

# COEFFICIENT ESTIMATES FOR A SUBCLASS OF BI-UNIVALENT FUNCTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE AGHALARY-EBADIAN-WANG OPERATOR\*

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## Abstract

In this paper, we introduce and investigate a new subclass of analytic and bi-univalent functions defined in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$ , which is associated with the Aghalary-Ebadian-Wang operator. Furthermore, we find estimates on the Taylor-Maclaurin coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$  of functions in the new class and improve some recent works.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a class of functions of the form

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

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which are analytic in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Also we let  $\mathcal{S}$  to denote the class of functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  which are univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ .

The Koebe one-quarter theorem [5] ensures that the image of  $\mathbb{U}$  under every univalent function  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  contains a disk of radius  $\frac{1}{4}$ . So every function  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  has an inverse  $f^{-1}$ , which is defined by

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

and

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

where

$$f^{-1}(w) = w - a_2w^2 + (2a_2^2 - a_3)w^3 + \dots \tag{2}$$

A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be bi-univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  if both  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ . Let  $\Sigma$  denote the class of bi-univalent functions in  $\mathbb{U}$  given by (1).

Lewin [9] investigated the class  $\Sigma$  of bi-univalent functions and showed that  $|a_2| < 1.51$  for the functions belonging to  $\Sigma$ . Subsequently, Brannan and Clunie [4] conjectured that  $|a_2| \leq \sqrt{2}$ . Kedzierawski [8] proved this conjecture for a special case when the function  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are starlike functions. Tan [12] obtained the bound for  $|a_2|$  namely  $|a_2| \leq 1.485$  which is the best known estimate for functions in the class  $\Sigma$ . Recently there interest to study the bi-univalent functions class  $\Sigma$  (see [6, 7, 13, 14]) and obtain non-sharp estimates on the first two Taylor-Maclaurin coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$ . The coefficient estimate problem i.e. bound of  $|a_n|$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{1, 2\}$ ) for each  $f \in \Sigma$  given by [2] is still an open problem.

The Hadamard product of two analytic functions  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  and  $h(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n$ , is defined as

$$(f * h)(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n b_n z^n. \tag{3}$$

The Pochhammer symbol (or the shifted factorial) defined as follows:

$$(\alpha)_n = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + n)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0, \\ \alpha(\alpha + 1)(\alpha + 2) \cdots (\alpha + n - 1) & n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{cases}$$

Then define the function  $\phi_a^\lambda(b, c; z)$ , by

$$\phi_a^\lambda(b, c; z) := 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \psi_n z^n, \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \quad (4)$$

where

$$A_n := \left( \frac{a}{a+n} \right)^\lambda, \quad \psi_n := \frac{(b)_n}{(c)_n}$$

and  $b \in \mathbb{R}; c \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-; a \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  ( $\mathbb{Z}_0^- := \{0, -1, -2, -3, \dots\}$ );  $\lambda \geq 0$ .

By using the function  $\phi_a^\lambda(b, c; z)$  given by (4), Aghalary-Ebadian-Wang [1], introduced the following convolution operator,

$$L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta) f(z) := \phi_a^\lambda(b, c; z) * \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^\beta,$$

where  $f \in \mathcal{A}; \beta \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}; z \in \mathbb{U}$ .

In the present paper by using the function  $L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)$ , we introduce a new subclass of the bi-univalent functions and we find estimates on the coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$  by employing the techniques used earlier by Srivastava et al.[11] (see also [7]). Our results generalize and improve those in related work of H. Shojaei [10].

## 2 The subclass $L_\Sigma^{h,p}(\alpha)$

In this section, we introduce and investigate the general subclass  $L_\Sigma^{h,p}(\alpha)$ .

**Definition 1.** Let the analytic functions  $h, p : \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be so constrained that

$$\min\{\Re(h(z)), \Re(p(z))\} > 0 \quad (5)$$

and  $h(0) = p(0) = 1$ .

We say that a function  $f \in L_\Sigma^{h,p}(\alpha)$ , ( $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ ), if  $f \in \Sigma$  and  $f$  satisfies the following conditions:

$$\frac{(zL_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)f(z))'}{(1-\alpha) + \alpha L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)f(z)} \in h(\mathbb{U}) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \quad (6)$$

and

$$\frac{(wL_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)g(w))'}{(1-\alpha) + \alpha L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)g(w)} \in p(\mathbb{U}) \quad (w \in \mathbb{U}), \quad (7)$$

where the function  $g(w) = f^{-1}(w)$  is given by (2).

