

SUBORDINATION RESULTS OF MULTIVALENT FUNCTIONS DEFINED BY CONVOLUTION

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Abstract

Using the method of differential subordination, we investigate some properties of certain classes of multivalent functions, which are defined by means of convolution.

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1. Introduction

Let $A_n(p)$ denote the class of functions of the form

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} a_{k+p} z^{k+p}, \quad p, n \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\},$$

which are analytic and p -valent in the unit disc $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$. If f and g are analytic functions in U , we say that f is subordinate to g , written $f(z) \prec g(z)$, if there exists a *Schwarz function* w , which (by definition) is analytic in U , with $w(0) = 0$, and $|w(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in U$, such that $f(z) = g(w(z))$, $z \in U$. Furthermore, if the function g is univalent in U , then we have the equivalence (cf., e.g., [18] and [19])

$$f(z) \prec g(z) \Leftrightarrow f(0) = g(0) \text{ and } f(U) \subset g(U).$$

For functions f given by (1.1) and $g \in A_n(p)$ given by

$$g(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} b_{k+p} z^{k+p},$$

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the *Hadamard product (convolution)* of f and g is defined by

$$(f * g)(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} a_{k+p} b_{k+p} z^{k+p} = (g * f)(z).$$

For the functions $f, g \in A_n(p)$ we define the linear operator $D_{\lambda,p}^m : A_n(p) \rightarrow A_n(p)$, where $\lambda \geq 0$, $p \in \mathbb{N}$, $m \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, by

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\lambda,p}^0 h(z) &= h(z), \\ D_{\lambda,p}^1 h(z) &= (1 - \lambda)h(z) + \frac{\lambda z}{p} (h(z))', \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z) &= D_{\lambda,p}^1 (D_{\lambda,p}^{m-1} h(z)) \\ (1.2) \quad &= z^p + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p + \lambda k}{p} \right)^m a_{k+p} b_{k+p} z^{k+p}, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned}$$

where $h = f * g$.

From (1.2) we may easily deduce that

$$(1.3) \quad \frac{\lambda z}{p} (D_{\lambda,p}^m (f * g)(z))' = D_{\lambda,p}^{m+1} (f * g)(z) - (1 - \lambda) D_{\lambda,p}^m (f * g)(z),$$

for $\lambda \geq 0$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

For the special case $p = 1$, the operator $D_{\lambda,p}^m (f * g)$ was introduced and studied by Aouf and Mostafa [4], while for different choices of the function g , the operator $D_{\lambda,p}^m (f * g)$ reduces to several interesting operators as follows:

- (i) For $b_{k+p} = 1$ for all $k \geq n$ (or $\tilde{g}(z) = z^p + \frac{z^{p+n}}{1-z}$), we have

$$D_{\lambda,p}^m (f * \tilde{g})(z) \equiv D_{\lambda,p}^m f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p + \lambda k}{p} \right)^m a_{k+p} z^{k+p}, \quad \lambda \geq 0.$$

Taking in this special case $\lambda = 1$, we have $D_{1,p}^m (f * \tilde{g}) \equiv D_p^m f$, where D_p^m is the p -valent Sălăgean operator introduced and studied by Kamali and Orhan [14] (see also [3]);

- (ii) For $m = 0$ and

$$(1.4) \quad g_*(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{p + l + \lambda(k-p)}{p+l} \right]^s z^k, \quad (\lambda \geq 0, p \in \mathbb{N}, l, s \in \mathbb{N}_0),$$

we see that $D_{\lambda,p}^0 (f * g_*) = f * g_* = I_p(s, \lambda, l)f$, where $I_p(s, \lambda, l)$ is the generalized multiplier transformation which was introduced and studied by Cătas [7]. The operator $I_p(s, \lambda, l)$ contains as special cases the multiplier transformation (see [8]), the generalized Sălăgean operator introduced and studied by Al-Oboudi [1], which in turn contains as a special case the Sălăgean operator (see [24]).

