

## ON BAZILEVIC FUNCTIONS OF COMPLEX ORDER

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### ABSTRACT

Let  $\alpha > 0$  and  $b \neq 0$  a complex number. Then a function  $f \in B(\alpha, b)$  if it is analytic in the unit disc  $E$  and  $\operatorname{Re}\left\{1 + \frac{1}{b}\left[\frac{zf'(z)f^{\alpha-1}(z)}{g^\alpha(z)} - 1\right]\right\} > 0$ , for some starlike function  $g, z \in E$ . The class  $B_1(\alpha, b)$  is defined by taking  $g(z) = z$  in the same way. We call these functions as Bazilevic functions of complex order  $b$  and type  $\alpha$ . Arc length coefficient and some other results are solved for these classes.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $S$  denote the class of all analytic functions  $f$  which are univalent in the unit disc  $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  and normalized by the conditions  $f(0) = 0, f'(0) = 1$ . Let  $K$  and  $S^*$  be the usual subclasses of  $S$  consisting of functions which are, respectively, close-to-convex and starlike (w.r. to the origin) in  $E$ . Let  $P$  denote the class of functions  $p$  which are analytic in  $E$  and satisfy the conditions  $p(0) = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$  in  $E$ .

We define the following.

#### Definition 1.1

Let  $\alpha > 0$  and  $b \neq 0$  (complex). Let  $f$  be analytic in  $E$  and be given by

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n. \quad (1.1)$$

Then we say that

(i)  $f \in B(\alpha, b)$  if

$$\left\{1 + \frac{1}{b} \left[ \frac{zf'(z)f^{\alpha-1}(z)}{g^\alpha(z)} - 1 \right] \right\} \in P,$$

for some  $g \in S^*, z \in E$ ,

and

(ii)  $f \in B_1(\alpha, b)$  if, for  $z \in E$ ,

$$\left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left[ \frac{z f'(z) f^{\alpha-1}(z)}{z^\alpha} - 1 \right] \right\} \in P,$$

We note that  $B(\alpha, 1)$  and  $B_1(\alpha, 1)$  are the well-known subclasses of the class  $B$  of Bazilevic functions, see [1].

Also  $B(0, b) = B_1(0, b) = S^*(b)$  is the class of starlike functions of complex order introduced in [2], and  $B(1, b) = K(b)$  is the class of close-to-convex functions of complex order defined in [3].

The class  $P(b)$  of analytic functions is related with the class  $P$  of functions with positive real part and we define it as follows.

### Definition 1.2

Let  $p$  be an analytic function in  $E$  with  $p(0) = 1$  and let  $b \neq 0$  be a complex number. Then  $p \in P(b)$  if, and only if

$$p(z) = bh(z) + (1 - b), \quad \text{where } h \in P. \quad (1.2)$$

## 2. PRELIMINARY RESULTS

We shall need the following results.

### Lemma 2.1

Let  $N$  and  $D$  be analytic in  $E$ ,  $N(0) = D(0) = 0$  and  $D$  be  $p$ -valent starlike for every disc  $|z| \leq r < 1$ . Suppose  $\frac{N'(z)}{D'(z)} \in P(b)$ . Then  $\frac{N(z)}{D(z)} \in (b)$ .

### Proof

The method of its proof is similar to that of Libera [4].

### Lemma 2.2 [1].

If  $\alpha$  and  $c$  are positive integers and  $g \in S^*$ , then the function  $G$ , defined by

$$G^\alpha(z) = \frac{\alpha + c}{z^\alpha} \int_0^z \xi^{c-1} g^\alpha(\xi) d\xi \quad (2.1)$$

also belongs to  $S^*$ .

**Lemma 2.3**

The class  $P(b)$  is a convex set.

**Proof**

The proof is immediate from the definition (1.2) and the fact that the class  $P$  is a convex set.

**Lemma 2.4**

Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1, \alpha \neq \frac{1}{2}$  and  $G \in S^*$ . Then  $g$  defined as

$$g^\alpha(z) = z^\alpha \left( z^{1-\alpha} G^\alpha(z) \right)' \quad (2.2)$$

is starlike on  $|z| < r_0$  and  $g(0) = 0 = g'(0) - 1$ , where  $r_0$  is given by

$$r_0 = \frac{1}{(\alpha + 1) + \sqrt{\alpha^2 + 2}}. \quad (2.3)$$

This result is sharp.