**Remark 1.** *There are many choices of the functions  $h(z)$  and  $p(z)$  which would provide interesting subclasses of the analytic function class  $\mathcal{A}$ .*

1. If we take  $h(z) = p(z) = \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^\mu$  ( $z \in \mathbb{U}, 0 < \mu \leq 1$ ), then the functions  $h(z)$  and  $p(z)$  satisfy the hypotheses of Definition 1. Clearly, if  $f \in L_\Sigma^{h,p}(\alpha)$ , then we have

$$\left| \frac{(zL_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)f(z))'}{(1-\alpha) + \alpha L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)f(z)} \right| < \frac{\mu\pi}{2} \quad (0 \leq \alpha \leq 1) \quad (8)$$

and

$$\left| \frac{(wL_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)g(w))'}{(1-\alpha) + \alpha L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)g(w)} \right| < \frac{\mu\pi}{2} \quad (0 \leq \alpha \leq 1). \quad (9)$$

2. If we take  $h(z) = p(z) = \frac{1+(1-2\gamma)z}{1-z}$  ( $z \in \mathbb{U}, 0 \leq \gamma < 1$ ), then the functions  $h(z)$  and  $p(z)$  satisfy the hypotheses of Definition 1. Clearly, if  $f \in L_\Sigma^{h,p}(\alpha)$ , then we have

$$\Re\left(\frac{(zL_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)f(z))'}{(1-\alpha) + \alpha L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)f(z)}\right) > \gamma \quad (0 \leq \gamma < 1)$$

and

$$\Re\left(\frac{(wL_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)g(w))'}{(1-\alpha) + \alpha L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)g(w)}\right) > \gamma \quad (0 \leq \gamma < 1).$$

3. For  $h(z) = p(z) = \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^\mu$ , we have  $L_\Sigma^{h,p}(\alpha) = \mathcal{M}_\Sigma^L(\mu, \alpha)$ , where the class  $\mathcal{M}_\Sigma^L(\mu, \alpha)$  was studied by H. Shojaei [10].

4. For  $h(z) = p(z) = \frac{1+(1-2\gamma)z}{1-z}$ , we have  $L_\Sigma^{h,p}(\alpha) = \mathcal{N}_\Sigma^L(\mu, \alpha)$ , where the class  $\mathcal{N}_\Sigma^L(\mu, \alpha)$  was studied by H. Shojaei [10].

It is easy to see that the class  $L_\Sigma^{h,p}(\alpha)$  is not empty. As an example, let  $f(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$ , then  $g(w) = f^{-1}(w) = \frac{w}{1+w} \in \mathcal{S}$ , so  $f \in \Sigma$ .

Now, by appropriate choice of the parameters  $L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)$ , we show that  $f(z)$  and  $g(w)$  satisfy in relations (6) and (7). Set  $\lambda = 0, b = c$  and  $\beta = 1$ , we have

$$\phi_a^0(b, b; z) = 1 + z + z^2 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-z},$$

and

$$L_a^0(b, b; 1)f(z) := \phi_a^0(b, b; z) * \frac{f(z)}{z} = \frac{1}{1-z} * \frac{1}{1-z} = \frac{1}{1-z}.$$

Suppose  $h(z) = p(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$  and  $\mu = 1$ , we have

$$k(z) := \frac{\left(z \cdot \frac{1}{1-z}\right)'}{(1-\alpha) + \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{1-z}} = \frac{1}{1-z} \in h(\mathbb{U}).$$

The same manner holds for  $g(w)$  as follows:

$$\frac{\left(w \cdot \frac{1}{1+w}\right)'}{(1-\alpha) + \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{1+w}} = \frac{1}{1+w} \in p(\mathbb{U}).$$

The images of  $\mathbb{U}$  under  $f(z), k(z)$  and  $h(z) = p(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$  are shown in Fig.1. Thus  $f(z) \in L_{\Sigma}^{h,p}(\alpha)$  and therefore  $L_{\Sigma}^{h,p}(\alpha)$  is not empty.

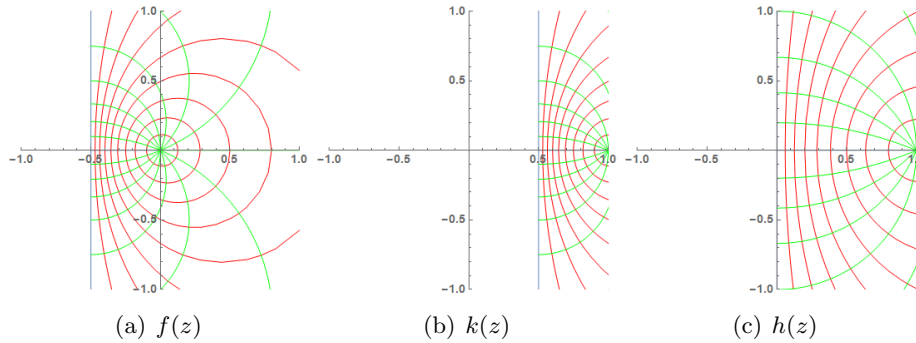


Figure 1: Images of  $\mathbb{D}$  under  $f(z), k(z)$  and  $h(z)$ .

