

Subclasses of starlike functions associated with some hyperbola¹

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Abstract

In this paper we define some subclasses of starlike functions associated with some hyperbola by using a generalized Sălăgean operator and we give some properties regarding these classes.

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1 Introduction

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

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Let D^n be the Sălăgean differential operator (see [12]) defined as:

$$D^n : A \rightarrow A, \quad n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \text{and} \quad D^0 f(z) = f(z)$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

Generalizations of the Libera-Pascu integral operator was studied by many mathematicians such are P.T. Mocanu in [7], E. Drăghici in [6] and D. Breaz in [5].

Definition 1.1.[4] Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\lambda \geq 0$. We denote with D_λ^n the operator defined by

$$D_\lambda^n : A \rightarrow A,$$

$$D_\lambda^0 f(z) = f(z), \quad D_\lambda^1 f(z) = (1 - \lambda)f(z) + \lambda z f'(z) = D_\lambda f(z),$$

$$D_\lambda^n f(z) = D_\lambda (D_\lambda^{n-1} f(z)).$$

Remark 1.2.[4] We observe that D_λ^n is a linear operator and for $f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ we have

$$D_\lambda^n f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1 + (j-1)\lambda)^n a_j z^j.$$

Also, it is easy to observe that if we consider $\lambda = 1$ in the above definition we obtain the Sălăgean differential operator.

The next theorem is result of the so called "admissible functions method" introduced by P.T. Mocanu and S.S. Miller (see [8], [9], [10]).

Theorem 1.1. *Let h convex in U and $Re[\beta h(z) + \gamma] > 0$, $z \in U$. If $p \in H(U)$ with $p(0) = h(0)$ and p satisfied the Briot-Bouquet differential subordination*

$$p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{\beta p(z) + \gamma} \prec h(z), \quad \text{then } p(z) \prec h(z).$$

In [1] is introduced the following operator:

Definition 1.2. *Let $\beta, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, $\beta \geq 0$, $\lambda \geq 0$ and $f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} a_j z^j$. We denote by D_{λ}^{β} the linear operator defined by*

$$D_{\lambda}^{\beta} : A \rightarrow A,$$

$$D_{\lambda}^{\beta} f(z) = z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1 + (j-1)\lambda)^{\beta} a_j z^j.$$

Remark 1.3. *It is easy to observe that for $\beta = n \in \mathbb{N}$ we obtain the Al-Oboudi operator D_{λ}^n and for $\beta = n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lambda = 1$ we obtain the Sălăgean operator D^n .*

The purpose of this note is to define some subclasses of starlike functions associated with some hyperbola by using the operator D_{λ}^{β} defined above and to obtain some properties regarding these classes.

2 Preliminary results

Definition 2.1. [13] A function $f \in S$ is said to be in the class $SH(\alpha)$ if it satisfies

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 2\alpha(\sqrt{2}-1) \right| < \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \sqrt{2} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} + 2\alpha(\sqrt{2}-1),$$

for some α ($\alpha > 0$) and for all $z \in U$.

Remark 2.1. Geometric interpretation:

$$\text{Let } \Omega(\alpha) = \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} : z \in U, f \in SH(\alpha) \right\}.$$

Then $\Omega(\alpha) = \{w = u + i \cdot v : v^2 < 4\alpha u + u^2, u > 0\}$. Note that $\Omega(\alpha)$ is the interior of a hyperbola in the right half-plane which is symmetric about the real axis and has vertex at the origin.

Definition 2.2. [3] Let $f \in S$ and $\alpha > 0$. We say that the function f is in the class $SH_n(\alpha)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, if

$$\left| \frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 2\alpha(\sqrt{2}-1) \right| < \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \sqrt{2} \frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^n f(z)} \right\} + 2\alpha(\sqrt{2}-1), \quad z \in U.$$

Remark 2.2. Geometric interpretation: If we denote with p_α the analytic and univalent functions with the properties $p_\alpha(0) = 1$, $p'_\alpha(0) > 0$ and $p_\alpha(U) = \Omega(\alpha)$ (see Remark 2.1), then $f \in SH_n(\alpha)$ if and only if $\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^n f(z)} \prec p_\alpha(z)$, where the symbol \prec denotes the subordination in U .

We have $p_\alpha(z) = (1+2\alpha)\sqrt{\frac{1+bz}{1-z}} - 2\alpha$, $b = b(\alpha) = \frac{1+4\alpha-4\alpha^2}{(1+2\alpha)^2}$ and the branch of the square root \sqrt{w} is chosen so that $\operatorname{Im} \sqrt{w} \geq 0$.

Theorem 2.1. [3] If $F(z) \in SH_n(\alpha)$, $\alpha > 0$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and $f(z) = L_a F(z)$, where L_a is the integral operator defined by (1), then $f(z) \in SH_n(\alpha)$, $\alpha > 0$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 2.2. [3] Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\alpha > 0$. If $f \in SH_{n+1}(\alpha)$ then $f \in SH_n(\alpha)$.

