

INTEGRAL OPERATORS WHICH PRESERVE THE SUBORDINATION

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Abstract: In this paper we find several conditions which imply that the integral operator given by formula (3) preserves the subordination. Our Theorem generalizes previous results of papers [4] and [6].

Let $H = H(U)$ denote the class of analytic functions in the unit disc U . For a positive integer n let $A_n = \{f \in H; f(z) = z + a_{n+1}z^{n+1} + a_{n+2}z^{n+2} + \dots\}$. Let f and g be analytic in U . We say that f is subordinate to g , written $f(z) \prec g(z)$, if g is univalent in U , $f(0) = g(0)$ and $f(U) \subseteq g(U)$. Let $D = \{\varphi | \varphi \text{ analytic in } U, \varphi(z) \neq 0, z \in U, \varphi(0) = 1\}$, and let $B = \{h \in H(U) : h(0) = 0, h'(0) = 1, h(z) \neq 0 \text{ when } z \in U \setminus \{0\} \text{ and } h'(z) \neq 0, z \in U\}$.

In [4] the author determines conditions under which

$$(1) \quad f \prec g \quad \text{implies} \quad A_h(f) \prec A_h(g),$$

where $h \in B$, $\tilde{K} \subset H(U)$, $A_h : \tilde{K} \rightarrow H(U)$, $A_h(f) = F$ and

$$(2) \quad F(z) = \left[\beta \int_0^z f^\beta(t) h^{-1}(t) h'(t) dt \right]^{1/\beta}.$$

In this paper we consider the integral operator $I : A_n \rightarrow A_n$, $I(f) = F$, where

$$(3) \quad F(z) = \left[\frac{\beta}{\phi(z)} \int_0^z f^\beta(t) \varphi(t) t^{-1} dt \right]^{1/\beta}$$

with $\operatorname{Re} \beta > 0$, $\varphi, \phi \in D$. We determine conditions such that an implication similar to (1) holds for this operator.

1. Preliminaries

Let α be a real number satisfying $|\alpha| < \pi/2$. A function $f \in A_n$ is α -spirallike if

$$\operatorname{Re} [e^{i\alpha} z f'(z)/f(z)] > 0.$$

It is well-known that if f is α -spirallike, then it is univalent. If $\varphi \in D$ let K_φ denote the class of all functions from A_n which satisfy the following condition

$$(4) \quad \beta \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{z \varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)} \prec Q_{\beta,n}(z),$$

where $Q_{\beta,n}(z)$ are the well-known "open door" functions which map the unit disc on the complex plane slit along the half lines $\operatorname{Re} w = 0$, $|\operatorname{Im} w| > C_n$, where

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

Lemma 1. Let $\phi, \varphi \in D$. Let β be a complex number with $\operatorname{Re} \beta > 0$ and $f \in A_n$. Suppose that

$$\beta \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{z \varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)} \prec Q_{\beta,n}(z).$$

If $F = I(f)$ is defined by formula (3), then $F \in A_n$, $F(z)/z \neq 0$ for $z \in U$.

A more general form of this Lemma can be found in [5].

Lemma 2. Let $\Psi_n\{\beta\}$ denote the set of functions $\psi : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with the following property: $\operatorname{Re} \psi(\rho, \sigma) \leq 0$ when $\rho, \sigma \in \mathbb{R}$, $\sigma \leq -\frac{n}{2} \frac{|\beta - i\rho|^2}{\operatorname{Re} \beta}$, $n \geq 1$. Let $p(z) = \beta + a_{n+1}z^{n+1} + \dots$ be an analytic function in U . If $\psi \in \Psi_n[\beta]$, then $\operatorname{Re} [\psi(p(z), zp'(z))] > 0$ implies $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$.

A more general form of this Lemma can be found in [1] and [2].

A function $L(z, t)$, $z \in U$, $t \geq 0$ is a subordination chain if $L(\cdot, t)$ is analytic and univalent in U for all $t \geq 0$ and $L(z, t_1) \prec L(z, t_2)$, when $0 \leq t_1 < t_2$.

