

## SOME PROPERTIES AND RESULTS FOR CERTAIN SUBCLASSES OF STARLIKE AND CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. In the present paper, we introduce and investigate some properties of two subclasses  $\Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$  and  $\Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$ ; meromorphic and starlike functions of order  $\beta$ . In particular, several inclusion relations, coefficient estimates, distortion theorems and covering theorems are proven here for each of these function classes.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

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

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

which are analytic on the open unit disk

$$\mathbb{U} = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } |z| < 1\},$$

and suppose  $\mathcal{A}_1 = \mathcal{A}$ .

For  $0 \leq \beta < 1$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{S}^*(\beta)$  and  $\mathcal{K}(\beta)$  the subclasses of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of functions which are starlike of order  $\beta$  and convex of order  $\beta$  in  $\mathbb{U}$ , respectively, that is,

$$\mathcal{S}^*(\beta) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{S}^* : \Re \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > \beta, z \in \mathbb{U} \right\},$$
$$\mathcal{K}(\beta) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{K} : \Re \left( 1 + \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > \beta, z \in \mathbb{U} \right\},$$

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where  $\mathcal{S}^*$  and  $\mathcal{K}$  denote the starlike and convex functions, respectively. We set

$$\mathcal{S}^* = \mathcal{S}^*(0), \quad \mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}(0), \quad \mathcal{S}_n^*(\beta) = \mathcal{S}^*(\beta) \cap \mathcal{A}_n.$$

We say that  $f(z) \in \mathcal{H}_n(\alpha, \beta)$  if only and if  $f(z)$  satisfies the following condition

$$\Re \left( \frac{\alpha z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > \alpha \beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta - \frac{n\alpha}{2},$$

$$(z \in \mathbb{U}, \alpha \geq 0, 0 \leq \beta < 1, f \in \mathcal{A}_n).$$

Obviously,

$$\mathcal{H}_n(0, \beta) = \mathcal{S}^*(\beta) \quad (0 \leq \beta < 1).$$

In 1983 Li and Owa [6] proved the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Suppose that  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . If*

$$\Re \left( \frac{\alpha z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > -\frac{\alpha}{2} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

*then  $f \in \mathcal{S}^*$ .*

Moreover, in 2012 Ravichandran et al [11] gave the following modification of Theorem 1.1.

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq \beta < 1$ . Then*

$$\mathcal{H}_n(\alpha, \beta) \subset \mathcal{S}^*(\beta).$$

Recently Liu et al [7] investigated several other properties and characteristics of functions belonging to the subclasses  $\mathcal{H}_n(\alpha, \beta)$ . For more information about starlike functions, we refer the reader to [10]-[4] and the references therein.

In this paper, we introduce a new subclass of analytic starlike function and investigate some properties and results for certain classes.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $\mathcal{P}_n$  denotes the class of functions  $p(z)$  given by

$$(2.1) \quad p(z) = 1 + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k z^k, \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

which are analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and let  $\mathcal{P}_1 = \mathcal{P}$ . For the proof of our main results in this paper, we need the following useful lemma, and we refer the reader to [3].

**Lemma 2.1.** *If the function  $p \in \mathcal{P}_n$  in given by (2.1) and satisfies the  $\Re(p(z)) > 0$ , then  $|p_k| \leq 2$  ( $k \leq n$ ).*

**Lemma 2.2.** *If the function  $f \in \mathcal{A}_n$  in given by (1.1), then*

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \in \mathcal{P}_n.$$

Let  $0 \leq \lambda$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $\Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$  denotes the class of functions  $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}_n$  satisfies the condition

$$(2.2) \quad \Re \left( \lambda \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)} + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right) > \lambda \beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta - \frac{n\lambda}{2}.$$

Finally, let  $\Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$  denotes the subset of  $\Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$  such that all functions  $p \in \Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$  have the following from:

$$p(z) = 1 - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k z^k, \quad (p_k \geq 0; k \geq n).$$

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $p \in \Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$ . Then*

$$zp(z) \in \mathcal{H}_n \left( \frac{\lambda}{1-2\lambda}, \beta \right).$$

*Proof.* Let  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \Re \left( \lambda \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)} + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right) &> \lambda \beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta - \frac{n\lambda}{2} \\ &> \lambda \beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta(1-2\lambda) - \frac{n\lambda}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $0 \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{2}$ , then