3 Main results

Definition 3.1. Let $\beta \geq 0$, $\lambda \geq 0$, $\alpha > 0$ and $p_\alpha(z) = (1 + 2\alpha)\sqrt{\frac{1+bz}{1-z}} - 2\alpha$, where $b = b(\alpha) = \frac{1 + 4\alpha - 4\alpha^2}{(1 + 2\alpha)^2}$ and the branch of the square root \sqrt{w} is chosen so that $\text{Im} \sqrt{w} \geq 0$. We say that a function $f(z) \in S$ is in the class $SH_{\beta,\lambda}(\alpha)$ if

$$\frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1} f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} \prec p_\alpha(z), \quad z \in U.$$

Remark 3.1. Geometric interpretation: $f(z) \in SH_{\beta,\lambda}(\alpha)$ if and only if $\frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1} f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)}$ take all values in the domain $\Omega(\alpha)$ which is the interior of a hyperbola in the right half-plane which is symmetric about the real axis and has vertex at the origin (see Remark 2.1 and Remark 2.2).

Remark 3.2. It is easy to observe that for $\beta = n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\lambda = 1$ we obtain in the above definition we obtain the class $SH_n(\alpha)$ studied in [3] and for $\lambda = 1$, $\beta = 0$ we obtain the class $SH(\alpha)$ studied in [13].

Theorem 3.1. Let $\beta \geq 0$, $\alpha > 0$ and $\lambda > 0$. We have

$$SH_{\beta+1,\lambda}(\alpha) \subset SH_{\beta,\lambda}(\alpha).$$

Proof. Let $f(z) \in SH_{\beta+1,\lambda}(\alpha)$.

With notation

$$p(z) = \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1} f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)}, \quad p(0) = 1,$$

we obtain

$$(2) \quad \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+2} f(z)}{D_\lambda^{\beta+1} f(z)} = \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+2} f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} \cdot \frac{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)}{D_\lambda^{\beta+1} f(z)} = \frac{1}{p(z)} \cdot \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+2} f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)}$$

Also, we have

$$\frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+2} f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} = \frac{z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1 + (j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+2} a_j z^j}{z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1 + (j-1)\lambda)^\beta a_j z^j}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} zp'(z) &= \frac{z \left(D_\lambda^{\beta+1} f(z) \right)'}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} - \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1} f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} \cdot \frac{z \left(D_\lambda^\beta f(z) \right)'}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} = \\ &= \frac{z \left(1 + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1 + (j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} j a_j z^{j-1} \right)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} - \\ &- p(z) \cdot \frac{z \left(1 + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1 + (j-1)\lambda)^\beta j a_j z^{j-1} \right)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} \end{aligned}$$

or

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} zp'(z) &= \frac{z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} j (1 + (j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} a_j z^j}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} - \\ &- p(z) \cdot \frac{z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} j (1 + (j-1)\lambda)^\beta a_j z^j}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)}. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} j (1 + (j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} a_j z^j =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} ((j-1)+1)(1+(j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} a_j z^j = \\
&= z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1+(j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} a_j z^j + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (j-1)(1+(j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} a_j z^j = \\
&= z + D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) - z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (j-1)(1+(j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} a_j z^j = \\
&= D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) + \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} ((j-1)\lambda)(1+(j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} a_j z^j = \\
&= D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) + \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1+(j-1)\lambda-1)(1+(j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} a_j z^j = \\
&= D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) - \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1+(j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} a_j z^j + \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1+(j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+2} a_j z^j = \\
&= D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) - \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) - z \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(D_{\lambda}^{\beta+2} f(z) - z \right) = \\
&= D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) - \frac{1}{\lambda} D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) + \frac{z}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{\lambda} D_{\lambda}^{\beta+2} f(z) - \frac{z}{\lambda} = \\
&= \frac{\lambda-1}{\lambda} D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) + \frac{1}{\lambda} D_{\lambda}^{\beta+2} f(z) = \\
&= \frac{1}{\lambda} \left((\lambda-1) D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) + D_{\lambda}^{\beta+2} f(z) \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly we have

$$z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} j(1+(j-1)\lambda)^{\beta} a_j z^j = \frac{1}{\lambda} \left((\lambda-1) D_{\lambda}^{\beta} f(z) + D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) \right).$$

From (3) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
&zp'(z) = \\
&= \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{(\lambda-1) D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z) + D_{\lambda}^{\beta+2} f(z)}{D_{\lambda}^{\beta} f(z)} - p(z) \frac{(\lambda-1) D_{\lambda}^{\beta} f(z) + D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1} f(z)}{D_{\lambda}^{\beta} f(z)} \right) =
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{\lambda} \left((\lambda - 1)p(z) + \frac{D_{\lambda}^{\beta+2}f(z)}{D_{\lambda}^{\beta}f(z)} - p(z) ((\lambda - 1) + p(z)) \right) = \\
&= \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{D_{\lambda}^{\beta+2}f(z)}{D_{\lambda}^{\beta}f(z)} - p(z)^2 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\lambda zp'(z) = \frac{D_{\lambda}^{\beta+2}f(z)}{D_{\lambda}^{\beta}f(z)} - p(z)^2$$

or

$$\frac{D_{\lambda}^{\beta+2}f(z)}{D_{\lambda}^{\beta}f(z)} = p(z)^2 + \lambda zp'(z).$$

From (2) we obtain

$$\frac{D_{\lambda}^{\beta+2}f(z)}{D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1}f(z)} = \frac{1}{p(z)} (p(z)^2 + \lambda zp'(z)) = p(z) + \lambda \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)},$$

where $\lambda > 0$.

