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## APPLICATIONS OF SUBORDINATION THEORY TO STARLIKE FUNCTIONS

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $p$  be an analytic function defined on the open unit disc  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $p(0) = 1$ . The conditions on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are derived for  $p(z)$  to be subordinate to  $1 + 4z/3 + 2z^2/3 =: \varphi_C(z)$  when  $(1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z)/p(z)$  is subordinate to  $e^z$ . Similar problems were investigated for  $p(z)$  to lie in a region bounded by lemniscate of Bernoulli  $|w^2 - 1| = 1$  when the functions  $(1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z)$ ,  $(1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z)/p(z)$  or  $p(z) + \beta zp'(z)/p^2(z)$  are subordinates to  $\varphi_C(z)$ . Related results for  $p$  to be in the parabolic region bounded by the  $\text{Re } w = |w - 1|$  are investigated.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the class of all functions  $f$  analytic in the unit disc  $\mathbb{D} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  and normalized by the conditions  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(0) = 1$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of univalent functions. For an analytic function  $\varphi$  with positive real part in  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $\varphi(0) = 1$  and  $\varphi'(0) > 0$ , let

$$\mathcal{S}^*(\varphi) := \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} : \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \varphi(z) \right\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{C}(\varphi) := \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} : 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \prec \varphi(z) \right\}.$$

These classes unify various classes of starlike and convex functions. Shanmugam [18] studied the convolution properties of these classes when  $\varphi$  is convex while Ma and Minda [8] investigated the growth, distortion and coefficient estimates under less restrictive assumption that  $\varphi$  is starlike and  $\varphi(\mathbb{D})$  is symmetric with

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respect to the real axis. Notice that, for  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ , the class  $\mathcal{S}^*[A, B] := \mathcal{S}^*((1 + Az)/(1 + Bz))$  is the class of Janowski starlike functions [6, 13]. For  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ , the class  $\mathcal{S}^*[1 - 2\alpha, -1] =: \mathcal{S}^*(\alpha)$  is the familiar class of starlike functions of order  $\alpha$ , introduced by Robertson [16]. The classes  $\mathcal{S}^* := \mathcal{S}^*(0)$  and  $\mathcal{C} := \mathcal{C}(0)$  are the classes of starlike and convex functions respectively. If the function  $\varphi_{PAR} : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is given by

$$(1.1) \quad \varphi_{PAR}(z) := 1 + \frac{2}{\pi^2} \left( \log \frac{1 + \sqrt{z}}{1 - \sqrt{z}} \right)^2, \quad \text{Im } \sqrt{z} \geq 0$$

then  $\varphi_{PAR}(\mathbb{D}) = \{w = u + iv : v^2 < 2u - 1\} = \{w : \text{Re } w > |w - 1|\} =: \Omega_P$ . The class  $\mathcal{C}(\varphi_{PAR})$  is the class of uniformly convex functions introduced by Goodman [4]. The corresponding class  $\mathcal{S}_P := \mathcal{S}^*(\varphi_{PAR})$  of parabolic starlike functions, introduced by Rønning [17], consists of function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfying

$$\text{Re} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right|, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Sokół and Stankiewicz [23] have introduced and studied the class  $\mathcal{S}_L^* = \mathcal{S}^*(\sqrt{1+z})$ ; the class  $\mathcal{S}_L^*$  consists of functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $zf'(z)/f(z)$  lies in the region bounded by the right-half of the lemniscate of Bernoulli given by  $\Omega_L := \{w \in \mathbb{C} : |w^2 - 1| < 1\}$ . There has been several works [1, 3, 5, 14, 19, 21, 22] related to these classes. Similarly, the class  $\mathcal{S}_C^* := \mathcal{S}^*(\varphi_C)$ , where  $\varphi_C(z) = 1 + 4z/3 + 2z^2/3$  was introduced and studied recently in [15, 20]. Precisely,  $f \in \mathcal{S}_C^*$  provided  $zf'(z)/f(z)$  lies in the region bounded by the cardioid

$$\Omega_C := \{w = u + iv : (9u^2 + 9v^2 - 18u + 5)^2 - 16(9u^2 + 9v^2 - 6u + 1) = 0\}.$$

Another class  $\mathcal{S}_e^* := \mathcal{S}^*(e^z)$ , introduced recently by Mendiratta *et al.* [10], consists of functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfying the condition  $|\log(zf'(z)/f(z))| < 1$ .

A convex function is starlike of order  $1/2$ ; analytically,

$$p(z) + zp'(z)/p(z) \prec (1+z)/(1-z) \implies p(z) \prec 1/(1-z).$$

Similarly, a sufficient condition for a function  $p$  to be a function with positive real part is that  $p(z) + zp'(z)/p(z) \prec \mathcal{R}(z)$ , where  $\mathcal{R}$  is the open door mapping given by

$$\mathcal{R}(z) := \frac{1+z}{1-z} + \frac{2z}{1-z^2}.$$

Several authors have investigated similar results for functions to belong to certain regions in right half plane. For example, Ali *et al.* [2] determined the condition on  $\beta$  for  $p(z) \prec \sqrt{1+z}$  when  $1 + \beta zp'(z)/p^n(z)$  with  $n = 0, 1, 2$  or  $(1 - \beta)p(z) + \beta p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z)$  is subordinate to  $\sqrt{1+z}$ . For related results, see [1-3, 7, 12, 22]. We investigate a similar problem for regions that were considered recently by many authors, including parabolic and lemniscate regions associated with the classes  $\mathcal{S}_P$  and  $\mathcal{S}_L^*$ , respectively. Precisely we determine conditions on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  so that  $p(z) \prec \varphi_C(z)$  when  $(1 - \alpha)p(z) +$

$\alpha p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z)/p(z) \prec e^z$ . Conditions on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are also determined so that  $(1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z)$  or  $(1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z)/p(z)$  or  $p(z) + \beta zp'(z)/p^2(z) \prec \varphi_C(z)$  implies  $p(z) \prec \sqrt{1+z}$ . We also find condition on  $\beta$  so that  $1 + \beta zp'(z)$  is subordinate to  $\varphi_C(z)$  or  $\sqrt{1+z}$  implies  $p(z) \prec \varphi_{PAR}(z)$ . Our results yield several sufficient conditions for  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  to belong to the class  $\mathcal{S}_P, \mathcal{S}_C^*$  or  $\mathcal{S}_L^*$ .

