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# **Subordination and Superordination**

## **Properties of p-Valent Functions Involving**

### **Certain Fractional Calculus Operator**

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#### **Abstract**

*In this paper, we study different applications of the differential subordination and superordination of analytic functions in the open unit disc associated with the fractional differintegral operator  $U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ . Sandwich-type result involving this operator is also derived.*

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## **1 Introduction**

Let  $H(U)$  be the class of functions analytic in  $U = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } |z| < 1\}$  and  $H[a, k]$  be the subclass of  $H(U)$  consisting of functions of the form

$$f(z) = a + a_p z^k + a_{p+1} z^{p+1} + \dots \quad (a \in \mathbb{C}, p \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}).$$

Let  $A_p$  denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (p \in \mathbb{N}, z \in U), \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk  $U$ , and set  $A \equiv A_1$ .

Let  $f$  and  $F$  be members of  $H(U)$ , the function  $f(z)$  is said to be subordinate to  $F(z)$ , or  $F(z)$  is said to be superordinate to  $f(z)$ , if there exists a function  $w(z)$  analytic in  $U$  with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  ( $z \in U$ ), such that  $f(z) = F(w(z))$ . In such a case we write  $f(z) \prec F(z)$ . In particular, if  $F$  is univalent, then  $f(z) \prec F(z)$  if and only if  $f(0) = F(0)$  and  $f(U) \subset F(U)$  (see [2]).

Suppose that  $p$  and  $h$  are two functions in  $U$ , let

$$\phi(r, s, t; z) : C^3 \times U \rightarrow C.$$

If  $p$  and  $\phi(p(z), zp'(z), z^2 p''(z); z)$  are univalent in  $U$ . If  $p$  is analytic in  $U$  and satisfies the first order differential superordination

$$h(z) \prec \phi(p(z), zp'(z), z^2 p''(z); z) \quad (z \in U), \quad (1.2)$$

then  $p$  is called a solution of the differential superordination (1.2).

The univalent function  $q$  is called a subordinated solutions of (1.2) if  $q \prec p$  for all  $p$  satisfying (1.2). A subordinated  $\tilde{q}$  that satisfies  $q \prec \tilde{q}$  for all subordinated  $q$  of (1.2) is said to be the best subordinated. ( see the monograph by Miller and Mocanu [10], and [11]).

Recently, Miller and Mocanu [11] obtained sufficient conditions on the functions  $h, q$  and  $\phi$  for which the following implication holds:

$$h(z) \prec \phi(p(z), zp'(z), z^2 p''(z); z) \rightarrow q(z) \prec p(z)$$

Using these results, the second author considered certain classes of first-order differential subordinations [6], as well as superordination-preserving integral operators [5]. Ali et al. [1], using the results from [6], obtained sufficient conditions for certain normalized analytic functions  $f$  to satisfy

$$q_1(z) \prec \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec q_2(z), \quad (1.3)$$

where  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are given univalent normalized functions in  $U$ .

Very recently, Shanmugam et al. [22–24] obtained the such called sandwich results for certain classes of analytic functions. Further subordination results can be found in [13, 21, 27 and 28].

we recall the definitions of the fractional derivative and integral operators introduced and studied by Saigo (cf. [17] and [19], see also [20]).

**Definition 1** let  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta, \gamma \in R$ , then the generalized fractional integral operator  $I_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$  of order  $\alpha$  of a function  $f(z)$  is defined by

$$I_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z) = \frac{z^{-\alpha-\beta}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^z (z-t)^{\alpha-1} {}_2F_1\left(\alpha+\beta, -\gamma; \alpha; 1-\frac{t}{z}\right) f(t) dt, \quad (1.4)$$

where the function  $f(z)$  is analytic in a simply-connected region of the  $z$ -plane containing the origin and the multiplicity of  $(z-t)^{\alpha-1}$  is removed by requiring  $\log(z-t)$  to be real when  $(z-t) > 0$  provided further that

$$f(z) = O(|z|^\varepsilon), \quad z \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } \varepsilon > \max(0, \beta - \gamma) - 1. \quad (1.5)$$

