

# Some Properties for Convolutions of Generalized Hypergeometric Functions

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## Abstract

With the convolution products of generalized hypergeometric functions  ${}_pF_q(z)$  and analytic functions  $f(z)$  in the open unit disk, the operator  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f)$  is introduced. The object of the present paper is to derive some interesting properties of operator  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f)$  associated with some classes of univalent functions.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the class of functions of the form

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk  $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{S}$  the class of all functions in  $\mathcal{A}$  which are univalent in  $U$ .

A function  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be in the class  $R^t(A, B)$  if

$$(1.2) \quad \left| \frac{f'(z) - 1}{t(A - B) - B(f'(z) - 1)} \right| < 1,$$

where  $A$  and  $B$  are arbitrary fixed numbers with  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$  and  $t \in C \setminus \{0\}$  ( $C$  is the set of all complex numbers). Clearly, a function  $f(z)$  belongs to  $R^t(A, B)$  if and only if there exists a function  $w(z)$  regular in  $U$  satisfying  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  ( $z \in U$ ) such that

$$(1.3) \quad 1 + \frac{1}{t}(f'(z) - 1) = \frac{1 + Aw(z)}{1 + Bw(z)} \quad (z \in U).$$

The class  $R^t(A, B)$  was introduced by Dixit and Pal [4], recently.

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By giving specific values  $t$ ,  $A$  and  $B$  in (1.2), we obtain the following subclasses studied by various researchers in earlier works :

(i) For  $t = e^{-i\eta} \cos \eta$  ( $|\eta| < \frac{\pi}{2}$ ),  $A = 1 - 2\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) and  $B = -1$ , we obtain the class of functions  $f$  satisfying the condition

$$(1.4) \quad \left| \frac{e^{i\eta}(f'(z) - 1)}{2(1 - \alpha) \cos \eta + e^{i\eta}(f'(z) - 1)} \right| < 1 \quad (z \in U).$$

In this case, the class  $R^t(A, B)$  is equivalent to the class  $R_\eta(\alpha)$  which is studied by Ponnusamy and Rønning [11]. Here  $R_\eta(\alpha)$  is the class of functions  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfying the condition

$$\operatorname{Re}(e^{i\eta}(f'(z) - \alpha)) > 0 \quad (|\eta| < \frac{\pi}{2}, 0 \leq \alpha < 1, z \in U).$$

(ii) For  $t = e^{-i\eta} \cos \eta$  ( $|\eta| < \frac{\pi}{2}$ ), we obtain the class of functions  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfying the condition

$$\left| \frac{e^{i\eta}(f'(z) - 1)}{Be^{i\eta}f'(z) - (A \cos \eta + iB \sin \eta)} \right| < 1 \quad (z \in U),$$

which was studied by Dashrath [3].

(iii) For  $t = 1$ ,  $A = \beta$  and  $B = -\beta$  ( $0 < \beta \leq 1$ ), we obtain the class of functions  $f(z)$  satisfying the condition

$$\left| \frac{f'(z) - 1}{f'(z) + 1} \right| < \beta \quad (z \in U),$$

which was studied by Padmanabhan [10] and Caplinger and Cauchy [2].

Let  $\mathcal{S}^*(\alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{C}(\alpha)$  denote the subclasses of  $\mathcal{S}$  consisting of starlike and convex functions of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) in  $U$ , respectively. It is well-known that  $\mathcal{S}^*(\alpha) \subset \mathcal{S}^*(0) \equiv \mathcal{S}^*$ ,  $\mathcal{C}(\alpha) \subset \mathcal{C}(0) \equiv \mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{C}(\alpha) \subset \mathcal{S}^*(\alpha) \subset \mathcal{S}$ . For  $\lambda > 0$ , define the classes  $\mathcal{S}_\lambda^*$  and  $\mathcal{C}_\lambda$  by

$$\mathcal{S}_\lambda^* = \{f(z) \in \mathcal{A} : \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right| < \lambda, z \in U\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{C}_\lambda = \{f(z) \in \mathcal{A} : zf'(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\lambda^*\},$$

respectively. It is a known fact that a sufficient condition for  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  of the form (1.1) to belong to the class  $\mathcal{S}^*$  is that  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n| \leq 1$ . A simple extension of this result is the following [16] :

$$(1.5) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n + \lambda - 1)|a_n| \leq \lambda \implies f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\lambda^*.$$

