# g-Loewner chains, Bloch functions and extension operators into the family of locally biholomorphic mappings in infinite dimensional spaces

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we survey recent results obtained by the authors on the preservations of the first elements of (g-) Loewner chains and the Bloch mappings by the Roper-Suffridge type extension operators, the Muir type extension operators and the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operators into the mappings on the domains in the complex Banach spaces.

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# 1. Introduction

After Roper and Suffridge [46] introduced the following extension operator

$$\Phi(f)(z) = (f(z_1), \sqrt{f'(z_1)}\tilde{z}), \quad z = (z_1, \tilde{z}) \in \mathbb{B}^n,$$

which extends locally univalent functions on the unit disc  $\mathbb{U}$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  to locally biholomorphic mappings on the Euclidean unit ball  $\mathbb{B}^n$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , the preservation of starlike mappings, spirallike mappings, the first elements of Loewner chains and Bloch mappings by similar extension operators have been extensively studied (see e.g. [3], [10], [11], [14], [19], [20], [21], [22], [33], [35], [36], [40], [41], [46], [48], [49] and [50]).

The Roper-Suffridge extension operator  $\Phi$  preserves the following geometric and analytic properties from the one dimensional case to higher dimensions:

(i)  $\Phi(S^*(\mathbb{B}^1)) \subseteq S^*(\mathbb{B}^n)$ , where  $S^*(\mathbb{B}^n)$  denotes the family of normalized starlike (univalent) mappings on  $\mathbb{B}^n$  ([20]).

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- (ii) If  $f \in S$ , where S denotes the family of normalized univalent functions on  $\mathbb{U}$ , then  $\Phi(f)$  can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{B}^n$  ([19], [22]).
- (iii)  $\Phi$  maps the family of normalized univalent Bloch functions on  $\mathbb{U}$  with Bloch semi-norm 1 into the family of normalized univalent Bloch mappings on  $\mathbb{B}^n$  ([20]).

For further properties of the Roper-Suffridge extension operator  $\Phi$ , see e.g. [46].

Let  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta \geq 0$  be given. Then the modification  $\Phi_{n,\alpha,\beta}$  of the Roper-Suffridge extension operator ([19]) is given by:

$$\Phi_{n,\alpha,\beta}(f)(z) = \left(f(z_1), \left(\frac{f(z_1)}{z_1}\right)^{\alpha} (f'(z_1))^{\beta} \tilde{z}\right), \quad z = (z_1, \tilde{z}) \in \mathbb{B}^n,$$

for any  $f \in \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{U})$  such that  $f(z_1) \neq 0$  for  $z_1 \in \mathbb{U} \setminus \{0\}$ , where  $\mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{U})$  denotes the family of normalized locally univalent functions on  $\mathbb{U}$ . The branches of the power functions are chosen such that

$$\left(\frac{f(z_1)}{z_1}\right)^{\alpha}\Big|_{z_1=0} = 1 \text{ and } (f'(z_1))^{\beta}\Big|_{z_1=0} = 1.$$

The extension operator  $\Phi_{n,\alpha,\beta}$  has the following properties:

- (i)  $\Phi_{n,\alpha,\beta}(S^*(\mathbb{B}^1)) \subseteq S^*(\mathbb{B}^n)$ , for  $\alpha, \beta \ge 0$  with  $\alpha \le 1, \beta \le 1/2$  and  $\alpha + \beta \le 1$  ([19]).
- (ii) If  $f \in S$ , then  $\Phi_{n,\alpha,\beta}(f)$  can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{B}^n$ , for  $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$  with  $\alpha \leq 1, \beta \leq 1/2$  and  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$  ([19]).
- (iii)  $\Phi_{n,0,\beta}$  maps the family of normalized univalent Bloch functions on  $\mathbb{U}$  with Bloch semi-norm 1 into the family of normalized univalent Bloch mappings on  $\mathbb{B}^n$ , for all  $\beta \in [0, 1/2]$  ([22]).

The Muir extension operator  $\Phi_{n,Q}$ , which is another modification of the Roper-Suffridge extension operator, is given by ([40])

$$\Phi_{n,Q}(f)(z) = \left(f(z_1) + Q(\tilde{z})f'(z_1), \sqrt{f'(z_1)}\tilde{z}\right), \quad z = (z_1, \tilde{z}) \in \mathbb{B}^n,$$

where  $f \in \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{U})$  and  $Q : \mathbb{C}^{n-1} \to \mathbb{C}$  is a homogeneous polynomial mapping of degree 2. The branch of the power function is chosen such that  $\sqrt{f'(z_1)}\Big|_{z_1=0} = 1$ .

One of the properties of the Muir extension operator is as follows:

(i)  $\Phi_{n,Q}(S^*(\mathbb{B}^1)) \subseteq S^*(\mathbb{B}^n)$  if and only if  $||Q|| \le 1/4$  ([40]).

Muir [41] also studied the extension operator  $\Phi_G: S \to S(\mathbb{B}^n)$  given by

$$\Phi_G(f)(z) = \left(f(z_1) + G\left(\sqrt{f'(z_1)}\tilde{z}\right), \sqrt{f'(z_1)}\tilde{z}\right), \quad z = (z_1, \tilde{z}) \in \mathbb{B}^n,$$

where  $G : \mathbb{C}^{n-1} \to \mathbb{C}$  is a holomorphic function such that G(0) = 0 and DG(0) = 0, and the branch of the power function is chosen such that

$$\sqrt{f'(z_1)}\Big|_{z_1=0} = 1.$$

Note that DG(0) is the Frechét derivative of G at 0. One of the properties of the extension operator  $\Phi_G$  is as follows:

(i) If  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$  and  $\Phi_G(S^*(\alpha)) \subseteq S^*(\mathbb{B}^n)$ , where  $S^*(\alpha)$  denotes the family of all normalized starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  on  $\mathbb{U}$ , then G is a homogeneous polynomial of degree 2 from  $\mathbb{C}^{n-1}$  into  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $||G|| \leq 1/4$  ([41]).

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Further study of the above operator has been given in [41], [50] (cf. [11]).

On the other hand, g-Loewner chains have been extensively studied in [13], [15], [17], [31]. Chirilă ([3], [4]) studied the preservation of the first elements of g-Loewner chains by the extension operators  $\Phi_{n,\alpha,\beta}$  and  $\Phi_{n,Q}$  on  $\mathbb{B}^n$ , in the case that  $g(\zeta) = \frac{1-\zeta}{1+(1-2\gamma)\zeta}$  for  $\zeta \in \mathbb{U}$  and  $\gamma \in (0,1)$ .

Let  $\Phi_{n,r} : \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}^n) \to \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}^{n+r})$  be the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operator, where  $\mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}^n)$  denotes the family of normalized locally univalent mappings from  $\mathbb{B}^n$  to  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , given by (see [23] and [43], in the case r = 1)

$$\Phi_{n,r}(f)(z) = \left(f(x), [J_f(x)]^{\frac{1}{n+1}}y\right), \quad z = (x,y) \in \mathbb{B}^{n+r},$$
(1.1)

where  $J_f(x)$  is the Jacobian determinant of f at x, and  $r \ge 1$  is an integer. The branch of the power function is chosen such that  $[J_f(x)]^{1/(n+1)}|_{x=0} = 1$ . We note that the operator  $\Phi_{1,r}$  reduces to the Roper-Suffridge extension operator. The Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operator  $\Phi_{n,r}$  has the following properties (see [23] in the case r = 1):

- (i)  $\Phi_{n,r}(S^*(\mathbb{B}^n)) \subseteq S^*(\mathbb{B}^{n+r}).$
- (ii) If  $f \in S(\mathbb{B}^n)$  can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{B}^n$ , then  $F = \Phi_{n,r}(f)$  can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{B}^{n+r}$ .

