# A PRESERVING PROPERTY OF THE ALEXANDER OPERATOR by

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Abstract. The H(U) be the set of functions which are regular in the unit disc U and

$$A = \left\{ f \in H(U), \ f(0) = 0, \ f'(0) = 1 \right\}.$$

Let denote by I the Alexander operator  $I: A \rightarrow H(U)$  as:

$$f(z) = IF(z) = \int_{0}^{z} \frac{F(t)}{t} dt$$
 (1)

The purpose of this note is to show that the n-uniform starlike functions of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\alpha$  and the n-uniform close to convex functions of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\alpha$  are preserved by the Alexander operator.

#### 1. Preliminary results

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $D^n$  be the Sălăgean differential operator defined as:

$$D^{n}: A \to A, \quad n \in N \text{ and}$$
$$D^{0}f(z) = f(z)$$
$$D^{1}f(z) = Df(z) = zf'(z)$$
$$D^{n}f(z) = D(D^{n-1}f(z)).$$

**Definition 2.2.** [2] Let  $f \in A$ , we say that f is n-uniform starlike function of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\alpha$  if

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^{n}f(z)}\right) \ge \alpha \cdot \left|\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^{n}f(z)} - 1\right| + \gamma, \quad z \in U$$

where  $\alpha \ge 0$ ,  $\gamma \in [-1, 1)$ ,  $\alpha + \gamma \ge 0$ ,  $n \in N$ . We denote this class with  $US_n(\alpha, \gamma)$ .

**Remark 2.1.** Geometric interpretation:  $f \in US_n(\alpha, \gamma)$  if and only if  $\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^n f(z)}$  take all values in the convex domain included in right half plane  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$ , where  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$  is a eliptic region for  $\alpha > 1$ , a parabolic region for  $\alpha = 1$ , a hyperbolic region for  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , the half plane  $u > \gamma$  for  $\alpha = 0$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [1] Let  $f \in A$ , we say that f is n-uniform close to convex function of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\alpha$  in respect to the functions n-uniform starlike of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\alpha$  g(z), where  $\alpha \ge 0$ ,  $\gamma \in [-1, 1)$ ,  $\alpha + \gamma \ge 0$ , if

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^{n}g(z)}\right) \ge \alpha \cdot \left|\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^{n}g(z)} - 1\right| + \gamma , \quad z \in U$$

where  $\alpha \ge 0$ ,  $\gamma \in [-1, 1)$ ,  $\alpha + \gamma \ge 0$ ,  $n \in N$ . We denote this class with  $UCC_n(\alpha, \gamma)$ .

**Remark 2.2.** Geometric interpretation:  $f \in UCC_n(\alpha, \gamma)$  if and only if  $\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^ng(z)}$  take all values in the convex domain included in right half plane  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$ , where  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$  is a eliptic region for  $\alpha > 1$ , a parabolic region for  $\alpha = 1$ , a hiperbolic region for  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , the half plane  $u > \gamma$  for  $\alpha = 0$ .

The next two theorems are results of the so called "admissible functions method" introduced by P. T. Mocanu and S. S. Miller (see [3], [4], [5]).

**Theorem 2.1.** Let h convex in U and  $\operatorname{Re}[\beta h(z) + \gamma] > 0$ ,  $z \in U$ . If  $p \in H(U)$  with p(0) = h(0) and p satisfied the Briot-Bouquet differential subordination

$$p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{\beta p(z) + \gamma} \prec h(z)$$
, then  $p(z) \prec h(z)$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** Let q convex in U and  $j: U \to C$  with  $\operatorname{Re}[j(z)] > 0$ . If  $p \in H(U)$  and p satisfied  $p(z) + j(z) \cdot zp'(z) \prec q(z)$ , then  $p(z) \prec q(z)$ .

## 2. Main results

**Theorem 3.1.** If  $F(z) \in US_n(\alpha, \gamma)$ , with  $\alpha \ge 0$  and  $\gamma > 0$ , then  $f(z) = IF(z) \in US_n(\alpha, \gamma)$  with  $\alpha \ge 0$  and  $\gamma > 0$ .

**Proof.** We know that  $F(z) \in US_n(\alpha, \gamma)$  if and only if  $\frac{D^{n+1}F(z)}{D^nF(z)}$  take all values in the convex domain included in right half plane  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$ .

By differentiating 
$$f(z) = IF(z) = \int_{0}^{z} \frac{F(t)}{t} dt$$
 we obtain:  $F(z) = zf'(z)$ .

By means of the application of the linear operator  $D^{n+1}$  we obtain:

$$D^{n+1}F(z) = D^{n+1}(zf'(z))$$
 or  $D^{n+1}F(z) = D^{n+2}f(z)$ 

Similarly, by means of the application of the linear operator  $D^n$  we obtain:

 $D^n F(z) = D^{n+1} f(z) \,.$ 

Thus

$$\frac{D^{n+1}F(z)}{D^nF(z)} = \frac{D^{n+2}f(z)}{D^{n+1}f(z)} \quad (2) \,.$$

With notation  $\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^n f(z)} = p(z)$ , where  $p(z) = 1 + p_1 z + ...$  we have

$$zp'(z) = \frac{D^{n+2}f(z) \cdot D^n f(z) - (D^{n+1}f(z))^2}{(D^n f(z))^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{p(z)} \cdot zp'(z) = \frac{D^{n+2}f(z)}{D^{n+1}f(z)} - p(z).$$

