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# PROPERTIES OF POLYNOMIAL SOLUTIONS OF A DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION OF THE SECOND ORDER WITH POLYNOMIAL COEFFICIENTS OF THE SECOND DEGREE

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An analytic univalent in  $\mathbb{D} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  function f is said to be convex if  $f(\mathbb{D})$  is a convex domain. It is well known that the condition

Re 
$$\{1 + zf''(z)/f'(z)\} > 0$$
  $(z \in \mathbb{D})$ 

is necessary and sufficient for the convexity of f. Function f is said to be closeto-convex if there exists a convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  function  $\Phi$  such that  $\operatorname{Re}(f'(z)/\Phi'(z))>0$  $(z \in \mathbb{D})$ . Close-to-convex function f has a characteristic property that the complement G of the domain  $f(\mathbb{D})$  can be filled with rays which start from  $\partial G$  and lie in G. Every close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  function f is univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$  and, therefore,  $f'(0) \neq 0$ .

We indicate conditions on parameters  $\beta_0$ ,  $\beta_1$ ,  $\gamma_0$ ,  $\gamma_1$ ,  $\gamma_2$  and  $\alpha_0$ ,  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$  of the differential equation

 $z^{2}w'' + (\beta_{0}z^{2} + \beta_{1}z)w' + (\gamma_{0}z^{2} + \gamma_{1}z + \gamma_{2})w = \alpha_{0}z^{2} + \alpha_{1}z + \alpha_{2},$ 

under which this equation has a polynomial solution

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{p} f_n z^n \quad (\deg f = p \ge 2)$$

close-to-convex or convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  together with all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \leq j \leq p-1)$ . The results depend on equality or inequality to zero of the parameter  $\gamma_2$ .

For example, it is proved that if  $p \ge 3$ ,  $\gamma_2 \ne 0$ ,

$$\gamma_0 = p\beta_0 + \gamma_1 = \beta_1 + \gamma_2 = \alpha_1\gamma_2 + p\beta_0\alpha_2 = 0$$

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holds, this equation has a polynomial solution

$$f(z) = \alpha_2/\gamma_2 + z + \frac{\alpha_0 + (p-1)\beta_0}{2+\beta_1}z^2 + \sum_{n=3}^p f_n z^n$$

where the coefficients  $f_n$  are defined by the equality

$$f_n = \frac{(p-n+1)\beta_0}{(n-1)(n+\beta_1)} f_{n-1} \qquad (3 \le n \le p).$$

such that:

1) if  $(11p - 14)|\beta_0|/4 + 2|\alpha_0| \leq 2 - |\beta_1|$  and  $11(p - 2)|\beta_0|/4 \leq 3 - |\beta_1|$  then f is close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  together with all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \leq j \leq p - 1)$ ; 2) if  $(41p - 50)|\beta_0|/8 + 4|\alpha_0| \leq 2 - |\beta_1|$  and  $33(p - 2)|\beta_0|/8 \leq 3 - |\beta_1|$  then f is convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  together with all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \leq j \leq p - 1)$ . A similar result is obtained in the case  $\gamma_2 = 0$ .

Key words: linear non-homogeneous differential equation of the second order, polynomial coefficient, polynomial solution, close-to-convex function, convex function.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION AND AUXILIARY RESULTS

An analytic univalent in  $\mathbb{D} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  function

(1) 
$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n z^n$$

is said to be convex if  $f(\mathbb{D})$  is a convex domain. It is well known [1, p. 203] (see also [2, p. 8]) that the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} \{1 + zf''(z)/f'(z)\} > 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{D})$$

is necessary and sufficient for the convexity of f. By W. Kaplan [3] the function f is said to be close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  (see also [1, p. 583], [2, p. 11]) if there exists a convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ function  $\Phi$  such that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(f'(z)/\Phi'(z)\right) > 0 \, (z \in \mathbb{D}).$$

The close-to-convex function f has a characteristic property that the complement G of the domain  $f(\mathbb{D})$  can be filled with rays which start from  $\partial G$  and lie in G. Every close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  function f is univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$  and, therefore,  $f'(0) \neq 0$ . Hence, it follows that the function f is close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  if and only if the function

(2) 
$$g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} g_n z^n, \quad g_n = f_n / f_1,$$

is close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ . We also remark that function (2) is said to be starlike if  $f(\mathbb{D})$  is a starlike domain regarding the origin and the condition

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{zg'(z)/g(z)\right\} > 0 \ (z \in \mathbb{D})$$

is necessary and sufficient for the starlikeness of g [2, p. 9]. Clearly, every starlike function is close-to-convex.

S. M. Shah [4] indicated conditions on real parameters  $\beta_0$ ,  $\beta_1$ ,  $\gamma_0$ ,  $\gamma_1$ ,  $\gamma_2$  of the differential equation

$$z^{2}w'' + (\beta_{0}z^{2} + \beta_{1}z)w' + (\gamma_{0}z^{2} + \gamma_{1}z + \gamma_{2})w = 0,$$

under which there exists an entire transcendental solution (1) such that f and all its derivatives are close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ . The investigations are continued in the papers [5–10], but in all of this papers the case of polynomial solutions was not investigated. In the papers [11–14] properties of entire solutions of a linear differential equation of n-th order with polynomial coefficients of n-th degree are investigated. Some results from these papers are published also in monograph [2].