For $p = 1$ and

$$g_{**}(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{\Gamma(k+1)\Gamma(2-\beta)}{\Gamma(k+1-\beta)} (1 + \lambda(k-1)) \right] z^k,$$

where $0 \leq \beta < 1$, $\lambda \geq 0$, we see that $D_{\lambda,1}^m (f * g_{**}) \equiv D_{\lambda}^{m,\beta} f$ is the fractional differential multiplier operator defined and studied by Al-Oboudi and Al-Amoudi in [2].

- (iii) For $m = 0$ and

$$(1.5) \quad g^*(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_k \cdots (\alpha_l)_k}{(\beta_1)_k \cdots (\beta_s)_k} \frac{z^{k+p}}{(1)_k},$$

where $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}, i = \overline{1, l}$, and $\beta_j \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, -1, -2, \dots\}, j = \overline{1, s}$, with $l \leq s+1, l, s \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we see that $D_{\lambda, p}^0(f * g^*) = f * g^* \equiv H_{l, s}^p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s)f = H_{l, s}^p[\alpha_1]f$, where $H_{l, s}^p[\alpha_1]$ is the Dziok-Srivastava operator introduced and studied by Dziok and Srivastava [9] (see also [10] and [11]).

The operator $H_{l, s}^p[\alpha_1]$ contains in turn many interesting operators, such as the Hohlov linear operator (see [13]), the Carlson-Shaffer linear operator (see [6] and [23]), the Ruscheweyh derivative operator (see [22]), the Bernardi-Libera-Livingston operator (see [5], [15] and [16]), and the Owa-Srivastava fractional derivative operator (see [20]).

Using the linear operator $D_{\lambda, p}^m$, we define a new subclass of the class $A_n(p)$ as follows:

1.1. Definition. For fixed parameters A and B , with $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$, for $\lambda > 0, p \in \mathbb{N}, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $g \in A_n(p)$, we say that a function $f \in A_n(p)$ is in the class $T_{p, n}^m(\lambda; A, B)$, if it satisfies the following subordination condition

$$(1.6) \quad \frac{(D_{\lambda, p}^m(f * g)(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}.$$

A function f analytic in U is said to be *convex of order η* , $\eta < 1$, if $f'(0) \neq 0$ and

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

If $\eta = 0$, then the function f is *convex*.

It is easy to check that, if $h(z) = \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}$, then $h'(0) \neq 0$ and $\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{zh''(z)}{h'(z)} \right) = \operatorname{Re} \frac{1 - Bz}{1 + Bz} > 0, z \in U$, whenever $|B| \leq 1$ and $A \neq B$, hence h is convex in the unit disc. If $B \neq -1$, from the fact that $h(\bar{z}) = \overline{h(z)}, z \in U$, we deduce that the image $h(U)$ is symmetric with respect to the real axis, and that h maps the unit disc U onto the disc $\left| w - \frac{1 - AB}{1 - B^2} \right| < \frac{A - B}{1 - B^2}$. If $B = -1$, the function h maps the unit disc U onto the half plane $\operatorname{Re} w > \frac{1 - A}{2}$, hence we obtain:

1.2. Remark. The function $f \in A(p)$ is in the class $T_{p, n}^m(\lambda; A, B)$ if and only if

$$\left| \frac{(D_{\lambda, p}^m(f * g)(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} - \frac{1 - AB}{1 - B^2} \right| < \frac{A - B}{1 - B^2}, \quad z \in U, \text{ for } B \neq -1,$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{(D_{\lambda, p}^m(f * g)(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} > \frac{1 - A}{2}, \quad z \in U, \text{ for } B = -1.$$

Denoting by $T_{p, n}^m(\lambda; \gamma)$ the class of functions $f \in A_n(p)$ that satisfy the inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{(D_{\lambda, p}^m(f * g)(z))'}{z^{p-1}} > \gamma, \quad z \in U \quad (0 \leq \gamma < p),$$

where $g \in A_n(p)$, we have $T_{p, n}^m(\lambda; \gamma) = T_{p, n}^m \left(\lambda; 1 - \frac{2\gamma}{p}, -1 \right)$.