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \Re \left( \frac{\lambda}{1-2\lambda} \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)} + \frac{1}{1-2\lambda} \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + 1 \right) &> \frac{\lambda}{1-2\lambda} \beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) \\ &+ \beta - \frac{n}{2} \frac{\lambda}{1-2\lambda}. \end{aligned}$$

Obviously,  $f(z) = zp(z) \in \mathcal{A}_n$ . Hence from (2.3)

$$\begin{aligned} \Re \left( \frac{\lambda}{1-2\lambda} \frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) &= \Re \left( \frac{\lambda}{1-2\lambda} \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)} + \frac{1}{1-2\lambda} \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + 1 \right) \\ &> \frac{1}{1-2\lambda} \beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta - \frac{n}{2} \frac{\lambda}{1-2\lambda}, \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$f(z) \in \mathcal{H}_n \left( \frac{\lambda}{1-2\lambda}, \beta \right),$$

and this completes the proof.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.4.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$ . Then  $zp(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*(\beta)$ .*

In order to derive our main results, we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 2.5** ([7]). *Let  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}_n$  be given by (1.1). Then  $f(z) \in \mathcal{K}$  if and only if*

$$\sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} k^2 |a_k| \leq 1.$$

**Lemma 2.6.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda$  and  $\gamma < 0$ . Suppose also that the sequence  $\{A_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  is defined by*

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{cases} A_1 = -2\gamma, & k = 1, \\ A_{k+1} = \frac{-2\gamma}{(k+1)[\lambda k + 1]} \left( 1 + \sum_{l=1}^k A_l \right), & k \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Then

$$(2.5) \quad A_k = -2\gamma \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} \frac{j[\lambda(j-1) + 1] - 2\gamma}{(j+1)[\lambda j + 1]}, \quad (k \in \mathbb{N} - \{1\}).$$

*Proof.* From (2.4), we have

$$(k+1)[\lambda k + 1]A_{k+1} = -2\gamma \left( 1 + \sum_{l=1}^k A_l \right),$$

and

$$k[\lambda(k-1) + 1]A_k = -2\gamma \left( 1 + \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} A_l \right).$$

So we obtain that

$$\frac{A_{k+1}}{A_k} = \frac{k[\lambda(k-1) + 1] - 2\gamma}{(k+1)[\lambda k + 1]}.$$

Thus, for  $k \geq 2$ , we have

$$A_k = \frac{A_k}{A_{k-1}} \cdot \frac{A_{k-1}}{A_{k-2}} \cdots \frac{A_2}{A_1} \cdot A_1 = -2\gamma \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} \frac{j[\lambda(j-1) + 1]}{(j+1)[\lambda j + 1]},$$

and this completes the proof.  $\square$

### 3. PROPERTIES OF $\Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$

In this section, we give some properties of  $\Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$ . At first we prove the following inclusion result.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda_2 < \lambda_1 < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $0 \leq \beta_1 < \beta_2 < 1$  and  $1 \leq n_1 < n_2$ . Then*

$$\Lambda_{n_2}(\lambda_2, \beta_2) \subset \Lambda_{n_1}(\lambda_1, \beta_1).$$

*Proof.* Obviously,

$$\Lambda_{n_2}(\lambda_2, \beta_2) \subset \Lambda_{n_1}(\lambda_2, \beta_2), \quad (1 \leq n_1 < n_2).$$

Now we prove that

$$\Lambda_{n_1}(\lambda_2, \beta_2) \subset \Lambda_{n_1}(\lambda_1, \beta_1).$$

Let  $p \in \Lambda_{n_1}(\lambda_2, \beta_2)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Re \left( \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + \lambda_2 \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)} \right) &> \lambda_2 \beta_2 \left( \beta_2 + \frac{n_1}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta_2 - \frac{n_1 \lambda_2}{2} \\ &> \lambda_2 \beta_1 \left( \beta_1 + \frac{n_1}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta_1 - \frac{n_1 \lambda_2}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $p(z) \in \Lambda_{n_1}(\lambda_2, \beta_1)$ . By Corollary 2.4, we get  $zp(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*(\beta_1)$ . That is

$$\Re \left( 1 + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right) > \beta_1,$$

or

$$\Re \left( \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} - \beta_1 \right) > -1.$$