We need the following lemmas to prove our results.

**Lemma 1.1.** [11, Corollary 3.4h, p.135] *Let  $q$  be univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$ , and let  $\varphi$  be analytic in a domain  $D$  containing  $q(\mathbb{D})$ . Let  $zq'(z)\varphi(q(z))$  be starlike. If  $p$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $p(0) = q(0)$  and  $zp'(z)\varphi(p(z)) \prec zq'(z)\varphi(q(z))$ , then  $p \prec q$  and  $q$  is the best dominant.*

**Lemma 1.2.** [11, Theorem 3.4i, p.134] *Let  $q$  be univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$  and let  $\varphi$  and  $\nu$  be analytic in a domain  $D$  containing  $q(\mathbb{D})$  with  $\varphi(w) \neq 0$  when  $w \in q(\mathbb{D})$ . Set  $Q(z) := zq'(z)\varphi(q(z))$ ,  $h(z) := \nu(q(z)) + Q(z)$ . Suppose that (i) either  $h$  is convex or  $Q(z)$  is starlike univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$  and (ii)  $\text{Re}(zh'(z)/Q(z)) > 0$  for  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ . Let  $p$  be analytic in  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $p(0) = q(0)$  and  $p(\mathbb{D}) \subset \mathbb{D}$ . If  $p$  satisfies*

$$(1.2) \quad \nu(p(z)) + zp'(z)\varphi(p(z)) \prec \nu(q(z)) + zq'(z)\varphi(q(z)),$$

then  $p \prec q$  and  $q$  is the best dominant.

## 2. RESULTS ASSOCIATED WITH STARLIKENESS

Let  $p$  be an analytic function in  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $p(0) = 1$ . In the first result, we find the conditions on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  so that  $p(z) \in \Omega_C$ , whenever  $(1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z)/p(z) \prec e^z$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let the function  $p$  be analytic in  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $p(0) = 1$ . Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that either (i)  $3(e - 3)/(2e) < \alpha < (e - 3)/6$ ,  $\beta > 9(e - 3 - 6\alpha)/8$ , or (ii)  $(e - 3)/6 \leq \alpha \leq 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$  holds. If the function  $p$  satisfies*

$$(1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \prec e^z$$

then  $p(z) \prec \varphi_C(z)$ .

*Proof.* The function  $q : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defined by  $q(z) = \varphi_C(z) = 1 + 4(z + z^2/2)/3$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$ . Let  $h : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be defined by

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} h(z) &:= (1 - \alpha)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) + \beta \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)} \\ &= (1 - \alpha) \left( 1 + \frac{4z}{3} + \frac{2z^2}{3} \right) + \alpha \left( 1 + \frac{4z}{3} + \frac{2z^2}{3} \right)^2 + \frac{4\beta z(1+z)}{3+4z+2z^2}. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is by showing that (a)

$$(2.2) \quad (1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \prec (1 - \alpha)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) + \beta \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)}$$

implies that  $p(z) \prec q(z)$  and (b) the subordination  $\psi(z) := e^z \prec h(z)$  holds.

(a) The subordination (2.2) is the same as (1.2) if we define the functions  $\nu$ ,  $\varphi$  by  $\nu(w) = (1 - \alpha)w + \alpha w^2$  and  $\varphi(w) = \beta/w$ . The function  $\nu$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Since  $\beta > 0$ ,  $\varphi$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\varphi(w) \neq 0$ . Consider the functions  $Q$  and  $h$  defined as follows:

$$(2.3) \quad Q(z) := zq'(z)\varphi(q(z)) = \frac{\beta zq'(z)}{q(z)} = \frac{4\beta z(1+z)}{3+4z+2z^2}$$

and

$$(2.4) \quad h(z) = \nu(q(z)) + Q(z) = (1 - \alpha)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) + Q(z).$$

The equation (2.3) gives

$$\frac{zQ'(z)}{Q(z)} = \frac{z}{1+z} + \frac{3-2z^2}{3+4z+2z^2} =: K(z).$$

Substituting  $x = \cos t$  ( $t \in [-\pi, \pi]$ ), we have

$$\operatorname{Re}(K(e^{it})) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{5+4\cos t}{29+40\cos t+12\cos 2t} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{5+4x}{24x^2+40x+17} \geq \frac{11}{18} > 0.$$

This together with the minimum principle for harmonic functions shows that the function  $Q$  is starlike univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$ . Using (2.3) and (2.4), we get

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} = \frac{1-\alpha}{\beta}q(z) + \frac{2\alpha}{\beta}q^2(z) + \frac{zQ'(z)}{Q(z)} = M(z) + K(z),$$

where

$$M(z) = ((1-\alpha)/\beta)q(z) + (2\alpha/\beta)q^2(z).$$

We show that  $\operatorname{Re}(zh'(z)/Q(z)) > 0$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$  when  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfy the conditions in (i) or (ii) in the hypothesis. For  $t \in [-\pi, \pi]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(M(e^{it})) &= (9+9\alpha+12(1+3\alpha)\cos t \\ &\quad + (6+50\alpha)\cos 2t + 32\alpha\cos 3t + 8\alpha\cos 4t)/9\beta =: H(\cos t). \end{aligned}$$

We need to prove that  $H(x) \geq 0$  in the interval  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$  for cases (i) and (ii), where

$$H(x) = (3 - 33\alpha + 12(1 - 5\alpha)x + 12(1 + 3\alpha)x^2 + 128\alpha x^3 + 64\alpha x^4)/9\beta.$$

