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# ON CERTAIN SUBCLASSES OF *N*-FOLD KOEBA TYPE SYMMETRIC FUNCTION

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#### Abstract

In this present paper, we defined n-fold Koebe type functions

$$F_b(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z^{n+1})^b}, b \ge 0, \ n \in \mathcal{N}$$

in the unit disk. Some basic results of univalence, starlikeness and convexity of the function  $F_b(z)$  are obtained in addition with the results of Miller, Mocanu and Reade' and Mocanu<sup>2</sup>. We have also investigated radius of starlikeness and convexity, also other related properties.

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#### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the class of analytic functions

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

in the unit disc  $\mathcal{U} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . For some  $\alpha$ , we denote the following subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$ :

$$\mathcal{S} = \{ f(z) \in \mathcal{A} : f(z) \text{ is univalent in } \mathcal{U} \}$$
(1.2)

$$\mathcal{S}^*(\alpha) = \{ f(z) \in \mathcal{A} : f(z) \text{ is univalent and starlike of order } \alpha \text{ in } \mathcal{U} \}$$
(1.3)

$$\mathcal{K}(\alpha) = \{ f(z) \in \mathcal{A} : f(z) \text{ is univalent and convex of order } \alpha \text{ in } \mathcal{U} \}$$
(1.4)

We set  $S^* = S^*(0)$  and  $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}(0)$ . We defined the following new subclasses of  $\mathcal{A}$ . For some  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

$$\mathcal{M}(\alpha,\beta) = \{f(z) \in \mathcal{A} : \mathcal{R}e\left\{(1-\alpha)z\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} + \alpha\left(1+z\frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)}\right)\right\} > \beta \text{ in } \mathcal{U}\}$$
(1.5)

where  $-\infty < \alpha < \infty$  and  $\beta < 1$ .

$$\mathcal{N}(\alpha,\beta) = \{f(z) \in \mathcal{A} : \mathcal{R}e\left\{(1-\alpha)z\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} + \alpha\left(1+z\frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)}\right)\right\} < \beta \text{ in } \mathcal{U}\}$$
(1.6)

where  $-\infty < \alpha < \infty$  and  $\beta > 1$ .

**Note** : These new classes are not necessarily subclasses of  $\mathcal{S}$ , we put  $\mathcal{M}(\alpha) = \mathcal{M}(\alpha, 0)$ . The class  $\mathcal{M}(\alpha)$  was first introduced by Mocanu<sup>2</sup> who call it the class of  $\alpha$ -convex (or  $\alpha$ -starlike) functions and later Mocanu, Miller and Reade' studied it and shows that  $\mathcal{M}(\alpha)$  is a subclass of  $\mathcal{S}^*$  for any real number  $\alpha$  and also  $\mathcal{M}(\alpha)$  is a subclass of  $\mathcal{K}$  for  $\alpha \geq 1$ . We note that  $\mathcal{M}(0) = \mathcal{S}^*$  and  $\mathcal{M}(1) = \mathcal{K}$ . Mocanu first introduced  $\mathcal{M}(\alpha)$  with  $\frac{f(z).f'(z)}{z} \neq 0$ .

We will investigate some properties of the following Koebe type function

$$F_b(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z^{n+1})^b}, \quad (b \ge 0, \quad n \in \mathcal{N}).$$
 (1.7)

### **1.1 Preliminaries**

We will describe some elementary equalities and inequalities without proof which are used in latter discussion. For  $n \in \mathcal{N}$ , it holds that

$$\mathcal{R}e\left\{\frac{1}{1-z^n}\right\} = -\frac{1}{2} \ (|z|=1, \ z^n \neq 0)$$
 (1.8)

$$\mathcal{R}e\left\{\frac{z^{n}}{1-z^{n}}\right\} = -\frac{1}{2} \ (|z|=1, \ z^{n}\neq 1)$$
(1.9)

$$-\frac{1}{2} < \left\{-\frac{r^n}{1+r^n}\right\} \le \mathcal{R}e\left\{\frac{z^n}{1-z^n}\right\} \le \left\{\frac{r^n}{1-r^n}\right\} < \infty$$
(1.10)

