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Some properties of certain subclasses of analytic functions involving a differential operator

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Abstract

In the present paper, we introduce and study certain subclasses of analytic functions in the open unit disk U which is defined by the differential operator $DR_{\lambda}^{m,n}$. We study and investigate some inclusion properties of these classes. Furthermore, a generalized Bernardi-Libera-Livingston integral operator is shown to be preserved for these classes.

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1 Introduction

Let \mathcal{A} be a class of functions f in the open unit disk $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ normalized by $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$. Thus each $f \in \mathcal{A}$ has a Taylor series representation

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j. \quad (1.1)$$

We denote by $\mathcal{S}(\xi)$ the well-known subclass of \mathcal{A} consisting of all analytic functions which are, respectively, starlike of order ξ [1, 2]

$$\mathcal{S}(\xi) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} : \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > \xi, z \in U \right\}, \quad 0 \leq \xi < 1.$$

Let \mathcal{R} be a class of all functions ϕ which are analytic and univalent in U and for which $\phi(U)$ is convex with $\phi(0) = 1$ and $\operatorname{Re} \phi(z) > 0, z \in U$.

For two functions f and g analytic in U , we say that the function f is subordinate to g in U and write $f(z) \prec g(z), z \in U$, if there exists a Schwarz function $w(z)$ which is analytic in U with $w(0) = 0$ and $|w(z)| < 1$ such that $f(z) = g(w(z)), z \in U$.

Making use of the principle of subordination between analytic functions, denote by $\mathcal{S}(\xi, \phi)$ [3] a subclass of the class \mathcal{A} for $0 \leq \xi < 1$ and $\phi \in \mathcal{R}$ which are defined by

$$\mathcal{S}(\xi, \phi) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} : \frac{1}{1-\xi} \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \xi \right) \prec \phi(z), z \in U \right\}.$$

Let $f, g \in \mathcal{A}$, where f and g are defined by $f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ and $g(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} b_j z^j$. Then the Hadamard product (or convolution) $f * g$ of the functions f and g is defined by

$$(f * g)(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j b_j z^j.$$

Definition 1.1 (Al-Oboudi [4]) For $f \in \mathcal{A}$, $\lambda \geq 0$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}$, the operator D_{λ}^m is defined by $D_{\lambda}^m : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$,

$$D_{\lambda}^0 f(z) = f(z),$$

$$D_{\lambda}^1 f(z) = (1 - \lambda)f(z) + \lambda z f'(z) = D_{\lambda} f(z),$$

...

$$D_{\lambda}^m f(z) = (1 - \lambda)D_{\lambda}^{m-1} f(z) + \lambda z (D_{\lambda}^{m-1} f(z))' = D_{\lambda} (D_{\lambda}^{m-1} f(z)), \quad z \in U.$$

Remark 1.1 If $f \in \mathcal{A}$ and $f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$, then $D_{\lambda}^m f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} [1 + (j - 1)\lambda]^m a_j z^j$, $z \in U$.

Remark 1.2 For $\lambda = 1$ in the above definition, we obtain the Sălăgean differential operator [5].

Definition 1.2 (Ruscheweyh [6]) For $f \in \mathcal{A}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the operator R^n is defined by $R^n : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$,

$$R^0 f(z) = f(z),$$

$$R^1 f(z) = z f'(z),$$

...

$$(n + 1)R^{n+1} f(z) = z(R^n f(z))' + nR^n f(z), \quad z \in U.$$

Remark 1.3 If $f \in \mathcal{A}$, $f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$, then $R^n f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} \frac{(n+j-1)!}{n!(j-1)!} a_j z^j$, $z \in U$.

Definition 1.3 ([7]) Let $\lambda \geq 0$ and $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$. Denote by $DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ the operator given by the Hadamard product of the generalized Sălăgean operator D_{λ}^m and the Ruscheweyh operator R^n ,

$$DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} f(z) = (D_{\lambda}^m * R^n) f(z),$$

for any $z \in U$ and each nonnegative integer m, n .