Since,  $H(1) = (3+15\alpha)/\beta$  and  $H(-1) = (3-\alpha)/9\beta$ ,  $H(1)$  and  $H(-1)$  both are non-negative for  $-1/5 \leq \alpha \leq 3$ ,  $\beta > 0$ . A calculation shows that  $H'(x) = 0$  if

$$\begin{aligned} x = x_0 &= -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1152\alpha - 5760\alpha^2}{4608(2^{\frac{1}{3}}\alpha(16\alpha^3 + \sqrt{2}\sqrt{\alpha^3 - 15\alpha^4 + 75\alpha^5 + 3\alpha^6})^{\frac{1}{3}})} \\ &\quad + \frac{(16\alpha^3 + \sqrt{2}\sqrt{\alpha^3 - 15\alpha^4 + 75\alpha^5 + 3\alpha^6})^{\frac{1}{3}}}{4(2^{\frac{2}{3}}\alpha)} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$H''(x) = (768x\alpha + 8(-16 + 96x^2)\alpha + 4(6 + 50\alpha))/9\beta.$$

Clearly for both the cases (i) and (ii),  $H''(x_0) < 0$ ,  $H(1) \geq 0$  and  $H(-1) \geq 0$ . Therefore,  $H(x) \geq \min(H(1), H(-1)) \geq 0$  for  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ . This shows that  $\operatorname{Re}(zh'(z)/Q(z)) > 0$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$  and therefore,  $h(z) - 1$  is close-to-convex function and hence univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$ . If the subordination (2.2) holds, Lemma 1.2 shows that  $p(z) \prec q(z)$ .

(b) We now show that  $\overline{\psi(z)} := e^z \prec h(z)$  holds. The subordination  $\psi(z) \prec h(z)$  holds if  $\partial h(\mathbb{D}) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\psi(\mathbb{D})} = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : |\log w| > 1\}$ . Set  $w = u + iv = h(e^{it})$ , where  $t \in [-\pi, \pi]$ . Then, the inequality  $|\log w| > 1$  reduces to

$$(2.5) \quad f(t) := (\log(u^2 + v^2))^2 + 4(\arg(u + iv))^2 - 4 > 0.$$

By definition of  $h$  given in (2.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} u = & \frac{1}{9(29 + 40 \cos t + 12 \cos 2t)} \left( 537 + 372\alpha + 216\beta \right. \\ & + 4(225 + 239\alpha + 81\beta) \cos t + 2(261 + 611\alpha + 54\beta) \cos 2t \\ & + 96(2 + 11\alpha) \cos 3t + 4(9 + 142\alpha) \cos 4t \\ & \left. + 176\alpha \cos 5t + 24\alpha \cos 6t \right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} v = & \frac{1}{9(29 + 40 \cos t + 12 \cos 2t)} \left( 4(147 + 511\alpha + 45\beta \right. \\ & + (225 + 907\alpha + 54\beta) \cos t + 8(12 + 77\alpha) \cos 2t \\ & \left. + 2(9 + 148\alpha) \cos 3t + 88\alpha \cos 4t + 12\alpha \cos 5t) \sin t \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f(t)$  is an even function of  $t$ , it is enough to show that  $f(t) > 0$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$ . It can be easily verified that for both the cases (i) and (ii), the function  $f(t)$  attains its minimum value either at  $t = 0$  or  $t = \pi$ . So, we need to show that both  $f(0)$  and  $f(\pi)$  are positive in either cases. Note that

$$(2.6) \quad f(0) = -4 + 4(\arg(27 + 54\alpha + 8\beta))^2 + (\log((27 + 54\alpha + 8\beta)^2/81))^2$$

and

$$(2.7) \quad f(\pi) = -4 + 4(\arg(3 - 2\alpha))^2 + (\log((3 - 2\alpha)^2/81))^2.$$

For the case (i), the relation  $\beta > 9(e - 3 - 6\alpha)/8$  gives  $27 + 54\alpha + 8\beta > 9e$  so that  $\arg(27 + 54\alpha + 8\beta) = 0$  and  $(\log((27 + 54\alpha + 8\beta)^2/81))^2 > (2 \log e)^2 = 4$ . Thus, the use of (2.6) yields  $f(0) > 0$ . The conditions  $\alpha < (e - 3)/6$  and  $3(e - 3)/(2e) < \alpha$  lead to  $3 - 2\alpha > 4 - e/3 > 0$  and  $(3 - 2\alpha)^2/81 < 1/e^2$  respectively which further implies that  $\arg(3 - 2\alpha) = 0$  and  $(\log((3 - 2\alpha)^2/81))^2 > 4$  respectively. Hence, by using (2.7), we get  $f(\pi) > 0$ .

For the case (ii), the condition  $(e - 3)/6 \leq \alpha$  gives  $27 + 54\alpha + 8\beta > 8\beta + 9e > 9e$ . So, proceeding as in the case (i), we get  $f(0) > 0$ . Using the fact that  $\alpha \leq 0$ , we get  $3 - 2\alpha > 0$  and hence  $\arg(3 - 2\alpha) = 0$ . Observe that

$\alpha \geq (e - 3)/6 > 3(e - 3)/(2e)$ . Thus, again proceeding as in the case (i), we get  $f(\pi) > 0$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

By taking  $p(z) = zf'(z)/f(z)$ ,  $p(z) = z^2f'(z)/f^2(z)$  and  $p(z) = f'(z)$ , the above theorem gives the following:

**Example 2.2.** Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that either (i)  $3(e - 3)/(2e) < \alpha < (e - 3)/6$ ,  $\beta > 9(e - 3 - 6\alpha)/8$ , or (ii)  $(e - 3)/6 \leq \alpha \leq 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$  holds.

(1) If the function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies the subordination

$$(1 - \alpha - \beta) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \alpha \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right)^2 + \beta \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \prec e^z$$

then  $f \in \mathcal{S}_C^*$ .

(2) If the function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies the subordination

$$\left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \frac{z^2f'(z)}{f^2(z)} \right) \frac{z^2f'(z)}{f^2(z)} + \beta \left( \frac{(zf(z))''}{f'(z)} - \frac{2zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \prec e^z$$

then  $z^2f'(z)/f^2(z) \prec \varphi_C(z)$ .

