

## CERTAIN SUBCLASSES OF BI-UNIVALENT FUNCTIONS DEFINED BY SĂLĂGEAN OPERATOR

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ABSTRACT. Making use of Sălăgean differential operator, in this paper, we introduce two new subclasses of the function class  $\Sigma$  of bi-univalent functions defined in the open unit disc. Furthermore, we find estimates on the coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$  for functions in these new subclasses. Also consequences of the results are pointed out.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

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

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

which are analytic in the open unit disc  $\mathbb{U} = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } |z| < 1\}$ . Further, by  $\mathcal{S}$  we shall denote the class of all functions in  $\mathcal{A}$  which are univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ .

Some of the important and well-investigated subclasses of the univalent function class  $\mathcal{S}$  include (for example) the class  $\mathcal{S}^*(\beta)$  of starlike functions of order  $\beta$  in  $\mathbb{U}$  and the class  $\mathcal{K}(\beta)$  of convex functions of order  $\beta$  in  $\mathbb{U}$ . By definition, we have

$$\mathcal{S}^*(\beta) := \left\{ f : f \in \mathcal{S} \text{ and } \Re \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > \beta; z \in \mathbb{U}; 0 \leq \beta < 1 \right\} \quad (2)$$

and

$$\mathcal{K}(\beta) := \left\{ f : f \in \mathcal{S} \text{ and } \Re \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) > \beta; z \in \mathbb{U}; 0 \leq \beta < 1 \right\}. \quad (3)$$

It readily follows from the definitions (2) and (3) that

$$f \in \mathcal{K}(\beta) \iff zf' \in \mathcal{S}^*(\beta).$$

It is well known that every function  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  has an inverse  $f^{-1}$ , defined by

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

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and

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

where

$$f^{-1}(w) = w - a_2w^2 + (2a_2^2 - a_3)w^3 - (5a_2^3 - 5a_2a_3 + a_4)w^4 + \dots \quad (4)$$

A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be bi-univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  if both  $f(z)$  and  $f^{-1}(z)$  are univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ . Let  $\Sigma$  denote the class of bi-univalent functions in  $\mathbb{U}$  given by (1). 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  $\mathcal{S}$  such as

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

are also not members of  $\Sigma$  (see [7, 21]).

In 1967, Lewin [8] investigated the bi-univalent function class  $\Sigma$  and showed that  $|a_2| < 1.51$ . Subsequently, Brannan and Clunie [2] conjectured that  $|a_2| \leq \sqrt{2}$ . Netanyahu [12], on the other hand, showed that  $\max_{f \in \Sigma} |a_2| = \frac{4}{3}$ . Brannan and Taha [4] (see also [23]) introduced certain subclasses of the bi-univalent function class  $\Sigma$  similar to the familiar subclasses  $\mathcal{S}^*(\alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{K}(\alpha)$  of starlike and convex functions of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ), respectively (see [3]). Thus, following Brannan and Taha [4] (see also [23]), a function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is in the class  $\mathcal{S}_\Sigma^*(\alpha)$  of strongly bi-starlike of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ), if

$$f \in \Sigma, \quad \left| \arg\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}; \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1$$

and

$$\left| \arg\left(\frac{wg'(w)}{g(w)}\right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}, \quad w \in \mathbb{U}; \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1,$$

where the function  $g$  is given by

$$g(w) = w - a_2w^2 + (2a_2^2 - a_3)w^3 - (5a_2^3 - 5a_2a_3 + a_4)w^4 + \dots \quad (5)$$

the extension of  $f^{-1}$  to  $\mathbb{U}$ .

Similarly, a function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is in the class  $\mathcal{K}_\Sigma(\alpha)$  of strongly bi-convex functions of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ) if

$$f \in \Sigma, \quad \left| \arg\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}; \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1$$

and

$$\left| \arg\left(1 + \frac{wg''(w)}{g'(w)}\right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}, \quad w \in \mathbb{U}; \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1,$$

where the function  $g$  is extension of  $f^{-1}$  to  $\mathbb{U}$ .