For  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ , this was previously proved by Schild [18]. Since  $f(z) \in \mathcal{C}_\lambda$  if and only if  $zf'(z) \in \mathcal{S}_\lambda^*$ , we have a corresponding result for  $\mathcal{C}_\lambda$ ,

$$(1.6) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n+\lambda-1)|a_n| \leq \lambda \implies f(z) \in \mathcal{C}_\lambda.$$

In this paper, we consider the generalized hypergeometric series  ${}_pF_q(z)$  defined by

$$(1.7) \quad {}_pF_q(z) \equiv {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} ; z \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (a_j)_n}{\prod_{i=1}^q (b_i)_n} \frac{z^n}{(1)_n}$$

where  $p$  and  $q$  are positive integers and we assume that the variable  $z$ , the numerator parameters  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p$  and the denominator parameters  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q$  take on complex values, provided that  $b_i \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ ;  $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ . Here  $(\lambda)_n$  is the Pochhammer symbol defined by

$$(\lambda)_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ \lambda(\lambda+1)\cdots(\lambda+n-1) & \text{if } n \in N = \{1, 2, \dots\}. \end{cases}$$

For any complex number  $\lambda$ , we also use the ascending factorial notation

$$(1.8) \quad (\lambda)_n = \lambda(\lambda+1)_{n-1}$$

for  $n \geq 1$  and  $(\lambda)_0 = 1$  for  $\lambda \neq 0$ . If  $\lambda$  is neither zero nor a negative integer, then using the definition of the Gamma function, we can write

$$(1.9) \quad (\lambda)_n = \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+n)}{\Gamma(\lambda)}.$$

Furthermore, if we set

$$\omega = \sum_{i=1}^q b_i - \sum_{j=1}^p a_j$$

it is known that the series  ${}_pF_q(z)$ , with  $p = q + 1$ , is

- (i) absolutely convergent for  $|z| = 1$  if  $\operatorname{Re} \omega > 0$ ,
- (ii) conditionally convergent for  $|z| = 1$ ,  $z \neq 1$  if  $-1 < \operatorname{Re} \omega \leq 0$

and

- (iii) divergent for  $|z| = 1$  if  $\operatorname{Re} \omega \leq -1$ .

As in the case of the function  ${}_2F_1(z)$ , we are led to the well-known Gauss summation theorem :

$$(1.10) \quad {}_2F_1 \left( \begin{matrix} a_1, a_2 \\ b_1 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) = \frac{\Gamma(b_1)\Gamma(b_1 - a_1 - a_2)}{\Gamma(b_1 - a_1)\Gamma(b_1 - a_2)}, \quad \operatorname{Re}(b_1 - a_1 - a_2) > 0.$$

We recall that the function  ${}_2F_1(z)$  is bounded if  $\operatorname{Re}(b_1 - a_1 - a_2) > 0$  and has a pole at  $z = 1$  if  $\operatorname{Re}(b_1 - a_1 - a_2) \leq 0$  (cf. [1]). Univalence, starlikeness and convexity properties of  $z {}_2F_1\left(\begin{smallmatrix} a_1, a_2 \\ b_1 \end{smallmatrix}; z\right)$  have been studied extensively in [12, 15].

For  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ , we define the operator  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f)$  by

$$(1.11) \quad \left[ I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f) \right](z) = z {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q \end{matrix}; z \right) * f(z),$$

where the symbol "\*" denotes the usual Hadamard product or convolution of power series.

## 2. Properties of the operators with $R^t(A, B)$

Now we introduce several lemmas which are needed for the proof of our main results.

