

**UNIVALENCE CONDITION FOR A NEW GENERALIZATION  
OF THE FAMILY OF INTEGRAL OPERATORS**

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ABSTRACT. In [3], Breaz et al. gave an univalence condition of the integral operator  $G_{n,\alpha}$  introduced in [2]. The purpose of this paper is to generalize the definition of  $G_{n,\alpha}$  by means of the Al-Oboudi differential operator and investigate univalence condition of this generalized integral operator. Our results generalize the results of [3].

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the class of all 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  $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ , and

$$\mathcal{S} = \{f \in \mathcal{A} : f \text{ is univalent in } \mathbb{U}\}.$$

For  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ , Al-Oboudi [1] introduced the following operator:

$$D^0 f(z) = f(z), \quad (2)$$

$$D^1 f(z) = (1 - \delta)f(z) + \delta z f'(z) = D_\delta f(z), \quad \delta \geq 0 \quad (3)$$

$$D^n f(z) = D_\delta(D^{n-1} f(z)), \quad (n \in \mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}). \quad (4)$$

If  $f$  is given by (1), then from (3) and (4) we see that

$$D^n f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [1 + (k-1)\delta]^n a_k z^k, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}), \quad (5)$$

with  $D^n f(0) = 0$ .

**Remark 1.** When  $\delta = 1$ , we get Sălăgean's differential operator [8].

The following results will be required in our investigation.

**Schwarz Lemma** [4]. *Let the analytic function  $f$  be regular in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$  and let  $f(0) = 0$ . If*

$$|f(z)| \leq 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

then

$$|f(z)| \leq |z| \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

where the equality holds true only if

$$f(z) = Kz \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \quad \text{and} \quad |K| = 1.$$

**Theorem A** [6]. *Let*

$$\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \quad (\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0)$$

and

$$c \in \mathbb{C} \quad (|c| \leq 1; c \neq -1).$$

Suppose also that the function  $f(z)$  given by (1) is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$ . If

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

then the function  $F_\alpha(z)$  defined by

$$F_\alpha(z) := \left\{ \alpha \int_0^z t^{\alpha-1} f'(t) dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = z + \dots \quad (6)$$

is analytic and univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ .

**Theorem B** [5]. *Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfy the following inequality:*

$$\left| \frac{z^2 f'(z)}{[f(z)]^2} - 1 \right| \leq 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (7)$$

Then  $f$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ .

**Theorem C** [7]. *Let the function  $g \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies the inequality (7). Also let*

$$\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \quad \left( \alpha \in \left[ 1, \frac{3}{2} \right] \right) \quad \text{and} \quad c \in \mathbb{C}.$$

If

$$|c| \leq \frac{3 - 2\alpha}{\alpha} \quad (c \neq -1)$$

and

$$|g(z)| \leq 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

then the function  $G_\alpha(z)$  defined by

$$G_\alpha(z) := \left\{ \alpha \int_0^z (g(t))^{\alpha-1} dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \quad (8)$$

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

In [2], Breaz and Breaz considered the integral operator

$$G_{n,\alpha}(z) := \left\{ [n(\alpha - 1) + 1] \int_0^z (g_1(t))^{\alpha-1} \cdots (g_n(t))^{\alpha-1} dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{n(\alpha-1)+1}} \quad (g_1, \dots, g_n \in \mathcal{A}) \quad (9)$$

and proved that the function  $G_{n,\alpha}(z)$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ .

**Remark 2.** We note that for  $n = 1$ , we obtain the integral operator in (8).

In [3], Breaz et al. proved the following theorem.

**Theorem D** [3]. *Let  $M \geq 1$  and suppose that each of the functions  $g_j \in \mathcal{A}$  ( $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ) satisfies the inequality (7). Also let*

$$\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \quad \left( \alpha \in \left[ 1, \frac{(2M+1)n}{(2M+1)n-1} \right] \right) \quad \text{and} \quad c \in \mathbb{C}.$$

If

$$|c| \leq 1 + \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} \right) (2M+1)n$$

and

$$|g_j(z)| \leq M \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; j \in \{1, \dots, n\}),$$

then the function  $G_{n,\alpha}(z)$  defined by (9) is in the univalent function class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

Now we introduce a new general integral operator by means of the Al-Oboudi differential operator.

**Definition 1.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ . We define the integral operator  $G_{n,m,\alpha} : \mathcal{A}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  by

$$G_{n,m,\alpha}(z) := \left\{ [n(\alpha - 1) + 1] \int_0^z \prod_{j=1}^n (D^m g_j(t))^{\alpha-1} dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{n(\alpha-1)+1}} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}), \quad (10)$$

where  $g_1, \dots, g_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $D^m$  is the Al-Oboudi differential operator.

**Remark 3.** In the special case  $n = 1$ , we obtain the integral operator

$$G_{m,\alpha}(z) := \left\{ \alpha \int_0^z (D^m g(t))^{\alpha-1} dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (11)$$

**Remark 4.** If we set  $m = 0$  in (10) and (11), then we obtain the integral operators defined in (9) and (8), respectively.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 1.** Let  $M \geq 1$  and suppose that each of the functions  $g_j \in \mathcal{A}$  ( $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ) satisfies the inequality

$$\left| \frac{z^2 (D^m g_j(z))'}{(D^m g_j(z))^2} - 1 \right| \leq 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; m \in \mathbb{N}_0). \quad (12)$$

Also let

$$\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \quad \left( \alpha \in \left[ 1, \frac{(2M+1)n}{(2M+1)n-1} \right] \right) \quad \text{and} \quad c \in \mathbb{C}.$$