Let Y be a complex Banach space and let  $r \geq 1$ . Recently, the authors [18] studied the Roper-Suffridge type extension operator  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  that provides a way of extending a locally univalent function f on  $\mathbb{U}$  to a locally biholomorphic mapping  $F \in H(\Omega_r)$ , where  $\Omega_r = \{(z_1, w) \in \mathbb{C} \times Y : |z_1|^2 + ||w||_Y^r < 1\}$  and proved the preservation result of the first element of a g-Loewner chain and the Bloch mappings by the Roper-Suffridge type extension operator  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$ . They also studied the Muir type extension operator  $\Phi_{P_k}$  that provides a way of extending a locally univalent function f on  $\mathbb{U}$  to a locally biholomorphic mapping  $F \in H(\Omega_k)$ , where  $k \geq 2$  is an integer and  $P_k : Y \to \mathbb{C}$  is a homogeneous polynomial mapping of degree k, and proved the preservation result of the first element of a Loewner chain and the Bloch mappings by the Muir type extension operator  $\Phi_{P_k}$ .

In [16], Graham, Hamada and Kohr have considered a generalization of the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge extension operator on bounded symmetric domains in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , and proved that if  $\mathbb{B}_X$  is a bounded symmetric domain in  $X = \mathbb{C}^n$ , and  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  is an extension operator which maps normalized locally biholomorphic mappings on  $\mathbb{B}_X$  to locally biholomorphic mappings on  $\mathbb{D}_\alpha$ , where  $\mathbb{D}_\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{B}_X \times \mathbb{B}_Y$  is a certain domain with  $\mathbb{B}_X \times \{0\} \subset \mathbb{D}_\alpha$ , then  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  extends the first elements of Loewner chains from  $\mathbb{B}_X$  to the first elements of Loewner chains on  $\mathbb{D}_\alpha$ , when  $\alpha \geq n/(2c(\mathbb{B}_X))$ , where  $c(\mathbb{B}_X)$  is a constant defined by the Bergman metric on X (see (5.1)). Also, they proved that normalized locally univalent I-Bloch mappings, which have finite trace order on  $\mathbb{B}_X$ , are mapped into R-Bloch mappings on  $\Omega_\alpha$  by the operator  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  when  $\alpha \geq 1/2$ , where  $\Omega_\alpha \subset X \times Y$  is a bounded balanced convex domain such that  $\mathbb{B}_X \times \{0\} \subset \Omega_\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{D}_\alpha$ .

In this paper, we survey the above results obtained in [16] and [18].

# 2. Preliminaries

Let X and Y be complex Banach spaces. Let L(X, Y) denote the family of continuous linear operators from X to Y. The family L(X, X) is denoted by L(X), and the identity in L(X) is denoted by  $I_X$ . Let  $\Omega \subset X$  be a domain which contains the origin and let  $H(\Omega)$  be the family of holomorphic mappings from  $\Omega$  into X. If a mapping  $f \in H(\Omega)$  satisfies f(0) = 0,  $Df(0) = I_X$ , we say that f is normalized, where Df(z) is the Fréchet derivative of f at z. Let  $\mathcal{LS}(\Omega)$  denote the family of normalized locally biholomorphic mappings on  $\Omega$  and let  $S(\Omega)$  denote the family of normalized biholomorphic mappings on  $\Omega$ . Also, let  $S^*(\Omega)$  (respectively,  $K(\Omega)$ ) be the subset of  $S(\Omega)$  consisting of starlike (respectively, convex) mappings on  $\Omega$ , where a mapping  $f \in S(\Omega)$  is said to be starlike (respectively, convex) if  $f(\Omega)$  is a starlike (respectively, convex) domain in X. The family  $S(\mathbb{U})$  is denoted by S, where  $\mathbb{U}$  is the unit disc in  $\mathbb{C}$ . The family  $S^*(\mathbb{U})$  (respectively,  $K(\mathbb{U})$ ) is denoted by S<sup>\*</sup> (respectively, K).

**Definition 2.1 (cf.** [29]). Let X be a complex Banach space and let  $\Omega \subseteq X$  be a bounded balanced domain. Also, let  $\gamma \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$  and let  $f \in H(\Omega)$ . We say that f is spirallike of type  $\gamma$  on  $\Omega$  if  $f \in S(\Omega)$  and  $\exp(-e^{-i\gamma}t)f(\Omega) \subseteq f(\Omega)$ , for all  $t \ge 0$ .

In the case  $\gamma = 0$ , a spirallike mapping f of type 0 is starlike in the usual sense. Let  $\widehat{S}_{\gamma}(\Omega)$  denote the family of spirallike mappings of type  $\gamma$  on  $\Omega$ .

Assumption 2.1. Let  $g : \mathbb{U} \to \mathbb{C}$  be a univalent holomorphic function such that g(0) = 1 and  $\Re g(\zeta) > 0$  on  $\mathbb{U}$ .

Next we recall the notions of subordination and Loewner chain on a complex Banach space X (see e.g. [16], [18], [21] and [45]).

**Definition 2.2.** Let X be a complex Banach space and let  $\Omega \subseteq X$  be a domain which contains the origin.

- (i) If f, g ∈ H(Ω), we say that f is subordinate to g (denoted by f ≺ g) if there exists a Schwarz mapping v (i.e. v ∈ H(Ω), v(0) = 0 and v(Ω) ⊆ Ω) such that f = g ∘ v.
- (ii) A mapping f: Ω×[0,∞) → X is called a univalent subordination chain if f(·,t) is univalent on Ω, f(0,t) = 0 for t ≥ 0, and f(·,s) ≺ f(·,t), 0 ≤ s ≤ t < ∞. A univalent subordination chain f: Ω×[0,∞) → X is called a Loewner chain if f(·,t) is biholomorphic on Ω and Df(0,t) = e<sup>t</sup>I<sub>X</sub>, for all t ≥ 0.

**Remark 2.3.** Note that if  $f: \Omega \times [0, \infty) \to X$  is a Loewner chain, then the subordination condition is equivalent to the existence of a unique biholomorphic Schwarz mapping  $v = v(\cdot, s, t)$ , called the transition mapping associated with f(x, t), such that f(x, s) = f(v(x, s, t), t) for  $x \in \Omega$  and  $t \ge s \ge 0$ . Also,  $Dv(0, s, t) = e^{s-t}I_X$  for  $t \ge s \ge 0$  (see e.g. [21]).

For various applications of the Loewner theory in the study of univalent mappings in higher dimensions, see e.g. [21, Chapter 8].

For  $x \in X \setminus \{0\}$ , we define

$$T(x) = \{ l_x \in L(X, \mathbb{C}) : \ l_x(x) = \|x\|_X, \ \|l_x\| = 1 \}.$$

Then  $T(x) \neq \emptyset$  in view of the Hahn-Banach theorem.

Let  $\mathbb{B}_X$  be the unit ball of a complex Banach space X. Next, we recall the definition of the Carathéodory family  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{B}_X)$  in  $H(\mathbb{B}_X)$  (see [47]):

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{B}_X) = \left\{ h \in H(\mathbb{B}_X) : h(0) = 0, Dh(0) = I_X, \\ \Re l_x(h(x)) > 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{B}_X \setminus \{0\}, \forall l_x \in T(x) \right\}.$$
  
If  $X = \mathbb{C}$ , then  $f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{U})$  if and only if  $f(x)/x \in \mathcal{P}$ , where  
 $\mathcal{P} = \left\{ p \in H(\mathbb{U}) : p(0) = 1, \Re p(z_1) > 0, \forall z_1 \in \mathbb{U} \right\}$ 

is the Carathéodory family on U.

