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# Meromorphic Starlike Functions of Order $\alpha$ with Alternating Coefficients.

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ABSTRACT - Coefficient inequalities, distortion theorems and class preserving integral operators are obtained for meromorphic functions with alternating coefficients that are starlike of order  $\alpha$ ,  $0 \le \alpha < 1$ .

### 1. Introduction.

Let  $\Sigma$  denote the class of functions of the form

(1.1) 
$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k$$

which are regular in the punctured disc  $U^* = \{z: 0 < |z| < 1\}$ . The Hadamard product or convolution of two functions  $f, g \in \Sigma$  will be denoted by f \* g. Let

(1.2) 
$$\begin{cases} D^n f(z) = \frac{1}{z(1-z)^{n+1}} * f(z), & n \ge 0, \\ D^n f(z) = \frac{1}{z} \left( \frac{z^{n+1} f(z)}{n!} \right)^{(n)}, \\ D^n f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \delta(n, k+1) a_k z^k, \end{cases}$$

where

(1.3) 
$$\delta(n, k+1) = \binom{n+k+1}{n}.$$

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In [1] the authors obtained a new criterion for meromorphic starlike functions of order  $\alpha(0 \le \alpha < 1)$  via the basic inclution relationship  $M_{n+1}(\alpha) \in M_n(\alpha)$ ,  $0 \le \alpha < 1$ ,  $n \in N_0 = N \cup \{0\}$ ,  $N = \{1, 2, ...\}$ , where  $M_n(\alpha)$  is the class consisting of functions in  $\Sigma$  satisfying

$$(1.4) \quad \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^nf(z)} - 2\right\} < -\frac{n+\alpha}{n+1}\;, \quad |z| < 1\;, \ 0 \le \alpha < 1\;, \ n \in N_0\;.$$

The condition (1.4) is equivalent to

(1.5) (i) 
$$\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^nf(z)} = \frac{(n+1) + (n+3-2\alpha)w(z)}{1+w(z)},$$

 $w(z) \in H = \{ w \text{ regular}, \ w(0) = 0 \text{ and } |w(z)| < 1, \ z \in U = \{ z \colon |z| < 1 \} \},$  or equivalently,

(1.6) (ii) 
$$\left| \frac{(n+1)\left(\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^nf(z)} - 1\right)}{(n+1)\left(\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^nf(z)} - 1\right) - 2(1-\alpha)} \right| < 1.$$

We note that  $M_0(\alpha) = \Sigma^*(\alpha)$ , is the class of meromorphically star-like functions of order  $\alpha(0 \le \alpha < 1)$  and  $M_0(0) = \Sigma^*$ , is the class of meromorphically starlike functions. The class  $M_n(0) = M_n$  was introduced by Ganigi and Uralegaddi[2].

Let  $\sigma_A$  be the subclass of  $\Sigma$  which consisting of functions of the form

(1.7) 
$$\begin{cases} f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + a_1 z - a_2 z^2 + a_3 z^3 \dots, & a_k \ge 0, \\ f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} a_k z^k, & a_k \ge 0, \end{cases}$$

and let  $\sigma_A^*(\alpha, n) = M_n(\alpha) \cap \sigma_A$ .

In this paper coefficient inequalities, distortion theorems for the class  $\sigma_A^*(\alpha, n)$  are determined. Techniques used are similar to these of Silverman[3] and Uralegaddi and Ganigi[4]. Finally, the class

preserving integral operators of the form

(1.8) 
$$F(z) = \frac{c}{z^{c+1}} \int_{0}^{z} t^{c} f(t) dt \quad (c > 0)$$

is considered.

### 2. Coefficient inequalities.

Theorem 1. Let 
$$f(z) = 1/z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k$$
. If 
$$(2.1) \qquad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ (n+1) \, \delta(n+1,\, k+1) - (n+2-\alpha) \, \delta(n,\, k+1) \right] \big| a_k \, \big| \leqslant (1-\alpha),$$

then  $f(z) \in M_n(\alpha)$ .