In [15], the equation

(3) 
$$z^2 w'' + (\beta_0 z^2 + \beta_1 z) w' + (\gamma_0 z^2 + \gamma_1 z + \gamma_2) w = \alpha_0 z^2 + \alpha_1 z + \alpha_2 z^2 + \alpha_1 z^2 + \alpha_2 z^2 + \alpha_2 z^2 + \alpha_1 z^2 + \alpha_2 z^2$$

is considered with real parameters and the existence and close-to-convexity of its polynomial solutions are studied. In particular, it is proved that in order that the polynomial

(4) 
$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{p} f_n z^n, \quad \deg f = p \ge 2,$$

be a solution of the differential equation (3), it is necessary that  $\gamma_0 = p\beta_0 + \gamma_1 = 0$ . Substituting (4) into (3), we get [15]

(5) 
$$\gamma_2 f_0 = \alpha_2$$
,  $(\beta_1 + \gamma_2) f_1 = \alpha_1 + p\beta_0 f_0$ ,  $(2 + 2\beta_1 + \gamma_2) f_2 = \alpha_0 + (p - 1)\beta_0 f_1$   
and for  $3 \le n \le n$ 

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(6) 
$$(n(n+\beta_1-1)+\gamma_2)f_n = (p-n+1)\beta_0 f_{n-1}.$$

If we assume that  $n(n + \beta_1 - 1) + \gamma_2 \neq 0$  for all  $3 \leq n \leq p$ , it allows us to rewrite the equality (6) in the form

(7) 
$$f_n = \frac{(p-n+1)\beta_0}{n(n+\beta_1-1)+\gamma_2} f_{n-1}, \quad 3 \le n \le p,$$

whence it follows that  $f_p = 0$ , if  $\beta_0 = 0$ . Therefore, further we assume also that  $\beta_0 \neq 0$ .

In the case of real parameters for the study of the close-to convexity of the polynomial

(8) 
$$g(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{p} g_n z^n,$$

Alexander's criterion [16,17] was used. Here we are going to consider a case of complex parameters  $\beta_0$ ,  $\beta_1$ ,  $\gamma_0$ ,  $\gamma_1$ ,  $\gamma_2$ ,  $\alpha_0$ ,  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$  and we will use the following lemma [16,17].

**Lemma 1.** If 
$$\sum_{n=2}^{p} n|g_n| \leq 1$$
 then polynomial (8) is a starlike function and if  $\sum_{n=2}^{p} n^2|g_n| \leq 1$  then polynomial (8) is a convex function

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Using Lemma 1 we prove the following statement.

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**Lemma 2.** Let  $\xi_n \neq 0$ ,  $\xi_n = g_n/g_{n-1}$  for  $2 \le n \le p$  and

$$\xi = \max\left\{\frac{n}{n-1}|\xi_n|: \ 3 \le n \le p\right\}.$$

If  $2|g_2| \leq 1 - \xi$  then polynomial (8) is a starlike function and if  $4|g_2| \leq 1 - 3\xi/2$  then polynomial (8) is a convex function.

*Proof.* Since  $g_n = \xi_n g_{n-1}$  for  $2 \le n \le p$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{p} n|g_{n}| &= \sum_{n=2}^{p} n|\xi_{n}||g_{n-1}| = \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{p-1} (n+1)|\xi_{n+1}||g_{n}| = \\ &= 2|g_{2}| + \sum_{n=2}^{p} \frac{n+1}{n}|\xi_{n+1}|n|g_{n}|, \qquad \xi_{p+1} = 0, \end{split}$$
  
i.e., 
$$\sum_{n=2}^{p} \left(1 - \frac{n+1}{n}|\xi_{n+1}|\right) n|g_{n}| = 2|g_{2}|. \text{ Since } \xi_{p+1} = 0 \text{ and } \frac{n+1}{n}|\xi_{n+1}| \le \xi < 0$$

 $2 \le n \le p-1$ , hence it follows that  $(1-\xi) \sum_{n=2}^{p} n|g_n| \le 2|g_2|$ . Therefore, if  $2|g_2| \le 1-\xi$ 

then  $\sum_{\substack{n=2\\\text{If we put}}}^{p} n|g_n| \leq 1$  and by Lemma 1 polynomial (8) is a starlike function.

$$\xi^* = \max\left\{ \left(\frac{n}{n-1}\right)^2 |\xi_n| : \ 3 \le n \le p \right\}$$

and suppose that  $4|g_2| \leq 1 - \xi^*$  then as above we get  $(1 - \xi^*) \sum_{n=2}^p n^2 |g_n| \leq 4|g_2|$ , i.e.,  $\sum_{n=2}^p n^2 |g_n| \leq 1$  and by Lemma 1 polynomial (8) is a convex function. Since  $\xi^* \leq 3\xi/2$ ,

the proof of Lemma 2 is complete.

In view of (5) and (6) it is clear that the existence of convex or close-to-convex solution (4) of differential equation (3) depends on the equality to zero of the parameter  $\gamma_2$ . Therefore, we will consider two cases:  $\gamma_2 \neq 0$  and  $\gamma_2 = 0$ .

## 2. The case $\gamma_2 \neq 0$

From the first equality (5) it follows that  $f_0 = \alpha_2/\gamma_2$ , and the second equality (5) implies

$$(\beta_1 + \gamma_2)f_1 = \alpha_1 + p\beta_0\alpha_2/\gamma_2.$$

For the close-to-convexity of f the condition  $f_1 \neq 0$  is necessary. This condition is not necessary for the convexity of the function f, but since we are going to use Lemma 2,

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then we will assume that  $f_1 \neq 0$ . Therefore, from the last equality it follows that either

 $\beta_1 + \gamma_2 \neq 0 \text{ and } \alpha_1 + p\beta_0\alpha_2/\gamma_2 \neq 0 \text{ or } \beta_1 + \gamma_2 = \alpha_1 + p\beta_0\alpha_2/\gamma_2 = 0.$ If  $\beta_1 + \gamma_2 \neq 0$  and  $\alpha_1 + p\beta_0\alpha_2/\gamma_2 \neq 0$  then  $f_1 = \frac{\alpha_1\gamma_2 + p\beta_0\alpha_2}{\gamma_2(\beta_1 + \gamma_2)}$ , and if  $2 + 2\beta_1 + \gamma_2 \neq 0$ 

then from the third equality (5) we obtain

$$f_2 = \frac{(p-1)\beta_0(\alpha_1\gamma_2 + p\beta_0\alpha_2) + \alpha_0\gamma_2(\beta_1 + \gamma_2)}{\gamma_2(\beta_1 + \gamma_2)(2 + 2\beta_1 + \gamma_2)}$$

