



Subordination and superordination results of multivalent functions associated with the Dziok-Srivastava operator

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Abstract

Using the techniques of the differential subordination and superordination, we derive certain subordination and superordination properties of multivalent functions associated with the Dziok-Srivastava operator.

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1. Introduction

Let $A(p, k)$ denote the class of functions of the form

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

which are analytic in the open unit disk $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$; we write $A(p) := A(p, 1)$.

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Suppose that f and g are analytic in U . We say that the function f is subordinate to g in U , or g superordinate to f in U , and we write $f(z) \prec g(z)$, if there exists an analytic function w in U with $w(0) = 0$ and $|w(z)| < 1$, such that $f(z) = g(w(z))$, $z \in U$. If g is univalent in U , then the following equivalence relationship holds (see [13], [14] and [15]):

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

For the functions $f_j \in A(p, k)$ given by

$$f_j(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} a_{n+p,j} z^{n+p}, \quad z \in U, \quad (j = 1, 2),$$

we define the Hadamard product (or convolution) of f_1 and f_2 by

$$(f_1 * f_2)(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} a_{n+p,1} a_{n+p,2} z^{n+p} = (f_2 * f_1)(z), \quad z \in U.$$

For the complex parameters a_1, \dots, a_q and b_1, \dots, b_s , with $b_j \notin \mathbb{Z}_0^- := \{0, -1, -2, \dots\}$, $j = 1, \dots, s$, the generalized hypergeometric function ${}_qF_s$ is defined (see [26]) by the following infinite series

$${}_qF_s(a_1, \dots, a_q; b_1, \dots, b_s; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1)_n \dots (a_q)_n z^n}{(b_1)_n \dots (b_s)_n n!}, \quad z \in U,$$

$$(q \leq s + 1; q, s \in \mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}),$$

where $(\theta)_n$ is the Pochhammer symbol defined, in terms of the Gamma function Γ , by

$$(\theta)_n = \frac{\Gamma(\theta + n)}{\Gamma(\theta)} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \theta = 0 \\ \theta(\theta + 1) \dots (\theta + n - 1), & \text{if } \theta \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

Corresponding to the function $h_p(a_1, \dots, a_q; b_1, \dots, b_s; z)$ defined by

$$h_p(a_1, \dots, a_q; b_1, \dots, b_s; z) = z^p {}_qF_s(a_1, \dots, a_q; b_1, \dots, b_s; z), \quad z \in U,$$

Dziok and Srivastava [4] considered a linear operator

$$H_p(a_1, \dots, a_q; b_1, \dots, b_s) : A(p, k) \rightarrow A(p, k)$$

defined by the following Hadamard product:

$$H_p(a_1, \dots, a_q; b_1, \dots, b_s) f(z) = h_p(a_1, \dots, a_q; b_1, \dots, b_s; z) * f(z), \quad z \in U, \tag{1.2}$$

$$(q \leq s + 1; q, s \in \mathbb{N}_0).$$

If $f \in A(p, k)$ is given by (1.1), then we have

$$H_p(a_1, \dots, a_q; b_1, \dots, b_s) f(z) = f(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \Gamma_n a_{n+p} z^{n+p}, \quad z \in U, \tag{1.3}$$

where

$$\Gamma_n = \frac{(a_1)_n \dots (a_q)_n}{(b_1)_n \dots (b_s)_n} \frac{1}{n!} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

To simplify the notations, we write

$$H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z) := H_p(a_1, \dots, a_q; b_1, \dots, b_s)f(z).$$

From (1.2) or (1.3) it follows that

$$z(H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))' = a_1H_{p,q,s}(a_1+1)f(z) - (a_1-p)H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z), \quad z \in U.$$

It should be remarked that the linear operator $H_{p,q,s}(a_1)$ is a generalization of many other linear operators considered earlier. In particular, for $f \in A(p)$ we have the following special cases:

