius  $\frac{1|b|r}{1-r^2}$ . So  $|\arg h(z)|$  attains its maximum at points where a ray from the origin is tangent to the circle, that is, when

$$\arg h(z) = \pm \sin^{-1} \frac{2|b|r}{1 - |(2b - 1)|r^2}.$$
(2.3)

From the above observations, we see that

$$\max_{h \in P(b)} \left| \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} Re \frac{r e^{i\theta} h'(r e^{i\theta})}{h(r e^{i\theta})} d\theta \right| \le 2 \sin^{-1} \frac{2|b|r}{1 - |2b - 1|r^2} = \pi - 2 \cos^{-1} \frac{2|b|r}{1 - |2b - 1|r^2}.$$
(2.4)

Using (2.2) and (2.4) in (2.1), we obtain the required result.

**Remark 2.1.** If  $f \in T_k(b)$  and b is real, then it can easily be shown that, for  $\theta_2 > \theta_1, z = re^{i\theta}$ 

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} Re\left\{1 + \frac{re^{i\theta}f''(re^{i\theta})}{f'(re^{i\theta})}\right\}d\theta > -\left(\frac{k}{2} - 1 + |b|\right).$$

For  $\beta_1 \geq 0$ , the class  $K(\beta_1)$  has been introduced in [5]. We notice that, if b is real,

- (i)  $T_k(b) \subset K(\frac{k}{2} + |b| 1)$
- (ii)  $T_k(b)$  consists of univalent functions for  $k+2|b| \le 4$  whilst  $f \in T_k(b)$  for k+2|b| > 4 need not be finitely-valent.
- (iii) It can easily be seen that  $T_k(b)$  forms a subset of a linear-invariant family of order  $(\frac{k}{2} + |b|)$ .

From (2.3) and the well-known result

$$|\arg g'(z)| \le k \sin^{-1} r$$

for  $g \in V_k$ , we have the following.

Theorem 2.4. Let  $f \in T_k(b)$ ,  $|2b-1| \leq 1$ . Then

$$|\arg f'(z)| \le k \sin^{-1} r + \sin^{-1} \frac{2|b|r}{1 - |2b - 1|r^2}.$$

Next we prove a distortion theorem for  $T_k(b)$ .

Theorem 2.5. Let  $f \in T_k(b)$ . Then

$$\frac{(1-|2b-1|r)(1-r)^{\frac{k}{2}-1}}{(1+r)^{\frac{k}{2}+2}} \le |f'(z)| \le \frac{(1+r)^{\frac{k}{2}-1}(1+|2b-1|r)}{(1-r)^{\frac{k}{2}+2}}$$

The equality is attained for the function  $f_0 \in T_k(b)$  defined by

$$f_0'(z) = \frac{(1+\delta_1 z)^{\frac{k}{2}-1}}{(1-\delta_2 z)^{\frac{k}{2}+2}} (1+(2b-1)\delta_1 z), \quad |\delta_1| = |\delta_2| = 1.$$

The proof is immediate when we use the distortion theorems for  $g \in V_k$ , see [13] and for  $h \in P(b)$ ,

$$\frac{1-|2b-1|r}{1+r} \le |h(z)| \le \frac{1+|2b-1|r}{1-r}.$$

Speical Cases.

(i) For k = 2, f is close-to-convex of complex order b and we have

$$\frac{1-|2b-1|r}{(1+r)^3} \le |f'(z)| \le \frac{1+|2b-1|r}{(1-r)^3}.$$

This reult is proved in [1].

(ii) For b = 1, we obtain the sharp bounds for  $f \in T_k$  established in [9].

**Theorem 2.6.** (Covering theorem). The image of E under functions in  $T_k(b)$  contains the schlicht disc

$$|z| < \frac{k+1 - |2b-1|}{k(k+2)}.$$

**Proof.** Let  $d_r$  denote the radius of the largest schlicht disc centered at the origin contained in the image of |z| < r under f(z). Then there is a point  $z_0$ ,  $|z_0| = r$  such that  $|f(z_0)| = d_r$ . The ray from 0 to  $f(z_0)$  lies entirely in the image of E and the inverse image of this way is a curve in |z| < r.

