SOME NEW CRITERIA FOR STARLIKENESS AND CONVEXITY OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS

Abstract. We, here, study a differential inequality involving a multiplier transformation and obtain certain new criteria for starlikeness and convexity of *p*-valent and univalent analytic functions.

1. Introduction

A function f is said to be analytic at a point z in a domain $\mathbb D$ if it is differentiable not only at z but also in some neighborhood of the point z. A function f is said to be analytic in a domain $\mathbb D$ if it is analytic at each point of $\mathbb D$. Let $\mathcal A$ be the class of all functions f which are analytic in the open unit disk $\mathbb E = \{z \in \mathbb C : |z| < 1\}$ and normalized by the conditions that f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0. Thus, $f \in \mathcal A$ has the Taylor series expansion

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

Let \mathcal{A}_p denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k, p \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\},$$

analytic and multivalent in the open unit disk \mathbb{E} . Note that $\mathcal{A}_1 = \mathcal{A}$. For $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$, define the multiplier transformation $I_p(n,\lambda)$ as follows:

$$I_p(n,\lambda)f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k+\lambda}{p+\lambda}\right)^n a_k z^k, \ (\lambda \ge 0, n \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}).$$

The special case $I_1(n,0)$ of above defined operator is the well-known Sălăgean [4] derivative operator D^n , defined for $f \in \mathcal{A}$ as under:

$$D^n f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^n a_k z^k.$$

A function $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ is said to be *p*-valent starlike of order α $(0 \le \alpha < p)$ in \mathbb{E} , if it satisfies the inequality

$$\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > \alpha, \ z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

Let $S_p^*(\alpha)$ denote the class of all *p*-valent starlike functions of order α $(0 \le \alpha < p)$. A function $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ is said to be *p*-valent convex of order α $(0 \le \alpha < p)$ in \mathbb{E} , if it satisfies the inequality

 $\Re\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) > \alpha, \ z \in \mathbb{E}.$

We denote by $\mathcal{K}_p(\alpha)$, the class of all functions $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ that are p-valent convex of order α $(0 \le \alpha < p)$ in \mathbb{E} . Note that $\mathcal{S}^*(\alpha) = \mathcal{S}_1^*(\alpha)$ and $\mathcal{K}(\alpha) = \mathcal{K}_1(\alpha)$ are the usual classes of univalent starlike functions (w.r.t. the origin) of order α $(0 \le \alpha < 1)$ and univalent convex functions of order α $(0 \le \alpha < 1)$.

For two analytic functions f and g in the unit disk \mathbb{E} , we say that f is subordinate to g in \mathbb{E} and write as f < g if there exists a Schwarz function w analytic in \mathbb{E} with w(0) = 0 and |w(z)| < 1, $z \in \mathbb{E}$ such that f(z) = g(w(z)), $z \in \mathbb{E}$. In case the function g is univalent, the above subordination is equivalent to: f(0) = g(0) and $f(\mathbb{E}) \subset g(\mathbb{E})$.

Obradovič [2], introduced and studied the class $\mathcal{N}(\alpha)$, $0 < \alpha < 1$ of functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfying the following inequality

$$\Re\left\{f'(z)\left(\frac{z}{f(z)}\right)^{1+\alpha}\right\} > 0, \ z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

He called it as the class of non-Bazilevič functions.

In 2005, Wang et al. [5] introduced the generalized class $\mathcal{N}(\lambda, \alpha, A, B)$ of non-Bazilevič functions which is analytically defined as under:

$$\mathcal{N}(\lambda, \alpha, A, B) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} : (1 + \lambda) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^{\alpha} - \lambda \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^{\alpha} < \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}, \right\}$$

where $0 < \alpha < 1$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $-1 \le B \le 1$, $A \ne B$, $A \in \mathbb{R}$.

Wang et al. [5] studied the class $\mathcal{N}(\lambda, \alpha, A, B)$ and made some estimates on $\left(\frac{z}{f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}$.

Using the concept of differential subordination, Shanmugam et al. [3] studied the differential operator $(1+\lambda)\left(\frac{z}{f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \lambda \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\left(\frac{z}{f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}$ and obtained the best dominant for $\left(\frac{z}{f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}$.

