

## STARLIKE AND CONVEX FUNCTIONS OF COMPLEX ORDER INVOLVING A CERTAIN LINEAR OPERATOR

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Let the classes  $S^*(b)$  and  $K_0(b)$  consist of functions which are starlike and convex of complex order  $b$  as introduced by Nasr and Aouf<sup>7, 8</sup>. The main object of the present paper is to investigate the starlike and convex functions of complex order involving a certain linear operator defined by means of Hadamard product.

**Key Words :** linear Operator; Hadamard Product; Starlike and Convex Functions of Complex Order

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $A$  denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad \dots (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the unit disc  $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . A function  $f(z)$  belonging to the class  $A$  is said to be starlike of complex order  $b$  ( $b \in C \setminus \{0\}$ ) if and only if  $z^{-1}f(z) \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} > 0, \quad (z \in U). \quad \dots (1.2)$$

We denote by  $S^*(b)$  the subclass of  $A$  consisting of functions which are starlike of complex order  $b$ . Further, let  $S_1^*(b)$  denote the class of functions  $f(z) \in A$  satisfying

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| < |b| \quad (b \in C \setminus \{0\}). \quad \dots (1.3)$$

We note that  $S_1^*(b)$  is a subclass of  $S^*(b)$  (see<sup>3</sup>).

A function  $f(z)$  belonging to the class  $A$  is said to be convex of complex order  $b$  ( $b \in C \setminus \{0\}$ ) if and only if  $f'(z) \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > 0, \quad (z \in U). \quad \dots (1.4)$$

We denote by  $K_0(b)$  the subclass of  $A$  consisting of functions which are convex of complex order  $b$ . Furthermore, let  $K_1(b)$  denote the class of functions  $f(z) \in A$  satisfying

$$\left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| < |b| \quad (b \in C \setminus \{0\}). \quad \dots (1.5)$$

We note that

$$f(z) \in K_0(b) \Leftrightarrow zf'(z) \in S_0^*(b) \quad \dots (1.6)$$

$$\text{and} \quad f(z) \in K_1(b) \Leftrightarrow zf'(z) \in S_1^*(b) \quad \dots (1.7)$$

for  $b \in C \setminus \{0\}$ .

We also have  $K_1(b) \subset K_0(b)$ .

A function  $f(z)$  belonging to the class  $A$  is said to be close-to-convex of complex order  $b$  ( $b \in C \setminus \{0\}$ ) if and only if there exists a function  $g(z) \in K_0(d)$  ( $d \in C \setminus \{0\}$ ) satisfying the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} > 0, \quad (z \in U). \quad \dots (1.8)$$

We denote by  $C_0(b)$  the subclass of  $A$  consisting of functions which are close-to-convex of complex order  $b$ .

The classes  $S_0^*(b)$  and  $K_0(b)$  introduced and studied by Nasr and Aouf<sup>7, 8</sup> and the classes  $S_1^*(b)$ ,  $K_1(b)$  and  $C_0(b)$  introduced by Choi<sup>3</sup>.

*Remark 1* : Setting  $b = 1 - \alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ), we observe that  $S_0^*(1 - \alpha) = S^*(\alpha)$ ,  $K_0(1 - \alpha) = K(\alpha)$  and  $C_0(1 - \alpha) = C(\alpha)$ , where  $S^*(\alpha)$ ,  $K(\alpha)$  and  $C(\alpha)$  denote the usual classes of starlike, convex and close-to-convex of real order  $\alpha$ , respectively,

For the functions  $f_j(z)$  ( $j = 1, 2$ ) defined by

$$f_j(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{k+1,j} z^{k+1} \quad \dots (1.9)$$

let  $f_1 * f_2(z)$  denote the Hadamard product (or convolution) of  $f_1(z)$  and  $f_2(z)$  defined by

$$f_1 * f_2(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{k+1,1} a_{k+1,2} z^{k+1}. \quad \dots (1.10)$$

Now, we define the function  $\varphi(a, c, ; z)$  be defined by

$$\varphi(a, c, ; z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_k}{(c)_k} z^{k+1} \quad (z \in U), \quad \dots (1.11)$$

for  $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ , where  $(x)_k$  is the Pochhammer symbol defined by

$$(x)_k = \frac{\Gamma(x+k)}{\Gamma(x)} = \begin{cases} 1 & (\text{if } k = 0), \\ x(x+1) \dots (x+k-1), & (\text{if } k \in N = 1, 2, \dots). \end{cases}$$

Corresponding to the function  $\varphi(a, c; z)$ , Carlson and Shafer<sup>2</sup> defined a linear operator  $L(a, c)$  on  $A$  by

$$- L(a, c)f(z) = \varphi(a, c; z) * f(z) = \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_k}{(c)_k} z^{k+1} \right) * f(z) \dots (1.12)$$

for  $f(z) \in A$  and  $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$

*Remark 2 :* If  $c > a > 0$ ,  $L(a, c)f(z)$  has integral representation

$$L(a, c)f(z) = \int_0^1 u^{-1} f(uz) d\mu(u),$$

where  $\mu$  satisfies

$$d\mu(u) = \frac{u^{a-1} (1-u)^{c-a-1}}{\beta(a, c-a)} du$$

and  $\int_0^1 d\mu(u) = 1$ , where  $\beta(a, c-a)$  is the familiar Beta function.