(3) If the function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies the subordination

$$((1 - \alpha) + \alpha f'(z))f'(z) + \beta \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \prec e^z$$

then  $f'(z) \prec \varphi_C(z)$ .

In the next two theorems, we compute the conditions on  $\beta$  so that  $p(z) \in \Omega_L$ , whenever

$$(1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z) \quad \text{or} \quad (1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \in \Omega_C,$$

where  $p$  is an analytic function defined on  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $p(0) = 1$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfying  $-1/(2\sqrt{2} - 1) \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $\beta > -2(2 - 3\sqrt{2} - 2\alpha + 2\sqrt{2}\alpha)$ . If the function  $p$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $p(0) = 1$  and satisfies  $(1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z) \prec \varphi_C(z)$  then  $p(z) \prec \sqrt{1 + z}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $q$  be the convex univalent function defined by  $q(z) = \sqrt{1 + z}$ . Then it is clear that  $\beta zq'(z)$  is starlike. We will prove the result by showing that (a)

$$(2.8) \quad (1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta zp'(z) \prec (1 - \alpha)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) + \beta zq'(z)$$

implies that  $p(z) \prec q(z)$  and (b)

$$(2.9) \quad \begin{aligned} \varphi_C(z) &:= 1 + \frac{4z}{3} + \frac{2z^2}{3} \prec (1 - \alpha)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) + \beta zq'(z) \\ &= (1 - \alpha)\sqrt{1 + z} + \alpha(1 + z) + \frac{\beta z}{2\sqrt{1 + z}} =: h(z). \end{aligned}$$

(a) To prove (2.8), define  $\nu(w) = (1 - \alpha)w + \alpha w^2$  and  $\varphi(w) = \beta$ . The function  $\nu$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Since  $\beta > 0$ ,  $\varphi$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\varphi(w) \neq 0$ . The function  $Q$  defined by

$$(2.10) \quad Q(z) := zq'(z)\varphi(q(z)) = \beta zq'(z) = \frac{\beta z}{2\sqrt{1+z}}$$

is starlike of order  $3/4$  and for the function  $h$  defined by

$$(2.11) \quad h(z) := \nu(q(z)) + Q(z) = (1 - \alpha)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) + Q(z),$$

we have

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} = \frac{1 - \alpha}{\beta} + \frac{2\alpha}{\beta}q(z) + \frac{zQ'(z)}{Q(z)}.$$

Using the fact that  $0 < \operatorname{Re} q(z) < \sqrt{2}$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ , we have the following two cases:

Case 1:  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ . In this case, we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} \right) > \frac{1 - \alpha}{\beta} + \frac{3}{4} > 0.$$

Case 2:  $-1/(2\sqrt{2} - 1) \leq \alpha < 0$ . In this case, we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} \right) > \frac{1 - \alpha}{\beta} + \frac{2\sqrt{2}\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{3}{4} > 0.$$

This shows that  $\operatorname{Re}(zh'(z)/Q(z)) > 0$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$  and therefore,  $h(z) - 1$  is close-to-convex function and hence univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$ . If the subordination (2.8) holds, Lemma 1.2 shows that  $p(z) \prec q(z)$ .

(b) We now show that (2.9) holds. Clearly,

$$\varphi_C(\mathbb{D}) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : |-2 + \sqrt{6w - 2}| < 2\}.$$

The subordination  $\varphi_C(z) \prec h(z)$  holds if  $\partial h(\mathbb{D}) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\varphi_C(\mathbb{D})}$ . Thus, by using the definition of  $h$  as given in (2.9), the subordination  $\varphi_C(z) \prec h(z)$  holds if for  $t \in [-\pi, \pi]$ , we have

$$(2.12) \quad \left| \sqrt{-2 + 6(1 - \alpha)\sqrt{1 + e^{it}} + 6\alpha(1 + e^{it}) + \frac{3\beta e^{it}}{\sqrt{1 + e^{it}}}} - 2 \right| > 2.$$

By writing

$$(2.13) \quad w = -2 + 6(1 - \alpha)\sqrt{1 + e^{it}} + 6\alpha(1 + e^{it}) + 3\beta e^{it}(1 + e^{it})^{-\frac{1}{2}},$$

we see that the condition (2.12) holds if  $|\sqrt{w} - 2| > 2$  or equivalently if  $|w| > 4 \operatorname{Re}(\sqrt{w})$ . On further simplification after substituting  $w = u + iv$ , (2.12) holds if

$$(2.14) \quad (u^2 + v^2 - 8u)^2 - 64(u^2 + v^2) > 0.$$



Using (2.13), we get

$$(2.15) \quad u = -2 + 6(1 - \alpha)\sqrt{2 \cos(t/2)} \cos(t/4) + 6\alpha(1 + \cos t) \\ + 3\beta \cos(3t/4)(2 \cos(t/2))^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

and

$$(2.16) \quad v = 6(1 - \alpha)\sqrt{2 \cos(t/2)} \sin(t/4) + 6\alpha \sin t \\ + 3\beta \sin(3t/4)(2 \cos(t/2))^{-\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Using (2.15) and (2.16) in (2.14), we get

$$g(t) := -64 \left( (-2 + 6\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha) \cos(t/4) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} + \frac{3\beta \cos(3t/4)}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\cos(t/2)}} \right. \\ \left. + 6\alpha(1 + \cos t) \right)^2 + (6\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \sin(t/4) + \frac{3\beta \cos(3t/4)}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\cos(t/2)}} \\ + 6\alpha \sin t)^2 + \left( -8(-2 + 6\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha) \cos(t/4) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{3\beta \cos(3t/4)}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\cos(t/2)}} + 6\alpha(1 + \cos t)) \right. \\ \left. + (-2 + 6\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha) \cos(t/4) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} + \frac{3\beta \cos(3t/4)}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\cos(t/2)}} \right. \\ \left. + 6\alpha(1 + \cos t) \right)^2 + (6\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \sin(t/4) \\ \left. + \frac{3\beta \sin(3t/4)}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\cos(t/2)}} + 6\alpha \sin t)^2 \right)^2 > 0.$$