Thus, the desired solution should be

(9) 
$$f(z) = \frac{\alpha_2}{\gamma_2} + \frac{\alpha_1 \gamma_2 + p\beta_0 \alpha_2}{\gamma_2 (\beta_1 + \gamma_2)} z + \frac{(p-1)\beta_0 (\alpha_1 \gamma_2 + p\beta_0 \alpha_2) + \alpha_0 \gamma_2 (\beta_1 + \gamma_2)}{\gamma_2 (\beta_1 + \gamma_2) (2 + 2\beta_1 + \gamma_2)} z^2 + \sum_{n=3}^p f_n z^n$$

where the coefficients  $f_n$  satisfy (7). The following theorem is true.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $p \ge 3$ ,  $\gamma_2 \ne 0$ ,  $\gamma_0 = p\beta_0 + \gamma_1 = 0$ ,  $\beta_1 + \gamma_2 \ne 0$ ,  $\alpha_1\gamma_2 + p\beta_0\alpha_2 \ne 0$ . Then:

1) if

(10) 
$$\frac{5p-6}{2}|\beta_0| + 2\left|\frac{\alpha_0\gamma_2(\beta_1+\gamma_2)}{\alpha_1\gamma_2+p\beta_0\alpha_2}\right| \le 2-2|\beta_1|-|\gamma_2|$$

then differential equation (3) has polynomial solution (9) close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ and if  $3(p-2)|\beta_0|/2 \le 2 - |\beta_1| - |\gamma_2|/3$  all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \le j \le p-1)$ are close-to-convex;

2) if

(11) 
$$\frac{19p - 22}{4}|\beta_0| + 4\left|\frac{\alpha_0\gamma_2(\beta_1 + \gamma_2)}{\alpha_1\gamma_2 + p\beta_0\alpha_2}\right| \le 2 - 2|\beta_1| - |\gamma_2|$$

then differential equation (3) has polynomial solution (9) convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  and if  $11(p-2)|\beta_0|/4 \le 2 - |\beta_1| - |\gamma_2|/3$  all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \le j \le p-1)$  are convex.

*Proof.* For polynomial (8) with  $g_n = f_n/f_1$  we have

$$g_2 = \frac{(p-1)\beta_0}{2+2\beta_1+\gamma_2} + \frac{\alpha_0\gamma_2(\beta_1+\gamma_2)}{(2+2\beta_1+\gamma_2)(\alpha_1\gamma_2+p\beta_0\alpha_2)} = \xi_2 = \xi_2 g_1,$$

and since (10) implies  $|2 + 2\beta_1 + \gamma_2| \ge 2 - 2|\beta_1| - |\gamma_2| > 0$ , we get

(12) 
$$|g_2| = |\xi_2| \le \frac{1}{2 - 2|\beta_1| - |\gamma_2|} \left( (p-1)|\beta_0| + \left| \frac{\alpha_0 \gamma_2 (\beta_1 + \gamma_2)}{\alpha_1 \gamma_2 + p \beta_0 \alpha_2} \right| \right).$$

For  $3 \le n \le p$  from (7) we obtain

$$g_n = \frac{f_n}{f_1} = \frac{\xi_n f_{n-1}}{f_1} = \xi_n g_{n-1},$$

where  $\xi_n = \frac{(p-n+1)\beta_0}{n(n+\beta_1-1)+\gamma_2}$  and

$$\frac{n}{n-1}|\xi_n| \leq \frac{(p-n+1)|\beta_0|}{(n-1)(n-|\beta_1|-1-|\gamma_2|/n)} \leq \frac{(p-n+1)|\beta_0|}{(n-1)(2-2|\beta_1|-|\gamma_2|)}$$

i.e.,

(13) 
$$\xi = \max\left\{\frac{n}{n-1}|\xi_n|: 3 \le n \le p\right\} \le \frac{(p-2)|\beta_0|}{2(2-2|\beta_1|-|\gamma_2|)}.$$

It is easy to check that (10), (12) and (13) imply the inequality  $2|g_2| \leq 1-\xi$ . Therefore, by Lemma 2 the polynomial g is a starlike function and, thus, function (9) is close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ .

For  $1 \leq j \leq p-2$  the derivative

(14) 
$$f^{(j)}(z) = j!f_j + (j+1)!f_{j+1}z + \sum_{n=2}^{p-j} (n+1)(n+2)\dots(n+j)f_{n+j}z^n$$

is close-to-convex in  $\mathbb D$  if and only if the function

(15) 
$$g_j(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{p-j} g_{n,j} z^n, \qquad g_{n,j} = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)\dots(n+j)f_{n+j}}{(j+1)!f_{j+1}},$$

is close-to-convex in D. For  $1 \le j \le p-2$  and  $2 \le n \le p-j$  we have  $3 \le n+j \le p$ , and in view of (7) and (15) we get

$$g_{n,j} = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)\dots(n+j)}{(j+1)!f_{j+1}} \frac{(p-n-j+1)\beta_0}{(n+j)(n+j+\beta_1-1)+\gamma_2} f_{n+j-1} = = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)\dots(n+j)}{(j+1)!f_{j+1}} \xi_{n+j} \frac{(j+1)!f_{j+1}}{n(n+1)\dots(n+j-1)} g_{n-1,j} = = \frac{n+j}{n} \xi_{n+j} g_{n-1,j},$$

where as above  $\xi_n = \frac{(p-n+1)\beta_0}{n(n+\beta_1-1)+\gamma_2}$ . Therefore, to apply Lemma 2, we need to find a condition under which