In the present paper, we derive several inclusion relationships for the function class $T_{p, n}^m(\lambda; A, B)$.

2. Preliminaries

To prove our main results, we need the following lemmas.

2.1. Lemma. [12] *Let h be a convex function in U with $h(0) = 1$. Suppose also that the function φ given by*

$$(2.1) \quad \varphi(z) = 1 + c_{p+n}z^n + c_{n+1}z^{n+1} + \dots,$$

is analytic in U . Then

$$\varphi(z) + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\gamma} \prec h(z) \quad (\operatorname{Re} \gamma \geq 0, \gamma \neq 0),$$

implies

$$(2.2) \quad \varphi(z) \prec \psi(z) = \frac{\gamma}{n} z^{-\frac{\gamma}{n}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\gamma}{n}-1} h(t) dt \prec h(z),$$

and ψ is the best dominant of (2.2).

2.2. Lemma. [25] *Let Φ be analytic in U , with*

$$\Phi(0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \operatorname{Re} \Phi(z) > \frac{1}{2}, \quad z \in U.$$

*Then, for any function F analytic in U , the set $(\Phi * F)(U)$ is contained in the convex hull of $F(U)$, i.e. $(\Phi * F)(U) \subset \operatorname{co} F(U)$.*

For real or complex numbers a, b and c , the Gauss hypergeometric function is defined by

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} {}_2F_1(a, b, c; z) &= 1 + \frac{a \cdot b}{c} \frac{z}{1!} + \frac{a(a+1) \cdot b(b+1)}{c(c+1)} \frac{z^2}{2!} + \dots \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_k (b)_k}{(c)_k} \frac{z^k}{k!}, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{C}, c \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, -1, -2, \dots\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $(d)_k = d(d+1) \dots (d+k-1)$ and $(d)_0 = 1$. The series (2.3) converges absolutely for $z \in U$, hence it represents an analytic function in U (see [26, Chapter 14]).

Each of the following identities are fairly well-known:

2.3. Lemma. [26, Chapter 14] *For all real or complex numbers a, b and c , with $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$, the following equalities hold:*

$$(2.4) \quad \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-tz)^{-a} dt = \frac{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c-b)}{\Gamma(c)} {}_2F_1(a, b, c; z)$$

where $\operatorname{Re} c > \operatorname{Re} b > 0$,

$$(2.5) \quad {}_2F_1(a, b, c; z) = (1-z)^{-a} {}_2F_1\left(a, c-b, c; \frac{z}{z-1}\right),$$

and

$$(2.6) \quad {}_2F_1(a, b, c; z) = {}_2F_1(b, a, c; z).$$

3. Main Results

Unless otherwise mentioned, we assume throughout this paper that

$$\alpha > 0, \quad -1 \leq B < A \leq 1, \quad \lambda \geq 0, \quad p \in \mathbb{N}, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

3.1. Theorem. Let $g \in A_n(p)$ be a given function, and suppose that the function $f \in A_n(p)$ satisfies the subordination condition

$$\frac{(1-\alpha)(D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))' + \alpha(D_{\lambda,p}^{m+1} h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz},$$

where $h = f * g$, and $\lambda > 0$. Then

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec Q(z) \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz},$$

where

$$(3.2) \quad Q(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1+Bz)^{-1} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1, \frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n} + 1; \frac{Bz}{1+Bz}\right), & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ 1 + \frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n + p}Az, & \text{if } B = 0, \end{cases}$$

is the best dominant of (3.1). Furthermore,

$$(3.3) \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} > \eta, \quad z \in U \quad (0 \leq \eta < 1),$$

where

$$(3.4) \quad \eta = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1-B)^{-1} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1, \frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1}\right), & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ 1 - \frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n + p}A, & \text{if } B = 0. \end{cases}$$

The inequality (3.3) is the best possible.

