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# On Meromorphic Quasi-starlike Functions

O funkcjach quasi-gwiaździstych meromorficznych

О квази-звездных мероморфных функциях

Let  $\Sigma^*$  denote the class of functions

(1) 
$$F(z) = \frac{1}{z} + A_0 + A_1 z + \dots$$

which are univalent and holomorphic in |z| < 1, except for a pole at z = 0, and map |z| < 1 onto a domain whose complement is starlike with respect to the origin.

The class of functions f(z) determined by the equation

(2) 
$$F\left(\frac{1}{f(z)}\right) = MF(z),$$

where  $F \in \Sigma^*$  and M is fixed,  $(1 < M < \infty)$ , will be called the class of meromorphic quasi-starlike functions and denoted by  $\Sigma^M$ .

Let us introduce the following notations

(3) 
$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-1}}{z} + a_0 + a_1 z + \dots, |z| < 1,$$

where  $a_{-1} = M$ , and

(4) 
$$\left(\frac{1}{f(z)}\right)^k = a_k^{(k)} z^k + a_{k+1}^{(k)} z^{k+1} + \dots, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots.$$

Further, let  $\Sigma_{(m)}^{M}$  denote the subclass of  $\Sigma^{M}$  of meromorphic quasistarlike functions determined by the equation

(5) 
$$\frac{1}{f(z)} \prod_{k=1}^{m} (f(z) - \sigma_k)^{\beta_k} = \frac{M}{z} \prod_{k=1}^{m} (1 - \sigma_k z)^{\beta_k},$$

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where

(6) 
$$\sigma_k = e^{i\varphi_k}, \varphi_k - \text{real}, \sigma_i \neq \sigma_k \text{ for } i \neq k, i, k = 1, ..., m$$
  
and

(7)

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} \beta_k = 2, \quad \beta_k > 0, \quad k = 1, 2, ..., m.$$

Suppose that

(8) 
$$H = H(z_0, z_1, \ldots, z_N, \bar{z}_0, \bar{z}_1, \ldots, \bar{z}_N)$$

is a real-valued function of 2N+2 complex variables, defined in an open and sufficiently large set V and suppose that  $\operatorname{grad} H \neq 0$  at every point of V.

Given a function f(z) of the form (3), let

(9) 
$$H_{f} = H(a_{0}, a_{1}, \ldots, a_{N}, \overline{a}_{0}, \overline{a}_{1}, \ldots, \overline{a}_{N}).$$

One can prove the following

**Theorem 1.** If the functional (9) attains its extremal value for a function f(z) of the class  $\Sigma_{(m)}^{M}$ , then this function satisfies the following equations:

$$rac{f'(z)\,\mathscr{L}igg(rac{1}{f(z)}igg)}{f(z)\,\mathscr{R}igg(rac{1}{f(z)}igg)}+rac{1}{z}\,rac{\mathscr{L}(z)}{\mathscr{R}(z)}=0$$

and

$$rac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \, rac{ ilde{\mathscr{L}}\left(rac{1}{f(z)}
ight)}{ ilde{\mathscr{R}}\left(rac{1}{f(z)}
ight)} + rac{1}{z} \, rac{ ilde{\mathscr{L}}(z)}{ ilde{\mathscr{R}}(z)} = 0,$$

where

$$egin{aligned} \mathscr{L}(z) &= \sum_{k=1}^{N+1} \left( rac{C_k}{z^k} + ar{C}_k z^k 
ight) + C_0, \ \mathscr{R}(z) &= \sum_{k=1}^{N+1} \left( rac{D_k}{z_k} - ar{D}_k z^k 
ight), \ \widetilde{\mathscr{L}}(z) &= \sum_{k=1}^{N+1} \left( rac{E_k}{z^k} - ar{E}_k z^k 
ight) + E_0, \ \widetilde{\mathscr{R}}(z) &= \sum_{k=1}^{N+1} rac{1}{k} \left( rac{D_k}{z^k} + ar{D}_k z^k 
ight) + D_0, \end{aligned}$$

