

## MULTIPLIER TRANSFORMATIONS AND STRONGLY CLOSE-TO-CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. The purpose of the present paper is to introduce some new subclasses of strongly close-to-convex functions in the open unit disk defined by multiplier transformations and study their properties. Our results include several previous known results as special cases.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the class of analytic functions defined in the open unit disk  $\mathcal{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  with the normalization  $f(0) = f'(z) - 1 = 0$ . If  $f$  and  $g$  are analytic in  $\mathcal{U}$ , we say that  $f$  is subordinate to  $g$ , written  $f \prec g$  or  $f(z) \prec g(z)$ , if there exists a Schwarz function  $w$  in  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $f(z) = g(w(z))$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{S}^*(\eta)$  and  $\mathcal{C}(\eta)$  the subclasses of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of all analytic functions which are, respectively, starlike and convex of order  $\eta$  ( $0 \leq \eta < 1$ ) in  $\mathcal{U}$ . (see, e.g., Srivastava and Owa [16]).

If  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \eta \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \beta \quad (z \in \mathcal{U})$$

for some  $\eta$  ( $0 \leq \eta < 1$ ) and  $\beta$  ( $0 < \beta \leq 1$ ), then  $f$  is said to be strongly starlike of order  $\beta$  and type  $\eta$  in  $\mathcal{U}$ . If  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies

$$\left| \arg \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \eta \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \beta \quad (z \in \mathcal{U})$$

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for some  $\eta(0 \leq \eta < 1)$  and  $\beta(0 < \beta \leq 1)$ , then  $f$  is said to be strongly convex of order  $\beta$  and type  $\eta$  in  $\mathcal{U}$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{S}^*(\beta, \eta)$  and  $\mathcal{C}(\beta, \eta)$  [6], respectively, the subclasses of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of all strongly starlike and strongly convex of order  $\beta$  and type  $\eta$  in  $\mathcal{U}$ . It is obvious that  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{C}(\beta, \eta)$  if and only if  $zf' \in \mathcal{S}^*(\beta, \eta)$ . We also note that  $\mathcal{S}^*(1, \eta) = \mathcal{S}^*(\eta)$  and  $\mathcal{C}(1, \eta) = \mathcal{C}(\eta)$ . In particular, the classes  $\mathcal{S}^*(\beta, 0)$  and  $\mathcal{C}(\beta, 0)$  have been extensively studied by Mocanu [8] and Nunokawa [11].

For any integer  $n$ , we define the multiplier transformations  $I_n^\lambda$  of functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  by

$$(1.1) \quad I_n^\lambda f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k \left( \frac{1+\lambda}{k+\lambda} \right)^n a_k z^k \quad (\lambda \geq 0).$$

Obviously, we have

$$I_n^\lambda(I_m^\lambda f(z)) = I_{n+m}^\lambda f(z)$$

for all integers  $m$  and  $n$ . The operators  $I_n^\lambda$  are closely related to the Komatu integral operators [5] and the differential and integral operators defined by Salagean [13]. We also note that  $I_0^0 f(z) = zf'(z)$  and  $I_1^0 f(z) = f(z)$ . Now we define new classes of analytic functions by using the multiplier transformations  $I_n^\lambda$  defined by (1.1) as follows:

For any integer  $n$ , let  $\mathcal{K}_n^\lambda(\gamma, \delta, \eta, A, B)$  be the class of functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfying the condition

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda f(z))'}{I_n^\lambda g(z)} - \gamma \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \delta \quad (0 \leq \gamma < 1; 0 < \delta \leq 1; z \in \mathcal{U})$$

for some  $g \in \mathcal{S}_n^\lambda(\eta, A, B)$ , where

$$\mathcal{S}_n^\lambda(\eta, A, B) = \left\{ g \in \mathcal{A} : \frac{1}{1-\eta} \left( \frac{zI_n^\lambda g(z)'}{I_n^\lambda g(z)} - \eta \right) \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \right\}$$

$$(0 \leq \eta < 1; -1 \leq B < A \leq 1; z \in \mathcal{U}).$$

We note that  $\mathcal{K}_0^0(\gamma, 1, \eta, 1, -1)$  and  $\mathcal{K}_1^0(\gamma, 1, \eta, 1, -1)$  are the classes of quasi-convex and close-to-convex functions of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\eta$ , respectively, introduced and studied by Noor and Alkhorasani [10] and Silverman [14]. Further,  $\mathcal{K}_1^0(0, \delta, 0, 1, -1)$  is the class of strongly close-to-convex functions of order  $\delta$  in the sense of Pommerenke [12].

