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On a subclass of *n*-uniformly close to convex functions 1

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Abstract

In this paper we define a subclass on n-uniformly close to convex functions and we obtain some properties regarding this class.

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1 Introduction

Let $\mathcal{H}(U)$ be the set of functions which are regular in the unit disc $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}, A = \{f \in \mathcal{H}(U) : f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0\}$ and $S = \{f \in A : f \text{ is univalent in } U\}.$

We recall here the definition of the well - known class of starlike functions:

$$S^* = \left\{ f \in A : Re\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} > 0 \ , \ z \in U \right\},\$$

Let D^n be the Sălăgean differential operator (see [5]) $D^n : A \to A$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, defined as:

 $D^0 f(z) = f(z)$

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$$D^{1}f(z) = Df(z) = zf'(z)$$
$$D^{n}f(z) = D(D^{n-1}f(z))$$

Remark 1.1. If $f \in S$, $f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$, $z \in U$ then $D^n f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} j^n a_j z^j.$

Let consider the Libera-Pascu integral operator $L_a: A \to A$ defined as:

(1)
$$f(z) = L_a F(z) = \frac{1+a}{z^a} \int_0^z F(t) \cdot t^{a-1} dt$$
, $a \in \mathbb{C}$, $Re \ a \ge 0$.

For a = 1 we obtain the Libera integral operator, for a = 0 we obtain the Alexander integral operator and in the case a = 1, 2, 3, ... we obtain the Bernardi integral operator.

The purpose of this note is to define, using the Sălăgean differential operator, a subclass on *n*-uniformly close to convex functions and to obtain some properties regarding this class.

2 Preliminary results

Let $k \in [0, \infty)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$. We define the class $(k, n) - S^*$ (see the definition of the class (k, n) - ST in [1]) by $f \in S^*$ and

$$Re\left(\frac{D^n f(z)}{f(z)}\right) > k\left|\frac{D^n f(z)}{f(z)} - 1\right|, z \in U.$$

Remark 2.1. (for more details see [1]) We denote by p_k , $k \in [0, \infty)$ the function which maps the unit disk conformally onto the region Ω_k , such that $1 \in \Omega_k$ and

$$\partial \Omega_k = \left\{ u + iv : u^2 = k^2 (u - 1)^2 + k^2 v^2 \right\}$$

The domain Ω_k is elliptic for k > 1, hyperbolic when 0 < k < 1, parabolic for k = 1, and a right half-plane when k = 0. In this conditions, a function

f is in the class $(k,n) - S^*$ if and only if $\frac{D^n f(z)}{f(z)} \prec p_k$ or $\frac{D^n f(z)}{f(z)}$ take all values in the domain Ω_k . Because the domain Ω_k is convex, as an immediate consequence of the well known Rogosinski result for subordinate functions, we obtain for $p \prec p_k$, $p(z) = 1 + p_1 z + p_2 z^2 + \dots$, $z \in U$,

$$|p_n| \le |P_1| := P_1(k) = \begin{cases} \frac{8(\arccos k)^2}{\pi^2(1-k^2)}, \ 0 \le k < 1, \\ \frac{8}{\pi^2}, \ k = 1, \\ \frac{\pi^2}{4\sqrt{\kappa}(k^2-1)K^2(\kappa)(1+\kappa)}, \ k > 1. \end{cases}$$

for n = 1, 2, ..., where $K(\kappa)$ is Legendre's complete elliptic integral of the first kind, κ is chosen such that $k = \cosh[\pi K'(\kappa)]/[4K(\kappa)]$ and $K'(\kappa)$ is complementary integral of $K(\kappa)$.

With the notations from Remark 2.1 we have:

Theorem 2.1. [1] Let $k \in [0, \infty)$ and $f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ belongs to the class $(k, n) - S^*$. Then $|a_2| \leq \frac{P_1}{2^n - 1}$ and $|a_j| \leq \frac{P_1}{j^n - 1} \prod_{s=2}^{j-1} \left(1 + \frac{P_1}{s^n - 1}\right), \ j = 3, 4, \dots, n \in \mathbb{N}^*$.

The next theorem is result of the so called "admissible functions method" introduced by P.T. Mocanu and S.S. Miller (see [2], [3], [4]).