Lemma 3 [3, p.159]. *The function $L(z, t) = a_1(t)z + a_2(t)z^2 + \dots$, with $a_1(t) \neq 0$ for $t \geq 0$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |a_1(t)| = \infty$ is a subordination chain if and only if*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[z \frac{\partial L / \partial z}{\partial L / \partial t} \right] > 0, \quad z \in U, t \geq 0.$$

2. Main results

Theorem. *Let $\varphi, \phi \in D$, let β be a complex number so that $\operatorname{Re} \beta > 0$ and let $f \in K_\varphi$, where*

$$K_\varphi = \left\{ f \in A_n \mid \beta \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)} \prec Q_\beta(z) \right\}.$$

If $g \in A_n$ satisfies

$$(5) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left(\beta \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)} \right) > 0,$$

then

$$(6) \quad (\varphi(z))^{1/\beta} \prec (\varphi(z))^{1/\beta} g(z)$$

implies that

$$(\phi(z))^{1/\beta} I(f)(z) \prec (\phi(z))^{1/\beta} I(g)(z),$$

where $I(f) = F$ and F is given by formula (3).

Proof. We denote $g_1(z) = (\varphi(z))^{1/\beta} g(z)$ and observe that $g_1(0) = 0$, $g_1'(0) = (\varphi(0))^{1/\beta} g'(0) = (\varphi(0))^{1/\beta} \neq 0$ and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\beta \frac{zg_1'(z)}{g_1(z)} \right) = \operatorname{Re} \left(\beta \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)} \right) > 0$$

from which follows that g_1 is a spirallike function, consequently it is univalent.

Let denote $G(z) = I(g)(z)$ and $F(z) = I(f)(z)$. If we take the logarithmical derivative of (2) we obtain that

$$(7) \quad \frac{\beta zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} + \frac{z \left[\beta \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} \right]'}{\beta \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)}} = \beta \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)}.$$

Let denote

$$P(z) = \beta \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)}, \quad P(0) = \beta.$$

From (5) and the conditions (3) it follows that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(P(z) + \frac{zP'(z)}{P(z)} \right) > 0,$$

from which, according to Lemma 1 we obtain that $\operatorname{Re} P(z) > 0$. If we set $G_1(z) = (\phi(z))^{1/\beta} G(z)$, then $G_1(0) = 0$, $G_1'(0) \neq 0$ and

$$\operatorname{Re} \beta \frac{zG_1'(z)}{G_1(z)} = \operatorname{Re} \left(\beta \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} \right) > 0,$$

from which we conclude that G_1 is a spirallike function, consequently it is univalent. From (3) we obtain that

$$g_1(z) = g(z)\varphi^{1/\beta}(z) = \frac{G(z)\phi^{1/\beta}(z)}{\beta^{1/\beta}} \left[\beta \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} \right]^{1/\beta}.$$

Let

$$L(z, t) = (1+t)^{1/\beta} \frac{G(z)\phi^{1/\beta}(z)}{(\beta+\gamma)^{1/\beta}} \left[\beta \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} \right]^{1/\beta}.$$

By a simple computation we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} z \frac{\partial L / \partial z}{\partial L / \partial t} &= (1+t) \left[\beta \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} + \frac{z \left[\beta \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} \right]'}{\beta \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)}} \right] = \\ &= (1+t) \left(\beta \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

and according to condition (3), it follows that $\operatorname{Re} z \frac{\partial L / \partial z}{\partial L / \partial t} > 0$. Taking into account that

$$L(z, t) = a_1(t)z + \dots, \quad G'(0) \neq 0$$

it follows that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |a_1(t)| = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\partial L(0, t)}{\partial t} \right| = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (1+t)^{1/\beta} |G'(0)| = \infty.$$

According to Lemma 3 we obtain that $L(z, t)$ is a subordination chain i.e. $L(z, s) \prec L(z, t)$ when $0 \leq s < t$, $z \in U$. Let denote $F_1(z) = \phi^{1/\beta}(z)F(z)$. We can assume that G_1 is regular and univalent on the closed disc \bar{U} . If not, then we can replace $F(z)$ by $F_{1r}(z) = F_1(rz)$ and $G_1(z)$ by $G_{1r}(z) = G_1(rz)$ where $0 < r < 1$, and $G_{1r}(z)$ is regular and univalent on \bar{U} . We would then prove $F_{1r}(z) \prec G_{1r}(z)$ for all $0 < r < 1$ and by letting $r \rightarrow 1^-$ we have $F(z) \prec G(z)$. Suppose that F_1 is not subordinate to G_1 ; then there exist $z_0 \in U$ and $\zeta_0 \in \partial U$ such that