In the present paper, we give some argument properties of analytic functions belonging to  $\mathcal{A}$  which contain the basic inclusion relationships among the classes  $\mathcal{K}_n^\lambda(\gamma, \delta, \eta, A, B)$ . The integral preserving properties in connection with the operator  $I_n^\lambda$  defined by (1.1) are also considered. Furthermore, we obtain the previous results by Bernardi [1], Libera [4], Noor [9] and Noor and Alkhorasani [10] as special cases.

## 2. Main results

In proving our main results, we need the following lemmas.

LEMMA 2.1 [2]. *Let  $h$  be convex univalent in  $\mathcal{U}$  with  $h(0) = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(\beta h(z) + \gamma) > 0$  ( $\beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ ). If  $p$  is analytic in  $\mathcal{U}$  with  $p(0) = 1$ , then*

$$p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{\beta p(z) + \gamma} \prec h(z) \quad (z \in \mathcal{U})$$

implies

$$p(z) \prec h(z) \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}).$$

LEMMA 2.2 [7]. *Let  $h$  be convex univalent in  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\omega$  be analytic in  $\mathcal{U}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \omega(z) \geq 0$ . If  $p$  is analytic in  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $p(0) = h(0)$ , then*

$$p(z) + \omega(z)zp'(z) \prec h(z) \quad (z \in \mathcal{U})$$

implies

$$p(z) \prec h(z) \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}).$$

LEMMA 2.3 [11]. *Let  $p$  be analytic in  $\mathcal{U}$  with  $p(0) = 1$  and  $p(z) \neq 0$  in  $\mathcal{U}$ . Suppose that there exists a point  $z_0 \in \mathcal{U}$  such that*

$$(2.1) \quad \left| \arg p(z) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha \quad \text{for } |z| < |z_0|$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad \left| \arg p(z_0) \right| = \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha \quad (0 < \alpha \leq 1).$$

Then we have

$$(2.3) \quad \frac{z_0 p'(z_0)}{p(z_0)} = ik\alpha,$$

where

$$(2.4) \quad k \geq \frac{1}{2} \left( a + \frac{1}{a} \right) \quad \text{when } \arg p(z_0) = \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha$$

$$(2.5) \quad k \leq -\frac{1}{2} \left( a + \frac{1}{a} \right) \quad \text{when } \arg p(z_0) = -\frac{\pi}{2} \alpha$$

and

$$(2.6) \quad p(z_0)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = \pm ia \quad (a > 0).$$

At first, with the help of Lemma 2.1, we obtain the following

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** *Let  $h$  be convex univalent in  $\mathcal{U}$  with  $h(0) = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Re} h(z) > 0$ . If a function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies the condition*

$$\frac{1}{1-\eta} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda f(z))'}{I_n^\lambda f(z)} - \eta \right) \prec h(z) \quad (0 \leq \eta < 1; z \in \mathcal{U}),$$

then

$$\frac{1}{1-\eta} \left( \frac{z(I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z))'}{I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z)} - \eta \right) \prec h(z) \quad (0 \leq \eta < 1; z \in \mathcal{U}).$$

*Proof.* Let

$$p(z) = \frac{1}{1-\eta} \left( \frac{z(I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z))'}{I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z)} - \eta \right),$$

where  $p$  is analytic function with  $p(0) = 1$ . By using the equation

$$(2.7) \quad z(I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z))' = (\lambda + 1)I_n^\lambda f(z) - \lambda I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z),$$

we get

$$(2.8) \quad \lambda + \eta + (1 - \eta)p(z) = (\lambda + 1) \frac{I_n^\lambda f(z)}{I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z)}.$$

Taking logarithmic derivatives in both sides of (2.8) and multiplying by  $z$ , we have

$$p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{\lambda + \eta + (1 - \eta)p(z)} = \frac{1}{1 - \eta} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda f(z))'}{I_n^\lambda f(z)} - \eta \right) \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}).$$

Applying Lemma 2.1, it follows that  $p \prec h$ , that is,

$$\frac{1}{1 - \eta} \left( \frac{z(I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z))'}{I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z)} - \eta \right) \prec h(z) \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}).$$

□

Taking  $h(z) = (1 + Az)/(1 + Bz)$  ( $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ) in Proposition 2.1, we have

**COROLLARY 2.1.** *The inclusion relation,  $\mathcal{S}_n^\lambda(\eta, A, B) \subset \mathcal{S}_{n+1}^\lambda(\eta, A, B)$ , holds for any integer  $n$ .*

Letting  $n = \lambda = 0$  and  $h(z) = ((1 + z)/(1 - z))^\beta$  ( $0 < \beta \leq 1$ ) in Proposition 2.1, we have the following inclusion relation.

