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## CONVOLUTION PROPERTIES OF A CLASS OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS

**Abstract.** In this paper we consider convolution properties of a class of bounded analytic functions investigated by J. Stankiewicz and Z. Stankiewicz in [6]. We give some examples which verify a conjecture connected with this paper.

### 1. Introduction

We are interested in the class  $\mathcal{H}$  of functions which are regular in the open unit disc  $\Delta = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be the family of functions of the class  $\mathcal{H}$  normalized by the condition  $f(0) = 1$ , and let  $\Omega$  denote the family of functions defined on  $\Delta$  such that  $\omega(0) = 0$  and  $|\omega(z)| < 1$  for  $z \in \Delta$ .

Let  $f, g \in \mathcal{H}$  are of the form

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n z^n.$$

The *convolution*  $f \star g$  or *Hadamard product* of the functions  $f$  and  $g$  is defined as follows:

$$(f \star g)(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n z^n.$$

For the classes  $Q_1, Q_2 \subset \mathcal{H}$  the convolution  $Q_1 \star Q_2$  is defined by:

$$Q_1 \star Q_2 = \{h \in \mathcal{H} : h = f \star g, \quad f \in Q_1, \quad g \in Q_2\}.$$

J. Hadamard [1] proved, that the radius of convergence of  $f \star g$  is the product of radii of convergence of the corresponding series  $f$  and  $g$ . In particular if  $f, g \in \mathcal{H}$ , then also  $f \star g \in \mathcal{H}$ .

The convolution has many interesting properties. Very often there was investigated problem of connection between functions  $f, g$  and their convolu-

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tion  $f \star g$ . An important classical example of such problem is characterizing functions which preserve the geometric properties of the image domains. G. Polya and I. J. Schoenberg [3] conjectured in 1958, that the Hadamard product of convex mappings is again a convex mapping. This very important conjecture and more results of this type has been verified in 1973 by St. Ruscheweh and T. Sheil-Small [5]. Their result has many applications. Some geometric properties of functions can be described by subordination.

We say, that a function  $f$  is subordinate to a function  $g$  in  $\Delta$  (and write  $f \prec g$  or  $f(z) \prec g(z)$ ) if there exist a function  $\omega \in \Omega$ , such that  $f(z) = g(\omega(z))$ ;  $z \in \Delta$ . Subordination principle says that if  $f \prec g$  in  $\Delta$  and  $g$  is univalent in  $\Delta$ , then for each  $\Delta_r = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < r\}$ , where  $r \in [0, 1]$ , we have  $f(\Delta_r) \subset g(\Delta_r)$ .

For the given complex numbers  $A, B$ , such that  $A + B \neq 0$  and  $|B| \leq 1$  let us denote

$$P(A, B) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{N}; \quad f(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 - Bz} \right\}.$$

The class  $P(A, B)$  was introduced by W. Janowski in [2]. He considered it for  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ .

If  $|B| < 1$ , then the class  $P(A, B)$  is the class of bounded functions and

$$P(A, B) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{N}; \quad \left| f(z) - \frac{1 + A\bar{B}}{1 - |B|^2} \right| < \frac{|A + B|}{1 - |B|^2}; \quad z \in \Delta \right\}.$$

If  $A = B = 1$ , then the class  $P(A, B)$  is the class of functions with positive real part (Caratheodory functions).

In 1988 J. Stankiewicz and Z. Stankiewicz [6] investigated convolution properties of the class  $P(A, B)$  and proved the following theorem.

**THEOREM A.** *If  $A, B, C, D \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $A + B \neq 0$ ,  $C + D \neq 0$ ,  $|B| \leq 1$ ,  $|D| \leq 1$ , then*

$$P(A, B) \star P(C, D) \subset P(AC + AD + BC, BD).$$

*Moreover, if  $|B| = 1$  or  $|D| = 1$ , then*

$$P(A, B) \star P(C, D) = P(AC + AD + BC, BD).$$

The equality of classes  $P(A, B) \star P(C, D)$  and  $P(AC + AD + BC, BD)$ , in the case when  $|B| < 1$  and  $|D| < 1$  was an open problem.

The main aim of this paper, that to give an answer for this problem for  $|B| = |D| < 1$ .

## 2. Main results

First we consider the class  $\Omega$  of Schwarz functions and give an example of polynomial in this class which is not convolution of two functions from  $\Omega$ .