**Proof**

From (2.2), we can write

$$G^\alpha(z) = \frac{1}{z^{1-\alpha}} \int_0^z \left( \frac{g(\xi)}{\xi} \right)^\alpha d\xi.$$

Taking the logarithmic differentiation, and using the fact that  $G \in S^*$ , we have

$$\frac{z \left( \frac{g(z)}{z} \right)^\alpha}{\int_0^z \left( \frac{g(\xi)}{\xi} \right)^\alpha d\xi} = \alpha p(z) + (1 - \alpha), \quad p(z) = \frac{z G'(z)}{G(z)} \in P.$$

Differentiation and simple computation gives us

$$\frac{z g'(z)}{g(z)} = p(z) + \frac{z p'(z)}{\alpha p(z) + (1 - \alpha)}.$$

Now, using the well-known results for  $p \in P$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \frac{z g'(z)}{g(z)} &\geq \operatorname{Re} p(z) \left\{ 1 - \frac{\frac{2r}{1-r^2}}{\left[ (1-\alpha) + \frac{\alpha(1-r)}{1+r} \right]} \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{Re} p(z) \left\{ \frac{1 - 2(\alpha + 1)r + (2\alpha - 1)r^2}{(1-\alpha)(1-r^2) + \alpha(1-r)^2} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

The right hand side of the inequality (2.4) is positive for  $|z| < r_0$ , where  $r_0$  is given by (2.3).

The function  $g_o(z)$ , which corresponds to  $G_o(z) = \frac{z}{(1+z)^2} \in S^*$ , that is, the function

$$g_o(z) = \frac{z}{(1+z)^2} \left[ \frac{1 + (1-2\alpha)z}{1+z} \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$$

shows that the number  $r_0$  is the best possible one.

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

#### Theorem 3.1

Let  $f \in B_1(\alpha, b)$  where  $\alpha$  is a positive integer. Then  $(\frac{f(z)}{z})^\alpha \in P(b)$ .

#### Proof

Since  $f \in B_1(\alpha, b)$ , we have

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)^{1-\alpha}z^\alpha} = \frac{d(f^\alpha(z))/dz}{d(z^\alpha)/dz} \in P(b), z \in E.$$

We now apply Lemma 2.1 and obtain the required result.

#### Theorem 3.2

Let  $0 < b_1 < b_2$ . Then  $B(\alpha, b_1) \subset B(\alpha, b_2)$ .

#### Proof

Let  $f \in B(\alpha, b_1)$ . Then there exists a starlike function  $g$  such that

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f^{1-\alpha}(z)g^\alpha(z)} = b_1h(z) + (1-b_1), \quad h \in P, z \in E,$$

and so

$$1 + \frac{1}{b_2} \left[ \frac{zf'(z)}{f^{1-\alpha}(z)g^\alpha(z)} - 1 \right] = \frac{b_1}{b_2}h(z) + \left( 1 - \frac{b_1}{b_2} \right).$$

Since  $0 < b_1 < b_2$ , we have  $0 < \frac{b_1}{b_2} < 1$ . This means  $0 < (1 - \frac{b_1}{b_2}) = \alpha_1 < 1$ .

Hence

$$1 + \frac{1}{b_2} \left[ \frac{zf'(z)}{f^{1-\alpha}(z)g^\alpha(z)} - 1 \right] = (1 - \alpha_1)h(z) + \alpha_1 = H(z),$$

where  $\operatorname{Re} H(z) > 0$  for  $z \in E$ , and therefore  $f \in B(\alpha, b_2)$ . This gives us the required result.

### Remark 3.1

From theorem 3.2, it is clear that  $B(\alpha, b) \subset B(\alpha, 1) = B(\alpha)$  for  $0 < b \leq 1$ . Hence  $f \in B(\alpha, b)$  is univalent in  $E$ .

Let  $C(r)$  denote the closed curve which is the image of the circle  $|z| = r < 1$  under the mapping  $w = f(z)$ , and let  $L_r(f)$  denote the length of  $C(r)$  and  $M(r) = \max_{|z|=r} |f(z)|$ . We prove the following:

### Theorem 3.3

Let  $f \in B(\alpha, b)$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . Then

$$L_r(f) \leq c(b, \alpha) M^{1-\alpha}(r) \left( \frac{1}{1-r} \right)^{2\alpha},$$

where  $c(b, \alpha)$  is a constant depending on  $b$  and  $\alpha$  only.

### Proof

We have

$$\begin{aligned} L_r(f) &= \int_0^{2\pi} |z f'(z)| d\theta, \quad z = r e^{i\theta} \quad (0 < r < 1) \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} |f^{1-\alpha}(z) g^\alpha(z) h(z)| d\theta, \quad g \in S^*, h \in P(b) \\ &\leq M^{1-\alpha}(r) \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^r |\alpha g'(z) g^{\alpha-1}(z) h(z) + g^\alpha(z) h'(z)| dr d\theta \\ &\leq M^{1-\alpha}(r) \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^r \frac{\alpha}{r} |H(z) g^\alpha(z) h(z)| dr d\theta \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^r \frac{1}{r} |g^\alpha(z) \cdot z h'(z)| dr d\theta \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $H(z) = \frac{z g'}{g} \in P$ .