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} F_1(z_0) &= G_1(\zeta_0), \quad F_1(|z| < |z_0|) \subset G_1(U), \\ z_0 F_1'(z_0) &= (1+t)\zeta_0 G_1'(\zeta_0), \end{aligned}$$

for more details see paper [2]. Direct computations show that

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} \beta \frac{z F_1'(z)}{F_1(z)} &= \frac{\beta z F'(z) \phi^{1/\beta}(z) + z \phi'(z) \phi^{1/\beta-1}(z) F(z)}{\phi^{1/\beta}(z) F(z)} = \\ &= \beta \frac{z F'(z)}{F(z)} + \frac{z \phi'(z)}{\phi(z)}. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(10) \quad \beta \frac{z G_1'(z)}{G_1(z)} = \beta \frac{z G'(z)}{G(z)} + \frac{z \phi'(z)}{\phi(z)}.$$

If we set $z = z_0$ in (9) and $z = \zeta_0$ in (10), then we deduce from (8) that

$$\beta \frac{z_0 F'(z_0)}{F(z_0)} + \frac{z_0 \phi'(z_0)}{\phi(z_0)} = (1+t) \left[\beta \frac{\zeta_0 G'(\zeta_0)}{G(\zeta_0)} + \frac{\zeta_0 \phi'(\zeta_0)}{\phi(\zeta_0)} \right], \quad t \geq 0.$$

Because

$$g_1(z) = L(z, 0) \prec L(z, t) \quad \text{for } t \geq 0$$

we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(z_0) &= (\varphi(z_0))^{1/\beta} f(z_0) = \frac{F(z_0)(\phi(z_0))^{1/\beta}}{\beta^{1/\beta}} \left[\beta \frac{z F'(z)}{F(z)} + \frac{z \phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} \right]^{1/\beta} = \\ &= \frac{G(\zeta_0)(\phi(\zeta_0))^{1/\beta}}{\beta^{1/\beta}} \left[(1+t) \left(\beta \frac{\zeta_0 G'(\zeta_0)}{G(\zeta_0)} + \frac{\zeta_0 \phi'(\zeta_0)}{\phi(\zeta_0)} \right) \right]^{1/\beta} = L(\zeta_0, t) \notin g_1(U) \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts the assumption $f_1(z) \prec g_1(z)$, hence $F_1(z) \prec G_1(z)$. \diamond

For $\varphi = \phi = 1$ we obtain the following:

Corollary 1. *If β is a complex number with $\text{Re } \beta > 0$,*

$$f \in K_1 = \left\{ f \mid f \in A_n, \beta \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \prec Q_\beta(z) \right\}$$

and $g \in A_n$ with $\text{Re} \left(\frac{\beta z g'(z)}{g(z)} \right) > 0$ (i.e. g is spirallike), then $f(z) \prec g(z)$ implies that

$$\left(\beta \int_0^z f^\beta(t) t^{-1} dt \right)^{1/\beta} \prec \left(\beta \int_0^z g^\beta(t) t^{-1} dt \right)^{1/\beta}.$$

The implication of Cor. 1 was proved in [6], Th. 1 under more restrictive conditions for β and f , namely: $\beta > 0$ and $\text{Re} \left(\frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > 0$.

Example 1. Let $g(z) = z/(1+\lambda z)$, where $|\lambda| = 1$. In this case $\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} = \frac{1}{1+\lambda z}$, consequently $\operatorname{Re} \beta \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} > 0$, for all $\beta > 0$. That in this case in account to Cor. 1 if $f \in K_1$ and $f(z) \prec \frac{z}{1+\lambda z}$, $\beta > 0$ then

$$\left(\beta \int_0^1 f^\beta(t)t^{-1} dt \right)^{1/\beta} \prec \left(\beta \int_0^1 \frac{t^{\beta-1}}{(1+\lambda t)^\beta} dz \right)^{1/\beta}$$