Differential inequalities play an important role in the theory of analytic functions. A number of criteria for starlikeness and convexity of analytic have been developed in terms of differential inequalities. It has always been a matter of interest for the researchers either to find a new criterion for starlikeness and convexity of analytic functions or to generalize or improve certain known ones. Keeping this in mind, we, here, study a differential inequality involving the multiplier transformation $I_p(n,\lambda)$. The main objective of this paper is to make estimates on $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}$ and $1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f(z)}$ in terms of certain differential inequalities and consequently obtain certain new criteria for starlikeness and convexity of functions $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$.

To prove our main result, we shall make use of following lemma due to Hallenbeck and Ruscheweyh [1].

Lemma 1. Let G be a convex function in \mathbb{E} , with G(0) = a and let γ be a complex number, with $\Re(\gamma) > 0$. If $F(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \cdots$, is analytic in \mathbb{E} and F < G, then

$$\frac{1}{z^{\gamma}} \int_0^z F(w) w^{\gamma - 1} \ dw < \frac{1}{n z^{\gamma / n}} \int_0^z G(w) w^{\frac{\gamma}{n} - 1} \ dw$$

2. Main Results

Theorem 1. Let α , β , δ be real numbers such that $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$, and let

(2.1)
$$0 < M \equiv M(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, \delta, p) = \frac{\alpha(1 - \delta)[\alpha + \beta(p + \lambda)]}{\alpha[1 + \beta(p + \lambda)(1 - \delta)] + 2\beta(p + \lambda)},$$

If $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ satisfies the differential inequality

(2.2)
$$\left| \left(\frac{z^p}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)} \right)^{\beta} \left[1 + \alpha - \alpha \frac{I_p(n+1,\lambda)f(z)}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)} \right] - 1 \right| < M(\alpha,\beta,\lambda,\delta,p), \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(\frac{I_p(n+1,\lambda)f(z)}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)}\right) > \delta, \ z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

Proof. Define

$$\left(\frac{z^p}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)}\right)^\beta=u(z),\;z\in\mathbb{E}.$$

Differentiate logarithmically, we obtain

(2.3)
$$p - \frac{zI_p'(n,\lambda)f(z)}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)} = \frac{zu'(z)}{\beta u(z)}$$

In view of the equality

$$zI_p'(n,\lambda)f(z) = (p+\lambda)I_p(n+1,\lambda)f(z) - \lambda I_p(n,\lambda)f(z),$$

(2.3) turns to

$$\frac{I_p(n+1,\lambda)f(z)}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)} = 1 - \frac{zu'(z)}{\beta(p+\lambda)u(z)}$$

Therefore, in view of (2.2), we have

(2.4)
$$u(z) + \frac{\alpha}{\beta(p+\lambda)} z u'(z) < 1 + Mz.$$

Using Lemma 1 (taking
$$\gamma = \frac{\beta(p+\lambda)}{\alpha}$$
) from (2.4), we have

$$u(z) < 1 + \frac{\beta(p+\lambda)Mz}{\alpha + \beta(p+\lambda)},$$

or

$$|u(z)-1| < \frac{\beta(p+\lambda)M}{\alpha+\beta(p+\lambda)} < 1,$$

and therefore, we have

(2.5)
$$|u(z)| > 1 - \frac{\beta(p+\lambda)M}{\alpha + \beta(p+\lambda)}$$

Write
$$\frac{I_p(n+1,\lambda)f(z)}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)} = (1-\delta)w(z) + \delta$$
, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and therefore (2.2) reduces to

$$|u(z)\{1 + \alpha - \alpha[(1 - \delta)w(z) + \delta]\} - 1| < M.$$

We need to show that $\Re(w(z)) > 0$, $z \in \mathbb{E}$. If possible, suppose that $\Re(w(z)) \not > 0$, $z \in \mathbb{E}$, then there must exist a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{E}$ such that $w(z_0) = ix, x \in \mathbb{R}$. To prove the required result, it is now sufficient to prove that

