

# Subordinateness of the Subclass of Bazilevič Functions $B_2(\alpha)$

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**Abstract** In 1999 Marjono published about the subordinateness of the subclass of Bazilevic functions. However, the value of  $\beta(\gamma)$  is not the largest one. In this paper, we present our work with my student Estelita Maria from Universidade Timor Loro Sa'e and Rahmalia Firdausi Tamara to find the largest  $\beta(\gamma)$ . This result was obtained by using a similar way to the theorem before and stressing an optimized approach and also by using the maximum modulus principles as mentioned in Remark 1.9. For an analytic, normalized function  $f$  such that  $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ , there is a largest number  $\beta^*(\gamma)$  such that subordination holds for  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$  and  $z \in D$  as an improvement of Marjono's work.

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## 1. Introduction

We first recall the Bazilevic functions  $B(\alpha)$ . In 1955, Bazilevič [2] introduced the so-called Bazilevič univalent functions using a differential equation of Löwner and Kufaref as follows:

**Definition 1.1.** [2]. Let  $f$  be analytic in the unit disc  $D = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ , and normalized such that  $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ . Then  $f$  is called a Bazilevič function if there exists  $g \in St$  such that for each  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\delta$  real,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ f'(z) \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha+i\delta-1} \left( \frac{g(z)}{z} \right)^{-\alpha} \right] > 0, \quad (1.1)$$

whenever  $z \in D$ , and  $St$  is the class of normalized starlike univalent functions.



The case  $\delta = 0$  is normally denoted by  $B(\alpha)$  and has received considerable attention during the last forty-five or so years. See e.g. Thomas [14] and Sheil-Small [12]. We note that when  $\alpha = 1$  we obtain  $B(1) = K$ .

Marjono [6], Thomas, Tuneski and Vasudevarao [16] and Asih [1] considered the subclass  $B_1(\alpha)$  consisting of those functions in  $B(\alpha)$  with  $g(z) \equiv z$ . This class was first considered by Singh [13] and has been the subject of several papers, e.g. Thomas [15], Obradović and Owa [8]. It follows easily from (1.1) that  $f \in B_1(\alpha)$  if, and only if, for  $z \in D$ ,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ f'(z) \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \right] > 0.$$

Marjono [6] proved the following theorem for the function  $f \in B_1(\alpha)$  :

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $f$  be analytic in the unit disc  $D = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ , and  $f$  normalized such that  $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ . Then for  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ , and  $z \in D$ , there exists  $\beta(\gamma)$  such that*

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

then

$$\left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha} \prec \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{\gamma}, \quad (1.2)$$

in particular we may choose

$$\beta(\gamma) = \gamma + \frac{2}{\pi} \arctan \left( \frac{\gamma}{\alpha} \right). \quad (1.3)$$

$\beta(\gamma)$  given by (1.3) is the largest number such that (1.2) holds.

In this paper we are concerned with subordination on a subclass of Bazilevič functions  $B_2(\alpha)$  introduced by Marjono [6]. The subclass  $B_2(\alpha)$  consist of those functions in  $B(\alpha)$  with  $g(z) \equiv z + z^2/2$ . It follows easily from (1.1) that  $f \in B_2(\alpha)$  if, and only if, for  $z \in D$ ,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{2f'(z)}{2+z} \left( \frac{f(z)}{z + z^2/2} \right)^{\alpha-1} \right] > 0. \quad (1.4)$$

Next, Marjono [6] obtained the following theorem for the function  $f \in B_2(\alpha)$  :

**Theorem 1.3.** *Let  $f$  be analytic in the unit disc  $D = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ , and  $f$  normalized such that  $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ . Then for  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ , and  $z \in D$ , there exists  $\beta(\gamma)$  such that*

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

implies

$$\left( \frac{f(z)}{z + z^2/2} \right)^{\alpha} \prec \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{\gamma}, \quad (1.5)$$

in particular we may choose

$$\beta(\gamma) = \gamma + \frac{2}{\pi} \arctan \left( \frac{3\gamma}{4\alpha} - \frac{\alpha}{3\gamma} \right). \quad (1.6)$$

$\beta(\gamma)$  given by (1.6) is not the largest number such that (1.5) holds.