Remark 1.4 If $f \in \mathcal{A}$ and $f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$, then $DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} [1 + (j - 1)\lambda]^m \frac{(n+j-1)!}{n!(j-1)!} \times a_j^2 z^j$, $z \in U$.

Remark 1.5 The operator $DR_{\lambda}^{m,n}$ was studied also in [8–10].

For $\lambda = 1$, $m = n$, we obtain the Hadamard product SR^n [11] of the Sălăgean operator S^n and the Ruscheweyh derivative R^n , which was studied in [12, 13].

For $m = n$, we obtain the Hadamard product DR_λ^n [14] of the generalized Sălăgean operator D_λ^n and the Ruscheweyh derivative R^n , which was studied in [15–20].

Using a simple computation, one obtains the next result.

Proposition 1.1 ([7]) *For $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\lambda \geq 0$, we have*

$$DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z) = (1 - \lambda)DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z) + \lambda z(DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z))' \tag{1.2}$$

and

$$z(DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z))' = (n + 1)DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z) - nDR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z). \tag{1.3}$$

By using the operator $DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)$, we define the following subclasses of analytic functions for $0 \leq \zeta < 1$ and $\phi \in \mathcal{R}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}(\xi) &= \{f \in \mathcal{A} : DR_\lambda^{m,n}f \in \mathcal{S}(\xi)\}, \\ \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}(\xi, \phi) &= \{f \in \mathcal{A} : DR_\lambda^{m,n}f \in \mathcal{S}(\xi, \phi)\}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we set

$$\mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}\left(\xi, \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}\right) = \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}(\xi, A, B), \quad -1 < B < A \leq 1.$$

Next, we will investigate various inclusion relationships for the subclasses of analytic functions introduced above. Furthermore, we study the results of Faisal *et al.* [21], Darus and Faisal [3].

2 Inclusion relationship associated with the operator $DR_\lambda^{m,n}$

First, we start with the following lemmas which we need for our main results.

Lemma 2.1 ([22, 23]) *Let $\varphi(\mu, \nu)$ be a complex function such that $\varphi : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, D \subseteq \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$, and let $\mu = \mu_1 + i\mu_2, \nu = \nu_1 + i\nu_2$. Suppose that $\varphi(\mu, \nu)$ satisfies the following conditions:*

1. $\varphi(\mu, \nu)$ is continuous in D ,
2. $(1, 0) \in D$ and $\operatorname{Re} \varphi(1, 0) > 0$,
3. $\operatorname{Re} \varphi(i\mu_2, \nu_1) \leq 0$ for all $(i\mu_2, \nu_1) \in D$ such that $\nu_1 \leq -\frac{1}{2}(1 + \mu_2^2)$.

Let $h(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + \dots$ be analytic in U , such that $(h(z), zh'(z)) \in D$ for all $z \in U$. If $\operatorname{Re}\{\varphi h(z), zh'(z)\} > 0, z \in U$, then $\operatorname{Re}\{h(z)\} > 0$.

Lemma 2.2 ([24]) *Let ϕ be convex univalent in U with $\phi(0) = 1$ and $\operatorname{Re}\{k\phi(z) + \nu\} > 0, k, \nu \in \mathbb{C}$. If p is analytic in U with $p(0) = 1$, then*

$$p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{kp(z) + \nu} \prec \phi(z), \quad z \in U,$$

implies $p(z) \prec \phi(z), z \in U$.

Theorem 2.1 Let $f \in \mathcal{A}$, $0 \leq \xi < 1$, $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lambda > 0$, then

$$\mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n+1}(\xi) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}(\xi) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n-1}(\xi).$$

Proof Let $f \in \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n+1}(\xi)$ and suppose that

$$\frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} = \xi + (1 - \xi)h(z). \tag{2.1}$$

Since from (1.3)

$$(n + 1) \frac{DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z)}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} = n + \xi + (1 - \xi)h(z),$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - \xi)h'(z) &= (n + 1) \left[\frac{(DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} - \frac{DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z)}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} \cdot \frac{(DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} \right], \\ (1 - \xi)zh'(z) &= (n + 1) \frac{DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z)}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} \left[\frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z)} - \xi - (1 - \xi)h(z) \right], \\ \frac{(1 - \xi)h'(z)z}{n + \xi + (1 - \xi)h(z)} &= \frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z)} - \xi - (1 - \xi)h(z), \\ \frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n+1}f(z)} - \xi &= (1 - \xi)h(z) + \frac{(1 - \xi)h'(z)z}{n + \xi + (1 - \xi)h(z)}. \end{aligned}$$

