

PRODUCTS OF CLOSE-TO-STARLIKE AND CLOSE-TO-CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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In this paper the author obtains the orders of starlikeness, convexity and close-to-convexity of the products of functions from the classes of close-to-starlike and close-to-convex functions, by combining the technique used by Silverman (1975) with the results of Anh and Taun (1978).

1. INTRODUCTION

Let S denote the class of functions of the form $f(z) = z + \sum_1^{\infty} a_n z^n$ which are analytic and univalent in the unit disc $D = \{z/|z| < 1\}$.

A function $f \in S$ is said to be starlike of order α , ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$) denoted by $f \in S^*(\alpha)$ if $\operatorname{Re} \left\{ z \frac{f'}{f} \right\} > \alpha$, ($|z| < 1$) and is said to be convex of order α denoted by $f \in K(\alpha)$ if $\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + z \frac{f''}{f'} \right\} > \alpha$, ($|z| < 1$).

Kaplan (1952) calls a function $f(z)$ close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ provided there is a function $g(z)$ analytic, univalent and convex in $|z| < 1$ for which $\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} \right\} > 0$.

The problems of finding (i) the radius of starlikeness for the class $S_{\beta, \alpha}$ of functions $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$, $|z| < 1$ satisfying $\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{F(z)} \right\} > \beta$, $0 \leq \beta < 1$ where $F(z) \in S^*(\alpha)$ and (ii) that of finding the radius of convexity for the class $K_{\beta, \alpha}$ of functions $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$ satisfying $\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f'(z)}{F'(z)} \right\} > \beta$ where $F(z) \in K(\alpha)$ have been discussed by Anh and Tuan (1978), the results obtained being sharp.

Silverman (1975) obtained the orders of starlikeness, convexity of products of starlike and convex functions of orders α and β respectively.

In this paper we discuss the more general problem of finding the orders of starlikeness and convexity of the products of functions from the classes $S_{\beta, \alpha}$ and $K_{\beta, \alpha}$.

2. LEMMAS

The lemmas required for the proofs of our theorems are given in this section. These results are due to Anh and Tuan (1978).

Lemma 1 — Let $f(z) \in S$ be such that $\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f'(z)}{F(z)} \right\} > \beta$, $0 \leq \beta < 1$ where $F(z) \in S^*(\alpha)$, $0 \leq \alpha < 1$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} &\geq \frac{1 + (2\alpha - 1)r}{1 + r} - \frac{2(1 - \beta)r}{(1 + (2\beta - 1)r)(1 + r)} = \mu_1(\beta, \alpha) \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad \text{for } R_1 \leq R_2 \\ &\geq \frac{1 + (2\alpha - 1)r}{1 + r} - \frac{\beta}{1 - \beta} + \frac{1}{1 - \beta} \left\{ 2 \left(\frac{\beta - \beta(2\beta - 1)r^2}{1 - r^2} \right)^{1/2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1 - (2\beta - 1)r^2}{1 - r^2} \right\} = \mu_2(\beta, \alpha) \text{ for } R_2 \leq R_1 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$R_1 = \left\{ \frac{\beta - (2\beta - 1)r^2}{1 - r^2} \right\}^{1/2} \text{ and } R_2 = \frac{1 + (2\beta - 1)r}{1 + r}. \quad \dots(1)$$

The results are sharp.

Lemma 2 — Let $f(z) \in S$ be such that $\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f'(z)}{F'(z)} \right\} > \beta$, $0 \leq \beta < 1$ where $F(z) \in K(\alpha)$, $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ [the class of convex univalent functions of order α in the unit disc is denoted by $K(\alpha)$]. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + z \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} &\geq \mu_1(\beta, \alpha), \quad R_1 \leq R_2 \\ &\geq \mu_2(\beta, \alpha), \quad R_2 \leq R_1 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(2)$$

where $\mu_1(\beta, \alpha)$ and $\mu_2(\beta, \alpha)$, R_1 and R_2 are defined as in Lemma 1. The results are sharp.

