

ON SOME CLASSES OF MEROMORPHIC FUNCTIONS DEFINED  
BY A MULTIPLIER TRANSFORMATION

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ABSTRACT. For  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$  let  $\Sigma_p$  denote the class of meromorphic functions of the form  $g(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} + a_0 + a_1z + \dots$ ,  $z \in \dot{U}$ ,  $a_{-p} \neq 0$ . In the present paper we introduce some new subclasses of the class  $\Sigma_p$ , denoted by  $\Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha)$  and  $\Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$ , which are defined by a multiplier transformation, and we study some properties of these subclasses.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Let  $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  be the unit disc in the complex plane,  $\dot{U} = U \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $H(U) = \{f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : f \text{ is holomorphic in } U\}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots -1, 0, 1, \dots\}$ ,  $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $\mathbb{N}^* = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ .

For  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$  let  $\Sigma_p$  denote the class of meromorphic functions in  $\dot{U}$  of the form

$$g(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} + a_0 + a_1z + \dots, z \in \dot{U}, a_{-p} \neq 0.$$

We will also use the following notations:

$$\Sigma_{p,0} = \{g \in \Sigma_p : a_{-p} = 1\},$$

$$\Sigma_p^*(\alpha) = \left\{ g \in \Sigma_p : \operatorname{Re} \left[ -\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} \right] > \alpha, z \in U \right\}, \text{ where } \alpha < p,$$

$$\Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta) = \left\{ g \in \Sigma_p : \alpha < \operatorname{Re} \left[ -\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} \right] < \delta, z \in U \right\}, \text{ where } \alpha < p < \delta,$$

$$H[a, n] = \{f \in H(U) : f(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots\} \text{ for } a \in \mathbb{C}, n \in \mathbb{N}^*,$$

$A_n = \{f \in H(U) : f(z) = z + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + a_{n+2} z^{n+2} + \dots\}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , and for  $n = 1$  we denote  $A_1$  by  $A$  and this set is called *the class of analytic functions normalized at the origin*.

We know that  $\Sigma_1^*(\alpha)$  is the class of meromorphic starlike functions of order  $\alpha$ , when  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ .

For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$ , let the operator  $J_{p,\lambda}^n$  on  $\Sigma_p$  be defined as

$$J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\lambda - p}{k + \lambda} \right)^n a_k z^k, \text{ where } g(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k.$$

Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$ . We have:

1.  $J_{p,\lambda}^{-1} g(z) = \frac{1}{\lambda - p} z g'(z) + \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - p} g(z)$ ,  $g \in \Sigma_p$ ,
2.  $J_{p,\lambda}^0 g(z) = g(z)$ ,  $g \in \Sigma_p$ ,
3.  $J_{p,\lambda}^1 g(z) = \frac{\lambda - p}{z^\lambda} \int_0^z t^{\lambda-1} g(t) dt = J_{p,\lambda}(g)(z)$ ,  $g \in \Sigma_p$ ,
4. If  $g \in \Sigma_p$  with  $J_{p,\lambda}^n g \in \Sigma_p$ , then  $J_{p,\lambda}^m (J_{p,\lambda}^n g) = J_{p,\lambda}^{n+m} g$ , for  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Remark 1.** Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$ . We know from [7] that if  $g \in \Sigma_p$ , then  $J_{p,\lambda}(g) \in \Sigma_p$ , hence, using item 4 and the induction, we obtain

$$J_{p,\lambda}^n g \in \Sigma_p \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}^*.$$

We notice from item 1 that for  $g \in \Sigma_p$  we have  $J_{p,\lambda}^{-1} g \in \Sigma_p$ , so

$$J_{p,\lambda}^{-n} g \in \Sigma_p \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}^*.$$

Therefore, for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$ , we have  $J_{p,\lambda}^n : \Sigma_p \rightarrow \Sigma_p$ .