Taking $h(z) = \mu = \mu_1 + i\mu_2$ and $zh'(z) = \nu = \nu_1 + i\nu_2$, we define $\varphi(\mu, \nu)$ by

$$\varphi(\mu, \nu) = (1 - \xi)\mu + \frac{(1 - \xi)\nu}{n + \xi + (1 - \xi)\mu}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}\{\varphi(i\mu_2, \nu_1)\} &= \frac{(1 - \xi)(n + \xi)\nu_1}{(n + \xi)^2 + (1 - \xi)^2\mu_2^2}, \\ \operatorname{Re}\{\varphi(i\mu_2, \nu_1)\} &\leq -\frac{(1 - \xi)(n + \xi)(1 + \mu_2^2)}{2[(n + \xi)^2 + (1 - \xi)^2\mu_2^2]} < 0. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, $\varphi(\mu, \nu)$ satisfies the conditions of Lemma 2.1. Hence $\operatorname{Re}\{h(z)\} > 0$, $z \in U$, implies $f \in \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}(\xi)$. \square

Remark 2.1 Using relation (1.2) and the same techniques as to prove the earlier results, we can obtain a new similar result.

Theorem 2.2 Let $f \in \mathcal{A}$ and $\phi \in \mathcal{R}$ with

$$\operatorname{Re}\{\phi(z)\} < \frac{\xi - 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda}}{1 - \xi}.$$

Then

$$\mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m+1,n}(\xi, \phi) \subset \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}(\xi, \phi) \subset \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m-1,n}(\xi, \phi).$$

Proof Let $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m+1,n}(\xi, \phi)$ and set

$$p(z) = \frac{1}{1-\xi} \left(\frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} - \xi \right), \tag{2.2}$$

where p is analytic in U with $p(0) = 1$.

By using (1.2) we have

$$\frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \frac{DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z)}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} - \frac{1-\lambda}{\lambda}.$$

Now, by using (2.2) we get

$$\begin{aligned} p'(z) &= \frac{1}{1-\xi} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \frac{DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z)}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} - \frac{1-\lambda}{\lambda} - \xi \right), \\ \frac{1}{\lambda} \frac{DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z)}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} &= \xi + \frac{1-\lambda}{\lambda} + (1-\xi)p(z). \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

By using (2.2) and (2.3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} zp'(z) &= \frac{1}{1-\xi} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda} \left[\frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} - \frac{DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z)}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} \cdot \frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} \right], \\ (1-\xi)zp'(z) &= \frac{1}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z)}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} \left[\frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z)} - \frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n}f(z)} \right], \\ (1-\xi)zp'(z) &= \left[\zeta - 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda} + (1-\xi)p(z) \right] \left[\frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z)} - (1-\xi)p(z) - \xi \right], \\ \frac{(1-\xi)zp'(z)}{(1-\xi)p(z) + \zeta - 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda}} &= \frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z)} - \xi - (1-\xi)p(z). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\frac{1}{1-\xi} \left[\frac{z(DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z))'}{DR_\lambda^{m+1,n}f(z)} - \xi \right] = p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{(1-\xi)p(z) + \zeta - 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda}}. \tag{2.4}$$

Since $\operatorname{Re}\{\phi(z)\} < \frac{\xi-1+\frac{1}{\lambda}}{1-\xi}$ implies $\operatorname{Re}\{(1-\xi)p(z) + \xi - 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda}\} > 0$, applying Lemma 2.2 to (2.4) we have that $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}(\xi, \phi)$, as required. \square

Remark 2.2 By using relation (1.3) and the same techniques as to prove the earlier results, we can obtain a new similar result.

