

Research Article Coefficient Bounds for Certain Subclasses of *m*-Fold Symmetric Biunivalent Functions

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We consider two new subclasses $S_{\Sigma_m}(\alpha, \lambda)$ and $S_{\Sigma_m}(\beta, \lambda)$ of Σ_m consisting of analytic and *m*-fold symmetric biunivalent functions in the open unit disk *U*. Furthermore, we establish bounds for the coefficients for these subclasses and several related classes are also considered and connections to earlier known results are made.

1. Introduction

Let A denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n,$$
(1)

which are analytic in the open unit disk $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$, and let *S* be the subclass of *A* consisting of form (1) which is also univalent in *U*.

The Koebe one-quarter theorem [1] states that the image of U under every function f from S contains a disk of radius 1/4. Thus, every such univalent function has inverse f^{-1} which satisfies

$$f^{-1}(f(z)) = z \quad (z \in U),$$

$$f(f^{-1}(w)) = w \quad \left(|w| < r_0(f), \ r_0(f) \ge \frac{1}{4}\right),$$
 (2)

where

$$f^{-1}(w) = w - a_2 w^2 + (2a_2^2 - a_3) w^3 - (5a_2^3 - 5a_2a_3 + a_4) w^4 + \cdots$$
(3)

Function $f \in A$ is said to be biunivalent in U if both f and f^{-1} are univalent in U. Let Σ denote the class of biunivalent functions defined in unit disk U.

For a brief history and interesting examples in class Σ , see [2]. Examples of functions in class Σ are

$$\frac{z}{1-z},$$

$$-\log(1-z),$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right),$$
(4)

and so on. However, the familiar Koebe function is not a member of Σ . Other common examples of functions in *S* such as

$$z - \frac{z^2}{2},$$

$$\frac{z}{1 - z^2}$$
(5)

are also not members of Σ (see [2]).

For each function $f \in S$, function

$$h(z) = \sqrt[m]{f(z^m)} \quad (z \in U, \ m \in \mathbb{N})$$
(6)

is univalent and maps unit disk *U* into a region with *m*-fold symmetry. A function is said to be *m*-fold symmetric (see [3, 4]) if it has the following normalized form:

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{mk+1} z^{mk+1} \quad (z \in U, \ m \in \mathbb{N}).$$
(7)

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We denote by S_m the class of *m*-fold symmetric univalent functions in *U*, which are normalized by the series expansion (7). In fact, the functions in class *S* are *one*-fold symmetric.

Analogous to the concept of *m*-fold symmetric univalent functions, we here introduced the concept of *m*-fold symmetric biunivalent functions. Each function $f \in \Sigma$ generates an *m*-fold symmetric biunivalent function for each integer $m \in \mathbb{N}$. The normalized form of f is given as in (7) and the series expansion for f^{-1} , which has been recently proven by Srivastava et al. [5], is given as follows:

$$g(w) = w - a_{m+1}w^{m+1} + \left[(m+1)a_{m+1}^2 - a_{2m+1}\right]$$

$$\cdot w^{2m+1} - \left[\frac{1}{2}(m+1)(3m+2)a_{m+1}^3 - (3m+2)a_{m+1}^3 + a_{3m+1}\right]w^{3m+1} + \cdots, \qquad (8)$$

where $f^{-1} = g$. We denote by Σ_m the class of *m*-fold symmetric biunivalent functions in *U*. For m = 1, formula (8) coincides with formula (3) of class Σ . Some examples of *m*-fold symmetric biunivalent functions are given as follows:

$$\left(\frac{z^{m}}{1-z^{m}}\right)^{1/m},$$

$$\left[-\log\left(1-z^{m}\right)\right]^{1/m},$$

$$\left[\frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{1+z^{m}}{1-z^{m}}\right)^{1/m}\right].$$
(9)

