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General Integral Operator of Analytic Functions Involving Functions with Positive Real Part

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Let B_β be the integral operator defined by $B_\beta(z) = [\beta \int_0^z t^{\beta-1} \prod_{i=1}^n [(f_i(t)/t)^{\gamma_i} p_i^{\zeta_i}(t)] dt]^{1/\beta}$ where each of the functions f_i and p_i are, respectively, analytic functions and functions with positive real part defined in the open unit disk for all $i = 1, \dots, n$. The object of this paper is to obtain several univalence conditions for this integral operator. Our main results contain some interesting corollaries as special cases.

1. Introduction and Definitions

Let $\mathcal{A}$ denote the class of the normalized functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad (1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk $\mathcal{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$. Further, by $\mathcal{S}$ we shall denote the class of all functions in $\mathcal{A}$ which are univalent in $\mathcal{U}$. Also, let $\mathcal{P}$ be the class of all functions which are analytic in $\mathcal{U}$ and satisfy $p(0) = 1$, $\operatorname{Re}\{p(z)\} > 0$.

Frasin and Darus [1] (see also [2]) defined the family $\mathcal{B}(\delta)$, $0 \leq \delta < 1$ so that it consists of functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfying the condition

$$\left| \frac{z^2 f'(z)}{f^2(z)} - 1 \right| < 1 - \delta \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}). \quad (2)$$

Very recently many authors studied the problem of integral operators which preserve the class $\mathcal{S}$ (see, e.g., [3–15]). In this paper, we obtain new sufficient conditions for the univalence of the general integral operator $B_\beta(z)$ defined by

$$B_\beta(z) = \left[\beta \int_0^z t^{\beta-1} \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\left(\frac{f_i(t)}{t} \right)^{\gamma_i} p_i^{\zeta_i}(t) \right] dt \right]^{1/\beta}, \quad (3)$$

where $f_i \in \mathcal{A}$, $p_i \in \mathcal{P}$, $\beta \in \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, and $\gamma_i, \zeta_i \in \mathbb{C}$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Here and throughout in the sequel, every many-valued function is taken with the principal branch.

Remark 1. Note that the integral operator B_β generalizes the following operators introduced and studied by several authors:

- (1) If we let $\zeta_i = 0$, for all $i = 1, \dots, n$, in (3), we obtain the integral operator:

$$I_\gamma(f_1, \dots, f_n)(z) = \left\{ \beta \int_0^z t^{\beta-1} \left(\frac{f_1(t)}{t} \right)^{\gamma_1} \cdots \left(\frac{f_n(t)}{t} \right)^{\gamma_n} dt \right\}^{1/\beta}, \quad (4)$$

introduced and studied by D. Breaz and N. Breaz [16].

- (2) If we let $\gamma_i = 0$, for all $i = 1, \dots, n$, in (3), we obtain the integral operator:

$$I_\beta(p_1, \dots, p_n; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)(z) = \left\{ \int_0^z \beta t^{\beta-1} (p_1(t))^{\alpha_1} \cdots (p_n(t))^{\alpha_n} dt \right\}^{1/\beta} \quad (5)$$

introduced and studied by Frasin [17].

(3) If we let $\beta = 1$ and $\zeta_i = 0$, for all $i = 1, \dots, n$, in (3), we obtain the integral operator:

$$F_n(z) = \int_0^z \left(\frac{f_1(t)}{t} \right)^{\gamma_1} \dots \left(\frac{f_n(t)}{t} \right)^{\gamma_n} dt, \quad (6)$$

introduced and studied by D. Breaz and N. Breaz [16].

In order to derive our main results, we have to recall here the following lemmas.

Lemma 2 (see [18]). Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) > 0$. If $h \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies

$$\frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re}(\alpha)}}{\operatorname{Re}(\alpha)} \left| \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} \right| \leq 1, \quad (7)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$, then, for any complex number β with $\operatorname{Re}(\beta) \geq \operatorname{Re}(\alpha)$, the integral operator

$$F_\beta(z) = \left\{ \beta \int_0^z t^{\beta-1} h'(t) dt \right\}^{1/\beta} \quad (8)$$

is in the class $\mathcal{S}$.

