

23. Certain Integral Operators^{*)}

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1. Introduction. Let $\mathcal{A}(p)$ be the class of functions of the form

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (p \in \mathcal{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\})$$

which are analytic in the unit disk $\mathcal{U} = \{z: |z| < 1\}$. For $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(p)$, we define

$$(1.2) \quad I_0 f(z) = \left(\frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\alpha \quad (\alpha > 0)$$

and

$$(1.3) \quad I_n f(z) = \frac{1}{z} \int_0^z I_{n-1} f(t) dt \quad (n \in \mathcal{N}).$$

For $f(z)$ belonging to the class $\mathcal{A}(1)$, Thomas [4] has shown

Theorem A. *If $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(1)$ satisfies*

$$(1.4) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ f'(z) \left(\frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in \mathcal{U})$$

for some α ($\alpha > 0$), then

$$(1.5) \quad \operatorname{Re} (I_n f(z)) \geq \gamma_n(r) > \gamma_n(1),$$

where $n \in \mathcal{N}_0 = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ and

$$(1.6) \quad 0 < \gamma_n(r) = -1 + 2\alpha \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} r^{k-1}}{k^n (k-1+\alpha)} < 1.$$

Equality occurs for the function $f(z)$ defined by

$$(1.7) \quad f(z) = \left(\alpha \int_0^z t^{\alpha-1} \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t} \right) dt \right)^{1/\alpha}.$$

For $n=0$, (1.5) becomes

$$(1.8) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \left(\frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^\alpha \right\} \geq \frac{\alpha}{r^\alpha} \int_0^r t^{\alpha-1} \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t} \right) dt \\ = -1 + 2\alpha \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} r^{k-1}}{k-1+\alpha},$$

which reduces to

$$-1 + \frac{2}{r} \log(1+r)$$

when $\alpha=0$.

Also, Hallenbeck [1] has proved

Theorem B. *If $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(1)$ satisfies*

$$(1.9) \quad \operatorname{Re} \{f'(z)\} > 0 \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}),$$

then

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$$(1.10) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{f(z)}{z} \right) \geq -1 + \frac{2}{r} \log(1+r) > -1 + 2 \log 2.$$

Equality is attained for the function $f(z)$ defined by

$$(1.11) \quad f(z) = -z + 2 \log(1+z).$$

Remark. Theorem A is a generalization of Theorem B.

Further, Owa and Obradović [3] have given

Theorem C. If $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(1)$ satisfies

$$(1.12) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ f'(z) \left(\frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{\alpha-1} \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in \mathcal{U})$$

for some α ($\alpha > 0$), then

$$(1.13) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \left(\frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^\alpha \right\} > \frac{1}{1+2\alpha} \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}).$$

Remark 2. Theorem A is an improvement of Theorem C.

Some properties of I_n . We begin with the statement and the proof of the following result.

Theorem 1. If $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies

$$(2.1) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z f'(z) f(z)^{\alpha-1}}{z^{p\alpha}} \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in \mathcal{U})$$

for some α ($\alpha > 0$), then

$$(2.2) \quad \operatorname{Re} (I_n f(z)) \geq \gamma_n(r) > \gamma_n(1),$$

where $n \in \mathcal{N}_0$ and

$$(2.3) \quad 0 < \gamma_n(r) = -1 + 2p\alpha \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} r^{k-1}}{k^n (k-1 + p\alpha)} < 1.$$

Equality in (2.2) is attained for the function $f(z)$ given by

$$(2.4) \quad f(z) = \left(p\alpha \int_0^z t^{p\alpha-1} \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t} \right) dt \right)^{1/\alpha}.$$

Proof. Since the condition (2.1) implies that

$$(2.5) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f'(z)}{p z^{p-1}} \left(\frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{\alpha-1} \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}),$$

the function $h(z)$ defined by

$$(2.6) \quad h(z) = \frac{f'(z)}{p z^{p-1}} \left(\frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{\alpha-1}$$

satisfies $\operatorname{Re} (h(z)) > 0$ ($z \in \mathcal{U}$) and $h(0) = 1$. It follows that

$$(2.7) \quad \left(\frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\alpha = \frac{p\alpha}{z^{p\alpha}} \int_0^z t^{p\alpha-1} h(t) dt,$$

that is, that

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} (I_0 f(z)) &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \left(\frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\alpha \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{p\alpha}{z^{p\alpha}} \int_0^z t^{p\alpha-1} h(t) dt \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Writing $z = r e^{i\theta}$ and $t = \rho e^{i\theta}$ in (2.8), we have

$$(2.9) \quad \operatorname{Re} (I_0 f(z)) = \frac{p\alpha}{r^{p\alpha}} \int_0^r \rho^{p\alpha-1} \operatorname{Re} \{h(\rho e^{i\theta})\} d\rho.$$

