# On Ruscheweyh derivatives of meromorphic functions

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RIASSUNTO – Si denota con  $\Sigma$  la classe di funzioni  $f(z) = z^{-1} + a_0 + a_1 z + \ldots$ , analitiche nel disco unitario  $\{z: 0 < |z| < 1\}$ . Si denota con  $\Sigma_n$  la classe di funzioni  $f \in \Sigma$  che verificano la condizione

$$\operatorname{Re} S_n(f(z)) = \operatorname{Re} \frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^nf(z)} > \frac{n-1}{n} \quad (|z| < 1, \ n = 1, 2, ...)$$

dove  $D^nf(z)=f(z)*\frac{1}{z}(1-(\frac{z}{z-1})^n)$  e \* è la convoluzione di Hadamard. Una funzione  $f\in \Sigma$  si dice che appartiene alla classe  $\Sigma_n(\alpha,\beta)$  se  $\mathrm{Re}\{n(\alpha,\beta)S_n(f(z))-\alpha(n+1)S_{n+1}(f(z))\}>n-\alpha-1$ , dove  $\alpha,\beta$  sono numeri reali e  $n=1,2,\ldots$  In questo lavoro si dimostrerà che  $\Sigma_n(\alpha,\beta)\subset \Sigma_n$ . Infine si studia una classe di operatori integrali definiti in  $\Sigma_n$ .

ABSTRACT – Let  $\Sigma$  denote the class of functions  $f(z)=z^{-1}+a_0+a_1z+\ldots$ , which are analytic in the annulus  $\{z\colon 0<|z|<1\}$ . Let  $\Sigma_n$  denote the class of functions  $f\in\Sigma$  which satisfy the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} S_n(f(z)) = \operatorname{Re} \frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^nf(z)} > \frac{n-1}{n} \quad (|z| < 1, \ n = 1, 2, ...)$$

where  $D^n f(z) = f(z) * \frac{1}{z} (1 - (\frac{z}{z-1})^n)$  and \* is the Hadamard convolution. A function  $f \in \Sigma$  is said to belong to the class  $\Sigma_n(\alpha, \beta)$  if  $\operatorname{Re}\{n(\alpha, \beta)S_n(f(z)) - \alpha(n+1)S_{n+1}(f(z))\} > n - \alpha - 1$ , where  $\alpha, \beta$  are real numbers and  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$  In this paper we shall show that  $\Sigma_n(\alpha, \beta) \subset \Sigma_n$ . Finally we study a class of integral operators defined on  $\Sigma_n$ .

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### 1 - Introduction

Let A be the class of functions  $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$  which are regular in the unit disc  $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . Let  $f(z) = z^{-1} + a_0 + a_1 z + \dots$  be regular in  $E - \{0\}$ . Denote this class of functions by  $\Sigma$ . The Hadamard product or convolution of two functions  $f, g \in \Sigma$  is denoted by  $f \star g$ . Let

$$(1.1) D^n f(z) = f(z) \star \frac{1}{z} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{z}{z-1} \right)^n \right),$$

which implies that

(1.2) 
$$D^{n}f(z) = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}z^{n-1}f^{(n-1)}(z),$$

where n = 1, 2, ... and  $z \in E$ . We shall refer to  $D^n f$  as the n th order Ruscheweyh derivative of a meromorphic function f.

In this paper we shall define two new classes which are  $\Sigma_n$  and  $\Sigma_n(\alpha, \beta)$ . Let  $\Sigma_n$  denote the class of functions  $f \in \Sigma$  that satisfy

(1.3) 
$$\operatorname{Re} S_n(f(z)) = \operatorname{Re} \frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^n f(z)} > \frac{n-1}{n}$$

for  $z \in E$  and n = 1, 2... Note that  $S_n(f(0)) = 1$  for all n. Also note that  $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma^*$  and  $\Sigma_2 \equiv \Sigma_K$  are class of functions that are known as the meromorphic starlike and convex functions, respectively. We denote by  $\Sigma_n(\alpha, \beta)$  the set of all functions f in  $\Sigma$  such that