**COROLLARY 2.2.**  $\mathcal{C}(\beta, \eta) \subset \mathcal{S}^*(\beta, \eta)$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.2.** *Let  $h$  be convex univalent in  $\mathcal{U}$  with  $h(0) = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Re} h(z) > 0$ . If a function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies the condition*

$$\frac{1}{1 - \eta} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda f(z))'}{I_n^\lambda f(z)} - \eta \right) \prec h(z) \quad (0 \leq \eta < 1; z \in \mathcal{U}),$$

then

$$\frac{1}{1 - \eta} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z))'}{I_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z)} - \eta \right) \prec h(z) \quad (0 \leq \eta < 1; z \in \mathcal{U}),$$

where  $F$  be the integral operator defined by

$$(2.9) \quad F_c(f) := F_c(f)(z) = \frac{c+1}{z^c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} f(t) dt \quad (c \geq 0).$$

*Proof.* From (2.9), we have

$$(2.10) \quad z(I_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z))' = (c+1)I_n^\lambda f(z) - cI_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z).$$

Let

$$p(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \eta} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z))'}{I_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z)} - \eta \right),$$

where  $p$  is analytic function with  $p(0) = 1$ . Then, by using (2.10), we get

$$(2.11) \quad c + \eta + (1 - \eta)p(z) = (c + 1) \frac{I_n^\lambda f(z)}{I_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z)}.$$

Taking logarithmic derivatives in both sides of (2.11) and multiplying by  $z$ , we have

$$p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{c + \eta + (1 - \eta)p(z)} = \frac{1}{1 - \eta} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda f(z))'}{I_n^\lambda f(z)} - \eta \right) \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}).$$

Therefore, by Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\frac{1}{1 - \eta} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z))'}{I_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z)} - \eta \right) \prec h(z) \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}).$$

□

Letting  $h(z) = (1 + Az)/(1 + Bz)$  ( $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ) in Proposition 2.2, we have immediately

**COROLLARY 2.3.** *If  $f \in \mathcal{S}_n^\lambda(\eta, A, B)$ , then  $F_c(f) \in \mathcal{S}_n^\lambda(\eta, A, B)$ , where  $F_c$  is the integral operator defined by (2.6).*

**REMARK 2.1.** If we take  $h(z) = ((1 + z)/(1 - z))^\beta$  ( $0 < \beta \leq 1$ ) in Proposition 2.2, we see immediately that all functions belonging to the classes  $\mathcal{S}^*(\beta, \eta)$  and  $\mathcal{C}^*(\beta, \eta)$ , respectively, preserve the angles under the integral operator defined by (2.9).

Now, we derive

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $0 < \delta \leq 1, 0 \leq \gamma < 1$ . If*

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda f(z))'}{I_n^\lambda g(z)} - \gamma \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \delta$$

for some  $g \in \mathcal{S}_n^\lambda(\eta, A, B)$ , then

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{z(I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z))'}{I_{n+1}^\lambda g(z)} - \gamma \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha,$$

where  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ) is the solution of the equation :

$$(2.12) \quad \delta = \begin{cases} \alpha + \frac{2}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\alpha \cos \frac{\pi}{2} t_1}{\frac{(1-\eta)(1+A)}{1+B} + \eta + \lambda + \alpha \sin \frac{\pi}{2} t_1} \right) & \text{for } B \neq -1, \\ \alpha & \text{for } B = -1, \end{cases}$$

and

$$(2.13) \quad t_1 = \frac{2}{\pi} \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{(1-\eta)(A-B)}{(1-\eta)(1-AB) + (\eta+\lambda)(1-B^2)} \right).$$

*Proof.* Let

$$p(z) = \frac{1}{1-\gamma} \left( \frac{z(I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z))'}{I_{n+1}^\lambda g(z)} - \gamma \right).$$

Using (2.7) and simplifying, we have

$$(2.14) \quad ((1-\gamma)p(z) + \gamma)I_{n+1}^\lambda g(z) = (\lambda+1)I_n^\lambda f(z) - \lambda I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z).$$