**Lemma 2.1** ([8]) *Let  $w(z)$  be analytic in  $U$  with  $w(0) = 0$ . If  $|w(z)|$  attains its maximum value on the circle  $|z| = r < 1$  at a point  $z_1 \in U$ , then we can write*

$$z_1 w'(z_1) = m w(z_1),$$

where  $m$  is real and  $m \geq 1$ .

**Lemma 2.2** ([4]) *Let a function  $f(z)$  of the form (1.1) be in  $R^t(A, B)$ . Then*

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{(A - B)|t|}{n}.$$

Then result is sharp for the function

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \left( 1 + \frac{(A - B)t z^{n-1}}{1 + B z^{n-1}} \right) dz \quad (n \geq 2, z \in U).$$

**Lemma 2.3** ([4]) *Let a function  $f(z)$  of the form (1.1) be in  $\mathcal{A}$ . If*

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (1 + |B|)n|a_n| \leq (A - B)|t| \quad (-1 \leq B < A \leq 1, t \in C \setminus \{0\})$$

then  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$ . The result is sharp for function

$$f(z) = z + \frac{(A - B)t}{(1 + |B|)n} z^n \quad (n \geq 2, z \in U).$$

Our first result for the operators is contained in

**Theorem 2.1** *If  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies*

$$(2.1) \quad \left| \frac{I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p, 2}(f)}{z} - 1 \right|^{1-\beta} \left| \frac{I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q, 1, 1}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p, 2, 2}(f)}{I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q, 1}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p, 2}(f)} - 1 \right|^\beta < \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^\beta$$

for some fixed  $\beta \geq 0$ , then  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f)$  is univalent (close-to-convex) in  $U$ .

*Proof.* We note that

$$I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (a_j)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} a_n z^n$$

in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Define  $w(z)$  by

$$w(z) = \frac{I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q, 1}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p, 2}(f)}{z} - 1$$

for  $z \in U$ . Then it follows that  $w(z)$  is analytic in  $U$  with  $w(0) = 0$ . By (2.1), it is clear that

$$(2.2) \quad |w(z)|^{1-\beta} \left| \frac{zw'(z)}{1+w(z)} \right|^\beta = |w(z)| \left| \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)(1+w(z))} \right|^\beta < \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^\beta.$$

Suppose that there exists a point  $z_1 \in U$  such that

$$\max_{|z| \leq |z_1|} |w(z)| = |w(z_1)| = 1.$$

Then we can put

$$\frac{z_1 w'(z_1)}{w(z_1)} = m \geq 1,$$

by Lemma 2.1. Therefore we obtain

$$|w(z_1)| \left| \frac{z_1 w'(z_1)}{w(z_1)(1+w(z_1))} \right|^\beta \geq \left(\frac{m}{2}\right)^\beta \geq \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^\beta,$$

which contradicts the condition (2.2). This shows that

$$|w(z)| = \left| \frac{I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q, 1}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p, 2}(f)}{z} - 1 \right| < 1,$$

which implies that  $\operatorname{Re} \left[ I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f) \right]'(z) > 0$  for  $z \in U$ . Therefore, by Noshiro-Warschawski Theorem [5],  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f)$  is univalent (close-to-convex) in  $U$ .

**Theorem 2.2** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}b_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ), and  $\sum_{i=1}^q \text{Re}b_i > \sum_{j=1}^p |a_j|$ . If  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$  satisfies

$$(2.3) \quad {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p| \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \leq \frac{1}{1+|B|} + 1,$$

then

$$z {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} ; z^k \right) * f(z) \in R^t(A, B),$$

where  $k \in N$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.3, it suffices to show that

$$(2.4) \quad T_1 := \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (1+|B|)(k(n-1)+1) \left| \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (a_j)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} a_{k(n-1)+1} \right| \leq (A-B)|t|.$$

From Lemma 2.2 and the fact that  $|(a)_n| \leq (|a|)_n$  and  $(\text{Re}b)_n \leq |(b)_n|$ ,  $\text{Re}b > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (A-B)(1+|B|)|t| \left\{ \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (|a_j|)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\text{Re}b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} \right\} \\ &= (A-B)(1+|B|)|t| \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (|a_j|)_n}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\text{Re}b_i)_n (1)_n} - 1 \right\} \\ &= (A-B)(1+|B|)|t| \left\{ {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p| \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - 1 \right\} \\ &\leq (A-B)|t| \end{aligned}$$

by (2.3). This completes the proof of Theorem 2.2.