From $f(z) \in SH_{\beta+1,\lambda}(\alpha)$ we have

$$p(z) + \lambda \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \prec p_{\alpha}(z),$$

with $p(0) = p_{\alpha}(0) = 1$, $\alpha > 0$, $\beta \geq 0$, $\lambda > 0$, and $Re p_{\alpha}(z) > 0$ from here construction. In this conditions from Theorem 1.1, we obtain

$$p(z) \prec p_{\alpha}(z)$$

or

$$\frac{D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1}f(z)}{D_{\lambda}^{\beta}f(z)} \prec p_{\alpha}(z).$$

This means $f(z) \in SH_{\beta,\lambda}(\alpha)$.

Theorem 3.2. *Let $\beta \geq 0$, $\alpha > 0$ and $\lambda \geq 1$. If $F(z) \in SH_{\beta,\lambda}(\alpha)$ then $f(z) = L_{\alpha}F(z) \in SH_{\beta,\lambda}(\alpha)$, where L_{α} is the Libera-Pascu integral operator defined by (1).*

Proof. From (1) we have

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

and, by using the linear operator $D_\lambda^{\beta+1}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + a)D_\lambda^{\beta+1}F(z) &= aD_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z) + D_\lambda^{\beta+1}\left(z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} ja_j z^j\right) = \\ &= aD_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z) + z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} (1 + (j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} ja_j z^j \end{aligned}$$

We have (see the proof of the above theorem)

$$z + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} j(1 + (j-1)\lambda)^{\beta+1} a_j z^j = \frac{1}{\lambda} \left((\lambda-1)D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z) + D_\lambda^{\beta+2}f(z) \right)$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + a)D_\lambda^{\beta+1}F(z) &= aD_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z) + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left((\lambda-1)D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z) + D_\lambda^{\beta+2}f(z) \right) = \\ &= \left(a + \frac{\lambda-1}{\lambda} \right) D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z) + \frac{1}{\lambda} D_\lambda^{\beta+2}f(z) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\lambda(1 + a)D_\lambda^{\beta+1}F(z) = ((a+1)\lambda - 1)D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z) + D_\lambda^{\beta+2}f(z).$$

Similarly, we obtain

$$\lambda(1 + a)D_\lambda^\beta F(z) = ((a+1)\lambda - 1)D_\lambda^\beta f(z) + D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z).$$

Then

$$\frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}F(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta F(z)} = \frac{\frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+2}f(z)}{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z)} \cdot \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} + ((a+1)\lambda - 1) \cdot \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)}}{\frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} + ((a+1)\lambda - 1)}.$$

With notation

$$\frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} = p(z), p(0) = 1,$$

we obtain

$$(4) \quad \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}F(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta F(z)} = \frac{\frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+2}f(z)}{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z)} \cdot p(z) + ((a+1)\lambda - 1) \cdot p(z)}{p(z) + ((a+1)\lambda - 1)}.$$

We have (see the proof of the above theorem)

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda z p'(z) &= \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+2}f(z)}{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z)} \cdot \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta f(z)} - p(z)^2 = \\ &= \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+2}f(z)}{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z)} \cdot p(z) - p(z)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+2}f(z)}{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}f(z)} = \frac{1}{p(z)} \cdot (p(z)^2 + \lambda z p'(z)).$$

Then, from (4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D_\lambda^{\beta+1}F(z)}{D_\lambda^\beta F(z)} &= \frac{p(z)^2 + \lambda z p'(z) + ((a+1)\lambda - 1)p(z)}{p(z) + ((a+1)\lambda - 1)} = \\ &= p(z) + \lambda \frac{z p'(z)}{p(z) + ((a+1)\lambda - 1)}, \end{aligned}$$

where $a \in \mathbb{C}$, $Re a \geq 0$, $\beta \geq 0$, and $\lambda \geq 1$.

From $F(z) \in SH_{\beta,\lambda}(\alpha)$ we have

$$p(z) + \frac{z p'(z)}{\frac{1}{\lambda}(p(z) + ((a+1)\lambda - 1))} \prec p_\alpha(z),$$

where $a \in \mathbb{C}$, $Re a \geq 0$, $\alpha > 0$, $\beta \geq 0$, $\lambda \geq 1$, and from her construction, we have $Re p_\alpha(z) > 0$. In this conditions we have from Theorem 1.1 we obtain

$$p(z) \prec p_\alpha(z)$$

or

$$\frac{D_{\lambda}^{\beta+1}f(z)}{D_{\lambda}^{\beta}f(z)} \prec p_{\alpha}(z).$$

This means $f(z) = L_a F(z) \in SH_{\beta,\lambda}(\alpha)$.

Remark 3.3. *If we consider $\beta = n \in \mathbb{N}$ in the previously results we obtain the Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.2 from [2].*

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