(16) 
$$2|g_{2,j}| \le 1 - \max_{3 \le n \le p-j} \frac{n}{n-1} \frac{n+j}{n} |\xi_{n+j}| = 1 - \max_{3 \le n \le p-j} \frac{n+j}{n-1} |\xi_{n+j}|.$$

From (7) and (15) we have

(17)  

$$2|g_{2,j}| = 2\frac{3\dots(j+2)|f_{j+2}|}{(j+1)!|f_{j+1}|} = 2\frac{j+2}{2}\frac{(p-(j+2)+1)|\beta_0|}{|(j+2)(j+2+\beta_1-1)+\gamma_2|} \le \frac{(p-j-1)|\beta_0|}{j+1-|\beta_1|-|\gamma_2|/(j+2)}$$

 $\operatorname{and}$ 

(18)  

$$\max_{3 \le n \le p-j} \frac{n+j}{n-1} |\xi_{n+j}| \le \max_{3 \le n \le p-j} \frac{n+j}{n-1} \frac{(p-n-j+1)|\beta_0|}{(n+j)(n+j-|\beta_1|-1)-|\gamma_2|)} \le \\
\le \max_{3 \le n \le p-j} \frac{1}{n-1} \frac{(p-n-j+1)|\beta_0|}{n+j-|\beta_1|-1-|\gamma_2|/(n+j)} \le \\
\le \frac{1}{2} \frac{(p-j-1)|\beta_0|}{j+1-|\beta_1|-|\gamma_2|/(j+2)}.$$

From (17) and (18) it follows that if

(19) 
$$3(p-j-1)|\beta_0|/2 \le j+1-|\beta_1|-|\gamma_2|/(2+j)$$

for  $1 \leq j \leq p-2$  then (16) holds and by Lemma 2 the derivative  $f^{(j)}$  for  $1 \leq j \leq p-2$  is close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ .

Finally, we remark that (19) holds for all  $1 \le j \le p-2$  if

$$3(p-2)|\beta_0|/2 \le 2 - |\beta_1| - |\gamma_2|/3.$$

Since  $f^{(p-1)}$  is a linear function and, thus, it is close-to-convex, the first part of Theorem 1 is proved.

If condition (11) holds then from (12) and (13) we obtain the inequality  $4|g_2| \le \le 1 - 3\xi/2$ , and by Lemma 2 polynomial (9) is a convex function. If

(20) 
$$\frac{11(p-j-1)|\beta_0|}{4} \le j+1-|\beta_1|-|\gamma_2|/(2+j)$$

for some  $1 \le j \le p-2$  then (17) and (18) imply

$$4|g_{2,j}| \le 1 - \frac{3}{2} \max_{3 \le n \le p-j} \frac{n+j}{n-1} |\xi_{n+j}|.$$

Therefore, by Lemma 2 function (15) is convex and, thus, function (14) is convex. Finally, we remark that (20) holds for all  $1 \le j \le p-2$  if  $11(p-2)|\beta_0|/4 \le 2-|\beta_1|-|\gamma_2|/3$ . The proof of Theorem 1 is complete.

Now suppose that  $\beta_1 + \gamma_2 = \alpha_1 + p\beta_0\alpha_2/\gamma_2 = 0$ . Then from the second equality (5) it follows that  $f_1$  may be arbitrary. If we choose  $f_1 = 1$  then under the condition  $2 + \beta_1 \neq 0$  in view of the third equality (5) we get  $f_2 = \frac{\alpha_0 + (p-1)\beta_0}{2 + \beta_1}$ . From (7) under the condition  $n + \beta_1 \neq 0$  we obtain

(21) 
$$f_n = \frac{(p-n+1)\beta_0}{(n-1)(n+\beta_1)} f_{n-1}, \quad 3 \le n \le p.$$

Thus, the desired solution has the form

(22) 
$$f(z) = \frac{\alpha_2}{\gamma_2} + z + \frac{\alpha_0 + (p-1)\beta_0}{2+\beta_1} z^2 + \sum_{n=3}^p f_n z^n,$$

where the coefficients  $f_n$  satisfy (21), and we will come to such a theorem.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $p \ge 3$ ,  $\gamma_2 \ne 0$ ,  $\gamma_0 = p\beta_0 + \gamma_1 = \beta_1 + \gamma_2 = \alpha_1\gamma_2 + p\beta_0\alpha_2 = 0$ . Then: 1) if

(23) 
$$\frac{11p - 14}{4}|\beta_0| + 2|\alpha_0| \le 2 - |\beta_1|$$

then differential equation (3) has polynomial solution (22) close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ and if  $9(p-2)|\beta_0|/4 \leq 3 - |\beta_1|$  all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \leq j \leq p-1)$  are close-to-convex;

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2) *if* 

(24) 
$$\frac{41p - 50}{8}|\beta_0| + 4|\alpha_0| \le 2 - |\beta_1|$$

then differential equation (3) has polynomial solution (22) convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  and if  $33(p-2)|\beta_0|/8 \leq 3 - |\beta_1|$  all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \leq j \leq p-1)$  are convex.

*Proof.* For polynomial (8) with  $g_n = f_n$  for  $1 \le n \le p$  now we have

(25) 
$$|g_2| = \left|\frac{\alpha_0 + (p-1)\beta_0}{2+\beta_1}\right| \le \frac{|\alpha_0| + (p-1)|\beta_0|}{2-|\beta_1|}$$

and in view of (21)

(26)  
$$\xi \leq \max_{3 \leq n \leq p} \frac{n}{n-1} \frac{(p-n+1)|\beta_0|}{(n-1)(n-|\beta_1|)} \leq \frac{3(p-2)|\beta_0|}{4(3-|\beta_1|)} < \frac{3(p-2)|\beta_0|}{4(2-|\beta_1|)}.$$

From (23), (25) and (26) it follows that  $2|g_2| \leq 1 - \xi$ . Then by Lemma 2 the function g is starlike and, thus, function (22) is close-to-convex.