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$$(11) \quad D_{k} = \sum_{l=k-1}^{N} H_{l} \sum_{n=0}^{l-k+1} B_{l-k-n+1} ((n-1)a_{n-1} - a_{l}^{(l-n)}), \quad k = 1, ..., N+1,$$

$$(12) \quad D_{0} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N+1} \frac{1}{k} (D_{k}d_{k} + \overline{D}_{k}\overline{d}_{k}),$$

$$C_{k} = \sum_{l=k}^{N+1} D_{l}d_{l-k}, \quad k = 1, ..., N+1,$$

$$C_{0} = \sum_{l=1}^{N+1} D_{l}d_{l} \quad and \quad C_{0} = \overline{C}_{0},$$

$$E_{k} = \sum_{l=k}^{N+1} \frac{1}{l} D_{l}d_{l-k}, \quad k = 1, ..., N+1,$$

$$E_{0} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N+1} \frac{1}{k} (D_{k}d_{k} - \overline{D}_{k}\overline{d}_{k}),$$

$$(13) \quad H_{k} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial a_{k}} + \left(\frac{\partial \overline{H}}{\partial \overline{a}_{k}}\right), \quad k = 0, 1, ..., N,$$

$$d_{k} = \sum_{l=1}^{m} \beta_{l}\sigma_{l}^{k}, \quad k = 1, 2, ..., d_{0} = 1,$$

$$(15) \quad B_{k} = (-1)^{k} \begin{vmatrix} d_{1} & d_{0} & 0 & ... & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ d_{k} & d_{k-1} & d_{k-2} & ... & d_{1} \end{vmatrix}, \quad k = 1, 2, ..., B_{0} = 1,$$

Moreover, the numbers  $\overline{\sigma}_t$ , t = 1, ..., m, which appear in (5) and (6) are roots of  $\mathcal{R}(z)$  and double roots of  $\overline{\mathcal{R}}(z)$ .

The proof is based on the method of Lagrange's multipliers for the functions of complex variables [1].

**Theorem 2.** The extremal value of the functional  $H_f$  is attained in the class  $\Sigma^M$ , for a function which belongs to the class  $\bigcup_{m=1}^{N+1} \Sigma^M_{(m)}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $H^*$  denote e.g. maximum of the functional  $H_f$  in  $\Sigma^M$ and let  $H_k^*$  denote an analogous maximum in  $\bigcup_{m=1}^k \Sigma_{(m)}^M$ . k = 1, 2, ...Let us observe first, that  $H_k^* = H_{N+1}^*$  for k > N+1 and consequently

$$\sup_{k} H_k^* = H_{N+1}^*.$$

In fact, because the class  $\bigcup_{m=1}^{k} \Sigma_{(m)}^{M}$ , k = 1, 2, ..., is compact and H is continuous, we can find a function  $f \in \Sigma_{(i)}^{M}$ ,  $i \leq k$ , realizing the mentioned extremum. Then from Theorem 1 it follows that the function  $\mathfrak{K}(z)$  of the form (10) has double roots at points  $z = \overline{\sigma_t}$ , t = 1, ..., i. This implies  $i \leq N+1$  and, as consequently, inequality (16) follows.

Next, we prove that

It is not difficult to observe that we can approximate any meromorphic quasi-starlike function by the functions of the classes  $\sum_{m}^{M}$  (m = 1, 2, ...). Therefore, the assumption  $H_{f_0} > H_{N+1}^*$  with  $f_0 \in \Sigma^M$  contradicts (16) and this implies the inequality (17).

Finally, we can observe using the definitions of meromorphic quasistarlike functions f(z) and quasi-starlike functions that the function g(z)of the form g(z) = 1/f(z) is quasi-starlike. From this and from a result obtained by I. Dziubiński [3] the following result easily follows.

**Theorem 3.** The necessary and sufficient condition for a function  $F(z) = \frac{1}{M}f(z), f \in \Sigma_{(m)}^{M}$ , to belong to the class  $\Sigma^{*}$  is that the following conditions are satisfied:  $\beta_{k} = 2/m, k = 1, 2, ..., m$ ,

(18) 
$$\sigma_k = e^{i\frac{2\pi m}{m}}$$
, when m is an odd number,  $k = 1, 2, ..., m$ ,

(19)  $\sigma_k = e^{i\left(\frac{4\pi}{m}\left[\frac{k-1}{2}\right] + (-1)^{k-1}\varphi\right)}$ , when m is an even number, k = 1, 2, ..., m, where  $\varphi$  is an arbitrary real number,  $0 < \varphi < 2\pi/m$ , and the numbers  $\sigma_k$  are determined by (18), (19) up to a rotation.