Now, by setting  $\lambda = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2}$ , we have  $\lambda > 1$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} &\Re \left( \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + \lambda \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)} - \lambda_1 \beta_1 \left( \beta_1 + \frac{n_1}{2} - 1 \right) - \beta_1 + \frac{n_1 \lambda_1}{2} \right) \\ &= \lambda \Re \left( \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + \lambda_2 \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)} - \lambda_2 \beta_1 \left( \beta_1 + \frac{n_1}{2} - 1 \right) - \beta_1 + \frac{n_1 \lambda_2}{2} \right) \\ &\quad + (1 - \lambda) \Re \left( \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} - \beta_1 \right) > 0, \end{aligned}$$

and hence,  $p(z) \in \Lambda_{n_1}(\lambda_1, \beta_1)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\gamma = \lambda\beta(\beta - \frac{1}{2}) + \beta - \frac{\lambda}{2}$ . If  $\gamma < 0$  and  $p(z) \in \Lambda_1(\lambda, \beta)$ , then*

$$(3.1) \quad |p_1| \leq -2\gamma,$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad |p_k| \leq -2\gamma \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} \frac{j[\lambda(j-1)+1] - 2\gamma}{(j+1)[\lambda j + 1]}, \quad (k \geq 2).$$

Moreover each of these inequalities is sharp, with the extremal function given by

$$(3.3) \quad p_0(z) = 1 - 2\gamma z - 2\gamma \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} \frac{j[\lambda(j-1)+1] - 2\gamma}{(j+1)[\lambda j + 1]} z^k.$$

*Proof.* Let

$$q(z) = \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + \lambda \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)} - \lambda\beta \left( \beta - \frac{1}{2} \right) - \beta + \frac{\lambda}{2}.$$

Then, from  $p \in \Lambda_1(\lambda, \beta)$ , it is easy to see that  $p(z)$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,  $q(0) = -\gamma > 0$  and  $\Re[q(z)] > 0$ . Therefore,

$$h(z) = \frac{q(z)}{-\gamma} \in \mathcal{P},$$

If we put

$$q(z) = q_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_k z^k, \quad (q_0 = -\gamma),$$

then by Lemma 2.1, we get

$$|q_k| \leq -2\gamma, \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Also

$$q(z)p(z) = zp'(z) + \lambda z^2 p''(z) - \gamma p(z),$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \left( q_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_k z^k \right) \left( 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_k z^k \right) &= \lambda \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k(k-1) p_k z^k + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k p_k z^k \\ &\quad - \gamma \left( 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_k z^k \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, noting that  $q_0 = -\gamma$ ,  $p_1 = q_1$  and

$$p_{k+1} = \frac{1}{(k+1)(\lambda k + 1)} \left( q_{k+1} + \sum_{l=1}^k p_l q_{k+1-l} \right).$$

Therefore

$$|p_1| \leq -2\gamma,$$

and

$$|p_{k+1}| \leq \frac{-2\gamma}{(k+1)(\lambda k+1)} \left( 1 + \sum_{l=1}^k |p_l| \right), \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Next, we define the sequence  $\{A_k\}$  as follows,

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} A_1 &= -2\gamma, \\ A_{k+1} &= \frac{-2\gamma}{(k+1)(\lambda k+1)} \left( 1 + \sum_{l=1}^k |A_l| \right), \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction,

$$|p_k| \leq A_k, \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Now by using Lemma 2.6, we conclude that the conditions (2.5) hold.

Finally, in order to verify that the inequalities are sharp, we set

$$q_0(z) = -\gamma \frac{1+z}{1-z}, \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Obviously,  $p_0 \in \mathcal{P}$ . By using (3.3) and (3.4) and by some simple computations, we obtain that

$$q_0(z)p_0(z) = \lambda z^2 p_0''(z) + z p_0'(z) - \gamma p_0(z), \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

So, it follows that

$$p_0(z) \in \Lambda_1(\lambda, \beta),$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\gamma = \lambda\beta \left( \beta - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \beta - \frac{\lambda}{2}$ . If  $p(z) \in \Lambda_1(\lambda, \beta)$ , then*

$$|p(z)| \leq 1 - 2\gamma \left( r + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} \frac{j[\lambda(j-1)+1] - 2\gamma}{(j+1)[\lambda j+1]} r^k \right), \quad (|z| = r < 1,)$$

and

$$|p'(z)| \leq -2\gamma \left( 1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} \frac{j[\lambda(j-1)+1] - 2\gamma}{(j+1)[\lambda j+1]} r^{k-1} \right), \quad (|z| = r < 1).$$

Moreover, each of those inequalities is sharp, with the extremal function given by (3.3).

