

ON A SPECIAL DIFFERENTIAL INEQUALITY

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Abstract. We find conditions on the complex-valued functions A, B, C defined in the unit disc U and the real constants $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ such that the differential inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[A(z)p^4(z) + B(z)p^3(z) + C(z)p^2(z) + \alpha(zp'(z))^3 - \beta(zp'(z))^2 + \gamma zp'(z) + \delta \right] > 0,$$

implies $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$, where $p \in H[1, n]$.

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1. Introduction and preliminaries

We let $H[U]$ denote the class of holomorphic functions in the unit disc

$$U = \{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z| < 1\}.$$

For $a \in \mathbf{C}$ and $n \in \mathbf{N}^*$ we let

$$H[a, n] = \{f \in H[U], f(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots, z \in U\}$$

and

$$A_n = \{f \in H[U], f(z) = z + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + a_{n+2} z^{n+2} + \dots, z \in U\}$$

with $A_1 = A$.

In order to prove the new results we shall use the following lemma, which is a particular form of Theorema 2.3.i [1, p. 35].

Lemma A. [1, p. 35] *Let $\psi: \mathbf{C}^2 \times U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ a function which satisfies*

$$\operatorname{Re} \psi(\rho i, \sigma, z) \leq 0,$$

where $\rho, \sigma \in \mathbf{R}$, $\sigma \leq -\frac{n}{2}(1 + \rho)^2$, $z \in U$ and $n \geq 1$.

If $p \in H[1, n]$ and

$$\operatorname{Re} \psi(p(z), zp'(z); z) > 0$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0.$$

2. Main results

Theorem. *Let $\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0, \gamma \geq 0, \delta \leq \frac{\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{4} + \frac{\gamma n}{2}$ and n be a positive integer. Suppose that the function $A, B, C: U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ satisfies:*

i) $\operatorname{Re} A(z) \leq 0$

ii) $\operatorname{Re} C(z) \geq 0$

iii) $\operatorname{Im}^2 B(z) \leq 4 \left[\frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{4} - \operatorname{Re} A(z) \right] \left[\operatorname{Re} C(z) + \frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{2} + \frac{\gamma m}{2} \right]$.
 (1)

If $p \in H[1, n]$ and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[A(z)p^4(z) + B(z)p^3(z) + C(z)p^2(z) + \alpha(zp'(z))^3 - \beta(zp'(z))^2 + \gamma zp'(z) + \delta \right] > 0 \tag{2}$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0.$$

Proof. We let $\psi : \mathbf{C}^2 \times U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ be defined by

$$\psi(p(z), zp'(z); z) = A(z)p^4(z) + B(z)p^3(z) + C(z)p^2(z) + \alpha(zp'(z))^3 - \beta(zp'(z))^2 + \gamma zp'(z) + \delta \tag{3}$$

From (2) we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \psi(p(z), zp'(z); z) > 0, \text{ for } z \in U. \tag{4}$$

For $\sigma, \rho \in \mathbf{R}$ satisfying $\sigma \leq -\frac{n}{2}(1 + \rho)^2$, and $z \in U$, by using (1), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \psi(\rho i, \sigma, z) &= \\ \operatorname{Re} \left[A(z)p^4(z) + B(z)p^3(z) + C(z)p^2(z) + \alpha(zp'(z))^3 - \beta(zp'(z))^2 + \gamma zp'(z) + \delta \right] &= \\ = \operatorname{Re} \left[A(z)p^4 - p^3 i B(z) - p^2 C(z) + \alpha \sigma^3 - \beta \sigma^2 + \gamma \sigma + \delta \right] &= \\ = p^4 \operatorname{Re} A(z) - p^3 \operatorname{Im} B(z) - p^2 \operatorname{Re} C(z) + \alpha \sigma^3 - \beta \sigma^2 + \gamma \sigma + \delta &\leq \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq p^4 \operatorname{Re} A(z) - p^3 \operatorname{Im} B(z) - p^2 \operatorname{Re} C(z) - \frac{\alpha n^3}{8} (1 + 3p^2 + 3p^4 + p^6) - \\ &\quad - \frac{\beta n^2}{4} (1 + 2p^2 + p^4) - \frac{\gamma n}{2} (1 + p^2) + \delta \leq \\ &\leq -\frac{\alpha n^3}{8} p^6 - p^4 \left[\frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{4} - \operatorname{Re} A(z) \right] + p^3 \operatorname{Im} B(z) - \\ &\quad - p^2 \left[\operatorname{Re} C(z) + \frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{4} + \frac{\gamma n}{2} \right] - \frac{\alpha n^3}{8} - \frac{\beta n^2}{4} - \frac{\gamma n}{2} + \delta \leq \\ &\leq -\frac{\alpha n^3}{8} p^6 - p^2 \left[p^2 \left(\frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{4} - \operatorname{Re} A(z) \right) - p \operatorname{Im} B(z) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \operatorname{Re} C(z) + \frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{2} + \frac{\gamma n}{2} \right] - \frac{\alpha n^3}{8} - \frac{\beta n^2}{4} - \frac{\gamma n}{2} + \delta \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

By using Lemma A we have that $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$.

