

NEW CRITERIA FOR MEROMORPHIC CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. Let $Q(\alpha)$ be the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-1}}{z} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (a_{-1} \neq 0)$$

which are regular in the punctured disc $U^* = \{z : 0 < |z| < 1\}$ and satisfying

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(D^{n+1}f(z))'}{(D^n f(z))'} - 2 \right\} < -\alpha, \quad 0 \leq \alpha < 1, \quad |z| < 1,$$

and $n \in N_0 = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$, where

$$D^n f(z) = \frac{a_{-1}}{z} + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^n a_{k-2} z^{k-2}.$$

It is proved that $Q_{n+1}(\alpha) \subset Q_n(\alpha)$. Since $Q_0(\alpha)$ is the class of meromorphically convex functions of order α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$) the members of $Q_n(\alpha)$ are meromorphically convex. Further property preserving integrals are considered.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let Σ denotes the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-1}}{z} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (a_{-1} \neq 0) \tag{1.1}$$

which are regular in the punctured disc $U^* = \{z : 0 < |z| < 1\}$.

Define

$$D^0 f(z) = f(z), \tag{1.2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D^1 f(z) &= \frac{a_{-1}}{z} + 2a_0 + 3a_1 z + 4a_2 z^2 + \dots \\ &= \frac{(z^2 f(z))'}{z}, \end{aligned} \tag{1.3}$$

$$D^2 f(z) = D(D^1 f(z)), \tag{1.4}$$

and for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D^n f(z) &= D(D^{n-1}f(z)) \\
 &= \frac{a_{-1}}{z} + \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} m^n a_{m-2} z^{m-2} \\
 &= \frac{(z^2 D^{n-1}f(z))'}{z}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{1.5}$$

In this paper, we shall show that a function $f(z)$ in Σ , which satisfies are of the conditions

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(D^{n+1}f(z))'}{(D^n f(z))'} - 2 \right\} < -\alpha, \quad |z| < 1, \tag{1.6}$$

$0 \leq \alpha < 1$, and $n \in N_0 = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$, is convex of order α in $0 < |z| < 1$. More precisely it is proved that for the classes $Q_n(\alpha)$ of functions in Σ satisfying (1.6),

$$Q_{n+1}(\alpha) \subset Q_n(\alpha) \quad (n \in N_0, 0 \leq \alpha < 1) \tag{1.7}$$

holds. Since $Q_0(\alpha)$ equals $\sum_k(\alpha)$ (the class of meromorphically convex functions of order α , $(0 \leq \alpha < 1)$ the convexity of members of $Q_n(\alpha)$ is a consequence of (1.7). Further property preserving integrals are considered, a known result of Goel and Sohi [2, Corollary 1] is obtained as a particular case and a result of Bajapi [1, Theorem 1] is extended.

In [4] Uralegaddi and Somanatha obtained a new criterion for meromorphic starlike univalent functions via the basic inclusion relationship $B_{n+1}(\alpha) \subset B_n(\alpha)$, $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ and $n \in N_0$, where $B_n(\alpha)$ is the class of function $f(z) \in \Sigma$ satisfying

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 2 \right\} < -\alpha,$$

$$0 \leq \alpha < 1, n \in N_0 \text{ and } |z| < 1.$$

2. PROPERTIES OF THE CLASS $Q_n(\alpha)$

In proving our main results (Theorem 1 and Theorem 2 below), we shall need the following lemma due to Jack [3].

Lemma 2.1. *Let $w(z)$ be non-constant regular in $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$, $w(0) = 0$. If $w(z)$ attains its maximum value on the circle $|z| = r < 1$ at z_0 , we have $z_0 w'(z_0) = kw(z_0)$, where k is a real number, $k \geq 1$.*

Theorem 2.2. $Q_{n+1}(\alpha) \subset Q_n(\alpha)$ for each integer $n \in N_0$.