Now it is easy to see that we have the next properties for  $J_{p,\lambda}^n$ , when  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$  :

1.  $J_{p,\lambda}^n (J_{p,\lambda}^m g(z)) = J_{p,\lambda}^{n+m} g(z)$ ,  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $g \in \Sigma_p$ ,
2.  $J_{p,\lambda}^n (J_{p,\lambda}^m g(z)) = J_{p,\lambda}^m (J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z))$ ,  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $g \in \Sigma_p$ ,  $\operatorname{Re} \gamma > p$ ,
3.  $J_{p,\lambda}^n (g_1 + g_2)(z) = J_{p,\lambda}^n g_1(z) + J_{p,\lambda}^n g_2(z)$ , for  $g_1, g_2 \in \Sigma_p$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,
4.  $J_{p,\lambda}^n (cg)(z) = c J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z)$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,
5.  $J_{p,\lambda}^n (z g'(z)) = z (J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z))' = (\lambda - p) J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} g(z) - \lambda J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $g \in \Sigma_p$ .

**Remark 2.** 1. When  $\lambda = 2$  and  $p = 1$ , we have

$$J_{1,2}^n g(z) = \frac{a_{-1}}{z} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+2)^{-n} a_k z^k,$$

and this operator was studied by Cho and Kim [1] for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and by Uralegaddi and Somanatha [8] for  $n < 0$ .

2. We also have

$$z^2 J_{1,2}^n g(z) = D^n (z^2 g(z)), \quad g \in \Sigma_{1,0},$$

where  $D^n$  is the well-known Sălăgean differential operator of order  $n$  [5], defined by  $D^n f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^n a_k z^k$ ,  $f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k$ .

3.  $J_{p,\lambda}^n$  is an extension to the meromorphic functions of the operator  $K_p^n$ , defined on  $A(p) = \left\{ f \in H(U) : f(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{p+n} z^{p+n} \right\}$ , introduced in [6]. Also, for  $n \geq 0$  we find that  $K_p^n$  is the Komatu linear operator, defined in [2].

4. It is easy to see that for  $n > 0$ ,  $J_{p,\lambda}^n$  is an integral operator while  $J_{p,\lambda}^{-n}$  is a differential operator with the property  $J_{p,\lambda}^{-n}(J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z)) = g(z)$ .

**Lemma 1.** [7] Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \gamma - \alpha\beta > 0$ . If  $P \in H[P(0), n]$  with  $P(0) \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $P(0) > \alpha$ , then we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ P(z) + \frac{zP'(z)}{\gamma - \beta P(z)} \right] > \alpha \Rightarrow \operatorname{Re} P(z) > \alpha, \quad z \in U.$$

**Definition 1.** [3, pg. 46], [4, pg. 228] Let  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} c > 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . We consider

$$C_n = C_n(c) = \frac{n}{\operatorname{Re} c} \left[ |c| \sqrt{1 + \frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + \operatorname{Im} c} \right].$$

If the univalent function  $R : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is given by  $R(z) = \frac{2C_n z}{1 - z^2}$ , then we denote by  $R_{c,n}$  the "Open Door" function, defined as

$$R_{c,n}(z) = R\left(\frac{z+b}{1+\bar{b}z}\right) = 2C_n \frac{(z+b)(1+\bar{b}z)}{(1+\bar{b}z)^2 - (z+b)^2},$$

where  $b = R^{-1}(c)$ .

**Theorem 1.** [7] Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\Phi, \varphi \in H[1, p]$  with  $\Phi(z)\varphi(z) \neq 0$ ,  $z \in U$ . Let  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\beta \neq 0$ ,  $\delta + p\beta = \gamma + p\alpha$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(\gamma - p\beta) > 0$ . Let  $g \in \Sigma_p$  and suppose that

$$\alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)} + \delta \prec R_{\delta - p\alpha, p}(z).$$

If  $G = J_{p, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta}^{\Phi, \varphi}(g)$  is defined by

$$G(z) = J_{p, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta}^{\Phi, \varphi}(g)(z) = \left[ \frac{\gamma - p\beta}{z^\gamma \Phi(z)} \int_0^z g^\alpha(t) \varphi(t) t^{\delta-1} dt \right]^{\frac{1}{\beta}}, \quad (1)$$

then  $G \in \Sigma_p$  with  $z^p G(z) \neq 0$ ,  $z \in U$ , and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ \beta \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\Phi'(z)}{\Phi(z)} + \gamma \right] > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

All powers in (1) are principal ones.