If $\delta = \frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{2} + \frac{\gamma n}{2}$, then theorem can be rewritten as follows:

Corollary 1. Let $\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0, \gamma \geq 0$, and n be a positive integer. Suppose that the function $A, B, C : U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ satisfies:

- i) $\operatorname{Re} A(z) \leq 0$
- ii) $\operatorname{Re} C(z) \geq 0$
- iii) $\operatorname{Im}^2 B(z) \leq 4 \left[\frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{4} - \operatorname{Re} A(z) \right] \left[\operatorname{Re} C(z) + \frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{2} + \frac{\gamma n}{2} \right]$.

If $p \in H[1, n]$ and

$$\begin{aligned} &\operatorname{Re} \left[A(z)p^4(z) + B(z)p^3(z) + C(z)p^2(z) + \alpha(zp'(z))^3 - \beta(zp'(z))^2 + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \gamma zp'(z) + \delta + \frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{2} + \frac{\gamma n}{2} \right] > 0 \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0.$$

If

$A(z) = -1 - 3i, B(z) = 1 - z, C(z) = 5 - 4i, n = 1, \alpha = 2, \beta = 5, \gamma = 3, \delta = 3$, then in this case from Corollary 1 we deduce:

Example 1. If $p \in H [1,1]$ and

$$\operatorname{Re}\left[(-1-3i)p^4(z)+(1-z)p^3(z)+(5-4i)p^2(z)+2(zp'(z))^3-5(zp'(z))^2+3zp'(z)+3\right]>0$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0.$$

If $\alpha \equiv 0$, then theorem can be rewritten as follows:

Corollary 2. Let $\beta \geq 0, \gamma \geq 0, \delta \leq \frac{\beta n^2}{4} + \frac{\gamma n}{2}$ and n be a positive integer. Suppose

that the function $A, B, C : U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ satisfies:

i) $\operatorname{Re} A(z) \leq 0$

ii) $\operatorname{Re} C(z) \geq 0$

iii) $\operatorname{Im}^2 B(z) \leq 4 \left[\frac{\beta n^2}{4} - \operatorname{Re} A(z) \right] \left[\operatorname{Re} C(z) + \frac{\beta n^2}{2} + \frac{\gamma n}{2} \right].$

If $p \in H [1,n]$ and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[A(z)p^4(z) + B(z)p^3(z) + C(z)p^2(z) - \beta(zp'(z))^2 + \gamma zp'(z) + \delta \right] > 0$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0.$$

If $A(z) = -3 + i, B(z) = i(2 + z), C(z) = 4 - i, n = 3, \beta = 2, \gamma = 4, \delta = 5$,

then in this case from Corollary 2 we deduce:

Example 2. If $p \in H [1,3]$ and

$$\operatorname{Re}\left[(-3+i)p^4(z)+i(2+z)p^3(z)+(4-i)p^2(z)-2(zp'(z))^2+4zp'(z)+5\right]>0$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0.$$

If $\beta \equiv 0$, then Theorem can be rewritten as follows:

Corollary 3. Let $\alpha \geq 0, \gamma \geq 0, \delta \leq \frac{\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\gamma n}{2}$ and n be a positive integer. Suppose

that the function $A, B, C : U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ satisfies:

i) $\operatorname{Re} A(z) \leq 0$

ii) $\operatorname{Re} C(z) \geq 0$

iii) $\operatorname{Im}^2 B(z) \leq 4 \left[\frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} - \operatorname{Re} A(z) \right] \left[\operatorname{Re} C(z) + \frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\gamma n}{2} \right].$

If $p \in H [1,n]$ and

$\operatorname{Re} \left[A(z)p^4(z) + B(z)p^3(z) + C(z)p^2(z) + \alpha(zp'(z))^3 + \gamma zp'(z) + \delta \right] > 0$
 then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0.$$

If

$$A(z) = -5 + 4i, B(z) = (1 + z), C(z) = 2 + i, n = 4, \beta = \frac{3}{2}, \gamma = 7, \delta = \frac{1}{5},$$

then in this case from Corollary 3 we deduce:

Example 3. If $p \in H[1,4]$ and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[(-5 + 4i)p^4(z) + (1 + z)p^3(z) + (2 + i)p^2(z) - \frac{3}{2}(zp'(z))^2 + 7zp'(z) + \frac{1}{3} \right] > 0$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0.$$

If $\gamma \equiv 0$, then Theorem can be rewritten as follows:

Corollary 4. Let $\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0, \delta \leq \frac{\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{4}$ and n be a positive integer.

Suppose that the function $A, B, C : U \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ satisfies:

i) $\operatorname{Re} A(z) \leq 0$

ii) $\operatorname{Re} C(z) \geq 0$

iii) $\operatorname{Im}^2 B(z) \leq 4 \left[\frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{4} - \operatorname{Re} A(z) \right] \left[\operatorname{Re} C(z) + \frac{3\alpha n^3}{8} + \frac{\beta n^2}{4} \right].$

If $p \in H[1,n]$ and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[A(z)p^4(z) + B(z)p^3(z) + C(z)p^2(z) + \alpha(zp'(z))^3 - \beta(zp'(z))^2 + \delta \right] > 0$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0.$$

If

$A(z) = -1 + 2i, B(z) = +4 + z, C(z) = 5 - i, n = 5, \alpha = 4, \beta = 1, \delta = 7$ then in this case from Corollary 4 we deduce:

Example 4. If $p \in H[1,5]$ and

$\operatorname{Re}\left[(-1+2i)p^4(z)+(4+z)p^3(z)+(5-i)p^2(z)+4(zp'(z))^2+7\right]>0$
then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0.$$

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