Proof. Let $f(z) \in Q_{n+1}(\alpha)$. Then

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(D^{n+2}f(z))'}{(D^{n+1}f(z))'} - 2 \right\} < -\alpha, \quad |z| < 1. \tag{2.1}$$

We have to show that (2.1) implies the inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(D^{n+1}f(z))'}{(D^n f(z))'} - 2 \right\} < -\alpha. \tag{2.2}$$

Define a regular function $w(z)$ in the unit disc $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ by

$$\frac{(D^{n+1}f(z))'}{(D^n f(z))'} - 2 = -\frac{1 + (2\alpha - 1)w(z)}{1 + w(z)}. \quad (2.3)$$

Clearly $w(0) = 0$. Equation (2.3) may be written as

$$\frac{(D^{n+1}f(z))'}{(D^n f(z))'} = \frac{1 + (3 - 2\alpha)w(z)}{1 + w(z)}. \quad (2.4)$$

Differentiating (2.4) logarithmically, we obtain

$$\frac{z(D^{n+1}f(z))''}{(D^{n+1}f(z))'} - \frac{z(D^n f(z))''}{(D^n f(z))'} = \frac{(3 - 2\alpha)zw'(z)}{1 + (3 - 2\alpha)w(z)} - \frac{zw'(z)}{1 + w(z)}. \quad (2.5)$$

From the following identity

$$z(D^n f(z))' = D^{n+1}f(z) - 2D^n f(z) \quad (2.6)$$

we have

$$z(D^n f(z))'' = (D^{n+1}f(z))' - 3(D^n f(z))'. \quad (2.7)$$

Using the identity (2.7), equation (2.5) may be written as

$$\frac{\frac{(D^{n+2}f(z))'}{(D^{n+1}f(z))'} - 2 + \alpha}{1 - \alpha} = \frac{2zw'(z)}{(1 + w(z))[1 + (3 - 2\alpha)w(z)]} - \frac{1 - w(z)}{1 + w(z)} \quad (2.8)$$

We claim that $|w(z)| < 1$ for $z \in U$. For otherwise by the above lemma there exists $z_0, |z_0| < 1$ such that

$$z_0 w'(z_0) = kw(z_0), \quad (2.9)$$

where $|w(z_0)| = 1$ and $k \geq 1$. From (2.8) and (2.9) we obtain

$$\frac{\frac{(D^{n+2}f(z_0))'}{(D^{n+1}f(z_0))'} - 2 + \alpha}{1 - \alpha} = \frac{2kw(z_0)}{(1 + w(z_0))[1 + (3 - 2\alpha)w(z_0)]} - \frac{1 - w(z_0)}{1 + w(z_0)}. \quad (2.10)$$

Thus

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\frac{(D^{n+2}f(z_0))'}{(D^{n+1}f(z_0))'} - 2 + \alpha}{1 - \alpha} \right\} \geq \frac{1}{2(1 - \alpha)} > 0$$

which contradicts (2.1). Hence $|w(z)| < 1$ for $z \in U$ and from (2.2) it follows that $f(z) \in Q_n(\alpha)$. \square

Theorem 2.3. Let $f(z) \in \Sigma$ and for a given $n \in N_0$ and $c > 0$, satisfy the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(D^{n+1}f(z))'}{(D^n f(z))'} - 2 \right\} < -\alpha + \frac{1 - \alpha}{2(1 - \alpha + c)}. \quad (2.11)$$

Then

$$F(z) = \frac{c}{z^{c+1}} \int_0^z t^c f(t) dt \quad (2.12)$$

belongs to $Q_n(\alpha)$.