*Remark 3 :* For  $f(z) \in A$

$$L(n+1, 1)fd(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{n+1}} * f(z) = D^n f(z),$$

the symbol  $D^n f(z)$  was introduced by Ruscheweyh<sup>10</sup> and is called the Ruscheweyh derivative of  $f(z)$  of  $n$ th order.

$$L(c+1, c+2)f(z) = \frac{c+1}{z^c} \int_0^c f(t) dt = J_c f(z) \dots (1.13)$$

where  $c + 1 > 0$ . The operator  $J_c$  was introduced by Bernardi<sup>1</sup>. In particular, the operator  $J_1$  was studied earlier by Libera<sup>4</sup>, and Livingston<sup>5</sup>

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

In order to prove our main results, we shall require the following lemmas to be used in sequel.

*Lemma 1* — (Miller and Mocanu<sup>6</sup>) Let  $\phi(u, v)$  be complex valued function,

$$\phi : D \rightarrow C, D \subset C \times C \text{ (} C \text{ is the complex plane).}$$

and let  $u = u_1 + iu_2, v = v_1 + iv_2$ . Suppose that the function  $\phi(u, v)$  satisfies

(i)  $\phi(u, v)$  is continuous in  $D$ ;

(ii)  $(1, 0) \in D$  and  $\text{Re} \{ \phi(1, 0) \} > 0$ ;

(iii) for all  $iu_2, v_1) \in D$  such that  $v_1 \leq -\frac{(1+u_2^2)}{2}$ ,  $\text{Re} \{ \phi(iu_2, v_1) \} \leq 0$ .

Let  $p(z) = 1 + p_1 z + p_2 z^2 + \dots$  be regular in the unit disc  $U$ , such that  $(p(z), zp'(z)) \in D$  for all  $z \in U$ . If

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \phi(p(z), zp'(z)) \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in U), \tag{2.1}$$

then  $\operatorname{Re} \{p(z)\} > 0 \quad (z \in U)$ .

*Lemma 2* — (Ruscheweyh and Sheil-Small<sup>11</sup>) — Let  $\zeta(z)$  and  $g(z)$  be analytic in  $U$  and satisfy  $\zeta(0) = g(0) = 0, \zeta'(0) \neq 0$  and  $g'(0) \neq 0$ . Suppose that for each  $\sigma (|\sigma| = 1)$  and  $\rho (|\rho| = 1)$

$$\zeta(z) * \left( \frac{1 + \rho \sigma z}{1 - \sigma z} \right) g(z) \neq 0 \quad (z \in U \setminus \{0\}).$$

then for each function  $F(z)$  analytic in the unit disc  $U$  and satisfying the inequality  $\operatorname{Re} \{F(z)\} > 0 \quad (z \in U)$ , we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{\zeta * G(z)}{\zeta * g(z)} \right) > 0 \quad (z \in U),$$

where  $G(z) = F(z)g(z)$ .

*Lemma 3* (Ruscheweyh and Sheil-Small<sup>11</sup>) — Let  $\zeta(z)$  be convex and  $g(z)$  be starlike in  $U$ . Then for each function  $F(z)$  analytic in the unit disc  $U$  and satisfying the inequality  $\operatorname{Re} \{F(z)\} > 0 \quad (z \in U)$ , we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{\zeta * Fg(z)}{\zeta * g(z)} \right) > 0 \quad (z \in U),$$

Applying the above lemmas we derive

**Theorem 1** — Let  $f(z) \in S_o^*(b) \quad (b \in C \setminus \{0\})$  and let

$$\varphi(a, c, ; z) * \left( \frac{1 + \rho \sigma z}{1 - \sigma z} \right) f(z) \neq 0 \quad (z \in U \setminus \{0\}). \tag{2.2}$$

for each  $\sigma (|\sigma| = 1)$  and  $\rho (|\rho| = 1)$ , and for  $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ . Then we have

$$L(a, c)f(z) \in S_o^*(b).$$

PROOF : It is sufficient to show that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(L(a, c)f(z))'}{L(a, c)f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} > 0, \tag{2.3}$$

for  $z \in U$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(L(a, c)f(z))'}{L(a, c)f(z)} - 1 \right) &= 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{L(a, c)(zf'(z))}{L(a, c)f(z)} - 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{\varphi(a, c, ; z) * [(b-1)f(z) + zf'(z)]}{\varphi(a, c, z) * bf(z)} \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

putting  $\zeta(z) = \varphi(a, c, ; z)$ ,  $g(z) = bf(z)$  and  $F(z) = 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right)$  in Lemma 2, we can see that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(L(a, c)f(z))}{L(a, c)f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} > 0,$$

which completes the proof of Theorem 1.

