

## P R E F A C E

Many Complex valued functions are not univalent/  
 $q$ -valent, starlike, convex or close-to-convex in the unit  
disc even though one or more of these properties may hold in  
a subdisc of the unit disc. The purpose of this  
dissertation is to investigate certain classes of  
holomorphic  $q$ -valent functions and determine the largest  
subdisc for which one or more of these properties hold.

In Chapter 1 we have taken into account all the  
definitions and statement of the known results needed for  
research.

In Chapter 2 we generalise some results of Dutton  
for  $q$ -valent starlike functions of order  $\alpha$ ; also for  $q$ -  
valent starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  with second missing  
coefficient. Results are generalised for the functions  
having the Taylor series of the form

$$f(z) = z^q + az^{n+q-1} + \sum_{k=q}^{\infty} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}$$

which are holomorphic and  $q$ -valent for  $|z| < 1$ . The region of  
close-to-convexity of the integrals are determined, the  
integrals involved are of the type

$$F(z) = \int_0^z (p(t))^{\beta/n} \left(\frac{f(t)}{t}\right)^{\delta} dt, \text{ where } p(t) \text{ is a}$$

polynomial of degree  $n$  and all the zeros of which lie  
outside or on the unit disc,  $f \in S_{q,\alpha}^*$ . The investigation for  
carrying out the span of the index parameter  $\delta$  is also  
taken into account. The sharpness have been listed wherever  
possible.