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ON A FIRST-ORDER NONLINEAR DIFFERENTIAL SUBORDINATION II

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Abstract. We find conditions on the complex-valued functions A, B, C, Ddefined in the unit disc U and the positive constants M and N such that $|A(z)zp'(z) + B(z)p^2(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z)| < M$ implies |p(z)| < N, where p is analytic in U, with p(0) = 0.

1. Introduction and preliminaries

In [1] chapter IV, the authors have analyzed a first-order linear differential subordination

$$B(z)zp'(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z) \prec h(z), \tag{1}$$

where B, C, D and h are complex-valued functions.

A more general version of (1) is given by

$$B(z)zp'(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z) \in \Omega,$$
(2)

where $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$.

In this paper we shall extend this problem by considering a first-order nonlinear differential subordination given by

$$A(z)zp'(z) + B(z)p^{2}(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z) \prec h(z).$$
(3)

A more general version of (3) is given by:

$$A(z)zp'(z) + B(z)p^{2}(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z) \in \Omega,$$
(4)

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where $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$.

The general problem is to find conditions on the complex-valued functions A, B, C, D and h such that the differential subordination given by (3) or (4) will have dominants and even best dominant.

We let U denote the class of holomorphic functions in the unit disc

$$U = \{ z \in \mathbb{C}; |z| < 1 \}, \quad \overline{U} = \{ z \in \mathbb{C}; |z| \le 1 \}.$$

For $a \in \mathbb{C}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ we let

$$\mathcal{H}[a,n] = \{ f \in U, \ f(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots, \ z \in U \}$$

and

$$A_n = \{ f \in U, \ f(z) = z + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots, \ z \in U \}$$

and $A_1 = A$.

We let Q denote the class of functions q that are holomorphic and injective in $\overline{U} \setminus E(q)$, where

$$E(q) = \left\{ \zeta \in \partial U : \lim_{z \to \zeta} q(z) = \infty \right\}$$

and furthermore $q'(\zeta) \neq 0$ for $\zeta \in \partial U \setminus E(q)$, where E(q) is called exception set.

In order to prove the new results we shall use the following:

Lemma A. [1] (Lemma 2.2.d p.24) Let $q \in Q$, with q(0) = a, and let

$$p(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots$$

be analytic in U with $p(z) \not\equiv a$, and $n \geq 1$.

If p is not subordinate to q, then there exist points $z_0 = r_0 e^{i\theta_0} \in U$, $r_0 < 1$ and $\zeta \in \partial U \setminus E(q)$, and an $m \ge n \ge 1$ for which $p(U_{r_0}) \subset q(U)$

(i)
$$p(z_0) = q(\zeta)$$

(ii) $z_0 p'(z_0) = m\zeta q'(\zeta)$, and
(iii) Re $\frac{z_0 p''(z_0)}{p'(z_0)} + 1 \ge m \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{\zeta q''(\zeta)}{q'(\zeta)} + 1 \right]$.

In this paper we consider the first-order nonlinear differential subordination (4) in which $\Omega = \{w; |w| < M\}$. Given the functions A, B, C, D and the constant 72 M, our problem is to find a constant N such that, for $p \in \mathcal{H}[0,n]$, the differential inequality

$$|A(z)zp'(z) + B(z)p^{2}(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z)| < M$$

implies

|p(z)| < N.

If D(0) = 0, then this result can be written in terms of the differential subordination as

$$A(z)zp'(z) + B(z)p^{2}(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z) \prec Mz$$

implies $p(z) \prec Nz$.

2. Main results

In this paper we improve the results obtained in [2].

Theorem 1. Let M > 0, N > 0 and let n be a positive integer. Suppose that the functions $A, B, C, D : U \to \mathbb{C}$ satisfy

$$n|A(z)| - |C(z)| \ge \frac{M + N^2|B(z)| + |D(z)|}{N}.$$
(5)

If $p \in \mathcal{H}[0,n]$ and

$$|A(z)zp'(z) + B(z)p^{2}(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z)| < M$$
(6)

then

$$|p(z)| < N, \quad z \in U.$$

Proof. If we let

$$w(z) = A(z)zp'(z) + B(z)p^{2}(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z),$$

then from (6) we obtain

$$|w(z)| = |A(z)zp'(z) + B(z)p^{2}(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z)|.$$
(7)

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From (7) and (6) we have

$$|w(z)| < M, \quad z \in U. \tag{8}$$

Assume that $|p(z)| \not< N$, which is equivalent with $p(z) \not< Nz = q(z)$.