*Corollary 1* — Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $S_o^*(b)$  and let

$$D^n \left( \frac{1 + \rho \sigma z}{1 - \sigma z} \right) f(z) \neq 0 \quad (z \in U \setminus \{0\})$$

for each  $\sigma (|\sigma| = 1)$  and  $\rho (|\rho| = 1)$ . Then  $D^n f(z)$  belongs to the class  $S_o^*(b)$ .

*Corollary 2* — Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $S_o^*(b)$ . and let

$$L(c + 1, c + 2) \left( \frac{1 + \rho \sigma z}{1 - \sigma z} \right) f(z) \neq 0 \quad (z \in U \setminus \{0\})$$

for each  $\sigma (|\sigma| = 1)$  and  $\rho (|\rho| = 1)$ . Then  $J_c f(z)$  belongs to the class  $S_o^*(b)$ .

*Corollary 3* — Let  $\varphi(a, c, ; z)$  be convex and let  $f(z) \in S_1^*(b) (|b| < 1)$ . Then  $L(a, c)f(z) \in S_o^*(b)$ .

PROOF : From the hypothesis, we obtain

$$f(z) \in S_1^*(b) \subset S^*(0) = S^*(|b| < 1).$$

By applying Lemma 3 in view of Theorem 1, we have the desirous result immediately.

**Theorem 2** — Let  $f(z) \in K_o(b) (b \in C \setminus \{0\})$ . and let

$$L(a, c, ; z) \left( \frac{1 + \rho \sigma z}{1 - \sigma z} \right) z f'(z) \neq 0 \quad (z \in U \setminus \{0\})$$

for each  $\sigma (|\sigma| = 1)$  and  $\rho (|\rho| = 1)$ , and for  $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ . Then we have

$$L(a, c)f(z) \in K_o(b).$$

PROOF : Applying (1.6) and Theorem 1, we observe that

$$f(z) \in K_o(b) \Leftrightarrow z f'(z) \in S_o^*(b) \Rightarrow L(a, c) z f'(z) \in S_o^*(b) \Rightarrow$$

$$z(L(a, c)f(z))' \in S_o^*(b) \Rightarrow L(a, c)f(z) \in K_o(b)$$

which evidently proves Theorem 2.

*Corollary 4* — Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $K_o(b)$  and let

$$D^n \left( \frac{1 + \rho \sigma z}{1 - \sigma z} \right) z f'(z) \neq 0 \quad (z \in U \setminus \{0\})$$

for each  $\sigma$  ( $|\sigma|=1$ ) and  $\rho$  ( $|\rho|=1$ ). Then  $D^n f(z)$  belongs to the class  $K_0(b)$ .

*Corollary 5* — Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $K_0(b)$  and let

$$L(c+1, c+2) \left( \frac{1+\rho\sigma z}{1-\sigma z} \right) z f'(z) \neq 0 \quad (z \in U \setminus \{0\})$$

for each  $\sigma$  ( $|\sigma|=1$ ) and  $\rho$  ( $|\rho|=1$ ). Then  $J_c f(z)$  belongs to the class  $K_0(b)$ .

*Corollary 6* — Let  $\varphi(a, c, ; z)$  be convex and let  $f(z) \in K_1(b)$  ( $|b| < 1$ ). Then  $L(a, c)f(z) \in K_0(b)$ .

**Theorem 3** — Let  $f(z) \in C_0(b)$  ( $b \in C \setminus \{0\}$ ) and  $h(z) \in S_0^*(b)$  ( $b \in C \setminus \{0\}$ ), and let

$$\varphi(a, c, ; z) * \left( \frac{1+\rho\sigma z}{1-\sigma z} \right) h(z) \neq 0 \quad (z \in U \setminus \{0\}).$$

for each  $\sigma$  ( $|\sigma|=1$ ) and  $\rho$  ( $|\rho|=1$ ), and for  $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ . Then we have

$$L(a, c)f(z) \in C_0(b).$$

**PROOF** : By Theorem 1, if  $h(z) \in S_0^*(b)$ , then  $L(a, c)h(z) \in S_0^*(b)$ . It is sufficient to show that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{(zL(a, c)f(z))'}{L(a, c)h(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} > 0,$$

for  $z \in U$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(L(a, c)f(z))'}{L(a, c)h(z)} - 1 \right) &= 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{zL(a, c)(zf'(z))}{L(a, c)h(z)} - 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{\varphi(a, c, ; z) * [(b-1)h(z) + zf'(z)]}{\varphi(a, c, ; z) * bh(z)} \end{aligned}$$

putting  $\zeta(z) = \varphi(a, c, ; z)$ ,  $g(z) = bh(z)$  and  $F(z) = 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{h(z)} - 1 \right)$  in Lemma 2, we can see that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(L(a, c)f(z))'}{L(a, c)h(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} > 0,$$

which completes the proof of Theorem 3.

