

# SOME CONVEXITY PROPERTIES FOR A GENERAL INTEGRAL OPERATOR

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**ABSTRACT.** *In the present article, we consider some subclasses of analytic functions of complex order. By using three different methods we study the mapping properties of these classes under an integral operator.*

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $A(n)$  denote the class of functions  $f(z)$  analytic in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  and of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (p \in \mathbb{N}). \quad (1.1)$$

In particular,  $A(1) = A$ . By  $\mathcal{S}^*(n, b)$  and  $\mathcal{C}(n, b)$ , ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ ), we mean the subclasses of  $A(n)$  which are defined, respectively, by

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} > 0, \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}), \quad (1.2)$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \right\} > 0, \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (1.3)$$

We note that for  $0 < b \leq 1$ , these classes coincide with the well known classes of starlike and convex of order  $1 - b$ . Also for  $b = 1$ ,  $n = 1$ , the above two classes defined in (1.2) and (1.3) reduce to the well known classes of starlike  $\mathcal{S}^*$  and convex  $\mathcal{C}$  respectively, for details of the above two classes see [1, 2].

For functions  $f(z), g(z) \in A(n)$  of the form (1.1), We define the convolution (Hadamard product) of  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  by

$$(f \star g)(z) = z + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k, \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Using the concept of convolution many authors generalized Breaz operator in several directions, see [3, 4] for example. Here, we consider a generalized integral operator  $I(f_j, g_j)(z)$  as follows:

$$I(f_j, g_j)(z) = \int_0^z \frac{(f_j \star g_j)(t)}{t} dt, \quad (1.4)$$

where  $f_j, g_j \in A(n)$  with  $(f_j \star g_j)(z) \neq 0$  and  $\alpha_j > 0$  for all  $1 \leq j \leq m$ . The operator  $I(f_j, g_j)(z)$  reduces to many well-known integral operators by varying the parameters  $\alpha_j$  and by choosing

suitable functions instead of  $g_j(z)$ . For example if we take  $\frac{z}{1-z}$  and  $\frac{z}{(1-z)^2}$  instead of  $g_j(z)$  with  $m = 1$ , we obtain the integral operators introduced and studied by Breaz and Breaz [5] and Breaz et al. [6], for details see [7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13]. Also for  $m = 1$ ,  $g_1(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$ ,  $\alpha_1 = \alpha \in [0, 1]$  in (1.4), we obtain the integral operator studied in [14] given as

$$\int_0^z \left( \frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt,$$

and for  $m = 1$ ,  $g_1(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^2}$ ,  $\alpha_1 = \delta \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $|\delta| \leq \frac{1}{4}$  in (1.4), we obtain the integral operator

$$\int_0^z (f'(t))^\delta dt,$$

discussed in [15, 16].

We will assume throughout our discussion, unless otherwise stated, that  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\alpha_j > 0$  such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j < 1, \quad (1.5)$$

for all  $1 \leq j \leq m$ .

In this article, we investigate some mapping properties of the integral operator  $I(f_j, g_j)(z)$  for the class  $\mathcal{C}(n, b)$ .

## 2. Preliminary Results

To obtain our main results, we need the following Lemma's.

**Lemma 2.1** [17]. If  $q(z) \in A(n)$  with  $n \geq 1$  and satisfies the condition

$$|q'(z) - 1| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

then

$$q(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*.$$

**Lemma 2.2** [18]. If  $q(z) \in A(n)$  satisfies the condition

$$|\arg q'(z)| < \frac{\pi}{2} \delta_n \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

where  $\delta_n$  is the unique root of the equation

$$2 \tan^{-1} [n(1 - \delta_n)] + \pi(1 - 2\delta_n) = 0, \quad (2.1)$$

then

$$q(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*.$$

**Lemma 2.3** [19]. Let  $\Omega$  be a set in the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$  and suppose that  $\Psi$  is a mapping from  $\mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{U}$  to  $\mathbb{C}$  which satisfies  $\Psi(ix, y, z) \notin \Omega$  for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ , and for all real  $x, y$  such that  $y \leq \frac{-n}{2}(1 + x^2)$ . If  $q(z) = 1 + c_n z^n + \dots$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and  $\Psi(q(z), zq'(z), z) \in \Omega$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ , then  $\operatorname{Re} q(z) > 0$ .

## 3. Main Results

**Theorem 3.1.** If  $f_j(z) \in A(n)$  satisfies

$$\left| \left( \frac{f_j(z) * g_j(z)}{z} \right)^{\frac{1}{b}} \left\{ \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} + b - 1 \right\} - b \right| < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}} |b| \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}), \quad (3.1)$$

then the integral operator  $I(f_j, g_j)(z) \in \mathcal{C}(n, b)$ .