- (i) $H_{1,2,1}(a, b; c)f =: (I_c^{a,b})f$ ($a, b \in \mathbb{C}$; $c \notin \mathbb{Z}_0^-$), where the linear operator $I_c^{a,b}$ was investigated by Hohlov [8];
- (ii) $H_{p,2,1}(n+p, 1; 1)f =: D^{n+p-1}f$ ($n \in \mathbb{N}$; $n > -p$), where the linear operator D^{n+p-1} was studied by Goel and Sohi [7]. In the case when $p = 1$, $D^n f$ is the Ruscheweyh derivative of f (see [22]);
- (iii) $H_{p,2,1}(\delta+p, 1; \delta+p+1)f(z) =: J_{p,\delta}(f)(z) = \frac{p+\delta}{z^\delta} \int_0^z t^{\delta-1} f(t) dt$ ($\delta > -p$), where $J_{p,\delta}$ is the generalized Bernardi–Libera–Livingston integral operator (see [3]);
- (iv) $H_{p,2,1}(p+1, 1; p+1-\lambda)f(z) =: \Omega_z^{(\lambda,p)} f(z) = \frac{\Gamma(p+1-\lambda)}{\Gamma(p+1)} z^\lambda D_z^\lambda f(z)$ ($-\infty \leq \lambda < p+1$), where $D_z^\lambda f$ is the fractional integral of f of order $-\lambda$ when $-\infty \leq \lambda < 0$, and fractional derivative of f of order λ when $0 \leq \lambda < p+1$. The extended fractional differintegral operator $\Omega_z^{(\lambda,p)}$ was introduced and studied by Patel and Mishra [21], while the fractional differential operator $\Omega_z^{(\lambda,p)}$ with $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ was investigated by Srivastava and Aouf [25]. The operator $\Omega_z^{(\lambda,1)} =: \Omega_z^\lambda$ was introduced by Owa and Srivastava [20] (see also Owa [19]);
- (v) $H_{p,2,1}(a, 1; c)f =: L_p(a, c)f$ ($a \in \mathbb{R}$; $c \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-$), where the linear operator $L_p(a, c)$ was studied by Saitoh [23], which yields the operator $L(a, c)$ introduced by Carlson and Shaffer [1] for $p = 1$;
- (vi) $H_{1,2,1}(\mu, 1; \lambda+1)f =: I_{\lambda,\mu} f(z)$ ($\lambda > -1$; $\mu > 0$), where $I_{\lambda,\mu}$ is the Choi–Saigo–Srivastava operator [3], which is closely related to the Carlson–Shaffer [1] operator $L(\mu, \lambda+1)$;
- (vii) $H_{p,2,1}(p+1, 1; n+p)f =: I_{n,p} f$ ($n \in \mathbb{Z}$; $n > -p$), where the operator $I_{n,p}$ was considered by Liu and Noor [10];
- (viii) $H_{p,2,1}(\lambda+p, c; a)f =: I_p^\lambda(a, c)f$ ($a, c \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-$; $\lambda > -p$), where $I_p^\lambda(a, c)$ is the Cho–Kwon–Srivastava operator [2].

In recent years, many interesting subclasses of analytic functions associated with the Dziok–Srivastava operator $H_{p,q,s}(a_1)$ and its many special cases were investigated by (for example) Dziok and Srivastava ([4] and [5]), Gangadharan et al. [6], Liu and Noor [10], Liu [9], Liu and Srivastava [12], Liu and Patel [11], and many others (see also [2, 16, 17, 27]). In the present paper we shall use the method based upon the differential subordination to derive inclusion relationships and other interesting properties and characteristics of the Dziok–Srivastava operator $H_{p,q,s}(a_1)$.

2. Preliminaries lemmas

Let $P [c, k]$ denote the class of functions of the form

$$\varphi (z) = c + c_k z^k + c_{k+1} z^{k+1} + \dots,$$

that are analytic in U ; we write $P [k] := P [1, k]$.