### 3 Coefficient Estimates

For proof of the theorem, we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 1.** (see [5]). *If  $p \in P$ , then  $|c_k| \leq 2$  for each  $k$ , where  $P$  is the family of all functions  $p(z)$  analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  for which  $\Re(p(z)) > 0$ ,  $p(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + \dots$  for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ .*

**Theorem 1.** Let  $f(z)$  given by the Taylor Maclaurin series expansion (1) be in the class  $L_{\Sigma}^{h,p}(\alpha)$ . Then,

$$|a_2| \leq \min \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{|h'(0)|^2 + |p'(0)|^2}{|2(2 - \alpha)^2 \beta^2 A_1^2 \psi_1^2|}}, \sqrt{\frac{|h''(0)| + |p''(0)|}{|(3 - \alpha)\beta(\beta + 1)A_2\psi_2 - 2\alpha(2 - \alpha)\beta^2 A_1^2 \psi_1^2|}} \right\} \tag{10}$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq \min \left\{ \frac{|h'(0)|^2 + |p'(0)|^2}{|(2 - \alpha)^2 \beta A_1^2 \psi_1^2|} + \frac{|h''(0)| + |p''(0)|}{|2(3 - \alpha)\beta A_2\psi_2|}, \frac{|h''(0)| + |p''(0)|}{|2(3 - \alpha)\beta A_2\psi_2|} + \frac{|h''(0)| + |p''(0)|}{|(3 - \alpha)\beta(\beta + 1)A_2\psi_2 - 2\alpha(2 - \alpha)^2 \beta^2 A_1^2 \psi_1^2|} \right\}. \tag{11}$$

*Proof.* First of all, it follows from the conditions (6) and (7) that,

$$\frac{(zL_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)f(z))'}{(1 - \alpha) + \alpha L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)f(z)} = h(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \tag{12}$$

and

$$\frac{(wL_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)g(w))'}{(1 - \alpha) + \alpha L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta)g(w)} = p(w) \quad (w \in \mathbb{U}), \tag{13}$$

where the function  $g(w) = f^{-1}(w)$  is given by (2), respectively,  $h(z)$  and  $p(w)$  satisfy the conditions of Definition 1. Furthermore, the functions  $h(z)$  and  $p(w)$  have the following Taylor-Maclaurin series expansions:

$$h(z) = 1 + h_1z + h_2z^2 + \dots, \tag{14}$$

and

$$p(w) = 1 + p_1w + p_2w^2 + \dots. \tag{15}$$

Now, by comparing the series expansions (14) and (15) by the coefficients (12) and (13), we get

$$2\beta A_1 \psi_1 a_2 = h_1 + \alpha \beta A_1 \psi_1 a_2, \tag{16}$$

$$3A_2 \psi_2 \left[ \frac{\beta(\beta - 1)}{2} a_2^2 + \beta a_3 \right] = h_2 + \alpha \beta A_1 \psi_1 a_2 h_1 + \alpha A_2 \psi_2 \left[ \frac{\beta(\beta - 1)}{2} a_2^2 + \beta a_3 \right], \tag{17}$$

$$-2\beta A_1 \psi_1 a_2 = p_1 - \alpha \beta A_1 \psi_1 a_2, \quad (18)$$

$$3A_2 \psi_2 \left[ \frac{\beta(\beta+3)}{2} a_2^2 - \beta a_3 \right] = p_2 - \alpha \beta A_1 \psi_1 a_2 p_1 + \alpha A_2 \psi_2 \left[ \frac{\beta(\beta+3)}{2} a_2^2 - \beta a_3 \right]. \quad (19)$$

From (16) and (18), we obtain

$$h_1 = -p_1, \quad (20)$$

and

$$h_1^2 + p_1^2 = 2(2-\alpha)^2 \beta^2 A_1^2 \psi_1^2 a_2^2. \quad (21)$$

Therefore,

$$|a_2|^2 \leq \frac{|h'(0)|^2 + |p'(0)|^2}{2(2-\alpha)^2 \beta^2 A_1^2 \psi_1^2}.$$