The classes  $\mathcal{S}_\Sigma^*(\beta)$  and  $\mathcal{K}_\Sigma(\beta)$  of bi-starlike functions of order  $\beta$  and bi-convex functions of order  $\beta$ , corresponding (respectively) to the function classes  $\mathcal{S}^*(\beta)$  and  $\mathcal{K}(\beta)$  defined by (2) and (3), were also introduced analogously. For each of the function classes  $\mathcal{S}_\Sigma^*(\alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{K}_\Sigma(\alpha)$ , Brannan and Taha [4] found non-sharp estimates on the first two Taylor-Maclaurin coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$  (for details see [4, 23]).

Recently, many authors investigated bounds for various subclasses of biunivalent functions ([1], [5] - [7], [9] - [11], [13], [14], [16] and [18]- [22]). But The coefficient estimate problem for each of the following Taylor-Maclaurin coefficients  $|a_n|$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1, 2\}$ ;  $\mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  is presumably still an open problem.

In 1983, Sălăgean [17] introduced differential operator  $\mathcal{D}^k : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{D}^0 f(z) &= f(z), \\ \mathcal{D}^1 f(z) &= \mathcal{D}f(z) = zf'(z), \\ \mathcal{D}^k f(z) &= \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{D}^{k-1}f(z)) \\ &= z(\mathcal{D}^{k-1}f(z))', \quad k \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}.\end{aligned}$$

We note that

$$\mathcal{D}^k f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^k a_n z^n, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \quad (6)$$

The object of the present paper is to introduce two new subclasses of the function class  $\Sigma$  associated with Sălăgean differential operator and find estimate on the coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$  for functions in these new subclasses of the function class  $\Sigma$ . In order to derive our main results, we have to recall here the following lemma:

**Lemma 1**[15] If  $h \in \wp$  then

$$|c_k| \leq 2 \quad \text{for each } k,$$

where  $\wp$  is the family of all functions  $h$  analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  for which

$$\Re\{h(z)\} > 0,$$

where  $h(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + \dots$  for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ .

## 2. COEFFICIENT BOUNDS FOR THE FUNCTION CLASS $\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{k,\lambda}(\alpha)$

**Definition 1** A function  $f(z)$  given by (1) is said to be in the class  $\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{k,\lambda}(\alpha)$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$f \in \Sigma, \quad \left| \arg \left( \frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}f(z)}{(1-\lambda)\mathcal{D}^k f(z) + \lambda\mathcal{D}^{k+1}f(z)} \right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1; \quad 0 \leq \lambda < 1, \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \quad (7)$$

and

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}g(w)}{(1-\lambda)\mathcal{D}^k g(w) + \lambda\mathcal{D}^{k+1}g(w)} \right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1; \quad 0 \leq \lambda < 1, \quad w \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (8)$$

where the function  $g$  is given by (5).

**Remark 1** Taking  $\lambda = 0$  in the class  $\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{k,\lambda}(\alpha)$ , we have  $\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{k,0}(\alpha) = \mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^k(\alpha)$  and  $f \in \mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^k(\alpha)$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$f \in \Sigma, \quad \left| \arg \left( \frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}f(z)}{\mathcal{D}^k f(z)} \right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1; \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \quad (9)$$

and

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}g(w)}{\mathcal{D}^k g(w)} \right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1; \quad w \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (10)$$

where the function  $g$  is given by (5).

We note that for  $k = 0$  and  $\lambda = 0$  the class  $\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{0,0}(\alpha) = \mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^*(\alpha)$  is class of strongly bi-starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ). When  $k = 1$  and  $\lambda = 0$  the class  $\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{1,0}(\alpha) = \mathcal{K}_{\Sigma}(\alpha)$  is class of strongly bi-convex functions of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ). For  $k = 0$  the class was introduced and studied in [11].