Definition 2.1. [15] Denote by \mathcal{Q} the set of all functions f that are analytic and injective on $U \setminus E (f)$, where

$$E (f) = \left\{ \zeta \in \partial U : \lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta} f (z) = \infty \right\},$$

and such that $f' (z) \neq 0$ for $\zeta \in U \setminus E (f)$.

In our present investigation, we shall require the following lemmas.

Lemma 2.2. [14] Let h be analytic and convex (univalent) in U , with $h(0) = 1$, and let $\varphi \in P [k]$. If

$$\varphi (z) + \frac{z \varphi' (z)}{\gamma} \prec h (z),$$

where $\gamma \neq 0$ and $\operatorname{Re} \gamma \geq 0$, then

$$\varphi (z) \prec q (z) = \frac{\gamma}{k} z^{-\frac{\gamma}{k}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\gamma}{k}-1} h (t) dt \prec h (z),$$

and q is the best dominant.

Lemma 2.3. [24] Let q be a convex (univalent) function in U , let $\sigma \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\theta \in \mathbb{C}^* := \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, with

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{z q'' (z)}{q' (z)} \right) > \max \left\{ 0; -\operatorname{Re} \frac{\sigma}{\theta} \right\}.$$

If the function φ is analytic in U and

$$\sigma \varphi (z) + \theta z \varphi' (z) \prec \sigma q (z) + \theta z q' (z),$$

then $\varphi (z) \prec q (z)$, and q is the best dominant.

Lemma 2.4. [15] Let q be a convex (univalent) function in U and let $k \in \mathbb{C}$, with $\operatorname{Re} k > 0$. If

$$\varphi \in P [q (0), 1] \cap \mathcal{Q},$$

and $\varphi (z) + k z \varphi' (z)$ is univalent in U , then

$$q (z) + k z q' (z) \prec \varphi (z) + k z \varphi' (z)$$

implies $q (z) \prec \varphi (z)$, and q is the best subdominant.

Lemma 2.5. [28, Chapter 14] For any real or complex numbers a, b, c ($c \notin \mathbb{Z}_0^-$) we have

$$\int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-tz)^{-a} dt = \frac{\Gamma (b) \Gamma (c-b)}{\Gamma (c)} {}_2F_1 (a, b; c; z) \tag{2.1}$$

$(\operatorname{Re} c > \operatorname{Re} b > 0);$

$${}_2F_1 (a, b; c; z) = {}_2F_1 (b, a; c; z); \tag{2.2}$$

$${}_2F_1 (a, b; c; z) = (1-z)^{-a} {}_2F_1 \left(a, b; c; \frac{z}{1-z} \right). \tag{2.3}$$

3. Main results

Unless otherwise mentioned, we assume throughout the sequel that $a_i > 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, q$, $\alpha > 0$, $\mu > 0$ and $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$. Now, we will prove the following sharp subordination result:

Theorem 3.1. *Let $0 \leq j < p$, and for $f \in A(p, k)$ suppose that*

$$\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \neq 0, \quad z \in U,$$

whenever $\mu \in (0, +\infty) \setminus \mathbb{N}$. Let define the function Φ_j by

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_j(z) = (1 - \alpha) \left[\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu + \\ \alpha \frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1+1)f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \left[\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \right]^{\mu-1}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where all the powers are the principal ones, i.e. $\log 1 = 0$.

If

$$\Phi_j(z) \prec \left[\frac{p!}{(p-j)!} \right]^\mu \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}, \quad (3.2)$$

then

$$\left[\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu \prec \left[\frac{p!}{(p-j)!} \right]^\mu q(z), \quad (3.3)$$

where

$$q(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + \left(1 - \frac{A}{B}\right) (1 + Bz)^{-1} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha k} + 1; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1}\right), & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ 1 + \frac{\mu a_1}{\mu a_1 + \alpha k} Az, & \text{if } B = 0, \end{cases}$$

and $\left[\frac{p!}{(p-j)!} \right]^\mu q$ is the best dominant of (3.3). Furthermore, we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu > \left[\frac{p!}{(p-j)!} \right]^\mu \eta, \quad z \in U, \quad (3.4)$$

where η is given by

$$\eta = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + \left(1 - \frac{A}{B}\right) (1 - B)^{-1} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha k} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1}\right), & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ 1 - \frac{\mu a_1}{\mu a_1 + \alpha k} A, & \text{if } B = 0, \end{cases}$$

and the estimate (3.4) is the best possible.

