

Applications of Convolution Operators to some Classes of Close-to-convex Functions

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Abstract

Let $C[C, D]$ and $S^*[C, D]$ denote the classes of functions g , $g(0) = 1 - g'(0)0 = 0$, analytic in the unit disc E such that $\frac{(zg'(z))'}{g'(z)}$ and $\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}$ are subordinate to $\frac{1+Cz}{1+Dz}$, $z \in E$, respectively. In this paper, the classes $K[A, B; C, D]$ and $C^*[A, B; C, D]$, $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$; $-1 \leq D < C \leq 1$, are defined. The functions in these classes are close-to-convex. Using the properties of convolution operators, we deal with some problems for our classes.

1. Introduction

Let S, K, S^* and C denote the classes of analytic functions $f: f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ which are respectively univalent, close-to-convex, starlike (with respect to origin) and convex in the unit disc E . In [3], a new subclass C^* of univalent functions was introduced and studied. A function f belongs to C^* if there exists a convex function g such that, for $z \in E$,

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{(zf'(z))'}{g'(z)} > 0.$$

The functions in C^* are called quasi-convex functions and CC^*KS . For more details of C^* , see Noor [4].

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In [2], Janowski introduced the class $P[A, B]$. For A and B , $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$, a function p , analytic in E with $p(0) = 1$ belongs to the class $P[A, B]$ if $p(z)$ is subordinate to $\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$. Also, given C and D , $-1 \leq D < C \leq 1$, $C[C, D]$ and $S^*[C, D]$ denote the classes of functions, analytic in E with $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ such that $\frac{(zf'(z))'}{f'(z)} \in P[C, D]$ and $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \in P[C, D]$ respectively. For $C=1$, and $D=-1$, we note that $C[1, -1] = C$ and $S^*[1, -1] \equiv S^*$.

Silvia [8] defines the classes $K[A, B; C, D]$ as follows:

Definition 1.1

A function $f: f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$, analytic in E , is said to be in the class $K[A, B; C, D]$, $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$, $-1 \leq D < C \leq 1$, if there exists a $g \in C[C, D]$ such that $\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} \in P[A, B]$. It is clear that

$$K[1, -1; 1, -1] \equiv K.$$

and

$$K[A, B; C, D] \subset K \subset S.$$

We now define the following:

Definition 1.2

A function $f: f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$, analytic in E , is said to be in the class $C^*[A, B; C, D]$, $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$; $-1 \leq D < C \leq 1$, if there exists a $g \in C[C, D]$ such that $\frac{(zf'(z))'}{g'(z)} \in P[A, B]$.

Clearly $C^*[1, -1; 1, -1] \equiv C^*$. We also note that $f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$ if, and only if $zf' \in K[A, B; C, D]$.

Let f and g be analytic in E with $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ and $g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n z^n$. Then the convolution (or the Hadamard product) of f and g is defined by

$$(f * g)(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n z^n.$$

Given f analytic in E , we define the convolution operator $\Gamma: A \rightarrow A$ by $\Gamma(g) = f * g$,

where A is the class of functions analytic in E . By the Hadamard product, we also define

$$D^\alpha f(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{1+\alpha}} * f(z) \quad (\alpha \geq 1)$$

for $f \in A$. $D^\alpha f(z)$ is called the Ruscheweyh derivative and was introduced by Ruscheweyh in [6].

Let Γ_i , $0 \leq i \leq 4$ be the linear operators defined on A by the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_0 f(z) &= z f'(z), \quad \Gamma_1 f(z) = \frac{f(z) + z f'(z)}{2}, \\ \Gamma_2 f(z) &= \int_0^z \frac{f(\xi) - f(0)}{\xi} d\xi, \\ \Gamma_3 f(z) &= \frac{2}{z} \int_0^z f(\xi) d\xi, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\Gamma_4 f(z) = \int_0^z \frac{f(\xi) - f(x\xi)}{\xi - x\xi} d\xi, \quad |x| \leq 1, \quad x \neq 1.$$

