

Certain sufficient conditions for close-to-convexity and starlikeness of multivalent functions

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ABSTRACT. By using Jack's lemma, we derive simple sufficient conditions for analytic functions to be multivalent close-to-convex and multivalent starlike.

1. Introduction

Denote by $\mathcal{A}(p)$, where $p \in \mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, \dots\}$, the class of multivalent analytic functions in the open unit disk $\mathbb{U} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ of the form

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

and let $\mathcal{A} := \mathcal{A}(1)$.

For $0 \leq \alpha < p$, we say that the function $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ belongs to the class of *p-valently starlike functions of order α* , denoted by $\mathbb{S}_p^*(\alpha)$, if it satisfies the inequality (see Owa [7] and Aouf [1, 2])

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} > \alpha, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (1.1)$$

Also, we say that the function $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ belongs to the class of *p-valently convex functions of order α* , denoted by $\mathbb{K}_p(\alpha)$, if (see Owa [7])

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right] > \alpha, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (1.2)$$

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For the special case $\alpha = 0$, we denote $\mathbb{S}_p^* := \mathbb{S}_p^*(0)$ and $\mathbb{K}_p := \mathbb{K}_p(0)$, and from the formulas (1.1) and (1.2) we have

$$f \in \mathbb{K}_p(\alpha) \Leftrightarrow \frac{zf'(z)}{p} \in \mathbb{S}_p^*(\alpha).$$

Furthermore, a function $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ is said to be in the class of *p-valently close-to-convex functions*, denoted by $\mathbb{C}(p)$, if there exists a function $g \in \mathbb{S}^*(p)$ such that (see Aouf [3] and Owa [8])

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)} > 0, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}.$$

Since $g(z) = z^p \in \mathbb{S}^*(p)$, it follows that a function $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfying

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{f'(z)}{z^{p-1}} > 0, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

or

$$\left| \frac{f'(z)}{z^{p-1}} - p \right| < p, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (1.3)$$

is a member of the class $\mathbb{C}(p)$.

In order to prove our results, we have to recall the following lemma of Jack [4] (generalized by Miller and Mocanu [5, 6]).

Lemma 1.1. *Let ω be a non-constant analytic function in \mathbb{U} with $\omega(0) = 0$. If $|\omega|$ attains its maximum value on the circle $|z| = r$ at a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{U}$, then $z_0\omega'(z_0) = k\omega(z_0)$ where $k \geq 1$ is a real number.*

2. Main results

Theorem 2.1. *Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$, and suppose that it satisfies, for $\gamma \geq 0$, the inequality*

$$\left| \frac{f'(z)}{z^{p-1}} - p \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| \frac{f''(z)}{pz^{p-2}} - (p-1) \right|^\gamma < p, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.1)$$

Then (1.3) holds, i.e., f belongs to $\mathbb{C}(p)$ and is a bounded function in \mathbb{U} .

Proof. For a function $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfying the assumption (2.1), we define a function ω by

$$\omega(z) := \frac{1}{p} \left(\frac{f'(z)}{z^{p-1}} - p \right), \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.2)$$

Then ω is analytic in \mathbb{U} with $\omega(0) = 0$. To prove our conclusion (1.3) we will show that $|\omega(z)| < 1$, $z \in \mathbb{U}$.

Differentiating (2.2), we have

$$\frac{f''(z)}{z^{p-2}} - p(p-1) = p(p-1)\omega(z) + pz\omega'(z), \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.3)$$

From (2.2) and (2.3) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f'(z)}{z^{p-1}} - p \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| \frac{f''(z)}{z^{p-2}} - p(p-1) \right|^\gamma \\ &= |p\omega(z)|^{1-\gamma} |p(p-1)\omega(z) + pz\omega'(z)|^\gamma \\ &= p|\omega(z)| \left| p-1 + \frac{z\omega'(z)}{\omega(z)} \right|^\gamma, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