$$-\infty < \left\{-\frac{r^n}{1-r^n}\right\} \le \mathcal{R}e\left\{\frac{z^n}{1-z^n}\right\} \le \left\{\frac{r^n}{1+r^n}\right\} < \frac{1}{2}$$
(1.11)

where (1.2) and (1.3) are equivalent relation, so are (1.10) and (1.11) for  $|z| \le r < 1$ . Similarly we have

$$-\frac{k}{1-k} < -\frac{kr^n}{1-kr^n} \le \mathcal{R}e\left\{\frac{kz^n}{1+kz^n}\right\} \le \frac{kr^n}{1+kr^n} < \frac{k}{1+k}, \text{ when } 0 < k < 1, \quad (1.12)$$

and

$$\frac{k}{1+k} < \frac{kr^n}{1+kr^n} \le \mathcal{R}e\left\{\frac{kz^n}{1+kz^n}\right\} \le -\frac{kr^n}{1-kr^n} < -\frac{k}{1-k}, \text{ when } -1 < k < 0 \quad (1.13)$$

where (1.12) and (1.13) are equivalent relation for  $|z| \le r < 1$ . Further there holds

$$\frac{1}{1+|k|} < \frac{1}{1+|k|r^n} \le \mathcal{R}e\left\{\frac{1}{1+kz^n}\right\} \le \frac{1}{1-|k|r^n} < \infty, \tag{1.14}$$

for |k| < 1 and  $|z| \le r < 1$ .

## 2. Univalency, Starlikeness and Convexity

**Theorem 2.1** : The function defined by (1.7) is univalent if and only if

$$0 \le (n+1)b \le 2$$
 (2.1)

Furthermore the condition (2.1) is necessary and sufficient for  $F_b(z)$  defined by (1.7) to be a starlike function.

 $\mathbf{Proof}: \ \mathbf{Since}$ 

$$F_b(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z^{n+1})^b}, \quad b \ge 0.$$
 (2.2)

Therefore

$$F'_b(z) = \frac{1 + [(n+1)b - 1]z^{n+1}}{(1 - z^{n+1})^{b+1}}$$
  
$$\Rightarrow |(n-1)b - 1| \le 1 \Rightarrow 0 \le (n+1)b \le 2.$$

Conversely, Suppose

$$0 \le (n+1)b \le 2.$$

We have

$$\mathcal{R}e\left\{\frac{zF_{b}'(z)}{F_{b}(z)}\right\} = \mathcal{R}e\left\{1 + (n+1)b\frac{z^{n+1}}{1-z^{n+1}}\right\}$$
  
> 1 - (n+1) $\frac{b}{2} \in \mathcal{U}$  {using (1.10)}

Since  $0 \le (n+1)b \le 2 \Rightarrow (n+1)\frac{b}{2} \le 1$ . Therefore

$$\mathcal{R}e\left\{\frac{zF_b'(z)}{F_b(z)}\right\} > 0 \tag{2.4}$$

Thus  $F_b(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*$  and  $F_b(z) \in \mathcal{S}$ . Hence

$$F_b(z) \in \mathcal{S} \Leftrightarrow 0 \le (n+1)b \le 2 \Leftrightarrow \text{ for } F_b(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*$$

**Theorem 2.2** : The function defined by (1.7) is convex if

$$b = 0 \text{ or } b = 1 \text{ and } n = 0.$$
 (2.5)

 ${\bf Proof}:$ 

**Case-i** : If b = 0,  $F_b(z) = z$  Therefore  $F_b(z)$  is univalent in  $\mathcal{U}$ . Now

$$F'_b(z) = 1, \ F''_b(z) = 0$$

so,

$$\mathcal{R}e\left\{1+z\frac{f_b''(z)}{f_b'(z)}\right\} = \mathcal{R}e\{1+0\} = 1 > 0.$$
(2.6)

Therefore  $F_b(z) \in \mathcal{K}(\alpha)$ .