Note that the function $h(z)$ satisfying $\operatorname{Re}(h(z)) > 0$ ($z \in \mathcal{U}$) and $h(0) = 1$ satisfies

$$(2.10) \quad \operatorname{Re} (h(z)) \geq \frac{1-|z|}{1+|z|} \quad (z \in \mathcal{U})$$

(cf. MacGregor [2, p. 532]). Thus (2.9) leads to

$$(2.11) \quad \begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} (I_0 f(z)) &\geq \frac{p\alpha}{r^{p\alpha}} \int_0^r \rho^{p\alpha-1} \left(\frac{1-\rho}{1+\rho} \right) d\rho \\ &= -1 + 2p\alpha \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} r^{k-1}}{k-1+p\alpha} \\ &= \gamma_0(r). \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that

$$(2.12) \quad \begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} (I_1 f(z)) &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{z} \int_0^z I_0 f(t) dt \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r \operatorname{Re} \{I_0 f(\rho e^{i\theta})\} d\rho \\ &\geq \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r \left(-1 + 2p\alpha \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} \rho^{k-1}}{k-1+p\alpha} \right) d\rho \\ &= -1 + 2p\alpha \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} r^{k-1}}{k(k-1+p\alpha)} \\ &= \gamma_1(r). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, using the mathematical induction, we see that

$$(2.13) \quad \begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} (I_n f(z)) &\geq -1 + 2p\alpha \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} r^{k-1}}{k^n(k-1+p\alpha)} \\ &= \gamma_n(r). \end{aligned}$$

Let the function $\phi_n(r)$ be defined by

$$(2.14) \quad \phi_n(r) = p\alpha \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} r^{k-1}}{k^n(k-1+p\alpha)} \quad (0 < r < 1).$$

Then $\phi_n(r)$ is absolutely convergent for n ($n \in \mathcal{N}_0$) and for r ($0 < r < 1$). Thus the suitably rearranging pairs of terms in $\phi_n(r)$ give that $1/2 < \phi_n(r) < 1$. This also gives that $0 < \gamma_n(r) < 1$. Further, since

$$(2.15) \quad r\phi_n(r) = \int_0^r \phi_{n-1}(\rho) d\rho \quad (n \in \mathcal{N}),$$

we have that $\phi'_n(r) < 0$ and $\gamma_n(r)$ decreases with r as r tends to 1 for fixed n , and increases to 1 when $n \rightarrow \infty$ for fixed r . This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

Remark. If we take $p=1$ in Theorem 1, then we have Theorem A by Thomas [4].

Letting $\alpha=1/p$, Theorem 1 leads to

Corollary 1. If $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} (f'(z)f(z)^{1/p-1}) > 0 \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}),$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} (I_n f(z)) \geq \gamma_n(r) > \gamma_n(1),$$

where $n \in \mathcal{N}_0$, $I_0 f(z) = f(z)^{1/p}/z$, and

$$0 < \gamma_n(r) = -1 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} r^{k-1}}{k^{n+1}} < 1.$$

Equality is attained for the function $f(z)$ defined by

$$f(z) = (-z + 2 \log(1+z))^p.$$

Taking $p=1$ in Corollary 1, we have

Corollary 2. If $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(1)$ satisfies $\operatorname{Re} (f'(z)) > 0$ ($z \in \mathcal{U}$), then

$$\operatorname{Re} (I_n f(z)) \geq \gamma_n(r) > \gamma_n(1),$$

where $n \in \mathcal{N}_0$, $I_0 f(z) = f(z)/z$, and

$$0 < \gamma_n(r) = -1 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} r^{k-1}}{k^{n+1}} < 1.$$

Equality is attained for the function $f(z)$ given by

$$f(z) = -z + 2 \log(1+z).$$

Remark. When $n=0$ in Corollary 2, we have Theorem B by Hallenbeck [1].