Supposing that there exists a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{U}$ such that $\max_{|z| \leq |z_0|} |\omega(z)| = |\omega(z_0)| = 1$, from Lemma 1.1 we obtain that $z_0\omega'(z_0) = k\omega(z_0)$ where $k \geq 1$. Hence, from (2.4) we have

$$\left| \frac{f'(z_0)}{z_0^{p-1}} - p \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| \frac{f''(z_0)}{z_0^{p-2}} - p(p-1) \right|^\gamma = p|p-1+k|^\gamma \geq p^{\gamma+1},$$

which contradicts (2.1). Therefore, $|\omega(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$, and the conclusion (1.3) has been proved.

Finally, from (1.3) it follows that $|f'(z)| \leq 2p|z|^{p-1} < 2p$, $z \in \mathbb{U}$, hence

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| &= \left| \int_0^z f'(\zeta) d\zeta \right| \leq \int_0^r |f'(\rho e^{i\theta})| d\rho \leq 2pr < 2p, \\ & z = re^{i\theta} \in \mathbb{U}, \quad \theta \in [0, 2\pi). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, f is bounded in \mathbb{U} . □

For the special case $\gamma = 1$, Theorem 2.1 reduces to the next result.

Corollary 2.1. *If $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies*

$$\left| \frac{f''(z)}{pz^{p-2}} - (p-1) \right| < p, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

then the inequality (1.3) holds, i.e., $f \in \mathbb{C}(p)$ and it is a bounded function in \mathbb{U} .

Theorem 2.2. *Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$, and suppose that f satisfies, for $\gamma \geq 0$, the inequality*

$$\left| \frac{f'(z)}{pz^{p-1}} - 1 \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p \right|^\gamma < \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^\gamma, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \tag{2.5}$$

Then the inequality (1.3) holds, i.e., $f \in \mathbb{C}(p)$ and it is a bounded function in \mathbb{U} .

Proof. For a function $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfying the assumption (2.5), we define a function ω by (2.2). Then, ω is analytic in \mathbb{U} with $\omega(0) = 0$, and

differentiating (2.2), we get

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p = \frac{z\omega'(z)}{1 + \omega(z)}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.6)$$

From the assumption (2.5), it follows that the left-hand side of (2.6) is an analytic function in \mathbb{U} , hence $\omega(z) \neq -1$ for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$. From (2.2) and (2.6) we have

$$\left| \frac{f'(z)}{pz^{p-1}} - 1 \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p \right|^\gamma = |\omega(z)|^{1-\gamma} \left| \frac{z\omega'(z)}{1 + \omega(z)} \right|^\gamma, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.7)$$

If we suppose that there exists a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{U}$ such that $\max_{|z| \leq |z_0|} |\omega(z)| = |\omega(z_0)| = 1$, from Lemma 1.1 we obtain that $z_0\omega'(z_0) = k\omega(z_0)$ with $k \geq 1$. Hence, from (2.7) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f'(z_0)}{pz_0^{p-1}} - 1 \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{z_0 f_0''(z)}{f_0'(z)} - p \right|^\gamma &= |\omega(z_0)|^{1-\gamma} \left| \frac{z\omega'(z_0)}{1 + \omega(z_0)} \right|^\gamma \\ &= |\omega(z_0)| \left| \frac{k}{1 + \omega(z_0)} \right|^\gamma \geq \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^\gamma, \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts (2.5). Therefore, $|\omega(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$, and our conclusion has been proved.

Since under the assumption (2.5) the inequality (1.3) holds, as in the proof of the previous theorem it follows that f is bounded in \mathbb{U} . \square

Putting $\gamma = 1$ in Theorem 2.2, we obtain the next special case.

Corollary 2.2. *If $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies*

$$\left| 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p \right| < \frac{1}{2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

then the inequality (1.3) holds, i.e., $f \in \mathcal{C}(p)$ and it is a bounded function in \mathbb{U} .