Case-ii : b = 1 and n = 0,

$$F_b(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}, \quad F'_b(z) = \frac{1}{(1-z)^2}, \quad F''_b(z) = \frac{2}{(1-z)^3}$$
$$\mathcal{R}e\left\{1 + z\frac{f''_b(z)}{f'_b(z)}\right\} = \mathcal{R}e\left\{1 + z.\frac{2z}{(1-z)}\right\} > \mathcal{R}e\left\{1 - \frac{2}{(2)}\right\} = 0$$
(2.7)

using (1.10).

So,  $F_b(z) \in \mathcal{K}(\alpha)$ . We must show that  $F_b(z) \notin \mathcal{K}(\alpha)$  in any other cases. We have,

$$\left\{1 + z \frac{f_b''(z)}{f_b'(z)}\right\} = 1 - b(n+1) + \frac{(n+1)(b+1)}{1 - z^{n+1}} - \frac{(n+1)}{1 + [b(n+1) - 1]z^{n+1}} = g(\xi)$$

$$(2.8)$$

so,

$$g(\xi) = 1 - b(n+1) + \frac{(n+1)(b+1)}{1-\xi} - \frac{(n+1)}{1+[b(n+1)-1]\xi}$$
(2.9)

where  $\xi = z^{n+1}$  (say).

$$g(\xi) = \left\{ 1 + z \frac{f_b''(z)}{f_b'(z)} \right\}, \quad \xi = z^{n+1}, \quad \text{Then} \quad z \in \mathcal{U} \Leftrightarrow \xi \in \mathcal{U}.$$
(2.10)

The following cases will arise.

**Case i**: When b(n+1) < 2, then  $F_b(z) \notin S$ . So  $F_b(z) \notin \mathcal{K}$ .

**Case ii** : When b(n + 1) < 2, then (2.9) becomes

$$g(\xi) = -1 + \frac{n+3}{1-\xi} - \frac{n+1}{1+\xi}$$
(2.11)

If we put  $1 + \xi = \rho$  i.e.  $\xi = -1 + \rho$ ,  $\rho > 0$ , a small number,

it follows that  $\xi \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathcal{R}e\{g(\xi)\} \to -\infty$  as  $\rho = 0$ .

Hence there exist  $\xi \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $\mathcal{R}e\{g(\xi)\} < 0$ . So,  $F_b(z) \notin \mathcal{K}$ 

**Case iii**: When 1 < b(n+1) < 2, we have 0 < k < 1 (since k = b(n+1) - 1) then from (2.9)

$$g(\xi) = -k + \frac{k+n+2}{1-\xi} - \frac{n+1}{1+k\xi}$$
(2.12)

Then

$$g(-1) = -k + \frac{k+n+2}{1+1} - \frac{n+1}{1-k} < 0.$$
(2.13)

On the other hand, since  $\mathcal{R}e\{g(\xi)\}$  is continuous at  $\xi = -1$ , there exist  $\xi_o \in \mathcal{U}$  sufficiently close to  $\xi = -1$  such that  $\mathcal{R}e\{g(\xi)\} < 0$ . So  $F_b(z) \notin \mathcal{K}$ .

**Case iv** : When b(n + 1) = 1, then from (2.9)

$$g(\xi) = \frac{n+2}{1-\xi} - \frac{n+1}{1} = \frac{1+(n+1)\xi}{1-\xi}$$
(2.14)

$$g(-1) = -\frac{n}{2} < 0, \text{ for } n \in \mathcal{N}$$
 (2.15)

So  $F_b(z) \notin \mathcal{K}$ .

Then,  $F_b(z)$  in every case apart from (2.5). This completes the proof.

## 3. Radii of Univalence, Starlikeness and Convexity

**Theorem 3.1**: The function  $F_b(z)$  defined by (1.7) with (n+1)b-1 > 1 is univalent and starlike for

$$|z| < \left\{\frac{1}{(n+1)b-1}\right\}^{\frac{1}{n}} \tag{3.1}$$

This bound is the best possible for univalence and starlikeness.