3. ORDERS OF STARLIKENESS AND CONVEXITY THEOREMS

Theorem 1 — Suppose $f_i \in S_{\beta, \alpha}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $g_j \in K_{\beta, \alpha}$, $j = 1, \dots, m$. Let

$$h(z) = z \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{f_i(z)}{z} \right) a_i \prod_{j=1}^m (g_j'(z)) b_j \text{ where } a_i, b_j \geq 0. \text{ Set}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = a \text{ and } \sum_{j=1}^m b_j = b.$$

Then $h(z) \in S^*(1 - (a + b)(1 - \mu))$ where

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \mu_1(\beta, \alpha) \text{ for } R_1 \leq R_2 \\ &= \mu_2(\beta, \alpha) \text{ for } R_2 \leq R_1. \end{aligned}$$

This result is sharp.

PROOF OF THEOREM 1 : We have

$$\log h(z) = \log z + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \{\log f_i(z) - \log z\} + \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \log g'_j(z).$$

Differentiating we get,

$$\begin{aligned} z \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)} &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \left\{ z \frac{f'_i(z)}{f_i(z)} - 1 \right\} + \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \left\{ \frac{z g'_j(z)}{g'_j(z)} \right\} \\ &= 1 - a - b + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \left\{ z \frac{f'_i}{f_i} \right\} + \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \left\{ 1 + \frac{z g'_j(z)}{g'_j(z)} \right\}. \dots(3) \end{aligned}$$

Using (1) and (2), (3) becomes on taking real parts

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} &\geq 1 - a - b + (a + b) \mu_1(\beta, \alpha) \quad \text{for } R_1 \leq R_2 \\ &\geq 1 - a - b + (a + b) \mu_2(\beta, \alpha) \quad \text{for } R_2 \leq R_1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} \geq 1 - (a + b) (1 - \mu)$$

where $\mu = \mu_1(\beta, \alpha) \quad \text{if } R_1 \leq R_2$
 $= \mu_2(\beta, \alpha) \quad \text{if } R_2 \leq R_1.$

Sharpness follows by taking

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f_i(z) &= \frac{z}{(1+z)^{2-2\alpha}} \left\{ \beta + (1-\beta) \frac{1-z}{1+z} \right\}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \\ g_j(z) &= \int_0^z \left\{ \beta + (1-\beta) \frac{1-\xi}{1+\xi} \right\} \frac{d\xi}{(1+\xi)^{2-2\alpha}}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m \end{aligned} \right\} \text{for } R_1 \leq R_2$$

and

$$f_i(z) = \frac{z}{(1+z)^{2-2\alpha}} \left\{ \beta + \frac{1}{2}(1-\beta) \left(\frac{1+ze^{-i\theta}}{1-ze^{-i\theta}} + \frac{1+ze^{i\theta}}{1-ze^{i\theta}} \right) \right\}$$

($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$)

$$g_j(z) = \int_0^z \left[\beta + \frac{1}{2}(1-\beta) \left(\frac{1+\xi e^{-i\theta}}{1-\xi e^{-i\theta}} + \frac{1+\xi e^{i\theta}}{1-\xi e^{i\theta}} \right) \right] \frac{1}{(1+\xi)^{2-2\alpha}} d\xi$$

($j = 1, 2, \dots, m$) for $R_2 \leq R_1$

where θ satisfies the equation

$$\begin{aligned} &(2R_1 - a - \beta) - 2 \cos \theta [(2R_1 - a - \beta) (1 + \beta) + (1 - \beta)^2] r \\ &\quad + [2\beta(2R_1 - a - \beta) (1 + 2 \cos^2 \theta) + 4(1 - \beta)^2] r^2 \\ &\quad - 2 \cos \theta [(2R_1 - a - \beta) (3\beta - 1) + (1 - \beta)^2] r^3 + (2\beta - 1) r^4 = 0 \end{aligned} \dots(4)$$

with $a = (1 - (2\beta - 1) r^2)/(1 - r^2)$.

Remarks : The results of Silverman (1975) follow by putting $\beta = 1$ and retaining α in (1). Then $f_i(z)$ become starlike of order α , $i = 1, 2, \dots n$ and the corresponding $g_j(z)$ $j = 1, 2, \dots m$ become convex of order β by putting $\beta = 1$ and replacing α by β in (2).

Then $R_1 = R_2 = 1$.