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\gamma_n = \lambda\beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta - \frac{n\lambda}{2}$ . If  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$  then*

$$(3.5) \quad |p_k| \leq B_k(n),$$

where

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{cases} B_k(n) = \frac{-2\gamma_n}{k[\lambda(k-1)+1]}, & n \leq k < 2n; \\ B_k(n) = \frac{-2\gamma_n}{k[\lambda(k-1)+1]} \left( 1 + \sum_{l=n}^{k-1} B_l(n) \right), & k \geq 2n. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* It is easy to see that  $\gamma_n < 0$  for all  $n$ . If we set

$$q(z) = \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + \lambda \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)} - \gamma_n,$$

then

$$q(z) = -\gamma_n + n[\lambda(n-1)+1]p_n z^n + \dots,$$

is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and  $\Re[q(z)] > 0$  whith  $q(0) = -\gamma_n > 0$ . Hence,

$$h(z) = \frac{q(z)}{\gamma_n} \in P_n.$$

If

$$q(z) = q_0 + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} q_k z^k,$$

then

$$q(z)p(z) = zp'(z) + \lambda z^2 p''(z) - \gamma_n p(z),$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \left( q_0 + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} q_k z^k \right) \left( 1 + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k z^k \right) &= \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k p_k z^k + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \lambda k(k-1) p_k z^k \\ &\quad - \gamma_n \left( 1 + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k z^k \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $q_0 = -\gamma_n$ ,

$$q_0 p_k + q_k = k[\lambda(k-1)+1]p_k - \gamma_n p_k, \quad (n \leq k < 2n),$$

and

$$q_0 p_k + q_k + \sum_{l=n}^{\infty} p_l q_{k+n-l} = k[\lambda(k-1)+1]p_k - \gamma_n p_k, \quad (k \geq 2n).$$

Also, by Lemma 2.1

$$|p_k| = \frac{|q_k|}{k[\lambda(k-1)+1]} \leq \frac{-2\gamma}{k[\lambda(k-1)+1]}, \quad (n \leq k < 2n),$$



and

$$\begin{aligned} |p_k| &= \frac{1}{k[\lambda(k-1)+1]} \left[ |q_k| + \sum_{l=n}^{k-n} |p_l| |q_{k+n-l}| \right] \\ &\leq \frac{-2\gamma}{k[\lambda(k-1)+1]} \left( 1 + \sum_{l=n}^{k-n} |p_l| \right), \quad (k \geq 2n). \end{aligned}$$

Next, by applying the method of the proof of Theorem 3.2, we have,

$$|p_k| \leq B_k(n), \quad (k \geq 2n),$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.5.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$  and the sequence  $\{B_k(n)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be defined by (3.6). If  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$ , then*

$$|p(z)| \leq 1 + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} B_k(n) r^k, \quad (|z| = r < 1),$$

and

$$|p'(z)| \leq \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} B_k(n) r^{k-1}, \quad (|z| = r < 1).$$

A covering theorem for the class  $\Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$  is provided by the following result.

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$ . If  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$ , then the unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$  is mapped by onto a domain that contains the disk  $|w| < r_0$ , where*

$$r_0 = \max \left\{ n^{-\frac{1}{n-1}}, \left( \frac{n[\lambda(n-1)+1]}{n(n+1)[\lambda(n-1)+1] - 2\lambda\beta(2\beta+n-2) - \beta+n\lambda} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \right\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $w_0$  be any complex number such that

$$p(z) \neq w_0 \quad (z \in U).$$

Then  $w_0 \neq 0$  and, by Theorem 1.2, the function

$$\frac{w_0 z p(z)}{w_0 - z p(z)} = z + \frac{1}{w_0} z^2 + \cdots + \frac{1}{w_0^{n-1}} z^n + \left( p_n + \frac{1}{w_0^n} \right) z^{n+1} + \cdots,$$

is univalent with

$$\left| \frac{1}{w_0} \right| \leq 2, \quad \left| \frac{1}{w_0^{n-1}} \right| \leq n \text{ and } \left| p_n + \frac{1}{w_0^n} \right| \leq n+1.$$