Theorem 2.2. Let q be convex in U and $j : U \to \mathbb{C}$ with Re[j(z)] > 0, $z \in U$. If $p \in \mathcal{H}(U)$ and satisfied $p(z)+j(z)\cdot zp'(z) \prec q(z)$, then $p(z) \prec q(z)$.

3 Main results

Definition 3.1. Let $f \in A$, $k \in [0, \infty)$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$. We say that the function f is in the class (k, n) - CC with respect to the function $g \in (k, n) - S^*$ if

$$Re\left(\frac{D^n f(z)}{g(z)}\right) > k \cdot \left|\frac{D^n f(z)}{g(z)} - 1\right|, z \in U.$$

Remark 3.1. Geometric interpretation: $f \in (k, n) - CC$ with respect to the function $g \in (k,n) - S^*$ if and only if $\frac{D^n f(z)}{g(z)} \prec p_k$ (see Remark 2.1) or $\frac{D^n f(z)}{a(z)}$ take all values in the domain Ω_k (see Remark 2.1).

Remark 3.2. From the geometric properties of the domains Ω_k we have that

$$(k_1, n) - CC \subset (k_2, n) - CC$$
, where $k_1 \ge k_2$.

Theorem 3.1. If $F(z) \in (k, n) - S^*$, with $k \in [0, \infty)$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, then $f(z) = L_a F(z) \in (k, n) - S^*$, where L_a is the integral operator defined by (1).

Proof. By differentiating (1) we obtain

(2)
$$(1+a)F(z) = af(z) + zf'(z)$$
.

By means of the application of the linear operator D^n we have

(3)
$$(1+a)D^nF(z) = aD^nf(z) + D^{n+1}f(z).$$

From (2) and (3) we obtain

$$\frac{(1+a)D^nF(z)}{(1+a)F(z)} = \frac{aD^nf(z) + D^{n+1}f(z)}{af(z) + zf'(z)} = \frac{f(z)\left[a\frac{D^nf(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{f(z)}\right]}{f(z)\left[a + \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right]}$$

or

(4)
$$\frac{D^n F(z)}{F(z)} = \frac{a \frac{D^n f(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{f(z)}}{a + \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)}}.$$

With notation $p(z) = \frac{D^n f(z)}{f(z)}$, where p(0) = 1, we obtain

$$zp'(z) = z \frac{(D^n f(z))' f(z) - (D^n f(z)) f'(z)}{f^2(z)} =$$

$$= \frac{z \left(D^n f(z)\right)'}{f(z)} - \frac{D^n f(z)}{f(z)} \cdot \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{f(z)} - p(z) \cdot \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)}$$
or
$$D^{n+1} f(z) = \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{z f'(z$$

(5)
$$\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{f(z)} = zp'(z) + p(z) \cdot \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}$$

From (4) and (5) we have

$$\frac{D^n F(z)}{F(z)} = \frac{p(z) \left[a + \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right] + zp'(z)}{a + \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}}$$

or

(6)
$$\frac{D^n F(z)}{F(z)} = p(z) + \frac{1}{a + \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}} \cdot zp'(z)$$

From hypothesis we have $\frac{D^n F(z)}{F(z)} \prec p_k(z)$, where p_k maps the unit disk conformally onto the convex domain Ω_k (see Remark 2.1).

Using (6) we obtain
$$p(z) + \frac{1}{a + \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}} \cdot zp'(z) \prec p_k(z).$$

Using the hypothesis, from Theorem 2.2, we have $p(z) \prec p_k(z)$ or $\frac{D^n f(z)}{f(z)}$ take all values in the domain Ω_k . This means that $f(z) \in (k, n) - S^*$.

Theorem 3.2. If $F(z) \in (k, n) - CC$, $k \in [0, \infty)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, with respect to the function $G(z) \in (k,n) - S^*$, and $f(z) = L_a F(z)$, $g(z) = L_a G(z)$, where L_a is the integral operator defined by (1), then $f(z) \in (k, n) - CC$, $k \in [0, \infty), n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, with respect to the function $g(z) \in (k, n) - S^*$.