If we take $\beta = 1$, then this subordination reduces to the following result

$$\int_0^z f(t)t^{-1} dt \prec \frac{1}{\lambda} \ln(1+\lambda z).$$

For $\lambda = 1$ we have $f(z) \prec \frac{z}{1+z}$ (i.e. $\operatorname{Re} f(z) < \frac{1}{2}$) and $f \in K_1$, so that

$$\int_0^z f(t)t^{-1} dt \prec \ln(1+z) = w(z).$$

Because $w(U)$ is the strip in the complex plane given by $|\operatorname{Im} w| < \frac{\pi}{2}$, this result is equivalent with the following: if $f \in K_1$ and $\operatorname{Re} f(z) < \frac{1}{2}$ then

$$\left| \operatorname{Im} \int_0^z f(t)t^{-1} dt \right| < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Example 2. Let $g(z) = Mz$, where $M \in \mathbb{C}^*$, then for $\beta > 0$

$$\operatorname{Re} \beta \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} = \beta > 0.$$

In this case according to Cor. 1 if $f \in K_1$ and $f(z) \prec Mz$ (i.e. $|f(z)| < |M|$) then

$$\left(\beta \int_0^z f^\beta(t)t^{-1} dt \right)^{1/\beta} \prec \left(\beta \int_0^z (Mt)^\beta t^{-1} dt \right)^{1/\beta} = Mz$$

i.e.

$$\left| \left(\int_0^z f^\beta(t)t^{-1} dt \right)^{1/\beta} \right| < \frac{|M|}{\beta^{1/\beta}}.$$

Let h be a function from B , then

$$f(z) = \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} \in D.$$

If in formula (3) we let $\phi = 1$ and $\varphi(z) = \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)}$, then

$$A_h(f)(z) = F(z) = \left(\beta \int_0^z f^\beta(t) \frac{h'(t)}{h(t)} dt \right)^{1/\beta},$$

and on account of Th.1 we obtain the following corollary.

Corollary 2. Let β be a complex number with $\operatorname{Re} \beta > 0$. Let h be a function from B and let f be a function from A_n so that

$$\beta \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} + 1 - \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} \prec Q_\beta(z), \quad z \in U$$

and let g be a function from A_n so that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\beta \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} + 1 - \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} \right) > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

Then

$$(11) \quad \left(\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} \right)^{1/\beta} f(z) \prec \left(\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} \right)^{1/\beta} g(z), \quad z \in U$$

implies that $A_h(f)(z) \prec A_h(g)(z)$.

For β real, $\beta > 0$ the author of paper [4] established other conditions under which conclusion (11) is also true.

3. Particular cases

1) If we take $h(z) = ze^{\lambda z}$, $|\lambda| \leq 1$, then

$$\frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} + 1 - \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} = \frac{\lambda z}{1 + \lambda z}.$$

Example 3. Let β complex number with $\operatorname{Re} \beta > 0$. If f and g are functions from A_n so that

$$\beta \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{\lambda z}{1 + \lambda z} \prec Q_\beta(z), \quad z \in U$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\beta \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{\lambda z}{1 + \lambda z} \right) > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

Then

$$(1 + \lambda z)^{1/\beta} f(z) \prec (1 + \lambda z)^{1/\beta} g(z)$$

implies that

$$\left[\beta \int_0^z f^\beta(t) \frac{1 + \lambda t}{t} dt \right]^{1/\beta} \prec \left[\beta \int_0^z g^\beta(t) \frac{1 + \lambda t}{t} dt \right]^{1/\beta}.$$

2) If we consider

$$h(z) = z \exp \int_0^z \frac{e^{\lambda t} - 1}{t} dt, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C},$$

then $h(0) = 0$ and $h(z) \neq 0$ when $0 < |z| < 1$ and $h'(z) = e^{\lambda z} \frac{h(z)}{z}$ which implies that $h'(z) \neq 0$ in U , $h'(0) = 1$, consequently $h \in B$. A simple computation yields that $\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} = e^{\lambda z}$ and

$$1 + \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} - \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} = \lambda z.$$

Example 4. Let $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$, $\operatorname{Re} \beta > 0$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, and let f and g two functions from A_n so that

$$\beta \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \lambda z \prec Q_\beta(z), \quad z \in U$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\beta \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \lambda z \right) > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

Then

$$(e^{\lambda z})^{1/\beta} f(z) \prec (e^{\lambda z})^{1/\beta} g(z)$$

implies

$$\left(\beta \int_0^z f^\beta(t) \frac{e^{\lambda t}}{t} dt \right)^{1/\beta} \prec \left(\beta \int_0^z g^\beta(t) \frac{e^{\lambda t}}{t} dt \right)^{1/\beta}.$$

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