

## UNIVALENCE OF AN INTEGRAL OPERATOR

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**Abstract.** In this paper we consider the class of univalent functions defined by the condition  $\left| \frac{z^2 f'(z)}{f^2(z)} - 1 \right| < 1$ ,  $z \in U$ , where  $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$ , is an analytic function in the unit disc  $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . We present univalence conditions for the operator

$$G_{\alpha,n}(z) = \left( (n(\alpha-1)+1) \int_0^z g_1^{\alpha-1}(t) \dots g_n^{\alpha-1}(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{n(\alpha-1)+1}}.$$

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $U$  be the unit disc,  $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Denote by  $H(U)$  the class of analytic functions on  $U$  and consider the set of analytic functions

$$A_n = \{f \in H(U) : f(z) = z + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots\}.$$

If  $n = 1$  then  $A_1 = A$ . Let  $S$  be the class of analytic and univalent functions  $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$  in  $U$ , which satisfy the condition  $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ . In their paper [2], Ozaki and Nunokawa proved the following result:

**THEOREM 1.** *If  $f \in A$  satisfies the condition*

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

*then  $f$  is univalent in  $U$ .*

**LEMMA 1.** (The Schwartz Lemma) *Let  $g$  be analytic in the unit disc  $U$  and  $g(0) = 0$ . If  $|g(z)| \leq 1, \forall z \in U$ , then  $|g(z)| \leq |z|, \forall z \in U$  and the equality holds if and only if  $g(z) = \varepsilon z$ , where  $|\varepsilon| = 1$ .*

**THEOREM 2.** [3] *Let  $\alpha$  be a complex number with  $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$ , and let  $f = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$  be an analytic function on  $U$ . If*

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

*then for any complex number  $\beta$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \beta \geq \operatorname{Re} \alpha$  the function*

$$F_\beta(z) = \left( \beta \int_0^z t^{\beta-1} f'(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{\beta}} = z + \dots$$

is analytic and univalent in  $U$ .

**THEOREM 3.** [4] Assume that  $g \in A$  satisfies the condition (1), and let  $\alpha$  be a complex number with  $|\alpha - 1| \leq \frac{\operatorname{Re} \alpha}{3}$ . If  $|g(z)| \leq 1, \forall z \in U$ , then the function

$$G_\alpha(z) = \left( \alpha \int_0^z g^{\alpha-1}(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$$

is of class  $S$ .

Hamada [1] showed that Theorem 3 is easily obtained by the Schwarz lemma and gave a generalization as follows:

**THEOREM 4.** Let  $M \geq 1$ . Let  $g \in A$  satisfy the condition (1) and  $\alpha$  be a complex number such that  $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$  and  $|\alpha - 1| \leq |\alpha| / (2M + 1)$ . If  $|g(z)| \leq M$  for all  $z \in U$ , then the function

$$I_\alpha(z) = \left[ \alpha \int_0^z g^{\alpha-1}(t) dt \right]^{1/\alpha}$$

is in the class  $S$ .

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**THEOREM 5.** Let  $M \geq 1$ ,  $g_i \in A, \forall i = \overline{1, n}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , satisfy the properties

$$\left| \frac{z^2 g_i'(z)}{g_i^2(z)} - 1 \right| < 1, \quad \forall z \in U, \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ , with,  $\operatorname{Re}\{n(\alpha - 1) + 1\} \geq \operatorname{Re} \alpha$ , and  $|\alpha - 1| \leq \frac{\operatorname{Re} \alpha}{n(2M+1)}$ . If  $|g_i(z)| \leq M, \forall z \in U, \forall i = \overline{1, n}$ , then the function

$$(2) \quad G_{\alpha,n}(z) = \left( (n(\alpha - 1) + 1) \int_0^z g_1^{\alpha-1}(t) \dots g_n^{\alpha-1}(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{n(\alpha-1)+1}}$$

is univalent.

*Proof.* From (2) we have:

$$G_{\alpha,n}(z) = \left( (n(\alpha - 1) + 1) \int_0^z t^{n(\alpha-1)} \left( \frac{g_1(t)}{t} \right)^{\alpha-1} \dots \left( \frac{g_n(t)}{t} \right)^{\alpha-1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{n(\alpha-1)+1}}.$$

We consider the function

$$(3) \quad f(z) = \int_0^z \left( \frac{g_1(t)}{t} \right)^{\alpha-1} \dots \left( \frac{g_n(t)}{t} \right)^{\alpha-1} dt.$$