Observe that  $g(t) = g(-t)$  for all  $t \in [-\pi, \pi]$  and  $g(t)$  attains its minimum value at  $t = 0$ . A calculation shows that

$$(2.17) \quad g(0) = \frac{3}{16} (4 - 12\sqrt{2} + 12(-2 + \sqrt{2})\alpha - 3\sqrt{2}\beta)^3 \\ \times (12 - 4\sqrt{2} + 4(-2 + \sqrt{2})\alpha - \sqrt{2}\beta).$$

Note that the condition  $\beta > -2(2 - 3\sqrt{2} - 2\alpha + 2\sqrt{2}\alpha)$  is equivalent to  $12 - 4\sqrt{2} + 4(-2 + \sqrt{2})\alpha - \sqrt{2}\beta < 0$  and  $4 - 12\sqrt{2} + 12(-2 + \sqrt{2})\alpha - 3\sqrt{2}\beta < 0$ . Thus, the use of (2.17) yields  $g(0) > 0$  which implies that  $g(t) > 0$  for all  $t \in [0, \pi]$ . Hence the result follows.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfying  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $\beta > 4(3 - \sqrt{2} + (\sqrt{2} - 2)\alpha)$ . If  $p$  is an analytic function defined on  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $p(0) = 1$  satisfying

$$(1 - \alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \prec \varphi_C(z)$$

then  $p(z) \prec \sqrt{1+z}$ .

*Proof.* Define the function  $q : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by  $q(z) = \sqrt{1+z}$ . Proceeding as in Theorem 2.3, the result is proved by showing that (a)

$$(2.18) \quad (1-\alpha)p(z) + \alpha p^2(z) + \beta \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \prec (1-\alpha)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) + \beta \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)}$$

implies that  $p(z) \prec q(z)$  and (b)

$$(2.19) \quad \begin{aligned} \varphi_C(z) &:= 1 + \frac{4z}{3} + \frac{2z^2}{3} \prec (1-\alpha)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) + \frac{\beta zq'(z)}{q(z)} \\ &= (1-\alpha)\sqrt{1+z} + \alpha(1+z) + \frac{\beta z}{2(1+z)} =: h(z). \end{aligned}$$

(a) Let us define  $\nu(w) = (1-\alpha)w + \alpha w^2$  and  $\varphi(w) = \beta/w$ . Clearly  $\beta > 0$ . The functions  $\nu$  and  $\varphi$  are analytic in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  which includes  $q(\mathbb{D})$  and  $\varphi(w) \neq 0$ . Next, define the functions  $Q$  and  $h$  by

$$(2.20) \quad Q(z) := zq'(z)\varphi(q(z)) = \frac{\beta zq'(z)}{q(z)} = \frac{\beta z}{2(1+z)}$$

and

$$(2.21) \quad h(z) := \nu(q(z)) + Q(z) = (1-\alpha)q(z) + \alpha q^2(z) + Q(z).$$

Since  $Q$  is a Möbius transformation, the function  $Q$  is convex. Further using (2.20) and (2.21), we get

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} = \frac{1-\alpha}{\beta}q(z) + \frac{2\alpha}{\beta}q^2(z) + \frac{zQ'(z)}{Q(z)}.$$

Since  $0 < \operatorname{Re} q(z) < \sqrt{2}$  and  $0 < \operatorname{Re} q^2(z) < 2$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ , we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} \right) > \sqrt{2} \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} \right) + \frac{4\alpha}{\beta} > 0.$$

Therefore,  $h(z) - 1$  is close-to-convex function and hence univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$ . If the subordination (2.18) holds, Lemma 1.2 shows that  $p(z) \prec q(z)$ .

(b) We now claim that (2.19) holds. Note that

$$\varphi_C(\mathbb{D}) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : |-2 + \sqrt{6w-2}| < 2\}.$$

The subordination  $\varphi_C(z) \prec h(z)$  holds if  $\partial h(\mathbb{D}) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\varphi_C(\mathbb{D})}$ . Using the definition of  $h$  given in (2.19), the subordination  $\varphi_C(z) \prec h(z)$  holds if for  $t \in [-\pi, \pi]$ , the following condition holds

$$(2.22) \quad \left| \sqrt{-2 + 6(1-\alpha)\sqrt{1+e^{it}} + 6\alpha(1+e^{it})} + \frac{3\beta e^{it}}{1+e^{it}} - 2 \right| > 2.$$

Let

$$(2.23) \quad w = u + iv = -2 + 6(1-\alpha)\sqrt{1+e^{it}} + 6\alpha(1+e^{it}) + \frac{3\beta e^{it}}{1+e^{it}}.$$

Proceeding as in Theorem 2.3, the condition (2.22) holds if (2.14) holds. From (2.23), we get

$$u = -2 + 6(1 - \alpha)\sqrt{2 \cos(t/2)} \cos(t/4) + 6\alpha(1 + \cos t) + \frac{3\beta}{2}$$

and

$$v = 6(1 - \alpha)\sqrt{2 \cos(t/2)} \sin(t/4) + 6\alpha \sin t + \frac{3\beta}{2} \tan t/2.$$