If (24) holds then using (25), (26) and Lemma 2 similarly we prove the convexity of polynomial (22).

Let us turn to the derivative  $f^{(j)}$ ,  $1 \le j \le p-2$ . For the coefficients  $g_{n,j}$  of function (15) now in view of (21) we have

$$g_{n,j} = \frac{n+j}{n} \xi_{n+j} g_{n-1,j} =$$
  
=  $\frac{n+j}{n} \frac{(p-n-j+1)\beta_0}{(n+j-1)(n+j+\beta_1)} g_{n-1,j}$ 

Therefore,

(27) 
$$|g_{2,j}| \le \frac{2+j}{2} \frac{(p-j-1)|\beta_0|}{(j+1)(j+2-|\beta_1|)}$$

 $\operatorname{and}$ 

(28) 
$$\max_{3 \le n \le p} \frac{n+j}{n-1} |\xi_{n+j}| \le \max_{3 \le n \le p} \frac{n+j}{n-1} \frac{(p-n-j+1)|\beta_0|}{(n+j-1)(n+j-|\beta_1|)} \le \frac{1}{2} \frac{(2+j)(p-j-1)|\beta_0|}{(j+1)(2+j-|\beta_1|)}.$$

If for some  $1 \le j \le p - 2$ (29) 3(2 + 1)

$$3(2+j)(p-j-1)|\beta_0|/2 \le (j+1)(j+2-|\beta_1|)$$

then (27) and (28) imply

$$2|g_{2,j}| \le 1 - \max_{3 \le n \le p} \frac{n+j}{n-1} |\xi_{n+j}|$$

and by Lemma 2  $f^{(j)}$  is close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ .

If for some  $1 \le j \le p-2$ 

$$11(2+j)(p-j-1)|\beta_0|/4 \le (j+1)(j+2-|\beta_1|)$$

then (27) and (28) imply

$$4|g_{2,j}| \le 1 - \frac{3}{2} \max_{3 \le n \le p} \frac{n+j}{n-1} |\xi_{n+j}|$$

and by Lemma 2  $f^{(j)}$  is convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ .

Finally, we remark that (29) holds for all  $1 \le j \le p-2$  if  $9(p-2)|\beta_0|/4 \le 3-|\beta_1|$ , and (30) holds for all  $1 \le j \le p-2$  if  $33(p-2)|\beta_0|/8 \le 3-|\beta_1|$ . Theorem 2 is proved.  $\Box$ 

## 3. The case $\gamma_2 = 0$

From first equality (5) it follows that  $\alpha_2 = 0$  and  $f_0$  may be arbitrary. If we choose  $f_0 = 0$  then from (5) and (7) we get

(31) 
$$\beta_1 f_1 = \alpha_1, \qquad 2(1+\beta_1)f_2 = \alpha_0 + (p-1)\beta_0 f_1$$

 $\operatorname{and}$ 

(32) 
$$f_n = \frac{(p-n+1)\beta_0}{n(n+\beta_1-1)} f_{n-1}, \qquad 3 \le n \le p.$$

Since we consider  $f_1 \neq 0$ , from the first equality (31) it follows that either  $\beta_1 \neq 0$  and  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$  or  $\beta_1 = \alpha_1 = 0$ . If  $\beta_1 \neq 0$  and  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$  then  $f_1 = \frac{\alpha_1}{\beta_1}$  and

$$f_2 = \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1 + (p-1)\alpha_1 \beta_0}{2\beta_1 (1+\beta_1)}.$$

Thus, the desired solution has the form

(33) 
$$f(z) = \frac{\alpha_1}{\beta_1} z + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1 + (p-1)\alpha_1 \beta_0}{2\beta_1 (1+\beta_1)} z^2 + \sum_{n=3}^p f_n z^n,$$

where the coefficients  $f_n$  satisfy (32), and we will come to the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $p \ge 3$ ,  $\gamma_2 = \alpha_2 = \gamma_0 = \gamma_1 + p\beta_0 = 0$ ,  $\beta_1 \ne 0$  and  $\alpha_1 \ne 0$ . Then: 1) if

(34) 
$$\frac{3p-4}{2}|\beta_0| + \left|\frac{\alpha_0\beta_1}{\alpha_1}\right| \le 1 - |\beta_1|$$

then differential equation (3) has polynomial solution (33) close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ and if  $3(p-2)|\beta_0|/2 \leq 2 - |\beta_1|$  all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \leq j \leq p-1)$  are close-to-convex;

$$2)$$
 if

(35) 
$$\frac{11p - 14}{4}|\beta_0| + 2\left|\frac{\alpha_0\beta_1}{\alpha_1}\right| \le 1 - |\beta_1|$$

then differential equation (3) has polynomial solution (33) convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  and if  $11(p-2)|\beta_0|/4 \leq 2 - |\beta_1|$  all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \leq j \leq p-1)$  are convex.