Lemma 3 (see [13]). Let $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\beta) > 0$, $c \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|c| \leq 1$, $c \neq -1$. If $h \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies

$$\left| c|z|^{2\beta} + (1 - |z|^{2\beta}) \frac{zh''(z)}{\beta h'(z)} \right| \leq 1, \quad (9)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$, then the integral operator $F_\beta(z)$ defined by (8) is in the class $\mathcal{S}$.

Lemma 4 (see [19]). If $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}$, then we have

$$\left| \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right| < \frac{2|z|}{1 - |z|^2}, \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}). \quad (10)$$

Lemma 5 (see [20]). If $f(z) \in \mathcal{B}(\delta)$, then

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| < \frac{(1 - \delta)(1 + |z|)}{1 - |z|} \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}). \quad (11)$$

Also, we need the following general Schwarz Lemma.

Lemma 6 (see [21]). Let the function f be regular in the disk $\mathcal{U}_R = \{z : |z| < R\}$, with $|f(z)| < M$ for fixed M . If $f(z)$ has one zero with multiplicity order bigger than m for $z = 0$, then

$$|f(z)| \leq \frac{M}{R^m} |z|^m \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}_R). \quad (12)$$

The equality can hold only if

$$f(z) = e^{i\theta} \left(\frac{M}{R^m} \right) z^m, \quad (13)$$

where θ is constant.

2. Univalence Conditions for the Operator B_β

We first prove the following theorem.

Theorem 7. Let $f(z) \in \mathcal{B}(\delta_i)$; $0 \leq \delta_i < 1$ and $p_i(z) \in \mathcal{P}$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) = a > 0$. If

$$\sum_{i=1}^n [|\gamma_i| (1 - \delta_i) + |\zeta_i|] \leq \min \left\{ \frac{a}{2}; \frac{1}{4} \right\}, \quad (14)$$

then the integral operator $B_\beta(z)$ defined by (3) is in the class $\mathcal{S}$.

Proof. Define the regular function $h(z)$ by

$$h(z) = \int_0^z \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\left(\frac{f_i(t)}{t} \right)^{\gamma_i} p_i^{\zeta_i}(t) \right] dt. \quad (15)$$

Then it is easy to see that

$$h'(z) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\left(\frac{f_i(z)}{z} \right)^{\gamma_i} p_i^{\zeta_i}(z) \right], \quad (16)$$

and $h(0) = h'(0) - 1 = 0$. Differentiating both sides of (16) logarithmically, we obtain

$$\frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} = \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i \left(\frac{zf_i'(z)}{f_i(z)} - 1 \right) + \sum_{i=1}^n \zeta_i \frac{zp_i'(z)}{p_i(z)}. \quad (17)$$

Thus, we have

$$\left| \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i| \left| \frac{zf_i'(z)}{f_i(z)} - 1 \right| + \sum_{i=1}^n |\zeta_i| \left| \frac{zp_i'(z)}{p_i(z)} \right|. \quad (18)$$

Since $f_i(z) \in \mathcal{B}(\delta_i)$ and $p_i(z) \in \mathcal{P}$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$, from (18), (11), and (10), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} \right| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i| (1 - \delta_i) \left(\frac{1 + |z|}{1 - |z|} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^n |\zeta_i| \left(\frac{2|z|}{1 - |z|^2} \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i| (1 - \delta_i) \left(\frac{2}{1 - |z|} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^n |\zeta_i| \left(\frac{2}{1 - |z|} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Multiply both sides of (19) by $(1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re}(\alpha)})/\operatorname{Re}(\alpha)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re}(\alpha)}}{\operatorname{Re}(\alpha)} \left| \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} \right| &\leq \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re}(\alpha)}}{1 - |z|} \frac{2}{\operatorname{Re}(\alpha)} \\ &\quad \times \sum_{i=1}^n [|\gamma_i| (1 - \delta_i) + |\zeta_i|], \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$.

