

# On $T$ -neighborhoods of various classes of analytic functions

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## Abstract

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the class of analytic functions  $f$  in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  with the normalization conditions  $f(0) = 0$ ,  $f'(0) = 1$ . If  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  and  $\delta > 0$  are given, then the  $T_\delta$ -neighborhood of the function  $f$  is defined as

$$TN_\delta(f) = \left\{ g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n \in \mathcal{A} : \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n |a_n - b_n| \leq \delta \right\},$$

where  $T = \{T_n\}_{n=2}^{\infty}$  is a sequence of positive numbers. In the present paper we investigate some problems concerning  $T_\delta$ -neighborhoods of analytic functions with  $T = \left\{ \frac{n^2}{3^n n!} \right\}_{n=2}^{\infty}$ . One of the considered problems is to find a number  $\delta_T^*(A, B)$  such that

$$\delta_T^*(A, B) = \inf \{ \delta > 0 : B \subset TN_\delta(f) \text{ for all } f \in A \},$$

where the sets  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  are given.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the class of analytic functions  $f$  in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  of the form  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  with the normalization conditions  $f(0) = 0$ ,  $f'(0) = 1$ . Given a sequence  $T = \{T_n\}_{n=2}^{\infty}$  consisting of positive numbers, the  $T_\delta$ -neighborhood ( $\delta > 0$ ) of the function  $f$  is defined as

$$TN_\delta(f) = \left\{ g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n \in \mathcal{A} : \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n |a_n - b_n| \leq \delta \right\}.$$

If  $T = \{n\}_{n=2}^{\infty}$  then  $T_\delta$ -neighborhood becomes the  $\delta$ -neighborhood  $N_\delta(f)$  introduced by St. Ruscheweyh [13]. He proved that if  $f \in \mathcal{C}$  then  $N_{1/4}(f) \in \mathcal{S}^*$ , where  $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{S}^*$  denote the well known classes of convex and starlike functions, respectively. In this way he generalized the earlier result that  $N_1(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*$ . Some results of this type one can find in [8, 9, 10, 17]. The  $T_\delta$ -neighborhood was introduced in [15], where the authors considered the problem of finding a sufficient condition  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  that implies the existence of  $TN_\delta(f)$  being contained in a given subclass. U. Bednarsz and J. Sokół considered and investigated  $T_\delta$ -neighborhood for various subclasses of analytic functions [18, 19]. Also

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a certain class of analytic functions was described by S. Shams et al by  $T = \{2^{-n}n^{-2}\}_{n=2}^{\infty}$ , see [16]. The convolution or Hadamard product of the functions  $f$  and  $g$  of the form  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  and  $g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n$  is defined by

$$f(z) * g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n b_n z^n.$$

An interesting problem of stability of convolution on certain classes by using the  $\delta$ -neighborhoods was considered in [11, 12]. For work on this problem see also the papers [4, 5, 6]. Let  $\mathcal{S}$  denote the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  of functions univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ . Let us consider the following sequence of nonnegative reals

$$T = \left\{ \frac{n^2}{3^n n!} \right\}_{n=2}^{\infty}. \quad (1.1)$$

In this paper we will use the above sequence to obtain the results about  $T_\delta$ -neighborhoods. The motivation of choice the sequence (1.1) is the convergence of the series  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n |a_n - b_n|$  for  $|a_n| \leq n$ ,  $|b_n| \leq n$ , notice that Since

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 x^n}{3^n n!} &= \frac{3x + x^2}{3^2} e^{x/3}, \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3 x^n}{3^n n!} &= \frac{9x + 9x^2 + x^3}{3^3} e^{x/3}, \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^4 x^n}{3^n n!} &= \frac{27x + 63x^2 + 18x^3 + x^4}{3^4} e^{x/3}, \end{aligned}$$

so we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{3^n n!} = \frac{4}{9} e^{1/3}, \quad (1.2)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n n!} = \frac{19}{27} e^{1/3}, \quad (1.3)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^4}{3^n n!} = \frac{109}{81} e^{1/3}. \quad (1.4)$$

**Definition 1.1.** [2] Let us consider the functions  $f$  that are meromorphic and univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ , holomorphic at 0 and have the expansion  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ . If, in addition, the complement of  $f(\mathbb{U})$  with respect to  $\mathbb{C}$  is convex, then  $f$  is called a concave univalent function. The class of all concave functions is denoted by  $\mathcal{Co}$ .

