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# ON A CLASS OF FUNCTIONS $H_k[A, B]$ DESCRIBED BY SUBORDINATION

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ABSTRACT. We introduce a new class of functions  $H_k[A, B]$  described by subordination and we derive a few geometric properties for the class  $H_k[A, B]$ .

### 1. Introduction

For  $2 \le k \le 4$ , let  $V_k$  be the class of all functions

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

in  $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  with  $f'(z) \neq 0$  satisfying

$$\limsup_{r \to 1} \int_0^{2\pi} |\operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right)| \ d\theta \le k\pi \qquad (z = re^{i\theta}, \ 0 < r < 1).$$

 $V_k$  is the class of functions with boundary rotation at most  $k\pi$ . Every function  $f \in V_k$  can be given by the Stieltjes integral representation

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 + e^{i\theta}z}{1 - e^{i\theta}z} d\psi(\theta),$$

where  $\int_0^{2\pi} d\psi(\theta) = 2\pi$  and  $\int_0^{2\pi} |d\psi(\theta)| \le k\pi$ ,  $\psi(\theta)$  being a function of bounded variation on  $[0, 2\pi]$ .

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For  $2 \leq k \leq 4$  let us define the class  $W_k$  as follows;  $f(z) \in V_k$  if and only if  $zf'(z) \in W_k$ .

Now, by using a function g(z) in the class  $V_k$  of bounded boundary rotation when  $2 \le k \le 4$ , we shall generalize the concept of strongly close-to-star functions which was introduced originally by Reade [4]. We shall denote this class of functions by  $H_k$ . And we shall define a new class  $H_k[A, B]$  that is described by subordination.

**Definition.** Let f(z) be an analytic function in E with f(0) = 0, f'(0) = 1. For  $-1 \le B < A < 1$ , f(z) belongs to the class  $H_k[A, B]$  if there is a function g(z) in  $V_k$  such that  $\frac{f(z)}{zg'(z)}$  is subordinate to  $\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  (in notation,  $\frac{f(z)}{zg'(z)} \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$ ).

Equivalently,  $f \in H_k[A, B], (-1 \le B < A \le 1)$  if there is a function  $h(z) \in W_k$  such that

$$\frac{f(z)}{h(z)} \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}, \quad z \in E.$$

In this note we reduce a few geometric properties for the new class  $H_k[A, B]$ .

# 2. Main results for the class $H_k[A, B]$

For A and B with  $-1 \le B < A \le 1$ , a function p(z) which is analytic in E with p(0) = 1 is said to belong to the class  $\mathcal{P}[A, B]$  if p(z) is subordinate to  $\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** For  $f \in H_k[A, B]$  and  $|z| \le r < 1$ , we have

$$\frac{1-Ar}{1-Br} \cdot \frac{r(1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}k-1}}{(1+r)^{\frac{1}{2}k+1}} \le |f(z)| \le \frac{1+Ar}{1+Br} \cdot \frac{r(1+r)^{\frac{1}{2}k-1}}{(1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}k+1}}.$$

The bounds are sharp.

*Proof.* For  $f \in H_k[A, B]$ , there exists a  $h \in W_k$  and  $p \in \mathcal{P}[A, B]$  such that

$$f(z) = h(z)p(z). (2.1)$$

Since h is in  $W_k$  if and only if  $\int_0^z \frac{h(\zeta)}{\zeta} d\zeta$  is in  $V_k$  and for  $g(z) \in V_k$ ,  $|z| \le r < 1$ , we have [3] that

$$\frac{(1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}k-1}}{(1+r)^{\frac{1}{2}k+1}} \le |g'(z)| \le \frac{(1+r)^{\frac{1}{2}k-1}}{(1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}k+1}},$$

and we can write

$$\frac{r(1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}k-1}}{(1+r)^{\frac{1}{2}k+1}} \le |h(z)| \le \frac{r(1+r)^{\frac{1}{2}k-1}}{(1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}k+1}}.$$
 (2.2)

Also for  $p \in \mathcal{P}[A, B]$ ,  $|z| \leq r$ , the univalence of  $\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  gives us that

$$\frac{1 - Ar}{1 - Br} \le |p(z)| \le \frac{1 + Ar}{1 + Br}.$$
 (2.3)

Therefore, from (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3) the result follows. Equality is obtained for  $f \in H_k[A, B]$  satisfying

$$f(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \cdot \frac{z(1+z)^{\frac{1}{2}k-1}}{(1-z)^{\frac{1}{2}k+1}}$$
 and  $z = \pm r$ .  $\square$ 

**Theorem 2.2.** For  $f \in H_k[A, B]$  and  $|z| \le r < 1$ ,, we have

$$|\arg f(z)| \le k \cdot \arcsin r + \arcsin \frac{(A-B)r}{1-ABr^2} \pmod{2\pi}.$$

*Proof.* For  $f \in H_k[A, B]$ , we have

$$|\arg f(z)| \le |\arg h(z)| + |\arg p(z)|, \tag{2.4}$$

where  $h(z) \in W_k$  and  $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}[A, B]$ . Since  $h(z) \in W_k$  and  $g(z) = \int_0^z \frac{h(\zeta)}{\zeta} d\zeta \in V_k$ , we know (cf. [3]) that, for  $|z| \leq r < 1$ ,

$$|\arg g'(z)| \le k \cdot \arcsin r$$
.