**Definition 2** let  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $\beta, \gamma \in R$ , then the generalized fractional derivative operator  $J_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$  of order  $\alpha$  of a function  $f(z)$  defined by

$$J_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} \frac{d}{dz} \left[ z^{\alpha-\beta} \int_0^z (z-t)^{-\alpha} {}_2F_1\left(\beta-\alpha, 1-\gamma; 1-\alpha; 1-\frac{t}{z}\right) f(t) dt \right], \quad (1.6)$$

$$= \frac{d^n}{dz^n} J_{0,z}^{\alpha-n,\beta,\gamma} f(z) \quad (n \leq \alpha < n+1; n \in N),$$

where the function  $f(z)$  is analytic in a simply-connected region of the  $z$ -plane containing the origin, with the order as given in (1.5) and multiplicity of  $(z-t)^\alpha$  is removed by requiring  $\log(z-t)$  to be real when  $(z-t) > 0$ .

Not that

$$I_{0,z}^{\alpha,-\alpha,\gamma} f(z) = D_z^{-\alpha} f(z), \quad (\alpha > 0) \quad (1.7)$$

$$J_{0,z}^{\alpha,\alpha,\gamma} f(z) = D_z^\alpha f(z), \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1), \quad (1.8)$$

where  $D_z^{-\alpha} f(z)$  and  $D_z^\alpha f(z)$  are respectively the well known Riemann-Liouville fractional integral and derivative operators (cf. [14] and [15], see also [25]).

**Definition 3** For real number  $\alpha$  ( $-\infty < \alpha < 1$ ) and  $\beta$  ( $-\infty < \beta < 1$ ) and a positive real number  $\gamma$ , the fractional operator  $U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} : A_p \rightarrow A_p$  for the function  $f(z)$  given by (1.1) is defined in terms of  $J_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$  and  $I_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$  by (see [12] and [9])

$$U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+p)_{k-p} (1+p+\gamma-\beta)_{k-p}}{(1+p-\beta)_{k-p} (1+p+\gamma-\alpha)_{k-p}} a_k z^k, \quad (1.9)$$

which for  $f(z) \neq 0$  may be written as

$$U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{\Gamma(1+p-\beta)\Gamma(1+p+\gamma-\alpha)}{\Gamma(1+p)\Gamma(1+p+\gamma-\beta)} z^\beta J_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z); & 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1 \\ \frac{\Gamma(1+p-\beta)\Gamma(1+p+\gamma-\alpha)}{\Gamma(1+p)\Gamma(1+p+\gamma-\beta)} z^\beta I_{0,z}^{-\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z); & -\infty \leq \alpha < 0 \end{cases} \quad (1.10)$$

where  $J_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)$  and  $I_{0,z}^{-\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)$  are, respectively the fractional derivative of  $f$  of order  $\alpha$  if  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and the fractional integral of  $f$  of order  $-\alpha$  if  $-\infty \leq \alpha < 0$ .

It is easily verified ( see Choi [8] ) from (1.9) that

$$(p-\beta)U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z) + \beta U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z) = z \left( U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z) \right)'. \quad (1.11)$$

Note that

$$U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\alpha,\gamma} f(z) = \Omega_z^{(\alpha,p)} f(z) \quad (-\infty < \alpha < 1), \quad (1.12)$$

The fractional differintegral operator  $\Omega_z^{(\alpha,p)} f(z)$  for  $(-\infty < \alpha < p+1)$  is studied by Patel and Mishra [16], and the fractional differential operator  $\Omega_z^{(\alpha,p)}$  with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  was investigated by Srivastava and Aouf [26]. We, further observe that  $\Omega_z^{(\alpha,1)} = \Omega_z^\alpha$  is the operator introduced and studied by Owa and Srivastava [15].

It is interesting to observe that

$$U_{0,z}^{0,0,\gamma} f(z) = f(z) \quad (1.13)$$

$$U_{0,z}^{1,1,\gamma} f(z) = \frac{z}{p} f'(z) \quad (1.14)$$

To prove our results, we need the following definitions and lemmas.

**Definition 4([10])** Denote by  $Q$  the set of all functions  $q(z)$  that are analytic and injective on  $\bar{U} / E(q)$  where  $E(q) = \{ \zeta \in \partial U : \lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta} q(z) = \infty \}$ ,

and are such that  $q'(\zeta) \neq 0$  for  $\zeta \in \partial U / E(q)$ . Further let the subclass of  $Q$  for which  $q(0) = a$  be denoted by  $Q(a)$ ,  $Q(0) \equiv Q_0$  and  $Q(1) \equiv Q_1$ .

