

## A CLASS OF MEROMORPHIC MULTIVALENT FUNCTIONS WITH POSITIVE COEFFICIENTS

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we introduce a class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  of meromorphic multivalent functions in  $U^* = \{z : 0 < |z| < 1\}$  by using a differential operator  $D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)$ . We obtain coefficient estimates, distortion theorem, radius of convexity, closure theorems and integral transforms for the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ . Several results involving the Hadamard products of functions belonging to the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  are also derived.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\Sigma_p^*$  denote the class of functions of the form:

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k} z^{p+k} \quad (a_{p+k} \geq 0; p \in N = \{1, 2, \dots\})$$

which are analytic and  $p$ -valent in the punctured disc  $U^* = \{z : z \in C \text{ and } 0 < |z| < 1\} = U \setminus \{0\}$ .

For a function  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p^*$ , we define the following differential operator:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\lambda,p}^0 f(z) &= f(z), \\ D_{\lambda,p}^1 f(z) &= (1 - \lambda)f(z) + \frac{\lambda}{p} z f'(z) + \frac{2\lambda}{z^p} \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{p + \lambda k}{p} \right) a_{p+k} z^{p+k} \\ &= D_{\lambda,p} f(z) \quad (\lambda \geq 0; p \in N), \\ D_{\lambda,p}^2 f(z) &= D_{\lambda,p} (D_{\lambda,p}^1 f(z)) \quad , \end{aligned}$$

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$$(1.2) \quad \begin{aligned} D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z) &= D_{\lambda,p}(D_{\lambda,p}^{n-1} f(z)) \\ &= (1 - \lambda)D_{\lambda,p}^{n-1} f(z) + \frac{\lambda}{p} z (D_{\lambda,p}^{n-1} f(z))' + \frac{2\lambda}{z^p} (\lambda \geq 0; n, p \in N). \end{aligned}$$

It can be easily seen that

$$(1.3) \quad D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{p + \lambda k}{p} \right)^n a_{p+k} z^{p+k} \quad (n \in N_0 = N \cup \{0\}; p \in N).$$

Also we can write  $D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z) &= \left( f * \left\{ \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{p + \lambda k}{p} \right)^n z^{p+k} \right\} \right) \\ &= (f * \Psi_n^p)(z), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Psi_n^p(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{p + \lambda k}{p} \right)^n z^{p+k}$  and  $(*)$  denotes convolution.

With the aid of the differential operator  $D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)$  we define the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  as follows:

A function  $f(z)$  in  $\Sigma_p^*$  is in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  if it satisfies the following inequality:

$$(1.4) \quad \left| \frac{z^{p+1} (D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z))' + p}{(2\gamma - 1)z^{p+1} (D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z))' + (2\gamma\alpha - p)} \right| < \beta \quad (z \in U^*)$$

$(\alpha(0 \leq \alpha < p); \beta(0 < \beta \leq 1); \gamma(\frac{1}{2} \leq \gamma \leq 1); \lambda \geq 0; p \in N; n \in N_0)$ .

We note that the class  $F_{0,1}^0(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \Sigma_d(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1, 0 < \beta \leq 1$  and  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \gamma \leq 1$ ) was studied by Cho et al. [4]. Also we note that:

- (i)  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, 1, 1) = F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha) = \left\{ f(z) \in \Sigma_p^* : \operatorname{Re} \left\{ -z^{p+1} (D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z))' \right\} > \alpha, 0 \leq \alpha < p, p \in N, n \in N_0, z \in U^* \right\}$ ;
- (ii)  $F_{0,p}^0(\alpha, 1, 1) = F_p^*(\alpha) = \left\{ f(z) \in \Sigma_p^* : \operatorname{Re} \left\{ -z^{p+1} f'(z) \right\} > \alpha, 0 \leq \alpha < p, p \in N, z \in U^* \right\}$ ;
- (iii)  $F_{0,p}^0(\alpha, \beta, 1) = F_p^*(\alpha, \beta) = \left\{ f(z) \in \Sigma_p^* : \left| \frac{z^{p+1} f'(z) + p}{z^{p+1} f'(z) + 2\alpha - p} \right| < \beta, z \in U^*, 0 \leq \alpha < p, 0 < \beta \leq 1, p \in N, z \in U^* \right\}$ .