Thus

$$d_r = |f(z_0)| = \int_c |f'(z)| |dz| \ge \int_0^r \frac{(1-b_1t)}{1+t} \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t}\right)^{\frac{k}{2}-1} \cdot \frac{dt}{(1+t)^2},$$

where  $b_1 = |2b - 1|$ . Let  $\frac{1-t}{1+t} = \xi$ . Then  $\frac{-2}{(1+t)^2}dt = d\xi$ . So  $|f(z_0)| \ge -\frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\frac{1-r}{1+r}} (1-b_1)\xi^{\frac{k}{2}-1}d\xi - \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\frac{1-r}{1+r}} (1+b_1)\xi^{\frac{k}{2}}d\xi$  $= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1-r}{1+r}\right)^{\frac{k}{2}} \left[\frac{(1+b_1)}{k+2} \left(\frac{1-r}{1+r}\right) + \frac{(1-b_1)}{k}\right] + \left(\frac{k+(1-b_1)}{k(k+2)}\right).$ 

Now, by letting  $r \to 1$ , we obtain the required result.

## 3. Hankel Determinant Problem for $T_k(b)$

Hankel determinant of  $f \in A$  and given by (1.1) is defined, for  $q \ge 1, n \ge 1$ , by

$$h_q(n) = \begin{vmatrix} a_n & a_{n+1} \dots & a_{n+q-1} \\ a_{n+1} & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots \\ a_{n+q-1} & \dots & a_{n+2q-2} \end{vmatrix}$$

For  $f \in S^*$ , Pommerenke [16] solved this problem completely. He showed that, if  $f \in S^*$ ,  $H_q(n) = 0(1)n^{2-q}$  and the exponent (2-q) is best possible.

We shall investigate the rate of growth of  $H_q(n)$  for  $f \in T_k(b)$ . We first prove the following.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $f \in T_k(b), k > 3$  and be given by (1.1). Then, for m = 0, 1, 2, ..., there are numbers  $\gamma_m$  and  $c_{m\mu}(\mu = 0, ..., m)$  that satisfy  $|c_{mo}| = |c_{mm}| = 1$ , and

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma_k \le 3, \quad 0 \le \gamma_m \le \frac{2}{m+1} \tag{3.1}$$

such that

$$\sum_{n\mu=0}^{\infty} c_{m\mu} a_{n+\mu} = O(1) . n^{\gamma_m + \frac{k}{2} - 2}, \quad (n \to \infty).$$

The bounds (3.1) are best possible.

**Proof.** Since  $f \in T_k(b)$ , there exists  $g \in V_k$  such that, for  $z \in E$  and  $h \in P(b)$ , we have

$$f'(z) = g'(z)h(z).$$
 (3.2)

Let  $\tilde{K}(\beta)$  be the class of strongly close-to-convex functions of order  $\beta$  in the sense of Pommerenke [14]. It is known [4] that, for all k > 2,  $V_k$  is properly contained in  $\tilde{K}(\beta)$ and  $\beta = (\frac{k}{2} - 1)$ . From this it follows that, if  $g \in V_k$ , k > 2, then

$$zg'(z) = s(z)p^{\frac{\kappa}{2}-1}(z),$$

for some  $s \in S^*$ ,  $p \in P$ .

Thus we can write (3.2) as

$$zf'(z) = s(z)p^{\frac{k}{2}-1}(z)h(z)$$
(3.3)

Now s can be represented as

$$s(z) = z \, \exp[\int_0^{2\pi} \log \frac{1}{1 - ze^{-it}} d\mu(t)],$$

where  $\mu(t)$  is an increasing function and  $\mu(2\pi) - \mu(0) = 2$ .

Let  $\alpha_1 \ge \alpha_2 \ge \cdots$  be the jumps of  $\mu(t)$  and  $t = \theta_1, \theta_2, \ldots$  be the values at which these jumps occur. We may assume that  $\theta_1 = 0$ . Then  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \cdots \leq 2$  and  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \cdots + \alpha_q = 2$ for some q if and only if s is of the form

$$s(z) = z \prod_{j=1}^{q} (1 - e^{-i\theta_j} z)^{-2/q}.$$
(3.4)

We define  $\phi_m$  by

$$\phi_m(z) = \prod_{\mu=1}^m (1 - e^{i\theta\mu}z).$$

We consider three cases as in [16] and define  $\eta_m$ , for each case respectively, as follows.