Further, making $\alpha=1$ in Theorem 1, we have

Corollary 3. If $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f'(z)}{z^{p-1}} \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}),$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} (I_n f(z)) \geq \gamma_n(r) > \gamma_n(1),$$

where $n \in \mathcal{N}_0$, $I_0 f(z) = f(z)/z^p$, and

$$0 < \gamma_n(r) = -1 + 2p \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} r^{k-1}}{k^n(k-1+p)} < 1.$$

Equality is attained for the function $f(z)$ given by (2.4) for $\alpha=1$.

3. Integral operator J_n . Next, for $f(z)$ in $\mathcal{A}(p)$, we introduce

$$(3.1) \quad J_0 f(z) = \frac{f(z)}{z^p}$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad J_n f(z) = \frac{a+1}{z^{a+1}} \int_0^z t^a J_{n-1} f(t) dt \quad (n \in \mathcal{N}),$$

where $a > -1$.

For the above integral operator J_n , we derive

Theorem 2. If $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies

$$(3.3) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right\} > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}),$$

where $\alpha < 1$, then

$$(3.4) \quad \operatorname{Re} (J_n f(z)) \geq \gamma_n(r) \gamma_n(1),$$

where $n \in \mathcal{N}_0$ and

$$(3.5) \quad 0 < \gamma_n(r) = 1 + 2(a+1)^n(1-\alpha) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(k+a+1)^n} < 1.$$

Equality in (3.4) is attained for the function $f(z)$ defined by

$$(3.6) \quad f(z) = \alpha z^p + (1-\alpha)z^p \left(\frac{1-z}{1+z} \right).$$

Proof. For $n=0$, (3.4) is trivial. For $n=1$, we have

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\int_0^z t^a J_0 f(t) dt \right) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\int_0^z t^{a-p} f(t) dt \right) \\ &= z^a \left(\frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right) e^{i\theta} \\ &= z^a e^{i\theta} (\alpha + (1-\alpha)h(z)), \end{aligned}$$

where $z = r e^{i\theta}$ and $h(z) = f(z)/z^p$. Since $\text{Re}(h(z)) \geq (1-\rho)/(1+\rho)$ ($0 \leq \rho < 1$), for $a > -1$,

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Re}(J_1 f(z)) &= \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{a+1}{z^{a+1}} \int_0^z t^a J_0(t) dt \right\} \\ &\geq \frac{a+1}{r^{a+1}} \int_0^r \rho^a \left(\alpha + (1-\alpha) \left(\frac{1-\rho}{1+\rho} \right) \right) d\rho \\ &= \frac{a+1}{r^{a+1}} \int_0^r \rho^a \left(1 + 2(1-\alpha) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-\rho)^k \right) d\rho \\ &= 1 + 2(a+1)(1-\alpha) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-r)^k}{k+a+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus (3.4) holds true for $n=1$.

Further, assuming that (3.4) holds true for any n , and letting $t = \rho e^{i\theta}$, we have

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Re}(J_{n+1} f(z)) &= \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{a+1}{z^{a+1}} \int_0^z t^a J_n f(t) dt \right\} \\ &= \frac{a+1}{r^{a+1}} \int_0^r \rho^a \text{Re} \{ J_n f(\rho e^{i\theta}) \} d\rho \\ &\geq \frac{a+1}{r^{a+1}} \int_0^r \left(\rho^a + 2(a+1)^n (1-\alpha) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \rho^{k+a}}{(k+a+1)^n} \right) d\rho \\ &= \gamma_{n+1}(r). \end{aligned}$$

Also, we see that $0 < \gamma_n(r) < 1$ which completes the assertion of Theorem 2.

Taking $\alpha = p/(p+\beta)$, $\beta > 0$, in Theorem 2, we have

Corollary 4. *If $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ satisfies*

$$(3.10) \quad \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right\} > \frac{p}{p+\beta} \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}),$$

where $\beta > 0$, then

$$(3.11) \quad \text{Re}(J_n f(z)) \geq \gamma_n(r) > \gamma_n(1),$$

where $n \in \mathcal{N}_0$ and

$$(3.12) \quad 0 < \gamma_n(r) = 1 + 2(a+1)^n \left(\frac{\beta}{p+\beta} \right) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-r)^k}{(k+a+1)^n} < 1.$$

Equality in (3.11) is attained for the function $f(z)$ defined by

$$(3.13) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{p+\beta} \left(pz^p + \beta z^p \left(\frac{1-z}{1+z} \right) \right).$$

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