Here
$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} &\geq 1 - (a + b) + a \frac{1 + (2\alpha - 1) r}{1 + r} + b \frac{1 + (2\beta - 1) r}{1 + r} \\ &\geq 1 - (a + b) + a\alpha + b\beta \end{aligned}$$

as $r \rightarrow 1$, by the minimum principle for harmonic functions. Further the sharpness of these inequalities is given by the extreme functions :

$$f_i(z) = \frac{z}{(1 + z)^{2-2\alpha}} \quad \text{and} \quad g_j(z) = \int_0^z \frac{d\xi}{(1 + \xi)^{2-2\beta}}$$

as in Silverman (1975).

Theorem 2 — Let

$$H(z) = \int_0^z \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{f_i(t)}{t} \right)^{a_i} \prod_{j=1}^m (g_j'(t))^{b_j} dt$$

where f_i, g_j, a_i, b_j and μ defined as in Theorem 1. Then

$$H(z) \in K [1 - (a + b) (1 - \mu)].$$

PROOF : $H(z) \in K(1 - (a + b) (1 - \mu))$ iff

$$zH'(z) = h(z) \in S^* [1 - (a + b) (1 - \mu)]$$

Now
$$zH'(z) = h(z) = z \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{f_i(z)}{z} \right)^{a_i} \prod_{j=1}^m (g_j'(z))^{b_j}.$$

The result now follows from Theorem 1.

3. A CLOSE-TO-CONVEX THEOREM

We will use the following result of Silverman (1975).

Lemma 3 — If $P(z)$ is analytic in $D = \{z \mid |z| < 1\}$ with $P(0) = 1$ and $\text{Re } P(z) > \nu$. Then for $z = re^{i\theta}$ and $0 \leq \theta_1 \leq \theta_2 \leq 2\pi$ we have

$$\nu(\theta_2 - \theta_1) \leq \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \text{Re } P(z) d\theta \leq 2\pi(1 - \nu) + \nu(\theta_2 - \theta_1).$$

Theorem 3 — Let $f_i \in S_{\beta, \alpha}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $g_j \in K_{\beta, \alpha}$, $j = 1, \dots, m$. Set

$$H(z) = \int_0^z \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{f_i(t)}{t} \right)^{a_i} \prod_{j=1}^m (g_j(t))^{b_j} \right\} dt.$$

Put
$$a = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \sum a_{i+} + \sum a_{i-} = a_+ + a_-$$

and
$$b = \sum_{j=1}^m b_j = \sum b_{j+} + \sum b_{j-} = b_+ + b_-$$

where $\{a_{i+}\}$ and $\{b_{j+}\}$ are, respectively, the subsequences of $\{a_i\}$ and $\{b_j\}$ consisting of the positive terms and $\{a_{i-}\}$ and $\{b_{j-}\}$ are the subsequences consisting of the negative terms. Then $H(z)$ is close-to-convex, if

$$-\frac{1}{2} \leq (a_- + b_-) (1 - \mu_i(\beta, \alpha)) \leq (a_+ + b_+) (1 - \mu_i(\beta, \alpha)) \leq \frac{3}{2}$$

$i = 1, 2$ according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$

$\mu_i(\beta, \alpha), R_i, \quad i = 1, 2$ are defined as in Theorem 1.

These results are sharp.

PROOF : For $H(z)$ to be close-to-convex, it is sufficient that

$$H'(z) \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \text{Re} \left\{ 1 + z \frac{H''(z)}{H'(z)} \right\} d\theta \geq -\pi$$

for all θ_1, θ_2 such that $0 \leq \theta_1 \leq \theta_2 \leq 2\pi$ and $0 < r = |z| < 1$. $H'(z) \neq 0$ evidently follows.

Here, we have

$$1 + z \frac{H''(z)}{H'(z)} = 1 - a - b + \sum_i a_i \frac{zf'_i}{f_i} + \sum_j b_j \left(\frac{1 + zg'_j}{g_j} \right).$$

Taking real parts and integrating from θ_1 to θ_2 we obtain

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \operatorname{Re} \left(1 + z \frac{H''(z)}{H'(z)} \right) d\theta = (1 - a - b) (\theta_2 - \theta_1) \\ + \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \sum_i a_{i+} \frac{zf'_i}{f_i} + \sum_j b_{j+} \left(1 + \frac{zg'_j}{g_j} \right) \right\} d\theta \\ + \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \sum_i a_{i-} \frac{zf'_i}{f_i} + \sum_j b_{j-} \left(1 + \frac{zg'_j}{g_j} \right) \right\} d\theta.$$