Lewin [6] studied the class of biunivalent functions, obtaining the bound 1.51 for modulus of the second coefficient $|a_2|$. Subsequently, Brannan and Clunie [7] conjectured that $|a_2| \leq \sqrt{2}$ for $f \in \Sigma$. Later, Netanyahu [8] showed that $\max |a_2| = 4/3$ if $f(z) \in \Sigma$. Brannan and Taha [9] introduced certain subclasses of biunivalent function class Σ similar to the familiar subclasses. $S^*(\beta)$ and $K(\beta)$ are of starlike and convex function of order β ($0 \leq \beta < 1$), respectively (see [8]). Classes $S_{\Sigma}^{*}(\alpha)$ and $K_{\Sigma}(\alpha)$ of bistarlike functions of order α and biconvex functions of order α , corresponding to function classes $S^*(\alpha)$ and $K(\alpha)$, were also introduced analogously. For each of function classes $S_{\Sigma}^{*}(\alpha)$ and $K_{\Sigma}(\alpha)$, they found nonsharp estimates on the initial coefficients. In fact, the aforecited work of Srivastava et al. [2] essentially revived the investigation of various subclasses of biunivalent function class Σ in recent years. Recently, many authors investigated bounds for various subclasses of biunivalent functions (see [2, 10–15]). Not much is known about the bounds on general coefficient $|a_n|$ for $n \ge 4$. In the literature, only few works determine general coefficient bounds $|a_n|$ for the analytic biunivalent functions (see [16–18]). The coefficient estimate problem for each of $|a_n|$ $(n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1, 2\}; \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \ldots\})$ is still an open problem.

The aim of the this paper is to introduce two new subclasses of function class Σ_m and derive estimates on initial coefficients $|a_{m+1}|$ and $|a_{2m+1}|$ for functions in these new subclasses. We have to remember the following lemma here so as to derive our basic results.

Lemma 1 (see [4]). If $p(z) = 1 + p_1 z + p_2 z^2 + p_3 z^3 + \cdots$ is an analytic function in U with positive real part, then

$$|p_n| \le 2$$
 $(n \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, ...\}),$
 $p_2 - \frac{p_1^2}{2} \le 2 - \frac{|p_1|^2}{2}.$ (10)

2. Coefficient Bounds for Function Class $S_{\Sigma_m}(\alpha, \lambda)$

Definition 2. A function $f \in \Sigma_m$ is said to be in class $S_{\Sigma_m}(\alpha, \lambda)$ if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$\left| \arg\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z)+\lambda zf'(z)}\right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}$$

$$f \in \Sigma, \ (0 < \alpha \le 1, \ 0 \le \lambda < 1, \ z \in U),$$

$$\left| \arg\left(\frac{\lambda g'(w)}{(1-\lambda)g(w)+\lambda wg'(w)}\right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}$$

$$(0 < \alpha \le 1, \ 0 \le \lambda < 1, \ w \in U),$$
(11)

where function $g = f^{-1}$.

Theorem 3. Let f given by (7) be in class $S_{\Sigma_m}(\alpha, \lambda)$, $0 < \alpha \le 1$. Then,

$$|a_{m+1}| \leq \frac{2\alpha}{m(1-\lambda)\sqrt{\alpha+1}},$$

$$|a_{2m+1}| \leq \frac{\alpha}{m(1-\lambda)} + \frac{2(m+1)\alpha^2}{m^2(1-\lambda)^2}.$$
(12)

Proof. Let $f \in S_{\Sigma_m}(\alpha, \lambda)$. Then,

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z)+\lambda zf'(z)} = [p(z)]^{\alpha},$$

$$\frac{\lambda g'(w)}{(1-\lambda)g(w)+\lambda wg'(w)} = [q(w)]^{\alpha},$$
(13)

where $g = f^{-1}$ and p, q in *P* have the following forms:

$$p(z) = 1 + p_m z^m + p_{2m} z^{2m} + \cdots,$$

$$q(w) = 1 + q_m w^m + q_{2m} w^{2m} + \cdots.$$
(14)

Now, equating the coefficients in (13), we get

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$$n\left(1-\lambda\right)a_{m+1} = \alpha p_m,\tag{15}$$

$$m(1-\lambda)\left[2a_{2m+1} - (\lambda m + 1)a_{m+1}^{2}\right]$$
(16)

$$= \alpha p_{2m} + \frac{\alpha \left(\alpha - 1\right)}{2} p_m^2,$$
(10)

$$-m(1-\lambda)a_{m+1} = \alpha q_m, \tag{17}$$

$$m(1 - \lambda) \left[(1 + m(2 - \lambda)) a_{m+1}^2 - 2a_{2m+1} \right]$$

= $\alpha q_{2m} + \frac{\alpha (\alpha - 1)}{2} q_m^2.$ (18)