Using these above expressions for  $u$  and  $v$ , the condition (2.14) takes the following form

$$\begin{aligned} k(t) := & -64 \left( (-2 + (3\beta)/2 + 6\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha) \cos(t/4) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \right. \\ & + 6\alpha(1 + \cos t))^2 + (6\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \sin(t/4) + 6\alpha \sin t \\ & + (3/2)\beta \tan(t/2))^2 \Big) + \left( -8(-2 + (3\beta)/2 \right. \\ & + 6\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha) \cos(t/4) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} + 6\alpha(1 + \cos t)) + (-2 + (3\beta)/2 \\ & + 6\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha) \cos(t/4) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} + 6\alpha(1 + \cos t))^2 \\ & \left. + (6\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \sin(t/4) + 6\alpha \sin t + (3/2)\beta \tan(t/2))^2 \right)^2 \\ & > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $k(t) = k(-t)$ , so it is enough to show that  $k(t) > 0$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$ . Also note that  $k(t)$  is an increasing function of  $t$ . A calculation shows that

$$(2.24) \quad \begin{aligned} k(0) = & \frac{3}{16} (4 - 12\sqrt{2} + 12(-2 + \sqrt{2})\alpha - 3\beta)^3 \\ & \times (12 - 4\sqrt{2} + 4(-2 + \sqrt{2})\alpha - \beta). \end{aligned}$$

Consider the given relation  $\beta > 4(3 - \sqrt{2} - 2\alpha + \sqrt{2}\alpha)$  which is same as  $12 - 4\sqrt{2} + 4(-2 + \sqrt{2})\alpha - \beta < 0$  and  $4 - 12\sqrt{2} + 12(-2 + \sqrt{2})\alpha - 3\beta < 0$ . By using (2.24), we get  $k(0)$  is positive which implies that  $k(t)$  is positive for all  $t \in [0, \pi]$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Next result depicts the condition on  $\beta$  so that  $p(z) \in \Omega_L$ , whenever  $p(z) + \beta zp'(z)/p^2(z) \in \Omega_C$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfying  $\beta > 4(-2 + 3\sqrt{2})$ . If  $p$  is an analytic function defined on  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $p(0) = 1$  satisfying*

$$p(z) + \beta \frac{zp'(z)}{p^2(z)} \prec \varphi_C(z)$$

*then  $p(z) \prec \sqrt{1+z}$ .*

*Proof.* Define the function  $q : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by  $q(z) = \sqrt{1+z}$ . Proceeding as in Theorem 2.3, we will prove the result by showing that (a)

$$(2.25) \quad p(z) + \beta \frac{zp'(z)}{p^2(z)} \prec q(z) + \beta \frac{zq'(z)}{q^2(z)}$$

implies that  $p(z) \prec q(z)$  and (b)

$$(2.26) \quad \begin{aligned} \varphi_C(z) &:= 1 + \frac{4z}{3} + \frac{2z^2}{3} \prec q(z) + \beta \frac{zq'(z)}{q^2(z)} \\ &= \sqrt{1+z} + \frac{\beta z}{2(1+z)^{\frac{3}{2}}} =: h(z). \end{aligned}$$

(a) The subordination (2.25) is same as (1.2) if we define  $\nu(w) = w$  and  $\varphi(w) = \beta/w^2$ . Clearly, the functions  $\nu$  and  $\varphi$  are analytic in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  which includes  $q(\mathbb{D})$  and  $\varphi(w) \neq 0$ . Consider the functions  $Q$  and  $h$  defined as follows:

$$(2.27) \quad Q(z) := zq'(z)\varphi(q(z)) = \frac{\beta zq'(z)}{q^2(z)} = \frac{\beta z}{2(1+z)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

and

$$(2.28) \quad h(z) := \nu(q(z)) + Q(z) = q(z) + Q(z).$$

Since  $z/(1-z)^{2-2\alpha} \in S^*(\alpha)$ , the function  $Q$  is starlike in  $\mathbb{D}$ . Using (2.27) and (2.28), we get

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} = \frac{1}{\beta}q^2(z) + \frac{zQ'(z)}{Q(z)}$$

which further gives

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} \right) > \frac{1}{4} > 0.$$

Hence,  $h$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$ . If the subordination (2.25) holds, then from Lemma 1.2, it follows that  $p(z) \prec q(z)$ .

(b) We now show that (2.26) holds. Proceeding as in Theorem 2.3 and by using the definition of  $h$  given in (2.26), the subordination  $\varphi_C(z) \prec h(z)$  holds if for  $t \in [-\pi, \pi]$ , the following condition holds

$$(2.29) \quad \left| \sqrt{-2 + 6\sqrt{1 + e^{it}} + \frac{3\beta e^{it}}{(1 + e^{it})^{\frac{3}{2}}}} - 2 \right| > 2.$$

Set

$$w = u + iv = -2 + 6\sqrt{1 + e^{it}} + \frac{3\beta e^{it}}{(1 + e^{it})^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

so that

$$(2.30) \quad u = -2 + 6\sqrt{2 \cos(t/2)} \cos(t/4) + 3\beta \cos(t/4)(2 \cos(t/2))^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

and

$$(2.31) \quad v = 6\sqrt{2 \cos(t/2)} \sin(t/4) + 3\beta \sin(t/4)(2 \cos(t/2))^{-\frac{3}{2}}.$$

Proceeding as in Theorem 2.3, the condition (2.29) holds if (2.14) holds. After using (2.30) and (2.31) in (2.14), we get

$$\begin{aligned} g(t) := & -64 \left( \left( -2 + \frac{3\beta \cos(t/4)}{2\sqrt{2}(\cos(t/2))^{\frac{3}{2}}} + 6\sqrt{2} \cos(t/4) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \right)^2 \right. \\ & + \left. \left( \frac{3\beta \sin(t/4)}{2\sqrt{2}(\cos(t/2))^{\frac{3}{2}}} + 6\sqrt{2} \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \sin(t/4) \right)^2 \right) \\ & + \left( -8 \left( -2 + \frac{3\beta \cos(t/4)}{2\sqrt{2}(\cos(t/2))^{\frac{3}{2}}} + 6\sqrt{2} \cos(t/4) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \right) \right. \\ & + \left. \left( -2 + \frac{3\beta \cos(t/4)}{2\sqrt{2}(\cos(t/2))^{\frac{3}{2}}} + 6\sqrt{2} \cos(t/4) \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \right)^2 \right) \\ & + \left. \left( \frac{3\beta \sin(t/4)}{2\sqrt{2}(\cos(t/2))^{\frac{3}{2}}} + 6\sqrt{2} \sqrt{\cos(t/2)} \sin(t/4) \right)^2 \right)^2 > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $g(t)$  is an even function of  $t$ , we will consider  $g(t)$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$ . It can be easily seen that the function  $g(t)$  attains its minimum value at  $t = 0$ . A simple calculation shows that

$$(2.32) \quad g(0) = \frac{3}{256} (8(-3 + \sqrt{2}) + \sqrt{2}\beta)(-8 + 24\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{2}\beta)^3.$$