### **Proof** :

$$\mathcal{R}e\left\{z\frac{f_{b}'(z)}{f_{b}(z)}\right\} = \mathcal{R}e\left\{1 + (n+1)b\left(\frac{z^{n+1}}{1-z^{n+1}}\right)\right\}$$
$$\geq \left\{1 + (n+1)b\left(-\frac{r^{n+1}}{1+r^{n+1}}\right)\right\}, \text{ for } |z| \le r < 1$$
$$= \frac{1 - [(n+1)b - 1]r^{n+1}}{1+r^{n+1}}, \text{ for } |z| \le r < 1$$
(3.2)

So,  $F_b(z)$  is univalent and starlike in the disk

$$|z| < \left\{\frac{1}{(n+1)b-1}\right\}^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \tag{3.3}$$

Because of  $F'_b(z_0) = 0$ ,  $z_0^{n+1} = -\frac{1}{(n+1)b-1}$ . This is the best possible bound. **Theorem 3.2**: The function  $F_b(z)$  defined by (1.7) with (n+1)b-1 > 0 is univalent and convex for

$$|z| < \sqrt[n+1]{t_0}$$
 (3.4)

where  $t_0$  is the smallest positive roots of the equation

$$h_1(t) = k^2 t^2 - (3k + nk + n + 1)t + 1 = 0, \ k = (n+1)b - 1.$$
(3.5)

The radius of disk is given by (3.4) is best possible.

In particular  $t_0 = \frac{1}{n+1}$  when (n+1)b = 1 and  $t_0 = (n+2) - \sqrt{(n+1)(n+3)}$  where (n+1)b = 2.

 $\mathbf{Proof}: \ \mathrm{We} \ \mathrm{use}$ 

$$g(\xi) = -k + \frac{k+n+2}{1-\xi} - \frac{n+1}{1+k\xi}, \quad k = (n+1)b - 1, \quad k \ge 0$$
(3.6)

Then

$$\mathcal{R}e\{g(\xi)\} = -k + \frac{k+n+2}{1+t} - \frac{n+1}{1-kt} < 0, \quad (\text{using 1.14})$$
$$= \frac{k^2t^2 - (3k+nk+n+1)t+1}{(1-kt)(1+t)}.$$
(3.7)

For  $|\xi| \le t < 1$  when  $0 \le k \le 1$  and for  $|\xi| \le t < \frac{1}{k}$  when k > 1. Therefore if  $t_0$  is the smallest positive root of (3.5) then  $\mathcal{R}e\{g(\xi)\} > 0$  for  $|\xi| < t_0$ . We can verify that  $t_0 \le 1$  when  $0 \le k < 1$  and  $t_0 \le \frac{1}{k}$  when k > 1. In fact **Case i**: When  $0 \le k < 1$ ,  $h_1(0) = 1 > 0$  and

$$h_1(1) = k^2 - (3k + nk + n) = k(k - 3) - n(k + 1) \le 0,$$

Therefore

$$0 < t_0 \le 1$$

**Case ii** : When k > 1, h(0) = 1 > 0. and  $h_1(\frac{1}{k}) = -(n+1) - \frac{(n+1)}{k} < 0$ . Therefore

$$0 < t_0 \le \frac{1}{k}$$

Thus  $F_b(z)$  is convex in  $|z| < (n+1)\sqrt{t_0}$ . Therefore this bound is the best possible.  $\Box$ **Theorem 3.3**: The function  $F_b(z)$  defined by (1.7) with  $-1 < \{(n+1)b - 1\} < 0$  is convex for

$$|z| < \sqrt[n+1]{t_1}$$
 (3.8)

where  $t_1$  is the smallest positive root of the equation.

$$h_2(t) = k^2 t^2 + (3+n)kt + (n+1)t + 1 = 0, \ k = (n+1)b - 1.$$
(3.9)

The radius of disk is given by (3.8) is not the best possible. **Proof**: -1 < (n+1)b - 1 < 0 i.e. -1 < k < 0

$$\mathcal{R}e\{g(\xi)\} = k + \frac{-k+n+2}{1+t} - \frac{n+1}{1+kt} = \frac{k^2t^2 + (3+n)kt - (n+1)t + 1}{(1+kt)(1+t)} > 0.$$
(3.10)

For  $|\xi| \leq t_1$ .