- (i)  $0 \le \alpha_1 \le 1$  and  $\eta_m = \alpha_{m+1}$  (m = 0, 1, 2, ...)(ii)  $1 < \alpha_1 < \frac{3}{2}$  and  $\eta_0 = \alpha_1, \eta_1 = \max(\alpha_1 1, \alpha_2), \eta_2 = \max(\alpha_1 1, \alpha_3), \eta_m = \alpha_m$  for  $m \geq 3.$
- (iii)  $\frac{3}{2} \leq \alpha_1 \leq 2$  and  $\eta_0 = \alpha_1, \eta_1 = \max(\alpha_1 1, \alpha_2), \eta_m = \alpha_m (m \geq 2).$

Then the first part, that is the the bounds (3.1), follows similarly as in [16]. For the rest, we need the following.

Lemma 3.1. [16] Let  $\theta_1 < \theta_2 < \cdots < \theta_q < \theta_1 + 2\pi$  and let  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_q$  be real,  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $\lambda \geq \lambda_j (j = 1, \ldots, q)$ . If

$$\psi(z) = \prod_{j=1}^{q} (1 - e^{-i\theta_j} z)^{-\lambda_j} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n,$$
(3.5)

then

 $b_n = O(1) \cdot n^{\lambda - 1}$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

We now complete the proof of theorem 3.1. We write

$$\phi_m(z) = \sum_{\mu=0}^m c_{m\mu} z^{m-\mu}$$

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and

$$\phi_m(z) \cdot z f'(z) = \sum_{n=1}^m b_{mn} z^{n+m} + \sum_{n=1}^\infty (n+m) a_{mn} z^{z+m}, \qquad (3.6)$$

where

$$b_{mn} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} (n+\nu)c_{m-\nu}a_{n-\nu},$$
  
$$a_{mn} = \sum_{m\mu} c_{m\mu}a_{n+\mu}, |c_{m_0}| = |c_{mm}| = 1.$$

First let s in (3.3) be not of the form (3.4). Then  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \cdots + \alpha_k < 2$  for  $k \ge 1$  and in particular  $\alpha_1 < 2$ . Hence the number  $\eta_m$  defined as before satisfy

$$\eta_m < \frac{2}{m+1}, \quad \eta_0 + \eta_1 + \dots < 3.$$

For  $m \ge 0$ , let

$$\delta_m = \frac{1}{3} \min\left\{\frac{2}{m+1} - \eta_m, \frac{1}{2^{m+1}} \left(3 - \sum_{k=0}^m \eta_k\right)\right\},\$$

and

$$\gamma_m = \eta_m + 2\delta_m.$$

Then  $\delta_m > 0$  and  $\gamma_m < \frac{2}{m+1}$ ,  $\gamma_0 + \gamma_1 + \cdots < 3$ . Now, it can easily be shown [15] that in each case (i), (ii), (iii),

$$\max_{|z|=r} |\phi_m(z)g(z)| = O(1) \cdot (1-r)^{-\eta_m - \delta_m}$$
(3.7)

Thus, from (3.6), (3.3) and Cauchy integral fromula, we have

$$(n+m)|a_{mn}| \leq \frac{1}{r^{n+m}} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\phi_m(z)s(z)p^{\frac{k}{2}-1}(z)h(z)|d\theta \right)$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi r^{n+m}} \max |\phi_m(z)s(z)| \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |p^{\frac{k}{2}-1}h(z)|d\theta \right)$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{r^{n+m}} \max |\phi_m(z)s(z)| \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |p^{k-2}(z)|d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |h(z)|^2 d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. (3.8)$$

We shall need the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 3.2.** [6] Let  $p \in P$  for  $z \in E$ . Then, for  $\lambda > 1$ ,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |p(re^{i\theta})|^{\lambda} d\theta < c(\lambda) \frac{1}{(1-r)^{\lambda-1}}.$$

Lemma 3.3. [12] Let  $h \in P(b)$  in E and be given by (1.2). Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |h(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta \le \frac{1 + (4|b|^2 - 1)r^2}{1 - r^2}$$

