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## ESTIMATING COEFFICIENTS FOR SUBCLASSES OF MEROMORPHIC BI-UNIVALENT FUNCTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH LINEAR OPERATOR

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we define a differential linear operator, applying it on the subclasses  $H_{\Sigma^*_{\mathfrak{B}}}(\alpha, n, \lambda)$  of meromorphic starlike bi-univalent functions of order  $\alpha$ , and  $H_{\tilde{\Sigma}^*_{\mathfrak{B}}}(\alpha, n, \lambda)$  of meromorphic strongly starlike bi-univalent functions of order  $\alpha$ , also we find estimates on the coefficients  $|b_o|$  and  $|b_1|$  for functions in these subclasses.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let A be the class of functions of the form:

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k,\tag{1}$$

which are analytic in the open unit disc  $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  and let S denote the subclass of functions in A which are univalent in U. The well-known Koebe one-quarter theorem asserts that the function  $f \in S$  has an inverse defined on disc  $U_{\rho} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < \rho\}, (\rho \geq \frac{1}{4})$ . Thus, the inverse of  $f \in S$  is a univalent analytic function on the disc  $U_{\rho}$ . The function  $f \in A$  is called bi-univalent in U if  $f^{-1}$  is also univalent in the whole disc U. The class  $\mu$  of bi-univalent analytic functions was introduced in 1967 by Lewin [11] and he showed that, for every function  $f \in \mu$  of the form (1), the second coefficient of f satisfy the inequality  $|a_2| < 1.51$ . Subsequently, Brannan and Clunie [3] improved Lewin's result by showing  $|a_2| \leq \sqrt{2}$ . Later, Netanyahu [12] proved that  $max_{f \in \mu} |a_2| = \frac{4}{3}$ . Also, several authors such as Brannan and Taha [4], Taha [18] investigated subclasses of bi-univalent analytic functions and found estimates on the initial coefficients for functions in these subclasses. Recently Ali et al. [2], Frasin and Aouf [7], Srivastava et al.[16], Juma and Aziz [1] also introduced new subclasses of bi-univalent functions and found estimates on the coefficients for functions in these classes.

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Suzeini et al.[17] considered and studied the concept of bi-univalency for classes of meromorphic functions defined on  $\Delta = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } 1 < |z| < \infty\}$ . For this purpose they denote by  $\Sigma$  the class of all meromorphic univalent functions g of the form

$$g(z) = z + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_k}{z^k},\tag{2}$$

defined on the domain  $\Delta$ . Since  $g \in \Sigma$  is univalent, it has an inverse  $g^{-1}$  that satisfy

$$g^{-1}(g(z)) = z \quad (z \in \Delta),$$

and

$$g(g^{-1}(w)) = w \quad (M < |w| < \infty, M > 0).$$

Furthermore, the inverse function  $g^{-1}$  has a series expansion of the form

$$g^{-1}(w) = w + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_k}{w^k},$$
(3)

where  $M < |w| < \infty$ . Analogous to the bi-univalent analytic functions, a function  $g \in \Sigma$  is said to be meromorphic bi-univalent if  $g^{-1} \in \Sigma$ . The class of all meromorphic bi-univalent functions is denoted by  $\Sigma_{\mathfrak{B}}$ .

Estimates on the coefficients of meromorphic univalent functions were investigated in the literature; for example, Schiffer [13] obtained the estimate  $|b_2| \leq \frac{2}{3}$  for meromorphic univalent functions  $g \in \Sigma$  with  $b_o = 0$ . In 1971, Duren [6] gave an elementary proof of the inequality  $|b_n| \leq \frac{2}{n+1}$  on the coefficient of meromorphic univalent functions  $g \in \Sigma$ with  $b_k = 0$  for  $1 \leq k < \frac{n}{2}$ . For the coefficients of the inverse of meromorphic univalent functions, Springer [15] proved that

$$|B_3| \le 1$$
 and  $|B_3 + \frac{1}{2}B_1^2| \le \frac{1}{2}$ ,

and conjectured that

$$|B_{2n-1}| \le \frac{(2n-2)!}{n!(n-1)!}$$
  $(n = 1, 2, 3, ...).$ 

In 1977, Kubota [10] has proved that the Springer conjecture is true fore n = 3, 4, 5 and subsequently Schober [14] obtained sharp bounds for the coefficients  $B_{2n-1}, 1 \leq n \leq 7$ , of the inverse of meromorphic univalent functions in  $\Delta$ . Recently, Kapoor and Mishra [9] found the coefficient estimates for a class consisting of inverses of meromorphic starlike univalent functions of order  $\alpha$  in  $\Delta$ .