Remark 2.1. For the special case $p = 1$, the above corollary gives us the following criteria for close-to-convexity. If $f \in \mathcal{A}$, then

$$\left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| < \frac{1}{2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \Rightarrow |f'(z) - 1| < 1, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

i.e., f lies in $\mathcal{C}(1)$ and is a bounded function in \mathbb{U} .

Theorem 2.3. *Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$, and suppose that it satisfies, for $\gamma \geq 0$, the inequality*

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p \right|^\gamma < (p - \alpha) \left(1 + \frac{1}{p + |p - 2\alpha|} \right)^\gamma, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.8)$$

Moreover, for $\gamma = 1$, assume that $f(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \dot{\mathbb{U}}$. Then $f \in \mathbb{S}_p^*(\alpha)$.

Proof. We have to prove that the assumption (2.8) implies the inequality (1.1). For a function $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfying the assumption (2.8), we define a function ω by

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{p + (p - 2\alpha)\omega(z)}{1 - \omega(z)}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \quad (0 \leq \alpha < p). \tag{2.9}$$

We have that ω is analytic in \mathbb{U} with $\omega(0) = 0$, and from the assumption (2.8) it follows that the left-hand side of (2.9) is an analytic function in \mathbb{U} , hence $\omega(z) \neq 1$ for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$.

Differentiating (2.9), we obtain

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p = \frac{2(p - \alpha)\omega(z)}{1 - \omega(z)} \left[1 + \frac{\frac{z\omega'(z)}{\omega(z)}}{p + (p - 2\alpha)\omega(z)} \right], \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \tag{2.10}$$

Then from (2.9) and (2.10) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p \right|^\gamma \\ &= 2(p - \alpha) \left| \frac{\omega(z)}{1 - \omega(z)} \right| \left| 1 + \frac{\frac{z\omega'(z)}{\omega(z)}}{p + (p - 2\alpha)\omega(z)} \right|^\gamma, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

If we suppose that there exists a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{U}$ such that $\max_{|z| \leq |z_0|} |\omega(z)| = |\omega(z_0)| = 1$, from Lemma 1.1 we obtain that $z_0\omega'(z_0) = k\omega(z_0)$ with $k \geq 1$. Therefore, from (2.11) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{z_0f'(z_0)}{f(z_0)} - p \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{z_0f''(z_0)}{f'(z_0)} - p \right|^\gamma \\ &= 2(p - \alpha) \left| \frac{\omega(z_0)}{1 - \omega(z_0)} \right| \left| 1 + \frac{\frac{z_0\omega'(z_0)}{\omega(z_0)}}{p + (p - 2\alpha)\omega(z_0)} \right|^\gamma \\ &\geq (p - \alpha) \left| 1 + \frac{k}{p} \frac{1}{1 + \left(1 - \frac{2\alpha}{p}\right)\omega(z_0)} \right|^\gamma. \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

Considering the function φ defined by

$$\varphi(z) := \frac{1}{1 + \left(1 - \frac{2\alpha}{p}\right)z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

it is easy to check that $|\varphi(z)| > \frac{p}{p + |p - 2\alpha|}$ for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$. Hence, using the fact that $\gamma \geq 0$, from (2.12) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{z_0 f'(z_0)}{f(z_0)} - p \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{z_0 f''(z_0)}{f'(z_0)} - p \right|^\gamma &\geq (p - \alpha) \left(1 + \frac{k}{p} \frac{p}{p + |p - 2\alpha|} \right)^\gamma \\ &\geq (p - \alpha) \left(1 + \frac{1}{p + |p - 2\alpha|} \right)^\gamma \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts (2.8). This proves that $|\omega(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$, and hence $f \in \mathbb{S}_p^*(\alpha)$. \square

If we take $\alpha = 0$ in Theorem 2.3, then we obtain the next corollary.

Corollary 2.3. *Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$, and suppose that f satisfies, for $\gamma \geq 0$, the inequality*

$$\left| \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} - p \right|^\gamma < p \left(\frac{2p+1}{2p} \right)^\gamma, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}.$$

Moreover, for $\gamma = 1$ assume that $f(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \dot{\mathbb{U}} := \mathbb{U} \setminus \{0\}$. Then $f \in \mathbb{S}_p^*$.