In the next part of this paper we shall give sharp estimates of coefficients  $a_0, a_1, a_2$  of a meromorphic quasi-starlike function.

Let us consider the functional  $H_f$  of the form

(20) 
$$H_f = \operatorname{re} a_n = \frac{1}{2}(a_n + \overline{a}_n), \quad n = 0, 1, 2,$$

and suppose, that

(21) 
$$\operatorname{re} a_n = a_n > 0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2,$$

for the function  $f^*(z)$  realizing an extremum of the functional (20).

1°. Let n = 0. From Theorem 2 it follows immediately that the functional (20) attains its extremal value for a function  $f^*(z)$  belonging to the class  $\Sigma_{(1)}^M$ . Hence,  $f^*(z)$  is determined by the equation (5) (m = 1) and the coefficient  $a_0$  of  $f^*(z)$ , in view of (21), has the form

$$a_0 = 2M\left(1-rac{1}{M}
ight).$$

Therefore, for every function  $f \in \Sigma^M$  we have

$$|a_0| \leqslant 2M\left(1-\frac{1}{M}\right)$$

2°. Let n = 1. Then  $f^*(z)$  realizing an extremum of  $H_f$  belongs to the class  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{2} \Sigma_{(k)}^{M}$ .

a) At first we suppose, that  $f^* \in \Sigma_{(1)}^M$ . Then  $f^*(z)$  is determined by the equation (5) (m = 1) and its coefficient  $a_{1(1)}$ , in view of (21), has the form

(23) 
$$a_{1(1)} = M\left(1 - \frac{1}{M^2}\right).$$

b) Next, we suppose that  $f^* \in \Sigma_{(2)}^M$ . Then  $f^*(z)$  is given by the equation (5), (m = 2), and its coefficient  $a_{1(2)}$  is of the form

(24) 
$$a_{1(2)} = \frac{M^2 - 1}{M} \left[ (\beta_1 \sigma_1 + \beta_2 \sigma_2)^2 - (\beta_1 \sigma_1^2 + \beta_2 \sigma_2^2) \right].$$

From Theorem 1 it follows that the numbers  $\overline{\sigma_i}(t=1,2)$  are double roots of the function  $\tilde{\mathscr{R}}(z)$  determined by (10)-(15). Hence, the numbers  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$ ,  $\beta_1, \beta_2$  associated with  $f^*(z)$  by the formula (5) satisfy the following system of the equations

$$\begin{cases} \sigma_1^2 \sigma_1^2 = 1 \\ \sigma_1 (1 - \beta_1) + \sigma_2 (1 - \beta_2) = 0 \\ \beta_1 + \beta_2 = 2. \end{cases}$$

Hence, we obtain

(25) 
$$\sigma_1 = e^{i\psi}, \quad \sigma_2 = e^{-i\psi}, \quad \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 1,$$

or

(26) 
$$\sigma_1 = e^{i\varphi}, \quad \sigma_2 = -e^{-i\varphi}, \quad \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 1.$$

Further, from (24)-(26) and (21) it follows that the coefficient  $a_{1(2)}$  of  $f^*(z)$  is of the form

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(27) 
$$a_{1(2)} = M\left(1 - \frac{1}{M^2}\right)$$

We conclude from (23) and (27) that: For every function  $f \in \Sigma^M$  we have

$$|a_1| \leqslant M \left( 1 - \frac{1}{M^2} \right)$$

3°. Let n = 2. Then  $f^*(z)$  realizing an extremum of  $H_f$  belongs to the class  $\bigcup_{k=1}^{3} \Sigma_{(k)}^{M}$ .

a) Suppose first that  $f^* \in \Sigma^M_{(1)}$ .