**Lemma 1([10])** Let  $q(z)$  be univalent function in the unit disc  $U$  and let  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  be analytic in a domain  $D$  containing  $q(U)$  with  $\phi(w) \neq 0$  when  $w \in q(U)$ . Set  $q(z) = zq'(z)\phi(q(z))$ ,  $h(z) = \theta(q(z)) + Q(z)$  and suppose that

- i)  $Q$  is a starlike function in  $U$ ,
- ii)  $\operatorname{Re} zh'(z)/Q(z) > 0, z \in U$ .

If  $p$  is analytic in  $U$  with  $p(0) = q(0), p(U) \subseteq D$  and

$$\theta(p(z)) + zp'(z)\varphi(p(z)) \prec \theta(q(z)) + zq'(z)\varphi(q(z)), \quad (1.15)$$

then  $p(z) \prec q(z)$ , and  $q$  is the best dominant of (1.15).

**Lemma 2([23])** Let  $q(z)$  be a convex univalent function in  $U$  and let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}, \eta \in \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  with

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

If the function  $g(z)$  is analytic in  $U$  and

$$\sigma g(z) + \eta z g'(z) \prec \sigma q'(z) + \eta z q'(z),$$

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

**Lemma 3([7])** Let  $q(z)$  be univalent function in the unit disc  $U$  and let  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  be analytic in a domain  $D$  containing  $q(U)$ . Suppose that

- i)  $\operatorname{Re} \theta(q(z))/\phi(q(z)) > 0, z \in U$ ,
- ii)  $h(z) = zq'(z)\varphi(q(z))$  is starlike in  $U$ .

If  $p \in H[q(0), 1] \cap Q$  with  $p(U) \subseteq D$ ,  $\theta(p(z)) + zp'(z)\varphi(p(z))$  is univalent in  $U$ , and

$$\theta(q(z)) + zq'(z)\varphi(q(z)) \prec \theta(p(z)) + zp'(z)\varphi(p(z)), \quad (1.16)$$

then  $q(z) \prec p(z)$ , and  $q$  is the best dominant of (1.16).

**Lemma 4([11])** Let  $q(z)$  be convex function in  $U$  and let  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ , with  $\operatorname{Re} \gamma > 0$ . If  $p \in H[q(0), 1] \cap Q$  and  $p(z) + \gamma zp'(z)$  is univalent in  $U$ , then

$$q(z) + \gamma zq'(z) \prec p(z) + \gamma zp'(z), \quad (1.17)$$

Implies  $q(z) \prec p(z)$ , and  $q$  is the best dominant of (1.17).

**Lemma 5 ([18])** The function  $q(z) = (1-z)^{-2ab}$  is univalent in  $U$  if and only if  $|2ab - 1| \leq 1$  or  $|2ab + 1| \leq 1$ .

## 2 Subordination Results for Analytic Functions

**Theorem 1** Let  $q(z)$  be a univalent function in  $U$ , with  $q(0)=1$ , and suppose that

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)} \right\} > \max \left\{ 0; -p(p-\beta) \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\lambda} \right\}, \quad z \in U, \quad (2.1)$$

Where  $-\infty < \alpha < 1; -\infty < \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+; \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ .

If  $f \in A_p$  satisfies the subordination

$$\frac{\lambda \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right) + \frac{p-\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right) \prec q(z) + \frac{\lambda z q'(z)}{p(p-\beta)}, \quad (2.2)$$

then

$$\frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \prec q(z),$$

and the function  $q$  is the best dominant of (2.2).

**Proof.** If we consider the analytic function

$$h(z) = \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{z^p},$$

by differentiating logarithmically with respect to  $z$ , we deduce that

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} = \frac{z \left( U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z) \right)'}{U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)} - p. \quad (2.3)$$

From (2.3), by using the identity (1.11), a simple computation shows that

$$\frac{\lambda \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right) + \frac{p-\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right) = h(z) + \frac{\lambda zh'(z)}{p(p-\beta)},$$

hence the subordination (2.2) is equivalent to

$$h(z) + \frac{\lambda zh'(z)}{p(p-\beta)} \prec q(z) + \frac{\lambda z q'(z)}{p(p-\beta)}.$$

Combining the last relation together with Lemma 2 for the special case  $\eta = \lambda/p(p-\beta)$  and  $\sigma = 1$ , we obtain our result.