Using well-known distortion theorems for the starlike function  $g$ , and then applying Schwarz's inequality, we have

$$L_r(f) \leq M^{1-\alpha}(r) \int_0^r r^{\alpha-1} \left( \frac{1}{1-r} \right)^{2\alpha} \left[ \alpha \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |H(z)|^2 d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |h(z)|^2 d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_0^{2\pi} |zh'(z)|d\theta \Big] dr. \\
\leq & M^{1-\alpha}(r).2\pi \int_0^r r^{\alpha-1} \left(\frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2\alpha} \left[ \alpha \left(\frac{1+3r^2}{1-r^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1+\{4|b|^2-1\}r^2}{1-r^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{2|b|r}{1-r^2} \right] dr, \tag{3.1}
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used in (3.1) a result due to Pommerenke [5] for  $h \in P$  and the results for  $h \in P(b)$ , see [6].

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
L_r(f) & \leq C_1(b, \alpha)M^{1-\alpha}(r) \left(\frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2\alpha} + C_2(b, \alpha)M^{1-\alpha}(r) \left(\frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2\alpha} \\
& = c(b, \alpha)M^{1-\alpha}(r) \left(\frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2\alpha}, 0 < \alpha \leq 1,
\end{aligned}$$

and  $c(b, \alpha)$  is a constant depending on  $\alpha$  and  $b$  only.

### Theorem 3.4

Let  $f \in B(\alpha, b)$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and be given by (1.1). Then, for  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$|a_n| \leq c(b, \alpha)M^{1-\alpha}(r)n^{2\alpha-1},$$

where  $c(b, \alpha)$  is a constant which depends only on  $b$  and  $\alpha$ .

### Proof

With  $z = re^{i\theta}$ , Cauchy's theorem gives

$$na_n = \frac{1}{2\pi r^n} \int_0^{2\pi} \bar{e}^{in\theta} z f'(z) d\theta.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
n|a_n| & \leq \frac{1}{2\pi r^n} \int_0^{2\pi} |zf'(z)|d\theta \\
& = \frac{1}{2\pi r^n} L_r(f)
\end{aligned}$$

Using theorem 3.3, and putting  $r = (1 - \frac{1}{n})$ , we obtain the required result.

### Theorem 3.5

Let  $\alpha$  be a positive integer and  $f \in B_1(\alpha, b)$ . Then the function  $F_1$  defined by

$$F_1^{\alpha+\beta}(z) = z^\beta f^\alpha(z) \tag{3.2}$$

belongs to  $B_1(\alpha + \beta, b)$  for any  $\beta \geq 0$ .

**Proof**

From (3.2), we have

$$\frac{(\alpha + \beta)F_1'(z)}{F_1^{1-(\alpha+\beta)}(z)} = \beta z^{\beta-1} f^\alpha(z) + \alpha \frac{z^\beta f'(z)}{f^{1-\alpha}(z)},$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{zF_1'(z)}{F_1^{1-(\alpha+\beta)}(z)z^{\alpha+\beta}} &= \frac{\beta}{(\alpha+\beta)} \left(\frac{f(z)}{z}\right)^\alpha + \left(\frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}\right) \frac{zf'(z)}{f^{1-\alpha}(z)z^\alpha} \\ &= \frac{\beta}{(\alpha+\beta)} p_1(z) + \frac{\alpha}{(\alpha+\beta)} p_2(z), \end{aligned}$$

where  $p_1, p_2 \in P(b)$ , when we use theorem 3.1 and the fact that  $f \in B_1(\alpha, b)$ . We now use lemma 2.3 and obtain the desired result.

**Theorem 3.6**

Let  $\alpha$  and  $c$  be positive integers and  $f \in B(\alpha, b)$ . Then the function  $F$  be defined by

$$F^\alpha(z) = \frac{\alpha + c}{z^c} \int_0^z \xi^{c-1} f^\alpha(\xi) d\xi \tag{3.3}$$

also belongs to  $B(\alpha, b)$ .

**Proof**

Since  $f \in B(\alpha, b)$ , there exists a starlike function  $g$  such that

$$\frac{zf'(z)f^{\alpha-1}(z)}{g^\alpha(z)} \in P(b)$$

Let  $G$  be defined by (2.1). Then  $G \in S^*$  for  $z \in E$ .

