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The norm of pre-Schwarzian derivative on subclasses of bi-univalent functions

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Abstract: In the present paper, we give the best estimates for the norm of pre-Schwarzian derivatives

$$\|T_f(z)\| = \sup_{|z|<1} (1 - |z|^2) \left| \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \text{ for subclasses of bi-univalent functions.}$$

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1. Introduction and definitions

Let \mathcal{A} be the class of functions f of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \tag{1.1}$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk $\Delta = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ and normalized by the conditions $f(0) = 0$ and $f'(0) = 1$. An analytic function in a domain D is said to be univalent in D if it does not take the same value twice i.e, $f(z_1) \neq f(z_2)$ for all pairs of distinct points z_1 and z_2 in D .

The Koebe one-quarter theorem et al [3] ensures that the image of Δ under every univalent function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ contains the disk with the center at origin and of the radius $1/4$. Thus, every univalent function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ has an inverse $f^{-1} : f(\Delta) \rightarrow \Delta$, satisfying $f^{-1}(f(z)) = z$, ($z \in \Delta$) and

$$f(f^{-1}(w)) = w \quad \left(|w| < r_0(f); r_0(f) \geq \frac{1}{4} \right).$$

Moreover, it is easy to see that the inverse function has the series expansion of the form

$$f^{-1}(w) = w - a_2 w^2 + (2a_2^2 - a_3) w^3 - (5a_2^3 - 5a_2 a_3 + a_4) w^4 + \dots; w \in \Delta,$$

which implies that f^{-1} is analytic. The derivative of f^{-1} (see pp. 1038 [4]) is given by

$$\frac{d}{dw} (f^{-1}(w)) = \frac{1}{f'(z)}.$$

A function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be bi-univalent in Δ if both f and f^{-1} are univalent in Δ . We denote the class of bi-univalent functions by σ .(see [2])

The function f in class \mathcal{A} is said to be starlike of order α where $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ in Δ if it satisfies the condition

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right\} > \alpha,$$

where $z \in \Delta$. We denote the class of starlike functions of order α by $S^*(\alpha)$. The function f of the form (1) is said to be bi-starlike function of order α where $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ if each of the following conditions are satisfied

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right\} > \alpha$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{wg'(w)}{g(w)}\right\} > \alpha,$$

where $f \in \sigma$, $g = f^{-1}$ and $w = f(z)$. We denote the class of bi-starlike functions of order α by $S_\sigma^*(\alpha)$ (see [5]). If f and g are analytic functions in Δ , we say that f is subordinate to g , written as $f < g$, if there exists a Schwarz function w analytic in Δ , with $w(0) = 0$ and $|w(z)| < 1$ ($z \in \Delta$), such that $f(z) = g(w(z))$. In particular, when g is univalent then the above definition reduces to $f(0) = 0$ and $f(\Delta) \subseteq g(\Delta)$.

The pre-Schwarzian derivative of f is denoted by

$$T_f(z) = \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)}$$

and its norm is given by

$$\|T_f\| = \sup_{|z|<1} (1 - |z|^2) \left| \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right|.$$

This norm have a significant meaning in the theory of Teichmuller spaces. For a univalent function f it is well known that $\|T_f\| < 6$. This is the best possible estimation.

Defining two subclasses for bi-univalent functions as follows

Definition 1.1. A function f given by (1) is said to be in the class $S_\sigma^*[A, B]$, if the following conditions are satisfied

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} &< \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}, \\ \frac{wg'(w)}{g(w)} &< \frac{1 + Aw}{1 + Bw}, \end{aligned}$$

where $f \in \sigma$, $g = f^{-1}$, $w = f(z)$, $w \in \Delta$ and $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$.

Remark 1.1. If we take $A = (1 - 2\alpha)$ and $B = -1$ in the above Definition 1.1 where $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, the class becomes $S_\sigma^*[(1 - 2\alpha), -1] \equiv S_\sigma^*(\alpha)$.

Remark 1.2. If we take $A = 1$ and $B = -1$ in the above Definition 1.1, the class becomes $S_{\sigma}^*[1, -1] \equiv S_{\sigma}^*$.

