



## On an integral operator

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper we derive some criteria for univalence of a general integral operator for analytic functions in the open unit disk.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the class of functions  $f(z)$  which are analytic in the open unit disk

$$\mathcal{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\} \quad \text{and} \quad f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0.$$

We denote by  $\mathcal{S}$  the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of functions  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  which are univalent in  $\mathcal{U}$ .

Miller and Mocanu [1] have considered the integral operator  $M_\alpha$  given by

$$M_\alpha(z) = \left\{ \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_0^z (f(u))^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} u^{-1} du \right\}^\alpha, \quad z \in \mathcal{U} \quad (1.1)$$

for functions  $f(z)$  belonging to the class  $\mathcal{A}$  and for some complex numbers  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \neq 0$ . It is well known that  $M_\alpha(z) \in \mathcal{S}$  for  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*$  and  $\alpha > 0$ , where  $\mathcal{S}^*$  denotes the subclass of  $\mathcal{S}$  consisting of all starlike functions  $f(z)$  in  $\mathcal{U}$ .

In this paper we consider the integral operator denoted by  $J_{\gamma,\beta}$ , for  $\gamma, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  defined by

$$J_{\gamma,\beta}(z) = \left\{ \frac{1}{\gamma} \int_0^z u^{-\beta} (f(u))^{\frac{1}{\gamma} + \beta - 1} du \right\}^\gamma, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \quad (1.2)$$

From (1.2), for  $\beta = 1$  and  $\gamma = \alpha$  we obtain the integral operator  $M_\alpha(z)$ .

If  $\frac{1}{\gamma} = 1$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{C} - \{0, 1\}$ , from (1.2) we obtain the integral operator

$$K_\beta(z) = \int_0^z \left( \frac{f(u)}{u} \right)^\beta du, \quad z \in \mathcal{U} \quad (1.3)$$

which is the integral operator Kim–Merkes [2].

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From (1.2), for  $\frac{1}{\gamma} = 1$  and  $\beta = 1$  we obtain the integral operator Alexander define by

$$J_{1,1}(z) = \int_0^z \frac{f(u)}{u} du. \quad (1.4)$$

If  $\beta = 0$ , from (1.2) we obtain the integral operator define by

$$J_{\gamma,0}(z) = \left\{ \frac{1}{\gamma} \int_0^z (f(u))^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-1} du \right\}^{\gamma}. \quad (1.5)$$

## 2. Preliminary results

To discuss our problems for univalence of integral operator  $J_{\gamma,\beta}$  we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1** ([3]). Let  $\alpha$  be a complex number with  $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$  and  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ . If  $f(z)$  satisfies

$$\frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq 1 \quad (2.1)$$

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

$$F_{\alpha}(z) = \left\{ \alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} f'(u) du \right\}^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \quad (2.2)$$

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

**Lemma 2.2** (Schwarz [4]). Let  $f(z)$  be the function regular in the disk  $U_R = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < R\}$  with  $|f(z)| < M$ ,  $M$  fixed. If  $f(z)$  has in  $z = 0$  one zero with multiplicity greater than  $m$ , then

$$|f(z)| \leq \frac{M}{R^m} |z|^m, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}_R \quad (2.3)$$

the equality (in the inequality (2.3) for  $z \neq 0$ ) can hold only if

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

where  $\theta$  is constant.

**Lemma 2.3** (Caratheodory [5,6]). Let  $f$  be analytic function in  $\mathcal{U}$ , with  $f(0) = 0$ .

If  $f$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} f(z) \leq M \quad (2.4)$$

for some  $M > 0$ , then

$$(1 - |z|) |f(z)| \leq 2M |z|, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \quad (2.5)$$

## 3. Main results

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $\gamma$  be a complex number,  $\operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} > 0$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$ . If

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} \leq \frac{|\gamma| \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}}{4(1 + |\gamma| |\beta - 1|)}, \quad 0 < \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} < 1 \quad (3.1)$$

or

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} \leq \frac{|\gamma|}{4(1 + |\gamma| |\beta - 1|)}, \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \geq 1 \quad (3.2)$$

for all  $z \in \mathcal{U}$ ,  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$ , then the integral operator  $J_{\gamma,\beta}$  is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Proof.** The integral operator  $J_{\gamma,\beta}$  has the form

$$J_{\gamma,\beta}(z) = \left\{ \frac{1}{\gamma} \int_0^z u^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-1} \left( \frac{f(u)}{u} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}+\beta-1} du \right\}^\gamma. \tag{3.3}$$

We consider the function

$$g(z) = \int_0^z \left( \frac{f(u)}{u} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}+\beta-1} du. \tag{3.4}$$

regular in  $\mathcal{U}$ .

We have

$$\frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} = \left( \frac{1}{\gamma} + \beta - 1 \right) \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right). \tag{3.5}$$

Let us consider the function

$$\psi(z) = e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right), \quad z \in U, \theta \in [0, 2\pi] \tag{3.6}$$

and we observe that  $\psi(0) = 0$ .

By (3.1) and Lemma 2.3. for  $\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in (0, 1)$  we obtain

$$|\psi(z)| \leq \frac{|z| |\gamma| \text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}}{2(1-|z|)(1+|\gamma||\beta-1|)}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}, \beta \in \mathbb{C}. \tag{3.7}$$

From (3.2) and Lemma 2.3, for  $\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in [1, \infty)$  we have

$$|\psi(z)| \leq \frac{|z| |\gamma|}{2(1-|z|)(1+|\gamma||\beta-1|)}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}, \beta \in \mathbb{C}. \tag{3.8}$$

From (3.5) and (3.7) we get

$$\frac{1-|z|^{2\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}}}{\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}} \left| \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{(1-|z|^{2\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}}) |z|}{2(1-|z|)}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}, \text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in (0, 1). \tag{3.9}$$

Because  $1-|z|^{2\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}} \leq 1-|z|^2$  for  $\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in (0, 1)$ ,  $z \in \mathcal{U}$ , from (3.9) we have

$$\frac{1-|z|^{2\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}}}{\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}} \left| \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} \right| \leq 1 \tag{3.10}$$

for all  $z \in \mathcal{U}$ ,  $\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in (0, 1)$ .