If

$$|c| \leq 1 + \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{n(\alpha-1)+1} \right) (2M+1)n$$

and

$$|D^m g_j(z)| \leq M \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; j \in \{1, \dots, n\}),$$

then the integral operator  $G_{n,m,\alpha}(z)$  defined by (10) is in the univalent function class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $g_j \in \mathcal{A}$  ( $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ), by (5), we have

$$\frac{D^m g_j(z)}{z} = 1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [1 + (k-1)\delta]^m a_{k,j} z^{k-1} \quad (m \in \mathbb{N}_0)$$

and

$$\frac{D^m g_j(z)}{z} \neq 0$$

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

Also we note that

$$G_{n,m,\alpha}(z) = \left\{ [n(\alpha-1) + 1] \int_0^z t^{n(\alpha-1)} \prod_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{D^m g_j(t)}{t} \right)^{\alpha-1} dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{n(\alpha-1)+1}}.$$

Define a function

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \prod_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{D^m g_j(t)}{t} \right)^{\alpha-1} dt.$$

Then we obtain

$$f'(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{D^m g_j(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1}. \quad (13)$$

It is clear that  $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ .

The equality (13) implies that

$$\ln f'(z) = (\alpha-1) \sum_{j=1}^n \ln \frac{D^m g_j(z)}{z}$$

or equivalently

$$\ln f'(z) = (\alpha-1) \sum_{j=1}^n (\ln D^m g_j(z) - \ln z).$$

By differentiating above equality, we get

$$\frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = (\alpha - 1) \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{(D^m g_j(z))'}{D^m g_j(z)} - \frac{1}{z} \right).$$

Hence we obtain

$$\frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} = (\alpha - 1) \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{z (D^m g_j(z))'}{D^m g_j(z)} - 1 \right),$$

which readily shows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| c |z|^{2[n(\alpha-1)+1]} + (1 - |z|^{2[n(\alpha-1)+1]}) \frac{z f''(z)}{[n(\alpha-1)+1] f'(z)} \right| \\ &= \left| c |z|^{2[n(\alpha-1)+1]} + (1 - |z|^{2[n(\alpha-1)+1]}) \left( \frac{\alpha-1}{n(\alpha-1)+1} \right) \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{z (D^m g_j(z))'}{D^m g_j(z)} - 1 \right) \right| \\ &\leq |c| + \left( \frac{\alpha-1}{n(\alpha-1)+1} \right) \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \left| \frac{z^2 (D^m g_j(z))'}{(D^m g_j(z))^2} \right| \left| \frac{D^m g_j(z)}{z} \right| + 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

From the hypothesis, we have  $|g_j(z)| \leq M$  ( $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ;  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ), then by the Schwarz lemma, we obtain that

$$|g_j(z)| \leq M |z| \quad (j \in \{1, \dots, n\}; z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Then we find

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| c |z|^{2[n(\alpha-1)+1]} + (1 - |z|^{2[n(\alpha-1)+1]}) \frac{z f''(z)}{[n(\alpha-1)+1] f'(z)} \right| \\ &\leq |c| + \left( \frac{\alpha-1}{n(\alpha-1)+1} \right) \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \left| \frac{z^2 (D^m g_j(z))'}{(D^m g_j(z))^2} \right| M + 1 \right) \\ &\leq |c| + \left( \frac{\alpha-1}{n(\alpha-1)+1} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \left| \frac{z^2 (D^m g_j(z))'}{(D^m g_j(z))^2} - 1 \right| M + M + 1 \right) \\ &\leq |c| + \left( \frac{\alpha-1}{n(\alpha-1)+1} \right) (2M + 1)n \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

since  $|c| \leq 1 + \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{n(\alpha-1)+1} \right) (2M + 1)n$ . Applying Theorem A, we obtain that  $G_{n,m,\alpha}$  is in the univalent function class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Remark 5.** If we set  $m = 0$  in Theorem 1, then we have Theorem D.

**Corollary 2.** *Let each of the functions  $g_j \in \mathcal{A}$  ( $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ) satisfies the inequality (12). Suppose also that*

$$\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \quad \left( \alpha \in \left[ 1, \frac{3n}{3n-1} \right] \right) \quad \text{and} \quad c \in \mathbb{C}.$$

If

$$|c| \leq 1 + 3 \left( \frac{1 - \alpha}{n(\alpha - 1) + 1} \right) n$$

and

$$|D^m g_j(z)| \leq 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; j \in \{1, \dots, n\}),$$

then the integral operator  $G_{n,m,\alpha}(z)$  defined by (10) is in the univalent function class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

*Proof.* In Theorem 1, we consider  $M = 1$ .

**Remark 6.** If we set  $m = 0$  in Corollary 2, then we have Corollary 1 in [3].

**Corollary 3.** *Let  $M \geq 1$  and suppose that the functions  $g \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies the inequality (12). Also let*

$$\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \quad \left( \alpha \in \left[ 1, \frac{2M+1}{2M} \right] \right) \quad \text{and} \quad c \in \mathbb{C}.$$

If

$$|c| \leq 1 + \left( \frac{1 - \alpha}{\alpha} \right) (2M + 1)$$

and

$$|D^m g(z)| \leq M \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

then the integral operator  $G_{m,\alpha}(z)$  defined by (11) is in the univalent function class  $\mathcal{S}$ .

*Proof.* In Theorem 1, we consider  $n = 1$ .

**Remark 7.** If we set  $m = 0$  in Corollary 3, then we have Corollary 2 in [3].

**Remark 8.** If we set  $M = n = 1$  and  $m = 0$  in Theorem 1, then we obtain Theorem C.

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