Proof. Suppose (2.1) holds for all admissible values of  $\alpha$  and n. It suffices to show that

$$\left| \frac{(n+1)\left(\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^{n}f(z)} - 1\right)}{(n+1)\left(\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^{n}f(z)} - 1\right) - 2(1-\alpha)} \right| < 1 \quad \text{for } |z| < 1.$$

We have

$$\left| \frac{(n+1) \left( \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right)}{(n+1) \left( \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right) - 2(1-\alpha)} \right| =$$

$$=\left|\frac{\sum\limits_{k=1}^{\infty}(n+1)[\delta(n+1,k+1)-\delta(n,k+1)]a_{k}z^{k+1}}{2(1-\alpha)-\sum\limits_{k=1}^{\infty}\left[(n+1)\delta(n+1,k+1)-(n+3-2\alpha)\delta(n,k+1)\right]a_{k}z^{k+1}}\right|\leq$$

$$\leq \frac{\sum\limits_{k=1}^{\infty} (n+1)[\delta(n+1,\,k+1) - \delta(n,\,k+1)] \, \big| \, a_k \, \big|}{2(1-\alpha) - \sum\limits_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ (n+1) \, \delta(n+1,\,k+1) - (n+3-2\alpha) \, \delta(n,\,k+1) \right] \, \big| \, a_k \, \big|}$$

The last expression is bounded above by 1, provided

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (n+1) [\delta(n+1, k+1) - \delta(n, k+1)] |a_k| \le$$

$$\leq 2(1-\alpha) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ (n+1)\delta(n+1, k+1) - (n+3-2\alpha)\delta(n, k+1) \right] |a_k|$$

which is equivalent to

$$(2.2) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ (n+1) \, \delta(n+1, \, k+1) - (n+2-\alpha) \, \delta(n, \, k+1) \right] \big| \, a_k \, \big| \leq (1-\alpha)$$

which is true by hypothesis.

For functions in  $\sigma_A^*(\alpha, n)$  the converse of the above theorem is also true.

THEOREM 2. A function f(z) in  $\sigma_A$  is in  $\sigma_A^*(\alpha, n)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ (n+1) \, \delta(n+1, \, k+1) - (n+2-\alpha) \, \delta(n, \, k+1) \right] a_k \leq (1-\alpha) \, .$$

PROOF. In view of Theorem 1 it suffices to show the only if part. Suppose that

(2.3) 
$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^{n}f(z)} - 2\right\} =$$

$$= \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{-1/z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} [\delta(n+1, k+1) - 2\delta(n, k+1)] a_{k} z^{k}}{1/z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \delta(n, k+1) a_{k} z^{k}}\right\} <$$

$$< -\frac{n+\alpha}{n+1}.$$

Choose values of z on the real axis so that  $\left(\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^nf(z)}-2\right)$  is real. Upon clearing the denominator in (2.3) and letting  $z\to -1$  through real

values, we obtain

$$(n+1) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (n+1) [\delta(n+1, k+1) - 2\delta(n, k+1)] a_k \ge$$
 
$$\ge (n+\alpha) \left[ 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \delta(n, k+1) a_k \right]$$

which is equivalent to

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ (n+1) \, \delta(n+1, \, k+1) - (n+2-\alpha) \, \delta(n, \, k+1) \right] a_k \le (1-\alpha) \, .$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.