Proof. If we let

$$(3.5) \quad \varphi(z) = \frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}}, \quad z \in U,$$

then φ is of the form (2.1), and it is analytic in U . Applying the identity (1.3) in (3.5) and differentiating the resulting equation with respect to z , we get

$$\frac{(1-\alpha)(D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))' + \alpha(D_{\lambda,p}^{m+1} h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} = \varphi(z) + \frac{\alpha\lambda z\varphi'(z)}{p} \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}.$$

Using Lemma 2.1 for $\gamma = \frac{p}{\alpha\lambda}$, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \\ & \prec Q(z) \\ & = \frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n} z^{-\frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n}-1} \frac{1+At}{1+Bt} dt \\ & = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1+Bz)^{-1} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1, \frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n} + 1; \frac{Bz}{1+Bz}\right), & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ 1 + \frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n + p}Az, & \text{if } B = 0, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where we have also made a change of variables followed by the use of the identities (2.4), (2.5), and (2.6). Next we will show that

$$\inf \{\operatorname{Re} Q(z) : |z| < 1\} = Q(-1).$$

Indeed, for $|z| \leq r < 1$ we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \geq \frac{1-Ar}{1-Br}.$$

Setting

$$G(z, s) = \frac{1 + Azs}{1 + Bzs}$$

and

$$d\nu(s) = \frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n} s^{\frac{p}{\alpha\lambda n} - 1} ds, \quad 0 \leq s \leq 1,$$

which is a positive measure on the closed interval $[0, 1]$, we have $Q(z) = \int_0^1 G(s, z) d\nu(s)$,

and thus

$$\operatorname{Re} Q(z) \geq \int_0^1 \frac{1 - Asr}{1 - Bsr} d\nu(s) = Q(-r), \quad |z| \leq r < 1.$$

Letting $r \rightarrow 1^-$ in the above inequality, we obtain the assertion (3.2).

Finally, the estimate (3.3) is the best possible as the function Q is the best dominant of (3.1), which completes the proof of the theorem. \square

Taking $g(z) = z^p + \frac{z^{p+n}}{1-z}$ in Theorem 3.1, we have the following result:

3.2. Corollary. *If the function $f \in A_n(p)$ satisfy the subordination condition*

$$\frac{(1 - \alpha) (D_{\lambda, p}^m f(z))' + \alpha (D_{\lambda, p}^{m+1} f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz},$$

with $\lambda > 0$, then

$$\frac{(D_{\lambda, p}^m f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec Q(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz},$$

where Q is given by (3.2), and it is the best dominant. Furthermore,

$$(3.6) \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{(D_{\lambda, p}^m f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} > \eta, \quad z \in U,$$

where η is given by (3.4), and the inequality (3.6) is the best possible. \square

For $m = 0$ and $g = g^*$ given by (1.5), using the identity

$$z (H_{l, s}^p[\alpha_1] f(z))' = \alpha_1 H_{l, s}^p[\alpha_1 + 1] f(z) + (p - \alpha_1) H_{l, s}^p[\alpha_1] f(z),$$

Theorem 3.1 reduces to the next result:

3.3. Corollary. *Let $\lambda > 0$, let $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}$, $i = \overline{1, l}$, and $\beta_j \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, -1, -2, \dots\}$, $j = \overline{1, s}$, with $l \leq s+1$, $l, s \in \mathbb{N}_0$, and suppose that the function $f \in A_n(p)$ satisfy the subordination condition*

$$\frac{\left(1 - \frac{\lambda\alpha_1}{p}\right) (H_{l, s}^p[\alpha_1] f(z))' + \frac{\lambda\alpha_1}{p} (H_{l, s}^p[\alpha_1 + 1] f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}.$$

Then

$$\frac{(H_{l, s}^p[\alpha_1] f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec Q(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz},$$

where Q is given by (3.2), and it is the best dominant. Furthermore,

$$(3.7) \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{(H_{l, s}^p[\alpha_1] f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} > \eta, \quad z \in U,$$

where η is given by (3.4), and the inequality (3.7) is the best possible. \square