Corollary 2.3 Let $\frac{1+A}{1+B} < \frac{\xi-1+\frac{1}{\lambda}}{1-\xi}$ for $-1 < B < A \leq 1$, then

$$\mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m+1,n}(\xi, A, B) \subset \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}(\xi, A, B) \subset \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m-1,n}(\xi, A, B).$$

Proof Taking $\phi(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$, $-1 < B < A \leq 1$ in Theorem 2.2, we get the corollary. □

3 Integral-preserving properties

In this section, we present several integral-preserving properties for the subclasses of analytic functions defined above. We recall the generalized Bernardi-Libera-Livington integral operator [25] defined by

$$F_c[f(z)] = \frac{c+1}{z^c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} f(t) dt = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} \frac{c+1}{j+c} a_j z^j, \quad f \in \mathcal{A}, c > -1, \tag{3.1}$$

which satisfies the following equality:

$$cDR_{\lambda}^{m,n} F_c[f(z)] + z[DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} F_c(f(z))]’ = (c+1)DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} f(z). \tag{3.2}$$

Theorem 3.1 *Let $c > -1$, $0 \leq \xi < 1$. If $f \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}^{m,n}(\xi)$, then $F_c f \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}^{m,n}(\xi)$.*

Proof Let $f \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}^{m,n}(\xi)$. By using (3.2), we get

$$\frac{z[DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} F_c[f(z))]’}{DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} F_c[f(z)]} = (c+1) \frac{DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} f(z)}{DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} F_c[f(z)]} - c.$$

Let

$$\frac{z[DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} F_c[f(z))]’}{DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} F_c[f(z)]} = \xi + (1-\xi)h(z), \quad h(z) = 1 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + \dots$$

We obtain

$$\frac{z[DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} f(z)]’}{DR_{\lambda}^{m,n} f(z)} - \xi = (1-\xi)h(z) + \frac{(1-\xi)zh’(z)}{\xi + (1-\xi)h(z) + c}.$$

This implies

$$\varphi(\mu, \nu) = (1-\xi)\mu + \frac{(1-\xi)\nu}{c + \xi + (1-\xi)\mu}$$

(same as Theorem 2.1) and

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}\{\varphi(i\mu_2, \nu_1)\} &= \frac{(1-\xi)(c+\xi)\nu_1}{(c+\xi)^2 + (1-\xi)^2\mu_2^2}, \\ \operatorname{Re}\{\varphi(i\mu_2, \nu_1)\} &\leq -\frac{(1-\xi)(c+\xi)(1+\mu_2)^2}{2[(c+\xi)^2 + (1-\xi)^2\mu_2^2]} < 0. \end{aligned}$$

After using Lemma 2.1 and Theorem 2.1, we have

$$F_c f \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}^{m,n}(\xi). \tag{3.3} \quad \square$$

Theorem 3.2 *Let $c > -1$ and $\phi \in \mathcal{R}$ with*

$$\operatorname{Re}\{\phi(z)\} < \frac{c+\xi}{1-\xi}.$$

If $f \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}^{m,n}(\xi, \phi)$, then $F_c f \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}^{m,n}(\xi, \phi)$.

Proof Let $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}(\xi, \phi)$ and set

$$p(z) = \frac{1}{1-\xi} \left(\frac{z[DR_\lambda^{m,n} F_c[f(z)]]'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n} F_c[f(z)]} - \xi \right), \quad (3.3)$$

where p is analytic in U with $p(0) = 1$.

Using (3.2) and (3.3), we have

$$(c+1) \frac{z[DR_\lambda^{m,n} f(z)]}{DR_\lambda^{m,n} F_c[f(z)]} = c + \xi + (1-\xi)p(z). \quad (3.4)$$

Then, using (3.2), (3.3) and (3.4), we obtain

$$\frac{1}{1-\xi} \left(\frac{z[DR_\lambda^{m,n} f(z)]'}{DR_\lambda^{m,n} f(z)} - \xi \right) = p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{(1-\xi)p(z) + c + \xi}. \quad (3.5)$$

Applying Lemma 2.2 to (3.5), we conclude that

$$F_c f \in \mathcal{S}_\lambda^{m,n}(\xi, \phi). \quad \square$$

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