$$h_2(t) = k^2 t^2 + (3+n)kt - (n+1)t + 1$$

Then

$$h_2(0) = 1$$
 and  $h_2(1) = k^2 + (3+n)k - (n+1) + 1 < 0$ 

Therefore

$$0 < t_1 \le 1$$

Thus  $F_b(z)$  is convex in  $|z| < (n+1)\sqrt{t_1}$ . Therefore this bound is the best possible.  $\Box$ 

4. Relation Between  $f_b(z)$  and the Class  $\mathcal{M}(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $\mathcal{N}(\alpha, \beta)$ Theorem 4.1 : Corresponding to the function  $F_b(z)$  defined by (1.7), let

$$\beta_1 = \frac{[2 - (n+1)b](b-\alpha)}{2b} \qquad \beta_2 = \frac{[2 - (n+1)b]^2 - (n+1)^2\alpha b}{2[2 - (n+1)b]} \tag{4.1}$$

Case I: If  $\alpha \geq 0$  then

$$i.F_{b}(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha,\beta_{1}) \text{ for } 0 < (n+1)b \leq 1,$$

$$ii.F_{b}(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha,\beta_{2}) \text{ for } 1 \leq (n+1)b < 2,$$
Case II: If  $\alpha \leq 0$  and  $b + \alpha > 1$  then
$$i.F_{b}(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha,\beta_{2}) \text{ for } 0 < (n+1)b \leq 1,$$

$$ii.F_{b}(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha,\beta_{1}) \text{ for } 1 \leq (n+1)b < 2,$$
Case III: If  $\alpha \leq 0$  and  $b + \alpha < 1$  then
$$i.F_{b}(z) \in \mathcal{N}(\alpha,\beta_{2}) \text{ for } 0 < (n+1)b \leq 1,$$

$$ii.F_{b}(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha,\beta_{2}) \text{ for } 0 < (n+1)b \leq 1,$$

$$ii.F_{b}(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha,\beta_{2}) \text{ for } 1 \leq (n+1)b < 2,$$

$$(4.4)$$

**Remark 4.1** : The parameter is the best value for any case. **Remark 4.2** :  $\beta_1 = \beta_2 \Leftrightarrow \alpha[(n+1)b - 1] = 0$ . **Proof** : We put

$$w(z) = \mathcal{R}e\left\{(1-\alpha)z\frac{f'_{b}(z)}{f_{b}(z)} + \alpha\left(1+z\frac{f''_{b}(z)}{f'_{b}(z)}\right)\right\}$$

$$= 1 + (n+1)(b+\alpha)\left(\frac{z^{n+1}}{1-z^{n+1}}\right) + (n+1)\alpha\left(\frac{[(n+1)b-1]z^{n+1}}{1+[(n+1)b-1]z^{n+1}}\right)$$
(4.5)

**Case I, i** : If  $\alpha \ge 0$ ,  $0 < [(n+1)b] \le 1$  i. e.  $-1 < [(n+1)b-1] \le 0$ 

$$w(z) > 1 - (n+1)\frac{(b+\alpha)}{2} + (n+1)\alpha \left(\frac{[(n+1)b-1]}{1+[(n+1)b-1]}\right), \quad z \in \mathcal{U}$$
  
=  $1 - (n+1)\frac{b}{2} + (n+1)\frac{\alpha}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{b}$   
=  $\beta_1$  (4.6)

We must have  $\beta_1 < 1$  because of w(0) = 1. So  $f_b(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha, \beta_1)$  for  $0 < (n+1)b \le 1$ . ii-If  $\alpha \ge 0$ ,  $1 \le [(n+1)b] < 2$  i. e.  $0 \le [(n+1)b - 1] < 1$ ,

$$w(z) > 1 - (n+1)\frac{(b+\alpha)}{2} - (n+1)\alpha \left(\frac{[(n+1)b-1]}{1 + [(n+1)b-1]}\right) \quad z \in \mathcal{U},$$
(4.7)

using (1.10) and (1.12)

$$w(z) = \frac{[2 - (n+1)b]^2 - (n+1)^2 \alpha b}{2[2 - (n+1)b]} = \beta_2$$
(4.8)

We must have  $\beta_2 < 1$  because of w(0) = 1. So  $f_b(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha, \beta_2)$  for  $0 \leq [(n+1)b - 1] < 1$  i.e.  $1 \leq [(n+1)b] < 2$ .