Meromorphically multivalent functions have been extensively studied (for example) by Mogra ([9] and [10]), Uralegaddi and Ganigi [15], Aouf ([1] and [2]), Aouf et al. [3], Srivastava et al. [14], Owa et al. [11], Joshi and Aouf [5], Joshi and Srivastava [6], Liu [7], Liu and Srivastava [8], Raina and Srivastava [12] and Yang [16].

In the present paper, we obtain coefficient estimates, distortion theorems, radius of convexity, closure theorems and integral transforms for the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ . Several results involving the Hadamard products of functions belonging to the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  are also derived.

## 2. COEFFICIENTS ESTIMATES

**Theorem 1.** *A function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) is in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  if and only if*

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) a_{p+k} \leq 2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha),$$

for  $0 \leq \alpha < p, 0 < \beta \leq 1, \frac{1}{2} \leq \gamma \leq 1, n \in N_0, p \in N$  and  $\lambda \geq 0$ .

*Proof.* Suppose (2.1) holds. Then we have

$$\left| z^{p+1} (D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z))' + p \right| - \beta \left| (2\gamma-1) z^{p+1} (D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z))' + (2\gamma\alpha-p) \right| < 0$$

provided

$$(2.2) \quad \left| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n a_{p+k} z^{2p+k} \right| - \beta \left| 2\gamma(p-\alpha) - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2\gamma-1)(p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n a_{p+k} z^{2p+k} \right| < 0.$$

For  $|z| = r < 1$  the left hand side of (2.2) is bounded above by

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n a_{p+k} r^{2p+k} - 2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha) + \\ & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \beta(2\gamma-1)(p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n a_{p+k} r^{2p+k} \\ & < \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) a_{p+k} - 2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha) \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ .

Conversely, suppose

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{z^{p+1}(D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z))' + p}{(2\gamma - 1)z^{p+1}(D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z))' - (2\gamma\alpha - p)} \right| \\
 = & \left| \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n a_{p+k} z^{2p+k}}{(2\gamma - 1)(p - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n a_{p+k} z^{2p+k}) - (2\gamma\alpha - p)} \right| < \beta \quad (z \in U^*).
 \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that  $|\operatorname{Re}(z)| \leq |z|$  for all  $z$ , we have

$$(2.3) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n a_{p+k} z^{2p+k}}{2\gamma(p - \alpha) - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2\gamma - 1)(p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n a_{p+k} z^{2p+k}} \right\} < \beta \quad (z \in U^*).$$

Now choose the values of  $z$  on the real axis so that  $z^{p+1}(D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z))'$  is real. Upon clearing the denominator in (2.3) and letting  $z \rightarrow 1^-$  through positive values, we obtain

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta) a_{p+k} \leq 2\beta\gamma(p - \alpha).$$

Hence the result follows.

**Corollary 1.** *If the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) is in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , then*

$$(2.4) \quad a_{p+k} \leq \frac{2\beta\gamma(p - \alpha)}{(p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta)} \quad (k \geq 0; p \in N; n \in N_0).$$

This result is sharp for the function  $f(z)$  given by

$$(2.5) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{2\beta\gamma(p - \alpha)}{(p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta)} z^{p+k} \quad (k \geq 0; p \in N; n \in N_0).$$

Putting  $n = \lambda = 0$  and  $\beta = \gamma = 1$  in Theorem 1, we obtain:

**Corollary 2.** *A function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) is in the class  $F_p^*(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < p$ ) if and only if*

$$(2.6) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) a_{p+k} \leq (p - \alpha).$$

We note that this result is obtained also by Mogra [10].