It is well known [1], that if  $f \in \mathcal{Co}$ , then  $|a_n| \geq 1$  for all  $n > 1$  and equality holds if and only if  $f(z) = \frac{z}{1-\mu z}$ ,  $|\mu| = 1$  (see [1, 3]). The authors in [2] considered the class  $\mathcal{Co}(p) \in \mathcal{Co}$  consisting of all concave functions that have a pole at the point  $p$  and are analytic in  $|z| < |p|$ . They proved that if  $f \in \mathcal{Co}(1)$ , then

$$\left| a_n - \frac{n+1}{2} \right| \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \quad \text{for } n \geq 2 \quad (1.5)$$

and equality holds only for the function  $f_\theta$  defined by

$$f_\theta(z) = \frac{2z - (1 - e^{i\theta})z^2}{2(1 - z)^2}, \quad |z| < 1.$$

It is well known that if  $f \in \mathcal{Co}(1)$ , then the complement of  $f(\mathbb{U})$  can be represented as the union of a set of mutually disjoint half-lines (the end point of one half-line can lie on the another half-line), so  $f(\mathbb{U})$  is a linearly accessible domain in the strict sense, see [8, 17]. The authors in [7] also showed that  $\mathcal{Co}(1) \subset \mathcal{K}$ , where  $\mathcal{K}$  is the set of close to-convex functions.

## 2 Main result

Throughout this section  $T$  will always be the sequence given by (1.1) unless otherwise stated.

**Theorem 2.1.** If  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n, g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n$  and  $|a_n| \leq n, |b_n| \leq n, n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$ , then  $g \in TN_{\left\{\frac{38}{27}e^{\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{2}{3}\right\}}(f)$ , where  $T$  is given in (1.1), The number  $\frac{38}{27}e^{\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{2}{3} = 1.297 \dots$  is the best possible.

**Proof .** By (1.1) and (1.3), We have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n |a_n - b_n| = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{2n^3}{3^n n!} = 2\left(\left(\frac{19}{27}\right)e^{1/3} - \frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{38}{27}e^{1/3} - \frac{2}{3} = 1.297 \dots .$$

For the functions

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n z^n, \quad g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n z^n$$

we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n |a_n - b_n| = 2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n n!} = 2\left(\left(\frac{19}{27}\right)e^{1/3} - \frac{1}{3}\right) = 1.297 \dots .$$

□

It is well known that if  $\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^*, \mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{K}$  denote the well-known classes of univalent, starlike, convex and close-to-convex functions respectively then  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{S}^* \subset \mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{S}$  and if  $f \in \mathcal{S}^*$  then  $|a_n| \leq n$  while if  $f \in \mathcal{C}$  then  $|a_n| \leq 1$ . As a direct application of Theorem 2.1 we obtain  $T_\delta$ -neighborhood information for  $\mathcal{S}^*$  and  $\mathcal{K}$ .

**Corollary 2.2.** If  $f$  belongs to one of the classes  $\mathcal{S}^*, \mathcal{S}$ , then

$$\mathcal{S} \subset TN_{\left(\frac{38}{27}\right)e^{\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{2}{3}}(f),$$

where  $T$  is given in (1.1).

The constant  $\frac{38}{27}e^{\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{2}{3} = 1.297 \dots$  seems not to be the best possible. An interesting open problem is to find the smallest constant  $\sigma$  such that for each  $f \in \mathcal{S}$

$$\mathcal{S} \subset TN_\sigma(f),$$

where  $T$  is given in (1.1). For the Koebe function  $f(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^2}$  and  $g(z) = -f(-z)$ , we have  $f, g \in \mathcal{S}$  and

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

$$g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} n z^n$$

so

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n |a_n - b_n| = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n)^3}{3^{(2n)}(2n)!} = 2\left(\frac{19}{54}e^{1/3} - \frac{1}{54}e^{-1/3}\right) = 0.9556 \dots .$$

Therefore, the number  $\sigma$  can not be smaller than  $0.9556 \dots$ . We conjecture that  $\sigma = 0.9556 \dots$ . The result will change if we consider the class of convex functions  $\mathcal{C}$ .

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{C}$ . Then  $\mathcal{S} \subset TN_\beta(f)$  with  $\beta = \frac{31}{27}e^{1/3} - \frac{2}{3} = 0.9357 \dots$ .

**Proof .** If  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ , then  $|a_n| \leq 1, n \geq 2$ . Thus if  $g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n \in \mathcal{S}$ , then by (1.2) and (1.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n |a_n - b_n| &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^2 \frac{n+1}{3^n n!} \\
 &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n n!} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{3^n n!} \\
 &= \frac{19}{27} e^{1/3} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{9} e^{1/3} - \frac{1}{3} \\
 &= \frac{31}{27} e^{1/3} - \frac{2}{3} \\
 &= 0.9357 \dots \\
 &= \beta.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

□

In a similar way as in Corollary 2.2, the constant  $\beta = \frac{31}{27} e^{1/3} - \frac{2}{3} = 0.9357 \dots$  given in Corollary 2.3 is also not sharp but if the class  $\mathcal{S}$  is replaced by the much larger class of normalized analytic function  $f$  such that  $|a_n(f)| \leq n$  for  $n \geq 2$ , then  $\beta$  becomes sharp. The best possible constant in the case  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  is not known. We conjecture that the sharp constant is attained by the functions

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(z) &= z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n = \frac{z}{(1-z)^2} = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n z^n, \\
 g(z) &= z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n = \frac{z}{1+z} = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} z^n.
 \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  and  $g \in \mathcal{C}$ . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n |a_n - b_n| &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n - (-1)^{n-1}}{3^n n!} n^2 \\
 &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{3^n n!} n^2 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1 + (-1)^{n-1}}{3^n n!} n^2 \\
 &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n n!} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{3^n n!} - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)^2}{3^{(2n+1)} (2n+1)!} \\
 &= \frac{31}{27} e^{1/3} - \frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{9} (2e^{1/3} + e^{-1/3}) \\
 &= 0.1562 \dots.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

Therefore, the smallest constant  $\beta$  such that  $\mathcal{S} \in TN_{\beta}(f)$  for each  $f \in \mathcal{C}$  lies between  $0.1562 \dots$  and  $0.9357 \dots$ . We conjecture that it is the first number.