**Corollary 2.1** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, q+1$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}b_m > |a_m| + 1$  ( $m = 1, 2, \dots, q-1$ ), and  $\text{Re}b_q > |a_q| + |a_{q+1}|$ . If  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$  satisfies

$$(2.5) \quad \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}|)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q|)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_{q+1}|)} \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\text{Re}b_m - 1}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \leq \frac{1}{1+|B|} + 1,$$

then

$$z {}_{q+1}F_q \left( \begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{q+1} \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} ; z^k \right) * f(z) \in R^t(A, B),$$

where  $k \in N$ .

*Proof.* We note that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.6) \quad {}_{q+1}F_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_{q+1}| \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(|a_1|)_n \cdots (|a_{q+1}|)_n}{(\text{Re}b_1)_n \cdots (\text{Re}b_q)_n (1)_n} \\
 &= \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m) \Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - |a_m|) \Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - 1)} \right) \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q) \Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}|)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q|) \Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_{q+1}|)} \\
 &= \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\text{Re}b_m - 1}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q) \Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}|)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q|) \Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_{q+1}|)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (1 + |B|)(k(n-1) + 1) \left| \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{q+1} (a_j)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} a_{k(n-1)+1} \right| \\
 &\leq (A - B)(1 + |B|)|t| \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{q+1} (|a_j|)_n}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\text{Re}b_i)_n (1)_n} - 1 \right\} \\
 &= (A - B)(1 + |B|)|t| \left\{ {}_{q+1}F_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_{q+1}| \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - 1 \right\} \\
 &\leq (A - B)|t|,
 \end{aligned}$$

by assumption. This completes our proof.

**Theorem 2.3** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}b_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ), and  $\sum_{i=1}^q \text{Re}b_i > \sum_{j=1}^p |a_j|$ . If  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$  satisfies

$$(2.7) \quad {}_{p+2}F_{q+2} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p|, \lambda + 1, 1 \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q, \lambda, 2 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \leq \frac{1}{(A - B)|t|} + 1,$$

then  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f) \in S_{\lambda}^*$  where  $\lambda > 0$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in R^t(A, B)$ . Then, by (1.5) it suffices to show that

$$(2.8) \quad T_2 := \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n + \lambda - 1) \left| \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (a_j)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} a_n \right| \leq \lambda.$$

From Lemma 2.3, we observe that

$$T_2 \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n + \lambda - 1) \frac{(A - B)|t|}{n} \left\{ \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (|a_j|)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\text{Re}b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (A - B)|t| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda(\lambda + 1)_n (1)_n}{(\lambda)_n (2)_n} \left\{ \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (|a_j|)_n}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\text{Re}b_i)_n (1)_n} \right\} \\
&= \lambda(A - B)|t| \left\{ {}_{p+2}F_{q+2} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p|, \lambda + 1, 1 \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q, \lambda, 2 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - 1 \right\} \\
&\leq \lambda
\end{aligned}$$

by (2.7), which completes the proof of Theorem 2.3.

**Corollary 2.2** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, q + 1$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}b_m > |a_m| + 1$  ( $m = 1, 2, \dots, q - 1$ ),  $|a_q| < 1$  and  $\text{Re}b_q - 2 > \lambda > |a_{q+1}| + 1$ . If  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.9) \quad &\frac{(\lambda - 1)(\text{Re}b_q - 1)}{(1 - |a_q|)(\lambda - |a_{q+1}| - 1)(\text{Re}b_q - \lambda - 2)} \\
&\times \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\text{Re}b_m - 1}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \leq \frac{1}{(A - B)|t|} + 1,
\end{aligned}$$

then  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{q+1}}(f) \in S_\lambda^*$  where  $\lambda > 0$ .