### 3. DISTORTION THEOREM

**Theorem 2.** *If the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) is in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , then for  $0 < |z| = r < 1$ ,*

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{1}{r^p} - \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}r^p \leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{r^p} + \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}r^p,$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} - \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}r^{p-1} \leq |f'(z)| \leq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} + \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}r^{p-1}.$$

The bounds in (3.1) and (3.2) are attained for the function  $f(z)$  given by

$$(3.3) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}z^p \quad (p \in N).$$

*Proof.* In view of Theorem 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k} &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) a_{p+k} \\ &\leq 2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha), \end{aligned}$$

that is, that

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k} \leq \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}.$$

Thus, for  $0 < |z| = r < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| &\leq \frac{1}{r^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k} r^{p+k} \\ (3.5) \quad &\leq \frac{1}{r^p} + r^p \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{r^p} + \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} r^p \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f(z)| &\geq \frac{1}{r^p} - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k} r^{p+k} \\
 (3.6) \quad &\geq \frac{1}{r^p} - r^p \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k} \\
 &\geq \frac{1}{r^p} - \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} r^p,
 \end{aligned}$$

which, together, yield (3.1). Furthermore, it follows from Theorem 1 that

$$(3.7) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) a_{p+k} \leq \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f'(z)| &\leq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) a_{p+k} r^{p+k-1} \\
 (3.8) \quad &\leq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} + r^{p-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) a_{p+k} \\
 &\leq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} + \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} r^{p-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f'(z)| &\geq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) a_{p+k} r^{p+k-1} \\
 (3.9) \quad &\geq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} - r^{p-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) a_{p+k} \\
 &\geq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} - \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} r^{p-1},
 \end{aligned}$$

which, together, yield (3.2). It can easily be seen that the function  $f(z)$  defined by (3.3) is extremal for Theorem 2.

#### 4. RADIUS OF CONVEXITY

**Theorem 3.** *Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , then  $f(z)$  is meromorphically  $p$ -valent convex of order  $\delta$  ( $0 \leq \delta < p$ ) in  $0 < |z| <$*

$r(\lambda, p, n, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta)$ , where

$$(4.1) \quad r(\lambda, p, n, \alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \inf_k \left[ \frac{p(p - \delta) \left(\frac{p + \lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p - \alpha)(3p + k - \delta)} \right]^{\frac{1}{2p+k}}$$

$(k \geq 0; p \in N; n \in N_0).$

The result is sharp.

*Proof.* It is sufficient to show that

$$\left| \frac{(zf'(z))' + pf'(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq p - \delta \quad \text{for } 0 < |z| < r(\lambda, p, n, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta).$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{(zf'(z))' + pf'(z)}{f'(z)} \right| &= \left| \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k)(2p+k)a_{p+k}z^{p+k-1}}{-pz^{-(p+1)} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k)a_{p+k}z^{p+k-1}} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k)(2p+k)a_{p+k}r^{2p+k}}{p - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k)a_{p+k}r^{2p+k}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\left| \frac{(zf'(z))' + pf'(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq p - \delta$  if

$$(4.2) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p+k)(3p+k-\delta)}{p(p-\delta)} a_{p+k} r^{2p+k} \leq 1.$$

But Theorem 1 assures that

$$(4.3) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p - \delta)} a_{p+k} \leq 1.$$

In view of (4.3), it follows that (4.2) will be true if

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} &\frac{(p+k)(3p+k-\delta)}{p(p-\delta)} r^{2p+k} \\ &\leq \frac{(p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p - \delta)} \quad (k \geq 0; p \in N; n \in N_0) \end{aligned}$$

or if

$$(4.5) \quad r \leq \left[ \frac{p(p-\delta)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)(3p+k-\delta)} \right]^{\frac{1}{2p+k}} \quad (k \geq 0; p \in N; n \in N_0).$$

Setting  $r(\lambda, p, n, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta)$  in (4.5), the result follows. The result (4.1) is sharp with the extremal function  $f(z)$  given by (2.5).