We note that each of these operators can be written as a convolution operator given by

$$\Gamma_i f = h_i * f, \quad 0 \leq i \leq 4,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} h_0(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n z^n = \frac{z}{(1-z)^2}, \\ h_1(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{2} z^n = \frac{z - z^2/2}{(1-z)^2}, \\ h_2(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} z^n = -\log(1-z), \\ h_3(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n+1} z^n = \frac{-2[z + \log(1-z)]}{z}, \\ h_4(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1-x^n}{(1-x)^n} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z} \log \left[\frac{1-xz}{1-z} \right], \quad |x| \leq 1, \quad x \neq 1. \end{aligned}$$

We also observe that the radius of convexity of each of the functions h_i , $0 \leq i \leq 4$ is $r_c(h_0) = 2 - \sqrt{3}$, $r_c(h_1) = \frac{1}{2}$ and $r_c(h_2) = r_c(h_3) = r_c(h_4) = 1$.

2. Preliminary Results

We shall need the following lemmas.

Lemma 2.1 [5]

Let ϕ be convex and f be close-to-convex. Then ϕ^*f is close-to-convex in E .

Lemma 2.2 [7]

Let $g \in S^*[C, D]$. Then, for ϕ convex, $\phi^*g \in S^*[C, D]$.

Lemma 2.3 [8]

If ϕ is convex and $f \in K[A, B; C, D]$, then $\phi_*f \in K[A, B; C, D]$.

Lemma 2.4 [1]

Let ϕ and g be analytic in E with $\phi(0) = g(0) = 0$ and $\phi'(0) g'(0) \neq 0$. Suppose that, for each $\gamma (|\gamma| = 1)$ and $\sigma (|\sigma| = 1)$, we have

$$\left[\phi^* \left(\frac{1 + \gamma \sigma z}{1 - \sigma z} \right) g \right] (z) \neq 0$$

on $0 < |z| < r \leq 1$.

Then, for each F analytic in E , the image of $|z| < r$ under $(\phi^*Fg)/(\phi^*g)$ is a subset of the convex hull of $F(E)$.

3. Main Results

Theorem 3.1

Let $\phi \in S^*$ and $f \in C^*$. Then ϕ^*f is close-to-convex.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} (\phi^*f)(z) &= (z\psi^*f)(z), \quad \psi \in C^* \\ &= (\psi^*zf')(z) \\ &= (\psi^*F)(z), \quad F \in K, \end{aligned}$$

and the result follows by using Lemma 2.1.

Theorem 3.2

Let ϕ be convex and $f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$. Then $\phi^*f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$.

Proof

Since $f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$, it follows that $F = zf' \in K[A, B; C, D]$. Also

$$(\phi * F)(z) = \phi(*zf') = z(\phi * f)' \in K[A, B; C, D]$$

by Lemma 2.3. Hence $\phi * f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$.

From the definitions of $h_i, 0 \leq i \leq 4$, and theorem 3.2, we have:

Theorem 3.3

Let $f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$. Then $\Gamma_i f = h_i * f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$ upto $r_c(h_i)$ for each $i, 0 \leq i \leq 4$.

We now prove the following result for the class $C^*[A, B; CD]$, and give its application to the generalized hypergeometric functions.

Theorem 3.4

Let $f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$. Then

$$I_c(f(z)) = F_c(z) = \frac{1+c}{z^c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} f(t) dt, \text{ Re } c > 0$$

is also in $C^*[A, B; C, D]$.

Proof:

Let

$$h_c(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+c}{n+c} z^n, \text{ Re } c > 0$$

The function $h_c(z)$ is convex, see [6]. Now

$$F_c(z) = (h_c * f)(z)$$

and the result follows immediately from theorem 3.2.