Definition 1.2. A function f given by (1) is said to be in the class $V_{\sigma}^*[A, B]$, if the following conditions are satisfied

$$\left(\frac{z}{f(z)}\right)^2 f'(z) < \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz},$$

$$\left(\frac{w}{g(w)}\right)^2 g'(w) < \frac{1 + Aw}{1 + Bw},$$

where $f \in \sigma$, $g = f^{-1}$, $w = f(z)$, $w \in \Delta$ and $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$.

Remark 1.3. If we take $A = (1 - 2\alpha)$ and $B = -1$ in the above Definition 1.2 where $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, the class becomes $V_{\sigma}^*[(1 - 2\alpha), -1] \equiv V_{\sigma}^*(\alpha)$.

Remark 1.4. If we take $A = 1$ and $B = -1$ in the above Definition 1.2, the class becomes $V_{\sigma}^*[1, -1] \equiv V_{\sigma}^*$.

In this paper, we shall give the best norm estimation for the classes $S_{\sigma}^*[A, B]$ and $V_{\sigma}^*[A, B]$.

2. Main result

Theorem 2.1. Let the function f given by (1) be in the class $f \in S_{\sigma}^*[A, B]$, then

$$\|T_f\| \leq \min \left\{ \frac{2(A - B)(A + 2)}{(A + 1)}, \frac{2(A - B)|A|}{(A + 1)} \right\}.$$

Proof. Since $f \in S_{\sigma}^*[A, B]$, let us assume that

$$h(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} < \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} = p(z).$$

Using the definition of subordination, there exists a Schwarz function $\phi : \Delta \rightarrow \Delta$ with $\phi(0) = 0$ and $|\phi(z)| < 1$, such that

$$h(z) = p \circ \phi(z) = \frac{1 + A\phi(z)}{1 + B\phi(z)}.$$

Hence, $h(z)$ becomes

$$h(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{1 + A\phi(z)}{1 + B\phi(z)}. \quad (2.1)$$

By logarithmic differentiation of (3), we get

$$\frac{1}{z} + \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} - \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{A}{(1 + A\phi(z))} - \frac{B}{(1 + B\phi(z))}.$$

Above equation gives us the pre-Schwarzian derivative of f , i.e,

$$T_f(z) = \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{(A^2 - AB)\phi(z) + 2(A - B)}{(1 + A\phi(z))(1 + B\phi(z))},$$

Setting $\phi(z) = id_\Delta$ (as ϕ belongs to the class of Schwarz functions and $\phi(z) < z$ on Δ) and rearranging the terms, we get

$$(1 - |z|^2) |T_f(z)| = (1 - |z|^2) \left| \frac{(A^2 - AB)z + 2(A - B)}{(1 + Az)(1 + Bz)} \right|.$$

Taking the supremum value both sides in the unit disc, the above equation becomes

$$\sup_{|z|<1} (1 - |z|^2) |T_f(z)| \leq \sup_{|z|<1} (1 - |z|^2) \left[\frac{(A^2 - AB)|z| + 2(A - B)}{(1 + A|z|)(1 + B|z|)} \right].$$

As $-1 \leq B$, we get $(1 - |z|) \leq (1 + B|z|)$, therefore the above inequality becomes

$$\sup_{|z|<1} (1 - |z|^2) |T_f(z)| \leq \sup_{|z|<1} (1 + |z|) \left[\frac{(A^2 - AB)|z| + 2(A - B)}{(1 + A|z|)} \right].$$

The above inequality gives us the norm of pre-Schwarzian derivative of f , denoted by $\|T_f\|$. To estimate the upper bound of $\|T_f\|$ in the unit disc Δ , z must lead to 1 and therefore

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (1 + |z|) \left[\frac{(A^2 - AB)|z| + 2(A - B)}{(1 + A|z|)} \right] = \frac{2(A - B)(A + 2)}{(A + 1)}.$$