Taking  $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  in Theorem 1, where  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ , the condition (2.1) becomes

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{1-Bz}{1+Bz} \right\} > \max \left\{ 0; -p(p-\beta) \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\lambda} \right\}, \quad z \in U. \quad (2.4)$$

It is easy to check that the function  $\phi(\zeta) = \frac{1-\zeta}{1+\zeta}$ ,  $|\zeta| < |B|$ , is convex in  $U$  and since

$\phi(\bar{\zeta}) = \overline{\phi(\zeta)}$  for all  $|\zeta| < |B|$ , it follows that the image  $\phi(U)$  is a convex domain symmetric with respect to the real axis, hence

$$\inf \left\{ \Re \frac{1-Bz}{1+Bz}; z \in U \right\} = \frac{1-|B|}{1+|B|} > 0. \quad (2.5)$$

Then, the inequality (2.4) is equivalent to

$$p(p-\beta) \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\lambda} \geq \frac{1-|B|}{1+|B|},$$

hence we obtain the following result:

**Corollary 1** Let  $-\infty < \alpha < 1; -\infty < \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+; \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*; p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$  with

$$\max \left\{ 0; -p(p-\beta) \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\lambda} \right\} \leq \frac{1-|B|}{1+|B|}.$$

If  $f \in A_p$  satisfies the subordination

$$\frac{\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right) + \frac{p-\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right) \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\lambda(A-B)z}{p(p-\beta)(1+Bz)^2}, \quad (2.6)$$

then

$$\frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz},$$

and the function  $1+Az/1+Bz$  is the best dominant of (2.6).

For  $p=1, A=1$  and  $B=-1$ , the above corollary reduces to:

**Corollary 2** Let  $-\infty < \alpha < 1; -\infty < \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+; \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$  with

$$(1-\beta) \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{\lambda} \geq 0.$$

If  $f \in A_p$  satisfies the subordination

$$\lambda \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z)}{z} \right) + (1-\lambda) \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{z} \right) \prec \frac{1+z}{1-z} + \frac{2\lambda z}{(1-\beta)(1+z)^2}, \quad (2.7)$$

then

$$\frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \prec \frac{1+z}{1-z},$$

and the function  $1+z/1-z$  is the best dominant of (2.7).

**Theorem 2** Let  $q(z)$  be a univalent function in  $U$ , with  $q(0)=1$  and  $q(z) \neq 0$  for all  $z \in U$ . Let  $\delta, \mu \in \mathbb{C}^*$  and  $\nu, \eta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\nu + \eta \neq 0$ . Let  $f \in A_p$  and suppose that  $f$  and  $q$  satisfy the conditions:

$$\frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta)z^p} \neq 0, \quad z \in U$$

$$(-\infty < \alpha < 1; -\infty < \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+; p \in \mathbb{N}), \quad (2.8)$$

and

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)} - \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)} \right\} > 0, \quad z \in U. \quad (2.9)$$

If

$$1 + \delta \mu \left[ \frac{\nu z \left( U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) \right)' + \eta z \left( U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z) \right)'}{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)} - p \right] \prec 1 + \delta \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)}, \quad (2.10)$$

then

$$\left[ \frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta)z^p} \right]^\mu \prec q(z),$$

and the function  $q$  is the best dominant of (2.10). (the power is the principal one).