Corollary

Let the generalized hypergeometric function $z {}_pF_q(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_q; z)$ with $p \leq q+1$ be in the class $C^*[A, B; C, D]$. Then the function

$$z {}_{p+1}F_{q+k}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p; c_1+1, \dots, c_k+1; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_q, c_1+1, \dots, c_k+2; z)$$

is also in the class $C^*[A, B; C, D]$, where $c_j \leq 0$ ($j=1, \dots, k$)

Proof:

The generalized hypergeometric function ${}_pF_q(z)$ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} {}_pF_q(z) &= {}_pF_q(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_q; z) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_n \cdots (\alpha_p)_n}{(\beta_1)_n \cdots (\beta_q)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}, \quad (p \leq q+1) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\alpha_j (j=1, \dots, p) \text{ and } \beta_j (j=1, \dots, q)$$

are complex numbers with $\beta_j \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots, j=1, 2, \dots, q$, and $(\lambda)_n$ is the Pochhammer symbol defined by

$$(\lambda)_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=0 \\ \lambda(\lambda+1)\cdots(\lambda+n-1), & \text{if } n \in N = \{1, 2, \dots\}. \end{cases}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} I_c(z {}_pF_q(z)) &= \frac{c+1}{z^c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} \{t {}_pF_q(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_q; t) dt\} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_n \cdots (\alpha_p)_n}{(\beta_1)_n \cdots (\beta_q)_n} \cdot \frac{c+1}{n+c+1} \frac{z^{n+1}}{n!} \\ &= z {}_{p+1}F_{q+1}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p, c+1; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_q, c+2; z) \end{aligned}$$

which, in view of theorem 3.4, belongs to the class $C^*[A, B; C, D]$. Using this method along with theorem 3.4 repeatedly we obtain the required result.

We shall now prove some results related with Ruscheweyh derivatives.

Theorem 3.5

Let $f \in S^*[A, B]$ and let $D^\alpha f(z) \neq 0$ ($0 < |z| < 1$) for $\alpha \geq -1$. Then $D^\alpha f \in S^*[A, B]$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z(D^\alpha f(z))'}{D^\alpha f(z)} &= \frac{D^\alpha(zf'(z))}{D^\alpha f(z)} \\ &= \left[\frac{z}{(1-z)^{1+\alpha}} * zf'(z) \right] / \left[\frac{z}{(1-z)^{1+\alpha}} * f(z) \right] \end{aligned}$$

We take $\gamma = -1$, $\phi(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{1+\alpha}}$, $g(z) = f(z)$ and $F(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}$ in Lemma 2.4 and obtain the required result.

The relationship between the classes $C[A, B]$ and $S^*[A, B]$ gives us immediately

the following:

Theorem 3.6

Let $f \in C[A, B]$ and satisfy the condition $D^\alpha(zf'(z)) \neq 0$ ($0 < |z| < 1$) for $\alpha \geq -1$. Then $D^\alpha f \in C[A, B]$.

We shall now prove the similar results for the classes $K[A, B; C, D]$ and $C^*[A, B; C, D]$.

Theorem 3.7

Let $f \in K[A, B; C, D]$ with respect to a function $g \in S^*[C, D]$. Let $D^\alpha g(z) \neq 0$ ($0 < |z| < 1$) for $\alpha \geq -1$. Then $D^\alpha f \in K[A, B; C, D]$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z(D^\alpha f(z))'}{D^\alpha g(z)} &= \frac{D^\alpha(zf'(z))}{D^\alpha g(z)} \\ &= \left[\frac{z}{(1-z)^{1+\alpha}} * \frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)} \cdot g(z) \right] / \left[\frac{z}{(1-z)^{1+\alpha}} * g(z) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Now applying Lemma 2.4 with $\gamma = -1$, $\phi(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{1+\alpha}}$, $g(z) = g(z)$ and $F(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)}$ we obtain the required result.

Using theorem 3.7 along with the fact that $f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$ if and only if $zf' \in K[A, B; C, D]$, we have the following.

Theorem 3.8

Let $f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$ with respect to $g \in C[C, D]$ with the condition $D^\alpha(zg'(z)) \neq 0$ ($0 < |z| < 1$) for $\alpha \geq -1$. Then $D^\alpha f \in C^*[A, B; C, D]$.

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