**Definition 2.4 (cf.** [1], [9]). Let X be a complex Banach space. A mapping h = h(x, t):  $\mathbb{B}_X \times [0, \infty) \to X$  is called a generating vector field (Herglotz vector field) if the following conditions hold:

- (i)  $h(\cdot, t) \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{B}_X)$ , for a.e.  $t \ge 0$ ;
- (ii)  $h(x, \cdot)$  is strongly measurable on  $[0, \infty)$ , for all  $x \in \mathbb{B}_X$ .

**Definition 2.5 (see e.g.** [13] and [15]). Let  $g : \mathbb{U} \to \mathbb{C}$  satisfy Assumption 2.1. Also, let  $h \in H(\mathbb{B}_X)$  be normalized. We say that h belongs to the family  $\mathcal{M}_g = \mathcal{M}_g(\mathbb{B}_X)$  if

$$\frac{1}{\|x\|_X} l_x(h(x)) \in g(\mathbb{U}), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{B}_X \setminus \{0\}, \quad \forall l_x \in T(x).$$

Further, we define the notion of a g-Loewner chain in the case of complex Banach spaces (not necessarily reflexive), where  $g : \mathbb{U} \to \mathbb{C}$  satisfies Assumption 2.1. In the case  $X = \mathbb{C}^n$ , see [13], [15].

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $g : \mathbb{U} \to \mathbb{C}$  satisfy Assumption 2.1. We say that a mapping  $f = f(x,t) : \mathbb{B}_X \times [0,\infty) \to X$  is a g-Loewner chain if the following conditions hold:

- (i) f(x,t) is a Loewner chain such that  $\{e^{-t}f(\cdot,t)\}_{t\geq 0}$  is uniformly bounded on each ball  $\rho \mathbb{B}_X$   $(0 < \rho < 1)$ ;
- (ii) there exists a null set  $E \subset [0,\infty)$  such that  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x,t)$  exists for  $t \in [0,\infty) \setminus E$ and for all  $x \in \mathbb{B}_X$ , and there exists a generating vector field h = h(x,t):  $\mathbb{B}_X \times [0,\infty) \to X$  with  $h(\cdot,t) \in \mathcal{M}_g(\mathbb{B}_X)$  for  $t \in [0,\infty) \setminus E$ , such that

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x,t) = Df(x,t)h(x,t), \quad t \in [0,\infty) \setminus E, \,\forall x \in \mathbb{B}_X.$$
(2.1)

**Remark 2.7.** In general, if X is a complex Banach space and if f(x,t) satisfies condition (i) of Definition 2.6, it is not known whether  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x,t)$  exists for  $x \in \mathbb{B}_X$  and  $t \in [0,\infty) \setminus E$ , where  $E \subset [0,\infty)$  is a null set. Also, if  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x,t)$  exists for  $x \in \mathbb{B}_X$  and  $t \in [0,\infty) \setminus E$ , it is not known whether there exists a generating vector field h(x,t) such that the Loewner differential equation (2.1) holds. However, positive answers to these questions may be obtained in the case of separable reflexive complex Banach spaces. A discussion of Loewner chains and the associated Loewner differential equation in the case of separable reflexive complex Banach spaces may be found in [32]. In the finite dimensional case  $X = \mathbb{C}^n$ , see [44, Chapter 6] for n = 1; see [1], [9], and [13], in the case  $n \geq 2$ .

**Definition 2.8 (see** [26]). Let  $g : \mathbb{U} \to \mathbb{C}$  satisfy the conditions of Assumption 2.1. A mapping  $f \in \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}_X)$  is said to be g-starlike if  $h \in \mathcal{M}_q(\mathbb{B}_X)$ , where

$$h(x) = [Df(x)]^{-1}f(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{B}_X.$$

Let  $S_q^*(\mathbb{B}_X)$  denote the class of g-starlike mappings on  $\mathbb{B}_X$ .

**Definition 2.9 (see e.g.** [5], and [37]). A complex Banach space X is called a  $JB^*$ -triple if X is a complex Banach space equipped with a continuous Jordan triple product

 $X \times X \times X \to X$   $(x, y, z) \mapsto \{x, y, z\}$ 

satisfying

 $(J_1)$  {x, y, z} is symmetric bilinear in the outer variables, but conjugate linear in the middle variable,

- $(J_2) \{a, b, \{x, y, z\}\} = \{\{a, b, x\}, y, z\} \{x, \{b, a, y\}, z\} + \{x, y, \{a, b, z\}\},\$
- $(J_3)$   $x \Box x \in L(X, X)$  is a hermitian operator with spectrum  $\geq 0$ ,

 $(\mathbf{J}_4) \|\{x, x, x\}\| = \|x\|^3$ 

for  $a, b, x, y, z \in X$ , where the box operator  $x \Box y : X \to X$  is defined by

$$x\Box y(\cdot) = \{x, y, \cdot\},\$$

and  $\|\cdot\|$  is the norm on X.

A complex Banach space X is a JB\*-triple if and only if the open unit ball of X is homogeneous (see e.g. [5, Section 3.3]).

Next we recall the notion of R-Bloch mappings on the unit ball of a complex Banach space X and also that of I-Bloch mappings on the unit ball of a JB\*-triple.

**Definition 2.10.** (i) (cf. [25]) Let  $\mathbb{B}_X$  be the unit ball of a complex Banach space Xand let  $f : \mathbb{B}_X \to Y$  be a holomorphic mapping. We say that f is an R-Bloch mapping on  $\mathbb{B}_X$  if

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{B}_X} (1 - \|x\|^2) \|Df(x)x\| < \infty.$$
(2.2)

(ii) (cf. [6], [7], [24]) Let  $\mathbb{B}_X$  be the unit ball of a  $JB^*$ -triple X and let  $f : \mathbb{B}_X \to Y$  be a holomorphic mapping. We say that f is an I-Bloch mapping on  $\mathbb{B}_X$  if

$$\sup_{\in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{B}_X)} \|D(f \circ g)(0)\| < \infty,$$
(2.3)

where  $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{B}_X)$  denotes the family of biholomorphic automorphisms of  $\mathbb{B}_X$ .

**Remark 2.11.** (i) When  $\mathbb{B}_X$  is the unit ball of a JB\*-triple X, I-Bloch mappings are R-Bloch mappings by [34, Corollary 3.6] (cf. [7, Corollary 3.5], [24]). Chu, Hamada, Honda and Kohr [8, Example 2.9] and Miralles [39, Proposition 2.5] independently gave an example such that the converse is not true for  $\mathbb{B}_X = \mathbb{U}^2$ .

(ii) When  $\mathbb{B}_X$  is a Hilbert ball and  $Y = \mathbb{C}$ , then conditions (2.2) and (2.3) are equivalent to the following relation:

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{B}_X} (1 - \|x\|^2) \|Df(x)\| < \infty,$$
(2.4)

by [2, Proposition 2.4, Theorems 2.6 and 3.8] (cf, [25, Theorem 2.8]). Moreover, (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4) give equivalent semi-norms for a holomorphic function  $f : \mathbb{B}_X \to \mathbb{C}$ which satisfies one of the relations (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4). Then for  $f \in H(\mathbb{B}_X)$ , by considering the function  $f_a = \langle f, a \rangle$  with ||a|| = 1, we obtain that conditions (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4) are equivalent. Namely, the notions of R-Bloch mappings and I-Bloch mappings are equivalent to the usual notion of Bloch mappings on the Hilbert ball. In particular,  $f \in H(\mathbb{U})$  is a Bloch function if and only if

$$\sup_{\zeta \in \mathbb{U}} (1 - |\zeta|^2) |f'(\zeta)| < \infty.$$

Next, we recall the notion of a linearly invariant family (L.I.F.) and the traceorder of a L.I.F. on the unit ball  $\mathbb{B}_X$  of a finite-dimensional complex Banach space X ([28]; cf. [42], [21, Chapter 10]).