For functions  $g(z) \in \Sigma$ , in the form (2) we define the following linear operator

$$F_{\lambda}^{0}g(z) = g(z) \quad (0 \le \lambda < \frac{1}{k+1}) \quad and \quad F_{0}^{n}g(z) = g(z) \quad (n = 0, 1.2, ...),$$

$$F_{\lambda}^{1}g(z) = F_{\lambda}g(z) = (1-\lambda)g(z) + \lambda zg'(z) = z + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [1-(k+1)\lambda] \frac{b_{k}}{z^{k}} \quad (0 \le \lambda < \frac{1}{k+1}),$$

and

$$F_{\lambda}^{2}g(z) = F_{\lambda}[F_{\lambda}g(z)] = z + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [1 - (k+1)\lambda]^{2} \frac{b_{k}}{z^{k}} \quad (0 \le \lambda < \frac{1}{k+1}),$$

hence, it can be easily seen that

$$F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z) = z + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [1 - (k+1)\lambda]^{n} \frac{b_{k}}{z^{k}} \quad (0 \le \lambda < \frac{1}{k+1}, n \in \mathbb{N}_{o} = \{0, 1, 2, ...\}).$$
(4)

In the present investigation, certain subclasses of meromorphic bi-univalent functions are introduced and estimates for the coefficients  $b_o$  and  $b_1$  of functions in these subclasses are obtained. These coefficients results are obtained by associating the given functions with the functions having positive real part. An analytic function p of the form  $p(z) = 1 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + ...$  is called a function with positive real part in U if Re(p(z)) > 0for all  $z \in U$ . The class of all functions with positive real part is denoted by **P**.

The following lemma for functions with positive real part will be useful in the sequel.

**Lemma 1.1** ([8], Theorem 3, p.80). The coefficients  $c_n$  of a function  $p \in \mathbf{P}$  satisfy the sharp inequality  $|c_n| \leq 2$   $(n \geq 1)$ 

## 2. Coefficient estimates

In this section, certain subclasses like the subclass  $H_{\Sigma_{\mathfrak{B}}^*}(\alpha, n, \lambda)$  of the meromorphic bi-univalent functions associated with the linear operator  $F_{\lambda}^n g(z)$  are introduced and estimates on the coefficients  $b_o$  and  $b_1$  for functions in these subclasses are obtained.

The class of all meromorphic starlike bi-univalent functions of order  $\alpha$  is denoted by  $\Sigma^*_{\mathfrak{B}}(\alpha)$ .

**Definition 2.1.** A function g(z) given by (2) is said to be in the subclass  $H_{\Sigma_{\mathfrak{B}}^*}(\alpha, n, \lambda)$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$Re(\frac{z(F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z))'}{F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z)}) > \alpha \quad (0 \le \alpha < 1, 0 \le \lambda < \frac{1}{k+1}, n = 0, 1, 2, ..., z \in \Delta),$$
(5)

and

$$Re(\frac{w(F_{\lambda}^{n}h(w))'}{F_{\lambda}^{n}h(w)}) > \alpha \quad (0 \le \alpha < 1, 0 \le \lambda < \frac{1}{k+1}, n = 0, 1, 2, ..., w \in \Delta), \tag{6}$$

where the function h(w) is the inverse of g(z) given by (3).

**Theorem 2.1.** Let the function g(z) given by (2) be in the subclass  $H_{\Sigma_{\mathfrak{m}}^*}(\alpha, n, \lambda)$ . Then

$$|b_o| \le 2 \frac{(1-\alpha)}{(1-\lambda)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \quad and \quad |b_1| \le \frac{(1-\lambda)^n (1-\alpha) \sqrt{1+4(1-\lambda)^{2n}(1-\alpha)^2}}{(1-\lambda)^n (1-2\lambda)^n}.$$

*Proof.* Let g(z) be the meromorphic starlike bi-univalent function of order  $\alpha$  given by (2). Then

$$\frac{z(F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z))'}{F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z)} = 1 - \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n}b_{o}}{z} + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{2n}b_{o}^{2} - 2(1-2\lambda)^{n}b_{1}}{z^{2}} - \frac{(1-\lambda)^{3n}b_{o}^{3} - 3(1-\lambda)^{n}(1-2\lambda)^{n}b_{o}b_{1} + 3(1-2\lambda)^{n}b_{2}}{z^{3}} + \dots \quad (z \in \Delta).$$

$$(7)$$

Since  $h(w) = g^{-1}(w)$  is the inverse of g(z) whose series expansion is given in (3), and, since

$$w = g(h(w)) = g(g^{-1}(w)).$$

So, some calculations gives

$$B_o = -b_o, \quad B_1 = -b_1, \quad B_2 = -b_2 - b_o b_1 \quad and \quad B_3 = -(b_3 + 2b_o b_2 + b_o^2 b_1 + b_1^2).$$
 (8)