*Proof.* We note that

$$\begin{aligned}
&{}_{q+3}F_{q+2} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_{q+1}|, \lambda + 1, 1 \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q, \lambda, 2 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \\
&= \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - |a_m|)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - 1)} \right) \frac{\Gamma(2)\Gamma(1 - |a_q|)\Gamma(\lambda)\Gamma(\lambda - |a_{q+1}| - 1)}{\Gamma(2 - |a_q|)\Gamma(1)\Gamma(\lambda - |a_{q+1}|)\Gamma(\lambda - 1)} \\
&\quad \times \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - \lambda - 2)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - 1)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - \lambda - 1)} \\
&= \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\text{Re}b_m - 1}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \frac{1}{1 - |a_q|} \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda - |a_{q+1}| - 1} \frac{\text{Re}b_q - 1}{\text{Re}b_q - \lambda - 2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n + \lambda - 1) \left| \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{q+1} (a_j)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} a_n \right| \\
&= (A - B)|t| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda(\lambda + 1)_n (1)_n}{(\lambda)_n (2)_n} \left\{ \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{q+1} (|a_j|)_n}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\text{Re}b_i)_n (1)_n} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lambda(A - B)|t| \left\{ {}_{q+3}F_{q+2} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_{q+1}|, \lambda + 1, 1 \\ \text{Reb}_1, \text{Reb}_2, \dots, \text{Reb}_q, \lambda, 2 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - 1 \right\} \\
&\leq \lambda,
\end{aligned}$$

by assumption, which completes the proof of Corollary 2.2.

**Theorem 2.4** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}b_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ), and  $\sum_{i=1}^q \text{Re}b_i > \sum_{j=1}^p |a_j| + 1$ . If  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$  satisfies

$$(2.10) \quad {}_{p+1}F_{q+1} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p|, \lambda + 1 \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q, \lambda \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \leq \frac{1}{(A - B)|t|} + 1,$$

then  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f) \in C_\lambda$  where  $\lambda > 0$ .

*Proof.* Since the proof follows from Lemma 2.3 and by using the method of the proof of Theorem 2.3, we omit the details.

**Corollary 2.3** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, q + 1$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}b_m > |a_m| + 1$  ( $m = 1, 2, \dots, q - 1$ ), and  $\text{Re}b_q - 2 > \lambda > |a_q| + |a_{q+1}|$ . If  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$  satisfies

$$(2.11) \quad \frac{(\text{Re}b_q - 1)\Gamma(\lambda)\Gamma(\lambda - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}|)}{(\text{Re}b_q - \lambda - 2)\Gamma(\lambda - |a_q|)\Gamma(\lambda - |a_{q+1}|)} \\ \times \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\text{Re}b_m - 1}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \leq \frac{1}{(A - B)|t|} + 1,$$

then  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{q+1}}(f) \in C_\lambda$  where  $\lambda > 0$ .

*Proof.* We note that

$$\begin{aligned}
&{}_{q+2}F_{q+1} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_{q+1}|, \lambda + 1 \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q, \lambda \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \\
&= \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - |a_m|)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - 1)} \right) \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - \lambda - 2)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - 1)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - \lambda - 1)} \\
&\quad \times \frac{\Gamma(\lambda)\Gamma(\lambda - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}|)}{\Gamma(\lambda - |a_q|)\Gamma(\lambda - |a_{q+1}|)} \\
&= \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\text{Re}b_m - 1}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \frac{\text{Re}b_q - 1}{\text{Re}b_q - \lambda - 2} \frac{\Gamma(\lambda)\Gamma(\lambda - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}|)}{\Gamma(\lambda - |a_q|)\Gamma(\lambda - |a_{q+1}|)}.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n+\lambda-1) \left| \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{q+1} (a_j)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} a_n \right| \\
&= (A-B)|t| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda(\lambda+1)_n}{(\lambda)_n} \left\{ \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{q+1} (|a_j|)_n}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\operatorname{Re} b_i)_n (1)_n} \right\} \\
&= \lambda(A-B)|t| \left\{ {}_{q+2}F_{q+1} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_{q+1}|, \lambda+1 \\ \operatorname{Re} b_1, \operatorname{Re} b_2, \dots, \operatorname{Re} b_q, \lambda \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - 1 \right\} \\
&\leq \lambda,
\end{aligned}$$

by assumption. This completes our proof.