Let us denote $|z| = x$, $x \in [0, 1]$, $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) = a > 0$, and $\Phi(x) = (1 - x^{2a})/(1 - x)$. It is easy to prove that

$$\Phi(x) \leq \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } 0 < a < \frac{1}{2} \\ 2a, & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < a < \infty. \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

From (20), (21), and the hypothesis (14), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1 - |z|^{2a}}{a} \left| \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} \right| \\ & \leq \begin{cases} \frac{2}{a} \sum_{i=1}^n [|\gamma_i| (1 - \delta_i) + |\zeta_i|], & \text{if } 0 < a < \frac{1}{2} \\ 4 \sum_{i=1}^n [|\gamma_i| (1 - \delta_i) + |\zeta_i|], & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < a < \infty. \end{cases} \quad (22) \\ & \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$. Applying Lemma 2 for the function $h(z)$, we prove that $B_\beta(z) \in \mathcal{S}$. $\square$

Letting $n = 1$, $\delta_1 = \delta$, $\gamma_1 = \gamma$, $\zeta_1 = \zeta$, and $f_1 = f$ in Theorem 7, we obtain the following corollary.

Corollary 8. Let $f(z) \in \mathcal{B}(\delta)$; $0 \leq \delta < 1$ and $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}$. Also, let $\alpha, \gamma, \zeta \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) = a > 0$. If

$$|\gamma| (1 - \delta) + |\zeta| \leq \min \left\{ \frac{a}{2}; \frac{1}{4} \right\}, \quad (23)$$

then the integral operator $B_{\beta, \gamma, \zeta}(z)$ defined by

$$B_{\beta, \gamma, \zeta}(z) = \left[\beta \int_0^z t^{\beta-1} \left(\frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\gamma p^\zeta(t) dt \right]^{1/\beta} \quad (24)$$

is in the class $\mathcal{S}$.

If we set $\delta = 0$ in Corollary 8, we have the following.

Corollary 9. Let $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}$ and $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}$. Also, let $\alpha, \gamma, \zeta \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) = a > 0$. If

$$|\gamma| + |\zeta| \leq \min \left\{ \frac{a}{2}; \frac{1}{4} \right\}, \quad (25)$$

then the integral operator $B_{\beta, \gamma, \zeta}(z)$ defined by (24) is in the class $\mathcal{S}$.

Next, we prove the following theorem.

Theorem 10. Let $f_i(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies $\operatorname{Re}(f_i(z)/z) > 0$, and

$$\left| (\gamma_i + \zeta_i) \left(\frac{zf'_i(z)}{f_i(z)} - 1 \right) \right| \leq \frac{(2a+1)^{(2a+1)/2a}}{2n}, \quad (26)$$

for all $i = 1, \dots, n$, where $\gamma_i, \zeta_i, \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) = a > 0$, then the integral operator $B_\beta(z)$ defined by (3) is in the class $\mathcal{S}$.

Proof. Suppose that $\operatorname{Re}(f_i(z)/z) > 0$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$. Thus, we have

$$\frac{f_i(z)}{z} = p_i(z), \quad (27)$$

where $p_i(z) \in \mathcal{P}$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$. Differentiating both sides of (27) logarithmically, we obtain

$$\frac{zf'_i(z)}{f_i(z)} - 1 = \frac{zp'_i(z)}{p_i(z)}, \quad (i = 1, \dots, n). \quad (28)$$

Define the regular function $h(z)$ as in (15). Thus from (28) and (17), we have

$$\frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} = \sum_{i=1}^n [\gamma_i + \zeta_i] \left(\frac{zf'_i(z)}{f_i(z)} - 1 \right), \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \quad (29)$$