Taking in Theorem 3.1 the parameter $m = 0$ and $g = g_*$ of the form (1.4), and using the identity (see [7])

$$\lambda z (I_p(s, \lambda, l)f(z))' = (p+l) I_p(s+1, \lambda, l)f(z) - [p(1-\lambda)+l] I_p(s, \lambda, l)f(z), \quad \lambda \geq 0,$$

we deduce the following result:

3.4. Corollary. Let $\lambda > 0$, $p \in \mathbb{N}$, and $l, s \in \mathbb{N}_0$, and suppose that the function $f \in A_n(p)$ satisfy the subordination condition

$$\frac{\left[1 - \alpha\left(1 + \frac{l}{p}\right)\right] (I_p(s, \lambda, l)f(z))' + \alpha\left(1 + \frac{l}{p}\right) (I_p(s+1, \lambda, l)f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}.$$

Then

$$\frac{(I_p(s, \lambda, l)f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec Q(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz},$$

where Q is given by (3.2), and it is the best dominant. Furthermore,

$$(3.8) \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{(I_p(s, \lambda, l)f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} > \eta, \quad z \in U,$$

where η is given by (3.4), and the inequality (3.8) is the best possible. \square

3.5. Theorem. Let $g \in A_n(p)$ be a given function, and suppose that $f \in T_{p,n}^m(\lambda; \eta)$, ($0 \leq \eta < p$). Then

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{(1 - \alpha) (D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))' + \alpha (D_{\lambda,p}^{m+1} h(z))'}{z^{p-1}} > \eta, \quad |z| < R,$$

where $h = f * g$, and

$$(3.9) \quad R = \left[\frac{\sqrt{(\alpha\lambda n)^2 + p^2} - \alpha\lambda n}{p} \right]^{\frac{1}{n}}.$$

The result is the best possible.

Proof. Since $f \in T_{p,n}^m(\lambda; \eta)$, we write

$$(3.10) \quad \frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{z^{p-1}} = \eta + (p - \eta)u(z).$$

Then the function u is of the form (2.1), analytic in U , and has a positive real part in U . Substituting the relation (1.3) in (3.10), and differentiating the resulting equation with respect to z , we have

$$(3.11) \quad \frac{1}{p - \eta} \left[\frac{(1 - \alpha) (D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))' + \alpha (D_{\lambda,p}^{m+1} h(z))'}{z^{p-1}} - \eta \right] = u(z) + \frac{\alpha\lambda}{p} zu'(z).$$

Applying the following well-known estimate [17]

$$\frac{|zu'(z)|}{\operatorname{Re} u(z)} \leq \frac{2nr^n}{1 - r^{2n}}, \quad |z| = r < 1,$$

in (3.11), we get

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{p-\eta} \left[\frac{(1-\alpha) (D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))' + \alpha (D_{\lambda,p}^{m+1} h(z))'}{z^{p-1}} - \eta \right] \geq \operatorname{Re} u(z) \left(1 - \frac{2\lambda\alpha nr^n}{p(1-r^{2n})} \right), \quad |z| = r < 1.$$

It is easy to see that the right-hand side of the inequality (??) is positive whenever $r < R$, where R is given by (3.9).

In order to show that the bound R is the best possible, we consider the function $f \in A_n(p)$ such that, for the given function $g \in A_n(p)$ we have

$$\frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{z^{p-1}} = \eta + (p-\eta) \frac{1+z^n}{1-z^n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \quad (0 \leq \eta < p).$$

Noting that

$$\frac{1}{p-\eta} \left[\frac{(1-\alpha) (D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))' + \alpha (D_{\lambda,p}^{m+1} h(z))'}{z^{p-1}} - \eta \right] = \frac{p(1-z^{2n}) - 2\alpha\lambda n z^n}{p(1-z^n)^2} = 0,$$

for $z = R \exp\left(\frac{i\pi}{n}\right)$, the proof of the Theorem 3.5 is complete. □

Putting $\alpha = 1$ in Theorem 3.5, we obtain the following result:

3.6. Corollary. *Let $g \in A_n(p)$ be a given function, and suppose that $f \in T_{p,n}^m(\lambda; \eta)$, ($0 \leq \eta < p$). Then $f \in T_{p,n}^{m+1}(\lambda; \eta)$ for $|z| < R^*$, where*

$$R^* = \left[\frac{\sqrt{(\lambda n)^2 + p^2} - \lambda n}{p} \right] \frac{1}{n}.$$

The result is the best possible. □

Now we define the integral operator $F_{\delta,p} : A_n(p) \rightarrow A_n(p)$ by

$$F_{\delta,p}(f)(z) = \frac{\delta+p}{z^\delta} \int_0^z t^{\delta-1} f(t) dt, \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \quad (\delta > -p).$$

3.7. Theorem. *Let $g \in A_n(p)$ be a given function, and suppose that $f \in T_{p,n}^m(\lambda; A, B)$. Then*

$$(3.12) \quad \frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m F_{\delta,p} h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec \Theta(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz},$$

where $h = f * g$, and the function Θ is given by

$$\Theta(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1 + Bz)^{-1} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1, \frac{\delta+p}{n} + 1; \frac{Bz}{1+Bz}\right), & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ 1 + \frac{\delta+p}{p+n+\delta} Az, & \text{if } B = 0, \end{cases}$$

and it is the best dominant of (3.12). Furthermore,

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m F_{\delta,p} h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} > \vartheta, \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \quad (\delta > -p),$$

where

$$\vartheta = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1 - B)^{-1} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1, \frac{\delta+p}{n} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1}\right), & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ 1 - \frac{\delta+p}{p+n+\delta} A, & \text{if } B = 0. \end{cases}$$

The result is the best possible.

Proof. Letting

$$(3.13) \quad \varphi(z) = \frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m F_{\delta,p} h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}}, \quad z \in U,$$

then φ is of the form (2.1), and analytic in U . Using the operator identity

$$z (D_{\lambda,p}^m F_{\delta,p} h(z))' = (p + \delta) D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z) - \delta D_{\lambda,p}^m F_{\delta,p} h(z)$$

in (3.13), and differentiating the resulting equation with respect to z , we have

$$\frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} = \varphi(z) + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{p + \delta} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}.$$

Now the remaining part of Theorem 3.7 follows by employing the techniques that were used in the proof of Theorem 3.1. \square

It is easy to see that,

$$\frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m F_{\delta,p} h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} = \frac{p + \delta}{pz^{p+\delta}} \int_0^z t^\delta (D_{\lambda,p}^m h(t))' dt, \quad z \in U,$$

whenever $f \in A_n(p)$ with $\delta > -p$. In view of the above identity, Theorem 3.7 for the special case $A = 1 - 2\eta$ ($0 \leq \eta < 1$) and $B = -1$ yields the next result:

3.8. Corollary. Let $g \in A_n(p)$ be a given function, and suppose that $f \in A_n(p)$ satisfies the inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} > \eta, \quad z \in U \quad (0 \leq \eta < 1),$$

where $h = f * g$, and $\lambda > 0$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{p + \delta}{pz^{p+\delta}} \int_0^z t^\delta (D_{\lambda,p}^m h(t))' dt \right] \\ > \eta + (1 - \eta) \left[{}_2F_1 \left(1, 1, \frac{p + \delta}{n} + 1; \frac{1}{2} \right) - 1 \right], \quad z \in U \quad (\delta > -p). \end{aligned}$$

The result is the best possible. \square

3.9. Theorem. Let $g \in A_n(p)$ be a given function, and suppose that the function $H \in A_n(p)$ satisfies the inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{D_{\lambda,p}^m H(z)}{z^p} > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

If the function $f \in A_n(p)$ satisfies the inequality

$$\left| \frac{D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z)}{D_{p,\lambda}^m H(z)} - 1 \right| < 1, \quad z \in U,$$

where $h = f * g$, then

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{z (D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z)} > 0, \quad |z| < R_0,$$

where

$$(3.14) \quad R_0 = \frac{\sqrt{9n^2 + 4p(p+n)} - 3n}{2(p+n)}.$$

Proof. Letting

$$(3.15) \quad \varphi(z) = \frac{D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^m H(z)} - 1 = e_n z^n + e_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots, \quad z \in U,$$

then φ is analytic in U , with $\varphi(0) = 0$ and $|\varphi(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in U$.