Using equations of (8) in (3), shows that the series expansion of the function  $g^{-1}(w)$  becomes

$$h(w) = g^{-1}(w)$$
  
=  $w - b_o - b_1 \frac{1}{w} - (b_2 + b_o b_1) \frac{1}{w^2} - (b_3 + 2b_o b_2 + b_o^2 b_1 + b_1^2) \frac{1}{w^3} + \dots$  (9)

Using (9) we have

$$\frac{w(F_{\lambda}^{n}h(w))'}{F_{\lambda}^{n}h(w)} = 1 + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n}b_{o}}{w} + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{2n}b_{o}^{2} + 2(1-2\lambda)^{n}b_{1}}{w^{2}} + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{3n}b_{o}^{3} + 3(1-\lambda)^{n}(1-2\lambda)^{n}b_{o}b_{1} + 3(1-3\lambda)^{n}b_{2} + 3(1-3\lambda)^{n}b_{o}b_{1}}{w^{3}} + \dots \quad (w \in \Delta).$$
(10)

Since g(z) is a bi-univalent meromorphic starlike function of order  $\alpha$ , there exist two functions p,q with positive real parts in  $\Delta$  of the forms

$$p(z) = 1 + \frac{c_1}{z} + \frac{c_2}{z^2} + \frac{c_3}{z^3} + \dots \quad (z \in \Delta) \quad and \quad q(w) = 1 + \frac{d_1}{w} + \frac{d_2}{w^2} + \frac{d_3}{w^3} + \dots \quad (w \in \Delta),$$
(11)

such that

$$\frac{z(F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z))'}{F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z)} = \alpha + (1-\alpha)p(z) \quad and \quad \frac{w(F_{\lambda}^{n}h(w))'}{F_{\lambda}^{n}h(w)} = \alpha + (1-\alpha)q(w).$$
(12)

From (11),(12),(7) and (10) we obtain

$$(1-\alpha)c_1 = -(1-\lambda)^n b_o \quad , \quad (1-\alpha)c_2 = (1-\lambda)^{2n} b_o^2 - 2(1-2\lambda)^n b_1, (1-\alpha)d_1 = (1-\lambda)^n b_o \quad and \quad (1-\alpha)d_2 = (1-\lambda)^{2n} b_o^2 + 2(1-2\lambda)^n b_1.$$
(13)

Since Re(p(z)) > 0 in  $\Delta$ , the function  $p(\frac{1}{z}) \in \mathbf{P}$  and hence the coefficients  $c_n$  and similarly the coefficients  $d_n$  of the function q satisfy the inequality in lemma 1.1 and this immediately with equations in (13) yields the following estimates:

$$|b_o| \le 2 \frac{(1-\alpha)}{(1-\lambda)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \quad and \quad |b_1| \le \frac{(1-\lambda)^n (1-\alpha) \sqrt{1+4(1-\lambda)^{2n}(1-\alpha)^2}}{(1-\lambda)^n (1-2\lambda)^n}.$$
(14)

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.1.

If we put n = 0 or  $\lambda = 0$ , in Theorem 2.1 then we get the following corollary due to [17].

**Corollary 2.1.** Let the function g(z) given by (2) be in the subclass  $H_{\Sigma^*_{\mathfrak{B}}}(\alpha)$ . Then

$$|b_o| \le 2(1-\alpha), \quad and \quad |b_1| \le (1-\alpha)\sqrt{1+4(1-\alpha)^2}.$$
 (15)

The class of all meromorphic strongly starlike bi-univalent functions of order  $\alpha$  is denoted by  $\tilde{\Sigma}^*_{\mathfrak{B}}(\alpha)$ .)

**Definition 2.2.** A function g(z) given by (2) is said to belong to the subclass  $H_{\tilde{\Sigma}^*_{\mathfrak{B}}}(\alpha, n, \lambda)$  of bi-univalent strongly starlike meromorphic functions of order  $\alpha, 0 < \alpha \leq 1$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$|\arg(\frac{z(F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z))'}{F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z)})| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} \quad (0 < \alpha \le 1, 0 \le \lambda < \frac{1}{k+1}, n = 0, 1, 2, ..., z \in \Delta),$$
(16)

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and

$$|\arg(\frac{w(F_{\lambda}^{n}h(w))'}{F_{\lambda}^{n}h(w)})| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} \quad (0 < \alpha \le 1, 0 \le \lambda < \frac{1}{k+1}, n = 0, 1, 2, ..., w \in \Delta),$$
(17)

where the function h(w) is the inverse of g(z) given by (3).