Related to subordination, Littlewood [5] and Rogosinski [10] introduced the term and discovered the basic relations of subordination. Over the year a substantial theory has been developed, and subordination now plays an important role in Complex analysis, see e.g. Thomas, Tuneski, and Vasudevarao [16]. We will need the following definition of subordination denoted by  $f \prec g$ :

**Definition 1.4.** [3]. Let  $f$  and  $g$  be analytic in  $D = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . Then  $f$  is said to be univalent subordinate to  $g$ , if  $g$  is univalent in  $D$ ,  $f(0) = g(0)$ , and  $f(D) \subset g(D)$ .

**Theorem 1.5** (Subordination principles). [11]. Suppose that  $f$  be analytic in the unit disc  $D = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ ,  $g$  analytic and univalent in  $D$ ,  $f(0) = g(0)$ , and  $f(D) \subset g(D)$ . Then these properties are follow :

- (i)  $f = g \circ \omega$ ,  $\omega$  is analytic,  $|\omega(z)| \leq |z|$ ,
- (ii)  $|f'(0)| \leq |g'(0)|$ , with equality for  $\omega(z) = e^{i\alpha}z$ ,
- (iii)  $f(|z| < r) \subset g(|z| < r)$ , for all  $r$ ,  $0 < r < 1$ .

We did not prove Theorem 1.5, but we may use the Schwarz Lemma when proving this theorem.

**Lemma 1.6** (Schwarz Lemma). [9]. Suppose that a function  $f$  is analytic in  $D$ , and that it obeys condition  $f(0) = 0$  and  $|f(z)| \leq 1$  for every  $z \in D$ . Then  $|f'(0)| \leq 1$  and  $|f(z)| \leq |z|$  for every  $z \in D$ . Furthermore, unless  $f$  happens to be a function of the type  $f(z) = cz$  in  $D$ , where  $c$  is a complex constant of modulus one, it is actually true that  $|f'(0)| < 1$  and that  $|f(z)| < |z|$  when  $0 < |z| < 1$ .

We will also need the idea of harmonic functions as the following:

**Theorem 1.7.** [3]. Let a function  $u$  be harmonic in a domain  $D$ . Suppose that there exists a point  $z_0$  of  $D$  with the property that  $u(z) \leq u(z_0)$  for every  $z$  in  $D$ . Then  $u$  is constant in  $D$ .

**Corollary 1.8.** [3]. Let  $D$  be a bounded in the complex plane, and let  $u : \overline{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function that is harmonic in  $D$ . Then  $u(z)$  attains its maximum at some point on the boundary.

From Theorem 1.7 and Corollary 1.8, we obtain the following remark:

**Remark 1.9.** A function harmonic in  $D$  and continuous in  $\overline{D}$  must attain its maximum and minimum values on the boundary.

## 2. Main Results

In this session, we will find the largest value for  $\beta(\gamma)$  by maximizing  $\beta(\gamma)$  for the whole related  $\theta$  with Mapple, then determining the value of  $\beta(\gamma)$  by using the similar way in proving Theorem 2.1.

We obtained the following theorem for the function  $f \in B_2(\alpha)$ :

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $f$  be analytic in the unit disc  $D = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ , and  $f$  normalized such that  $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ . Then for  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ , and  $z \in D$ , there exists  $\beta(\gamma)$  such that

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

implies

$$\left( \frac{f(z)}{z+z^2/2} \right)^{\alpha} \prec \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{\gamma}, \quad (2.1)$$

in particular we may choose

$$\beta(\gamma) = (\gamma + 1)\pi/2. \quad (2.2)$$

$\beta(\gamma)$  given by (2.2) is the largest number such that (2.1) holds.