Therefore for  $h(z) \in W_k$ , we have

$$|\arg h(z)| \le |\arg z| + |\arg g'(z)|,$$
 (2.5)  
  $\le k \cdot \arcsin r \pmod{2\pi}.$ 

For  $p \in \mathcal{P}[A, B]$ , p(|z| < r) is contained in the disk

$$\left| p(z) - \frac{1 - ABr^2}{1 - B^2r^2} \right| < \frac{(A - B)r}{1 - B^2r^2} \tag{2.6}$$

from (2.6) it follows that

$$|\arg p(z)| \le \arcsin \frac{(A-B)r}{1-ABr^2}.$$
 (2.7)

From (2.4), (2.5) and (2.7) we have

$$|\arg f(z)| \le k \cdot \arcsin r + \arcsin \frac{(A-B)r}{1-ABr^2} \pmod{2\pi}.$$

### Theorem 2.3.

$$H_k[C,D] \subset H_k[A,B]$$

if and only if

$$|AD - BC| \le (A - B) - (C - D),$$

where  $-1 < B < A \le 1$  and  $-1 < D < C \le 1$ .

*Proof.* Since |z| = 1 is mapped by  $\frac{(1+Az)}{(1+Bz)}$   $(-1 < B < A \le 1)$  onto a circle centered at  $\frac{1-AB}{1-B^2}$  with radius  $\frac{A-B}{1-B^2}$ , we have

$$H_k[C,D] \subset H_k[A,B]$$

if and only if

$$\{w: \left|w - \frac{1 - CD}{1 - D^2}\right| < \frac{C - D}{1 - D^2}\} \subset \{w: \left|w - \frac{1 - AB}{1 - B^2}\right| < \frac{A - B}{1 - B^2}\},$$

equivalently it is

$$\frac{1-A}{1-B} \le \frac{1-C}{1-D}$$
 and  $\frac{1+C}{1+D} \le \frac{1+A}{1+B}$ 

i.e.,

$$|AD - BC| \le (A - B) - (C - D)$$
.  $\square$ 

The *convolution* of two power series  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  and  $g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n z^n$  is defined as the power series  $(f * g)(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n z^n$ .

### Theorem 2.4.

$$f \in H_k[A,B]$$

if and only if for all  $z \in E$ ,  $h(z) \in W_k, 2 \le k \le 4$  and all  $\zeta, |\zeta| = 1$ ,

$$\left(f * \frac{(1+B\zeta)z}{1-z}\right) - \left(h * \frac{(1+A\zeta)z}{1-z}\right) \neq 0.$$

*Proof.* A function f is in  $H_k[A, B]$  if and only if there is an  $h \in W_k$  such that

$$\frac{f(z)}{h(z)} \neq \frac{1+A\zeta}{1+B\zeta}$$
 for  $z \in E$  and  $|\zeta| = 1$ ,

which is equivalent to

$$(1 + B\zeta)f - (1 + A\zeta)h \neq 0$$

or

$$(1+B\zeta)\left(f*\frac{z}{1-z}\right)-(1+A\zeta)\left(h*\frac{z}{1-z}\right)\neq 0.$$

Therefore

$$\left(f*\frac{(1+B\zeta)z}{1-z}\right) - \left(h*\frac{(1+A\zeta)z}{1-z}\right) \neq 0. \quad \Box$$

**Lemma 1.** If  $\phi \in K$  and  $g \in V_k$ ,  $2 \le k \le 4$ , then for each function F, analytic in E with F(0) = 1, the image of E under  $\frac{\phi * F g'}{\phi * g'}$  is a subset of the convex hull of F(E).

*Proof.* If g is in  $V_k$ ,  $2 \le k \le 4$  then we have defined that zg'(z) is in  $W_k$ . Due to Ruscheweyh and Sheil-Small [6] it is easy to see that

$$\frac{\phi * Fg'}{\phi * g'} = \frac{z(\phi * Fg')}{z(\phi * g')} = \frac{\phi * F(zg')}{\phi * (zg')}$$

is a subset of the convex hull of F(E).  $\square$ 

**Theorem 2.5.** If  $f \in H_k[A, B]$ , then so is  $f * \phi$  for any function  $\phi(z) = z + \cdots$ , analytic and convex in E.