COROLLARY 1. If  $f(z) \in \sigma_A^*(\alpha, n)$ , then

$$a_k \le \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1, k+1) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n, k+1)} \quad (k \ge 1).$$

Equality holds for the functions of the form

$$\begin{split} f_k(z) &= \frac{1}{z} \ + \\ &+ (-1)^{k-1} \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1,\,k+1) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,\,k+1)} \, z^k \, . \end{split}$$

### 3. Distortion theorems.

THEOREM 3. If  $f(z) = 1/z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} a_k z^k$   $(a_k \ge 0)$ , is in  $\sigma_A^*(\alpha, n)$ , then for 0 < |z| = r < 1,

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1,2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,2)} r \leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1,2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,2)}$$

with equality for the function

(3.2) 
$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1 - \alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1, 2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n, 2)} z \quad \text{at } z = r, ir.$$

PROOF. Suppose f(z) is in  $\sigma_A^*(\alpha, n)$ . In view of Theorem 2, we have

$$\begin{split} & [(n+1)\,\delta(n+1,2) - (n+2-\alpha)\,\delta(n,2)] \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \leqslant \\ & \leqslant \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ (n+1)\,\delta(n+1,\,k+1) - (n+2-\alpha)\,\delta(n,\,k+1) \right] a_k \leqslant (1-\alpha) \end{split}$$

which evidently yields

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \leq \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1,2)-(n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,2)}.$$

Consequently, we obtain

$$\begin{split} |f(z)| & \leq \frac{1}{r} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r^k \leq \frac{1}{r} + r \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \leq \\ & \leq \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1,\,2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,\,2)} \, r \,. \end{split}$$

Also

$$\begin{split} |f(z)| & \geqslant \frac{1}{r} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r^k \geqslant \frac{1}{r} - r \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \geqslant \\ & \geqslant \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1 - \alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1, 2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n, 2)} \, r \, . \end{split}$$

Hence the results of (3.1) follow.

THEOREM 4. If  $f(z) = 1/z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} a_k z^k$   $(a_k \ge 0)$ , is in  $\sigma_A^*(\alpha, n)$ , then for 0 < |z| = r < 1,

$$(3.3) \quad \frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1,2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,2)} \le |f'(z)| \le$$

$$\le \frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1,2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,2)}.$$

The result is sharp, the extremal function being of the form (3.2).

PROOF. From Theorem 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & [(n+1)\delta(n+1,2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,2)] \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ka_k \leq \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [(n+1)\delta(n+1,k+1) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,k+1)] a_k \leq (1-\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

which evidently yields

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k a_k \leq \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\,\delta(n+1,\,2)-(n+2-\alpha)\,\delta(n,\,2)} \; .$$

Consequently, we obtain

$$\begin{split} |f'(z)| &\leqslant \frac{1}{r^2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k a_k r^{k-1} \leqslant \frac{1}{r^2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k a_k \leqslant \\ &\leqslant \frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1,2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,2)} \,. \end{split}$$

Also

$$\begin{split} |f'(z)| &\geqslant \frac{1}{r^2} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k a_k r^{k-1} \geqslant \frac{1}{r^2} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k a_k \geqslant \\ &\geqslant \frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1,2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,2)} \; . \end{split}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 4.

Putting n = 0 in Theorem 4, we get.

COROLLARY 2. If  $f(z) = 1/z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} a_k z^k$ ,  $a_k \ge 0$ , is in  $\sigma_A^*(\alpha, 0) = \sigma_A^*(\alpha)$ , then for 0 < |z| = r < 1,

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

The result is sharp.

We observe that our result in Corollary 2 improves the result of Uralegaddi and Ganigi [4, Theorem 3 (Equation 4)].

### 4. Class preserving integral operators.

In this section we consider the class preserving integral operators of the form (1.6).