Proof . Letting

$$\varphi(z) = \left[\frac{(p-j)! (H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j)}}{p! z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu, \quad z \in U, \quad (3.5)$$

by choosing the principal branch in (3.5) we note that $\varphi \in P[k]$. Differentiating both the sides of (3.5), by using in the resulting equation the assumption (3.2) and the fact that

$$\begin{aligned} z (H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j+1)} &= a_1 (H_{p,q,s}(a_1+1)f(z))^{(j)} - \\ (a_1 - p + j) (H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j)}, \quad z \in U, \quad (0 \leq j < p) \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

we obtain

$$\varphi(z) + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha}} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}.$$

Now, by using Lemma 2.2, with $\gamma = \frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha}$, in the above differential subordination, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(z) \prec q(z) &= \frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha k} z^{-\frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha k}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha k} - 1} \left(\frac{1 + At}{1 + Bt} \right) dt = \\ &\begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + \left(1 - \frac{A}{B}\right) (1 + Bz)^{-1} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha k} + 1; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1}\right), & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ 1 + \frac{\mu a_1}{\mu a_1 + \alpha k} Az, & \text{if } B = 0, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where we used a change of variable followed by the use of the identities (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3), respectively. This completes the proof of the assertion (3.3).

Next, we will show that

$$\inf \{ \operatorname{Re} q(z) : |z| < 1 \} = q(-1). \tag{3.7}$$

Indeed, we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \geq \frac{1 - Ar}{1 - Br} \quad (|z| < r < 1).$$

Setting

$$g(s, z) = \frac{1 + Asz}{1 + Bs z} \quad (0 \leq s \leq 1; z \in U)$$

and

$$dv(s) = \frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha k} s^{\frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha k} - 1} ds$$

which is a positive measure on the closed interval $[0, 1]$, we get that

$$q(z) = \int_0^1 g(s, z) dv(s),$$

so that

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

Now, taking $r \rightarrow 1^-$ in the above inequality we obtain the assertion (3.7). The estimate (3.4) is the best possible since the function $\left[\frac{p!}{(p-j)!} \right]^\mu q$ is the best dominant of (3.3). \square

Corollary 3.2. *Let $0 \leq j < p$ and $f \in A(p, k)$. If*

$$\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1 + 1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \prec \frac{p!}{(p-j)!} \frac{1 + A^*z}{1 + Bz},$$

where

$$A^* = \begin{cases} \frac{B {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha k} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1}\right)}{B + {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha k} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1}\right) - 1}, & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ \frac{a_{1+k}}{a_1}, & \text{if } B = 0, \end{cases}$$

then $H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f$ is p -valent in U .

Proof . Putting $\mu = \alpha = 1$ and replacing A by A^* in Theorem 3.1, we get

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{z (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j+1}} = \operatorname{Re} \frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

Since the function $\phi(z) = z^{p-j+1}$ is $(p - j + 1)$ -valently starlike in U , in view of the result [18, Theorem 8] we obtain that the function $H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f$ is p -valent in U . \square

Theorem 3.3. Let $0 \leq j < p$, and for $f \in A(p, k)$ let define the function F_α by

$$F_\alpha(z) = (1 - \alpha - \alpha a_1 + \alpha p) H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z) + \alpha a_1 H_{p,q,s}(a_1 + 1) f(z). \tag{3.8}$$