The relation  $\beta > 4(-2 + 3\sqrt{2})$  gives  $8(-3 + \sqrt{2}) + \sqrt{2}\beta > 0$  and  $-8 + 24\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{2}\beta > 0$  so that (2.32) yields  $g(0) > 0$ . Hence, we conclude that  $g(t) > 0$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$ .  $\square$

By taking  $p(z) = zf'(z)/f(z)$  in Theorems 2.3, 2.4, and 2.5, we obtain the following example.

**Example 2.6.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then the following are sufficient conditions for  $f \in \mathcal{S}_L^*$ .

- (1) Let  $-1/(2\sqrt{2} - 1) \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $\beta > -2(2 - 3\sqrt{2} - 2\alpha + 2\sqrt{2}\alpha)$ . The function  $f$  satisfies the subordination

$$\left( (1 - \alpha) + (\alpha - \beta) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \beta \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \prec \varphi_C(z).$$

- (2) Let  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $\beta > 4(3 - \sqrt{2} + (\sqrt{2} - 2)\alpha)$ . The function  $f$  satisfies the subordination

$$\left( 1 - \alpha - \beta + \alpha \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \beta \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \prec \varphi_C(z).$$

- (3) Let  $\beta > 4(-2 + 3\sqrt{2})$ . The function  $f$  satisfies the subordination

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \beta + \beta \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) / \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \prec \varphi_C(z).$$

By taking  $p(z) = f'(z)$  in Theorems 2.3, 2.4, and 2.5 respectively, we obtain the following example.

**Example 2.7.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then the following are sufficient conditions for  $f'(z) \prec \sqrt{1+z}$ .

- (1) Let  $-1/(2\sqrt{2}-1) \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $\beta > -2(2-3\sqrt{2}-2\alpha+2\sqrt{2}\alpha)$ . The function  $f$  satisfies the subordination

$$(1-\alpha)f'(z) + \alpha(f'(z))^2 + \beta zf''(z) \prec \varphi_C(z).$$

- (2) Let  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $\beta > 4(3-\sqrt{2}+(\sqrt{2}-2)\alpha)$ . The function  $f$  satisfies the subordination

$$(1-\alpha)f'(z) + \alpha(f'(z))^2 + \beta \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \prec \varphi_C(z).$$

- (3) Let  $\beta > 4(-2+3\sqrt{2})$ . The function  $f$  satisfies the subordination

$$f'(z) + \beta \frac{zf''(z)}{(f'(z))^2} \prec \varphi_C(z).$$

In the following theorem, condition on  $\beta$  is obtained so that  $1+\beta zp'(z) \in \Omega_C$  implies  $p(z) \in \Omega_P$ , where  $p$  is an analytic function in  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $p(0) = 1$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfying  $\beta < -2\pi$ . If the function  $p$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{D}$  with  $p(0) = 1$  satisfies

$$1 + \beta zp'(z) \prec \varphi_C(z)$$

then  $p(z) \prec \varphi_{PAR}(z)$ , where the function  $\varphi_{PAR}(z)$  is defined by (1.1).

*Proof.* Define the function  $q : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  as  $q(z) = \varphi_{PAR}(z)$  with  $q(0) = 1$ . Let us define  $\varphi(w) = \beta$  and  $Q(z) = zq'(z)\varphi(q(z)) = \beta zq'(z)$ . Since  $q$  is the convex univalent function,  $Q$  is starlike in  $\mathbb{D}$ . It follows from Lemma 1.1 that the subordination

$$1 + \beta zp'(z) \prec 1 + \beta zq'(z)$$

implies  $p(z) \prec q(z)$ . The theorem is proved by showing that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_C(z) &:= 1 + \frac{4z}{3} + \frac{2z^2}{3} \prec 1 + \beta zq'(z) \\ (2.33) \qquad &= 1 - \frac{4\beta}{\pi^2} \frac{\sqrt{z}}{z-1} \log \frac{1+\sqrt{z}}{1-\sqrt{z}} =: h(z). \end{aligned}$$

Proceeding as in Theorem 2.3 and by using the definition of  $h$  given in (2.33), the subordination  $\varphi_C(z) \prec h(z)$  holds if for  $t \in [-\pi, \pi]$ , the following condition holds

$$(2.34) \qquad \left| \sqrt{4 - \frac{24\beta}{\pi^2} \frac{e^{it/2}}{e^{it}-1} \log \frac{1+e^{it/2}}{1-e^{it/2}}} - 2 \right| > 2.$$

Set

$$w = u + iv = 4 - \frac{24\beta}{\pi^2} \frac{e^{it/2}}{e^{it} - 1} \log \frac{1 + e^{it/2}}{1 - e^{it/2}} = 4 + \frac{12\beta i}{\pi^2} \csc \frac{t}{2} \log \left( i \cot \frac{t}{4} \right).$$

Clearly,

$$(2.35) \quad u = 4 - \frac{1}{\pi^2} \left( 12\beta \csc \frac{t}{2} \arg \left( i \cot \frac{t}{4} \right) \right)$$

and

$$(2.36) \quad v = \frac{1}{\pi^2} \left( 12\beta \csc \frac{t}{2} \log \left| \cot \frac{t}{4} \right| \right).$$