From here we obtain:

$$\frac{D^{n+2}f(z)}{D^{n+1}f(z)} = p(z) + \frac{1}{p(z)} \cdot zp'(z).$$

Thus from (2) we obtain:

$$\frac{D^{n+1}F(z)}{D^nF(z)} = p(z) + \frac{1}{p(z)} \cdot zp'(z) \quad (3) .$$

If we consider  $h \in H_u(U)$ , with h(0) = 1, which maps the unit disc into the convex domain included in right half plane  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$ , then from  $\frac{D^{n+1}F(z)}{D^nF(z)}$  take all values in  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$ , using (3) we obtain:

$$p(z) + \frac{1}{p(z)} \cdot zp'(z) \prec h(z)$$

where, from her construction, we have  $\operatorname{Re} h(z) > 0$  and from theorem (2.1) we obtain  $p(z) \prec h(z)$ . From here follows that  $\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^n f(z)}$  take all values in the convex domain included in right half plane  $\Delta_{\alpha, \gamma}$ , or  $f(z) = IF(z) \in US_n(\alpha, \gamma)$ , with  $\alpha \ge 0$  and  $\gamma > 0$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** If  $F(z) \in UCC_n(\alpha, \gamma)$ , in respect to the function n-uniform starlike of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\alpha G(z)$ , with  $\alpha \ge 0$  and  $\gamma > 0$ , then  $f(z) = IF(z) \in UCC_n(\alpha, \gamma)$  in respect to the function n-uniform starlike of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\alpha$ , see theorem (3.1), g(z) = IG(z) with  $\alpha \ge 0$  and  $\gamma > 0$ .

Proof. We know that  $F(z) \in UCC_n(\alpha, \gamma)$  if and only if  $\frac{D^{n+1}F(z)}{D^n G(z)}$  take all

values in the convex domain included in right half plane  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$ .

By differentiating (1) we obtain:

$$F(z) = zf'(z)$$
 and  $G(z) = zg'(z)$ 

By means of the application of the linear operator  $D^{n+1}$  we obtain:

$$D^{n+1}F(z) = D^{n+2}f(z)$$
 and  $D^nG(z) = D^{n+1}g(z)$ 

With simple calculation we obtain:

$$\frac{D^{n+1}F(z)}{D^n G(z)} = \frac{D^{n+2}f(z)}{D^{n+1}g(z)}$$
(4)

With notation  $\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^n g(z)} = p(z)$ , and  $\frac{D^{n+1}g(z)}{D^n g(z)} = h(z)$  it follows that:  $\frac{D^{n+2}f(z)}{D^{n+1}g(z)} = p(z) + \frac{1}{h(z)} \cdot zp'(z).$ 

Thus from (4) we obtain:

$$\frac{D^{n+1}F(z)}{D^nG(z)} = p(z) + \frac{1}{h(z)} \cdot zp'(z)$$
 (5)

If we consider q convex in unit disc U, which maps the unit disc into the convex domain included in right half plane  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$ , then from  $\frac{D^{n+1}F(z)}{D^nG(z)}$  take all values in  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$ , using (5) we obtain:

$$p(z) + \frac{1}{h(z)} \cdot zp'(z) \prec q(z)$$

where, from her construction, we have  $\operatorname{Re} h(z) > 0$ . From here follows that  $\operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{h(z)} > 0$ . In this conditions from theorem (2.2) we obtain  $p(z) \prec q(z)$ . From here follows that  $\frac{D^{n+1}f(z)}{D^n g(z)}$  take all values in the convex domain included in right half

plane  $\Delta_{\alpha,\gamma}$ ; or  $f(z) = IF(z) \in UCC_n(\alpha, \gamma)$ , in respect to  $g(z) = IG(z) \in US_n(\alpha, \gamma)$  with  $\alpha \ge 0$  and  $\gamma > 0$ .

## 3. Some particular cases

- 1. From theorem (3.1), for n=1, we obtain that the integral operator (1) preserved the class  $US^{c}(\alpha, \gamma)$ , with  $\gamma > 0$ , of uniform convex of type  $\alpha$  and of order  $\gamma$  functions, introduced by I. Magdaş.
- 2. From theorem (3.1), for n=1,  $\gamma = 0$  we obtain that the integral operator (1) preserved the class  $US^{c}(\alpha)$ , of uniform convex of type  $\alpha$  functions, introduced by S. Kanas and A. Visniowska.
- 3. From theorem (3.1), for n=1,  $\gamma = 0$ ,  $\alpha = 1$ , we obtain that the integral operator (1) preserved the class  $US^c$ , of uniform convex function, introduced by A. W. Goodman, and studied by W. Ma and D. Minda.
- 4. From theorem (3.1), for n=1,  $\alpha = 1$ , we obtain that the integral operator (1) preserved the class  $US^{c}[\gamma]$ , with  $\gamma > 0$ , of uniform convex of order  $\gamma$  functions, introduced by F. Ronning.
- 5. From theorem (3.1), for n=0,  $\alpha = 1$ , we obtain that the integral operator (1) preserved the class  $SP\left(\frac{1-\gamma}{2}, \frac{1+\gamma}{2}\right)$ , introduced by F. Ronning.
- 6. From theorem (3.2), for  $\gamma = 0$ , we obtain that the integral operator (1) preserved the class  $UCC_n(\alpha)$ , of n-uniform close to convex of type  $\alpha$  in respect to a n-uniform starlike of type  $\alpha$  function, introduced by D. Blezu.

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