Now, from (3.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{zF'(z)}{F^{1-\alpha}(z)G^\alpha(z)} &= \frac{\frac{1}{\alpha} [z^c f^\alpha(z) - c \int_0^z \xi^{c-1} f^\alpha d\xi]}{\int_0^z [\xi^{c-1} g^\alpha(\xi)] d\xi} \\ &= \frac{N(z)}{D(z)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $D(z) = \int_0^z \xi^{c-1} g^\alpha d\xi$  is  $(\alpha + c)$ -valently starlike for  $z \in E$ . Also

$$\frac{N'(z)}{D'(z)} = \frac{zf'(z)f^{\alpha-1}(z)}{g^\alpha(z)} \in P(b).$$

Thus, using Lemma 2.1, we obtain the required result that  $F \in B(\alpha, b)$  for  $z \in E$ .

We note that theorem 3.6 remains true if  $B(\alpha, b)$  is replaced by  $B_1(\alpha, b)$ .

### Theorem 3.7

Let  $F \in B(\alpha, b)$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ,  $\alpha \neq \frac{1}{2}$ . Let  $f$  be defined as

$$f^\alpha(z) = z^\alpha \left( z^{1-\alpha} F^\alpha(z) \right)'. \quad (3.4)$$

Then  $f \in B(\alpha, b)$  for  $|z| < r_0$ , where  $r_0$  is given by (2.3).

### Proof

From (3.4), we have

$$F^\alpha(z) = z^{\alpha-1} \int_0^z \left( \frac{f(\xi)}{\xi} \right)^\alpha d\xi.$$

So

$$\alpha F'(z) F^{\alpha-1}(z) = (\alpha - 1) z^{\alpha-2} \int_0^z \left( \frac{f(\xi)}{\xi} \right)^\alpha d\xi + \frac{z^{\alpha-1} f^\alpha(z)}{z^\alpha}. \quad (3.5)$$

Now, since  $F \in B(\alpha, b)$ , there exists a  $G \in S^*$  such that  $\frac{zF'(z)F^{\alpha-1}(z)}{G^\alpha(z)} \in P(b)$ ,  $z \in E$ , and from lemma 2.4, it follows that the function  $g$  defined by (2.2) also belongs to  $S^*$  for  $|z| < r_0$ , where  $r_0$  is given by (2.3). Thus, from (3.4), we have  $p \in P(b)$ ,

$$\frac{\alpha z F'(z)}{F^{1-\alpha}(z) G^\alpha(z)} = \frac{(\alpha - 1) \int_0^z \left( \frac{f(\xi)}{\xi} \right)^\alpha d\xi}{\int_0^z \left( \frac{g(\xi)}{\xi} \right)^\alpha d\xi} + \frac{z \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^\alpha}{\int_0^z \left( \frac{g(\xi)}{\xi} \right)^\alpha d\xi} = \alpha p(z).$$

Differentiating, we obtain

$$\frac{z f'(z)}{f^{1-\alpha}(z) g^\alpha(z)} = p(z) + \frac{\{p'(z) \int_0^z \left( \frac{g(\xi)}{\xi} \right)^\alpha d\xi\}}{\left( \frac{g(z)}{z} \right)^\alpha},$$

or we can write, for  $h \in P$ ,

$$1 + \frac{1}{b} \left\{ \frac{z f'(z)}{f^{1-\alpha}(z) g^\alpha(z)} - 1 \right\} = h(z) + \frac{h'(z) \int_0^z \left( \frac{g(\xi)}{\xi} \right)^\alpha d\xi}{\left( \frac{g(z)}{z} \right)^\alpha}. \quad (3.6)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{z \left( \frac{g(z)}{z} \right)^\alpha}{\int_0^z \left( \frac{g(\xi)}{\xi} \right)^\alpha d\xi} \right) &= \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{z(z^{1-\alpha} G^\alpha(z))'}{z^{1-\alpha} G^\alpha(z)} \right) \\
 &= \operatorname{Re} \left( \alpha \frac{z G'(z)}{G(z)} + (1-\alpha) \right) \\
 &\geq \frac{1 - (2\alpha - 1)r}{1 + r}. \tag{3.7}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, from (3.6), (3.7) and a well-known result for  $h \in P(|h'(z)| \leq \frac{2\operatorname{Re} h(z)}{1-r^2})$ , we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left\{ \frac{z f'(z)}{f^{1-\alpha}(z) g^\alpha(z)} - 1 \right\} \right] \geq \operatorname{Re} h(z) \left[ \frac{1 - 2(\alpha + 1)r + (2\alpha - 1)r^2}{(1-r)\{1 - (2\alpha - 1)r\}} \right]. \tag{3.8}$$

The right hand side of the inequality (3.8) is positive for  $|z| < r_0$ , where  $r_0$  is given by (2.3). This proves our result.

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