**Proof.** Let

$$h(z) = \left[ \frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta)z^p} \right]^\mu, \quad z \in U. \quad (2.11)$$

According to (2.8) the function  $h$  is analytic in  $U$ . and differentiating (2.11) logarithmically with respect to  $z$  we get

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} = \mu \left[ \frac{\nu z \left( U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) \right)' + \eta z \left( U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z) \right)'}{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)} - p \right]. \quad (2.12)$$

In order to prove our result we will use Lemma 1. Considering in this lemma

$$\theta(w) = 1 \text{ and } \phi(w) = \frac{\delta}{w},$$

Then  $\theta$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\phi(w) \neq 0$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{C}^*$ . Also, if we let

$$Q(z) = zq'(z) = \phi(q(z)) = \delta \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)},$$

and

$$g(z) = \theta(q(z)) + Q(z) = 1 + \delta \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)},$$



then, since  $Q(0)=1$  and  $Q'(o) \neq 0$ , the assumption (2.9) yields that  $Q$  is a starlike function in  $U$ . From (2.9) we also have

$$\Re \frac{zq'(z)}{Q(z)} = \Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)} - \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)} \right\} > 0, z \in U,$$

and then, by using Lemma 1 we deduce that the subordination (2.10) implies  $h(z) \prec q(z)$  and the function  $q$  is the best dominant of (2.10).

Taking  $\nu = 0, \eta = \delta = 1$  and  $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  in Theorem 2, it is easy to check that the assumption (2.9) holds whenever  $-1 \leq A < B \leq 1$ , hence we obtain the next results.

**Corollary 3** Let  $-\infty < \alpha < 1; -\infty < \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+; \mu \in \mathbb{C}^*; p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $-1 \leq A < B \leq 1$ . Let  $f \in A_p$  and suppose that

$$\frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \neq 0, \quad z \in U.$$

If

$$1 + \mu \left[ \frac{z \left( U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z) \right)'}{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)} - p \right] \prec 1 + \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Az)(1+Bz)}, \quad (2.13)$$

then

$$\left[ \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right]^\mu \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz},$$

and the function  $1+Az/1+Bz$  is the best dominant of (2.13). (the power is the principal one).

**Remarks**

- 1) Putting  $\nu = 0, \eta = p = 1, \alpha = \beta = 0, \delta = 1/ab (a, b \in \mathbb{C}^*), \mu = a,$  and  $q(z) = (1-z)^{-2ab}$  in Theorem 2, then combining this together with Lemma 5 we obtain the corresponding result due to Obradović et al. [13, Theorem 1], see also Aouf and Bulboacă [3, Corollary 3.3].
- 2) For  $\nu = 0, \eta = p = 1, \alpha = \beta = 0, \delta = 1/b (b \in \mathbb{C}^*), \mu = 1,$  and  $q(z) = (1-z)^{-2ab}$ , Theorem 2 reduces to the recent result of Srivastava and Lashin [27].
- 3) Putting  $\nu = 0, \eta = p = \delta = 1, \alpha = \beta = 0,$  and  $q(z) = (1+Bz)^{\mu(A-B)/B}$  ( $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1, B \neq 0$ ) in Theorem 2, and using Lemma 5 we get the corresponding result due to Aouf and Bulboacă [3, Corollary 3.4].
- 4) Putting  $\nu = 0, \eta = p = 1, \alpha = \beta = 0,$

$\delta = e^{i\lambda}/ab \cos \lambda (a, b \in \mathbb{C}^*; |\lambda| < \pi/2), \mu = a$  and  $q(z) = (1-z)^{-2a \cos \lambda e^{-i\lambda}}$  in Theorem 2, we obtain the corresponding result due to Aouf et al. [4, Theorem 1], see also Aouf and Bulboacă [3, Corollary 3.5].

**Theorem 3** Let  $q(z)$  be a univalent function in  $U$ , with  $q(0) = 1$ . Let  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{C}^*$  and  $\nu, \eta, \delta, \Omega \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\nu + \eta \neq 0$ . Let  $f \in A_p$  and suppose that  $f$  and  $q$  satisfy the conditions:

$$\frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta) z^p} \neq 0, \quad z \in U$$

$$(-\infty < \alpha < 1; -\infty < \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+; p \in \mathbb{N}) \quad (2.14)$$

and

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{z q''(z)}{q'(z)} \right\} > \max \left\{ 0; -\operatorname{Re} \frac{\delta}{\lambda} \right\}, \quad z \in U, \quad (2.15)$$

If

$$\psi(z) = \left[ \frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta) z^p} \right]^\mu$$

$$\times \left[ \delta + \mu \lambda \left( \frac{\nu z (U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z))' + \eta z (U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z))'}{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)} - p \right) \right] + \Omega, \quad (2.16)$$

and

$$\psi(z) \prec \delta q(z) + \lambda z q'(z) + \Omega, \quad (2.17)$$

then

$$\left[ \frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta) z^p} \right]^\mu \prec q(z),$$

and the function  $q$  is the best dominant of (2.17) (all the power are the principal ones).