THEOREM 5. If  $f(z)=1/z+\sum\limits_{k=1}^{\infty}(-1)^{k-1}a_kz^k,\quad a_k\geqslant 0,$  is in  $\sigma_A^*(\alpha,n)$  then

$$F(z) = cz^{-c-1} \int_{0}^{z} t^{c} f(t) dt = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \frac{c}{c+k+1} a_{k} z^{k}, \qquad c > 0$$

belongs to  $\sigma_A^*(\beta(\alpha, n, c), n)$ , where

$$\beta(\alpha, n, c) = \frac{(n+1)(2+\alpha c)[\delta(n+1, 2) - \delta(n, 2)] - 2(1-\alpha)\delta(n, 2)}{(n+1)(2+c)[\delta(n+1, 2) - \delta(n, 2)] - 2(1-\alpha)\delta(n, 2)}.$$

The result is sharp for

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1)\delta(n+1,2) - (n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,2)} z.$$

PROOF. Suppose  $f(z) \in \sigma_A^*(\alpha, n)$ , then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ (n+1)\,\delta(n+1,\,k+1) - (n+2-\alpha)\,\delta(n,\,k+1) \right] a_k \le (1-\alpha).$$

In view of Theorem 2 we shall find the largest value of  $\beta$  for which

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\left[ (n+1)\,\delta(n+1,\,k+1) - (n+2-\beta)\,\delta(n,\,k+1) \right]}{1-\beta} \cdot \frac{c}{c+k+1} \, a_k \leq 1 \, .$$

It is sufficient to find the range of values of  $\beta$  for which

$$\frac{c[(n+1)\delta(n+1,k+1)-(n+2-\beta)\delta(n,k+1)]}{(1-\beta)(c+k+1)} \le$$

$$\leq \frac{\left[(n+1)\delta(n+1,\,k+1)-(n+2-\alpha)\delta(n,\,k+1)\right]}{1-\alpha} \quad \text{for each } k$$

solving the above inequality for  $\beta$  we obtain

$$\beta \leqslant \frac{(n+1)(k+1+\alpha c)[\delta(n+1,k+1)-\delta(n,k+1)]-(k+1)(1-\alpha)\,\delta(n,k+1)}{(n+1)(k+1+c)[\delta(n+1,k+1)-\delta(n,k+1)]-(k+1)(1-\alpha)\,\delta(n,k+1)}\;.$$

For each  $\alpha$  and c fixed let

$$F(k) =$$

$$=\frac{(n+1)(k+1+\alpha c)[\delta(n+1,k+1)-\delta(n,k+1)]-(k+1)(1-\alpha)\,\delta(n,k+1)}{(n+1)(k+1+c)[\delta(n+1,k+1)-\delta(n,k+1)]-(k+1)(1-\alpha)\,\delta(n,k+1)}\;.$$

Then

$$F(k+1) - F(k) = \frac{A}{B} > 0$$
 for each  $k$ ,

where

$$A = c(1 - \alpha)(n + 1)\{(n + 1)[\delta(n + 1, k + 1) - \delta(n, k + 1)] \cdot \\ \cdot [\delta(n + 1, k + 2) - \delta(n, k + 2)] + (1 - \alpha)(k + 1) \cdot \\ \cdot [\delta(n + 1, k + 2) - \delta(n, k + 2)]\delta(n, k + 1) - (1 - \alpha)(k + 2) \cdot \\ \cdot [\delta(n + 1, k + 1) - \delta(n, k + 1)]\delta(n, k + 2)\}$$

and

$$B = \{(n+1)(c+k+2)[\delta(n+1,k+2) - \delta(n,k+2)] - \\ -(k+2)(1-\alpha)\delta(n,k+2)\}\{(n+1)(c+k+1) \cdot \\ \cdot [\delta(n+1,k+1) - \delta(n,k+1)] - (k+1)(1-\alpha)\delta(n,k+1)\}.$$

Hence F(k) is an increasing function of k. Since

$$F(1) = \frac{(n+1)(2+\alpha c)[\delta(n+1,2)-\delta(n,2)] - 2(1-\alpha)\delta(n,2)}{(n+1)(2+c)[\delta(n+1,2)-\delta(n,2)] - 2(1-\alpha)\delta(n,2)}$$

the result follows.

Remark. Putting n = 0 in the above theorems, we have the results obtained by Uralegaddi and Ganigi[4].

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