Differentiating (2.14) and multiplying by  $z$ , we obtain

$$(2.15) \quad \begin{aligned} & (1-\gamma)zp'(z)I_{n+1}^\lambda g(z) + ((1-\gamma)p(z) + \gamma)z(I_{n+1}^\lambda g(z))' \\ & = (\lambda+1)z(I_n^\lambda f(z))' - \lambda z(I_{n+1}^\lambda f(z))'. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $g \in \mathcal{S}_n^\lambda(\eta, A, B)$ , by Corollary 2.1, we know that  $g \in \mathcal{S}_{n+1}^\lambda(\eta, A, B)$ .  
Let

$$q(z) = \frac{1}{1-\eta} \left( \frac{z(I_{n+1}^\lambda g(z))'}{I_{n+1}^\lambda g(z)} - \eta \right).$$

Then, using (2.7) once again, we have

$$(2.16) \quad (1-\eta)q(z) + \eta + \lambda = (\lambda+1) \frac{I_n^\lambda g(z)}{I_{n+1}^\lambda g(z)}.$$

From (2.15) and (2.16), we obtain

$$\frac{1}{1-\gamma} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda f(z))'}{I_n^\lambda g(z)} - \gamma \right) = p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{(1-\eta)q(z) + \eta + \lambda}.$$

While, by using the result of Silverman and Silvia [15], we have

$$(2.17) \quad \left| q(z) - \frac{1 - AB}{1 - B^2} \right| < \frac{A - B}{1 - B^2} \quad (z \in \mathcal{U} ; B \neq -1)$$

and

$$(2.18) \quad \operatorname{Re} \{q(z)\} > \frac{1 - A}{2} \quad (z \in \mathcal{U} ; B = -1).$$

Then, from (2.17) and (2.18), we obtain

$$(1 - \eta)q(z) + \eta + \lambda = \rho e^{i\frac{\pi\phi}{2}},$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \frac{(1-\eta)(1-A)}{1-B} + \eta + \lambda < \rho < \frac{(1-\eta)(1+A)}{1+B} + \eta + \lambda \\ -t_1 < \phi < t_1 \text{ for } B \neq -1, \end{cases}$$

when  $t_1$  is given by (2.11), and

$$\begin{cases} \frac{(1-\eta)(1-A)}{2} + \eta + \lambda < \rho < \infty \\ -1 < \phi < 1 \text{ for } B = -1. \end{cases}$$

We note that  $p$  is analytic in  $\mathcal{U}$  with  $p(0) = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$  in  $\mathcal{U}$  by applying the assumption and Lemma 2.2 with  $\omega(z) = 1/((1 - \eta)q(z) + \eta + \lambda)$ . Hence  $p(z) \neq 0$  in  $\mathcal{U}$ .

If there exists a point  $z_0 \in \mathcal{U}$  such that the conditions (2.1) and (2.2) are satisfied, then (by Lemma 2.3) we obtain (2.3) under the restrictions (2.4), (2.5) and (2.6).

At first, suppose that  $p(z_0)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = ia$  ( $a > 0$ ). Then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \arg \left( p(z_0) + \frac{z_1 p'(z_0)}{(1 - \eta)q(z_0) + \eta + \lambda} \right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha + \arg \left( 1 + i\alpha k (\rho e^{i\frac{\pi\phi}{2}})^{-1} \right) \\ &\geq \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\alpha k \sin \frac{\pi}{2} (1 - \phi)}{\rho + \alpha k \cos \frac{\pi}{2} (1 - \phi)} \right) \\ &\geq \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\alpha \cos \frac{\pi}{2} t_1}{\frac{(1-\eta)(1+A)}{1+B} + \eta + \lambda + \alpha \sin \frac{\pi}{2} t_1} \right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} \delta, \end{aligned}$$



where  $\delta$  and  $t_1$  are given by (2.12) and (2.13), respectively. Similarly, for the case  $B = -1$ , we have

$$\arg \left( p(z_0) + \frac{z_0 p'(z_0)}{(1-\eta)q(z_0) + \eta + \lambda} \right) \geq \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha.$$

These evidently contradict the assumption of Theorem 2.1.

Next, suppose that  $p(z_0)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = -ia$  ( $a > 0$ ). Applying the same method as the above, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \arg \left( p(z_0) + \frac{z_0 p'(z_0)}{(1-\eta)q(z_0) + \eta + \lambda} \right) \\ & \leq -\frac{\pi}{2} \alpha - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\alpha \cos \frac{\pi}{2} t_1}{\frac{(1-\eta)(1+A)}{1+B} + \eta + \lambda + \alpha \sin \frac{\pi}{2} t_1} \right) \\ & = -\frac{\pi}{2} \delta, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta$  and  $t_1$  are given by (2.12) and (2.13), respectively. Similarly, for the case  $B = -1$ , we have

$$\arg \left( p(z_0) + \frac{z_1 p'(z_0)}{(1-\eta)q(z_0) + \eta + \lambda} \right) \leq -\frac{\pi}{2} \alpha.$$