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(30)

The proof of this theorem is the same as proofs those of the previous theorems. We remark only that now  $|g_2| \leq \frac{|\alpha_0||\beta_1| + (p-1)|\alpha_1||\beta_0|}{2|\alpha_1|(1-|\beta_1|)}, \ \xi_n = \frac{(p-n+1)\beta_0}{n(n+\beta_1-1)}$  and  $\xi \leq \frac{(p-2)|\beta_0|}{2(1-|\beta_1|)}$ , whence it follows that  $2|g_2| \leq 1-\xi$  if (34) holds and  $4|g_2| \leq 1-3\xi/2$  if (35) holds. For some  $1 \leq j \leq p-1$  as above we have  $g_{n,j} = \frac{n+j}{n} \xi_{n+j} g_{n-1,j}$ , where now

$$\xi_{n+j} = \frac{(p-n-j+1)\beta_0}{(n+j)(n+j-\beta_1-1)}$$

whence  $|g_{2,j}| \le \frac{(p-j-1)|\beta_0|}{2(j+1-|\beta_1|)}$  and

$$\xi := \max_{3 \le n \le p} \frac{n+j}{n-1} |\xi_{n+j}| \le \frac{(p-j-1)|\beta_0|}{2(j+1-|\beta_1|)}.$$

Therefore,  $2|g_{2,j}| \leq 1-\xi$  if  $3(p-j-1)|\beta_0|/2 \leq j+1-|\beta_1|$  and  $4|g_{2,j}| \leq 1-3\xi/2$  if  $11(p-j-1)|\beta_0|/4 \leq j+1-|\beta_1|$ . It remains to notice that the last conditions hold for all  $1 \leq j \leq p-1$  provided  $3(p-2)|\beta_0|/2 \leq 2-|\beta_1|$  and  $11(p-2)|\beta_0|/4 \leq 2-|\beta_1|$  respectively and use Lemma 2.

If  $\beta_1 = \alpha_1 = 0$  from (31) it follows that  $f_1$  may be arbitrary. If we choose  $f_1 = 1$  then  $f_2 = \frac{\alpha_0 + (p-1)\beta_0}{2}$  and

(36) 
$$f_n = \frac{(p-n+1)\beta_0}{n(n-1)} f_{n-1}, \quad 3 \le n \le p.$$

Therefore, the desired solution has the form

(37) 
$$f(z) = z + \frac{\alpha_0 + (p-1)\beta_0}{2}z^2 + \sum_{n=3}^p f_n z^n$$

where the coefficients  $f_n$  satisfy (36), and we will come to the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $p \ge 3$ ,  $\gamma_2 = \alpha_2 = \gamma_0 = \gamma_1 + p\beta_0 = \beta_1 = \alpha_1 = 0$ . Then:

- 1) if  $(5p-6)|\beta_0|/4 + |\alpha_0| \le 1$  then differential equation (3) has polynomial solution (37) close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  and if  $3(p-2)|\beta_0| \le 4$  all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \le j \le p-1)$  are close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ ;
- 2) if  $(19p 22)|\beta_0|/8 + 2|\alpha_0| \leq 1$  then differential equation (3) has polynomial solution (37) convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  and if  $11(p-2)|\beta_0| \leq 8$  all its derivatives  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \leq j \leq p-1)$  are convex in  $\mathbb{D}$ .

Proof. Choosing  $g_n = f_n$ , we have  $2|g_2| \leq (p-1)|\beta_0| + |\alpha_0|$  and  $\xi \leq (p-2)|\beta_0|/4$ . Therefore, in view of the condition  $(5p-6)|\beta_0|/4 + |\alpha_0| \leq 1$  we get  $2|g_2| \leq 1-\xi$  and, thus, polynomial (37) is starlike. Also in view on the condition  $(19p-22)|\beta_0|/8+2|\alpha_0| \leq 1$  we get  $4|g_2| \leq 1-3\xi/2$ , i. e. polynomial (37) is convex.

Similarly, for some  $1 \le j \le p-1$  we have  $2|g_{2,j}| \le \frac{(p-j-1)|\beta_0|}{j+1}$  and  $\xi = \max_{3 \le n \le p} \frac{n+j}{n-1} |\xi_{n+j}| \le \frac{(p-j-1)|\beta_0|}{2(j+1)},$  whence  $2|g_{2,j}| \le 1-\xi$  if  $3(p-j-1)|\beta_0| \le 2(j+1)$  and  $4|g_{2,j}| \le 1-3\xi/2$  if  $11(p-j-1)|\beta_0| \le 4(j+1)$ . Since the last conditions hold if  $3(p-2)|\beta_0| \le 4$  and  $11(p-2)|\beta_0| \le 8$  respectively, Theorem 4 is proved.

#### 4. Additions

First of all, we note that the condition  $p \ge 3$  is not essential in Theorems 1 - 4. Repeating their proofs, one can prove for p = 2 the following statements.

**Proposition 1.** Let  $\gamma_2 \neq 0$ ,  $\gamma_0 = 2\beta_0 + \gamma_1 = 0$ ,  $\beta_1 + \gamma_2 \neq 0$ ,  $\alpha_1\gamma_2 + 2\beta_0\alpha_2 \neq 0$ . Then differential equation (3) has a polynomial solution

$$f(z) = \frac{\alpha_2}{\gamma_2} + \frac{\alpha_1 \gamma_2 + 2\beta_0 \alpha_2}{\gamma_2 (\beta_1 + \gamma_2)} z + \frac{\beta_0 (\alpha_1 \gamma_2 + 2\beta_0 \alpha_2) + \alpha_0 \gamma_2 (\beta_1 + \gamma_2)}{\gamma_2 (\beta_1 + \gamma_2) (2 + 2\beta_1 + \gamma_2)} z^2$$

which is close-to-convex if the condition

$$2|\beta_0| + 2\left|\frac{\alpha_0\gamma_2(\beta_1 + \gamma_2)}{\alpha_1\gamma_2 + 2\beta_0\alpha_2}\right| \le 2 - 2|\beta_1| - |\gamma_2|$$

holds, and convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  if the condition

$$4\beta_0| + 4 \left| \frac{\alpha_0 \gamma_2(\beta_1 + \gamma_2)}{\alpha_1 \gamma_2 + 2\beta_0 \alpha_2} \right| \le 2 - 2|\beta_1| - |\gamma_2|$$

holds.