In proving Theorem 2.1, we used the Miller-Mocanu Lemma, which is a boundary version of the Clunie-Jack Lemma [4].

**Lemma 2.2** (Miller-Mocanu Lemma). [7]. Let  $p$  be analytic in  $D$  and  $q$  be analytic and univalent in  $\bar{D}$ , with  $p(0) = q(0)$ . If  $p \not\prec q$ , then there is a point  $z_0 \in D$  and  $\zeta_0 \in \partial D$  such that  $p(|z| < |z_0|) \subset q(D)$ ,  $p(z_0) = q(\zeta_0)$ , and

$$z_0 p'(z_0) = k \zeta_0 q'(\zeta_0), \quad \text{for } k \geq 1.$$

We are now proving Theorem 2.1.

*Proof.* By writing  $p(z) = \left( \frac{f(z)}{z+z^2/2} \right)^{\alpha}$ , and then differentiating to  $z$ , we only need to show that  $\frac{2(1+z)p(z)}{2+z} + \frac{zp'(z)}{\alpha} \prec \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{\beta}$  implies  $p(z) \prec \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{\gamma}$ , whenever  $\beta = \beta(\gamma)$  is given by (1.6).

For  $z \in D$ , let  $h(z) = [(1+z)/(1-z)]^{\beta}$  and  $q(z) = [(1+z)/(1-z)]^{\gamma}$ , so that

$$|\arg h(z)| < \frac{\beta\pi}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad |\arg q(z)| < \frac{\gamma\pi}{2}.$$

In proving  $p \prec q$ , it is enough to use the proof of Marjono [6], then it is necessary to prove that  $\beta(\gamma)$  given by (2.2) is the largest one.

Let  $p(z) = \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{\gamma}$ , then from the minimum modulus principle for harmonic functions, it follows that

$$\inf_{|z|<1} \arg \left( \frac{2(1+z)p(z)}{2+z} + \frac{zp'(z)}{\alpha} \right)$$

is attained at some point  $z = e^{i\theta}$ , for  $0 < \theta < 2\pi$ . Thus with  $z = e^{i\theta}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2(1+z)p(z)}{2+z} + \frac{zp'(z)}{\alpha} &= \frac{2(1+z)}{2+z} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{\gamma} + \frac{2\gamma z}{\alpha(1-z)^2} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{\gamma-1} \\ &= \frac{2[3(1+\cos\theta) + i\sin\theta]}{5+4\cos\theta} \left( \frac{\sin\theta}{1-\cos\theta} \right)^{\gamma} \exp\left(\frac{i\gamma\pi}{2}\right) \\ &\quad - \frac{\gamma}{\alpha(1-\cos\theta)} \left( \frac{\sin\theta}{1-\cos\theta} \right)^{\gamma-1} \exp\left(\frac{i(\gamma-1)\pi}{2}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Simplification on (2.3), then its RHS becomes

$$\left(\frac{\sin \theta}{1 - \cos \theta}\right)^{\gamma-1} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \cos \theta}\right) \left[ \frac{2 \sin \theta [3(1 + \cos \theta) + i \sin \theta]}{5 + 4 \cos \theta} \exp\left(\frac{i\gamma\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{\gamma}{\alpha} \exp\left(\frac{i(\gamma-1)\pi}{2}\right) \right],$$

i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{2(1+z)p(z)}{2+z} + \frac{zp'(z)}{\alpha}\right) / 6 \left(\frac{\sin \theta}{1 - \cos \theta}\right)^{\gamma} \left(\frac{1 + \cos \theta}{5 + 4 \cos \theta}\right) \\ &= \left[ \left(1 + \frac{i \sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)}\right) \exp\left(\frac{i\gamma\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)} \exp\left(\frac{i(\gamma-1)\pi}{2}\right) \right] \\ &= \left[ \left(1 + \frac{i \sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)}\right) \left(\cos \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{\gamma\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)} \left(\cos \frac{(\gamma-1)\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{(\gamma-1)\pi}{2}\right) \right]. \quad (2.4) \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\cos \frac{(\gamma-1)\pi}{2} = \sin \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \sin \frac{(\gamma-1)\pi}{2} = -\cos \frac{\gamma\pi}{2},$$

