

## A new generalization of the integral operators of Kim and Merkes and of Pfaltzgraff

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### Abstract

In this note we study an integral operator which preserves the univalence and which generalizes the integral operator of Kim and Merkes and also the integral operator of Pfaltzgraff.

### 1 Introduction

Let  $A$  denote the class of functions  $f$  which are analytic in the unit disk  $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  with  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(0) = 1$ .

Let  $S$  denote the class of functions  $f \in A$ ,  $f$  univalent in  $U$ .

Many authors studied the problem of integral operators which preserve the class  $S$ . In this sense, the results due to Kim and Merkes([2]) and Pfaltzgraff([6]) are well-known.

**Theorem 1.1** ([2]). *Let  $f \in S$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$ . If  $|\beta| \leq 1/4$ , then the function*

$$(1) \quad F(z) = \int_0^z \left( \frac{f(u)}{u} \right)^\beta du$$

*is univalent in  $U$ .*

**Theorem 1.2** ([6]). *Let  $f \in S$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{C}$ . If  $|\delta| \leq 1/4$ , then the function*

$$(2) \quad F(z) = \int_0^z (f'(u))^\delta du$$

*is univalent in  $U$ .*

### 2 Preliminaries

**Lemma 2.1** ([1]). *Let  $f \in S$ . Then*

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right| \leq \frac{1+|z|}{1-|z|} \quad (\forall)z \in U$$

and

$$|-2|z|^2 + (1 - |z|^2) \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}| \leq 4|z| \quad (\forall)z \in U$$

**Theorem 2.1** ([5]). Let  $g \in A$ ,  $\alpha \in C$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}\alpha > 0$ . If

$$(3) \quad \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \left| \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} \right| \leq 1, \quad (\forall)z \in U$$

then the function

$$F_\alpha(z) = \left( \alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} g'(u) du \right)^{1/\alpha}$$

is analytic and univalent in  $U$ .

**Theorem 2.2** ([4]). Let  $g \in A$ . Let  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $c$  be complex numbers,  $\operatorname{Re}\alpha > 0$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta) > 0$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}\beta/\alpha > -1/2$ ,  $|c| < 1$  and  $|c(\alpha + \beta) + \beta| + |\beta| \leq |\alpha + \beta|$ . If

$$(4) \quad |c|z|^{2(\alpha+\beta)} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2(\alpha+\beta)}}{\alpha + \beta} \left( \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} - \beta \right) \leq 1$$

for all  $z \in U \setminus \{0\}$ , then the function

$$G_\alpha(z) = \left( \alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} g'(u) du \right)^{1/\alpha}$$

is analytic and univalent in  $U$ .

### 3 Main results

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $f \in S$ ,  $n \in N$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in C$ . If

$$(5) \quad |\beta| \leq \begin{cases} \operatorname{Re}\alpha/(2n) & \text{if } \operatorname{Re}\alpha \in (0, n/2) \\ 1/4 & \text{if } \operatorname{Re}\alpha \in [n/2, \infty) \end{cases}$$

then the function

$$(6) \quad F_{\alpha, \beta, n}(z) = \left( \alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} \left( \frac{f(u^n)}{u^n} \right)^\beta du \right)^{1/\alpha}$$

is analytic and univalent in  $U$ .

*Proof.* Because the function  $f$  is univalent in  $U$ , we can choose the analytic branch of  $\left( \frac{f(u^n)}{u^n} \right)^\beta$  equal to 1 at the origin and then the function  $g$  belongs to  $A$ , where

$$g(z) = \int_0^z \left( \frac{f(u^n)}{u^n} \right)^\beta du$$

We have

$$\frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} = \beta \cdot n \left( \frac{z^n f'(z^n)}{f(z^n)} - 1 \right)$$

From (3) and applying Lemma 2.1, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \left| \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} \right| &\leq \frac{2n|\beta|}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \cdot \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{1 - |z|^n} = \\ &= \frac{2n|\beta|}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \frac{1 - (|z|^n)^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha/n}}{1 - |z|^n} \end{aligned}$$

Let us consider the function  $\varphi, \varphi : [0, 1) \rightarrow R$ ,

$$\varphi(x) = \frac{1 - x^b}{1 - x}$$

It is easy to prove that

$$\varphi(x) \leq \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } b \in (0, 1) \\ b & \text{if } b \in [1, \infty) \end{cases}$$

Then we obtain

$$\frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \cdot \left| \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} \right| \leq \begin{cases} 2n|\beta|/\operatorname{Re}\alpha & \text{if } \operatorname{Re}\alpha \in (0, n/2) \\ 4|\beta| & \text{if } \operatorname{Re}\alpha \geq n/2 \end{cases}$$

In view of (5), the inequality (3) is true and from Theorem 2.1 we conclude that the function

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\alpha, \beta, n}(z) &= \left( \alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} g'(u) du \right)^{1/\alpha} = \\ &= \left( \alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} \left( \frac{f(u^n)}{u^n} \right)^\beta du \right)^{1/\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

is analytic and univalent in  $U$ .