From (15) and (17), we obtain

$$p_m = -q_m, \tag{19}$$

$$2m^{2} (1-\lambda)^{2} a_{m+1}^{2} = \alpha^{2} \left(p_{m}^{2} + q_{m}^{2} \right).$$
 (20)

Also from (16), (18), and (20), we have

$$2m^{2} (1 - \lambda)^{2} a_{m+1}^{2} = \alpha \left(p_{2m} + q_{2m} \right) + \frac{\alpha (\alpha - 1)}{2} \left(p_{m}^{2} + q_{m}^{2} \right) = \alpha \left(p_{2m} + q_{2m} \right) + \frac{\alpha (\alpha - 1)}{2} \frac{2m^{2} (1 - \lambda)^{2}}{\alpha^{2}} a_{m+1}^{2}.$$
(21)

Therefore, we have

$$a_{m+1}^{2} = \frac{\alpha^{2} \left(p_{2m} + q_{2m} \right)}{m^{2} \left(1 - \lambda \right)^{2} \left(\alpha + 1 \right)}.$$
 (22)

Applying Lemma 1 for coefficients p_{2m} and q_{2m} , we obtain

$$\left|a_{m+1}\right| \le \frac{2\alpha}{m\left(1-\lambda\right)\sqrt{\alpha+1}}.$$
(23)

Next, in order to find the bound on $|a_{2m+1}|$, by subtracting (18) from (16), we obtain

$$4m(1-\lambda) a_{2m+1} - 2m(m+1)(1-\lambda) a_{m+1}^{2}$$

= $\alpha (p_{2m} - q_{2m}) + \frac{\alpha (\alpha - 1)}{2} (p_{m}^{2} - q_{m}^{2}).$ (24)

Then, in view of (19) and (20) and applying Lemma 1 for coefficients p_{2m} , p_m and q_{2m} , q_m , we have

$$|a_{2m+1}| \le \frac{\alpha}{m(1-\lambda)} + \frac{2(m+1)\alpha^2}{m^2(1-\lambda)^2}.$$
 (25)

This completes the proof of Theorem 3. \Box

3. Coefficient Bounds for Function Class $S_{\Sigma_m}(\beta,\lambda)$

Definition 4. Function $f \in \Sigma_m$ given by (7) is said to be in class $S_{\Sigma_m}(\beta, \lambda)$ if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z)+\lambda zf'(z)}\right) > \beta$$

$$f \in \Sigma, \ \left(0 \le \beta < 1, \ 0 \le \lambda < 1, \ z \in U\right),$$

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{\lambda g'(w)}{(1-\lambda)g(w)+\lambda wg'(w)}\right) > \beta$$

$$\left(0 \le \beta < 1, \ 0 \le \lambda < 1, \ w \in U\right),$$
(26)

where function $g = f^{-1}$.

Theorem 5. Let f given by (7) be in class $S_{\Sigma_m}(\beta, \lambda)$, $0 \le \beta < 1$. Then,

$$|a_{m+1}| \le \frac{\sqrt{2(1-\beta)}}{m(1-\lambda)},$$

$$|a_{2m+1}| \le \frac{2(m+1)(1-\beta)^2}{m^2(1-\lambda)^2} + \frac{1-\beta}{m(1-\lambda)}.$$
(27)

Proof. Let $f \in S_{\Sigma_m}(\beta, \lambda)$. Then,

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$$\frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z)+\lambda zf'(z)} = \beta + (1-\beta)p(z),$$

$$\frac{\lambda g'(w)}{(1-\lambda)g(w)+\lambda wg'(w)} = \beta + (1-\beta)q(w),$$
(28)

where $p, q \in P$ and $g = f^{-1}$.

It follows from (28) that

$$m(1-\lambda)a_{m+1} = (1-\beta)p_m, \qquad (29)$$

$$m(1-\lambda)\left[2a_{2m+1} - (\lambda m + 1)a_{m+1}^{2}\right] = (1-\beta)p_{2m}, \quad (30)$$

$$-m(1-\lambda)a_{m+1} = (1-\beta)q_m,$$
(31)

$$m(1-\lambda)\left[(1+m(2-\lambda))a_{m+1}^2-2a_{2m+1}\right]$$

= $(1-\beta)q_{2m}$. (32)

From (29) and (31), we obtain

$$p_m = -q_m,$$

$$2m^2 (1 - \lambda)^2 a_{m+1}^2 = (1 - \beta)^2 (p_m^2 + q_m^2).$$
(33)