Taking  $\beta = \alpha = 1$ ,  $\delta = \gamma$ ,  $\Phi = \varphi \equiv 1$ , in the above theorem, and using the notation  $J_{p, \gamma}$  instead of  $J_{p, 1, 1, \gamma, \gamma}^{1, 1}$ , we obtain the corollary:

**Corollary 1.** Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \gamma > p$  and let the function  $g \in \Sigma_p$  satisfying the condition

$$\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \gamma \prec R_{\gamma - p, p}(z), \quad z \in U.$$

Then

$$G(z) = J_{p, \gamma}(g)(z) = \frac{\gamma - p}{z^\gamma} \int_0^z g(t) t^{\gamma-1} dt \in \Sigma_p,$$

with  $z^p G(z) \neq 0$ ,  $z \in U$ , and  $\operatorname{Re} \left[ \gamma + \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} \right] > 0$ ,  $z \in U$ .

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Definition 2.** For  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$  and  $\alpha < p < \delta$  we define

$$\Sigma S_{p, \lambda}^n(\alpha) = \left\{ g \in \Sigma_p : \operatorname{Re} \left[ - \frac{z \left( J_{p, \lambda}^n g(z) \right)'}{J_{p, \lambda}^n g(z)} \right] > \alpha, \quad z \in U \right\},$$

$$\Sigma S_{p, \lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta) = \left\{ g \in \Sigma_p : \alpha < \operatorname{Re} \left[ - \frac{z \left( J_{p, \lambda}^n g(z) \right)'}{J_{p, \lambda}^n g(z)} \right] < \delta, \quad z \in U \right\}.$$

**Remark 3.** 1. We have  $g \in \Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha)$  if and only if  $J_{p,\lambda}^n g \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha)$ , respectively  $g \in \Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$  if and only if  $J_{p,\lambda}^n g \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta)$ .

2. Using the equality  $z(J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z))' = (\lambda - p)J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1}g(z) - \lambda J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z)$ , we can easily see that for  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$  the condition

$$\alpha < \operatorname{Re} \left[ -\frac{z \left( J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z) \right)'}{J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z)} \right] < \delta, \quad z \in U,$$

is equivalent to

$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda - \delta < \operatorname{Re} \left[ (\lambda - p) \frac{J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} g(z)}{J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z)} \right] < \operatorname{Re} \lambda - \alpha, \quad z \in U. \quad (2)$$

3. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^0(\alpha, \delta) &= \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta), \\ \Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^1(\alpha, \delta) &= \left\{ g \in \Sigma_p : G(z) = \frac{\lambda - p}{z^\lambda} \int_0^z t^{\lambda-1} g(t) dt \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The following theorem gives us a connection between the sets  $\Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha)$  and  $\Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^{n-1}(\alpha)$ , respectively between  $\Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$  and  $\Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^{n-1}(\alpha, \delta)$ .

**Theorem 2.** Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$ ,  $\alpha < p < \delta$  and  $g \in \Sigma_p$ . Then

$$g \in \Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha) \Leftrightarrow J_{p,\lambda}(g) \in \Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^{n-1}(\alpha),$$

respectively

$$g \in \Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta) \Leftrightarrow J_{p,\lambda}(g) \in \Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^{n-1}(\alpha, \delta),$$

where  $J_{p,\lambda}(g)(z) = \frac{\lambda - p}{z^\lambda} \int_0^z t^{\lambda-1} g(t) dt$ .

*Proof.* We know that  $g \in \Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$  is equivalent to  $J_{p,\lambda}^n g \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta)$ . Since  $J_{p,\lambda}^n g = J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1}(J_{p,\lambda}^1 g)$ , we have  $J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1}(J_{p,\lambda}^1 g) \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta)$ , which is equivalent to

$$J_{p,\lambda}^1(g) \in \Sigma S_{p,\lambda}^{n-1}(\alpha, \delta).$$

Since  $J_{p,\lambda}^1(g) = J_{p,\lambda}(g)$ , we obtain  $J_{p,\lambda}(g) \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^{n-1}(\alpha, \delta)$ . Therefore,

$$g \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta) \Leftrightarrow J_{p,\lambda}(g) \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^{n-1}(\alpha, \delta).$$