For $\gamma = 1$, Corollary 2.3 reduces to the next result.

Corollary 2.4. *If $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies the inequality*

$$\left| 1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} - p \right| < p + \frac{1}{2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

and $f(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \dot{\mathbb{U}}$, then $f \in \mathbb{S}_p^*$.

Taking $p = 1$ in Corollaries 2.3 and 2.4, we get the results obtained by Singh and Singh [11, Theorem 3 and Corollary 3].

Putting $p = 1$ in Theorem 2.3, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 2.5. *If $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies, for some $\gamma \geq 0$, the inequality*

$$\left| \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right|^{1-\gamma} \left| \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right|^\gamma < (1 - \alpha) \left(1 + \frac{1}{1 + |1 - 2\alpha|} \right)^\gamma, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

and, for $\gamma = 1$ we have $f(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \dot{\mathbb{U}}$, then $f \in \mathbb{S}^*(\alpha)$.

The above corollary is an improvement of the result obtained by Owa and Srivastava [10, Lemma 3].

Theorem 2.4. *Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ be such that $f(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \dot{\mathbb{U}}$, and suppose that, for $0 \leq \alpha < p$, the inequality*

$$\left| 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p \right| < \frac{(p - \alpha)(2p + 1 - \alpha)}{2p - \alpha}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (2.13)$$

is satisfied. Then,

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right| < p - \alpha, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (2.14)$$

i.e., $f \in \mathbb{S}_p^*(\alpha)$.

Proof. Assume that $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$, with $f(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \dot{\mathbb{U}}$, satisfies the inequality (2.13). Define a function ω by

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = p + (p - \alpha)\omega(z), \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.15)$$

It follows that ω is analytic in \mathbb{U} with $\omega(0) = 0$. Differentiating (2.15), we have

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p = (p - \alpha) \left[\omega(z) + \frac{z\omega'(z)}{p + (p - \alpha)\omega(z)} \right], \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.16)$$

Suppose that there exists a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{U}$ such that $\max_{|z| \leq |z_0|} |\omega(z)| = |\omega(z_0)| =$

1. From Lemma 1.1 we obtain that $z_0\omega'(z_0) = k\omega(z_0)$ with $k \geq 1$, and from (2.16) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| 1 + \frac{z_0 f''(z_0)}{f'(z_0)} - p \right| &= (p - \alpha) |\omega(z_0)| \left| 1 + \frac{k}{p + (p - \alpha)\omega(z_0)} \right| \\ &= (p - \alpha) \left| 1 + \frac{k}{p} \frac{1}{1 + \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{p}\right)\omega(z_0)} \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (2.17)$$

If we define a function ψ by

$$\psi(z) := \frac{1}{1 + \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{p}\right)z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

it is easy to check that $|\psi(z)| > \frac{p}{2p - \alpha}$ for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$. Hence, from (2.17) we obtain that

$$\left| 1 + \frac{z_0 f''(z_0)}{f'(z_0)} - p \right| \geq (p - \alpha) \left| 1 + \frac{k}{p} \frac{p}{2p - \alpha} \right| \geq \frac{(p - \alpha)(2p + 1 - \alpha)}{2p - \alpha},$$

which contradicts (2.13). Thus, we conclude that $|\omega(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$, which proves that (2.14) holds. \square

Remarks 2.1. (i) For the special case $\gamma = 1$, Theorem 2.3 reduces to the next implication. Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ be such that $f(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$. Then

$$\left| 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p \right| < (p - \alpha) \left(1 + \frac{1}{p + |p - 2\alpha|} \right), \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (2.18)$$

implies (1.1).