Adding (30) and (32), we have

$$2m^{2}(1-\lambda)^{2}a_{m+1}^{2} = (1-\beta)(p_{2m}+q_{2m}).$$
(34)

Therefore, we obtain

$$a_{m+1}^{2} = \frac{(1-\beta)(p_{2m}+q_{2m})}{2m^{2}(1-\lambda)^{2}}.$$
(35)

Applying Lemma 1 for coefficients p_{2m} and q_{2m} , we obtain

$$\left|a_{m+1}\right| \le \frac{\sqrt{2\left(1-\beta\right)}}{m\left(1-\lambda\right)}.$$
(36)

Next, in order to find the bound on $|a_{2m+1}|$, by subtracting (32) from (30), we obtain

$$4m(1-\lambda) a_{2m+1} - 2m(m+1)(1-\lambda) a_{m+1}^{2}$$

= $(1-\beta) (p_{2m} - q_{2m}).$ (37)

Then, in view of (33), applying Lemma 1 for coefficients p_{2m} , p_m and q_{2m} , q_m , we have

$$|a_{2m+1}| \le \frac{2(m+1)(1-\beta)^2}{m^2(1-\lambda)^2} + \frac{1-\beta}{m(1-\lambda)}.$$
 (38)

This completes the proof of Theorem 5.

If we set $\lambda = 0$ in Theorems 3 and 5, then classes $S_{\Sigma_m}(\alpha, \lambda)$ and $S_{\Sigma_m}(\beta, \lambda)$ reduce to classes $S_{\Sigma_m}^{\alpha}$ and $S_{\Sigma_m}^{\beta}$ and thus we obtain the following corollaries.

Corollary 6. Let f given by (7) be in class $S_{\Sigma_m}^{\alpha}$ (0 < $\alpha \le 1$). Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \left|a_{m+1}\right| &\leq \frac{2\alpha}{m\sqrt{\alpha+1}},\\ \left|a_{2m+1}\right| &\leq \frac{\alpha}{m} + \frac{2\left(m+1\right)\alpha^2}{m^2}. \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

Corollary 7. Let f given by (7) be in class $S_{\Sigma_m}^{\beta}$ ($0 \le \beta < 1$). Then,

$$|a_{m+1}| \le \frac{\sqrt{2(1-\beta)}}{m},$$

$$|a_{2m+1}| \le \frac{2(m+1)(1-\beta)^2}{m^2} + \frac{1-\beta}{m}.$$
(40)

Classes $S^{\alpha}_{\Sigma_m}$ and $S^{\beta}_{\Sigma_m}$ are, respectively, defined as follows.

Definition 8. Function $f \in \Sigma_m$ given by (7) is said to be in class $S_{\Sigma_m}^{\alpha}$ if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$\left| \arg\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} \quad f \in \Sigma, \ (0 < \alpha \le 1, \ z \in U),$$

$$\left| \arg\left(\frac{\lambda g'(w)}{g(w)}\right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} \quad (0 < \alpha \le 1, \ w \in U),$$
(41)

where function $g = f^{-1}$.

Definition 9. Function $f \in \Sigma_m$ given by (7) is said to be in class $S_{\Sigma_m}^{\beta}$ if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > \beta \quad f \in \Sigma, \ \left(0 \le \beta < 1, \ z \in U\right),$$

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{\lambda g'(w)}{g(w)}\right) > \beta \quad \left(0 \le \beta < 1, \ w \in U\right),$$
(42)

where function $g = f^{-1}$.

For *one*-fold symmetric biunivalent functions and $\lambda = 0$, Theorems 3 and 5 reduce to Corollaries 10 and 11, respectively, which were proven earlier by Murugusundaramoorty et al. [19].

Corollary 10. Let f given by (7) be in class $S_{\Sigma}^{*}(\alpha)$ ($0 < \alpha \le 1$). Then,

$$|a_2| \le \frac{2\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha+1}},$$

$$|a_3| \le 4\alpha^2 + \alpha.$$
(43)

Corollary 11. Let f given by (7) be in class $S_{\Sigma}^{*}(\beta)$ ($0 \le \beta < 1$). *Then*,

$$|a_2| \le \sqrt{2(1-\beta)},$$
 $|a_3| \le 4(1-\beta)^2 + (1-\beta).$
(44)

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