We begin by finding the estimates on the coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$  for functions in the class  $\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{k,\lambda}(\alpha)$ .

**Theorem 1** Let  $f(z)$  given by (1) be in the class  $\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{k,\lambda}(\alpha)$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ . Then

$$|a_2| \leq \frac{2\alpha}{\sqrt{4\alpha(1-\lambda)3^k + [2\alpha(\lambda^2 - 1) - (\alpha - 1)(1 - \lambda)^2]2^{2k}}} \quad (11)$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{\alpha}{3^k(1-\lambda)} + \frac{4\alpha^2}{2^{2k}(1-\lambda)^2}. \quad (12)$$

**Proof.** It follows from (7) and (8) that

$$\frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}f(z)}{(1-\lambda)\mathcal{D}^k f(z) + \lambda\mathcal{D}^{k+1}f(z)} = [p(z)]^\alpha \quad (13)$$

and

$$\frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}g(w)}{(1-\lambda)\mathcal{D}^k g(w) + \lambda\mathcal{D}^{k+1}g(w)} = [q(w)]^\alpha \quad (14)$$

where  $p(z)$  and  $q(w)$  in  $\wp$  and have the forms

$$p(z) = 1 + p_1 z + p_2 z^2 + \dots \quad (15)$$

and

$$q(z) = 1 + q_1 w + q_2 w^2 + \dots \quad (16)$$

Now, equating the coefficients in (13) and (14), we get

$$2^k(1-\lambda)a_2 = \alpha p_1 \quad (17)$$

$$2^{2k}(\lambda^2 - 1)a_2^2 + 3^k(2 - 2\lambda)a_3 = \frac{1}{2} [\alpha(\alpha - 1)p_1^2 + 2\alpha p_2] \quad (18)$$

$$-2^k(1-\lambda)a_2 = \alpha q_1 \quad (19)$$

and

$$2(1-\lambda)(2a_2^2 - a_3)3^k + (\lambda^2 - 1)2^{2k}a_2^2 = \frac{1}{2} [\alpha(\alpha - 1)q_1^2 + 2\alpha q_2]. \quad (20)$$

From (17) and (19), we get

$$p_1 = -q_1 \quad (21)$$

and

$$2^{2k+1}(1-\lambda)^2 a_2^2 = \alpha^2(p_1^2 + q_1^2). \quad (22)$$

From (18), (20) and (22), we obtain

$$a_2^2 = \frac{\alpha^2(p_2 + q_2)}{4\alpha(1-\lambda)3^k + [2\alpha(\lambda^2 - 1) - (\alpha - 1)(1 - \lambda)^2]2^{2k}}.$$

Applying Lemma 1 for the coefficients  $p_2$  and  $q_2$ , we immediately have

$$|a_2| \leq \frac{2\alpha}{\sqrt{4\alpha(1-\lambda)3^k + [2\alpha(\lambda^2 - 1) - (\alpha - 1)(1 - \lambda)^2]2^{2k}}}.$$

This gives the bound on  $|a_2|$  as asserted in (11).

Next, in order to find the bound on  $|a_3|$ , by subtracting (20) from (18), we get

$$3^k(4-4\lambda)a_3 - 3^k(4-4\lambda)a_2^2 = \alpha(p_2 - q_2) + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)}{2}(p_1^2 - q_1^2). \quad (23)$$

It follows from (21), (22) and (23) that

$$a_3 = \frac{\alpha(p_2 - q_2)}{3^k(4-4\lambda)} + \frac{\alpha^2(p_1^2 + q_1^2)}{2^{2k+1}(1-\lambda)^2}. \quad (24)$$

Applying Lemma 1 once again for the coefficients  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $q_1$  and  $q_2$ , we readily get

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{\alpha}{3^k(1-\lambda)} + \frac{4\alpha^2}{2^{2k}(1-\lambda)^2}.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