Using Lemma 3 appropriately, we get,

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{zH''(z)}{H'(z)} \right) d\theta \geq (1 - a - b) (\theta_2 - \theta_1) + a_+ \mu_l(\beta, \alpha) (\theta_2 - \theta_1) \\ + b_+ \mu_l(\beta, \alpha) (\theta_2 - \theta_1) + (a_- + b_-) \mu_l(\beta, \alpha) (\theta_2 - \theta_1) \\ + 2\pi [(a_-(1 - \mu_l(\beta, \alpha)) + b_-(1 - \mu_l(\beta, \alpha)))] \\ = (\theta_2 - \theta_1) [1 - a - b + (a + b) \mu_l(\beta, \alpha)] \\ + 2\pi(a_- + b_-) (1 - \mu_l(\beta, \alpha))$$

$$l = 1 \text{ or } 2 \text{ according as } R_1 \leq R_2 \text{ or } R_1 \geq R_2 \\ = L_l(\theta_2 - \theta_1) \text{ (say), } l = 1, 2 \text{ according as } R_1 \leq R_2 \text{ or } R_2 \leq R_1.$$

$L_l(\theta_2 - \theta_1)$ is a linear function of $(\theta_2 - \theta_1)$ and assumes its minimum at either 0 or 2π depending of whether $(1 - a - b) + (a + b) \mu_l(\beta, \alpha)$ is positive or negative $l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$.

Here $L_l(0) = 2\pi(a_- + b_-) (1 - \mu_l(\beta, \alpha))$
 $l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_1 \geq R_2$
 $> -\pi$

when

$$(a_- + b_-) (1 - \mu_l(\beta, \alpha)) \geq -\frac{1}{2} \tag{5}$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$.

Also $L_l(2\pi) = 2\pi [1 - a - b + (a + b) \mu_l(\beta, \alpha)]$
 $+ 2\pi [(a_- + b_-) (1 - \mu_l(\beta, \alpha))]$
 $= 2\pi [1 - (a_+ + b_+) (1 - \mu_l(\beta, \alpha))]$
 $> -\pi$

when

$$(a_+ + b_+) (1 - \mu_l(\beta, \alpha)) \leq \frac{3}{2} \tag{6}$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$.

Thus $H(z)$ will be close-to-convex whenever $\min \{L(0), L(2\pi)\} \geq -\pi$. This is satisfied when both (5) and (6) are valid.

For $H(z)$ to be close-to-convex, therefore, we must have

$$-\frac{1}{2} \leq (a_- + b_-) (1 - \mu_l) \leq (a_+ + b_+) (1 - \mu_l) \leq \frac{3}{2} \tag{7}$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$

Sharpness follows if we set

$$f_i = \frac{z}{(1+z)^{2-2\alpha}} \left\{ \beta + (1-\beta) \frac{1-z}{1+z} \right\}, g_j = \int_0^z \left[\beta + (1-\beta) \frac{1-\xi}{1+\xi} \right] \frac{d\xi}{(1+\xi)^{2-2\alpha}}$$

$(i = 1, 2, \dots, n) \qquad (j = 1, 2, \dots, m)$

(if $R_1 \leq R_2$)

and

$$f_i = \frac{z}{(1+z)^{2-2\alpha}} \left\{ \beta + \frac{1}{2}(1-\beta) \left(\frac{1+ze^{-i\theta}}{1-ze^{-i\theta}} + \frac{1+ze^{i\theta}}{1-ze^{i\theta}} \right) \right\}$$

($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$)

$$g_j = \int_0^z \left\{ \beta + \frac{1}{2}(1-\beta) \left(\frac{1+\xi e^{-i\theta}}{1-\xi e^{-i\theta}} + \frac{1+\xi e^{i\theta}}{1-\xi e^{i\theta}} \right) \right\} \frac{d\xi}{(1+\xi)^{2-2\alpha}}$$

($j = 1, 2, \dots, m$)

where θ satisfies (4).