Form the hypothesis (26) and (29), we immediately have

$$\left| \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{(2a+1)^{(2a+1)/2a}}{2}, \quad (30)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$. Applying Lemma 6, we obtain

$$\left| \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{(2a+1)^{(2a+1)/2a}}{2} |z|, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \quad (31)$$

Thus from (29) and (31) we have,

$$\frac{1 - |z|^{2a}}{a} \left| \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{|z| (1 - |z|^{2a})}{a} \cdot \frac{(2a+1)^{(2a+1)/2a}}{2}, \quad (32)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$. Let us denote $|z| = x$, $x \in [0, 1]$, $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) = a > 0$, and $\Psi(x) = x(1 - x^{2a})$. It is easy to prove that the maximum is attained at the point $x = 1/(2a+1)^{1/2a}$, and thus we have

$$\Psi(x) \leq \frac{2a}{(2a+1)^{(2a+1)/2a}}. \quad (33)$$

In view of this inequality and (32), we obtain

$$\frac{1 - |z|^{2a}}{a} \left| \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} \right| \leq 1 \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}). \quad (34)$$

Applying Lemma 2 for the function $h(z)$, we prove that $B_\beta(z) \in \mathcal{S}$. $\square$

Letting $n = 1$, $\gamma_1 = \gamma$, $\zeta_1 = \zeta$, and $f_1 = f$ in Theorem 10, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 11. Let $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies $\operatorname{Re}(f(z)/z) > 0$, and

$$\left| (\gamma + \zeta) \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right| \leq \frac{(2a+1)^{(2a+1)/2a}}{2}, \quad (35)$$

where $\gamma, \zeta, \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) = a > 0$, then the integral operator $B_{\beta, \gamma, \zeta}(z)$ defined by (24) is in the class $\mathcal{S}$.

Using Lemma 3, we derive the following theorem.

Theorem 12. Suppose that each of the functions $f_i(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies $\operatorname{Re}((f_i(z))/z) > 0$, and

$$\left| (\gamma_i + \zeta_i) \left(\frac{zf'_i(z)}{f_i(z)} - 1 \right) \right| \leq \frac{|\beta|}{n} (1 - |c|), \quad (36)$$

for all $i = 1, \dots, n$, where $\gamma_i, \zeta_i, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ ($\operatorname{Re}(\beta) > 0$) and $c \in \mathbb{C}$ ($|c| < 1$), then the integral operator $B_\beta(z)$ defined by (3) is in the class $\mathcal{S}$.

Proof. From (29), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| c|z|^{2\beta} + \left(1 - |z|^{2\beta}\right) \frac{zh''(z)}{\beta h'(z)} \right| \\ &= \left| c|z|^{2\beta} + \frac{(1 - |z|^{2\beta})}{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^n (\gamma_i + \zeta_i) \left(\frac{zf'_i(z)}{f_i(z)} - 1 \right) \right| \\ &\leq |c| + \frac{1}{|\beta|} \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i + \zeta_i| \left| \frac{zf'_i(z)}{f_i(z)} - 1 \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Now by using the hypothesis (36), we obtain

$$\left| c|z|^{2\beta} + \left(1 - |z|^{2\beta}\right) \frac{zh''(z)}{\beta h'(z)} \right| \leq 1. \quad (38)$$

Finally, by applying Lemma 3, we conclude that $B_\beta(z) \in \mathcal{S}$. $\square$

Letting $n = 1$, $\gamma_1 = \gamma$, $\zeta_1 = \zeta$, and $f_1 = f$ in Theorem 12, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 13. Suppose that the functions $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfy $\operatorname{Re}(f(z)/z) > 0$, and

$$\left| (\gamma + \zeta) \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right| \leq |\beta| (1 - |c|), \quad (39)$$

where $\gamma, \zeta, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ ($\operatorname{Re}(\beta) > 0$) and $c \in \mathbb{C}$ ($|c| < 1$), then the integral operator $B_{\beta, \gamma, \zeta}(z)$ defined by (24) is in the class $\mathcal{S}$.

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