PROPOSITION 1. *There exist functions in the class  $\Omega$ , which do not belong to the class  $\Omega \star \Omega$ .*

Proof. Let  $\omega(z) = c_1z + c_2z^2$ , where

$$|c_1| + |c_2| = 1 \text{ and } c_1c_2 \neq 0.$$

It is clearly that  $|\omega(z)| < 1$  for  $z \in \Delta$  so  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Now suppose that there are some  $\omega_1 \in \Omega$  and  $\omega_2 \in \Omega$  such that

$$(1) \quad \omega_1(z) \star \omega_2(z) = c_1z + c_2z^2.$$

Let  $\omega_1, \omega_2$  be represented by following power series

$$(2) \quad \omega_1(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad \text{and} \quad \omega_2(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n.$$

It is known [4] that if  $\omega_1(z) \prec z$  and  $\omega_2(z) \prec z$  in  $\Delta$ , then

$$(3) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n|^2 \leq 1.$$

From (1) and (2) we have

$$a_1b_1 = c_1, \quad a_2b_2 = c_2 \quad \text{and} \quad a_n b_n = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad n > 2,$$

and using (3) we obtain

$$(4) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n|^2 + |b_n|^2) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(|a_n| - |b_n|)^2 + 2|a_n||b_n|] \leq 2.$$

Hence

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n| - |b_n|)^2 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n b_n| \\ = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n| - |b_n|)^2 + 2(|c_1| + |c_2|) \leq 2. \end{aligned}$$

Because  $|c_1| + |c_2| = 1$  then (5) gives

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n| - |b_n|)^2 \leq 0.$$

Hence

$$|a_n| = |b_n| \quad \text{for} \quad n \geq 1$$

and

$$a_n = b_n = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad n \geq 3.$$

According to the above condition we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= \sqrt{|c_1|} e^{i\varphi_1}, \quad a_2 = \sqrt{|c_2|} e^{i\varphi_2}, \\ b_1 &= \sqrt{|c_1|} e^{i(\arg c_1 - \varphi_1)}, \quad b_2 = \sqrt{|c_2|} e^{i(\arg c_2 - \varphi_2)} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are some real numbers. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_1(z) &= \sqrt{|c_1|} e^{i\varphi_1} z + \sqrt{|c_2|} e^{i\varphi_2} z^2, \\ \omega_2(z) &= \sqrt{|c_1|} e^{i(\arg c_1 - \varphi_1)} z + \sqrt{|c_2|} e^{i(\arg c_2 - \varphi_2)} z^2, \end{aligned}$$

which holds for  $z = e^{i(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)}$

$$\left| \omega_1 \left( e^{i(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)} \right) \right| = \left| \left( \sqrt{|c_1|} + \sqrt{|c_2|} \right) e^{i(2\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)} \right| = \sqrt{|c_1|} + \sqrt{|c_2|} > 1.$$

Therefore  $\omega_1 \notin \Omega$  which is a contradiction. ■

We are now in position to show the following

**COROLLARY 1.** *There exist functions in the class  $P(AC, 0)$  which do not belong to the class  $P(A, 0) \star P(C, 0)$ .*

**P r o o f.** Let  $h \in P(AC, 0)$  and

$$h(z) = 1 + AC\omega(z) = 1 + AC(c_1 z + c_2 z^2),$$

where  $|c_1| + |c_2| = 1$ , and  $c_1 c_2 \neq 0$ . Suppose, that

$$(6) \quad f(z) \star g(z) = h(z)$$

where  $f \in P(A, 0)$ ,  $g \in P(C, 0)$ , and  $f(z) = 1 + A\omega_1(z)$ ,  $g(z) = 1 + C\omega_2(z)$ ,  $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \Omega$ . Thus  $\omega(z) = c_1 z + c_2 z^2 \in \Omega$  and from (6) we get (1) which is impossible by Proposition 1. ■

To prove the next theorem we need two lemmas.

**LEMMA 1.** *If there exist functions  $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \Omega$  such that*

$$(7) \quad \frac{\omega_1(z)}{1 - \alpha\omega_1(z)} \star \frac{\omega_2(z)}{1 - \alpha\omega_2(z)} = \frac{\omega(z)}{1 - \alpha^2\omega(z)},$$

where  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ ,  $\omega(z) = \frac{z}{2-z}$ ,  $\frac{\omega_1(z)}{1 - \alpha\omega_1(z)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ ,  $\frac{\omega_2(z)}{1 - \alpha\omega_2(z)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n$ , then

$$(8) \quad |a_n| = |b_n| = \sqrt{\frac{(1 + \alpha^2)^{n-1}}{2^n}}, \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