**Proposition 2.** Let  $\gamma_2 \neq 0$ ,  $\gamma_0 = 2\beta_0 + \gamma_1 = \beta_1 + \gamma_2 = \alpha_1\gamma_2 + 2\beta_0\alpha_2 = 0$ . Then differential equation (3) has a polynomial solution

$$f(z) = \frac{\alpha_2}{\gamma_2} + z + \frac{\alpha_0 + \beta_0}{2 + \beta_1} z^2$$

which is close-to-convex if the condition  $2|\beta_0| + 2|\alpha_0| \le 2 - |\beta_1|$  holds, and convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  if the condition  $4|\beta_0| + 4|\alpha_0| \le 2 - |\beta_1|$  holds.

**Proposition 3.** Let  $\gamma_2 = \alpha_2 = \gamma_0 = \gamma_1 + 2\beta_0 =$ ,  $\beta_1 \neq 0$  and  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$ . Then differential equation (3) has a polynomial solution

$$f(z) = \frac{\alpha_1}{\beta_1} z + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1 + \alpha_1 \beta_0}{2\beta_1 (1 + \beta_1)} z^2$$

which is starlike if the condition  $|\beta_0| + |\alpha_0\beta_1/\alpha_1| \le 1 - |\beta_1|$  holds, and convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  if the condition  $2|\beta_0| + 2|\alpha_0\beta_1/\alpha_1| \le 1 - |\beta_1|$  holds.

**Proposition 4.** Let  $\gamma_2 = \alpha_2 = \gamma_0 = \gamma_1 + 2\beta_0 = \beta_1 = \alpha_1 = 0$ . Then differential equation (3) has a polynomial solution

$$f(z) = z + \frac{\alpha_0 + \beta_0}{2} z^2$$

which is starlike if the condition  $|\beta_0| + |\alpha_0| \leq 1$  holds, and convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  if the condition  $2|\beta_0| + 2|\alpha_0| \leq 1$  holds.

Recall that before obtaining the above results we demanded the fulfillment of conditions  $n(n + \beta_1 - 1) + \gamma_2 \neq 0$  for all  $3 \leq n \leq p$  and  $\beta_0 \neq 0$ . Here we suppose that  $\beta_0 = 0$ . Then the equality  $\gamma_0 = p\beta_0 + \gamma_1 = 0$  implies  $\gamma_0 = \gamma_1 = 0$ , and thus, from (5) and (7) we get

(38)  $\gamma_2 f_0 = \alpha_2, \qquad (\beta_1 + \gamma_2) f_1 = \alpha_1, \qquad (2 + 2\beta_1 + \gamma_2) f_2 = \alpha_0$ 

and for  $3 \leq n \leq p$ 

(39)

$$(n(n+\beta_1 - 1) + \gamma_2)f_n = 0.$$

From (39) it follows that if  $p(p + \beta_1 - 1) + \gamma_2 = 0$  then  $f_p \neq 0$  may be arbitrary. Two cases are possible:

- 1)  $n(n + \beta_1 1) + \gamma_2 \neq 0$  for all  $3 \le n < p$  or p = 3; and
- 2) there is only one  $3 \le p_1 < p$  such that  $p_1(p_1 + \beta_1 1) + \gamma_2 = 0$ .

In the first case we have

$$f(z) = f_0 + f_1 z + f_2 z^2 + f_p z^p$$

for  $p \geq 3$ . If  $\gamma_2 \neq 0$  from (38) we obtain

(40) 
$$f_0 = \frac{\alpha_2}{\gamma_2}, \quad f_1 = \frac{\alpha_1}{\beta_1 + \gamma_2}, \quad f_2 = \frac{\alpha_0}{2 + 2\beta_1 + \gamma_2}.$$

To use Lemma 1, we need to choose  $f_p \neq 0$  so that  $2|f_2/f_1| + p|f_p/f_1| \le 1$ , i. e.

(41) 
$$2|\alpha_0/(2+2\beta_1+\gamma_2)| + p|f_p| \le |\alpha_1/(\beta_1+\gamma_2)|$$

(clearly, this is possible if  $2|\alpha_0/(2+2\beta_1+\gamma_2)| < |\alpha_1/(\beta_1+\gamma_2)|$ ). If  $\gamma_2 = 0$  then  $\alpha_2 = 0$  and coefficient  $f_0$  can be chosen equal to zero. Then

(42) 
$$f_0 = 0, \qquad f_1 = \alpha_1/\beta_1, \qquad f_2 = \alpha_0/(2+2\beta_1)$$

and we need to choose  $f_p \neq 0$  so that

(43) 
$$|\alpha_0/(1+\beta_1)| + p|f_p| \le |\alpha_1/\beta_1|$$

(this is possible if  $|\alpha_0/(1+\beta_1)| < |\alpha_1/\beta_1|$ ).

Thus, the following statement is valid.

**Proposition 5.** Let  $\beta_0 = \gamma_0 = \gamma_1 = 0$ , and (39) holds only for  $n = p \ge 3$ . Then differential equation (3) has a polynomial solution

$$f(z) = f_0 + f_1 z + f_2 z^2 + f_p z^p$$

close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  provided either  $\gamma_2 \neq 0$ ,  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$  and the coefficients are defined by (40) and (41) or  $\gamma_2 = 0$ ,  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$  and the coefficients are defined by (42) and (43).

Remark 1. If in Proposition 5 conditions (41) and (43) are replaced by the conditions

$$4|\alpha_0/(2+2\beta_1+\gamma_2)| + p^2|f_p| \le |\alpha_1/(\beta_1+\gamma_2)|$$

 $\operatorname{and}$ 

$$2|\alpha_0/(1+\beta_1)| + p^2|f_p| \le |\alpha_1/\beta_1|$$

respectively then close-to-convexity should be replaced by convexity.