**Proof.** Let us set a function  $p(z)$  by

$$p(z) = z \left( \frac{f_j(z) * g_j(z)}{z} \right)^{\frac{1}{b}} = z + \frac{a_n b_n}{b} z^n + \dots \quad (3.3)$$

for  $f_j(z) \in A(n)$ . Then clearly (3.3) shows that  $p(z) \in A(n)$ .

Differentiating (3.3) logarithmically, we have

$$\frac{p'(z)}{p(z)} = \frac{1}{b} \left[ \frac{f_j(z) * g_j(z)'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} - \frac{1}{z} \right] + \frac{1}{z} \quad (3.4)$$

which gives

$$\begin{aligned} & |p'(z) - 1| \\ &= \left| \left( \frac{f_j(z) * g_j(z)}{z^p} \right)^{\frac{1}{b}} \frac{1}{b} \left\{ \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} + b - 1 \right\} - 1 \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus using (3.1), we have

$$|p'(z) - 1| \leq \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 1}}, \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Hence, using Lemma 2.1, we have  $p(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*$ .

From (3.4), we can write

$$\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} = \frac{1}{b} \left[ \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} - 1 \right] + 1.$$

Since  $p(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*$ , it implies that  $Re \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} > 0$ . Therefore, we get

$$Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} = Re \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} > 0,$$

and this implies that

$$Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} > 0. \quad (3.5)$$

From (1.4) we can write

$$I'(f_j, g_j) = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{f_j(z) * g_j(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha_j},$$

Differentiating logarithmically and then simple computation gives

$$1 + \frac{zI''(f_j, g_j)}{I'(f_j, g_j)} = \prod_{j=1}^m \alpha_j \left( \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} - 1 \right) + 1.$$

Equivalently, we have

$$\left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{zI''(f_j, g_j)}{I'(f_j, g_j)} \right) \right\} = \prod_{j=1}^m \alpha_j \left\{ \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} + 1.$$

Taking real part and then using (3.5) and (1.5), we obtain

$$Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{zI''(f_j, g_j)}{I'(f_j, g_j)} \right) \right\} > 0,$$

and hence  $I(f_j, g_j)(z) \in \mathcal{C}(n, b)$ .

Setting  $n = 1$  and  $g_j(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$  in Theorem 3.1, we get

**Corollary 3.2.** If  $f(z) \in A$  satisfies

$$\left| \left( \frac{f_j(z)}{z} \right)^{\frac{1}{b}} \left\{ \frac{zf_j'(z)}{f_j(z)} + b - 1 \right\} - b \right| < \frac{2|b|}{\sqrt{5}} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

then  $I(f_j) \in \mathcal{C}(b)$ , the class of convex functions of complex order  $b$ .

Putting  $n = 1$  and  $g(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^2}$  in Theorem 3.1, we have

**Corollary 3.3.** If  $f(z) \in A$  satisfies

$$\left| (f_j'(z))^{\frac{1-b}{b}} \{zf_j''(z) + bf_j'(z)\} - b \right| < \frac{2|b|}{\sqrt{5}} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

then  $I(f_j) \in \mathcal{C}(b)$ , the class of convex functions of complex order  $b$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** If  $f_j(z) \in A(n)$  satisfies

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{f_j(z) * g_j(z)}{z} \right)^{\frac{1}{b}} + \arg \left\{ \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} + b - 1 \right) \right\} \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \delta_n \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}), \quad (3.6)$$

where  $\delta_n$  is the unique root of (2.1), then  $I(f_j, g_j)(z) \in \mathcal{C}(n, b)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $p(z)$  be given by (3.3), which clearly belongs to the class  $A(n)$ .

Now differentiating (3.3), we have

$$p'(z) = \left( \frac{f_j(z) * g_j(z)}{z} \right)^{\frac{1}{b}} \frac{1}{b} \left\{ \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} + b - 1 \right\} \quad (3.7)$$

which gives

$$|\arg p'(z)| = \left| \arg \left( \frac{f_j(z) * g_j(z)}{z} \right)^{\frac{1}{b}} + \arg \left\{ \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} + b - 1 \right) \right\} \right|.$$

Thus using (3.6), we have

$$|\arg p'(z)| \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \delta_n \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

where  $\delta_n$  is the root of (2.1). Hence, using Lemma 2.2, we have  $p(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*$ .

From (3.7), we can write

$$\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} = \frac{1}{b} \left[ \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} - 1 \right] + 1.$$

Since  $p(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*$ , it implies that  $Re \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} > 0$ . Therefore, we get (3.5).