**P r o o f.** A simple calculation gives

$$(9) \quad \frac{\omega(z)}{1 - \alpha^2\omega(z)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n, \quad c_n = \frac{(1 + \alpha^2)^{n-1}}{2^n}, \quad n \geq 1.$$

Because

$$\frac{\omega_i(z)}{1 - \alpha\omega_i(z)} \prec \frac{z}{1 - \alpha z}, \quad z \in \Delta, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

then from [4] we obtain

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 \leq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha^2}, \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n|^2 \leq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha^2}.$$

By the above we have

$$(10) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n|^2 + |b_n|^2) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(|a_n| - |b_n|)^2 + 2|a_n||b_n|] \leq \frac{2}{1 - \alpha^2}.$$

By (7) we have  $a_n b_n = c_n$  and by (9)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha^2}$ . Hence from (10)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n| - |b_n|)^2 \leq 0.$$

This proves (8). ■

REMARK. It is easy to verify, that  $\omega(z) = \frac{z}{2-z} \in \Omega$ , but it is not easy to check if  $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \Omega$ .

LEMMA 2. *There exist functions  $\omega \in \Omega$ , such that there are no functions  $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \Omega$ , which satisfy (7) for  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ .*

Proof. Such a function may be  $\omega(z) = \frac{z}{2-z}$  from Lemma 1 if  $\omega_1, \omega_2$  satisfying (7) and (8) do not belong to the class  $\Omega$ . If the other way is then the function  $\omega$  such that

$$(11) \quad \frac{\omega(z)}{1 - \alpha^2 \omega(z)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{(1 + \alpha^4)^{n-1}}{2^n}} z^n$$

belongs to the class  $\Omega$ . Suppose, contrary to our claim, that there exist  $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \Omega$  which satisfy (7). Let

$$\frac{\omega_1(z)}{1 - \alpha\omega_1(z)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad \frac{\omega_2(z)}{1 - \alpha\omega_2(z)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n.$$

In the same manner as in the proof of Lemma 1 we can see that

$$(12) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n|^2 + |b_n|^2) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(|a_n| - |b_n|)^2 + 2|a_n||b_n|] \leq \frac{2}{1 - \alpha^2}.$$

From (7) and (11) we have  $a_n b_n = \sqrt{\frac{(1 + \alpha^4)^{n-1}}{2^n}}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . Since

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{(1 + \alpha^4)^{n-1}}{2^n}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{1 + \alpha^4}}$$

then (12) shows that

$$(13) \quad \frac{2}{1-\alpha^2} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{2-\sqrt{1+\alpha^4}}} \geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n| - |b_n|)^2.$$

The left side of (13) is negative for  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$  and we have a contradiction. ■

Now we can prove the following

**THEOREM 1.** *If  $A, B, C, D \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $A + B \neq 0$ ,  $C + D \neq 0$ ,  $|B| = |D| < 1$ , then*

$$P(A, B) \star P(C, D) \neq P(AC + AD + BC, BD).$$

**Proof.** We have

$$g \in P(\alpha, \beta) \iff g(z) = 1 + (\alpha + \beta) \frac{\omega(z)}{1 - \beta\omega(z)}, \quad \omega \in \Omega.$$

Let  $f \in P(AC + AD + BC, BD)$  and

$$f(z) = 1 + (A + B)(C + D) \frac{\omega(z)}{1 - BD\omega(z)},$$

where  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Suppose that there exist  $f_1 \in P(A, B)$ ,  $f_2 \in P(C, D)$  such that

$$(14) \quad f(z) = f_1(z) \star f_2(z).$$

If  $f_1, f_2$  are of the form

$$f_1(z) = 1 + (A + B) \frac{\omega_1(z)}{1 - B\omega_1(z)}, \quad f_2(z) = 1 + (C + D) \frac{\omega_2(z)}{1 - D\omega_2(z)},$$

where  $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \Omega$ , then a simple calculation gives from (14) that

$$(15) \quad \frac{\omega_1(z)}{1 - B\omega_1(z)} \star \frac{\omega_2(z)}{1 - D\omega_2(z)} = \frac{\omega(z)}{1 - BD\omega(z)}.$$

Because  $|B| = |D| < 1$  then (15) is equivalent to (7). Using Lemma 2 we complete the proof of the theorem. ■

**REMARK.** It seems to be probable, that Theorem 1 is true also for all  $|B| < 1$  and  $|D| < 1$ .

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