Proceeding as in Theorem 2.3, the condition (2.34) holds if (2.14) holds. Substituting the values of  $u$  and  $v$  given by (2.35) and (2.36) respectively in (2.14), we get

$$(2.37) \quad \begin{aligned} f(t) := & -16\pi^4((\pi^2 - 3\beta \arg(i \cot(t/4)) \csc(t/2))^2 \\ & + 9\beta^2 \csc^2(t/2)(\log |\cot(t/4)|)^2) + \csc^4(t/2)(\pi^4(-1 + \cos t) \\ & + 18\beta^2((\arg(i \cot(t/4)))^2 + (\log |\cot(t/4)|)^2))^2 > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $f(t)$  is an even function of  $t$  so we will take  $t \in [0, \pi]$ . Since for  $t \in [0, \pi]$ , we have  $\arg(i \cot(t/4)) = \pi/2$  and  $\log |\cot(t/4)| = \log \cot(t/4)$ , the condition (2.37) further reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) = & -16\pi^4((\pi^2 - 3\beta(\pi/2) \csc(t/2))^2 + 9\beta^2 \csc^2(t/2)(\log(\cot(t/4)))^2) \\ & + \csc^4(t/2)(\pi^4(-1 + \cos t) + (9/2)\beta^2(\pi^2 + 4(\log(\cot(t/4)))^2))^2 > 0. \end{aligned}$$

It can be easily verified that  $f$  is decreasing function of  $t$ . The relation  $\beta < -2\pi$  implies  $2\pi - 3\beta > 0$  and  $2\pi + \beta < 0$  so that  $f(\pi) = -3\pi^4(2\pi - 3\beta)^3(2\pi + \beta)/4 > 0$ . Therefore, we conclude that  $f(t) > 0$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$ .  $\square$

We close this section by obtaining the conditions on  $\beta$  so that  $p(z) \in \Omega_P$ , whenever  $1 + \beta zp'(z) \in \Omega_L$ .

**Theorem 2.9.** *Let  $p$  be an analytic function defined on  $\mathbb{D}$  and  $p(0) = 1$ . Let  $|\beta - \pi| > \sqrt{2}\pi$ . If the function  $p$  satisfies the subordination*

$$1 + \beta zp'(z) \prec \sqrt{1+z},$$

*then the function  $p$  satisfies the subordination*

$$p(z) \prec \varphi_{PAR}(z)$$

*where the function  $\varphi_{PAR}(z)$  is defined by (1.1).*

*Proof.* Let  $q$  be the convex univalent function  $\varphi_{PAR}(z)$  defined by (1.1). Proceeding as in Theorem 2.8, the result is proved by showing that

$$(2.38) \quad \sqrt{1+z} \prec 1 + \beta zq'(z) = 1 - \frac{4\beta}{\pi^2} \frac{\sqrt{z}}{z-1} \log \frac{1+\sqrt{z}}{1-\sqrt{z}} =: h(z).$$

Set  $\psi(z) = \sqrt{1+z}$ . The subordination  $\psi(z) \prec h(z)$  holds if  $\partial h(\mathbb{D}) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\psi(\mathbb{D})} = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : |w^2 - 1| > 1\}$ . For  $t \in [-\pi, \pi]$ , let

$$(2.39) \quad \begin{aligned} w = u + iv = h(e^{it}) &= 1 - \frac{4\beta}{\pi^2} \frac{e^{it/2}}{e^{it} - 1} \log \frac{1 + e^{it/2}}{1 - e^{it/2}} \\ &= 1 + \frac{2\beta i}{\pi^2} \csc \frac{t}{2} \log \left( i \cot \frac{t}{4} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The subordination  $\psi(z) \prec h(z)$  holds if  $|h^2(e^{it}) - 1| > 1$  which holds if

$$(2.40) \quad u^2 + v^2 - 2 > 0.$$

From (2.39), we get

$$u = 1 - \frac{2\beta}{\pi^2} \csc(t/2) \arg(i \cot(t/4)) \quad \text{and} \quad v = \frac{2\beta}{\pi^2} \csc(t/2) \log |\cot(t/4)|.$$

After substituting these values of  $u$  and  $v$  in (2.40), we get

$$(2.41) \quad \begin{aligned} f(t) &:= -2 + \left(1 - \frac{2\beta}{\pi^2} \arg(i \cot(t/4)) \csc(t/2)\right)^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{4\beta^2}{\pi^4} \csc^2(t/2) (\log |\cot(t/4)|)^2 > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f(t) = f(-t)$ , we will consider  $t \in [0, \pi]$ . Therefore, the condition (2.41) further reduces to

$$f(t) := -2 + \left(-1 + \frac{\beta}{\pi} \csc(t/2)\right)^2 + \frac{4\beta^2}{\pi^4} \csc^2(t/2) (\log(\cot(t/4)))^2 > 0.$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} f'(t) &= \frac{\beta \csc^3(t/2)}{2\pi^4} \left( \pi^3 \sin t - \beta(8 \log(\cot(t/4))) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2 \cos(t/2)(\pi^2 + 4(\log(\cot(t/4)))^2) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f'(t) < 0$  and  $f(\pi) = -2 + (-1 + \beta/\pi)^2 > 0$ , we conclude that  $f(t) > 0$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$ .  $\square$

As applications of Theorems 2.8 and 2.9, we have the following examples.

**Example 2.10.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then the following are sufficient conditions for  $f \in \mathcal{S}_P$ .

(1) Let  $\beta < -2\pi$ . The function  $f$  satisfies the subordination

$$1 + \beta \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \prec \varphi_C(z).$$

(2) Let  $|\beta - \pi| > \sqrt{2}\pi$ . The function  $f$  satisfies the subordination

$$1 + \beta \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \prec \sqrt{1+z}.$$



**Example 2.11.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then the following are sufficient conditions for  $f'(z) \prec \varphi_{PAR}(z)$ , where the function  $\varphi_{PAR}(z)$  is given by (1.1).

(1) Let  $\beta < -2\pi$ . The function  $f$  satisfies the subordination

$$1 + \beta z f''(z) \prec \varphi_C(z).$$

(2) Let  $|\beta - \pi| > \sqrt{2}\pi$ . The function  $f$  satisfies the subordination

$$1 + \beta z f''(z) \prec \sqrt{1+z}.$$

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