Defining the function ψ by

$$\psi(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{\varphi(z)}{z^n}, & z \in U \setminus \{0\}, \\ \frac{\varphi^{(n)}(0)}{n!}, & z = 0, \end{cases}$$

then ψ is analytic in $U \setminus \{0\}$ and continuous in U , hence it is analytic in the whole unit disc U . If $r \in (0, 1)$ is an arbitrary number, since $|\varphi(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in U$, we deduce

$$|\psi(z)| \leq \max_{|z|=r} \left| \frac{\varphi(z)}{z^n} \right| \leq \max_{|z|=r} \frac{|\varphi(z)|}{|z|^n} < \frac{1}{r^n}, \quad |z| \leq r < 1.$$

By letting $r \rightarrow 1^-$ in the above inequality, we get $|\psi(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in U$, i.e. $\varphi(z) = z^n \psi(z)$, where the function ψ is analytic in U , and $|\psi(z)| < 1$, $z \in U$.

Therefore, (3.15) leads to

$$D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z) = D_{\lambda,p}^m H(z) [1 + z^n \psi(z)],$$

and differentiating logarithmically with respect to z the above relation, we obtain

$$(3.16) \quad \frac{z (D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z)} = \frac{z (D_{\lambda,p}^m H(z))'}{D_{\lambda,p}^m H(z)} + \frac{z^n [n\psi(z) + z\psi'(z)]}{1 + z^n \psi(z)}.$$

Letting $\chi(z) = \frac{D_{\lambda,p}^m H(z)}{z^p}$, we see that the function χ is of the form (2.1), analytic in U with $\operatorname{Re} \chi(z) > 0$ for all $z \in U$, and

$$\frac{z (D_{\lambda,p}^m H(z))'}{D_{\lambda,p}^m H(z)} = \frac{z \chi'(z)}{\chi(z)} + p,$$

so we find from (3.16) that

$$(3.17) \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{z (D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z)} \geq p - \left| \frac{z \chi'(z)}{\chi(z)} \right| - \left| \frac{z^n [n\psi(z) + z\psi'(z)]}{1 + z^n \psi(z)} \right|, \quad z \in U.$$

Using the following known estimates [21] (see also [17])

$$\left| \frac{\chi'(z)}{\chi(z)} \right| \leq \frac{2nr^{n-1}}{1-r^{2n}} \quad \text{and} \quad \left| \frac{n\psi(z) + z\psi'(z)}{1 + z^n \psi(z)} \right| \leq \frac{n}{1-r^n}, \quad |z| = r < 1,$$

from (3.17) we deduce that

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{z (D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z))'}{D_{\lambda,p}^m h(z)} \geq \frac{p - 3nr^n - (p+n)r^{2n}}{1-r^{2n}}, \quad |z| = r < 1,$$

and the right-hand side fraction is positive provided that $r < R_0$, where R_0 is given by (3.14). \square

3.10. Theorem. *Let $g \in A_n(p)$ be a given function, and suppose that the function $H \in A_n(p)$ satisfies the inequality*

$$(3.18) \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{H(z)}{z^p} > \frac{1}{2}, \quad z \in U.$$

If $f \in T_{p,n}^m(\lambda; A, B)$, then

$$f * H \in T_{p,n}^m(\lambda; A, B).$$

Proof. A simple calculation shows that

$$\frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m(f * g * H)(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} = \frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m(f * g)(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} * \frac{H(z)}{z^p}.$$

Using the assumption (3.18) and the fact that the function $\frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}$ is convex in U, from Lemma 2.2 follows

$$\frac{(D_{\lambda,p}^m(f * g * H)(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz},$$

that is $f * H \in T_{p,n}^m(\lambda; A, B)$. \square

3.11. Remark. Specializing in the above results the parameters λ and m , and the function g , we obtain new results corresponding to the operators defined in the introduction.

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