we can write the RHS of (2.4) as follows:

$$= \left(1 + \frac{i \sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)}\right) \left(\cos \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{\gamma\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)} \left(\sin \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} - i \cos \frac{\gamma\pi}{2}\right),$$

which is

$$\begin{aligned} &= \cos \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} - \frac{\sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)} \sin \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} - \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)} \sin \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} \\ &\quad + i \left\{ \frac{\sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)} \cos \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} + \sin \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} + \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)} \cos \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \cos \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} \left[ 1 - \tan \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)} + \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + i \left\{ \tan \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} + \frac{\sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)} + \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)} \right\} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Taking arguments, we have

$$\beta^*(\gamma, \theta) = \arg \left( \frac{2(1+z)p(z)}{2+z} + \frac{zp'(z)}{\alpha} \right) = \arctan \left( \frac{U^*}{V^*} \right), \quad (2.5)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} U^* &= \tan \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} + \frac{\sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)} + \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)}, \\ V^* &= 1 - \tan \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)} + \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

From (2.5) and using a trigonometry function property, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\beta^*(\gamma, \theta) &= \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} + \arctan\left(\frac{\sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)} + \frac{k\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)}\right), \quad \text{for } k \geq 1, \\ &\geq \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} + \arctan\left(\frac{\sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)} + \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)}\right) \\ &= \frac{\gamma\pi}{2} + \arctan(W^*),\end{aligned}$$

where

$$W^* = \frac{\sin \theta}{3(1 + \cos \theta)} + \frac{\gamma(5 + 4 \cos \theta)}{6\alpha \sin \theta(1 + \cos \theta)}. \quad (2.6)$$

By calculating the whole value of  $\theta$ , we obtain that the maximum of  $W^*$  will occurs when  $\theta = k\pi$  as described at Figure 1 below. Thus the maximum of  $\arctan(W^*) = \pi/2$  and the maximum of  $\beta^*(\gamma, \theta) = (\gamma + 1)\pi/2$

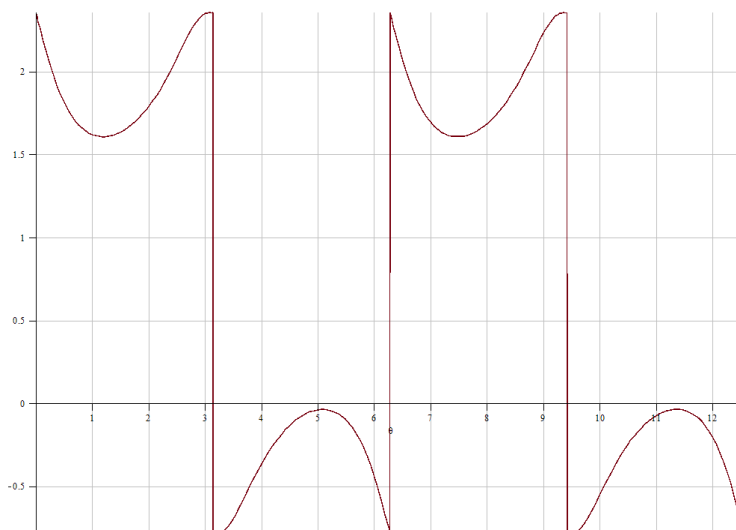


FIGURE 1. The value of  $\Phi(\gamma, \theta)$  towards  $\theta$  attains its maximum at  $\theta = k\pi$

and this completes the proof. ■

### 3. Concluding Remarks

We can improve the value of  $\beta(\gamma)$  from  $\beta(\gamma) = \gamma + \frac{2}{\pi} \arctan\left(\frac{3\gamma}{4\alpha} - \frac{\alpha}{3\gamma}\right)$  to the largest one  $\beta(\gamma) = (\gamma + 1)\pi/2$ .

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