Remarks : The result of Silverman (1975) is obtained as a particular case by putting $\beta = 1$ and retaining α in (1) and putting $\beta = 1$ and replacing α by β in (2). Then $f_i(z) \in S^*(\alpha), i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $g_j(z) \in K(\beta), j = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Also

$$R_1 = R_2 = 1.$$

Here (7) becomes

$$-\frac{1}{2} \leq (1-\alpha) a_- + (1-\beta) b_- \leq (1-\alpha) a_+ + (1-\beta) b_+ \leq \frac{3}{2}.$$

Sharpness is obtained if we set $f_i = \frac{z}{(1+z)^{2-2\alpha}}, i = 1, \dots, n$

and
$$g_j(z) = \int_0^z \frac{d\xi}{(1+\xi)^{2-2\alpha}}, j = 1, \dots, m.$$

4. RELATED CLASSES

Theorem 4 — Suppose

$$f_i \in S_{\lambda, \alpha_i}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \text{ and } g_j \in K_{\lambda, \beta_j}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m.$$

Let
$$h(z) = z \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{f_i(z)}{z} \right)^a \prod_{j=1}^m (g_j'(z))^b, \quad a, b > 0$$

Put
$$n\alpha^* = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \text{ and } m\beta^* = \sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j.$$

Then
$$h(z) \in S^* \{1 - na(1 - \mu_i(\lambda, \alpha^*)) - mb(1 - \mu_i(\lambda, \beta^*))\}$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$. The result is sharp.

PROOF : Logarithmic derivation gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} &= 1 + a \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{zf'_i(z)}{f_i(z)} - 1 \right) + b \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{zg'_j(z)}{g'_j(z)} \\ &= 1 - (na + mb) + a \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{zf'_i(z)}{f_i(z)} + b \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{zg'_j(z)}{g'_j(z)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} &\geq 1 - (na + mb) + na\mu_i(\lambda, \alpha^*) + mb\mu_i(\lambda, \beta^*) \\ &= 1 - na(1 - \mu_i(\lambda, \alpha^*)) - mb(1 - \mu_i(\lambda, \beta^*)) \end{aligned}$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$.

Sharpness is obtained by taking

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f_i(z) &= \frac{z}{(1+z)^{2-2\alpha_i}} \left\{ \lambda + (1-\lambda) \frac{1-z}{1+z} \right\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \\ g_j(z) &= \int_0^z \left\{ \lambda + (1-\lambda) \frac{1-\xi}{1+\xi} \right\} \frac{d\xi}{(1+\xi)^{2-2\beta_j}}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ when } R_1 \leq R_2$$

and

$$f_i(z) = \frac{z}{(1+z)^{2-2\alpha_i}} \left\{ \lambda + \frac{1}{2}(1-\lambda) \left(\frac{1+ze^{-i\theta}}{1-ze^{-i\theta}} + \frac{1+ze^{i\theta}}{1-ze^{i\theta}} \right) \right\},$$

$i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$g_j(z) = \int_0^z \left\{ \lambda + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{1 + \xi e^{-i\theta}}{1 - \xi e^{-i\theta}} + \frac{1 + \xi e^{i\theta}}{1 - \xi e^{i\theta}} \right) \right\} \frac{d\xi}{(1 + \xi)^{2-2\beta_j}}$$

$j = 1, 2, \dots, m$

when $R_2 \leq R_1$.

Here θ satisfies eqn. (4).

Remarks : As a particular case when $\lambda = 1$,

$f_i \in S^*(\alpha_i)$ and $g_j \in K(\beta_j)$ and $h(z) \in S^*(1 - an(1 - \alpha^*) - bm(1 - \beta^*))$ since in this case $R_1 = R_2$ and using the minimum principle for harmonic functions.

This is Silverman's result (1975) with sharpness given by (on putting $\lambda = 1$)

$$f_i(z) = \frac{z}{(1 + z)^{2-2\alpha_i}}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$g_j(z) = \int_0^z \frac{d\xi}{(1 + \xi)^{2-2\beta_j}}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m$$

Order of Convexity

Theorem 5 — If $f_i \in S_{\lambda, \alpha_i}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $g_j \in K_{\lambda, \beta_j}$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ then

$$H(z) = \int_0^z \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{f_i(t)}{t} \right)^a \prod_{j=1}^m (g_j(t))^b dt$$

$$\in K [1 - na(1 - \mu_i(\lambda, \alpha^*)) - mb(1 - \mu_i(\lambda, \beta^*))]$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$. The result is sharp.