 $|u(z_0)\{1 + \alpha - \alpha[(1 - \delta)ix + \delta]\} - 1|$

$$(2.6) |u(z_0)\{1 + \alpha - \alpha[(1 - \delta)ix + \delta]\} - 1| \ge M.$$

By making use of (2.5), we have

$$\geq |[1 + \alpha(1 - \delta) - \alpha(1 - \delta)ix]u(z_0)| - 1$$

$$= \sqrt{[1 + \alpha(1 - \delta)]^2 + \alpha^2(1 - \delta)^2x^2} |u(z_0)| - 1$$

$$\geq |1 + \alpha(1 - \delta)||u(z_0)| - 1$$

$$\geq |1 + \alpha(1 - \delta)|\left(1 - \frac{\beta(p + \lambda)M}{\alpha + \beta(p + \lambda)}\right) - 1 \geq M.$$

$$(2.7)$$

Now (2.7) is true in view of (2.1) and therefore, (2.6) holds. Hence $\Re(w(z)) > 0$ i.e.

$$\Re\left(\frac{I_p(n+1,\lambda)f(z)}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)}\right) > \delta, \ 0 \le \delta < 1, \ z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

Remark 1. From Theorem 1, it follows, if α , β , δ are real numbers such that $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and if $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ satisfies

$$\left| \left(\frac{z^p}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)} \right)^{\beta} \left[\frac{1}{\alpha} + 1 - \frac{I_p(n+1,\lambda)f(z)}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)} \right] - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right| < \frac{(1-\delta)[\alpha+\beta(p+\lambda)]}{\alpha[1+\beta(p+\lambda)(1-\delta)] + 2\beta(p+\lambda)},$$

then

$$\Re\left(\frac{I_p(n+1,\lambda)f(z)}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)}\right) > \delta, \ z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

Letting $\alpha \to \infty$ in above remark, we get the following result.

Theorem 2. Let β , δ be real numbers such that $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and let $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ satisfy

$$\left| \left(\frac{z^p}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)} \right)^{\beta} \left(1 - \frac{I_p(n+1,\lambda)f(z)}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)} \right) \right| < \frac{1-\delta}{1+\beta(p+\lambda)(1-\delta)},$$

then

$$\Re\left(\frac{I_p(n+1,\lambda)f(z)}{I_p(n,\lambda)f(z)}\right) > \delta, \ z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

For p = 1 and $\lambda = 0$ in Theorem 1, we get the following result involving Sălăgean operator.

Theorem 3. If α , β , δ are real numbers such that $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and if $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies the differential inequality

$$\left| \left(\frac{z}{D^n f(z)} \right)^{\beta} \left[1 + \alpha - \alpha \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{D^n f(z)} \right] - 1 \right| < \frac{\alpha (\alpha + \beta) (1 - \delta)}{\alpha [1 + \beta (1 - \delta)] + 2\beta}, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^nf(z)}\right) > \delta, \ z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

Select p = 1 and $\lambda = 0$ in Theorem 2, we obtain:

Theorem 4. If β , δ are real numbers such that $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies

$$\left| \left(\frac{z}{D^n f(z)} \right)^{\beta} \left(1 - \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{D^n f(z)} \right) \right| < \frac{1 - \delta}{1 + \beta (1 - \delta)}, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^nf(z)}\right) > \delta, \ z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

3. Criteria for Starlikeness and Convexity

Setting $\lambda = n = 0$ in Theorem 1, we obtain the following result.

Corollary 1. Let α , β , δ be real numbers such that $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and let $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ satisfy the differential inequality

$$\left| (1+\alpha) \left(\frac{z^p}{f(z)} \right)^{\beta} - \alpha \frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)} \left(\frac{z^p}{f(z)} \right)^{\beta} - 1 \right| < \frac{\alpha(\alpha+p\beta)(1-\delta)}{\alpha[1+p\beta(1-\delta)] + 2p\beta}, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

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then

$$\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > p\delta = \gamma, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

i.e. $f \in \mathcal{S}_p^*(\gamma)$, $0 \le \gamma < p$.

Writing $\beta = 1$ in above corollary, we obtain:

Corollary 2. Suppose that α , δ are real numbers such that $\alpha > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and suppose that $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ satisfies

$$\left| (1+\alpha)\frac{z^p}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{z^{p+1}f'(z)}{p(f(z))^2} - 1 \right| < \frac{\alpha(\alpha+p)(1-\delta)}{\alpha[1+p(1-\delta)]+2p}, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > p\delta = \gamma, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

i.e. $f \in \mathcal{S}_p^*(\gamma)$, $0 \le \gamma < p$.