(1.4) 
$$\operatorname{Re} M_n(\alpha, \beta, f(z)) > n - \alpha - 1, \quad (z \in E),$$

where

$$(1.5) M_n(\alpha,\beta,f(z)) = n(\alpha+\beta)S_n(f(z)) - \alpha(n+1)S_{n+1}(f(z)),$$

and  $\alpha, \beta$  are real numbers and  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$  For each n the class  $\Sigma_n(\alpha, \beta)$  reduces to the class of meromorphic functions:  $\Sigma_n(0, 1) \equiv \Sigma_n$  and  $\Sigma_n(-1, 1) \equiv \Sigma_{n+1}$ .

In section 2 we shall show that  $\Sigma_n(\alpha,\beta) \subset \Sigma_n$ . Substituting n=1 in the above relation it follows that  $\Sigma_1(\alpha,\beta) \subset \Sigma^*$ . This result is a

generalization of the result obtained by BAJPAJ and MEHROK in [1] when  $\gamma = 0$ . In section 3 we study Libera integral operator on the class  $\Sigma_n$ . We show that this operator preserves the class  $\Sigma_n$ .

# **2** – The classes $\Sigma_n$ and $\Sigma_n(\alpha, \beta)$

THEOREM 1.  $\Sigma_n(\alpha,\beta) \subset \Sigma_n$  for all  $n=1,2,\ldots,\alpha>0$  and  $0<\beta<1$ .

PROOF. It can easly be verifyed from (1.1) that

(2.1) 
$$z(D^n f(z))' = (n-1)D^n f(z) - nD^{n+1} f(z)$$

for all n = 1, 2, ... Let  $f \in \Sigma_n(\alpha, \beta)$ . Let  $\omega(z)$  be a regular function in E defined by

$$(2.2) S_n(f(z)) = \frac{n+(n-2)\omega(z)}{n(1+\omega(z))}.$$

Clearly  $\omega(0) = 0$  and  $\omega(z) \neq -1$ . To complete the proof we need to show that

$$\operatorname{Re} S_n(f(z)) > \frac{n-1}{n}, \quad (z \in E \text{ and } n = 1, 2, ...).$$

To this end, it is sufficient to show  $|\omega(z)| < 1$ ,  $z \in E$ . Taking the logarithmic derivative of both sides of (2.2) and using (2.1) we get

$$(2.3) (n+1)S_{n+1}(f(z)) = 1 + nS_n(f(z)) + \frac{2z\omega'(z)}{(1+\omega(z))(n+(n-2)\omega(z))}.$$

Substituting from (2.2) and (2.3) in (1.4) we obtain

(2.4) 
$$M_n(\alpha, \beta, f(z)) = -\alpha + \beta \frac{n + (n-2)\omega(z)}{1 + \omega(z)} + \frac{z\omega'(z)}{(1 + \omega(z))(n + (n-2)\omega(z))}.$$

We claim that  $|\omega(z)| < 1$ ,  $z \in E$ . For otherwise by the lemma of JACK [4] there exists  $z_0 \in E$  such that result to (2.4) we get

$$\operatorname{Re} M_n(\alpha,\beta,f(z_0)) - (n-\alpha-1) = -(n-1)(1-\beta) - \frac{2\alpha k(n-1)}{|n+(n-2)\omega(z_0)|^2} < 0$$

which is a contradiction to our hypothesis that  $f \in \Sigma_n(\alpha, \beta)$ . Hence  $|\omega(z)| < 1$  and from (2.2) we conclude that  $f \in \Sigma_n$ .

We shall need the following lemma ([2], p. 25).