Therefore, according to Theorem 3.4, we find that

$$|w_0| \geq n^{-\frac{1}{n-1}}, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N} - \{1\}),$$

and

$$|w_0| \geq \left[ \frac{n[\lambda(n-1)+1]}{n(n+1)[\lambda(n-1)+1]-2\gamma_n} \right]^{\frac{1}{n}}, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

and this completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $p(z) \in P_n$ . If*

$$(3.7) \quad \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} [k(\lambda(k-1)+1) - \gamma_n] |p_k| \leq -\gamma_n,$$

$$\left( \gamma_n = \lambda\beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta - \frac{n\lambda}{2} \right),$$

then  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that

$$q(z) = \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + \lambda \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)}.$$

We prove that  $|q(z)| < -\gamma_n$  ( $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ).

Obviously,

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} [k(\lambda(k-1)+1) - \gamma_n] |p_k| \geq -\gamma_n \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |p_k|.$$

Also, by using (3.7), we obtain that

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |p_k| < 1,$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
 |q(z)| &= \left| \frac{\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} [k(\lambda(k-1) + 1)] p_k z^k}{1 + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k z^k} \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} [k(\lambda(k-1) + 1)] |p_k|}{1 - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |p_k|} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} [k(\lambda(k-1) + 1) - \gamma_n] |p_k| - (-\gamma_n) \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |p_k|}{1 - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |p_k|} \\
 &\leq \frac{-\gamma_n - (-\gamma_n) \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |p_k|}{1 - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |p_k|} \\
 &= -\gamma_n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\Re(-q(z)) \leq |-q(z)| < -\gamma_n$ . Thus  $\Re(q(z)) > \gamma_n$ . That is,  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n(\lambda, \beta)$ .  $\square$

#### 4. PROPERTIES OF $\Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$

From Theorem 3.1 and the definition of  $\Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$ , we have the following inclusion result.

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda_2 < \lambda_1 < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $0 \leq \beta_1 < \beta_2 < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $1 \leq n_1 \leq n_2$ . Then*

$$\Lambda_{n_2}^+(\lambda_2, \beta_2) \subset \Lambda_{n_1}^+(\lambda_1, \beta_1).$$

In the following theorem we give a necessary and sufficient condition for an element belongs to  $\Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda < \beta < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}_n$ . Then  $p \in \Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$  if and only if*

$$(4.1) \quad \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} [k(\lambda(k-1) + 1) - \gamma_n] p_k \leq -\gamma_n,$$

$$\left( \gamma_n = \lambda\beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta - \frac{n\lambda}{2} \right).$$

*Proof.* Let  $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}_n$ . If  $p$  satisfies (4.1) then by Theorem 3.7, we conclude that  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $p \in \Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$ . Then

$$\Re \left( \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + \lambda \frac{z^2 p''(z)}{p(z)} \right) = \Re \left( \frac{\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} [k(\lambda(k-1) + 1)] p_k z^k}{1 - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k z^k} \right) > \gamma_n,$$

for  $z = re^{i\theta}$ ,  $0 \leq r < 1$  and  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ . Hence

$$-\gamma_n > \frac{\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} [k(\lambda(k-1) + 1)] p_k r^k}{1 - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k r^k} \geq \frac{\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} [k(\lambda(k-1) + 1)] p_k r^k}{1 + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k r^k},$$

and so

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} [k(\lambda(k-1) + 1) - \gamma_n] p_k r^k < -\gamma_n.$$

By letting  $r \rightarrow 1$  in the above inequality, we get  $p \in \Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$  and this completes the proof.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.3.** *If  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$ , then*

$$p_k \leq \frac{-\gamma_n}{k[\lambda(k-1) + 1] - \gamma_n}, \quad \left( k \geq n, 0 \leq \lambda < \beta < \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