From (1.4) we can write

$$I'(f_j, g_j) = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{f_j(z) * g_j(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha_j},$$

Differentiating logarithmically and then simple computation gives

$$1 + \frac{zI''(f_j, g_j)}{I'(f_j, g_j)} = \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j \left( \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} - 1 \right) + 1.$$

Equivalently, we have

$$\left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{zI''(f_j, g_j)}{I'(f_j, g_j)} \right) \right\} = \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j \left\{ \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} + 1.$$

Taking real part and then using (3.5) and (1.5), we obtain

$$Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{zI''(f_j, g_j)}{I'(f_j, g_j)} \right) \right\} > 0,$$

and hence  $I(f_j, g_j)(z) \in \mathcal{C}(n, b)$ .

Making  $n = 1$ ,  $b = 1 - \alpha$  with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $g(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$ , we have

**Corollary 3.5.** If  $f(z) \in A$  satisfies

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{f_j(z)}{z} \right) + (1 - \alpha) \arg \left\{ \frac{zf_j'(z)}{f_j(z)} - \alpha \right\} \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \delta_1(1 - \alpha) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

where  $\delta_1$  is the unique root of (2.1) with  $n = 1$ , then  $I(f_j(z)) \in \mathcal{C}(\alpha)$ , the class of convex functions of order  $\alpha$ .

Also if we take  $n = 1$ ,  $b = 1 - \alpha$  with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $g(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^2}$  in Theorem 3.4, we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 3.6.** If  $f(z) \in A$  satisfies

$$\left| \arg f'_j(z) + (1 - \alpha) \arg \left\{ \frac{z f''_j(z)}{f'_j(z)} + 1 - \alpha \right\} \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \delta_1(1 - \alpha) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

where  $\delta_1$  is the unique root of (2.1) with  $n = 1$ , then  $I(f_j)(z) \in \mathcal{C}(\alpha)$ , the class of convex functions of order  $\alpha$ .

**Theorem 3.7.** If  $f(z) \in A(n)$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{1}{b} \left\{ \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} \left( \rho \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))''}{(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'} + 1 \right) \right\} + b - 1 \right] > \frac{M^2}{4L} + N,$$

where  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \rho \left( \operatorname{Re} b + \frac{n}{2} \right) \\ M &= 2\rho \operatorname{Im} b \\ N &= \rho \left( \frac{((\operatorname{Re} b)^2 - (\operatorname{Im} b)^2 - \operatorname{Re} b)(\operatorname{Re} b) + (\operatorname{Im} b)^2(2\operatorname{Re} b - 1)}{(\operatorname{Re} b)^2 + (\operatorname{Im} b)^2} - \frac{n}{2} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

then  $I(f_j, g_j)(z) \in \mathcal{C}(n, b)$ .

**Proof.** Let us set

$$\frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} = bp(z) - b + 1. \quad (3.8)$$

Then  $p(z)$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  with  $p(0) = 1$ .

Taking logarithmic differentiation of (3.8) and then by simple computation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b} \left\{ \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} \left( \rho \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))''}{(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'} + 1 \right) + b - 1 \right\} \\ = Azp'(z) + Bp^2(z) + Cp(z) + D = \Psi(p(z), zp'(z), z) \end{aligned}$$

with

$$A = \rho, \quad B = \rho b, \quad C = -2\rho b + \rho + 1, \quad D = \rho(b - 1).$$

Now for all real  $x$  and  $y$  satisfying  $y \leq -\frac{n}{2}(1 + x^2)$ , we have

$$\Psi(ix, y, z) = Ay - Bx^2 + C(ix) + D.$$

Repeating the values of  $A, B, C, D$  and then taking real part, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \Psi(ix, y, z) &\leq -Lx^2 + Mx + N \\ &= -\left( \sqrt{Lx} - \frac{M}{2\sqrt{L}} \right)^2 + \frac{M^2}{4L} + N \\ &< \frac{M^2}{4L} + N, \end{aligned}$$

where  $L, M, N$  are given in (1).

Let  $\Omega = \left\{ w : \operatorname{Re} w > \frac{M^2}{4L} + N \right\}$ . Then  $\Psi(h(z), zh'(z), z) \in \Omega$  and  $\Psi(ix, y, z) \notin \Omega$ , for all real  $x$  and  $y$  satisfying  $y \leq -\frac{n}{2}(1 + x^2)$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ . Using Lemma 2.3, we have  $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$ . This implies that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{z(f_j(z) * g_j(z))'}{f_j(z) * g_j(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} > 0,$$

and hence by using the same procedure as in the above Theorems we obtain that  $I(f_j, g_j)(z) \in \mathcal{C}(n, b)$ .

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