Proof. From the definition of $F(z)$ we have

$$z(D^n F(z))' = cD^n f(z) - (c+1)D^n F(z) \quad (2.13)$$

and also

$$z(D^n F(z))' = D^{n+1}F(z) - 2D^n F(z). \quad (2.14)$$

Using (2.13) and (2.14) the condition (2.11) may be written as

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\frac{(D^{n+2}F(z))'}{(D^{n+1}F(z))'} + (c-1)}{1 + (c-1)\frac{D^n F(z)}{D^{n+1}F(z)}} - 2 \right\} < -\alpha + \frac{1-\alpha}{2(1-\alpha+c)}. \quad (2.15)$$

We have to prove that (2.14) implies the inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(D^{n+1}F(z))'}{(D^n F(z))'} - 2 \right\} < -\alpha.$$

Define a regular function $w(z)$ in the unit disc U by

$$\frac{(D^{n+1}F(z))'}{(D^n F(z))'} - 2 = \frac{1 + (2\alpha - 1)w(z)}{1 + w(z)}, \quad (2.16)$$

clearly $w(0) = 0$. The equation (2.16) may be written as

$$\frac{(D^{n+1}F(z))'}{(D^n F(z))'} = \frac{1 + (3 - 2\alpha)w(z)}{1 + w(z)}. \quad (2.17)$$

Differentiating (2.17) logarithmically and simplifying we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\frac{(D^{n+2}F(z))'}{(D^{n+1}F(z))'} + (c-1)}{1 + (c-1)\frac{(D^n F(z))'}{(D^{n+1}F(z))'}} - 2 &= - \left[\alpha + (1-\alpha) \frac{1-w(z)}{1+w(z)} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{2(1-\alpha)zw'(z)}{(1+w(z))[c+(2-2\alpha+c)w(z)]}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.18)$$

The remaining part of the proof is similar to that of Theorem 2. \square

Putting $n = 0$ and $c = 1$ in Theorem 3, we obtain the following result:

Corollary 1. If $f(z) \in \Sigma$ and satisfies

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

then

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{z^2} \int_0^z t f(t) dt$$

belongs to $\sum_k(\alpha)$.

Putting $\alpha = 0$ and $a_{-1} = 1$ in Corollary 1 we obtain the following result of Goel and Sohi [2].

Corollary 2. If $f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \in \Sigma$ satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} < \frac{1}{4}$$

then

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{z^2} \int_0^z t f(t) dt$$

belongs to \sum_k .

Remark 2.4. Corollary 2 extends a result of Bajpai [1].

Theorem 2.5. $f(z) \in Q_n(\alpha)$ if and only if

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{z^2} \int_0^z t f(t) dt \in Q_{n+1}(\alpha).$$

Proof. *Proof.* From the definition of $F(z)$, we have □

$$D^n(zF'(z)) + 2D^n F(z) = D^n f(z),$$

that is,

$$z(D^n F(z))' + D^n F(z) = D^n f(z) \tag{2.19}$$

By using the identity (2.6), (2.19) reduces to $D^n f(z) = D^{n+1} F(z)$. Hence $(D^{n+1} f(z))' = (D^{n+2} F(z))'$. Therefore

$$\frac{(D^{n+1} f(z))'}{(D^n f(z))'} = \frac{(D^{n+2} F(z))'}{(D^{n+1} F(z))'}$$

and the result follows. □

ÖZET: $Q(\alpha)$, disc $U^* = \{z : 0 < |z| < 1\}$ delik yuvarında regüler olan ve $n \in N_0 = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ için

$$D^n f(z) = \frac{a_{-1}}{z} + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^n a_{k-2} z^{k-2}.$$

olmak üzere

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(D^{n+1} f(z))'}{(D^n f(z))'} - 2 \right\} < -\alpha, \quad 0 \leq \alpha < 1, |z| < 1,$$

koşulunu gerçekleyen

$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-1}}{z} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (a_{-1} \neq 0)$$

formundaki fonksiyonların sınıfı olsun.

Bu çalışmada $Q_{n+1}(\alpha) \subset Q_n(\alpha)$ olduğu gösterilmiştir. $Q_0(\alpha)$, α yıncı mertebeden ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$) meromorfik konveks fonksiyonların sınıfı olduğundan $Q_n(\alpha)$ nın elemanları da meromorfik konvekstir.

Ayrıca özellik koruyan integraller de incelenmiştir.

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