LEMMA. If  $\omega(z)$  is regular in E and satisfies the conditions  $\omega(0) = 0$ ,  $|\omega(z)| < 1$  for  $z \in E$ , then

$$(2.5) |z\omega'(z) - \omega(z)| \le \frac{|z|^2 - |\omega(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2}, (|z| < 1).$$

THEOREM 2. Let  $f \in \Sigma_n$ ,  $\alpha > 0$  and  $0 < \beta < 1$ . Then

$$\frac{2}{\alpha n} \operatorname{Re} M_n(\alpha, \beta, f(z)) + 2 \ge \begin{cases} P_1(r) & \text{for} \quad R_0 \le R_1 \\ P_2(r) & \text{for} \quad R_0 \ge R_1 \end{cases}$$

where

$$\begin{split} P_1(r) &= \frac{(\alpha + 2\beta)(n + (n-2)r)}{\alpha n(1+r)} + \frac{(n-2)(1+r)}{n + (n-2)r}, \\ P_2(r) &= \frac{4}{n} \left[ \frac{(n-2)(\alpha + \beta)(n - (n-2)r^2)}{\alpha(1-r^2)} \right]^{1/2} - \frac{2(n - (n-2)r^2)}{1-r^2} \\ R_0^2 &= \frac{\alpha(n-1)(n - (n-2)r^2)}{n^2(\alpha + \beta)(1-r^2)} \\ R_1 &= \frac{n + (n-2)r}{n(1+r)}. \end{split}$$

The result is sharp.

PROOF. Since  $f \in \Sigma_n$  we can write

(2.6) 
$$S_n(f(z)) = \frac{n + (n-2)\omega(z)}{n(1+\omega(z))},$$

where  $\omega(z)$  is regular in E,  $\omega(0) = 0$  and  $|\omega(z)| < 1$ . As in Theorem 1 we find that from (2.6) and (1.5)

(2.7) 
$$M_n(\alpha, \beta, f(z)) + n = n \frac{\alpha + 2\beta}{2} p(z) + \alpha \frac{n-2}{2} \frac{1}{p(z)} + \frac{2}{n} \frac{z\omega'(z) - \omega(z)}{(1 + \omega(z))^2 (p(z))},$$

where  $p(z) = \frac{n + (n-2)\omega(z)}{n(1+\omega(z))}$ . From (2.5) and (2.7) we have

$$\frac{2}{\alpha n} \operatorname{Re} M_n(\alpha, \beta, f(z)) + 2 \ge \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\alpha + 2\beta}{\alpha} p(z) + \frac{n-2}{np(z)} \right\} +$$

$$- \frac{|z|^2 |p(z) - \frac{n-2}{n}|^2 - |1 - p(z)|^2}{(1 - |z|^2)|p(z)|}.$$

An application of Lemma 1, Karunakaran [5], with  $C=1+\frac{2\beta}{\alpha}$ ,  $D=\frac{n-2}{n}$  and B=1 gives immediately the inequality stated in Theorem 2.

THEOREM 3. Let  $f \in \Sigma_n$  and n = 1, 2, ... Then  $f \in \Sigma_{n+1}$  holds for  $|z| < \rho(n)$ , where

$$\rho(n) = n \left( n^2 - 2n + 8 + 4\sqrt{(n^2 - 2n + 4)} \right)^{-1/2}$$

PROOF. For  $f \in \Sigma_n$  let p(z) be the regular function defined in E by

(2.8) 
$$S_n(f(z)) = \frac{n-1+p(z)}{n}.$$

Here p(0) = 1 and Re p(z) > 0 in E. Logarithmic differentiation of (2.8) and from (2.1) should yield

(2.9) 
$$(n+1)S_{n+1}(f(z)) = n + p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{n-1+p(z)}.$$

The conclusion of the theorem follows immediately by Corollary 1 of RUSCHEWEYH and SING [6] or Theorem 1 of YOSHIKAWA and YOSHIKAI [7].

COROLLARY. Taking n = 1, it follows that if  $f \in \Sigma^*$  that  $f \in \Sigma_K$  for  $|z| < 2 - \sqrt{3}$ .

## 3 - Integral operators

Let c be a real number. We define  $h_c$  by

$$h_c(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{c}{c+k+1} z^k, \quad 0 < |z| < 1.$$

Let the operator  $L \colon \Sigma \to \Sigma$  be defined by F = L(f), where

$$F(z)=cz^{-c-1}\int_0^z t^c f(t)dt, \qquad c>0.$$

Then the function F can be written in the form  $f(z) \star h_c(z)$ . We shall refer to L as the Libera integral operator. We first give a condition of  $f \in \Sigma$  for which the function L(f) belongs to  $\Sigma_n$ .