For  $\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in [1, \infty)$  we have  $\frac{1-|z|^{2\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}}}{\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}} \leq 1-|z|^2$ ,  $z \in \mathcal{U}$  and from (3.5) and (3.8) we obtain

$$\frac{1-|z|^{2\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}}}{\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}} \left| \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} \right| \leq 1 \tag{3.11}$$

for all  $z \in \mathcal{U}$ ,  $\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in [1, \infty)$ .

Using (3.10) and (3.11) by Lemma 2.1. it results that  $J_{\gamma,\beta}$  given by (1.2) is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.** Let  $\gamma$  be a complex number,  $\text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} > 0$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ . If

$$\text{Re} \left\{ e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} \leq \frac{|\gamma| \text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}}{4}, \quad \text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in (0, 1)$$

or

$$\text{Re} \left\{ e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} \leq \frac{|\gamma|}{4}, \quad \text{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in [1, \infty)$$

for all  $z \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ , then the integral operator  $M_\gamma$  define by (1.1) is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Proof.** In Theorem 3.1. we take  $\beta = 1$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $\beta \in \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ . If

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} \leq \frac{1}{4(1+|\beta-1|)}$$

for all  $z \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ , then the integral operator  $K_\beta$  given by (1.3) is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Proof.** For  $\gamma = 1$ , from Theorem 3.1. we obtain Corollary 3.3.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.4.** Let  $\gamma$  be a complex number  $\operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} > 0$  and  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ . If

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} \leq \frac{|\gamma| \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma}}{4(1+|\gamma|)}, \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in (0, 1)$$

or

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} \leq \frac{|\gamma|}{4(1+|\gamma|)}, \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} \in [1, \infty)$$

then the integral operator  $J_{\gamma,0}$  given by (1.5) is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Proof.** In Theorem 3.1. we take  $\beta = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $\gamma$  be a complex number  $a = \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} > 0$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  with the form  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ . If

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| \leq \frac{(2a+1)^{\frac{2a+1}{2a}} |\gamma|}{2(1+|\gamma||\beta-1|)} \quad (3.12)$$

for all  $z \in \mathcal{U}$ , then the integral operator  $J_{\gamma,\beta}$  define by (1.2) is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Proof.** We observe that  $J_{\gamma,\beta}(z)$  has the form (3.3).

Consider the function  $g(z)$  defined in formula (3.4), regular in  $\mathcal{U}$ .

We define the function  $p(z) = \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)}$ ,  $z \in \mathcal{U}$  and we obtain

$$p(z) = \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} = \left( \frac{1}{\gamma} + \beta - 1 \right) \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right). \quad (3.13)$$

From (3.12) and (3.13) we have

$$|p(z)| \leq \frac{(2a+1)^{\frac{2a+1}{2a}}}{2}$$

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

The function  $p$  satisfies the condition  $p(0) = 0$  and applying Lemma 2.2 we obtain

$$|p(z)| \leq \frac{(2a+1)^{\frac{2a+1}{2a}}}{2} |z|, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}. \quad (3.14)$$

From (3.14) we get

$$\frac{1-|z|^{2a}}{a} \left| \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{(2a+1)^{\frac{2a+1}{2a}}}{2} \frac{(1-|z|^{2a})}{a} |z| \quad (3.15)$$

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

Because

$$\max_{|z| \leq 1} \left\{ \frac{1-|z|^{2a}}{a} |z| \right\} = \frac{2}{(2a+1)^{\frac{2a+1}{2a}}}$$

from (3.15) we obtain

$$\frac{1-|z|^{2a}}{a} \left| \frac{zg''(z)}{g'(z)} \right| \leq 1 \quad (3.16)$$

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

From (3.16) and because  $g'(z) = \left(\frac{f(z)}{z}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}+\beta-1}$ , by Lemma 2.1, we obtain that the integral operator  $J_{\gamma,\beta}$  is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.6.** Let  $\gamma$  be a complex number,  $a = \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} > 0$  and  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ . If

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

for all  $z \in \mathcal{U}$ , then the integral operator  $M_\gamma$  given by (1.1) is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Proof.** For  $\beta = 1$ , from Theorem 3.5 we obtain that  $M_\gamma(z)$  is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.7.** Let  $\beta \in \mathbb{C} - \{0, 1\}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ . If

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| \leq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2(1+|\beta-1|)}$$

for all  $z \in \mathcal{U}$ , then the integral operator  $K_\beta$  define by (1.3) belongs to class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Proof.** We take  $\frac{1}{\gamma} = 1$  in Theorem 3.5 and we get  $K_\beta \in \mathcal{S}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.8.** Let the function  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ . If

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| \leq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}$$

then, the integral operator  $J_{1,1}$  define by (1.4) is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Proof.** In Theorem 3.5, we take  $\frac{1}{\gamma} = 1$  and  $\beta = 1$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.9.** Let  $\gamma$  be a complex number  $a = \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\gamma} > 0$  and  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + a_3z^3 + \dots$ . If

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

for all  $z \in \mathcal{U}$ , then the integral operator  $J_{\gamma,0}$  given by (1.5) is in the class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Proof.** For  $\beta = 0$ , from Theorem 3.5 we have  $J_{\gamma,0} \in \mathcal{S}$ .  $\square$

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