**Definition 2.12.** Let X be a complex Banach space and let  $\mathbb{B}_X$  be the open unit ball of X. A family  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq H(\mathbb{B}_X)$  is called a linearly invariant family (L.I.F.) if the following conditions hold:

(i)  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}_X);$ (ii)  $\Lambda_{\phi}(f) \in \mathcal{F}$ , for all  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\phi \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{B}_X),$ 

where  $\Lambda_{\phi}(f)$  is the Koebe transform given by

$$\Lambda_{\phi}(f)(x) = [D\phi(0)]^{-1} [Df(\phi(0))]^{-1} (f(\phi(x)) - f(\phi(0))), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{B}_X.$$

**Definition 2.13 (**[28]; cf. [42]). If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a linearly invariant family on the unit ball of a finite dimensional complex Banach space X, we define the trace order of  $\mathcal{F}$ , by

ord 
$$\mathcal{F} = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \sup_{\|y\|=1} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left| \operatorname{trace} \left[ D^2 f(0)(y, \cdot) \right] \right| \right\}.$$

Since the trace is a similarity invariant, the above definition is well-defined. When  $X = \mathbb{C}$  and  $\mathbb{B}_X = \mathbb{U}$ , the trace order is the usual order of a linearly invariant family on  $\mathbb{U}$ .

Let  $\Lambda[\{f\}]$  be the linearly invariant family generated by  $f \in \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}_X)$  (see [28]; cf. [42]). In this case, ord  $\Lambda[\{f\}]$  is called the trace order of f.

### 3. Roper-Suffridge type extension operators

Let Y be a complex Banach space and let  $r \ge 1$ . Also, let

$$\Omega_r = \left\{ (z_1, w) \in Z = \mathbb{C} \times Y : |z_1|^2 + ||w||_Y^r < 1 \right\}.$$
(3.1)

Then, the Minkowski function of  $\Omega_r$  is a complete norm  $\|\cdot\|_Z$  on Z and  $\Omega_r$  is the unit ball of Z with respect to this norm. Let  $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$  and let  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta} : S \to S(\Omega_r)$  be the Roper-Suffridge type extension operator given by

$$\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}(f)(z_1,w) = \left(f(z_1), \left(\frac{f(z_1)}{z_1}\right)^{\alpha} (f'(z_1))^{\beta} w\right), \quad (z_1,w) \in \Omega_r.$$
(3.2)

The branches of the power functions are chosen such that

$$\left(\frac{f(z_1)}{z_1}\right)^{\alpha}\Big|_{z_1=0} = 1$$
 and  $(f'(z_1))^{\beta}\Big|_{z_1=0} = 1.$ 

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#### 3.1. g-Loewner chains and Roper-Suffridge type extension operators

Let  $g : \mathbb{U} \to \mathbb{C}$  be a convex (univalent) function which satisfies Assumption 2.1. In the first part of this section, we are concerned with preservation of the first elements of g-Loewner chains from  $\mathbb{U}$  into  $\Omega_r$  under the Roper-Suffridge type extension operators  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$ , where  $r \geq 1$  (cf. [1, Theorem 7.1], [3, Theorem 2.1], [14, Corollary 2.9], [19, Theorem 2.1], [22, Theorem 2.1]).

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $g: \mathbb{U} \to \mathbb{C}$  be a convex (univalent) function which satisfies Assumption 2.1. Let Y be a complex Banach space and let  $\Omega_r$  be the unit ball of  $Z = \mathbb{C} \times Y$  given by (3.1), where  $r \geq 1$ . Let  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  be the Roper-Suffridge type extension operator given by (3.2). Assume that  $f \in S$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{U}$ . Then  $F = \Phi_{\alpha,\beta}(f) \in S(\Omega_r)$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner of a g-Loewner chain on  $\Omega_r$  for  $\alpha \in [0,1], \beta \in [0,1/r], \alpha + \beta \leq 1$ .

As a corollary of Theorem 3.1, we obtain the following preservation of the first elements of Loewner chains from  $\mathbb{U}$  into the unit ball  $\Omega_r$  under the Roper-Suffridge type extension operators  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  (cf. [14, Corollary 2.9], [19, Theorem 2.1], [22, Theorem 2.1], [36]).

**Corollary 3.2.** Let  $\Omega_r$  and  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  be as in Theorem 3.1. If  $f \in S$ , then  $F = \Phi_{\alpha,\beta}(f) \in S(\Omega_r)$  can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on  $\Omega_r$  for  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ ,  $\beta \in [0,1/r], \alpha + \beta \leq 1$ .

As another consequence of Theorem 3.1, we obtain that the Roper-Suffridge type extension operators  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  preserve g-starlike mappings. This result is a generalization of [20, Theorem 2.2], in the case  $Y = \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$ , r = 2 and  $g(\zeta) = \frac{1-\zeta}{1+\zeta}$ ,  $\zeta \in \mathbb{U}$  (cf. [3, Corollary 2.2], [4, Corollary 2.3]).

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $\Omega_r$ ,  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  and g be as in Theorem 3.1. If f is a g-starlike mapping on  $\mathbb{U}$ , then  $F = \Phi_{\alpha,\beta}(f) \in S(\Omega_r)$  is also a g-starlike mapping on  $\Omega_r$  for  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ ,  $\beta \in [0,1/r]$ ,  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$ .

As particular cases of Corollary 3.3, we obtain that strongly starlike mappings of order  $d \in (0, 1]$  and almost starlike mappings of order  $d \in [0, 1)$  (see e.g. [21]) are preserved by the Roper-Suffridge type extension operators  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  for  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ ,  $\beta \in [0, 1/r], \alpha + \beta \leq 1$ .

In the case  $\beta = 0$ , [26, Theorem 5.1] can be generalized as follows.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $\Omega_r$  and  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  be as in Theorem 3.1. Let g be a univalent holomorphic function on  $\mathbb{U}$  which satisfies Assumption 2.1 such that  $g(\mathbb{U})$  is a starlike domain with respect to 1. Assume that  $f \in S$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{U}$ . Then  $F = \Phi_{\alpha,0}(f) \in S(\Omega_r)$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain on  $\Omega_r$  for  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ .

As a corollary of Theorem 3.4, we obtain the following generalization of [27, Theorem 5.3] to certain complex Banach spaces.

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $\Omega_r$  and  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  be as in Theorem 3.1. If f is a parabolic starlike mapping of order  $d \in [0,1)$  on  $\mathbb{U}$ , then  $F = \Phi_{\alpha,0}(f) \in S(\Omega_r)$  is also a parabolic starlike mapping of order d on  $\Omega_r$  for  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ .

#### 3.2. Bloch mappings and Roper-Suffridge type extension operators

In the second part of this section, we show that normalized univalent Bloch functions on  $\mathbb{U}$  (respectively normalized uniformly locally univalent Bloch functions on  $\mathbb{U}$ ) are extended to *R*-Bloch mappings on  $\Omega_r$  by the Roper-Suffridge type extension operators  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$ , for  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta \in [0, 1/r)$  (respectively for  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\beta \in [0, 1/r]$ ).

The following theorem is a generalization of [20, Theorem 2.6] and [22, Theorem 4.1] to certain complex Banach spaces (cf. [10, Proposition 6.1]).