These also are contradiction to the assumption of Theorem 2.1. Therefore we complete the proof of Theorem 2.1.  $\square$

From Theorem 2.1, we see easily the following

**COROLLARY 2.4.** *The inclusion relation,  $\mathcal{K}_n^\lambda(\gamma, \delta, \eta, A, B) \subset \mathcal{K}_{n+1}^\lambda(\gamma, \delta, \eta, A, B)$ , holds for any integer  $n$ .*

Taking  $n = \lambda = 0$  in Theorem 2.1, we have

**COROLLARY 2.5.** *Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . If*

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{(zf'(z))'}{g'(z)} - \gamma \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \delta \quad (0 \leq \gamma < 1; 0 < \delta \leq 1)$$

for some  $g \in \mathcal{S}_0^0(\eta, A, B)$ , then

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)} - \gamma \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha,$$

where  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ) is the solution of the equation given by (2.12).

REMARK 2.2. If we put  $A = 1$ ,  $B = -1$  and  $\delta = 1$  in Corollary 2.5, then we see that every quasi-convex function of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\eta$  is close-to-convex function of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\eta$ , which reduces the result obtained by Noor [9].

Letting  $n = \lambda = \gamma = 0$ ,  $B \rightarrow A$  ( $A < 1$ ) and  $g(z) = z$  in Theorem 2.1, we obtain

COROLLARY 2.6. Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $0 < \delta \leq 1$ . If

$$|\arg (f'(z) + zf''(z))| < \frac{\pi}{2}\delta,$$

then

$$|\arg f'(z)| < \frac{\pi}{2}\alpha,$$

where  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ) is the solution of the equation :

$$\delta = \alpha + \frac{2}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \alpha.$$

Next, we prove

THEOREM 2.2. Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $0 < \delta \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq \gamma < 1$ . If

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda f(z))'}{I_n^\lambda g(z)} - \gamma \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2}\delta$$

for some  $g \in \mathcal{S}_n^\lambda(\eta, A, B)$ , then

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z))'}{I_n^\lambda F_c(g)(z)} - \gamma \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2}\alpha,$$

where  $F_c$  is defined by (2.9), and  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ) is the solution of the equation given by (2.12).

*Proof.* Let

$$p(z) = \frac{1}{1-\gamma} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z))'}{I_n^\lambda F_c(g)(z)} - \gamma \right).$$

Since  $g \in \mathcal{S}_n^\lambda(\eta, A, B)$ , we have from Proposition 2.2 that  $F_c(g) \in \mathcal{S}_n^\lambda(\eta, A, B)$ . Using (2.7) we have

$$((1 - \gamma)p(z) + \gamma)I_n^\lambda F_c(g)(z) = (c + 1)I_n^\lambda f(z) - cI_n^\lambda F_c(f)(z).$$

Then, by a simple calculation, we get

$$(1 - \gamma)zp'(z) + ((1 - \gamma)p(z) + \gamma)((1 - \eta)q(z) + c + \eta) = (c + 1)\frac{z(I_n^\lambda f(z))'}{I_n^\lambda F_c(g)(z)},$$

where

$$q(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \eta} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda F_c(g)(z))'}{I_n^\lambda F_c(g)(z)} - \gamma \right).$$

Hence we have

$$\frac{1}{1 - \gamma} \left( \frac{z(I_n^\lambda f(z))'}{I_n^\lambda g(z)} - \gamma \right) = p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{(1 - \eta)q(z) + \eta + c}.$$

The remaining part of the proof in Theorem 2.2 is similar to that of Theorem 2.1 and so we omit it.  $\square$

From Theorem 2.2, we see easily the following

**COROLLARY 2.7.** *If  $f \in \mathcal{K}_n^\lambda(\gamma, \delta, \eta, A, B)$ , then  $F_c(f) \in \mathcal{K}_n^\lambda(\gamma, \delta, \eta, A, B)$ , where  $F_c$  is the integral operator defined by (2.9).*

**REMARK 2.3.** If we take  $n = \lambda = 0$  and  $n = 1, \lambda = 0$  with  $\delta = 1, A = 1$  and  $B = -1$  in Corollary 2.7, respectively, then we have the corresponding results obtained by Noor and Alkhorasani [10]. Furthermore, taking  $n = 1, \gamma = \lambda = 0, A = 1, B = -1$  and  $\delta = 1$  in Corollary 2.7, we obtain the classical result by Bernardi [1], which implies the result studied by Libera [4].

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