## 5. CLOSURE THEOREMS

**Theorem 4.** *Let*

$$(5.1) \quad f_{p-1}(z) = \frac{1}{z^p}$$

and

$$(5.2) \quad f_{p+k}(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} z^{p+k} \quad (k \geq 0; p \in N; n \in N_0).$$

Then  $f(z)$  is in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  if and only if it can be expressed in the form

$$(5.3) \quad f(z) = \sum_{k=-1}^{\infty} \mu_{p+k} f_{p+k}(z),$$

where

$$\mu_{p+k} \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=-1}^{\infty} \mu_{p+k} = 1.$$

*Proof.* Let  $f(z) = \sum_{k=-1}^{\infty} \mu_{p+k} f_{p+k}(z)$ , where  $\mu_{p+k} \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{k=-1}^{\infty} \mu_{p+k} = 1$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \sum_{k=-1}^{\infty} \mu_{p+k} f_{p+k}(z) \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_{p+k} \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} z^{p+k}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_{p+k} \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} \cdot \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_{p+k} = 1 - \mu_{p-1} \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$



which shows, that  $f(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ .

Conversely, suppose  $f(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ . Then

$$a_{p+k} \leq \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} \quad (k \geq 0; p \in N; n \in N_0).$$

Setting

$$\mu_{p+k} = \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} a_{p+k} \quad (k \geq 0; p \in N; n \in N_0)$$

and

$$\mu_{p-1} = 1 - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_{p+k},$$

it follows that  $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_{p+k} f_{p+k}(z)$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 4.

**Theorem 5.** *The class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  is closed under convex linear combinations.*

*Proof.* Let each of the functions

$$(5.4) \quad f_j(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k,j} z^{p+k} \quad (a_{p+k,j} \geq 0; j = 1, 2)$$

be in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ . It is sufficient to show that the function  $h(z)$  defined by

$$(5.5) \quad h(z) = (1-t)f_1(z) + tf_2(z) \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1)$$

is also in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ . Since

$$(5.6) \quad h(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [(1-t)a_{p+k,1} + ta_{p+k,2}] z^{p+k} \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1),$$

with the aid of Theorem 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) [(1-t)a_{p+k,1} + ta_{p+k,2}] \\ &= (1-t) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) a_{p+k,1} + \\ & \quad + t \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) a_{p+k,2} \\ & \leq (1-t)2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha) + t2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha) = 2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha), \end{aligned}$$

which shows that  $h(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ . Hence we have Theorem 5.

## 6. INTEGRAL TRANSFORMS

In this section we consider integral transforms of function in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ .

**Theorem 6.** *If  $f(z)$  is in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , then the integral transforms*

$$(6.1) \quad F_{c+p-1}(z) = c \int_0^1 u^{c+p-1} f(uz) du, \quad 0 < c < \infty$$

are in the class  $F_p^*(\theta)$ ,  $0 \leq \theta < p$ , where

$$(6.2) \quad \theta = \theta(p, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, c) = \frac{p(2p+c)(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) - 2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)c}{(2p+c)(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}.$$

The result is best possible for the function  $f(z)$  given by (3.3).

*Proof.* Suppose  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k} z^{p+k} \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} F_{c+p-1}(z) &= c \int_0^1 u^{c+p-1} f(uz) du \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{c}{2p+k+c} a_{p+k} z^{p+k}. \end{aligned}$$

In view of Corollary 2, it is sufficient to show that

$$(6.3) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k+p}{p-\theta} \cdot \frac{c}{2p+k+c} a_{p+k} \leq 1.$$

Since  $f(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , we have

$$(6.4) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} a_{p+k} \leq 1.$$

Thus (6.3) will be satisfied if

$$\frac{(k+p)c}{(p-\theta)(2p+k+c)} \leq \frac{(p+k) \left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} \quad \text{for each } k,$$

or

$$(6.5) \quad \theta \leq \frac{p(2p+k+c)(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) - (k+p)2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)c}{(2p+k+c)(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}.$$

Since the right hand side of (6.5) is an increasing function of  $k$ , putting  $k = 0$  in (6.5), we get

$$\theta \leq \frac{p(2p+c)(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) - 2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)c}{(2p+c)(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}.$$

Hence the theorem.