The proof for the first equivalence is similar, so we omit it. □

A corollary presented in [7] holds that:

**Corollary 2.** [7] *Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\alpha < p < \delta \leq \operatorname{Re} \gamma$ . If  $g \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta)$ , then*

$$G = J_{p,\gamma}(g) \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta).$$

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\lambda, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$  and  $\alpha < p < \delta \leq \operatorname{Re} \gamma$ . Then*

$$g \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta) \Rightarrow J_{p,\gamma}(g) \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta).$$

*Proof.* Because  $g \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$  we have  $J_{p,\lambda}^n(g) \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta)$ , hence, from Corollary 2, we obtain

$$J_{p,\gamma}(J_{p,\lambda}^n(g)) \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta).$$

Using the fact that  $J_{p,\gamma}^1(J_{p,\lambda}^n(g)) = J_{p,\lambda}^n(J_{p,\gamma}^1(g))$ , where  $J_{p,\gamma}^1(g) = J_{p,\gamma}(g)$ , we obtain

$$J_{p,\lambda}^n(J_{p,\gamma}(g)) \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta),$$

which is equivalent to  $J_{p,\gamma}(g) \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$ . □

**Corollary 3.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\alpha < p < \delta \leq \operatorname{Re} \lambda$ . Then we have*

$$\Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta) \subset \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^{n+1}(\alpha, \delta).$$

*Proof.* Let  $g \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$ . Taking  $\gamma = \lambda$  in Theorem 3 we have  $J_{p,\lambda}(g) \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$ , which, from Theorem 2, is equivalent to  $g \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^{n+1}(\alpha, \delta)$ . And the result follows. □

A theorem presented in [7] holds that:

**Theorem 4.** [7] Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\beta > 0$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\alpha < p < \frac{\operatorname{Re} \gamma}{\beta} \leq \delta$ .

If  $g \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta)$ , with

$$\beta \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \gamma \prec R_{\gamma-p\beta, p}(z), \quad z \in U,$$

then  $G = J_{p, \beta, \gamma}(g) \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta)$ .

Using this theorem, for  $\beta = 1$ , we get the next result.

**Theorem 5.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$  and  $\alpha < p < \operatorname{Re} \gamma \leq \delta$ . If  $g \in \Sigma_{p, \lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$  and satisfies the condition

$$\frac{z \left[ J_{p, \lambda}^n(g)(z) \right]'}{J_{p, \lambda}^n(g)(z)} + \gamma \prec R_{\gamma-p, p}(z), \quad z \in U,$$

then  $J_{p, \gamma}(g) \in \Sigma_{p, \lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$ .

We omit the proof because it is similar with that of Theorem 3.

If we consider in Theorem 5 that  $\delta \rightarrow \infty$  we get:

**Theorem 6.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$  and  $\alpha < p < \operatorname{Re} \gamma$ . If  $g \in \Sigma_{p, \lambda}^n(\alpha)$  and satisfies the condition

$$\frac{z \left[ J_{p, \lambda}^n(g)(z) \right]'}{J_{p, \lambda}^n(g)(z)} + \gamma \prec R_{\gamma-p, p}(z), \quad z \in U,$$

then  $J_{p, \gamma}(g) \in \Sigma_{p, \lambda}^n(\alpha)$ .

**Theorem 7.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\alpha < p < \operatorname{Re} \gamma \leq \operatorname{Re} \lambda \leq \delta$ . If  $h \in \Sigma_{p, \lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$  and satisfies the condition

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} + \gamma \prec R_{\gamma-p, p}(z), \quad z \in U,$$

then  $J_{p, \gamma}(h) \in \Sigma_{p, \lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$ .

*Proof.* Let us denote  $H = J_{p,\gamma}(h)$ . Because the conditions of Corollary 1 are fulfilled, we have  $H \in \Sigma_p$  with  $z^p H(z) \neq 0$ ,  $z \in U$ , and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{zH'(z)}{H(z)} + \gamma \right] > 0, \quad z \in U. \quad (3)$$

Since  $\operatorname{Re} \gamma \leq \operatorname{Re} \lambda$ , we obtain from (3) that  $\operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{zH'(z)}{H(z)} + \lambda \right] > 0$ ,  $z \in U$ .