THEOREM 4.  $S_n(f(z))$  is given by (1.3). Let  $f \in \Sigma$  and satisfies the condition

(3.1) 
$$\operatorname{Re} S_n(f(z)) > \frac{n-1}{n} - \frac{1}{2n(c+1)},$$

where c > 0, n = 1, 2, ..., then the function  $F = L(f) \in \Sigma_n$  for  $F \neq 0$  in  $E - \{0\}$ .

PROOF. Since  $F(z) = f(z) * h_c(z)$  it can be easily verified that

(3.2) 
$$z(D^n F(z))' = cD^n f(z) - (c+1)D^n F(z).$$

Let  $\omega(z)$  be a regular function in E defined by

$$(3.3) S_n(F(z)) = \frac{n + (n-2)\omega(z)}{n(1+\omega(z))}.$$

Here  $\omega(0) = 0$  and  $\omega(z) \neq -1$  in E. Logarithmic derivative (3.3) and using (3.2) we obtain

(3.4) 
$$cS_n(f(z)) = \frac{c}{n} \frac{n + (n-2)\omega(z)}{1 + \omega(z)} + \frac{2z\omega'(z)}{(n + (n-2)\omega(z))(1 + \omega(z))} \frac{D^{n+1}F(z)}{D^nf(z)}.$$

We can write the identity (2.1) for F

(3.5) 
$$z(D^n F(z))' = (n-1)D^n F(z) - nD^{n+1} F(z).$$

From (3.2) and (3.5), after a simple computation we get

(3.6) 
$$c\frac{D^n f(z)}{D^n F(z)} = \frac{c + (c+2)\omega(z)}{1 + \omega(z)}.$$

(3.4) in conjuktion with (3.6) gives

(3.7) 
$$S_n(f(z)) = \frac{1 + \frac{n-2}{n}\omega(z)}{1 + \omega(z)} - \frac{2}{n} \frac{z\omega'(z)}{(1 + \omega(z))(c + (c+2)\omega(z))}$$

and the conclusion of the theorem follow from (3.7), as show in Theorem 1. By  $\Sigma^*(\gamma)$  we denote the class of functions  $f \in \Sigma$  starlike in  $E - \{0\}$  and satisfying in this region the condition

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{-\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right\} > \gamma.$$

COROLLARY. If we put n=c=1 in Theorem 4, we find that  $L\left(\Sigma^\star(\frac{-1}{4})\right)\subset \Sigma^\star.$ 

It is easy to show that if  $f \in \Sigma_n$ , then f satisfies the condition (3.1). Thus it follows from Theorem 4 that  $L(\Sigma_n) \subset \Sigma_n$ .

More precisely we state the result in:

THEOREM 5. If  $f \in \Sigma_n$  then the function F = L(f) is again an element of  $\Sigma_n$ .

COROLLARY. Substituting n = 1 and n = 2 in the above theorem it follows that if  $f \in \Sigma^*$  (or  $\Sigma_K$ ), then  $L(f) \in \Sigma^*$  (or  $\Sigma_K$ ).

THEOREM 6. Let  $F \in \Sigma_n$  and c > 0, n = 1, 2, ... Let f be defined as F = L(f). Then  $f \in \Sigma_n$  for  $0 < |z| < \sqrt{\frac{c}{c+2}}$ . The result is sharp.

PROOF. Since  $F \in \Sigma_n$  we can write

$$S_n(F(z)) = \frac{1 + \frac{n-2}{n}\omega(z)}{1 + \omega(z)}, \qquad (z \in E, n = 1, 2, ...).$$

where  $\omega(0) = 0$ ,  $\omega(z) \neq -1$  and  $|\omega(z)| < 1$  in E. As in Theorem 4 we find that

$$nS_n(f(z))-n+1=\frac{1-\omega(z)}{1+\omega(z)}-\frac{2z\omega'(z)}{(1+\omega(z))(c+(c+2)\omega(z))}.$$

The conclusion of the theorem follows immediately as in Theorem 4 of GOEL-SOHI [3].

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