If p > 3,  $p(p + \beta_1 - 1) + \gamma_2 = 0$  and  $p_1(p_1 + \beta_1 - 1) + \gamma_2 = 0$  for some  $3 \le p_1 < p$ then if  $\gamma_2 \ne 0$  from (38) we obtain (40) and we choose  $f_{p_1} \ne 0$ ,  $f_p \ne 0$  so that

(44) 
$$2|\alpha_0/(2+2\beta_1+\gamma_2)| + p_1|f_{p_1}| + p|f_p| \le |\alpha_1/(\beta_1+\gamma_2)|$$

If  $\gamma_2 = 0$  then from (38) we obtain (42) and we choose  $f_{p_1} \neq 0, f_p \neq 0$  so that

(45) 
$$|\alpha_0/(1+\beta_1)| + p_1|f_{p_1}| + p|f_p| \le |\alpha_1/\beta_1|.$$

**Proposition 6.** Let  $\beta_0 = \gamma_0 = \gamma_1 = 0$ , and (39) holds for  $n = p_1$  and  $n = p \ge 4$ ,  $3 \le p_1 < p$ . Then differential equation (3) has a polynomial solution

$$f(z) = f_0 + f_1 z + f_2 z^2 + f_{p_1} z^{p_1} + f_p z^p$$

close-to-convex in  $\mathbb{D}$  provided either  $\gamma_2 \neq 0$ ,  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$  and the coefficients are defined by (40) and (44) or  $\gamma_2 = \alpha_2 = 0$ ,  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$  and the coefficients are defined by (42) and (45).

Remark 2. If in Proposition 6 conditions (44) and (45) replaced by the conditions

$$4|\alpha_0/(2+2\beta_1+\gamma_2)| + p_1^2|f_{p_1}| + p^2|f_p| \le |\alpha_1/(\beta_1+\gamma_2)|$$

and

$$2|\alpha_0/(1+\beta_1)| + p_1^2|f_{p_1}| + p^2|f_p| \le |\alpha_1/\beta_1|$$

respectively then close-to-convexity should be replaced by convexity.

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# ВЛАСТИВОСТІ ПОЛІНОМІАЛЬНИХ РОЗВ'ЯЗКІВ ДИФЕРЕНЦІАЛЬНОГО РІВНЯННЯ ДРУГОГО ПОРЯДКУ З ПОЛІНОМІАЛЬНИМИ КОЕФІЦІЄНТАМИ ДРУГОГО СТЕПЕНЯ

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Аналітична однолиста в  $\mathbb{D} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  функція f називається опуклою, якщо  $f(\mathbb{D})$  - опукла область. Добре відомо, що умова

Re 
$$\{1 + zf''(z)/f'(z)\} > 0$$
  $(z \in \mathbb{D})$ 

є необхідною і достатньою для опуклості f. Функція f називається близькою до опуклої, якщо існує така опукла в  $\mathbb{D}$  функція  $\Phi$ , що

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(f'(z)/\Phi'(z)\right) > 0 \qquad (z \in \mathbb{D}).$$

Близька до опуклої функція f характеризується тим, що доповнення G до області  $f(\mathbb{D})$  можна покрити променями, які виходять з  $\partial G$  і лежать в G. Кожна близька до опуклої в  $\mathbb{D}$  функція f є однолистою в  $\mathbb{D}$  і тому

 $f'(0) \neq 0.$ 

Знайдено умови на параметри  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \gamma_0, \gamma_1, \gamma_2$  <br/>і $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2$ диференціального рівняння

$$z^{2}w'' + (\beta_{0}z^{2} + \beta_{1}z)w' + (\gamma_{0}z^{2} + \gamma_{1}z + \gamma_{2})w = \alpha_{0}z^{2} + \alpha_{1}z + \alpha_{2},$$

за яких це рівняння має поліноміальний розв'язок

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{p} f_n z^n$$
 (deg  $f = p \ge 2$ ),

близький до опуклого або опуклий в  $\mathbb{D}$  разом з усіма його похідними  $f^{(j)}$ ( $1 \leq j \leq p - 1$ ). Результати залежать від рівності чи нерівності нулеві параметра  $\gamma_2$ .

Наприклад, доведено, що за умов  $p \ge 3, \gamma_2 \ne 0$ ,

$$\gamma_0 = p\beta_0 + \gamma_1 = \beta_1 + \gamma_2 = \alpha_1\gamma_2 + p\beta_0\alpha_2 = 0.$$

це рівняння має поліноміальний розв'язок

$$f(z) = \alpha_2 / \gamma_2 + z + \frac{\alpha_0 + (p-1)\beta_0}{2+\beta_1} z^2 + \sum_{n=3}^p f_n z^n,$$

де коефіцієнти f<sub>n</sub> визначаються рівністю

$$f_n = \frac{(p-n+1)\beta_0}{(n-1)(n+\beta_1)} f_{n-1} \qquad (3 \le n \le p),$$

такий що:

1) якщо  $(11p-14)|\beta_0|/4+2|\alpha_0| \leq 2-|\beta_1|$ і  $11(p-2)|\beta_0|/4 \leq 3-|\beta_1|$ , то  $f \in$ близьким до опуклого в  $\mathbb{D}$  разом з усіма його похідними  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \leq j \leq p-1)$ ; 2) якщо  $(73p-82)|\beta_0|/16+4|\alpha_0| \leq 2-|\beta_1|$ і  $33(p-2)|\beta_0|/8 \leq 3-|\beta_1|$ , то  $f \in$  опуклим в  $\mathbb{D}$  разом з усіма його похідними  $f^{(j)}$   $(1 \leq j \leq p-1)$ . Подібний результат отримано й у випадку  $\gamma_2 = 0$ .

*Ключові слова:* лінійне неоднорідне диференціальне рівняння другого порядку, поліноміальні коефіцієнти, поліноміальний розв'язок, близька до опуклої функція, опукла функція.