### 7. CONVOLUTION PROPERTIES

For the functions  $f_j(z) (j = 1, 2)$  defined by (5.4) belonging to the class  $\Sigma_p^*$ , we denote by  $(f_1 * f_2)(z)$  the Hadamard product (or the convolution) of the functions  $f_1(z)$  and  $f_2(z)$ , that is

$$(7.1) \quad (f_1 * f_2)(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k,1} a_{p+k,2} z^{p+k}.$$

**Theorem 7.** *Let the functions  $f_j(z) (j = 1, 2)$  defined by (5.4) be in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , then  $(f_1 * f_2)(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\phi, \beta, \gamma)$ , where*

$$(7.2) \quad \phi = p - \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)^2}{p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}.$$

The result is sharp for the functions  $f_j(z) (j = 1, 2)$  given by

$$(7.3) \quad f_j(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} z^p \quad (j = 1, 2; p \in N).$$

*Proof.* Employing the technique used earlier by Schild and Silverman [13], in order to prove Theorem 7, we need to find the largest  $\phi$  such that

$$(7.4) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k+p)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\phi)} a_{p+k,1} a_{p+k,2} \leq 1$$

for  $f_j(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\phi, \beta, \gamma) (j = 1, 2)$ . Since  $f_j(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) (j = 1, 2)$ , we readily see that

$$(7.5) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} a_{p+k,j} \leq 1 \quad (j = 1, 2).$$

Therefore, by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we obtain

$$(7.6) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} \sqrt{a_{p+k,1}a_{p+k,2}} \leq 1.$$

This implies that we need only to show that

$$(7.7) \quad \frac{a_{p+k,1}a_{p+k,2}}{(p-\varphi)} \leq \frac{\sqrt{a_{p+k,1}a_{p+k,2}}}{(p-\alpha)} \quad (k \geq 0; p \in N)$$

or, equivalently, that

$$(7.8) \quad \sqrt{a_{p+k,1}a_{p+k,2}} \leq \frac{(p-\varphi)}{(p-\alpha)} \quad (k \geq 0; p \in N).$$

Hence, by the inequality (7.6), it is sufficient to prove that

$$(7.9) \quad \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)}{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} \leq \frac{(p-\varphi)}{(p-\alpha)} \quad (k \geq 0).$$

It follows from (7.9) that

$$(7.10) \quad \phi \leq p - \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)^2}{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} \quad (k \geq 0).$$

Now, defining the function  $\Psi(k)$  by

$$(7.11) \quad \Psi(k) = p - \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)^2}{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n (1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} \quad (k \geq 0).$$

We see that  $\Psi(k)$  is an increasing function of  $k$ . Therefore, we conclude that

$$(7.12) \quad \phi \leq \Psi(0) = p - \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)^2}{p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)},$$

which evidently completes the proof of Theorem 7.

Using arguments similar to those in the proof of Theorem 7, we obtain the following result.

**Theorem 8.** *Let the function  $f_1(z)$  defined by (5.4) be in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha_1, \beta, \gamma)$ , and the function  $f_2(z)$  defined by (5.4) be in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha_2, \beta, \gamma)$ . Then  $(f_1 * f_2)(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\eta, \beta, \gamma)$ , where*

$$(7.13) \quad \eta = p - \frac{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha_1)(p-\alpha_2)}{p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}.$$

The result is sharp for the functions  $f_j(z) (j = 1, 2)$  given by

$$(7.14) \quad f_1(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{2\beta\gamma(p - \alpha_1)}{p(1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta)}z^p \quad (p \in N)$$

and

$$(7.15) \quad f_2(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{2\beta\gamma(p - \alpha_2)}{p(1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta)}z^p \quad (p \in N).$$

**Theorem 9.** If  $f_1(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k,1}z^{p+k} \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , and  $f_2(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k,2}z^{p+k}$  with  $|a_{p+k,2}| \leq 1; k = 0, 1, 2, \dots; p \in N$ , then  $(f_1 * f_2)(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ .

*Proof.* Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} |a_{p+k,1}a_{p+k,2}| \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} a_{p+k,1} |a_{p+k,2}| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} a_{p+k,1} \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$

by Theorem 1, it follows that  $(f_1 * f_2)(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ .

**Corollary 3.** If  $f_1(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k,1}z^{p+k} \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , and  $f_2(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{p+k,2}z^{p+k}$  ( $0 \leq a_{p+k,2} \leq 1; k = 0, 1, 2, \dots; p \in N$ ), then  $(f_1 * f_2)(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ .

**Theorem 10.** Let the functions  $f_j(z) (j = 1, 2)$  defined by (5.4) be in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  and

$$(7.16) \quad p(1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta) - 4\beta\gamma(p - \alpha) \geq 0,$$

then the function  $h(z)$  defined by

$$(7.17) \quad h(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (a_{p+k,1}^2 + a_{p+k,2}^2)z^{p+k}$$

belongs to the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $f_1(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} a_{p+k,1} \leq 1$$

and so

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} \right]^2 a_{p+k,1}^2 \leq 1.$$

Similarly, since  $f_2(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} \right]^2 a_{p+k,2}^2 \leq 1.$$

Hence

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} \right]^2 (a_{p+k,1}^2 + a_{p+k,2}^2) \leq 1.$$

In view of Theorem 1, it is sufficient to show that

$$(7.18) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} \right] (a_{p+k,1}^2 + a_{p+k,2}^2) \leq 1.$$

Thus the inequality (7.18) will be satisfied if, for  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$(7.19) \quad \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} \right]^2,$$

or if

$$(7.20) \quad (p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) - 4\beta\gamma(p-\alpha) \geq 0,$$

for  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . The left hand side of (7.20) is an increasing function of  $k$ , hence (7.20) is satisfied for all  $k$  if

$$p(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta) - 4\beta\gamma(p-\alpha) \geq 0,$$

which is true by our assumption. Hence the theorem.

**Theorem 11.** *Let the functions  $f_j(z)(j = 1, 2)$  defined by (5.4) be in the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ . Then the function  $h(z)$  defined by (7.17) belongs to the class  $F_{\lambda,p}^n(\Psi, \beta, \gamma)$ , where*

$$(7.21) \quad \Psi = p - \frac{4\beta\gamma(p - \alpha)^2}{p(1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta)} .$$

This result is sharp for the functions  $f_j(z)(j = 1, 2)$  defined by (7.3).

*Proof.* Noting that

$$(7.22) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{[(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)]^2}{[2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)]^2} a_{p+k,j}^2 \leq \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)} a_{p+k,j} \right]^2 \leq 1 (j = 1, 2),$$

for  $f_j(z) \in F_{\lambda,p}^n(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)(j = 1, 2)$ , we have

$$(7.23) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{[(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)]^2}{2[2\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)]^2} (a_{p+k,1}^2 + a_{p+k,2}^2) \leq 1 .$$

Therefore, we have to find the largest  $\Psi$  such that

$$(7.24) \quad \frac{1}{(p - \Psi)} \leq \frac{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)}{4\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)^2} (k \geq 0) ,$$

that is, that

$$(7.25) \quad \Psi \leq p - \frac{4\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)^2}{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} (k \geq 0) .$$

Now, defining a function  $H(k)$  by

$$(7.26) \quad H(k) = p - \frac{4\beta\gamma(p-\alpha)^2}{(p+k)\left(\frac{p+\lambda k}{p}\right)^n(1+2\beta\gamma-\beta)} (k \geq 0) .$$

We observe that  $H(k)$  is an increasing function of  $k$ . We thus conclude that

$$(7.27) \quad \Psi \leq H(0) = p - \frac{4\beta\gamma(p - \alpha)^2}{p(1 + 2\beta\gamma - \beta)}$$

which completes the proof of Theorem 11.

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