According to Lemma A, with q(z) = Nz, there exist $z_0 \in U$, $z_0 = r_0 e^{i\theta_0}$, $r_0 < 1, \ \theta_0 \in [0, 2\pi), \ \zeta \in \partial U, \ |\zeta| = 1$ and $m \ge n$, such that $p(z_0) = N\zeta$ and $z_0 p'(z_0) = mN\zeta$.

Using these conditions in (3) we obtain for $z = z_0$

$$|w(z_{0})| = |A(z_{0})z_{0}p'(z_{0}) + B(z_{0})p^{2}(z_{0}) + C(z_{0})p(z_{0}) + D(z_{0})|$$

$$= |A(z_{0})mN\zeta + B(z_{0})N^{2}\zeta^{2} + C(z_{0})N\zeta + D(z_{0})|$$

$$\geq |A(z_{0})mN + B(z_{0})N^{2}\zeta + C(z_{0})N| - |D(z_{0})|$$

$$\geq N|A(z_{0})m + C(z_{0})| - N^{2}|B(z_{0})| - |D(z_{0})|$$

$$\geq mn|A(z_{0})| - N|C(z_{0})| - N^{2}|B(z_{0})| - |D(z_{0})|$$

$$\geq [n|A(z_{0})| - |C(z_{0})|]N - N^{2}|B(z_{0})| - |D(z_{0})| \geq M.$$
(9)

Since (9) contradicts (8) we obtain the desired results |p(z)| < N. \Box

Instead of prescribing the constant N in Theorem 1, in some cases we can use in (5) to determine an appropriate N = N(M, n, A, B, C, D) so that (6) implies |p(z)| < N. This can be accomplished by solving (5) for N and by taking the supremum of the resulting function over U. The condition (5) is equivalent to

$$N^{2}|B(z)| - N[n|A(z)| - |C(z)|] + |D(z)| + M \le 0.$$
(10)

Suppose $B(z) \neq 0$, the inequality (10) holds if

$$[n|A(z)| - |C(z)|]^2 \ge 4|B(z)|[|D(z)| + M].$$
(11)

The roots of the trinomial in (10) are

$$N_{1,2} = \frac{n|A(z)| - |C(z)| \pm \sqrt{[n|A(z)| - |C(z)|]^2 - 4|B(z)|[|D(z)| + M]}}{2|B(z)|}$$

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Let

$$N = \sup_{|z|<1} \frac{n|A(z)| - |C(z)| - \sqrt{[n|A(z)| - |C(z)|]^2 - 4|B(z)|[|D(z)| + M]}}{2|B(z)|}$$

$$= \sup_{|z|<1} \frac{2[|D(z)|+M]}{n|A(z)| - |C(z)| + \sqrt{[n|A(z)| - |C(z)|]^2 - 4|B(z)|[|D(z)|+M]}}.$$

If this supremum is finite, we have the following version of the Theorem 1:

Theorem 2. Let M > 0, N > 0 and n be a positive integer. Suppose that $p \in \mathcal{H}[0,n]$ and the functions $A, B, C, D : U \to \mathbb{C}$, with $B(z) \neq 0$, satisfy:

$$[n|A(z)| - |C(z)|]^2 \ge 4|B(z)|[|D(z)| + M].$$
$$2[|D(z)| + M]$$

$$N = \sup_{|z|<1} \frac{2[|D(z)| + M]}{n|A(z)| - |C(z)| + \sqrt{[n|A(z)| - |C(z)|]^2 - 4|B(z)|[|D(z)| + M]}}$$

then

$$|A(z)zp'(z) + B(z)p^{2}(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z)| < M$$

implies

$$|p(z)| < N, \quad z \in U.$$

If $D(z) \equiv 0$, the Theorem 1 can be rewritten as the following:

Corollary 1. Let M > 0, N > 0 and n be a positive integer. Suppose that the functions $A, B, C : U \to \mathbb{C}$ satisfy

$$n|A(z)| - |C(z)| \ge \frac{M + N^2|C(z)|}{N}.$$

If $p \in \mathcal{H}[0,n]$ and

$$|A(z)zp'(z) + B(z)p^{2}(z) + C(z)p(z) + D(z)| < M$$

then

$$|p(z)| < N, \quad z \in U.$$

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