Taking  $\lambda = 0$  in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 1** Let  $f(z)$  given by (1) be in the class  $\mathcal{S}_\Sigma^k(\alpha)$  and  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . Then

$$|a_2| \leq \frac{2\alpha}{\sqrt{4\alpha 3^k + (1-3\alpha)2^{2k}}} \quad (25)$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{4\alpha^2}{2^{2k}} + \frac{\alpha}{3^k}. \quad (26)$$

Putting  $k = 0$  in Corollary 1, we obtain the coefficient estimates for well-known class  $\mathcal{S}_\Sigma^{0,0}(\alpha) = \mathcal{S}_\Sigma^*(\alpha)$  of strongly bi-starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  as in [4]. Considering  $k = 1$  in Corollary 1, we obtain well-known class  $\mathcal{S}_\Sigma^{1,0}(\alpha) = \mathcal{K}_\Sigma(\alpha)$  of strongly bi-convex functions of order  $\alpha$  and coincide with results in [4].

### 3. COEFFICIENT BOUNDS FOR THE FUNCTION CLASS $\mathcal{M}_\Sigma^{k,\lambda}(\beta)$

**Definition 2** A function  $f(z)$  given by (1) is said to be in the class  $\mathcal{M}_\Sigma^{k,\lambda}(\beta)$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$f \in \Sigma, \Re \left( \frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}f(z)}{(1-\lambda)\mathcal{D}^k f(z) + \lambda\mathcal{D}^{k+1}f(z)} \right) > \beta, \quad 0 \leq \beta < 1; \quad 0 \leq \lambda < 1, \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \quad (27)$$

and

$$\Re \left( \frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}g(w)}{(1-\lambda)\mathcal{D}^k g(w) + \lambda\mathcal{D}^{k+1}g(w)} \right) > \beta, \quad 0 \leq \beta < 1; \quad 0 \leq \lambda < 1, \quad w \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (28)$$

where the function  $g$  is given by (5).

**Remark 2** Taking  $\lambda = 0$  in the class  $\mathcal{M}_\Sigma^{k,\lambda}(\beta)$ , we have  $\mathcal{M}_\Sigma^{k,0}(\beta) = \mathcal{M}_\Sigma^k(\beta)$  and  $f \in \mathcal{M}_\Sigma^k(\beta)$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$f \in \Sigma, \Re \left( \frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}f(z)}{\mathcal{D}^k f(z)} \right) > \beta, \quad 0 \leq \beta < 1; \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \quad (29)$$

and

$$\Re \left( \frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}g(w)}{\mathcal{D}^k g(w)} \right) > \beta, \quad 0 \leq \beta < 1; \quad w \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (30)$$

where the function  $g$  is given by (5).

We note that for  $k = 0$ ,  $\lambda = 0$  the class  $\mathcal{M}_\Sigma^{0,0}(\beta) = \mathcal{S}_\Sigma^*(\beta)$  is class of bi-starlike functions of order  $\beta$  ( $0 \leq \beta < 1$ ). When  $k - 1 = \lambda = 0$  the class  $\mathcal{M}_\Sigma^{1,0}(\beta) = \mathcal{K}_\Sigma(\beta)$

is class of bi-convex functions of order  $\beta$  ( $0 \leq \beta < 1$ ). For  $k = 0$  the class was introduced in [11].

Next, we find the estimates on the coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$  for functions in the class  $\mathcal{M}_{\Sigma}^{k,\lambda}(\beta)$ .

**Theorem 2** Let  $f(z)$  given by (1) be in the class  $\mathcal{M}_{\Sigma}^{k,\lambda}(\beta)$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ . Then

$$|a_2| \leq \sqrt{\frac{2(1-\beta)}{2^{2k}(\lambda^2-1) + 2(1-\lambda)3^k}} \quad (31)$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{4(1-\beta)^2}{2^{2k}(1-\lambda)^2} + \frac{(1-\beta)}{3^k(1-\lambda)}. \quad (32)$$