If

$$\frac{F_\alpha^{(j)}(z)}{z^{p-j}} \prec (1 - \alpha + \alpha p) \frac{p!}{(p - j)!} \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}, \tag{3.9}$$

then

$$\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \prec \frac{p!}{(p - j)!} q(z), \tag{3.10}$$

where

$$q(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1 + Bz)^{-1} {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{1-\alpha+\alpha p}{\alpha k} + 1; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1}), & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ 1 + \frac{1-\alpha+\alpha p}{1-\alpha+\alpha(p+k)} Az, & \text{if } B = 0, \end{cases}$$

and $\frac{p!}{(p-j)!}q$ is the best dominant of (3.10). Furthermore, we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} > \frac{p!}{(p - j)!} \xi, \quad z \in U, \tag{3.11}$$

where ξ is given by

$$\xi = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1 - B)^{-1} {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{1-\alpha+\alpha p}{\alpha k} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1}), & \text{if } B \neq 0, \\ 1 - \frac{\mu a_1}{\mu a_1 + \alpha k} A, & \text{if } B = 0, \end{cases}$$

and the estimate in (3.11) is the best possible.

Proof . Using the definition (3.8) and the identity (3.6), it follows that

$$F_\alpha^{(j)}(z) = (1 - \alpha + \alpha j) (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)} + \alpha z (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j+1)}, \tag{3.12}$$

for $0 \leq j < p$. Putting

$$\varphi(z) = \frac{(p - j)!}{p!} \frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}}, \quad z \in U, \tag{3.13}$$

we have that $\varphi \in P[k]$. Differentiating both the sides of (3.13), using (3.9) and (3.12) in the resulting equation, by a simple calculation we get

$$\varphi(z) + \frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha + \alpha p} z \varphi'(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}.$$

The remaining part of the proof is similar to that of Theorem 3.1, so we omit these details. \square

Theorem 3.4. Let $0 \leq j < p$, and for $\delta > -p$ let define the operator $J_{p,\delta} : A(p, k) \rightarrow A(p, k)$ by

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

If

$$\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \prec \frac{p!}{(p-j)!} \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}, \tag{3.14}$$

then

$$\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) J_{p,\delta}(f)(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \prec \frac{p!}{(p-j)!} q(z), \tag{3.15}$$

where

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

and $\frac{p!}{(p-j)!} q$ is the best dominant of (3.15). Furthermore, we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) J_{p,\delta}(f)(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} > \frac{p!}{(p-j)!} k, \quad z \in U, \tag{3.16}$$

where k is given by

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

and the estimate in (3.16) is the best possible.

Proof . Letting

$$\varphi(z) = \frac{(p-j)! (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) J_{p,\delta}(f)(z))^{(j)}}{p! z^{p-j}}, \quad z \in U,$$

we have that $\varphi(z) \in P[k]$. Differentiating the above definition formula, by using (3.14) and the identity

$$z (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) J_{p,\delta}(f)(z))^{(j+1)} = (\delta + p) (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)} - (\delta + j) (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) J_{p,\delta}(f)(z))^{(j)}$$

in the resulting equation, we get

$$\varphi(z) + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\delta + p} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}.$$

Now, the assertion (3.15) and the estimate (3.16) follow by employing the same techniques that was used in the proof of Theorem 3.1. \square

Theorem 3.5. Let q be a univalent function in U , such that q satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)} \right) > \max \left\{ 0; -\frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha} \right\}, \quad z \in U. \tag{3.17}$$

Let $0 \leq j < p$, and for $f \in A(p, k)$ suppose that

$$\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \neq 0, \quad z \in U,$$

whenever $\mu \in (0, +\infty) \setminus \mathbb{N}$. Let the function Φ_j defined by (3.1), and suppose that it satisfies the following subordination:

$$\left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \right]^\mu \Phi_j(z) \prec q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} z q'(z). \quad (3.18)$$

Then,

$$\left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu \prec q(z),$$

and q is the best dominant of the above subordination.