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $f, g_1, g_2$  be of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n, g_1(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c_n z^n, g_2(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} d_n z^n,$$

where  $|a_n| \leq n, |c_n| \leq n, |d_n| \leq n, n = 2, 3, \dots$ . Then

$$g_1 * g_2 \in TN_{\{\frac{148}{81} e^{1/3} - \frac{2}{3}\}}(f).$$

The number  $\frac{148}{81} e^{1/3} - \frac{2}{3}$  is the best possible.

**Proof .** Since

$$(g_1 * g_2)(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c_n d_n z^n,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{3^n n!} |c_n d_n - a_n| &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{3^n n!} (n^2 + n) \\ &= \frac{109}{81} e^{1/3} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{19}{27} e^{1/3} - \frac{1}{3} \\ &= \frac{166}{81} e^{1/3} - \frac{2}{3} \\ &= 2.1934 \dots \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

The functions

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n z^n, \quad g_1(z) = g_2(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n z^n$$

show that the number  $\frac{166}{81} e^{1/3} - \frac{2}{3} = 2.1934 \dots$  is the best possible. Therefore the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Definition 2.5.** [7] Let  $A$  and  $B$  be arbitrary subset of the  $\mathcal{A}$ , and let  $T$  be a sequence of positive number, then  $\delta_T^*(A, B)$  is defined by

$$\delta_T^*(A, B) = \inf \{ \delta > 0 : B \subset TN_\delta(f) \text{ for all } f \in A \}.$$

Let us denote

$$T(f, g) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n |a_n - b_n|. \quad (2.4)$$

Therefore, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_T^*(A, B) &= \inf \{ \delta : T(f, g) < \delta \text{ for all } f \in A, g \in B \} \\ &= \sup \{ T(f, g) : f \in A, g \in B \}, \end{aligned}$$

where the condition  $T(f, g) < \delta$  means that the series  $T(f, g)$  is convergent and its sum is less than  $\delta$ . Therefore, we see that  $\delta_T^*(A, B) = \delta_T^*(B, A)$ , and we will say that  $\delta_T^*(A, B)$  is the  $T$ -factor with respect to the classes  $A$  and  $B$ . Making use of the above definition, Corollary 2.2 and the consideration below Corollary 2.2, we can state next corollary, where  $T = \{T_n\}_{n=2}^{\infty}$  is again of the form (1.1).

**Corollary 2.6.** The  $T$ -factor with respect to the classes  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  satisfies the following inequality

$$0.9556 \dots \leq \delta_T^*(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}) \leq 1.297 \dots \quad (2.5)$$

It is well known that the Koebe function and all its rotations belong to each of the classes  $\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^*$  and  $\mathcal{K}$  (univalent, starlike and close-to-convex functions respectively), then Corollary 2.6 follows the next corollary.

**Corollary 2.7.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be one of the classes  $\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^*$  or  $\mathcal{K}$ . Then

$$0.9556 \dots \leq \delta_T^*(A, B) \leq 1.297 \dots \quad (2.6)$$

In the same way as above, we can express Corollary 2.3 in terms  $T$ -factor. It is done in the next result.

**Corollary 2.8.** The  $T$ -factor with respect to the classes  $\mathcal{C}$  of convex functions and  $\mathcal{S}$  satisfies the following inequality

$$0.1562 \dots \leq \delta_T^*(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{S}) \leq 0.9357 \dots$$

**Remark 2.9.** Now we consider the “central” function with respect to coefficient in the class  $\mathcal{Co}(1)$  which is denoted by  $f_c(z)$  and defined by

$$f_c(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{z}{1-z} + \frac{z}{(1-z)^2} \right\} = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{2} z^n, \quad |z| < 1.$$

In [7] the authors showed that  $f_c \in \mathcal{Co}(1)$ .

**Theorem 2.10.** The following inclusion relation holds

$$Co(1) \in TN_\delta(f_c),$$

where  $\delta = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{7}{27}e^{1/3}) = 0.1809 \dots$

**Proof .** Suppose that  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in Co(1)$ , then from (1.2) and (1.3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n \left| a_n - \frac{n+1}{2} \right| &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n \left| \frac{n-1}{2} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(n-1)n^2}{3^n n!} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n n!} - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{3^n n!} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{19}{27} e^{1/3} - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{4}{9} e^{1/3} + \frac{1}{3} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{7}{27} e^{1/3} \right) \\ &= 0.1809 \dots \\ &= \delta. \end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

□

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