

# Coefficient Estimates for a Class of $m$ -fold Symmetric Bi-univalent Function Defined by Subordination

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we investigate the coefficient estimates of a class of  $m$ -fold bi-univalent function defined by subordination. The results presented in this paper improve or generalize the recent works of other authors.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the class of functions of the form:

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk  $U = \{z: |z| < 1\}$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{S}$  the class of all functions  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  which are univalent in  $U$ .

It is well known that every function  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  has an inverse  $f^{-1}$ , defined by

$$f^{-1}(f(z)) = z \quad (z \in U)$$

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$$f(f^{-1}(\omega)) = \omega \quad \left( |\omega| < r_0(f), r_0(f) \geq \frac{1}{4} \right).$$

The inverse functions  $g = f^{-1}$  is given by

$$f^{-1}(\omega) = \omega - a_2\omega^2 + (2a_2^2 - a_3)\omega^3 - (5a_2^3 - 5a_2a_3 + a_4)\omega^4 + \dots \quad (1.2)$$

A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be bi-univalent in  $U$  if both  $f(z)$  and  $f^{-1}(z)$  are univalent in  $U$ . Let  $\Sigma$  denote the class of all bi-univalent functions in unit disk  $U$ .

For each functions  $f \in \mathcal{S}$ , the function

$$h(z) = \sqrt{m}f(z^m) \quad (z \in U, m \in \mathbf{N}^+)$$

is univalent and maps the unit disk  $U$  into a region with  $m$ -fold symmetry. A function is said to be  $m$ -fold symmetric (see [1] and [2]) if it has the following normalized form:

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{mk+1}z^{mk+1} \quad (z \in U, m \in \mathbf{N}^+). \quad (1.3)$$

Analogous to the concept of  $m$ -fold symmetric univalent functions, here we introduced the concept of  $m$ -fold symmetric bi-univalent functions. For the normalized form of  $f$  given by (1.3), Srivastava *et al.*<sup>[3]</sup> obtained the series expansion for  $f^{-1}$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} g(\omega) &= f^{-1}(\omega) \\ &= \omega - a_{m+1}\omega^{m+1} + [(m+1)a_{m+1}^2 - a_{2m+1}]\omega^{2m+1} \\ &\quad - \left[ \frac{1}{2}(m+1)(3m+2)a_{m+1}^3 - (3m+2)a_{m+1}a_{2m+1} + a_{3m+1} \right] \omega^{3m+1} + \dots \quad (1.4) \end{aligned}$$

We denote by  $\Sigma_m$  the class of  $m$ -fold symmetric bi-univalent function in  $U$ . For  $m = 1$ , the formula (1.4) coincides with the formula (1.2) of the class  $\Sigma$ . Some  $m$ -fold symmetric bi-univalent functions are given as follows:

$$\left( \frac{z^m}{1-z^m} \right)^{\frac{1}{m}}, \quad [-\log(1-z^m)]^{\frac{1}{m}}, \quad \left[ \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1+z^m}{1-z^m} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{m}}.$$

The class of bi-univalent functions was first introduced and studied by Lewin<sup>[4]</sup> and was showed that  $|a_2| < 1.51$ . Brannan and Clunie<sup>[5]</sup> improved Lewin's results to  $|a_2| \leq \sqrt{2}$  and later Netanyahu<sup>[6]</sup> proved that  $\max\{|a_2|\} = \frac{4}{3}$  if  $f(z) \in \Sigma$ . Recently, many authors investigated the estimates of the coefficients  $|a_2|$  and  $|a_3|$  for various subclasses of bi-univalent functions (see [7]–[9]). Not much is known about the bounds on general coefficient  $|a_n|$  for  $n \geq 4$ . In the literature, only few works determine general coefficient bounds  $|a_n|$  for the analytic bi-univalent functions (see [10]–[14]).

In this paper, let  $\mathcal{P}$  denote the class of analytic functions of the form

$$p(z) = 1 + p_1z + p_2z^2 + p_3z^3 + \dots,$$

and then

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

By [2], the  $m$ -fold symmetric function  $p$  in the class  $\mathcal{P}$  is given of the form:

$$p(z) = 1 + p_mz + p_{2m}z^{2m} + p_{3m}z^{3m} + \dots.$$