Finally we get

$$\|T_f\| \leq \frac{2(A - B)(A + 2)}{(A + 1)}. \quad (2.2)$$

For the second part of the proof, let us assume that

$$k(z) = \frac{wg'(w)}{g(w)} < \frac{1 + Aw}{1 + Bw} = p(w)$$

where $z = f^{-1}(w) = g(w)$. By definition of subordination, there exists a Schwarz function $\phi : \Delta \rightarrow \Delta$ with $\phi(0) = 0$ and $|\phi(z)| < 1$, such that

$$k(z) = p \circ \phi(z) = \frac{1 + A\phi(z)}{1 + B\phi(z)}.$$

Since $f \in \sigma$, both f and f^{-1} are analytic and univalent in Δ . The derivative of f^{-1} is given by

$$\frac{d(f^{-1}(w))}{w} = \frac{1}{f'(z)}.$$

Therefore, $k(z)$ can be expressed as

$$\frac{wg'(w)}{g(w)} = k(z) = \frac{f(z)}{zf'(z)} = \frac{1 + A\phi(z)}{1 + B\phi(z)}. \quad (2.3)$$

Taking logarithmic differentiation of (5), we get

$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} - \frac{1}{z} - \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{A\phi'(z)}{(1 + A\phi(z))} - \frac{B\phi'(z)}{(1 + B\phi(z))}.$$

Setting $\phi(z) = id_{\Delta}$ (as ϕ belongs to the class of Schwarz functions and $\phi(z) < z$ on Δ), we have

$$\frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{Az(A-B)}{(1+Az)(1+Bz)}.$$

Following the previous steps and using $(1-|z|) \leq (1+B|z|)$, we get

$$\sup_{|z|<1} (1-|z|^2) |T_f(z)| \leq \sup_{|z|<1} (1+|z|) \left[\frac{|A|(A-B)|z|}{(1+A|z|)} \right].$$

For upper bound of $\|T_f\|$, z must lead to 1, i.e.,

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (1+|z|) \frac{|A|(A-B)|z|}{(1+A|z|)} = \frac{2(A-B)|A|}{(A+1)}.$$

Therefore

$$\|T_f\| \leq \frac{2(A-B)|A|}{(A+1)}. \quad (2.4)$$

Combining (4) and (6), the proof is complete. \square

Let $A = (1-2\alpha)$ and $B = -1$ in the above theorem where $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, the class becomes $S_{\sigma}^*[(1-2\alpha), -1] \equiv S_{\sigma}^*(\alpha)$.

Corollary 2.1. *If $f \in S_{\sigma}^*(\alpha)$, then $\|T_f\| \leq \min\{6-4\alpha, |2-4\alpha|\}$.*

If f is analytic and locally univalent in Δ such that $f \in S^*(\alpha)$, where $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ then $\|T_f\| \leq (6-4\alpha)$, which is due to Yamashita [1]. The above corollary generalizes the result for bi-univalent functions.

Let $A = 1$ and $B = -1$ in the above theorem, the class becomes $S_{\sigma}^*[1, -1] \equiv S_{\sigma}^*$.

Corollary 2.2. *If $f \in S_{\sigma}^*$, then $\|T_f\| \leq 6$.*

The above corollary generalizes the norm estimation for bi-univalent functions.

Theorem 2.2. *Let the function $f(z)$ given by (1) be in the class $V_{\sigma}^*[A, B]$, then*

$$\|T_f\| \leq \min \left\{ \frac{2(3+2A)(A-B)}{(A+1)}, \frac{2(A-B)(1+2A)}{(A+1)} \right\}.$$

Proof. Since $f \in V_{\sigma}^*[A, B]$, let us assume that

$$k(z) = \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 f'(z) < \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} = p(z).$$

Therefore, there exists a Schwarz function $\phi: \Delta \rightarrow \Delta$ with $\phi(0) = 0$ and $|\phi(z)| < 1$ such that

$$k(z) = p \circ \phi(z) = \frac{1+A\phi(z)}{1+B\phi(z)}.$$

Therefore, $k(z)$ can be expressed as

$$k(z) = \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 f'(z) = \frac{1+A\phi(z)}{1+B\phi(z)}. \quad (2.5)$$