**Theorem 2.5** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re} b_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ), and  $\sum_{i=1}^q \operatorname{Re} b_i > \sum_{j=1}^p |a_j| + 1$ . If

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.12) \quad & k \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p |a_j|}{\prod_{i=1}^q \operatorname{Re} b_i} {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1| + 1, |a_2| + 1, \dots, |a_p| + 1 \\ \operatorname{Re} b_1 + 1, \operatorname{Re} b_2 + 1, \dots, \operatorname{Re} b_q + 1 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \\
& + {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p| \\ \operatorname{Re} b_1, \operatorname{Re} b_2, \dots, \operatorname{Re} b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \leq \frac{(A-B)|t|}{1+|B|} + 1,
\end{aligned}$$

then

$$z {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} ; z^k \right) \in R^t(A, B),$$

where  $k \in N$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.3, it suffices to show that

$$(2.13) \quad T_3 := \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (1+|B|)(k(n-1)+1) \left| \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (a_j)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} \right| \leq (A-B)|t|.$$

Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
T_3 &\leq (1+|B|) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (kn - (k-1)) \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (|a_j|)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\operatorname{Re} b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} \\
&= (1+|B|)k {}_{p+1}F_{q+1} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p|, 2 \\ \operatorname{Re} b_1, \operatorname{Re} b_2, \dots, \operatorname{Re} b_q, 1 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -(1 + |B|)(k - 1) {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p| \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - (1 + |B|) \\
&= (1 + |B|)k \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p |a_j|}{\prod_{i=1}^q \text{Re}b_i} {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1| + 1, |a_2| + 1, \dots, |a_p| + 1 \\ \text{Re}b_1 + 1, \text{Re}b_2 + 1, \dots, \text{Re}b_q + 1 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \\
& \quad + (1 + |B|) {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p| \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - (1 + |B|) \\
&\leq (A - B)|t|
\end{aligned}$$

by (2.12), which completes the proof of Theorem 2.5.

**Corollary 2.4** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, q + 1$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}b_m > |a_m| + 1$  ( $m = 1, 2, \dots, q - 1$ ), and  $\text{Re}b_q > |a_q| + |a_{q+1}| + 1$ . If

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.14) \quad & \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}| - 1)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q|)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_{q+1}|)} \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{1}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \\
& \times \left\{ k \prod_{j=1}^{q+1} |a_j| + \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \text{Re}b_m - 1 \right) (\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}| - 1) \right\} \\
& \leq \frac{(A - B)|t|}{1 + |B|} + 1,
\end{aligned}$$

then

$$z {}_{q+1}F_q \left( \begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{q+1} \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} ; z^k \right) \in R^t(A, B),$$

where  $k \in N$ .

*Proof.* We note that

$$\begin{aligned}
& {}_{q+1}F_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1| + 1, |a_2| + 1, \dots, |a_{q+1}| + 1 \\ \text{Re}b_1 + 1, \text{Re}b_2 + 1, \dots, \text{Re}b_q + 1 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \\
&= \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m + 1)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_m - |a_m|)} \right) \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q + 1)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}| - 1)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q|)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_{q+1}|)} \\
&= \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\text{Re}b_m}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q + 1)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}| - 1)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q|)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_{q+1}|)}.
\end{aligned}$$

From above equality and (2.6), we have the result of Corollary 2.4.

### 3. Uniformly starlikeness and convexity

A function  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be uniformly starlike in  $U$  if it satisfies

$$(3.1) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z) - f(\zeta)}{(z - \zeta)f'(z)} \right\} \geq 0$$

for all  $(z, \zeta) \in U \times U$ . We denote by  $UST$  the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of all uniformly starlike functions in  $U$ . Further, a function  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be uniformly convex in  $U$  if and only if

$$(3.2) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + (z - \zeta) \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} \geq 0$$

for all  $(z, \zeta) \in U \times U$ . We also denote by  $UCV$  the class of all such functions.