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $\Omega_r$  and  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  be as in Theorem 3.1. If  $f \in S$  is a Bloch function on  $\mathbb{U}$ , then  $F = \Phi_{\alpha,\beta}(f) \in S(\Omega_r)$  is an R-Bloch mapping on  $\Omega_r$  for  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta \in [0, 1/r)$ .

In the case  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\beta \in [0, 1/r]$ , we obtain that uniformly locally univalent Bloch functions on  $\mathbb{U}$  are extended to *R*-Bloch mappings on  $\Omega_r$  by the extension operator  $\Phi_{0,\beta}$ . This result is a generalization of [20, Theorem 2.6] and [22, Theorem 4.1] to certain complex Banach spaces and also is an improvement of Theorem 3.6.

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $\Omega_r$  and  $\Phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  be as in Theorem 3.1. If  $f \in \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{U})$  is a uniformly locally univalent Bloch function on  $\mathbb{U}$ , then  $F = \Phi_{0,\beta}(f) \in \mathcal{LS}(\Omega_r)$  is an R-Bloch mapping on  $\Omega_r$  for  $\beta \in [0, 1/r]$ .

#### 4. Muir type extension operators

Let  $k \geq 2$  be an integer and let Y be a complex Banach space and let  $\Omega_k$  be the unit ball of  $Z = \mathbb{C} \times Y$  given by (3.1). Let  $P_k : Y \to \mathbb{C}$  be a homogeneous polynomial mapping of degree k. The Muir type extension operator  $\Phi_{P_k}$  is defined by (cf. [40])

$$\Phi_{P_k}(f)(z) = \left(f(z_1) + P_k(w)f'(z_1), (f'(z_1))^{\frac{1}{k}}w\right), \quad z = (z_1, w) \in \Omega_k, \tag{4.1}$$

where f is a locally univalent function on U, normalized by f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0. The branch of the power function is chosen such that  $(f'(z_1))^{\frac{1}{k}}|_{z_1=0} = 1$ .

#### 4.1. g-Loewner chains and Muir type extension operators

We begin this section with the following preservation result of the first elements of g-Loewner chains by the Muir type extension operators  $\Phi_{P_k}$ , where g is a convex function on  $\mathbb{U}$  which satisfies Assumption 2.1. In the case  $Y = \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$ , k = 2 and  $g(\zeta) = \frac{1-\zeta}{1+(1-2\gamma)\zeta}, \zeta \in \mathbb{U}$ , where  $\gamma \in (0,1)$ , see [4, Theorem 3.1] (cf. [33, Theorem 5.6], [35, Theorem 2.1 and Corollary 2.2] ).

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $k \ge 2$  be an integer. Let Y be a complex Banach space and let  $\Omega_k$ be the unit ball of  $Z = \mathbb{C} \times Y$  given by (3.1). Let  $P_k : Y \to \mathbb{C}$  be a homogeneous polynomial mapping of degree k and let  $\Phi_{P_k}$  be the Muir type extension operator given by (4.1). Let g be a convex function on  $\mathbb{U}$  which satisfies Assumption 2.1. Assume that  $f \in S$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{U}$  and that  $\|P_k\| \le d(1, \partial g(\mathbb{U}))/4$ , where

$$d(1, \partial g(\mathbb{U})) = \inf_{\zeta \in \partial g(\mathbb{U})} |\zeta - 1|.$$

Then  $F = \Phi_{P_k}(f) \in S(\Omega_k)$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain on  $\Omega_k$ .

As a corollary of Theorem 4.1, we obtain the following result. This result is a generalization of [35, Theorem 2.1 and Corollary 2.2], in the case  $Y = \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$ , k = 2 and  $g(\zeta) = \frac{1-\zeta}{1+\zeta}$ ,  $\zeta \in \mathbb{U}$  to certain complex Banach spaces (cf. [33, Theorem 5.6]).

**Corollary 4.2.** Let  $\Omega_k$  and  $\Phi_{P_k}$  be as in Theorem 4.1, where  $||P_k|| \leq 1/4$ . If  $f \in S$ , then  $F = \Phi_{P_k}(f)$  can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on  $\Omega_k$ .

In view of Theorem 4.1, it would be interesting to give an answer to the following questions:

**Question 4.3.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 4.1, is the coefficient bound  $||P_k|| \le d(1, \partial g(\mathbb{U}))/4$  also necessary for the preservation of the first elements of g-Loewner chains under the Muir type extension operator  $\Phi_{P_k}$ ?

**Question 4.4.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 4.1, is the coefficient bound  $||P_k|| \le d(1, \partial g(\mathbb{U}))/4$  sharp for the preservation of the first elements of g-Loewner chains under the Muir type extension operator  $\Phi_{P_k}$ ?

In the case that  $f \in K$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain  $f(z_1, t)$  on  $\mathbb{U}$  such that  $f(\cdot, t)$  is convex on  $\mathbb{U}$  for  $t \ge 0$ , then Theorem 4.1 may be refined as follows (cf. [4], [35], [40]).

**Proposition 4.5.** Let  $\Omega_k$  and  $\Phi_{P_k}$  be as in Theorem 4.1. Let g be a convex function on  $\mathbb{U}$  which satisfies Assumption 2.1. Assume that  $f \in K$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain  $f(z_1, t)$  on  $\mathbb{U}$ , such that  $e^{-t}f(\cdot, t) \in K$ , for all  $t \geq 0$ . If  $\|P_k\| \leq d(1, \partial g(\mathbb{U}))/2$ , then  $F = \Phi_{P_k}(f) \in S(\Omega_k)$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain on  $\Omega_k$ .

Let g be a linear fractional transformation with real coefficients, which satisfies Assumption 2.1. Then the image  $g(\mathbb{U})$  is one of the following sets:

$$\begin{split} g(\mathbb{U}) &= \left\{ \zeta \in \mathbb{C} : \left| \zeta - \frac{1}{2\gamma} \right| < \frac{\delta}{2\gamma} \right\}, \, \gamma > 0, \, \delta \in (0, 1], \, |2\gamma - 1| < \delta, \\ g(\mathbb{U}) &= \left\{ \zeta \in \mathbb{C} : \Re \zeta > \delta \right\}, \, \delta \in [0, 1). \end{split}$$

As a corollary of Theorem 4.1, we obtain the following results.

**Corollary 4.6.** Let  $\Omega_k$  and  $\Phi_{P_k}$  be as in Theorem 4.1. Let g be a linear fractional transformation with real coefficients which satisfies Assumption 2.1. Assume that  $f \in S$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{U}$ .

- (i) If  $g(\mathbb{U}) = \left\{ \zeta \in \mathbb{C} : \left| \zeta \frac{1}{2\gamma} \right| < \frac{\delta}{2\gamma} \right\}$ , where  $\gamma > 0$ ,  $\delta \in (0, 1]$ , and  $|2\gamma 1| < \delta$ , and if  $||P_k|| \le (\delta - |2\gamma - 1|)/(8\gamma)$ , then  $F = \Phi_{P_k}(f) \in S(\Omega_k)$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain on  $\Omega_k$ .
- (ii) If  $g(\mathbb{U}) = \{\zeta \in \mathbb{C} : \Re \zeta > \delta\}$ , where  $\delta \in [0,1)$ , and if  $||P_k|| \le (1-\delta)/4$ , then  $F = \Phi_{P_k}(f) \in S(\Omega_k)$  can be embedded as the first element of a g-Loewner chain on  $\Omega_k$ .

As in Corollary 3.3, we obtain the following result (cf. [4, Corollary 3.3], [35, Corollary 2.3] [40, Theorem 4.1]).