(ii) Comparing this result with Theorem 2.4, since $\alpha \in [0, p)$, and using the fact that

$$\frac{(p - \alpha)(2p + 1 - \alpha)}{2p - \alpha} \geq (p - \alpha) \left(1 + \frac{1}{p + |p - 2\alpha|} \right) \Leftrightarrow \alpha \in \left[\frac{2p}{3}, p \right),$$

we deduce that Theorem 2.4 gives, for the case $\alpha \in [2p/3, p)$, a better result than the implication (i).

Theorem 2.5. *Suppose that $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies, for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, the inequality*

$$\left| \alpha \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right) + (1 - \alpha) \left(\frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} - p(p - 1) \right) \right| < p[\alpha + (1 - \alpha)p], \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.19)$$

Then the inequality (1.3) holds, i.e., $f \in \mathbb{S}_p^*$.

Proof. Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfy the inequality (2.19). Define a function ω by

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = p(1 + \omega(z)), \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.20)$$

The function ω is analytic in \mathbb{U} with $\omega(0) = 0$. Differentiating (2.20), we have

$$\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 + \frac{z\omega'(z)}{1 + \omega(z)}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}.$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} - p(p - 1) = 2p^2 \omega(z) + p^2 \omega^2(z) - p\omega(z) + pz\omega'(z), \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \quad (2.21)$$

From (2.20) and (2.21) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right) + (1 - \alpha) \left(\frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} - p(p - 1) \right) \\ &= p\omega(z) \left\{ \alpha + (1 - \alpha) \left[2p - 1 + \frac{z\omega'(z)}{\omega(z)} + p\omega(z) \right] \right\}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \alpha \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right) + (1 - \alpha) \left(\frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} - p(p - 1) \right) \right| \\ &= p |\omega(z)| \left| \alpha + (1 - \alpha) \left[2p - 1 + \frac{z\omega'(z)}{\omega(z)} \right] + (1 - \alpha)p\omega(z) \right|, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.22}$$

We will prove that that $|\omega(z)| < 1, z \in \mathbb{U}$. If we suppose that there exists a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{U}$ such that $\max_{|z| \leq |z_0|} |\omega(z)| = |\omega(z_0)| = 1$, from Lemma 1.1 we get that $z_0\omega'(z_0) = k\omega(z_0)$ with $k \geq 1$. Therefore, from (2.22) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \alpha \left(\frac{zf'_0(z_0)}{f(z_0)} - p \right) + (1 - \alpha) \left(\frac{z_0^2 f''(z_0)}{f(z_0)} - p(p - 1) \right) \right| \\ &= p |\omega(z_0)| \left| \alpha + (1 - \alpha) \left[2p - 1 + \frac{z_0\omega'(z_0)}{\omega(z_0)} \right] + (1 - \alpha)p\omega(z_0) \right| \\ &\geq p [\alpha + (1 - \alpha)(2p - 1 + k) - (1 - \alpha)p] \geq p[\alpha + (1 - \alpha)p], \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts (2.19). Concluding, we have $|\omega(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$, and hence (1.3) holds. \square

Putting $\alpha = 0$ and $\alpha = 1/2$ in Theorem 2.5, we obtain, respectively, the following results.

Corollary 2.6. *If $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies*

$$\left| \frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} - p(p - 1) \right| < p^2, \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

then (1.3) holds, i.e., $f \in \mathbb{S}_p^$.*

Corollary 2.7. *If $f \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies*

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} - p^2 \right| < p(p + 1), \quad z \in \mathbb{U},$$

then (1.3) holds, i.e., $f \in \mathbb{S}_p^$.*

Remarks 2.2. (i) Putting $p = 1$ in Theorem 2.4, we obtain the result due to Owa [9, Theorem 1].

(ii) Putting $p = \gamma = 1$ and $\alpha = 0$ in Theorem 2.4, we obtain the result of Singh and Singh [11, Corollary 3].

(iii) Putting $p = 1$ in Theorem 2.5 and Corollary 2.6, we get the results due to Singh and Singh [11, Theorem 4 and Corollary 4].

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