**Case II, i**: If  $\alpha \le 0$ ,  $b + \alpha > 1$  for  $0 < [(n+1)b] \le 1$  i.e.  $-1 < [(n+1)b-1] \le 0$ 

$$w(z) > 1 - (n+1)\frac{(b+\alpha)}{2} - (n+1)\alpha \left(\frac{[(n+1)b-1]}{1 + [(n+1)b-1]}\right), \quad z \in \mathcal{U}$$

$$= \beta_2$$
(4.9)

Thus  $\beta_2 < 1$  because of w(0) = 1 So  $f_b(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha, \beta_2)$  for  $0 < (n+1)b \le 1$ . ii : If  $\alpha \le 0$ ,  $b + \alpha > 1$   $1 \le [(n+1)b] < 2$  i. e.  $0 \le [(n+1)b - 1] < 1$ 

$$w(z) > 1 - (n+1)\frac{(b+\alpha)}{2} + (n+1)\alpha \left(\frac{[(n+1)b-1]}{1 + [(n+1)b-1]}\right),$$
  
=  $\beta_1$  (4.10)

Thus  $\beta_1 < 1$  as w(0) = 1So  $f_b(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha, \beta_1)$  for  $0 \le [(n+1)b-1] < 1$  i. e.  $1 \le [(n+1)b] < 2$ . Case III, i : If  $\alpha \le 0$ ,  $b + \alpha < 1$  and  $0 < [(n+1)b] \le 1$  i.e.  $-1 < [(n+1)b-1] \le 0$ .

$$w(z) < 1 - (n+1)\frac{(b+\alpha)}{2} - (n+1)\alpha \left(\frac{[(n+1)b-1]}{1 - [(n+1)b-1]}\right), \quad z \in \mathcal{U}$$
  
=  $\beta_2$  (4.11)

Thus  $\beta_2 > 1$  because of w(0) = 1. So  $f_b(z) \in \mathcal{N}(\alpha, \beta_2)$  for  $0 < (n+1)b \le 1$ . ii:If  $\alpha \le 0$ ,  $b + \alpha < 1$  for  $1 \le [(n+1)b] < 2$  i. e.  $0 \le [(n+1)b-1] < 1$  $w(z) \ge 1$   $(n+1)^{(b+\alpha)}$   $(n+1)\alpha \left( \frac{[(n+1)b-1]}{2} \right)$ 

$$w(z) > 1 - (n+1)\frac{(b+\alpha)}{2} - (n+1)\alpha \left(\frac{1(n+1)b-1}{1 - [(n+1)b-1]}\right),$$
  
=  $\beta_2$  (4.12)

Thus  $\beta_2 < 1$  because of w(0) = 1.

So  $f_b(z) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha, \beta_2)$  for  $1 < (n+1)b \le 2$ .

**Corollary 4.1**: The function  $f_b(z)$  defined by (1.7) is in  $\mathcal{M}(\alpha)$  if it satisfies one of the following three conditions

$$0 \le \alpha \le b \le \frac{1}{n+1} \tag{4.13}$$

$$0 \le \alpha \le \frac{[2 - (n+1)b]^2}{(n+1)^2b}, \quad \frac{1}{n+1} \le b < \frac{2}{n+1}$$
(4.14)

$$-b < \alpha \le 0 \tag{4.15}$$

**Proof** : (4.13) follows from case I (i)

(4.14) follows from case I (ii) as Theorem 6.

**Corollary 4.2**: The function  $f_b(z)$  in corollary 4.1 is univalent and starlike of order

$$1 - \frac{(n+1)b}{2} \in \mathcal{U} \tag{4.16}$$

**Proof**: If  $\alpha = 0$  in case II, the function  $f_b(z)$  defined by (1.7) is univalent and starlike of order  $1 - \frac{(n+1)b}{2}$  Since

$$\mathcal{R}e\left(\frac{zf_b'(z)}{f_b(z)}\right) > 1 - \frac{(n+1)b}{2} \tag{4.17}$$

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