**Corollary 4.7.** Let  $\Omega_k$ ,  $\Phi_{P_k}$  and g be as in Theorem 4.1. If f is a g-starlike mapping on  $\mathbb{U}$  and if  $||P_k|| \leq d(1, \partial g(\mathbb{U}))/4$ , then  $F = \Phi_{P_k}(f) \in S(\Omega_k)$  is also a g-starlike mapping on  $\Omega_k$ . In particular, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 4.8.** Let  $\Omega_k$  and  $\Phi_{P_k}$  be as in Theorem 4.1.

- (i) If  $f : \mathbb{U} \to \mathbb{C}$  is a strongly starlike mapping of order  $d \in (0,1]$  on  $\mathbb{U}$  and if  $||P_k|| \leq \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}d)/4$ , then  $F = \Phi_{P_k}(f) \in S(\Omega_k)$  is also a strongly starlike mapping of order d on  $\Omega_k$ .
- (ii) If  $f : \mathbb{U} \to \mathbb{C}$  is an almost starlike mapping of order  $d \in [0,1)$  on  $\mathbb{U}$  and if  $||P_k|| \le (1-d)/4$ , then  $F = \Phi_{P_k}(f) \in S(\Omega_k)$  is also an almost starlike mapping of order d on  $\Omega_k$ .

Taking into account Corollary 4.7, it would be interesting to give an answer to the following question.

**Question 4.9.** Under the same assumptions of Corollary 4.7, is the condition  $||P_k|| \le d(1, \partial g(\mathbb{U}))/4$  necessary for the preservation of g-starlikeness under the Muir type extension operator  $\Phi_{P_k}$ ?

Note that if  $g(\zeta) = \frac{1-\zeta}{1+\zeta}$ ,  $\zeta \in \mathbb{U}$ , k = 2 and  $Y = \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$ , the answer is positive, in view of [40, Theorem 4.1].

Next, let  $G : Y \to \mathbb{C}$  be a holomorphic function such that G(0) = 0 and DG(0) = 0. Also, let  $\Phi_{G,k} : \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{U}) \to \mathcal{L}S(\Omega_k)$  be the following modification of the Muir extension operator (cf. [41])

$$\Phi_{G,k}(f)(z) = \left(f(z_1) + G\left((f'(z_1))^{\frac{1}{k}}w\right), (f'(z_1))^{\frac{1}{k}}w\right), \quad z = (z_1, w) \in \Omega_k, \quad (4.2)$$

where  $\Omega_k$  is the unit ball of  $Z = \mathbb{C} \times Y$  given by (3.1). The branch of the power function is chosen such that  $(f'(z_1))^{\frac{1}{k}}|_{z_1=0} = 1$ .

It is natural to ask the following question, in connection with Corollary 4.7 (cf. [41], [50]):

**Question 4.10.** Let  $k \ge 2$  be an integer and let  $\Omega_k$  be the unit ball of  $Z = \mathbb{C} \times Y$  given by (3.1). Assume that  $g : \mathbb{U} \to \mathbb{C}$  is a univalent function, which satisfies Assumption 2.1. Let  $G : Y \to \mathbb{C}$  be a holomorphic function such that G(0) = 0 and DG(0) = 0. If  $\Phi_{G,k}(S_q^*(\mathbb{U})) \subseteq S^*(\Omega_k)$ , what conditions for G must be satisfied ?

The following result provides an answer to the above question (cf. [41, Theorem 5.1], [50, Theorem 3.1]).

**Theorem 4.11.** Let  $\Omega_k$  be as in Theorem 4.1. Let g be a univalent function with real coefficients on  $\mathbb{U}$ , which satisfies Assumption 2.1. Assume that there exists the limit

$$a := \liminf_{r \to 1^{-}} \frac{g(r)}{1 - r} < +\infty.$$
(4.3)

Let  $G: Y \to \mathbb{C}$  be a holomorphic function such that G(0) = 0 and DG(0) = 0 and  $\Phi_{G,k}$  be the extension operator given in (4.2). Let f be a g-starlike function on  $\mathbb{U}$  such that  $\frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta f'(\zeta)} = g(\zeta)$  for  $\zeta \in \mathbb{U}$ . If  $\Phi_{G,k}(f)$  is a starlike mapping on  $\Omega_k$ , then G is a polynomial of degree at most k.

As a corollary of Theorem 4.11, we obtain the following result (cf. [41, Corollary 5.2], [50, Corollary 3.2]).

**Corollary 4.12.** Let  $\Omega_k$ ,  $\Phi_{G,k}$  and g be as in Theorem 4.11. If  $\Phi_{G,k}(S_g^*(\mathbb{U})) \subseteq S^*(\Omega_k)$ , then G is a polynomial of degree at most k.

#### 4.2. Bloch mappings and Muir type extension operators

The next result shows that normalized uniformly locally univalent Bloch functions on  $\mathbb{U}$  are extended to normalized locally univalent *R*-Bloch mappings on  $\Omega_k$  by the Muir type extension operators  $\Phi_{P_k}$  given by (4.1).

**Theorem 4.13.** Let  $\Omega_k$  and  $\Phi_{P_k}$  be as in Theorem 4.1. If  $f \in \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{U})$  is a uniformly locally univalent Bloch function on  $\mathbb{U}$ , then  $F = \Phi_{P_k}(f) \in \mathcal{LS}(\Omega_k)$  is an R-Bloch mapping on  $\Omega_k$ .

As a corollary of Theorem 4.13, we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 4.14.** Let  $\Omega_k$  and  $\Phi_{P_k}$  be as in Theorem 4.1. If  $f \in S$  is a Bloch function on  $\mathbb{U}$ , then  $F = \Phi_{P_k}(f) \in S(\Omega_k)$  is an R-Bloch mapping on  $\Omega_k$ .

## 5. Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operators

In this section, let X be an n-dimensional JB\*-triple. Also, let  $\mathbb{B}_X$  be the open unit ball of X with respect to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_X$  and for every  $x, y \in X$ , let  $B(x, y) \in L(X)$ be the Bergman operator defined by

$$B(x,y)(z) = z - 2(x \Box y)(z) + \{x, \{y, z, y\}, x\}, \quad z \in X.$$

If  $f \in H(\mathbb{B}_X)$ , let  $J_f(x) = \det Df(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{B}_X$ . Also, let  $h_0$  be the Bergman metric on X at 0, and let  $c(\mathbb{B}_X)$  be the constant given by (see [28])

$$c(\mathbb{B}_X) = \frac{1}{2} \sup_{x,y \in \mathbb{B}_X} |h_0(x,y)|.$$
 (5.1)

In view of [24, Lemma 2.4] (cf. [30, Lemma 2.2]), the following distortion result holds:

$$\det B(x,x) \ge (1 - \|x\|_X^2)^{2c(\mathbb{B}_X)}, \quad x \in \mathbb{B}_X.$$
(5.2)

Equality holds for every  $x \in X$  such that  $x/||x||_X$  is a maximal tripotent in X.