Using now Corollary 1, we have  $J_{p,\lambda}H \in \Sigma_p$  with  $z^p J_{p,\lambda}H(z) \neq 0$ ,  $z \in U$ , and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}H)'(z)}{J_{p,\lambda}H(z)} + \lambda \right] > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

By induction, we obtain  $z^p J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z) \neq 0$ ,  $z \in U$ , and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^n H)'(z)}{J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z)} + \lambda \right] > 0, \quad z \in U. \quad (4)$$

Since  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \leq \delta$ , we get from (4) that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ -\frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^n H)'(z)}{J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z)} \right] < \delta, \quad z \in U. \quad (5)$$

From the definition of  $H$  we have

$$\gamma H(z) + zH'(z) = (\gamma - p)h(z), \quad z \in \dot{U}. \quad (6)$$

We apply the operator  $J_{p,\lambda}^n$  to (6) and after using the properties of  $J_{p,\lambda}^n$ , we obtain

$$(\gamma - p)J_{p,\lambda}^n h(z) = \gamma J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z) + z(J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z))'. \quad (7)$$

From  $h \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$ , we have

$$\alpha < \operatorname{Re} \left[ -\frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^n h(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^n h(z)} \right] < \delta,$$

which is equivalent to (see Remark 3, item 2)

$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda - \delta < \operatorname{Re} \left[ (\lambda - p) \frac{J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} h(z)}{J_{p,\lambda}^n h(z)} \right] < \operatorname{Re} \lambda - \alpha. \quad (8)$$



From (7), we have

$$(\lambda - p) \frac{J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} h(z)}{J_{p,\lambda}^n h(z)} = (\lambda - p) \frac{\gamma J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z) + z(J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z))'}{\gamma J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z) + z(J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z))'}. \quad (9)$$

Let us denote  $P(z) = -\frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z)}$ . Using the fact that

$$z(J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z))' = (\lambda - p)J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z) - \lambda J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z),$$

we obtain

$$P(z) = (p - \lambda) \frac{J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z)}{J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z)} + \lambda, \quad z \in U.$$

Hence

$$\frac{J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z)}{J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z)} = \frac{P(z) - \lambda}{p - \lambda}. \quad (10)$$

If we apply the logarithmic differential to (10), we get

$$\frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z)} - \frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z)} = \frac{zP'(z)}{P(z) - \lambda},$$

so,

$$\frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z)} = -P(z) + \frac{zP'(z)}{P(z) - \lambda}. \quad (11)$$

Using (10) and (11) we obtain from (9),

$$\begin{aligned} (\lambda - p) \frac{J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} h(z)}{J_{p,\lambda}^n h(z)} &= (\lambda - p) \frac{J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z)}{J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z)} \cdot \frac{\gamma + \frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^{n-1} H(z)}}{\gamma + \frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z)}} = \\ &= (\lambda - p) \frac{P(z) - \lambda}{p - \lambda} \cdot \frac{\gamma - P(z) + \frac{zP'(z)}{P(z) - \lambda}}{\gamma - P(z)} = \lambda - P(z) + \frac{zP'(z)}{P(z) - \gamma}. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

From (8) and (12), we get

$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda - \delta < \operatorname{Re} \left[ \lambda - P(z) + \frac{zP'(z)}{P(z) - \gamma} \right] < \operatorname{Re} \lambda - \alpha,$$

which is equivalent to

$$\alpha < \operatorname{Re} \left[ P(z) + \frac{zP'(z)}{\gamma - P(z)} \right] < \delta. \quad (13)$$

Because we know from (5) that  $\operatorname{Re} P(z) < \delta$ ,  $z \in U$ , we have only to verify that  $\operatorname{Re} P(z) > \alpha$ ,  $z \in U$ . To show this we will use Lemma 1.