The classes  $UST$  and  $UCV$  were defined by Goodman [6,7] and studied recently by Rønning [13]. By the result of Rønning [13], we see that  $f(z) \in UCV$  if and only if

$$(3.3) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \quad (z \in U).$$

In view of definitions of  $UST$  and  $UCV$ , we define the following classes :

**Definition 3.1** A function  $f(z)$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to be a member of the class  $UST(\alpha)$  if it satisfies

$$(3.4) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z) - f(\zeta)}{(z - \zeta)f'(z)} \right\} \geq \alpha \quad ((z, \zeta) \in U \times U)$$

for some real  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ).

**Definition 3.2** A function  $f(z)$  belonging to  $\mathcal{A}$  is called as a member of the class  $UCV(\alpha)$  if and only if

$$(3.5) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} \geq \alpha \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \quad (z \in U)$$

for some real  $\alpha$  ( $\alpha \geq 0$ ).

Note that  $UST(\alpha) \subset UST$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ),  $UCV(\alpha) \subset UCV$  ( $\alpha \geq 1$ ) and  $UCV \subset UCV(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ). Now, we derive the following lemmas for functions  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  to be in the classes  $UST(\alpha)$  and  $UCV(\alpha)$ .

**Lemma 3.1** If  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n(\alpha+1) - \alpha)|a_n| \leq 1$ , then  $f(z)$  is in  $UCV(\alpha)$ .

*Proof.* It suffices to show that

$$(3.6) \quad \alpha \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| - \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \leq 1.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| - \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) &\leq (\alpha + 1) \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{(\alpha + 1) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n z^{n-1}}{1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1}} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (\alpha + 1)n(n-1)|a_n|}{1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n|}. \end{aligned}$$

Now this last expression is bounded above by 1 provided that  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n(\alpha + 1) - \alpha)|a_n| \leq 1$ .

**Lemma 3.2** *If  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} ((3-\alpha)n-2)|a_n| \leq 1-\alpha$ , then  $f(z)$  is in  $UST(\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.* It suffices to show that

$$(3.7) \quad \left| \frac{f(z) - f(\zeta)}{(z - \zeta)f'(z)} - 1 \right| \leq 1 - \alpha.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(z) - f(\zeta)}{(z - \zeta)f'(z)} - 1 \right| &= \left| \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n(z^{n-1} + z^{n-2}\zeta + \dots + \zeta^{n-1}) - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1}}{1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1}} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 2(n-1)|a_n|}{1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n|}, \end{aligned}$$

which is bounded above by  $1 - \alpha$  if  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} ((3-\alpha)n-2)|a_n| \leq 1 - \alpha$ .

**Theorem 3.1** *Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re} b_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ), and  $\sum_{i=1}^q \operatorname{Re} b_i > \sum_{j=1}^p |a_j| + 1$ . If  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$  satisfies*

$$(3.8) \quad (1 + \alpha) \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p |a_j|}{\prod_{i=1}^q \operatorname{Re} b_i} {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1| + 1, |a_2| + 1, \dots, |a_p| + 1 \\ \operatorname{Re} b_1 + 1, \operatorname{Re} b_2 + 1, \dots, \operatorname{Re} b_q + 1 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \\ + {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p| \\ \operatorname{Re} b_1, \operatorname{Re} b_2, \dots, \operatorname{Re} b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \leq \frac{1}{(A-B)|t|} + 1,$$

then  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f) \in UCV(\alpha)$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.1, we need only to show that

$$(3.9) \quad S_1 := \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n(\alpha+1) - \alpha) \left| \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (a_j)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} a_n \right| \leq 1.$$

From Lemma 2.2, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &\leq (A-B)|t| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n(\alpha+1) - \alpha) \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (|a_j|)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\text{Re}b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} \\ &= (A-B)|t|(\alpha+1) {}_{p+1}F_{q+1} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p|, 2 \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q, 1 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \\ &\quad - (A-B)|t|\alpha {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p| \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - (A-B)|t| \\ &= (A-B)|t|(\alpha+1) \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p |a_j|}{\prod_{i=1}^q \text{Re}b_i} {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|+1, |a_2|+1, \dots, |a_p|+1 \\ \text{Re}b_1+1, \text{Re}b_2+1, \dots, \text{Re}b_q+1 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \\ &\quad + (A-B)|t| {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p| \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - (A-B)|t| \\ &\leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

by (3.8), which completes the proof of Theorem 3.1.