Then  $f \in A$  and from (3) we obtain

$$f'(z) = \left( \frac{g_1(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \cdots \left( \frac{g_n(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} f''(z) &= (\alpha - 1) \left( \frac{g_1(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-2} \frac{zg'_1(z) - g_1(z)}{z^2} \left( \frac{g_2(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \cdots \left( \frac{g_n(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \\ &\quad + \cdots + \left( \frac{g_1(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \cdots \left( \frac{g_{n-1}(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} (\alpha - 1) \left( \frac{g_n(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-2} \frac{zg'_n(z) - g_n(z)}{z^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Next we calculate the expression  $\frac{zf''}{f'}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} &= \frac{z \left( (\alpha - 1) \left( \frac{g_1(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-2} \frac{zg'_1(z) - g_1(z)}{z^2} \left( \frac{g_2(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \cdots \left( \frac{g_n(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \right)}{\left( \frac{g_1(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \cdots \left( \frac{g_n(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1}} \\ &\quad + \cdots + \frac{z \left( \left( \frac{g_1(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \cdots \left( \frac{g_{n-1}(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} (\alpha - 1) \left( \frac{g_n(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-2} \frac{zg'_n(z) - g_n(z)}{z^2} \right)}{\left( \frac{g_1(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \cdots \left( \frac{g_n(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1}} \\ &= (\alpha - 1) \left( \frac{zg'_1(z) - 1}{g_1(z)} \right) + \cdots + (\alpha - 1) \left( \frac{zg'_n(z) - 1}{g_n(z)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The modulus  $\left| \frac{zf''}{f'} \right|$  can then be evaluated as

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \quad \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| &= \left| (\alpha - 1) \left( \frac{zg'_1(z) - 1}{g_1(z)} \right) + \cdots + (\alpha - 1) \left( \frac{zg'_n(z) - 1}{g_n(z)} \right) \right| \\ &\leq \left| (\alpha - 1) \left( \frac{zg'_1(z) - 1}{g_1(z)} \right) \right| + \cdots + \left| (\alpha - 1) \left( \frac{zg'_n(z) - 1}{g_n(z)} \right) \right| \\ &= |\alpha - 1| \left| \frac{zg'_1(z) - 1}{g_1(z)} \right| + \cdots + |\alpha - 1| \left| \frac{zg'_n(z) - 1}{g_n(z)} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

By multiplying the first and the last terms of (4) by  $\frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} > 0$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (5) \quad \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| &\leq \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} |\alpha - 1| \left( \left| \frac{zg'_1(z)}{g_1(z)} \right| + 1 \right) \\ &\quad + \cdots + \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} |\alpha - 1| \left( \left| \frac{zg'_n(z)}{g_n(z)} \right| + 1 \right) \\ &\leq |\alpha - 1| \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \left( \left| \frac{z^2g'_1(z)}{g_1^2(z)} \right| \frac{|g_1(z)|}{|z|} + 1 \right) \\ &\quad + \cdots + |\alpha - 1| \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \left( \left| \frac{z^2g'_n(z)}{g_n^2(z)} \right| \frac{|g_n(z)|}{|z|} + 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

By applying the Schwartz Lemma and using (5), we obtain

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| &\leq |\alpha-1| \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \left( \left| \frac{z^2g'_1(z)}{g_1^2(z)} - 1 \right| M + M + 1 \right) \\ &+ \cdots + |\alpha-1| \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \left( \left| \frac{z^2g'_n(z)}{g_n^2(z)} - 1 \right| M + M + 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $g_i$  satisfies the condition (1)  $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , then from (6) we obtain:

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| &\leq (2M+1)|\alpha-1| \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \\ &+ \cdots + (2M+1)|\alpha-1| \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \leq \frac{(2M+1)|\alpha-1|}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \\ &+ \cdots + \frac{(2M+1)|\alpha-1|}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} = \frac{n(2M+1)|\alpha-1|}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

However  $|\alpha-1| \leq \frac{\operatorname{Re}\alpha}{n(2M+1)}$  so from (7) we obtain that  $\frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re}\alpha}}{\operatorname{Re}\alpha} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq 1$ , for all  $z \in U$  and Theorem 2 implies that  $G_{\alpha,n}$  is in the class  $S$ .  $\square$

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let  $M \geq 1$ ,  $g \in A$  satisfy (1) and let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  be such that  $\operatorname{Re}\{k(\alpha-1)+1\} \geq \operatorname{Re}\alpha$  and  $|\alpha-1| \leq \frac{\operatorname{Re}\alpha}{k(2M+1)}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . If  $|g(z)| \leq M, \forall z \in U$ , then the function*

$$G_{\alpha}^k(z) = \left( (k(\alpha-1)+1) \int_0^z g^{k(\alpha-1)}(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{k(\alpha-1)+1}}$$

is univalent.

**REMARK 1.** Theorem 5 and Corollary 1 are generalizations of Theorem 3.

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