Proof. Using (1) and the linear operator D^n we obtain

$$(1+a)D^{n}F(z) = aD^{n}f(z) + D^{n+1}f(z)$$

and

$$(1+a)G(z) = ag(z) + zg'(z).$$

From the above we have

$$\frac{(1+a)D^n F(z)}{(1+a)G(z)} = \frac{aD^n f(z) + D^{n+1}f(z)}{ag(z) + zg'(z)}$$

or

$$\frac{D^n F(z)}{G(z)} = \frac{a \frac{D^n f(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{g(z)}}{a + \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}}$$

If we denote $p(z) = \frac{D^n f(z)}{g(z)}$, with p(0) = 1, we have

(7)
$$\frac{D^n F(z)}{G(z)} = \frac{ap(z) + \frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{g(z)}}{a + \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}}$$

With simple calculations we obtain

$$zp'(z) = \frac{z\left(D^n f(z)\right)'}{g(z)} - \frac{D^n f(z)}{g(z)} \cdot \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} = \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{g(z)} - p(z) \cdot \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}$$

and thus

(8)
$$\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{g(z)} = zp'(z) + p(z) \cdot \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}$$

From (7) and (8) we obtain

(9)
$$\frac{D^n F(z)}{G(z)} = p(z) + \frac{1}{a + \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}} \cdot zp'(z) = p(z) + j(z) \cdot zp'(z),$$

where from the hypothesis and the Theorem 3.1 we have $\operatorname{Re} j(z) > 0$ $z \in U$.

From $F(z) \in (k, n) - CC$ with respect to the function $G(z) \in (k, n) - S^*$, using Remark 3.1, we obtain $p(z) + j(z) \cdot zp'(z) \prec p_k(z)$, where p_k maps the unit disk conformally onto the convex domain Ω_k (see Remark 2.1).

From Theorem 2.2, we have $p(z) \prec p_k(z)$ or $\frac{D^n f(z)}{g(z)}$ take all values in the domain Ω_k . This means that $f(z) \in (k, n) - CC$ with respect to the function $g(z) \in (k, n) - S^*$.

Theorem 3.3. If $f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ belong to the class (k, n) - CC, with

respect to the function $g(z) \in (k,n) - S^*$, $g(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} b_j z^j$, where $k \in [0,\infty), n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |a_2| &\leq \frac{P_1}{2^n - 1}; \ |a_3| \leq \frac{P_1 \left(P_1 - 1 + 2^n \right)}{\left(2^n - 1 \right) \left(3^n - 1 \right)}; \\ |a_j| &\leq \frac{P_1}{j^n - 1} \cdot \prod_{t=2}^{j-1} \frac{P_1 - 1 + t^n}{t^n - 1}, \ j \geq 4, \end{aligned}$$

where P_1 is given in Remark 2.1.

Proof. We have $f(z) \in (k, n) - CC$ if and only if $h(z) = \frac{D^n f(z)}{g(z)} \prec p_k(z)$, where $p_k(U) = \Omega_k$ (see Remark 3.1). Let $h(z) = 1 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + \cdots$, $z \in U$. Taking account the Rogosinski subordination theorem, we have $|c_j| \leq P_1, j \geq 1$.

Using the hypothesis and the Remark 1.1 we have

$$\frac{z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} j^n a_j z^j}{z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} b_j z^j} = 1 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + \cdots$$

From the equality of the powers coefficients we obtain

$$2^n a_2 = c_1 + b_2 ; \ 3^n a_3 = c_2 + b_3 + c_1 b_2$$

and

(10)
$$j^n a_j = c_{j-1} + c_1 b_{j-1} + c_2 b_{j-2} + c_3 b_{j-3} + \cdots + c_{j-2} b_2 + b_j, \ j \ge 4.$$

Using $|c_j| \leq P_1$, $j \geq 1$, $2^n a_2 = c_1 + b_2$ and Theorem 2.1 we have

$$2^{n} |a_{2}| \le P_{1} + \frac{P_{1}}{2^{n} - 1} = \frac{2^{n}}{2^{n} - 1} \cdot P_{1}$$

and thus $|a_2| \le \frac{P_1}{2^n - 1}$.