Also, From (17) and (19), we find that

$$h_2 + p_2 = (3-\alpha)\beta(\beta+1)A_2\psi_2 a_2^2 - \frac{2\alpha h_1^2}{2-\alpha}. \quad (22)$$

On the other hand, From (16), we have

$$h_1^2 = (2-\alpha)^2 \beta^2 A_1^2 \psi_1^2 a_2^2, \quad (23)$$

by substituting the value of  $h_1^2$  from (23) into (22), it follows that

$$a_2^2 = \frac{h_2 + p_2}{(3-\alpha)\beta(\beta+1)A_2\psi_2 - 2\alpha(2-\alpha)^2 \beta^2 A_1^2 \psi_1^2}, \quad (24)$$

thus,

$$|a_2|^2 \leq \frac{|h''(0)| + |p''(0)|}{(3-\alpha)\beta(\beta+1)A_2\psi_2 - 2\alpha(2-\alpha)^2 \beta^2 A_1^2 \psi_1^2}.$$

So we get the desired estimate on the coefficient  $|a_2|$  as asserted in (10). Next, in order to find the bound on the coefficient  $|a_3|$ , we subtract (19) from (17). We thus get

$$2(3-\alpha)\beta A_2 \psi_2 (a_3 - a_2^2) = h_2 - p_2. \quad (25)$$

Upon substituting the value of  $a_2^2$  from (21) into (25), it follows that

$$a_3 = \frac{h_1^2 + p_1^2}{(2 - \alpha)^2 \beta A_1^2 \psi_1^2} + \frac{h_2 - p_2}{2(3 - \alpha) \beta A_2 \psi_2}.$$

We thus find that

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{|h'(0)|^2 + |p'(0)|^2}{|(2 - \alpha)^2 \beta A_1^2 \psi_1^2|} + \frac{|h''(0)| + |p''(0)|}{|2(3 - \alpha) \beta A_2 \psi_2|}.$$

Upon substituting the value of  $a_2^2$  from (24) into (25), it follows that

$$a_3 = \frac{h_2 - p_2}{2(3 - \alpha) \beta A_2 \psi_2} + \frac{h_2 + p_2}{(3 - \alpha) \beta (\beta + 1) A_2 \psi_2 - 2\alpha(2 - \alpha)^2 \beta^2 A_1^2 \psi_1^2},$$

consequently, we have

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{|h''(0)| + |p''(0)|}{|2(3 - \alpha) \beta A_2 \psi_2|} + \frac{|h''(0)| + |p''(0)|}{|(3 - \alpha) \beta (\beta + 1) A_2 \psi_2 - 2\alpha(2 - \alpha)^2 \beta^2 A_1^2 \psi_1^2|}.$$

This evidently completes the proof of Theorem (1). □

## 4 Corollaries and Consequences

By setting  $h(z) = p(z) = \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^\mu$  and  $L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta) = L_1^1(b, b; 1)$  in Theorem 1. we get following result.

**Corollary 1.** *Let the function  $f(z)$  given by the Taylor-Maclaurin series expansion (1) be in the bi-univalent function class  $\mathcal{M}_{\Sigma}^L(\mu, 1)$ . Then*

$$|a_2| \leq \sqrt{\frac{24}{5}} \mu$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{39}{5} \mu^2.$$

**Remark 2.** *Corollary 1 is an improvement of the following estimates obtained by H. Shojaei [10].*



**Corollary 2.** (see [10]) Let the function  $f(z)$  given by the Taylor-Maclaurin series expansion (1) be in the bi-univalent function class  $\mathcal{M}_{\Sigma}^L(\mu, 1)$ . Then

$$|a_2| \leq \sqrt{30\mu}$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq 11\mu.$$

By setting  $h(z) = p(z) = \frac{1 + (1 - 2\gamma)z}{1 - z}$  and  $L_a^\lambda(b, c; \beta) = L_1^1(b, b; 1)$  in Theorem 1, we get the following consequence.

**Corollary 3.** Let the function  $f(z)$  given by the Taylor-Maclaurin series expansion (1) be in the bi-univalent function class  $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^L(\mu, 1)$ . Then

$$|a_2| \leq \sqrt{\frac{48}{5}(1 - \gamma)}.$$

**Remark 3.** Corollary 3 is an improvement of the following estimates obtained by H. Shojaei [10].

**Corollary 4.** (see[10]) Let the function  $f(z)$  given by the Taylor-Maclaurin series expansion (1) be in the bi-univalent function class  $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^L(\mu, 1)$ . Then

$$|a_2| \leq 3\sqrt{2(1 - \gamma)}.$$

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