*Proof.* We have  $f \in H_k[A, B]$  if and only if, for  $z \in E$ , there is a function  $h \in W_k$  such that

$$\frac{f}{h} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} = H, \quad -1 \leq B < A \leq 1$$

and equivalently for  $z \in E$ , there is a function  $g \in V_k$  such that

$$F = \frac{f}{zg'} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} = H, \quad -1 \le B < A \le 1.$$

Since H is convex, Lemma 1 yields

$$\frac{(\phi * f)}{(\phi * zg')} = \frac{\phi * Fg'}{\phi * g'} \prec H,$$

so that  $\phi * f \in H_k[A, B]$ .  $\square$ 

Corollary 1. For  $f \in H_k[A, B]$  and  $2 \le k \le 4$ , let

$$F_1(z) = \int_0^z \frac{f(t)}{t} dt, \ F_2(z) = \frac{2}{z} \int_0^z f(t) dt$$

then  $F_1(z)$  and  $F_2(z)$  are also in  $H_k[A, B]$ .

*Proof.* If  $F_1(z) = f * \phi_1, F_2(z) = f * \phi_2$ , where  $\phi_1(z) = -\log(1-z)$  and

$$\phi_2(z) = \frac{-2[z + \log(1-z)]}{z},$$

then trivially  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  are convex and from Theorem 2.5,  $F_1(z)$  and  $F_2(z)$  are also in  $H_k[A,B]$ .  $\square$ 

Corollary 2. If  $f \in H_k[A, B], 2 \le k \le 4$ , then

$$\frac{1+\gamma}{z^{\gamma}} \int_0^z t^{\gamma-1} f(t) dt, \quad \text{Re } \gamma > 0$$

is also in  $H_k[A, B]$ .

*Proof.* We can write to use convolution of two power series

$$\frac{1+\gamma}{z^{\gamma}} \int_0^z t^{\gamma-1} f(t) dt = f * \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+\gamma}{n+\gamma} z^n.$$

Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+\gamma}{n+\gamma} z^n$  was shown to be convex by Ruscheweyh and Sheil-Small [6], the result follows from Theorem 2.5.  $\square$ 

Corollary 3. If  $f \in H_k[A, B]$ ,  $2 \le k \le 4$ , then

$$\int_0^z \frac{f(\zeta) - f(x\zeta)}{\zeta - x\zeta} d\zeta \quad (|x| \le 1, \ x \ne 1)$$

is also in  $H_k[A, B]$ .

*Proof.* We may write

$$\int_0^z \frac{f(\zeta) - f(x\zeta)}{\zeta - x\zeta} d\zeta = (f * h)(z),$$

where

$$h(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - x^n}{(1 - x)n} z^n = \frac{1}{1 - x} \log \frac{1 - xz}{1 - z} \quad (|x| \le 1, \ x \ne 1).$$

Since h is clearly convex, if  $f \in H_k[A, B]$ ,  $2 \le k \le 4$ , from Theorem 2.5, so is

$$\int_0^z \frac{f(\zeta) - f(x\zeta)}{\zeta - x\zeta} d\zeta \quad (|x| \le 1, \ x \ne 1). \quad \Box$$

Lemma 2 [1]. Let  $f(z) = z + b_2 z^2 + \cdots$  be in  $V_k$ . Then  $|b_2| \leq \frac{k}{2}$  and

$$\max_{f \in V_k} |b_3 - b_2^2| \le \frac{1}{12} \left[ \frac{k^2 - 4}{2} + (k+2) + \frac{k^2 - 4}{4} \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{12} \left[ \frac{3}{4} (k^2 - 4) + (k+2) \right]$$

if 2 < k < 4.

**Theorem 2.6.** For  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  in  $H_k[A, B]$ , we have

$$|a_2| \le k + (A - B)$$
 and  $|a_3| \le \frac{(5k - 2)(3k + 2)}{16} + (A - B)(k + 1)$ 

if  $2 \le k \le 4$ .

*Proof.* For  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  in  $H_k[A, B]$ , there exists a function

$$g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n \in V_k$$

and a Schwarz function  $w(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n z^n$  such that

$$\frac{f(z)}{zg'(z)} = \frac{1 + Aw(z)}{1 + Bw(z)}, \qquad z \in E.$$

Comparing series expansions,

$$a_{2} = 2b_{2} + (A - B)\gamma_{1},$$

$$a_{3} = 3b_{3} + 2a_{2} - 4b_{2} + (A - B)\gamma_{2} - (A - B)B\gamma_{1}^{2}$$

$$= 3b_{3} + 2(A - B)b_{2}\gamma_{1} + (A - B)(\gamma_{2} - B\gamma_{1}^{2}).$$
(2.8)

From the above Lemma 2,

$$|a_2| = |2b_2 + (A - B)\gamma_1| \le |2b_2| + |A - B||\gamma_1| \le k + (A - B).$$

Also by Lemma 2 and (2.8), we have the bound

$$|a_3| \le 3|b_2|^2 + \frac{1}{4} \left| \frac{(3k-2)(k+2)}{4} \right| + 2(A-B)|b_2| + (A-B) \max(1,|B|)$$

$$\le \frac{3}{4}k^2 + \frac{3k^2 + 4k - 4}{16} + 2(A-B) \cdot \frac{k}{2} + (A-B)$$

$$= \frac{(5k-2)(3k+2)}{16} + (A-B)(k+1),$$

if  $2 \le k \le 4$ .  $\square$ 

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