**Corollary 3.1** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, q+1$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}b_m > |a_m| + 1$  ( $m = 1, 2, \dots, q-1$ ), and  $\text{Re}b_q > |a_q| + |a_{q+1}| + 1$ . If  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$  satisfies

$$(3.10) \quad \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}| - 1)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q|)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_{q+1}|)} \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{1}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \\ \times \left\{ (\alpha+1) \prod_{j=1}^{q+1} |a_j| + \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \text{Re}b_m - 1 \right) (\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}| - 1) \right\} \\ \leq \frac{1}{(A-B)|t|} + 1,$$

then  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{q+1}}(f) \in UCV(\alpha)$ .

*Proof.* Since the proof is similarly the proof of Corollary 2.4, we omit the details.

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}b_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ), and  $\sum_{i=1}^q \text{Re}b_i > \sum_{j=1}^p |a_j|$ . If  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$  satisfies

$$(3.11) \quad (3 - \alpha) {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p| \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - 2 {}_{p+1}F_{q+1} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p|, 1 \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q, 2 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \leq (1 - \alpha) \left( \frac{1}{(A - B)|t|} + 1 \right),$$

then  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p}(f) \in UST(\alpha)$ , for some  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ).

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.2, we need only to show that

$$(3.12) \quad S_2 := \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} ((3 - \alpha)n - 2) \left| \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (a_j)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} a_n \right| \leq 1 - \alpha.$$

From Lemma 2.2, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} S_2 &\leq (A - B)|t|(3 - \alpha) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (|a_j|)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\text{Re}b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1}} \\ &\quad - 2(A - B)|t| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (|a_j|)_{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^q (\text{Re}b_i)_{n-1} (1)_{n-1} (2)_{n-1}} (1)_{n-1} \\ &= (A - B)|t|(3 - \alpha) {}_pF_q \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p| \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \\ &\quad - 2(A - B)|t| {}_{p+1}F_{q+1} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_p|, 1 \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q, 2 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) - (1 - \alpha)(A - B)|t| \\ &\leq 1 - \alpha \end{aligned}$$

by (3.11), which completes the proof of Theorem 3.2.

**Corollary 3.2** Let  $a_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, q + 1$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ )  $\in C \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}b_m > |a_m| + 1$  ( $m = 1, 2, \dots, q - 1$ ), and  $\text{Re}b_q > |a_q| + 1$ ,  $|a_{q+1}| < 1$ . If  $f(z) \in R^t(A, B)$  satisfies

$$(3.13) \quad \left\{ (3 - \alpha) \frac{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - 1)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - |a_{q+1}|)}{\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - 1)\Gamma(\text{Re}b_q - |a_{q+1}|)} - \frac{2}{1 - |a_{q+1}|} \right\} \\ \times \left( \prod_{m=1}^q \frac{\text{Re}b_m - 1}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \leq (1 - \alpha) \left( \frac{1}{(A - B)|t|} + 1 \right),$$

then  $I_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q}^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{q+1}}(f) \in UST(\alpha)$ , for some  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ).

*Proof.* We note that

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_{q+2}F_{q+1} \left( \begin{matrix} |a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_{q+1}|, 1 \\ \text{Re}b_1, \text{Re}b_2, \dots, \text{Re}b_q, 2 \end{matrix} ; 1 \right) \\ &= \left( \prod_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\text{Re}b_m - 1}{\text{Re}b_m - |a_m| - 1} \right) \frac{\text{Re}b_q - 1}{(\text{Re}b_q - |a_q| - 1)(1 - |a_{q+1}|)}. \end{aligned}$$

From above equality and (2.6), we have the result of Corollary 3.2.

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