**Proof.** Let  $h(z)$  be defined by (2.11), then we have from (2.12)

$$zh'(z) = \mu h(z) \left[ \frac{\nu z (U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z))' + \eta z (U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z))'}{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1, \beta+1, \gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} f(z)} - p \right].$$

Let us consider the following functions:

$$\theta(w) = \delta w + \Omega, \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(w) = \lambda, \quad w \in \mathbb{C},$$

$$Q(z) = zq'(z) = \varphi(q(z)) = \lambda \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z)}, z \in U,$$

and

$$g(z) = \theta(q(z)) + Q(z) = \delta q(z) + \lambda zq'(z) + \Omega, z \in U.,$$

From the assumption (3.15) we see that  $Q$  is starlike in  $U$  and, that

$$\Re \frac{zq'(z)}{Q(z)} = \Re \left\{ \frac{\delta}{\lambda} + 1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)} \right\} > 0, z \in U,$$

thus, by applying Lemma 1 the proof is completed.

Taking  $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  in Theorem 3, where  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ , and according to

(2.5),

the condition (2.15) becomes

$$\max \left\{ 0; -\operatorname{Re} \frac{\delta}{\lambda} \right\} \leq \frac{1-|B|}{1+|B|}.$$

Hence, for the special case  $\nu = \lambda = 0, \eta = 0$ , we obtain the following result:

**Corollary 4** Let  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1, \mu \in \mathbb{C}^*$  and  $\delta \in \mathbb{C}$  with

$$\max \{0; -\operatorname{Re} \delta\} \leq \frac{1-|B|}{1+|B|}.$$

Let  $f \in A_p$  and suppose that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \neq 0, \quad z \in U \quad (-\infty < \alpha < 1; -\infty < \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+; p \in \mathbb{N}), \\ \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \left[ \delta + \mu \left( \frac{z \left( U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z) \right)'}{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)} - p \right) \right] + \Omega \prec \delta \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \Omega + \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Bz)^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.18)$$

then

$$\left[ \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right]^\mu \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz},$$

and the function  $1+Az/1+Bz$  is the best dominant of (2.18) (all the powers are the principal ones).

**Remark** Taking  $\nu = 0, \eta = \lambda = p = 1, \alpha = \beta = 0$  and  $q(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$  in Theorem 3

we obtain the corresponding result due to Aouf and Bulboacă [3, Corollary 3.7].

### 3 Superordination and Sandwich Results

**Theorem 4** Let  $q(z)$  be convex function in  $U$ , with  $q(0)=1$ . Let  $-\infty < \alpha < 1$ ,  $-\infty < \beta < 1$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$  with  $(p-\beta)\text{Re } \lambda > 0$ . Let  $f \in A_p$  and suppose that  $U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)/z^p \in H[q(0),1] \cap Q$ . If the function

$$\frac{\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right) + \frac{p-\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right),$$

is univalent in  $U$ , and

$$q(z) + \frac{\lambda z q'(z)}{p(p-\beta)} \prec \frac{\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right) + \frac{p-\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right), \quad (3.1)$$

then

$$q(z) \prec \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p},$$

and  $q$  is the best subordinate of (3.1).

**Proof.** Let us define the function  $g$  by

$$g(z) = \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p}, \quad z \in U.$$

From the assumption of the theorem, the function  $g$  is analytic in  $U$ , by differentiating logarithmically with respect to  $z$  the function  $g$ , we deduce that

$$\frac{z g'(z)}{g(z)} = \frac{z \left( U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z) \right)'}{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)} - p. \quad (3.2)$$

After some computations, and using the identity (1.11), from (3.2) we get

$$g(z) + \frac{\lambda z g'(z)}{p(p-\beta)} = \frac{\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right) + \frac{p-\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right)$$

and now, by using Lemma 4 we get the desired result.

Taking  $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  in Theorem 4, where  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ , hence we obtain the next results.