The following results are proved by using Theorem 2.2 in the particular case  $\beta = n - \alpha$ , where  $n \in N$ . For this choice, from Theorem 2.2 we get the following

**Corollary 3.1** *Let  $g \in A$ . Let  $\alpha, c$  be complex numbers and let  $n$  be a positive integer number. If  $|\alpha - n| < n$ ,  $|c| < 1$ ,  $|cn + n - \alpha| + |n - \alpha| \leq n$  and*

$$(7) \quad \left| c|z|^{2n} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2n}}{n} \left( \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} + \alpha - n \right) \right| \leq 1$$

for all  $z \in U$ , then the function

$$G_\alpha(z) = \left( \alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} g'(u) du \right)^{1/\alpha}$$

is analytic and univalent in  $U$ .

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $f \in S$ ,  $n \in N$ ,  $\alpha, \beta, \delta \in C$ . If  $|\alpha - n| < n$ ,  $|\beta| + |\delta| \leq (n - |\alpha - n|)/(4n)$ , then the function

$$(8) \quad F_{\alpha, \beta, \delta, n}(z) = \left( \alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} \left( \frac{f(u^n)}{u^n} \right)^\beta (f'(u^n))^\delta du \right)^{1/\alpha}$$

is analytic and univalent in  $U$ .

**Proof.** Because the function  $f$  is univalent in  $U$ , we can choose the analytic branch of  $\left(\frac{f(u^n)}{u^n}\right)^\beta$  equal to 1 at the origin and also the analytic branch of  $(f'(u^n))^\delta$  equal to 1 at the origin and then the function  $g$  belongs to  $A$ , where

$$g(z) = \int_0^z \left( \frac{f(u^n)}{u^n} \right)^\beta (f'(u^n))^\delta du$$

We have

$$(9) \quad \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} = \beta n \left( \frac{z^n f'(z^n)}{f(z^n)} - 1 \right) + \delta n \frac{z^n f''(z^n)}{f'(z^n)}$$

In view of (9), from (7) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & |c|z|^{2n} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2n}}{n} \left( \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} + \alpha - n \right) = \\ & = |\delta| \left( -2|z|^{2n} + (1 - |z|^{2n}) \frac{z^n f''(z^n)}{f'(z^n)} \right) + \beta (1 - |z|^{2n}) \left( \frac{z^n f'(z^n)}{f(z^n)} - 1 \right) + \\ & \quad + (c + 2\delta + 1 - \alpha/n)|z|^{2n} + (\alpha - n)/n \end{aligned}$$

If  $c = -2\delta - 1 + \alpha/n$ , from  $|\alpha - n| < n$  and  $|\delta| \leq (n - |\alpha - n|)/(4n)$  it results that  $|c| < 1$  and also

$$|cn + n - \alpha| + |n - \alpha| = |2n\delta| + |n - \alpha| < n$$

Using Lemma 2.1 and in view of assertion  $|\beta| + |\delta| \leq (n - |\alpha - n|)/(4n)$  it follows that

$$|c|z|^{2n} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2n}}{n} \left( \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} + \alpha - n \right) \leq 4|\delta| + 4|\beta| + \frac{|\alpha - n|}{n} \leq 1$$

From Corollary 3.1 we conclude that the function  $F_{\alpha, \beta, \delta, n}$  defined by (8) is analytic and univalent in  $U$ .

#### Remarks

1. For  $\alpha = 1, n = 1$  and  $\delta = 0$  from Theorem 3.2 we get Theorem 1.1.
2. For  $\alpha = 1, n = 1$  and  $\beta = 0$  from Theorem 3.2 we refine Theorem 1.1.
3. If in Theorem 3.2 we take  $n = 1$  we deduce the following

**Corollary 3.2** Let  $f \in S$ ,  $\alpha, \beta, \delta \in C$ . If  $|\alpha-1| < 1$ ,  $|\beta|+|\delta| \leq (1-|\alpha-1|)/4$ , then the function

$$F(z) = \left( \alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} \left( \frac{f(u)}{u} \right)^\beta (f'(u))^\delta du \right)^{1/\alpha}$$

is analytic and univalent in  $U$ .

We note that this result was obtained in [3] using another condition for univalence.

4. In the particular case  $\delta = 0$ , as a direct consequence of Theorem 3.2, we obtain the following

**Theorem 3.3** Let  $f \in S$ ,  $n \in N$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in C$ . If  $|\alpha-n| < n$ ,  $|\beta| \leq (n-|\alpha-n|)/(4n)$ , then the function

$$F_{\alpha,\beta,n}(z) = \left( \alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} \left( \frac{f(u^n)}{u^n} \right)^\beta du \right)^{1/\alpha}$$

is analytic and univalent in  $U$ .

**Remark.** In this case we reach the same conclusion as the one from Theorem 3.1, but this result is not so good as the one from Theorem 3.1.

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