Next, let Y be a complex Banach space with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_Y$ , and let  $\mathbb{B}_Y$  be the unit ball of Y. For  $\alpha > 0$ , let

$$\mathbb{D}_{\alpha} = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{B}_X \times Y : \|y\|_Y < [\det B(x, x)]^{1/(4\alpha c(\mathbb{B}_X))} \right\}$$
(5.3)

and

$$\Omega_{\alpha} = \left\{ (x, y) \in X \times Y : \|x\|_X^2 + \|y\|_Y^{2\alpha} < 1 \right\}.$$
(5.4)

Also, for  $\alpha > 0$ , let  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha} : \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{B}_X) \to \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{D}_\alpha)$  be the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operator given by

$$\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}(f)(z) = \left(f(x), [J_f(x)]^{1/(2\alpha c(\mathbb{B}_X))}y\right), \quad z = (x,y) \in \mathbb{D}_\alpha.$$
(5.5)

The branch of the power function is chosen such that  $[J_f(x)]^{1/(2\alpha c(\mathbb{B}_X))}|_{x=0} = 1$ . Note that this branch is well defined on  $\mathbb{B}_X$ , since  $\mathbb{B}_X$  is a starlike domain with respect to the origin in  $X = \mathbb{C}^n$ . It is not difficult to deduce that if  $f \in \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}_X)$  and  $F = \mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}(f)$ , then  $F \in H(\mathbb{D}_\alpha)$  and the Frechét derivative DF(z) has a bounded inverse at each point  $z \in \mathbb{D}_\alpha$ , i.e. F is locally biholomorphic on  $\mathbb{D}_\alpha$ . Hence the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operator  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  is well defined and extends normalized locally biholomorphic mappings on  $\mathbb{B}_X$  into normalized locally biholomorphic mappings on the domain  $\mathbb{D}_\alpha$ . **Example 5.1.** (i) If X is the space  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with the Euclidean norm  $\|\cdot\|_e$ , then  $\mathbb{B}_X = \mathbb{B}^n$ , det  $B(x,x) = (1 - \|x\|_e^2)^{n+1}$ , and  $c(\mathbb{B}^n) = \frac{n+1}{2}$  (see e.g. [28]). Therefore, we have  $\mathbb{D}_{\alpha} = \Omega_{\alpha}$  for  $\alpha > 0$ , that is

$$\mathbb{D}_{\alpha} = \Big\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^n \times Y : \|x\|_e^2 + \|y\|_Y^{2\alpha} < 1 \Big\}.$$

In this case, the operator  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  will be denoted by  $\Gamma_{n,\alpha}$ . Thus, we obtain the extension operator  $\Gamma_{n,\alpha} : \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}^n) \to \mathcal{L}S(\Omega_{\alpha})$  given by (see [14, Definition 2.7]):

$$\Gamma_{n,\alpha}(f)(z) = \left(f(x), [J_f(x)]^{1/(\alpha(n+1))}y\right), \,\forall f \in \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}^n), \, z = (x,y) \in \Omega_\alpha.$$
(5.6)

If  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $\mathbb{B}_X = \mathbb{B}^n$  and  $\mathbb{B}_Y = \mathbb{B}^r$ , then  $\Omega_1 = \mathbb{B}^{n+r}$  and the operator  $\Gamma_{n,1}$  reduces to the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operator  $\Phi_{n,r}$ . On the other hand, if n = 1and  $\alpha = 1$ , then the operator  $\Gamma_{1,1}$  reduces to the Roper-Suffridge extension operator  $\Psi : \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}^1) \to \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B})$  given by (cf. [46]; see also [14])

$$\Psi(f)(z) = \left(f(x), \sqrt{f'(x)y}\right), \ z = (x, y) \in \mathbb{B},$$

where  $\mathbb{B} = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{C} \times Y : |x|^2 + ||y||_Y^2 < 1 \right\}.$ 

(ii) If  $X = \mathbb{C}^n$  with respect to the maximum norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ , then  $c(\mathbb{U}^n) = n$ (see [28]), and det  $B(x, x) = \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - |x_j|^2)^2$ ,  $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in \mathbb{U}^n$ . Denoting the domain  $\mathbb{D}_{\alpha}$  by  $\Delta_{\alpha}$  for  $\alpha > 0$ , we obtain that

$$\Delta_{\alpha} = \Big\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{U}^n \times \mathbb{B}_Y : \|y\|_Y < \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - |x_j|^2)^{1/(2n\alpha)} \Big\}.$$
 (5.7)

In this case, we denote the operator  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  by  $\Theta_{n,\alpha}$ . Thus, we obtain the extension operator  $\Theta_{n,\alpha} : \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{U}^n) \to \mathcal{L}S(\Delta_\alpha)$  given by (cf. [14])

$$\Theta_{n,\alpha}(f)(z) = \left(f(x), [J_f(x)]^{1/(2n\alpha)}y\right), \quad z = (x,y) \in \Delta_{\alpha}.$$
(5.8)

#### 5.1. Loewner chains and Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operators

We begin this section with the preservation of Loewner chains from the open unit ball  $\mathbb{B}_X$  of an *n*-dimensional JB\*-triple X into the domain  $\mathbb{D}_{\alpha}$  given by (5.3) by the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operator  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$ . This result is a generalization of [23, Theorem 2.1] (cf. [14, Theorem 2.1]).

**Theorem 5.2.** Let  $\mathbb{B}_X$  be the unit ball of an n-dimensional  $JB^*$ -triple X, and let  $\alpha \geq \frac{n}{2c(\mathbb{B}_X)}$ . Also, let  $\mathbb{D}_{\alpha} \subset Z = X \times Y$  be the domain given by (5.3) and  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  be the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operator given by (5.5). Assume that  $f \in S(\mathbb{B}_X)$  can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{B}_X$ . Then  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}(f) \in S(\mathbb{D}_{\alpha})$  can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{D}_{\alpha}$ .

As corollaries of Theorem 5.2, we obtain the following results (cf. [10], [14], [20], [21, Chapter 11]).

**Corollary 5.3.** Let  $\mathbb{B}_X$ ,  $\mathbb{D}_{\alpha}$  and  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  be as in Theorem 5.2. If  $\gamma \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$  and  $f \in \widehat{S}_{\gamma}(\mathbb{B}_X)$ , then  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}(f) \in \widehat{S}_{\gamma}(\mathbb{D}_{\alpha})$ . In particular, if  $f \in S^*(\mathbb{B}_X)$ , then  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}(f) \in S^*(\mathbb{D}_{\alpha})$ .

Let  $\mathbb{B}_X = \mathbb{B}^n$  be the Euclidean unit ball in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Since  $c(\mathbb{B}^n) = \frac{n+1}{2}$ , in view of Theorem 5.2 and Corollary 5.3, we obtain the following consequence (cf. [14, Corollary 2.8], [23, Theorem 2.1]).

**Corollary 5.4.** Let  $\Gamma_{n,\alpha}$  be the extension operator given by (5.6), and let  $\Omega_{\alpha}$  be the domain given by (5.4), where  $\alpha \geq \frac{n}{n+1}$ . Then the following statements hold:

- (i) If f ∈ S(B<sup>n</sup>) can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on B<sup>n</sup>, then Γ<sub>n,α</sub>(f) can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on Ω<sub>α</sub>.
- (ii) If  $\gamma \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$  and  $f \in \widehat{S}_{\gamma}(\mathbb{B}^n)$ , then  $\Gamma_{n,\alpha}(f) \in \widehat{S}_{\gamma}(\Omega_{\alpha})$ . In particular, if  $f \in S^*(\mathbb{B}^n)$ , then  $\Gamma_{n,\alpha}(f) \in S^*(\Omega_{\alpha})$ .
- (iii) If  $d \in [0,1)$  and  $f \in S(\mathbb{B}^n)$  is an almost starlike mapping of order d on  $\mathbb{B}^n$ , then  $\Gamma_{n,\alpha}(f)$  is almost starlike of order d on  $\Omega_{\alpha}$ .

If  $\mathbb{B}_X = \mathbb{U}^n$ , then  $c(\mathbb{U}^n) = n$ , and we obtain the following result from Theorem 5.2 and Corollary 5.3.