Proof . If the function φ is defined by (3.5), from Theorem 3.1 we obtain

$$\left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \right]^\mu \Phi_j(z) = \varphi(z) + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} z \varphi'(z). \quad (3.19)$$

Combining (3.18) and (3.19) we find that

$$\varphi(z) + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} z \varphi'(z) \prec q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} z q'(z), \quad (3.20)$$

and by using Lemma 2.3 and (3.20) we easily get the assertion of Theorem 3.5. \square

Taking $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$ in Theorem 3.5 we obtain the following special case:

Corollary 3.6. For $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$, suppose that

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{1-Bz}{1+Bz} > \max \left\{ 0; -\frac{\mu a_1}{\alpha} \right\}, \quad z \in U.$$

Let $0 \leq j < p$, and for $f \in A(p, k)$ suppose that

$$\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \neq 0, \quad z \in U,$$

whenever $\mu \in (0, +\infty) \setminus \mathbb{N}$. Let the function Φ_j defined by (3.1), and suppose that it satisfies the following subordination:

$$\left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \right]^\mu \Phi_j(z) \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Bz)^2}.$$

Then,

$$\left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$$

and the function $\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$ is the best dominant of the above subordination.

Theorem 3.7. *Let $0 \leq j < p$, and for $f \in A(p, k)$ suppose that*

$$\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \neq 0, z \in U,$$

whenever $\mu \in (0, +\infty) \setminus \mathbb{N}$. Suppose that

$$\left[\frac{(p-j)! (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{p! z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu \in P[1] \cap \mathcal{Q},$$

such that $\left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \right]^\mu \Phi_j(z)$ is univalent in U , where the function Φ_j is defined by (3.1). If q is a convex (univalent) function in U , and

$$q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} z q'(z) \prec \left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \right]^\mu \Phi_j(z),$$

then

$$q(z) \prec \left[\frac{(p-j)! (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{p! z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu,$$

and q is the best subordinant of the above subordination.

Proof . If the function φ is defined by (3.5), from (3.19) we have

$$q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} z q'(z) \prec \left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \right]^\mu \Phi_j(z) = \varphi(z) + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} z \varphi'(z).$$

Now, an application of Lemma 2.4 yields the assertion of Theorem 3.7. \square

Taking $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$ in Theorem 3.7, we get the following special case:

Corollary 3.8. *Let $0 \leq j < p$, and for $f \in A(p, k)$ suppose that*

$$\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \neq 0, z \in U,$$

whenever $\mu \in (0, +\infty) \setminus \mathbb{N}$. Suppose that

$$\left[\frac{(p-j)! (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{p! z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu \in P[1] \cap \mathcal{Q},$$

such that $\left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \right]^\mu \Phi_j(z)$ is univalent in U , where the function Φ_j is defined by (3.1), and suppose that $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$. If

$$\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Bz)^2} \prec \left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \right]^\mu \Phi_j(z),$$

then

$$\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \prec \left[\frac{(p-j)! (H_{p,q,s}(a_1) f(z))^{(j)}}{p! z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu$$

and the function $\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$ is the best subordinant of the above subordination.

Combining the Theorem 3.5 and Theorem 3.7, we easily get the following *Sandwich-type result*:

Theorem 3.9. *Let $0 \leq j < p$, and for $f \in A(p, k)$ suppose that*

$$\frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \neq 0, \quad z \in U,$$

whenever $\mu \in (0, +\infty) \setminus \mathbb{N}$. Suppose that

$$\left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu \in P[q(0), k] \cap \mathcal{Q},$$

such that $\left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \right]^\mu \Phi_j(z)$ is univalent in U , where the function Φ_j is defined by (3.1).

Let q_1 be a convex (univalent) function in U , and suppose that q_2 is a univalent function in U that q_2 satisfies (3.17). If

$$q_1(z) + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} z q_1'(z) \prec \left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \right]^\mu \Phi_j(z) \prec q_2(z) + \frac{\alpha}{\mu a_1} z q_2'(z),$$

then

$$q_1(z) \prec \left[\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \frac{(H_{p,q,s}(a_1)f(z))^{(j)}}{z^{p-j}} \right]^\mu \prec q_2(z),$$

and q_1 and q_2 are, respectively, the best subordinant and the best dominant of the above double subordination.

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