Using these lemmas in (3.8), we have for k > 3

$$(n+m)|a_{mn}| = O(1) \cdot (1-r)^{-\eta_m - \delta_m - (\frac{k}{2} - 1)} \quad (r \to 1),$$

which implies

$$a_{mn} = O(1)n^{\gamma_m + \frac{k}{2} - 2} \quad (n \to \infty).$$

We now consider the case when s in (3.3) has the form (3.4), that is,  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \cdots + \alpha_q = 2$  with  $\gamma_m = \eta_m$ . It follows that

$$\gamma_m \leq \frac{2}{m+1}, \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 + \cdots \leq 3,$$

and

$$\gamma_m = rac{2}{m+1} ext{ implies that } m = q-1, lpha_1 = \dots = lpha_q$$

Thus, for k > 3

$$(n+m)|a_{mn}| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi r^{n+m}} \int_0^{2\pi} |\phi_m(z)s(z)p^{\frac{k}{2}-1}(z)h(z)|d\theta$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\phi_m(z)s(z)p^{\frac{k}{2}-1}(z)|^2 d\theta\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |h(z)|^2 d\theta\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.(3.9)$$

Now

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\phi_m(z)s(z)|^2 |p(z)|^{k-2} d\theta \le \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\phi_m(z)s(z)|^4 d\theta\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |p(z)|^{2k-4} d\theta\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
(3.10)

When we write  $|\phi_m(z)|^4$  in the form (3.5), the exponents  $(-\lambda_j)$  satisfy  $\lambda_j \leq 4\gamma_m(j = 1, \ldots, q: m > 0)$ . Hence, by using lemma 2.1, we have

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} |\phi_m(z)s(z)|^4 d\theta \le A_1 n^{4\gamma_m - 1} \quad (n \to \infty).$$
(3.11)

Also, since k > 3, we use Lemma 3.2 to have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |p(z)|^{2k-4} d\theta \le A_2 n^{2k-5} \quad (n \to \infty).$$
(3.12)

Thus, from (3.10), (3.11) and (3.12), we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\phi_m(z)s(z)|^2 |p(z)|^{k-2} d\theta \le A n^{2\gamma_m + k - 3}.$$
(3.13)

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Hence, using (3.13) and Lemma 3.3 in (3.9), we obtain

$$(n+m)|a_{mn}| \le B(k,b)n^{\gamma_m + \frac{k}{2} - 1} \quad (n \to \infty),$$

and this gives us

$$a_{mn} = O(1) \cdot n^{\gamma_m + \frac{\kappa}{2} - 2}$$

The function  $s_0: s_0(z) = z(1-z^q)^{-\frac{2}{q}} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} {\binom{2+\nu-1}{\nu} z^{\nu q+1}}$  shows that the bounds in (3.1) are best possible. This completes the proof of theorem 3.1.

We can now easily prove the following result.

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $f \in T_k(b)$ , k > 3 and f be given by (1.1). Then, for  $q \ge 1, n \ge 1$ ,

$$H_q(n) = O(1) \cdot n^{2 + (\frac{k}{2} - 2)q}.$$

The exponent  $[2 + (\frac{k}{2} - 2q]$  is best possible. In particular, for q = 1, k > 3

$$H_1(n) = a_n = O(1) \cdot n^{\frac{k}{2}} \quad (n \to \infty).$$

**Remark 3.1.** From remark 2.1, it is clear that, for b real,  $T_k(b) \subset K(\frac{k}{2} + |b| - 1)$ . Thus for  $f \in T_k(b)$ , b real, we can write

$$zf'(z) = s(z)p(z)^{\frac{k}{2}+|b|-1}, s \in S^*, p \in P.$$

Following the same techniques of Theorems 3.1 and 3.2 together with the remark 3.1, we have the following.