We know that  $J_{p,\lambda}^n H \in \Sigma_p$  and since we have proved that  $z^p J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z) \neq 0$ ,  $z \in U$ , we get that  $P$  is analytic in  $U$ . We also have  $\operatorname{Re} \gamma - \alpha > 0$  and  $P(0) = p > \alpha$ . Since the hypothesis of Lemma 1 is fulfilled for  $\beta = 1$ , we obtain  $\operatorname{Re} P(z) > \alpha$ ,  $z \in U$ , which is equivalent to

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ -\frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^n H(z)} \right] > \alpha, \quad z \in U. \quad (14)$$

Since  $H \in \Sigma_p$ , we get from (5) and (14) that  $H \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$ . □

If we consider  $\gamma = \lambda$ , in the above theorem, we obtain:

**Corollary 4.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $h \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$  with  $\alpha < p < \operatorname{Re} \lambda \leq \delta$ .*

*If*

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} + \lambda \prec R_{\lambda-p,p}(z), \quad z \in U.$$

*Then  $J_{p,\lambda}(h) \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha, \delta)$ .*

Taking  $n = 0$  in Corollary 4, we get:

**Corollary 5.** *Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\alpha < p < \operatorname{Re} \lambda \leq \delta$ . If  $h \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta)$  with*

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} + \lambda \prec R_{\lambda-p,p}(z), \quad z \in U,$$

*then  $J_{p,\lambda}(h) \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \delta)$ .*

If in Corollary 5 we consider  $\delta \mapsto \infty$  we have the next result:

**Corollary 6.** *Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\alpha < p < \operatorname{Re} \lambda$ . If  $h \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha)$  with*

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} + \lambda \prec R_{\lambda-p,p}(z), \quad z \in U,$$

*then  $J_{p,\lambda}(h) \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha)$ .*

We remark that Corollary 5 and Corollary 6 were also obtained in [7].

**Theorem 8.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\lambda, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > p$  and  $\alpha < p < \operatorname{Re} \gamma$ . If  $g \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha)$  with  $J_{p,\gamma}(J_{p,\lambda}^n(g)(z)) \neq 0$ ,  $z \in \dot{U}$ , then*

$$J_{p,\gamma}(g) \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha).$$

*Proof.* Let  $G = J_{p,\gamma}(g)$ . We know from Remark 1 that if  $g \in \Sigma_p$  and  $\operatorname{Re} \gamma > p$ , then  $G \in \Sigma_p$ .

Let

$$P(z) = -\frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^n G(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^n G(z)}, \quad z \in U.$$

We have  $J_{p,\lambda}^n(G) = J_{p,\lambda}^n(J_{p,\gamma}(g)) = J_{p,\gamma}(J_{p,\lambda}^n(g)) \neq 0$  in  $\dot{U}$ . So  $P \in H(U)$ .

Making some calculations, similar to those from the proof of Theorem 7, we get:

$$-\frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z)} = P(z) + \frac{zP'(z)}{\gamma - P(z)}, \quad z \in U.$$

From  $g \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha)$  we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ -\frac{z(J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z))'}{J_{p,\lambda}^n g(z)} \right] > \alpha, \quad z \in U,$$

which is equivalent to

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ P(z) + \frac{zP'(z)}{\gamma - P(z)} \right] > \alpha, \quad z \in U.$$

Since  $P \in H(U)$  with  $P(0) = p > \alpha$  and  $\operatorname{Re} \gamma > \alpha$ , we have from Lemma 1 (when  $\beta = 1$ ) that  $\operatorname{Re} P(z) > \alpha$ ,  $z \in U$ , hence

$$G = J_{p,\gamma}(g) \in \Sigma_{p,\lambda}^n(\alpha).$$

□

Taking  $n = 0$  and  $\lambda = \gamma$  in the above theorem we get the next corollary, which was also obtained in [7].

**Corollary 7.** *Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\alpha < p < \operatorname{Re} \gamma$ .*

*If  $g \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha)$  with  $z^p J_{p,\gamma}(g)(z) \neq 0$ ,  $z \in U$ , then  $J_{p,\gamma}(g) \in \Sigma_p^*(\alpha)$ .*

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