**Theorem 2.2.** Let the function g(z) given by (2) be in the subclass  $H_{\tilde{\Sigma}^*_{\mathfrak{B}}}(\alpha, n, \lambda)$ . Then

$$|b_o| \le \frac{2\alpha}{|1-\lambda|^n}$$
 and  $|b_1| \le \sqrt{5} \frac{\alpha^2}{(1-2\lambda)^n}.$ 

*Proof.* Consider the function  $g \in H_{\tilde{\Sigma}^*_{\mathfrak{B}}}(\alpha, n, \lambda)$ . Then, by Definition 2 of the subclass  $H_{\tilde{\Sigma}^*_{\mathfrak{B}}}(\alpha, n, \lambda)$ 

$$\frac{z(F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z))'}{F_{\lambda}^{n}g(z)} = (p(z))^{\alpha},$$
(18)

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and

$$\frac{w(F_{\lambda}^n h(w))'}{F_{\lambda}^n h(w)} = (q(w))^{\alpha},$$
(19)

where  $\frac{z(F_{\lambda}^n g(z))'}{F_{\lambda}^n g(z)}$  is given by (7) and p(z) is given in (11) so,

$$1 - \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n}b_{o}}{z} + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{2n}b_{o}^{2} - 2(1-2\lambda)^{n}b_{1}}{z^{2}} - \frac{(1-\lambda)^{3n}b_{o}^{3} - 3(1-\lambda)^{n}(1-2\lambda)^{n}b_{o}b_{1} + 3(1-2\lambda)^{n}b_{2}}{z^{3}} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{\alpha c_{1}}{z} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}\alpha(\alpha-1)c_{1}^{2} + \alpha c_{2}}{z^{2}} + \frac{\frac{1}{6}\alpha(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)c_{1}^{3} + \alpha(\alpha-1)c_{1}c_{2} + \alpha c_{3}}{z^{3}} + \dots$$
(20)

Equating the coefficients in both sides of equation (20) we get

$$\alpha c_1 = -(1-\lambda)^n b_o \quad and \quad \frac{1}{2} \alpha (\alpha - 1) c_1^2 + \alpha c_2 = (1-\lambda)^{2n} b_o^2 - 2(1-2\lambda)^n b_1. \tag{21}$$

Applying q(w) from (11) and  $\frac{w(F_{\lambda}^n h(w))'}{F_{\lambda}^n h(w)}$  from (12) in (19) we get

$$1 + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n}b_{o}}{w} + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{2n}b_{o}^{2} + 2(1-2\lambda)^{n}b_{1}}{w^{2}} + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{3n}b_{o}^{3} + 3(1-\lambda)^{n}(1-2\lambda)^{n}b_{o}b_{1} + 3(1-3\lambda)^{n}b_{2} + 3(1-3\lambda)^{n}b_{o}b_{1}}{w^{3}} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{\alpha d_{1}}{w} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}\alpha(\alpha-1)d_{1}^{2} + \alpha d_{2}}{w^{2}} + \frac{\frac{1}{6}\alpha(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)d_{1}^{3} + \alpha(\alpha-1)d_{1}c_{2} + \alpha d_{3}}{w^{3}} + \dots$$
(22)

Equating the coefficients in both sides of equation (22) we get

$$\alpha d_1 = (1-\lambda)^n b_o \quad and \quad \frac{1}{2}\alpha(\alpha-1)d_1^2 + \alpha d_2 = (1-\lambda)^{2n}b_o^2 + 2(1-2\lambda)^n b_1.$$
(23)

From (21), (23) and applying Lemma 1.1, follows that

$$|b_o| \le \frac{2\alpha}{|1-\lambda|^n}$$
 and  $|b_1| \le \sqrt{5} \frac{\alpha^2}{(1-2\lambda)^n}$ 

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.2.

If we put n = 0 or  $\lambda = 0$ , in Theorem 2.2 then we get the following corollary due to [17].

**Corollary 2.2.** Let the function g(z) given by (2) be in the subclass  $H_{\tilde{\Sigma}^*_{\infty}}(\alpha)$ . Then

$$|b_o| \le 2\alpha, \quad and \quad |b_1| \le \sqrt{5\alpha^2}. \tag{24}$$

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