**Corollary 5** Let  $q(z)$  be convex function in  $U$ , with  $q(0)=1$ . Let  $-\infty < \alpha < 1$ ,  $-\infty < \beta < 1$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$  with  $(p-\beta)\text{Re } \lambda > 0$ . Let  $f \in A_p$  and suppose that  $U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)/z^p \in H[q(0),1]$ . If the function

$$\frac{\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right) + \frac{p-\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right),$$

is univalent in  $U$ , and

$$\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\lambda(A-B)z}{p(p-\beta)(1+Bz)^2} \prec \frac{\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right) + \frac{p-\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right), \quad (3.3)$$

then

$$\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \prec \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p},$$

and  $1+Az/1+Bz$  is the best subordinate of (3.3).

Using arguments similar to those of the proof of Theorem 3, and then by applying Lemma 3 we obtain the following result.

**Theorem 5** Let  $q(z)$  be convex function in  $U$ , with  $q(0)=1$ . Let  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{C}^*$  and  $\nu, \eta, \delta, \Omega \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\nu + \eta \neq 0$   $\text{Re}(\delta/\lambda) > 0$ . Let  $f \in A_p$  and suppose that  $f$  satisfies the conditions:

$$\frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta)z^p} \neq 0, \quad z \in U$$

$$(-\infty < \alpha < 1; -\infty < \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+; p \in \mathbb{N}),$$

and

$$\left[ \frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta)z^p} \right]^\mu \in H[q(0), 1] \cap \mathcal{Q}$$

If the function  $\psi$  given by (2.16) is univalent in  $U$ , and

$$\delta q(z) + \lambda z q'(z) + \Omega \prec \psi(z), \quad (3.4)$$

then

$$q(z) \prec \left[ \frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta)z^p} \right]^\mu,$$

and the function  $q$  is the best subordinate of (3.4). (all the power are the principal ones).

Combining Theorem 1 with Theorem 4 and Theorem 3 with Theorem 5, we obtain, respectively, the following two sandwich results:

**Theorem 6** Let  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  be two convex function in  $U$ , with  $q_1(0)=q_2(0)=1$ . Let  $-\infty < \alpha < 1$ ,  $-\infty < \beta < 1$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$  with  $(p-\beta)\text{Re } \lambda > 0$ . Let  $f \in A_p$  and suppose that  $U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)/z^p \in H[q(0), 1] \cap \mathcal{Q}$ . If the function

$$\frac{\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right) + \frac{p-\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right),$$

is univalent in  $U$ , and

$$q_1(z) + \frac{\lambda z q_1'(z)}{p(p-\beta)} \prec \frac{\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z)}{z^p} \right) + \frac{p-\lambda}{p} \left( \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \right) \prec q_2(z) + \frac{\lambda z q_2'(z)}{p(p-\beta)}, \quad (3.5)$$

then

$$q_1(z) \prec \frac{U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{z^p} \prec q_2(z),$$

and  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are, respectively, the best subordinate and the best dominant of (3.5).

**Theorem 7** Let  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  be two convex function in  $U$ , with  $q_1(0) = q_2(0) = 1$ . Let  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{C}^*$  and  $\nu, \eta, \delta, \Omega \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\nu + \eta \neq 0$   $\operatorname{Re}(\delta/\lambda) > 0$ . Let  $f \in A_p$  and suppose that  $f$  satisfies the conditions:

$$\frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta)z^p} \neq 0, \quad z \in U$$

$$(-\infty < \alpha < 1; -\infty < \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+; p \in \mathbb{N}),$$

and

$$\left[ \frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta)z^p} \right]^\mu \in H[q(0), 1] \cap Q$$

If the function  $\psi$  given by (2.16) is univalent in  $U$ , and

$$\delta q_1(z) + \lambda z q_1'(z) + \Omega \prec \psi(z) \prec \delta q_2(z) + \lambda z q_2'(z) + \Omega, \quad (3.6)$$

then

$$q_1(z) \prec \left[ \frac{\nu U_{0,z}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1,\gamma+1} f(z) + \eta U_{0,z}^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} f(z)}{(\nu + \eta)z^p} \right]^\mu \prec q_2(z),$$

and  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are, respectively, the best subordinate and the best dominant of (3.6).

(all the power are the principal ones).

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