Setting n = 1 and $\lambda = 0$ in Theorem 1, we obtain the following result.

Corollary 3. Let α , β , δ be real numbers such that $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and let $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ satisfy the differential inequality

$$\left|(1+\alpha)\left(\frac{pz^{p-1}}{f'(z)}\right)^{\beta} - \frac{\alpha}{p}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right)\left(\frac{pz^{p-1}}{f'(z)}\right)^{\beta} - 1\right| < \frac{\alpha(\alpha+p\beta)(1-\delta)}{\alpha[1+p\beta(1-\delta)] + 2p\beta},$$

then

$$\Re\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) > p\delta = \gamma, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

i.e. $f \in \mathcal{K}_p(\gamma)$, $0 \le \gamma < p$.

Writing $\beta = 1$ in above corollary, we obtain:

Corollary 4. If α , δ are real numbers such that $\alpha > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and if $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ satisfies

$$\left| (1+\alpha) \frac{pz^{p-1}}{f'(z)} - \alpha \frac{z^{p-1}}{f'(z)} \left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) - 1 \right| < \frac{\alpha(\alpha+p)(1-\delta)}{\alpha[1+p(1-\delta)] + 2p}, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) > p\delta = \gamma, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

i.e. $f \in \mathcal{K}_p(\gamma)$, $0 \le \gamma < p$.

Writing $\lambda = n = 0$ in Theorem 2, we get:

Corollary 5. If β , δ are real numbers such that $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and if $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ satisfies

$$\left| \left(\frac{z^p}{f(z)} \right)^{\beta} \left(1 - \frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)} \right) \right| < \frac{1 - \delta}{1 + p\beta(1 - \delta)}, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > p\delta = \gamma, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

i.e. $f \in \mathcal{S}_p^*(\gamma)$, $0 \le \gamma < p$.

Setting $\lambda = 0$ and n = 1 in Theorem 2, we obtain:

Corollary 6. Assume that β , δ be real numbers such that $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and assume that $f \in \mathcal{A}_p$ satisfies

$$\left|\left(\frac{pz^{p-1}}{f'(z)}\right)^{\beta}\left[1-\frac{1}{p}\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right)\right]\right|<\frac{1-\delta}{1+p\beta(1-\delta)},\ z\in\mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) > p\delta = \gamma, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

i.e. $f \in \mathcal{K}_p(\gamma)$, $0 \le \gamma < p$.

Taking p = 1 in Corollary 1, we get:

Corollary 7. If α , β , δ are real numbers such that $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and if $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies

$$\left| (1+\alpha) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^{\beta} - \alpha f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^{1+\beta} - 1 \right| < \frac{\alpha(\alpha+\beta)(1-\delta)}{\alpha[1+\beta(1-\delta)] + 2\beta}, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > \delta, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

i.e. $f \in \mathcal{S}^*(\delta)$.

Setting p = 1 in Corollary 3, we get:

Corollary 8. If α , β , δ are real numbers such that $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$ and if $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies

$$\left| \left(\frac{1}{f'(z)} \right)^{\beta} \left[1 + \alpha - \alpha \left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \right] - 1 \right| < \frac{\alpha(\alpha + \beta)(1 - \delta)}{\alpha[1 + \beta(1 - \delta)] + 2\beta}, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) > \delta, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

i.e. $f \in \mathcal{K}(\delta)$.

Put $\lambda = p = 1$ and n = 0 in Theorem 1, we get:

Corollary 9. Suppose that α , β , δ are real numbers such that $\alpha > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$, $\beta > 0$ and suppose that $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies

$$\left| \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^{\beta} - \frac{\alpha}{2} f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^{1+\beta} - 1 \right| < \frac{\alpha(\alpha + 2\beta)(1 - \delta)}{\alpha[1 + 2\beta(1 - \delta)] + 4\beta}, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > 2\delta - 1, \ z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

Put $\lambda = p = 1$ and n = 0 in Theorem 2, we obtain the following result.

Corollary 10. If $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies

$$\left| \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^{\beta} \left(1 - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \right| < \frac{2(1 - \delta)}{1 + 2\beta(1 - \delta)}, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > 2\delta - 1, \ z \in \mathbb{E},$$

where β , δ are real numbers such that $\beta > 0$, $0 \le \delta < 1$.

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