

NEW UNIVALENCE CRITERION FOR CERTAIN INTEGRAL OPERATOR

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Dedicated to Professor Petru T. Mocanu on his 70th birthday

Abstract. In this work we prove a new univalence criterion for the analyticity and univalence in the unit disc $U = \{z \in C : |z| < 1\}$ of an integral operator.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let A be the class of the functions f which are analytic in the unit disc and $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$. We denote by S the class of the functions $f \in A$ which are univalent in U .

In the theory of univalent functions an interesting problem is to find those integral operators which preserve the univalence of the class S .

Many authors studied the problem of integral operators which preserve the class S . In this sense, important results are due to Y. J. Kim, E.P. Merkes [1], M. Nunokawa [3] and J. Pfaltzgraff [5].

2. PRELIMINARIES

We will need the following theorem in this paper.

THEOREM A[4]. Let α be a complex number, $Re\alpha > 0$ and $f \in A$.

If

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

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

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$$F_\alpha(z) = \left[\alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} f'(u) du \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \quad (2)$$

is in the class S.

3. MAIN RESULT

THEOREM. Let $g \in S$ and $\alpha = a + bi$ be a complex number and $a \in (0, 4]$. If

$$a^4 + a^2b^2 - 4 \geq 0, a \in \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right) \text{ and } a^2 + b^2 - 16 \geq 0, a \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 4\right] \quad (3)$$

then the function

$$H_\alpha(z) = \left[\alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} \left(\frac{g(u)}{u} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} du \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \quad (4)$$

is in the class S.

Proof. Let us consider the function

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \left(\frac{g(u)}{u} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} du. \quad (5)$$

The function f is regular in U. From (5) we have

$$f'(z) = \left(\frac{g(z)}{z} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}, f''(z) = \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} \left(\frac{g(z)}{z} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-1} \frac{zg'(z) - g(z)}{z^2} \right)$$

and

$$\frac{1 - |z|^{2a}}{a} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{1 - |z|^{2a}}{a\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \left(\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + 1 \right). \quad (6)$$

for all $z \in U$.

From (6) we obtain

$$\frac{1 - |z|^{2a}}{a} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{1 - |z|^{2a}}{a\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \left(\frac{1 + |z|}{1 - |z|} + 1 \right). \quad (7)$$

and hence we get

$$\frac{1 - |z|^{2a}}{a} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{2}{a\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \frac{1 - |z|^{2a}}{1 - |z|} \quad (8)$$

for all $z \in U$.

Let us note $|z| = x$, $x \in (0, 1)$ and $\phi(x) = \frac{1-x^{2a}}{1-x}$, $a > 0$. It easy to prove that

$$\phi(x) \leq \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a \in (0, \frac{1}{2}) \\ 2a & \text{if } a \in [\frac{1}{2}, \infty) \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

Using $a \in (0, 4]$ and the relations (8),(9),(3) we obtain

$$\left(\frac{1 - |z|^{2a}}{a} \right) \left| \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq 1 \quad (10)$$

for all $z \in U$.

From (5) we have $f'(z) = \left(\frac{g(z)}{z} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$ and using (10) by Theorem A it results that the function H_α is in the class S.

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