*Corollary 7* — Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $C_0(b)$  and  $h(z) \in S_0^*(b)$  and let

$$D^n \left( \frac{1+\rho\sigma z}{1-\sigma z} \right) h(z) \neq 0 \quad (z \in U \setminus \{0\})$$

for each  $\sigma$  ( $|\sigma|=1$ ) and  $\rho$  ( $|\rho|=1$ ). Then  $J_c f(z)$  belongs to the class  $C_0(b)$ .

**Theorem 4** — Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $S_0^*(b)$  ( $b \in C \setminus \{0\}$ ) and let

$$0 < B \leq \frac{1}{2} \tag{2.5}$$

Then we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z} \right\}^{\frac{B}{b}} > \frac{1}{2B+1} \quad (z \in U) \tag{2.6}$$

PROOF : If we put

$$\beta = \frac{1}{2B+1}$$

and 
$$\left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z} \right\}^{\frac{B}{b}} > (1-\beta)p(z) + \beta. \tag{2.7}$$

where  $B$  satisfies (2.5) then  $p(z)$  is regular in the unit disc  $U$  and  $p(z) = 1 + p_1 z + p_2 z^2 + \dots$  from (2.7) after taking the logarithmic differentiation we have that

$$\frac{B}{b} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right\} = \frac{(1-\beta)zp'(z)}{(1-\beta)p(z) + \beta} \tag{2.8}$$

and from that we have

$$1 + \frac{1}{b} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right\} = 1 = \frac{(1-\beta)zp'(z)}{B[(1-\beta)p(z) + \beta]} \tag{2.9}$$

Since  $zf(z) \in S_o^*(b)$  then from (2.9) we get

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{(1-\beta)p'(z)}{B[(1-\beta)p(z) + \beta]} \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in U). \tag{2.10}$$

Let the function  $\phi(u, v)$  defined by

$$\phi(u, v) = 1 + \frac{(1-\beta)v}{B[(1-\beta)u + \beta]}$$

(it is noted  $u = p(z)$  and  $v = zp'(z)$ ). Then  $\phi(u, v)$  is continuous in  $D = \left( C - \frac{-\beta}{1-\beta} \right) \times C$ . Also

$(1, 0) \in D$  and  $\operatorname{Re} \{ \phi(1, 0) \} = 1 > 0$ . Furthermore, for all  $(iu_2, v_1) \in D$  such that  $v_1 \leq -\frac{(1+u_2^2)}{2}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \{ \phi(iu_2, v_1) \} &= 1 + \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(1-\beta)v_1}{B[(1-\beta)iu_2 + \beta]} \right\} = 1 + \frac{\beta(1-\beta)v_1}{B[(1-\beta)^2 u_2^2 + \beta^2]} \\ &\leq 1 - \frac{\beta(1-\beta)(1+u_2^2)}{2B[(1-\beta)^2 u_2^2 + \beta^2]} = \frac{(1-\beta)[2B(1-\beta) - \beta]u_2^2}{2B[(1-\beta)^2 u_2^2 + \beta^2]} \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

because  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $B < \frac{1}{2}$ . Therefore, the function  $\phi(u, v)$  satisfies the conditions in Lemma 1. This proves that  $\operatorname{Re} \{p(z)\} > 0$ , for  $z \in U$ , that is, from (2.7),

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z} \right\}^{\frac{B}{b}} > \beta \quad (z \in U)$$

which equivalent to the statement of Theorem 4.

*Remark 4* : Taking  $b = (1 - \alpha) \cos \lambda e^{-i\lambda}$  and  $B = \gamma(1 - \alpha) \cos \lambda$  in Theorem 4, we the result obtained by Obradovic and Owa<sup>9</sup>.

*Corollary 9* — Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $K_0(b)$  ( $b \in C \setminus \{0\}$ ), and let

$$0 < B \leq \frac{1}{2}.$$

Then we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ f'(z) \right\}^{\frac{B}{b}} > \frac{1}{2B+1} \quad (z \in U) \quad (2.11)$$

**PROOF** : Note that  $f(z) \in K_0(b)$  if and only if  $zf'(z) \in S_0^*(b)$ . Hence, replacing  $f(z)$  by  $zf'(z)$  in Theorem 4, we have the assertion (2.11)

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