PROOF : The result follows from Theorem 4 on using the fact that H is convex of order ρ iff zH' is starlike of order ρ .

Order of Close-to-Convexity

Theorem 6 — Under the same conditions of Theorem 5, allowing a and b now to be any real numbers, $H(z)$ is close-to-convex if

$$-\frac{1}{2} \leq a(m - \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i(\lambda, \alpha_i)) + b(m - \sum_{j=1}^m \mu_i(\lambda, \beta_j)) \leq \frac{3}{2} \text{ whenever } ab > 0,$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$ or

$$\left. \begin{aligned} -\frac{1}{2} \leq a \left(n - \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i(\lambda, \alpha_i) \right) &\leq \frac{3}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \leq b \left(m - \sum_{j=1}^m \mu_i(\lambda, \beta_j) \right) &\leq \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ whenever } ab < 0$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$.

The results are sharp.

PROOF : We have

$$\left(1 + z \frac{H''}{H'}\right) = 1 - na - mb + a \sum_{i=1}^n z \frac{f'_i}{f_i} + b \sum_{j=1}^m \left(1 + z \frac{g'_j}{g_j}\right)$$

Using Lemma 3, we get,

$$\begin{aligned} (\theta_2 - \theta_1) \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i(\lambda, \alpha_i) &\leq \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{zf'_i}{f_i} \right) d\theta \\ &\leq 2\pi \left[n - \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i(\lambda, \alpha_i) \right] + (\theta_2 - \theta_1) \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i(\lambda, \alpha_i) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\theta_2 - \theta_1) \sum_{j=1}^m \mu_j(\lambda, \beta_j) &\leq \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \operatorname{Re} \sum_{j=1}^m \left(1 + \frac{zg'_j}{g_j}\right) d\theta \\ &\leq 2\pi \left[m - \sum_{j=1}^m \mu_j(\lambda, \beta_j) \right] + (\theta_2 - \theta_1) \sum_{j=1}^m \mu_j(\lambda, \beta_j) \end{aligned}$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$. Using the inequalities either on the left or right of the above two expressions according as a and b are positive or negative and minimizing

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{zH''}{H'}\right) d\theta \quad \text{over all } 0 \leq \theta_1 \leq \theta_2 \leq 2\pi$$

as in Theorem 3 above, we first determine when the appropriate minimums are $\geq -\pi$.

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{1 + \frac{zH''(z)}{H'(z)}\right\} d\theta \geq -\pi$$

iff
$$-\frac{1}{2} \leq a \left(n - \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i(\lambda, \alpha_i) \right) + b \left(m - \sum_{j=1}^m \mu_j(\lambda, \beta_j) \right) \leq \frac{3}{2} \text{ whenever } ab > 0,$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$ or

$$\left. \begin{aligned} -\frac{1}{2} &\leq a \left[n - \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i(\lambda, \alpha_i) \right] \leq \frac{3}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} &\leq b \left[m - \sum_{j=1}^m \mu_j(\lambda, \beta_j) \right] \leq \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ whenever } ab < 0$$

$l = 1$ or 2 according as $R_1 \leq R_2$ or $R_2 \leq R_1$.

Sharpness is found by using the same functions as in Theorem 5 above.

Remarks : On taking $\lambda = 1$ we get, $R_1 = R_2$, $f_i \in S^*(\alpha_i)$, ($i = 1, 2 \dots n$)

$g_j \in K(\beta_j)$, ($j = 1, 2, \dots m$). Proceeding to the limit as $r \rightarrow 1$, we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} -\frac{1}{2} &\leq na [1 - \alpha^*] \leq \frac{3}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} &\leq mb [1 - \beta^*] \leq \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ whenever } ab < 0$$

and $-\frac{1}{2} \leq an(1 - \alpha^*) + mb(1 - \beta^*) \leq \frac{3}{2}$ whenever $ab > 0$.

Sharpness is found from

$$f_i = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{2(1-\alpha_i)}} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots n)$$

and $g_j = \int_0^z \frac{dt}{(1-t)^{2(1-\beta_j)}} \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots m).$

This is strictly in accordance with Silverman (1975).

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