**Proof.** It follows from (27) and (28) that there exists  $p, q \in \wp$  such that

$$\frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}f(z)}{(1-\lambda)\mathcal{D}^k f(z) + \lambda\mathcal{D}^{k+1}f(z)} = \beta + (1-\beta)p(z) \quad (33)$$

and

$$\frac{\mathcal{D}^{k+1}g(w)}{(1-\lambda)\mathcal{D}^k g(w) + \lambda\mathcal{D}^{k+1}g(w)} = \beta + (1-\beta)q(w), \quad (34)$$

where  $p(z)$  and  $q(w)$  have the forms (15) and (16), respectively. Equating coefficients in (33) and (34), we get

$$2^k(1-\lambda)a_2 = (1-\beta)p_1 \quad (35)$$

$$2^{2k}(\lambda^2-1)a_2^2 + 3^k(2-2\lambda)a_3 = (1-\beta)p_2 \quad (36)$$

$$-2^k(1-\lambda)a_2 = (1-\beta)q_1 \quad (37)$$

and

$$2(1-\lambda)(2a_2^2 - a_3)3^k + (\lambda^2-1)2^{2k}a_2^2 = (1-\beta)q_2. \quad (38)$$

From (35) and (37), we get

$$p_1 = -q_1 \quad (39)$$

and

$$2^{2k+1}(1-\lambda)^2 a_2^2 = (1-\beta)^2(p_1^2 + q_1^2). \quad (40)$$

Also, from (36), (38) and (40), we obtain

$$a_2^2 = \frac{(1-\beta)(p_2 + q_2)}{2^{2k+1}(\lambda^2-1) + 4(1-\lambda)3^k}.$$

Applying Lemma 1 for the coefficients  $p_2$  and  $q_2$ , we immediately have

$$|a_2| \leq \sqrt{\frac{2(1-\beta)}{2^{2k}(\lambda^2-1) + 2(1-\lambda)3^k}}.$$

This gives the bound on  $|a_2|$  as asserted in (31).

Next, in order to find the bound on  $|a_3|$ , by subtracting (38) from (36), we get

$$3^k(4-4\lambda)a_3 - 3^k(4-4\lambda)a_2^2 = (1-\beta)(p_2 - q_2). \quad (41)$$

It follows from (39), (40) and (41) that

$$a_3 = \frac{(1-\beta)^2(p_1^2 + q_1^2)}{2^{2k+1}(1-\lambda)^2} + \frac{(1-\beta)(p_2 - q_2)}{3^k(4-4\lambda)}. \quad (42)$$

Applying Lemma 1 once again for the coefficients  $p_1, p_2, q_1$  and  $q_2$ , we readily get

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{4(1-\beta)^2}{2^{2k}(1-\lambda)^2} + \frac{(1-\beta)}{3^k(1-\lambda)}.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.

When  $\lambda = 0$  in the Theorem 2, we get the following corollary.

**Corollary 2** Let  $f(z)$  given by (1) be in the class  $\mathcal{M}_\Sigma^k(\beta)$  and  $0 \leq \beta < 1$ . Then

$$|a_2| \leq \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{3^k - 2^{2k-1}}} \quad (43)$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{4(1-\beta)^2}{2^{2k}} + \frac{1-\beta}{3^k}. \quad (44)$$

Putting  $k = 0$  in Corollary 2, we have the coefficients estimates for the well-known class  $\mathcal{M}_\Sigma^{0,0}(\beta) = \mathcal{S}_\Sigma^*(\beta)$  of bi-starlike functions of order  $\beta$  as in [4]. Further, taking  $k = 1$  in Corollary 2, we obtain the estimates for the well-known class  $\mathcal{M}_\Sigma^{1,0}(\beta) = \mathcal{K}_\Sigma(\beta)$  of bi-convex functions of order  $\beta$  and our results reduces to [4].

**Remark 3** For  $k = 0$  the results obtained in this paper are coincide with the results discussed in [11]. Further, for the different choice of  $k$  the results discussed in this paper would lead to many known and new results.

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