*Proof.* This follows from Theorem 4.2, since in this case, the condition (4.1) is satisfied.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < 1$ ,  $\gamma_n = \lambda\beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta - \frac{n\lambda}{2}$  and  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$ . Then*

$$(4.2) \quad 1 + \frac{\gamma_n}{n(\lambda(n-1) + 1) - \gamma_n} r^n \leq |p(z)| \leq 1 - \frac{\gamma_n}{n(\lambda(n-1) + 1) - \gamma_n} r^n, \\ (|z| = r < 1)$$

and

$$(4.3) \quad \frac{n\gamma_n}{n(\lambda(n-1) + 1)n\gamma_n} r^{n-1} \leq |p'(z)| \leq -\frac{n\gamma_n}{n(\lambda(n-1) + 1)n\gamma_n} r^{n-1}, \\ (|z| = r < 1),$$

Moreover, each of these inequalities is sharp, with the extremal function given by

$$(4.4) \quad p_n(z) = 1 + \frac{\gamma_n}{n(\lambda(n-1)+1) - \gamma_n} z^n.$$

*Proof.* By using Theorem 4.2, we get

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k \leq \frac{-\gamma_n}{n(\lambda(n-1)+1) - \gamma_n}.$$

Therefore, the distortion inequalities in (4.2) follow from

$$1 - r^n \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k \leq |p(z)| \leq 1 + r^n \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k, \quad (|z| = r < 1).$$

Also, since

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k p_k \leq \frac{-n\gamma_n}{n(\lambda(n-1)+1) - \gamma_n},$$

then the distortion inequalities in (4.3) follow from

$$-r^n \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k p_k \leq |p'(z)| \leq r^n \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k p_k, \quad (|z| = r < 1).$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.5.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$ . Then the unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$  is mapped by  $p(z)$  onto a domain that contains the disk  $|w| < r_1$ , where*

$$r_1 = \frac{n(\lambda(n-1)+1) - 2\gamma_n}{n(\lambda(n-1)+1) - \gamma_n}.$$

*The result is sharp, with the extremal function  $p_n(z)$  given by (4.4).*

**Corollary 4.6.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$ . Then  $\Lambda_1^+(\lambda, \beta) \subset \mathcal{K}$ .*

*Proof.* The proof follows from Theorem 4.2 and Lemma 2.5.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.7.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\gamma_n = \lambda\beta \left( \beta + \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + \beta - \frac{n\lambda}{2}$ . Suppose that*

$$(4.5) \quad p_{n-1}(z) = 1, \quad p_k(z) = 1 - \frac{-\gamma_n}{k(\lambda(k-1)+1) - \gamma_n} z^k, \quad (k \geq n).$$

*Then  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$  if and only if  $p(z)$  can be expressed in the following form*

$$p(z) = \sum_{k=n-1}^{\infty} \mu_k p_k(z), \quad \left( \mu_k \geq 0, \quad k \geq n \text{ and } \sum_{k=n-1}^{\infty} \mu_k = 1 \right).$$

*Proof.* Suppose that

$$\begin{aligned} p(z) &= \sum_{k=n-1}^{\infty} \mu_k p_k(z) \\ &= 1 - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \mu_k \frac{-\gamma_n}{k(\lambda(k-1) + 1) - \gamma_k} z^k. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by using Theorem 4.2, we can deduce that  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $p(z) \in \Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$ . Then, from Corollary 4.3, we have

$$p_k \leq \frac{-\gamma_n}{k(\lambda(k-1) + 1) - \gamma_n}, \quad (k \geq n).$$

Now, if we set

$$\mu_k = \frac{k(\lambda(k-1) + 1) - \gamma_n}{-\gamma_n} p_k, \quad (k \geq n),$$

and

$$\mu_{n-1} = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu_k,$$

then

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \mu_k = 1, \quad \mu_k \geq 0, \quad (k \geq n),$$

and

$$p(z) = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \mu_k p_k(z).$$

□

**Corollary 4.8.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$ . Then the extreme points of the class  $\Lambda_n^+(\lambda, \beta)$  are the functions  $p_k(z)$  given by (4.5).*

Finally, by Lemma 2.5 and Theorem 4.2, we conclude the following inclusion relation.

**Theorem 4.9.** *Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \beta < \frac{1}{2}$ . Then  $\Lambda_1^+(\lambda, \beta) \subset \mathcal{K}$ .*

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