**Corollary 5.5.** Let  $\Theta_{n,\alpha}$  be the extension operator given by (5.8), and let  $\Delta_{\alpha}$  be the domain given by (5.7), where  $\alpha \geq 1/2$ . Then the following statements hold:

- (i) If f ∈ S(U<sup>n</sup>) can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on U<sup>n</sup>, then Θ<sub>n,α</sub>(f) can be embedded as the first element of a Loewner chain on Δ<sub>α</sub>.
- (ii) If  $\gamma \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$  and  $f \in \widehat{S}_{\gamma}(\mathbb{U}^n)$ , then  $\Theta_{n,\alpha}(f) \in \widehat{S}_{\gamma}(\Delta_{\alpha})$ . In particular, if  $f \in S^*(\mathbb{U}^n)$ , then  $\Theta_{n,\alpha}(f) \in S^*(\Delta_{\alpha})$ .

Next, we mention the following suggestive examples. If we combine Examples 5.6 and 5.7 with Theorem 5.2 and Corollary 5.3, we obtain concrete examples of starlike, spirallike of type  $\gamma$ , and mappings which can be embedded as the first elements of Loewner chains on the domain  $\mathbb{D}_{\alpha}$ , where  $\alpha \geq \frac{n}{2c(\mathbb{B}_X)}$ . If we combine Examples 5.6 and 5.7 with Corollary 5.4, we also obtain concrete examples of almost starlike mappings of order d on the domain  $\Omega_{\alpha}$ , where  $\alpha \geq \frac{n}{n+1}$ .

**Example 5.6.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{U})$ . Let  $u \in X \setminus \{0\}$  be fixed and let  $l_u \in T(u)$ . Also, let  $F_u \in H(\mathbb{B}_X)$  be given by

$$F_u(z) = \frac{f(l_u(z))}{l_u(z)} z, \quad z \in \mathbb{B}_X.$$

$$(5.9)$$

Then we have

$$[DF_u(z)]^{-1}F_u(z) = \frac{f(l_u(z))}{f'(l_u(z))l_u(z)}z, \quad z \in \mathbb{B}_X.$$

Consequently, we deduce the following statements:

- (i)  $F_u \in S^*(\mathbb{B}_X)$  if and only if  $f \in S^*$ .
- (ii)  $F_u \in \widehat{S}_{\gamma}(\mathbb{B}_X), \gamma \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$  if and only if  $f \in \widehat{S}_{\gamma}(\mathbb{U})$ .
- (iii)  $F_u$  is almost starlike of order  $d \in [0, 1)$  on  $\mathbb{B}_X$  if and only if f is almost starlike of order d on  $\mathbb{U}$ .

We recall that a Loewner chain  $(F_t)_{t\geq 0}$  on  $\mathbb{B}_X$  is said to be normal if the family  $\{e^{-t}F_t\}_{t\geq 0}$  is a normal family on  $\mathbb{B}_X$ .

**Example 5.7.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{U})$ . Let  $u \in X \setminus \{0\}$  be fixed and let  $l_u \in T(u)$ . Also, let  $F_u \in H(\mathbb{B}_X)$  be given by (5.9). Then  $F_u$  may be embedded in a normal Loewner chain on  $\mathbb{B}_X$  if and only if  $f \in S$ .

#### 5.2. Bloch mappings and Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operators

Next, we prove that locally univalent I-Bloch mappings on  $\mathbb{B}_X$  of finite trace order are extended to R-Bloch mappings on  $\Omega_{\alpha}$  by the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operator  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$ , for  $\alpha \geq \frac{1}{2}$ . In the case  $n = 1, f \in \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{U})$  is uniformly locally univalent on  $\mathbb{U}$  if and only if f has a finite order (see [12, Theorem 2.1], [38]). Therefore, the following results are generalizations of Theorem 3.7.

**Theorem 5.8.** Let  $\mathbb{B}_X$  be the open unit ball of an n-dimensional  $JB^*$ -triple X. Let  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  be the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operator given by (5.5), and let  $\Omega_{\alpha}$  be the domain given by (5.4), where  $\alpha \geq \frac{1}{2}$ . If  $f \in \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{B}_X)$  is an I-Bloch mapping on  $\mathbb{B}_X$  which has finite trace order, then  $F = \mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}(f) \in \mathcal{LS}(\Omega_{\alpha})$  is an R-Bloch mapping on  $\Omega_{\alpha}$ .

Next, we obtain the following consequences of Theorem 5.8.

**Corollary 5.9.** Let  $\mathbb{B}_X$ ,  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  and  $\Omega_{\alpha}$  be as in Theorem 5.8. If  $f \in \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{B}_X)$  is a bounded mapping on  $\mathbb{B}_X$  which has finite trace order, then  $F = \mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}(f) \in \mathcal{LS}(\Omega_{\alpha})$  is an R-Bloch mapping on  $\Omega_{\alpha}$ .

**Corollary 5.10.** Let  $\mathbb{B}_X$ ,  $\mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}$  and  $\Omega_{\alpha}$  be as in Theorem 5.8. Then the following statements hold:

- (i) If f ∈ K(B<sub>X</sub>) is an I-Bloch mapping on B<sub>X</sub>, then F = 𝔅<sub>n,α</sub>(f) ∈ S(Ω<sub>α</sub>) is an R-Bloch mapping on Ω<sub>α</sub>.
- (ii) If  $f \in K(\mathbb{B}_X)$  is a bounded mapping on  $\mathbb{B}_X$ , then  $F = \mathfrak{F}_{n,\alpha}(f) \in S(\Omega_\alpha)$  is an *R*-Bloch mapping on  $\Omega_\alpha$ .

As a corollary of Theorem 5.8, we obtain that the Pfaltzgraff-Suffridge type extension operator  $\Gamma_{n,1}$  given by (5.6) maps locally univalent Bloch mappings of finite trace order from the Euclidean unit ball  $\mathbb{B}^n$  into locally univalent Bloch mappings on the unit ball  $\mathbb{B}_H$  of a complex Hilbert space H with dim  $H \ge n + 1$ . Note that  $\mathbb{B}_H$ can be regarded as the domain

$$\Omega_1 = \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^n \times H_1 : \|x\|_e^2 + \|y\|_{H_1}^2 < 1 \},\$$

where  $H_1$  is a complex Hilbert space with dim  $H_1 \ge 1$ .

**Corollary 5.11.** Let  $\mathbb{B}_H$  be the unit ball of a complex Hilbert space H with dim  $H \ge n + 1$ . Then the following statements hold:

- (i) If  $f \in \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}^n)$  is a Bloch mapping, which has finite trace order, then  $F = \Gamma_{n,1}(f) \in \mathcal{L}S(\mathbb{B}_H)$  is a Bloch mapping on  $\mathbb{B}_H$ .
- (ii) If  $f \in K(\mathbb{B}^n)$  is a bounded mapping on  $\mathbb{B}^n$ , then  $F = \Gamma_{n,1}(f) \in S(\mathbb{B}_H)$  is a Bloch mapping on  $\mathbb{B}_H$ .

In view of Corollary 5.11, we obtain the following result related to the preservation of normalized locally univalent Bloch functions under the Roper-Suffridge extension operator (cf. Theorem 3.7). This result is an improvement of [20, Theorem 2.6].

**Corollary 5.12.** Let  $\mathbb{B}_H$  be the unit ball of a complex Hilbert space H with dim  $H \ge 2$ , and let  $f \in \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{U})$ . Then the following statements hold:

(i) If f is a uniformly locally univalent Bloch function on  $\mathbb{U}$ , then  $F = \Gamma_{1,1}(f) \in \mathcal{LS}(\mathbb{B}_H)$  is a Bloch mapping on  $\mathbb{B}_H$ .

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(ii) If f is a bounded convex function on  $\mathbb{U}$ , then  $F = \Gamma_{1,1}(f) \in S(\mathbb{B}_H)$  is a Bloch mapping on  $\mathbb{B}_H$ .

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