Theorem 3.3. Let  $f \in T_k(b)$ , b real, k+2|b| > 3. Then, for  $q \ge 1, n \ge 1$ 

$$H_q(n) = O(1) \cdot n^{2+q(\frac{k}{2}+|b|-3)}.$$

### 4. Some Radii Problems

In the following we find the radius of convexity for  $f \in T_k(b)$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $f \in T_k(b)$ . Then f maps  $|z| < r_0$  onto a convex domain, where  $r_0$  is the least positive root of the equation

$$T(r) = (1 + Re\mu) - (1 + k)(1 + Re\mu)r - (1 + k)(1 - Re\mu)r^2 + (1 - Re\mu)r^3 = 0, \quad (4.1)$$
  
where  $\mu = \frac{1-b}{b}$  and  $Re \ \mu \ge 0.$ 

This results is best possible for b = 1 where the extremel function  $F_k \in T_k(1)$  is given by

$$F_k(z) = \frac{1}{k+2} \left[ \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{\frac{k}{2}+1} - 1 \right].$$

Also, for b = 1, k = 2,  $r_0$  is the radius of convexity for  $f \in K$  and in this case  $r_0 = 2 - \sqrt{3}$ .

Proof. We can write

$$zf'(z) = zg'(z)h(z), g \in V_k, h \in P(b)$$
  
=  $zg'(z)[bp(z) + (1-b)], p \in P.$ 

Differentiating logarithmically, we have

$$\frac{(zf'(z))'}{f'(z)} = \frac{(zg'(z))'}{g'(z)} + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z) + \frac{1-b}{b}}.$$

Thus

$$Re\frac{(zf'(z))'}{f'(z)} \ge Re\frac{(zg'(z))'}{g'(z)} - \Big|\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)+\mu}\Big|, \quad \mu = \Big(\frac{1-b}{b}\Big).$$

It is known [13] that for  $g \in V_k$ 

$$Re\frac{(zg'(z))'}{g'(z)} \ge \frac{r^2 - kr + 1}{1 - r^2}, z = re^{i\theta}, 0 \le r < 1,$$

and for  $p \in P$ ,  $Re\mu \ge 0$ ,

$$\left|\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)+\mu}\right| \le \frac{2r}{(1-r)[1+r+Re\mu(1-r)]}, \ see[7].$$

Hence we have

$$Re\frac{(zf'(z))'}{f'(z)} \ge \frac{r^2 - kr + 1}{1 - r^2} - \frac{2r}{(1 - r)[1 + r + Re\mu(1 - r)]}$$
$$= \frac{(1 + Re\mu) - (k + 1)(1 + Re\mu)r - (1 + k)(1 - Re\mu)r^2 + (1 - Re\mu)r^3}{(1 - r^2)[1 + \gamma + Re\mu(1 - r)]}.$$

This implies that  $Re\frac{(zf'(z))'}{f'(z)} > 0$  for  $|z| < r_0$  where  $r_0$  is the least positive root of T(r) = 0 give by (4.1).

We note here that  $T(0) = 1 + Re\mu > 0$  and T(1) = -2k < 0 which means that T(r) = 0 has at least one zero in (0,1).

Theorem 4.2. Let  $f \in T_k(b)$  and F be defined, for  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , by

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{\alpha} z^{1-\frac{1}{\alpha}} \int_0^z \xi^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-2} f(\xi) d\xi.$$

Then F is close-to-convex of complex order b for  $|z| < r_1$ , where

$$r_1 = \frac{1}{2} [k - \sqrt{k^2 - 4}]. \tag{4.2}$$

This result is sharp.

**Proof.** Since  $f \in T_k(b)$ , there exists a function  $g \in V_k$  such that  $\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} \in P(b)$ . Let

$$G(z) = \frac{1}{\alpha} z^{1-\frac{1}{\alpha}} \int_0^z \xi^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-2} g(\xi) d\xi.$$

Then, from a special case of a result proved in [11], we see that G is convex for  $|z| < r_1$ and this radius is best possible.

Now

$$\frac{F'(z)}{G'(z)} = \frac{z^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-1}f(z) - (\frac{1}{\alpha}-1)\int_0^z \xi^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-2}f(\xi)d\xi}{z^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-1}g(z) - (\frac{1}{\alpha}-1)\int_0^z \xi^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-2}g(\xi)d\xi} \\
= \frac{\int_0^z \xi^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-1}f'(\xi)d\xi}{\int_0^z \xi^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-1}g'(\xi)d\xi} = \frac{N(z)}{D(z)},$$

and

$$\frac{N'(z)}{D'(z)} = \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} \in P(b).$$

Since  $g \in V_k$ , we know that g is convex for  $|z| < r_1$  and so zg' is starlike for  $|z| < r_1$ . Now, using a similar technique of Libera [8], we can easily show that  $\frac{N(z)}{D(z)} \in P(b)$  for  $|z| < r_1$  where  $r_1$  is given by (4.2). This completes the proof.