By logarithmic differentiation on (7), we get

$$\frac{2}{z} - \frac{2f'(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{A\phi'(z)}{(1+A\phi(z))} - \frac{B\phi'(z)}{(1+B\phi(z))},$$

$$\frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{2f'(z)}{f(z)} - \frac{2}{z} + \frac{A\phi'(z)}{(1+A\phi(z))} - \frac{B\phi'(z)}{(1+B\phi(z))}.$$

Hence, the pre-Schwarzian derivative of f becomes

$$T_f(z) = \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{2(1+A\phi(z))}{z(1+B\phi(z))} - \frac{2}{z} + \frac{A\phi'(z)}{(1+A\phi(z))} - \frac{B\phi'(z)}{(1+B\phi(z))}.$$

Setting $\phi(z) = id_\Delta$, we get

$$T_f(z) = \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{B(A-B) + 2Az(A-B)}{(1+Az)(1+Bz)} = \frac{(A-B)(3+2Az)}{(1+Az)(1+Bz)}.$$

Therefore

$$\sup_{|z|<1} (1-|z|^2) |T_f(z)| \leq \sup_{|z|<1} (1+|z|) \left[\frac{(3+2A|z|)(A-B)}{(1+A|z|)} \right].$$

Again, to estimate the upper bound of $\|T_f\|$, z must lead to 1 and hence we get

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (1+|z|) \frac{(A-B)(3+2A|z|)}{(1+A|z|)} = \frac{2(A-B)(3+2A)}{(A+1)}.$$

Finally

$$\|T_f\| \leq \frac{2(A-B)(3+2A)}{(A+1)}. \quad (2.6)$$

For the second part of the proof, its given $f \in V_\sigma^*[A, B]$ and therefore we assume

$$k(z) = \left(\frac{w}{g(w)} \right)^2 g'(w) < \frac{1+Aw}{1+Bw} = p(w)$$

where $w = f(z)$, $g = f^{-1}$ and $w \in \Delta$. Since $f \in \sigma$ (as explained in the second part of previous theorem) we see,

$$g' = \frac{d}{dw} (f^{-1}(w)) = \frac{1}{f'(z)}.$$

Using above equation, $k(z)$ can be expressed as

$$k(z) = \left(\frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^2 \frac{1}{f'(z)} = \frac{1+A\phi(z)}{1+B\phi(z)}.$$

By logarithmic differentiation of above equation, we get

$$\frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{2(1+A\phi(z))}{z(1+B\phi(z))} - \frac{2}{z} - \frac{A\phi'(z)}{(1+A\phi(z))} + \frac{B\phi'(z)}{(1+B\phi(z))}.$$

Setting $\phi(z) = id_{\Delta}$, the pre-Schwarzian derivative of f becomes

$$T_f(z) = \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{(A-B)(1+2Az)}{(1+Az)(1+Bz)}$$

Following the similar steps as in the first part of this theorem, we get

$$\|T_f\| \leq \sup_{|z|<1} (1+|z|) \frac{(A-B)(1+2A|z|)}{(1+A|z|)}.$$

Finally,

$$\|T_f\| \leq \frac{2(A-B)(1+2A)}{(A+1)}. \quad (2.7)$$

Combining (8) and (9), the proof is complete. \square

Let $A = (1 - 2\alpha)$ and $B = -1$ in the above theorem where $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, the class becomes $V_{\sigma}^*[(1 - 2\alpha), -1] \equiv V_{\sigma}^*(\alpha)$.

Corollary 2.3. *If $f \in V_{\sigma}^*(\alpha)$, then $\|T_f\| \leq \min\{10 - 8\alpha, 6 - 8\alpha\}$.*

The above corollary deduces to the exact same norm estimation for analytic and bi-univalent functions in Δ which lies in a similar class denoted by $V_{\sigma}^*(\alpha)$ and is studied by Rahmatan [4].

Let $A = 1$ and $B = -1$ in the above theorem, the class becomes $V_{\sigma}^*[1, -1] \equiv V_{\sigma}^*$.

Corollary 2.4. *If $f \in V_{\sigma}^*$, then $\|T_f\| \leq 6$.*

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