In a similarly way we obtain $|a_3| \leq \frac{P_1 \left(P_1 - 1 + 2^n\right)}{\left(2^n - 1\right) \left(3^n - 1\right)}$. Using $|c_j| \leq P_1$, $j \geq 1$ and Theorem 2.1 we obtain from (10) the esti-

mations

$$\begin{aligned} j^{n} |a_{j}| &\leq P_{1} \left\{ 1 + \frac{P_{1}}{2^{n} - 1} + \sum_{l=3}^{j-1} \left[\frac{P_{1}}{l^{n} - 1} \cdot \prod_{s=2}^{l-1} \left(1 + \frac{P_{1}}{s^{n} - 1} \right) \right] \right\} + \frac{P_{1}}{j^{n} - 1} \cdot \\ & \cdot \prod_{t=2}^{j-1} \left(1 + \frac{P_{1}}{t^{n} - 1} \right) \,. \end{aligned}$$

By mathematical induction for $j \ge 4$ we have

$$1 + \frac{P_1}{2^n - 1} + \sum_{l=3}^{j-1} \left[\frac{P_1}{l^n - 1} \cdot \prod_{s=2}^{l-1} \left(1 + \frac{P_1}{s^n - 1} \right) \right] = \prod_{t=2}^{j-1} \frac{P_1 - 1 + t^n}{t^n - 1}$$

and thus we obtain

$$j^{n} |a_{j}| \leq P_{1} \cdot \prod_{t=2}^{j-1} \frac{P_{1} - 1 + t^{n}}{t^{n} - 1} + \frac{P_{1}}{j^{n} - 1} \cdot \prod_{t=2}^{j-1} \left(1 + \frac{P_{1}}{t^{n} - 1}\right)$$

or

$$j^{n} |a_{j}| \leq j^{n} \frac{P_{1}}{j^{n} - 1} \cdot \prod_{t=2}^{j-1} \frac{P_{1} - 1 + t^{n}}{t^{n} - 1}, \ j \geq 4$$

Thus

$$|a_j| \le \frac{P_1}{j^n - 1} \cdot \prod_{t=2}^{j-1} \frac{P_1 - 1 + t^n}{t^n - 1}, \ j \ge 4,$$

Theorem 3.4. Let $a \in \mathbb{C}$, $Re a \geq 0$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $k \in [0, \infty)$. If $F(z) \in (k, n) - CC$, $F(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$, and $f(z) = L_a F(z)$, ∞

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2} b_j z^j$$
, where L_a is the integral operator defined by (1), then

$$|b_2| \le \left|\frac{a+1}{a+2}\right| \frac{P_1}{2^n-1}; |b_3| \le \left|\frac{a+1}{a+3}\right| \frac{P_1\left(P_1-1+2^n\right)}{\left(2^n-1\right)\left(3^n-1\right)};$$

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$$|b_j| \le \left|\frac{a+1}{a+j}\right| \frac{P_1}{j^n-1} \cdot \prod_{t=2}^{j-1} \frac{P_1-1+t^n}{t^n-1}, \ j \ge 4,$$

where P_1 is given in Remark 2.1.

Proof. From $f(z) = L_a F(z)$ we have

$$(1+a)F(z) = af(z) + zf'(z)$$
.

Using the above series expansions we obtain

$$(1+a)z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1+a)a_j z^j = az + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} ab_j z^j + z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} jb_j z^j$$

and thus $b_j(a+j) = (1+a)a_j \ j \ge 2$.

From the above we have $b_j \leq \left|\frac{a+1}{a+j}\right| \cdot |a_j|$, $j \geq 2$. Using the estimations from Theorem 3.3 we obtain the needed results.

For a = 1, when the integral operator L_a become the Libera integral operator, we obtain from the above theorem:

Corollary 3.1. Let
$$n \in \mathbb{N}^*$$
 and $k \in [0, \infty)$. If $F(z) \in (k, n) - CC$,
 $F(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$, and $f(z) = L(F(z))$, $f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} b_j z^j$, where L is
the Libera integral operator defined by $L(F(z)) = \frac{2}{z} \int_0^z F(t) dt$, then
 $|b_2| \le \frac{2}{3} \frac{P_1}{2^n - 1}$; $|b_3| \le \frac{1}{2} \frac{P_1(P_1 - 1 + 2^n)}{(2^n - 1)(3^n - 1)}$;

$$|b_j| \le \frac{2}{j+1} \frac{P_1}{j^n - 1} \cdot \prod_{t=2}^{j-1} \frac{P_1 - 1 + t^n}{t^n - 1}, \ j \ge 4,$$

where P_1 is given in Remark 2.1.

Remark 3.3. Similarly results with the results from the Corollary 3.1 are easy to obtain from Theorem 3.4 by taking a = 0, respectively $a = 1, 2, 3, \cdots$.

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