We have the following special cases.

- (i) For k = 2, f is close-to-convex of complex order b. Then F is also close-to-convex of complex order b in E.
- (ii) For  $b = 1, f \in T_k$ . Then F is close-to-convex (hence univalent) in  $|z| < r_1$ .
- (iii) When b = 1, k = 2,  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$  a positive integer, we obtain a result proved by Bernardi [2].
- (iv) Libera [8] proved this result with b = 1, k = 2 and  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ .

Theorem 4.3. Let  $f \in T_k(b)$  with respect to  $h \in V_k$ . Let  $g \in V_k$  and for  $\alpha, \beta$  positively real with  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ , let

$$F(z) = \int_0^z (f'(\xi))^\alpha (g'(\xi))^\beta d\xi$$

and

$$H(z) = \int_0^z (h'(\xi))^\alpha (g'(\xi))^\beta d\xi.$$

Then  $F \in T_k$  with respect to H for  $|z| < r_2$  where  $r_2$  is given by

$$r_2 = \left[\frac{1}{|b| + \sqrt{|b|^2 - 2Reb + 1}}\right].$$
(4.3)

**Proof.** We first note that  $H \in V_k$  since

$$\frac{(zH'(z))'}{H'(z)} = \frac{\alpha(zh'(z))'}{h'(z)} + \frac{\beta(zg'(z))'}{g'(z)}$$
$$= \alpha p_1(z) + \beta p_2(z), p_1, p_2 \in P_k$$
$$= p_3(z), p_3 \in P_k \text{ as } P_k \text{ is a convex set.}$$

Now

$$\frac{F'(z)}{H'(z)} = \frac{(f'(z))^{\alpha}(g'(z))^{\beta}}{(h'(z))^{\alpha}(g'(z))^{\beta}} = \left(\frac{f'(z)}{h'(z)}\right)^{\alpha} = (p(z))^{\alpha}.$$

Since  $p \in P$  for  $|z| < r_2$  where  $r_2$  is given by (4.3), see [1], it follows that  $p^{\alpha} \in P$  for  $|z| < r_2$  which implies that  $F \in T_k$  for  $|z| < r_2$ .

Theorem 4.4. Let  $f \in V_k$  and let

$$F(z) = bz^{2-\frac{1}{b}} [z^{\frac{1}{b}-1} f(z)]'.$$

Then  $F \in T_k(b)$  for all  $|z| < r_1$  where  $r_1$  is given by (4.2). This result is sharp.

Proof. Let  $F'(z) = b[(\frac{1}{b} - 1)f'(z) + (zf'(z))']$ Then  $\frac{F'(z)}{f'(z)} = b\Big[\frac{(zf'(z))'}{f'(z)} + \Big(\frac{1}{b} - 1\Big)\Big] = bH(z) + (1 - b)$ 

Since  $H \in P_k$ , it follows that  $H \in P$  for  $|z| < r_1$  and the radius  $r_1$  is best possible, see [13]. This implies that, for  $|z| < r_1 \cdot F \in T_k(b)$ .

**Remark 4.1.** Since  $r_1$  is the radius of convexity for  $g \in V_k$ , we can conclude that  $f \in T_k(b)$  is close-to-convex of complex order b for  $|z| < r_1$  where  $r_1$  is given by (4.2).

Following essentially the same technique used in [10], we can prove:

Theorem 4.5. Let  $F \in T_2(b)$  and let, for  $0 < \lambda < 1$ ,

$$f(z) = (1 - \lambda)F(z) + \lambda z F'(z).$$

Then  $f \in T_2(b)$  for  $|z| < r_{\lambda}$ , where

$$r_{\lambda} = \Big[\frac{1}{2\lambda + \sqrt{4\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1}}\Big].$$

This result is best possible.

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