Then the coefficient  $a_{2(1)}$  of  $f^*(z)$  in view of (5), is given by the formula

(29) 
$$a_{2(1)} = \frac{2}{M} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{M} \right)$$

b) Next, suppose that  $f^* \in \Sigma^M_{(2)}$ .

Then, from the equation (5), (m = 2), it follows that its coefficient  $a_{2(2)}$  is determined by the formula

(30) 
$$a_{2(2)} = \frac{1-M}{6M^2} \left[ (M^2 + M + 4)(\beta_1 \sigma_1 + \beta_2 \sigma_2)^3 - -3(M^2 + M + 2)(\beta_1 \sigma_1 + \beta_2 \sigma_2)(\beta_1 \sigma_1^2 + \beta_2 \sigma_2^2) + +2(M^2 + M + 1)(\beta_1 \sigma_1^3 + \beta_2 \sigma_2^3) \right].$$

From Theorem 1 it follows that the numbers  $\overline{\sigma_1}, \overline{\sigma_2}$  are double roots of  $\tilde{\mathscr{R}}(z)$  given by (10) and (11)-(15). Another roots of  $\tilde{\mathscr{R}}(z)$  are denoted by  $z_1 = \varrho_1 \overline{\sigma}, z_2 = \frac{1}{\varrho_1} \overline{\sigma}$ , where  $|\sigma| = 1, 0 < \varrho_1 \leq 1$ . Hence it follows that  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \beta_1, \beta_2$ , associated with  $f^*(z)$  by the formula (5) satisfy the following system of equations

(31)  
$$\begin{cases} \beta_{1} + \beta_{2} = 2 \\ \sigma_{1}^{2}\sigma_{2}^{2}\sigma^{2} = 1 \\ \sigma_{1} + \sigma_{2} + \varrho\sigma = \frac{3}{4}\left(\beta_{1}\sigma_{1} + \beta_{2}\sigma_{2}\right)\frac{M^{2} + M + 2}{M^{2} + M + 1} \\ (\sigma_{1} + \sigma_{2})^{2} + 2\sigma_{1}\sigma_{2} + \sigma^{2} + 4\varrho\sigma(\sigma_{1} + \sigma_{2}) = \\ = \frac{3}{2}\frac{M^{2} + M + 4}{M^{2} + M + 1}\left(\beta_{1}\sigma_{1} + \beta_{2}\sigma_{2}\right)^{2} - \frac{3}{2}\frac{M^{2} + M + 2}{M^{2} + M + 1}\left(\beta_{1}\sigma_{1}^{*} + \beta_{2}\sigma_{2}^{*}\right), \end{cases}$$

where  $\rho = 1/2(\rho_1 + 1/\rho_1)$ .

From system (31) we obtain

$$egin{aligned} &\sigma_1=e^{-rac{\pi}{3}i}, η_1=\mathbb{I}-rac{1}{2}\sqrt{rac{2}{3}rac{2M^2+2M+5}{M^2+M+4}} \ &\sigma_2=-e^{-rac{\pi}{3}i}, η_2=1+rac{1}{2}\sqrt{rac{2}{3}rac{2M^2+2M+5}{M^2+M+4}} \end{aligned}$$

and, as a consequence of this and the equation (30), we obtain

(32) 
$$a_{2(2)} = \frac{2}{9} \frac{(M-1)(2M^2+2M+5)}{M^2} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{2M^2+2M+5}{M^2+M+4}$$

The remaining solutions of (31) lead to the same value of  $|a_{2(2)}|$ .

c) Finally, suppose that  $f^* \in \Sigma_{(3)}^M$ . Then, from the equation (5), (m = 3), it follows that the coefficient  $a_{2(3)}$  of  $f^*(z)$  is given by the formula

(33) 
$$a_{2(3)} = \frac{1-M}{6M^2} \left[ (M^2 + M + 4)(\beta_1 \sigma_1 + \beta_2 \sigma_2 + \beta_2 \sigma_3)^2 + 2(M^2 + M + 1)(\beta_1 \sigma_1^3 + \beta_2 \sigma_2^3 + \beta_3 \sigma_3^3) + -3(M^2 + M + 2)(\beta_1 \sigma_1 + \beta_2 \sigma_2 + \beta_3 \sigma_3)(\beta_1 \sigma_1^2 + \beta_3 \sigma_2^2 + \beta_3 \sigma_3^2) \right].$$

Analogously as in b), we verify that the numbers  $\sigma_1$ ,  $\sigma_2$ ,  $\sigma_3$ ,  $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$ ,  $\beta_3$  associated with  $f^*(z)$  satisfy the following system of equations:

(34)  
$$\beta_{1} + \beta_{2} + \beta_{3} = 2$$
$$\sigma_{1}^{2} \sigma_{2}^{2} \sigma_{3}^{2} = 1$$
$$\sigma_{1} + \sigma_{2} + \sigma_{3} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{M^{2} + M + 2}{M^{2} + M + 1} (\beta_{1} \sigma_{1} + \beta_{2} \sigma_{2} + \beta_{3} \sigma_{3})$$
$$(\sigma_{1} + \sigma_{2} + \sigma_{3})^{2} + 2(\sigma_{1} \sigma_{2} + \sigma_{1} \sigma_{3} + \sigma_{2} \sigma_{3}) =$$
$$= \frac{3}{2} \frac{M^{2} + M + 4}{M^{2} + M + 1} (\beta_{1} \sigma_{1} + \beta_{2} \sigma_{2} + \beta_{3} \sigma_{3})^{2} + \frac{3}{2} \frac{M^{2} + M + 2}{M^{2} + M + 1} (\beta_{1} \sigma_{1}^{2} + \beta_{2} \sigma_{2}^{2} + \beta_{3} \sigma_{3}^{2}).$$

From (34) it follows that

$$\sigma_1 = -1, \quad \sigma_2 = e^{\frac{\pi}{3}i}, \quad \sigma_3 = e^{-\frac{\pi}{3}i}, \quad \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \frac{2}{3},$$

(33') 
$$a_{2(3)} = \frac{2}{3} M \left( 1 - \frac{1}{M^3} \right).$$

The remaining solutions of (34) lead to the same value of  $|a_{2(3)}|$ . Since the inequalities

$$\frac{2}{M}\left(1-\frac{1}{M}\right) < \frac{2}{9M}\left(1-\frac{1}{M}\right)\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}\frac{\left(2M^2+2M+5\right)^3}{M^2+M+4}} < \frac{2}{3}M\left(1-\frac{1}{M^3}\right)$$

are fulfilled for every M > 1, we obtain, using (29), (32), (33'), that

$$a_{2(1)} < a_{2(2)} < a_{2(3)}.$$

Hence it follows that:

For every function  $f \in \Sigma^M$  we have

$$|a_2| \leqslant \frac{2}{3} M\left(1 - \frac{1}{M^3}\right)$$

From (22), (28) and (35) we obtain

**Theorem 4.** If a function f(z) belongs to the class  $\Sigma^{\mathcal{M}}$ , then

(36) 
$$|a_n| \leq \frac{2}{n+1} M\left(1 - \frac{1}{M^{n+1}}\right) \quad for \ n = 0, 1, 2.$$

The estimation (36) is sharp and the equality in (36) takes place for the function given by the equation

Finally, let us observe that the above results suggest that the estimation (36) in the class  $\Sigma^M$  holds for any natural *n*. Moreover, it is easy to see, after a suitable normalization of meromorphic quasi-starlike functions  $(a_{-1} = 1)$ , that we can obtain from (36) the analogous results for the class  $\Sigma^*$  obtained earlier by Clunie [2] and Pommerenke [4].

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STRESZCZENIE

Autorka rozpatruje klasę  $\Sigma^{M}$  funkcji meromorficznych quasi-gwiaździstych, określoną warunkiem (2) i znajduje postać ogólną funkcji ekstremalnych dla pewnych funkcjonałów w tej klasie. Jako zastosowanie znajduje dokładne oszacowania współczynników Laurenta  $a_n$  (n = 0, 1, 2)w rozważanej klasie.

## РЕЗЮМЕ

Автор занимается классом  $\Sigma^M$  мероморфных квази-звездных функций, который определен условием (2) и получает общий вид экстремальных функций для некоторых функционалов в этом классе. В применении дает точную оценку коэффициентов Лорана а, (n = 0, 1, 2) в этом классе.