



## On Certain Subclasses of Meromorphically $p$ -Valent Functions Associated with Integral Operators

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**Abstract.** The object of the present paper is to introduce and study new classes of meromorphically  $p$ -valent functions associated with the integral operators  $P_{\beta,p}^\alpha$  and  $Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha$ .

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### 1. Introduction

For any integer  $m > -p$ , let  $\sum_{p,m}$  denote the class of functions of the form

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

which are analytic and  $p$ -valent in the punctured unit disk

$U^* = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } 0 < |z| < 1\} = U \setminus \{0\}$ . For convenience, we write  $\sum_{p,1-p} = \sum_p$ .

If  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  are analytic in  $U$ , we say that  $f(z)$  is subordinate to  $g(z)$ , written  $f \prec g$  or  $f(z) \prec g(z)$  ( $z \in U$ ), if there exists a Schwarz function  $w(z)$  in  $U$  with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  ( $z \in U$ ), such that  $f(z) = g(w(z))$ , ( $z \in U$ ). If  $g(z)$  is univalent in  $U$ , then the following equivalence, (cf., e.g., [3] and [7]):

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

For functions  $f(z) \in \sum_{p,m}$  given by (1) and  $g(z) \in \sum_{p,m}$  defined by

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} b_k z^k \quad (m > -p, p \in \mathbb{N}), \quad (2)$$

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the Hadamard product (or convolution) of  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  is given by

$$(f * g)(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k = (g * f)(z). \tag{3}$$

We now define the integral operators  $P_{\beta,p}^\alpha, Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha : \Sigma_{p,m} \rightarrow \Sigma_{p,m}$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) &= \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{z^{\beta+p}} \int_0^z t^{\beta+p-1} \left(\log \frac{z}{t}\right)^{\alpha-1} f(t) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\beta}{k + \beta + p}\right)^\alpha a_k z^k \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\beta}{k + \beta + p}\right)^\alpha z^k\right) * f(z) \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

$(\alpha, \beta > 0; p \in \mathbb{N}; f \in \Sigma_{p,m}),$

and  $P_{\beta,p}^0 f(z) = P^0 f(z) = f(z) (\alpha = 0; \beta > 0),$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) &= \frac{\Gamma(\beta + \alpha)}{\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{z^{\beta+p}} \int_0^z t^{\beta+p-1} \left(1 - \frac{t}{z}\right)^{\alpha-1} f(t) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{\Gamma(\beta + \alpha)}{\Gamma(\beta)} \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(k + \beta + p)}{\Gamma(k + \beta + \alpha + p)} a_k z^k \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{\Gamma(\beta + \alpha)}{\Gamma(\beta)} \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(k + \beta + p)}{\Gamma(k + \beta + \alpha + p)} z^k\right) * f(z) \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

$(\alpha > 0; \beta > -1; p \in \mathbb{N}; f \in \Sigma_{p,m}),$

and  $Q_{\beta,p}^0 f(z) = Q^0 f(z) = f(z) (\alpha = 0; \beta > -1),$

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\beta,p} f(z) &= \frac{\beta}{z^{\beta+p}} \int_0^z t^{\beta+p-1} f(t) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{\beta}{k + \beta + p} a_k z^k \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{\beta}{k + \beta + p} z^k\right) * f(z) \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

(7)

where  $\Gamma(\alpha)$  is the familiar Gamma function. We write  $P_{1,p}^\alpha f(z) = P_p^\alpha f(z)$  and  $P_{\beta,1}^\alpha f(z) = P_\beta^\alpha f(z)$ , where  $P_p^\alpha f(z), Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha : \Sigma_{p,0} \rightarrow \Sigma_{p,0}$  were investigated by Aqlan et al. [2],  $P_\beta^\alpha f(z) : \Sigma_{1,1} \rightarrow \Sigma_{1,1}$  was investigated by Lashin [6] and  $J_{\beta,p} : \Sigma_{p,m} \rightarrow \Sigma_{p,m}$  was investigated

by many authors (see for example [1], [5], [13] and [16]). From (4), (5) and (6), we can see that

$$J_{\beta,p}f(z) = P_{\beta,p}^1 f(z) = Q_{\beta,p}^1 f(z) \quad (\beta > 0),$$

$$z \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)' = \beta P_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} f(z) - (\beta + p) P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \quad (\alpha \geq 0; \beta > 0) \tag{8}$$

and

$$z \left( Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)' = (\beta + \alpha - 1) Q_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} f(z) - (\beta + \alpha + p - 1) Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \quad (\alpha \geq 0; \beta > -1). \tag{9}$$

By using the integral operators  $P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z)$  and  $Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z)$ , we define two subclasses of  $\Sigma_{p,m}$  as follows:

**Definition 1.** For fixed parameters  $A, B$  ( $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ), a function  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}$  is said to be in the class  $\Sigma_{p,m}^P(\beta, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  if

$$-\frac{z^{p+1}}{p} \left\{ (1 - \lambda) \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)' + \lambda \left( P_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} f(z) \right)' \right\} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U), \tag{10}$$

where  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta > 0, p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lambda \geq 0$ .

**Definition 2.** For fixed parameters  $A, B$  ( $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ), a function  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}$  is said to be in the class  $\Sigma_{p,m}^Q(\beta, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  if

$$-\frac{z^{p+1}}{p} \left\{ (1 - \lambda) \left( Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)' + \lambda \left( Q_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} f(z) \right)' \right\} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U), \tag{11}$$

where  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta > -1, p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lambda \geq 0$ .

We note that  $\Sigma_{1,1}^P(\beta, \alpha, \lambda, A, B) = \Sigma_{\beta,\alpha}^P(\lambda, A, B)$  and  $\Sigma_{1,1}^Q(\beta, \alpha, \lambda, A, B) = \Sigma_{\beta,\alpha}^Q(\lambda, A, B)$  (see Lashin [6]).

In this paper, we obtain some properties of the classes  $\Sigma_{p,m}^P(\beta, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  and  $\Sigma_{p,m}^Q(\beta, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ . Our results generalize the work of Lashin [6].

## 2. Preliminaries

To derive our main results, we shall need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1** ([4] see also [7]). Let the function  $h(z)$  be analytic and convex (univalent) in  $U$  with  $h(0) = 1$  and  $\phi(z)$  given by

$$\phi(z) = 1 + c_{p+m} z^{p+m} + c_{p+m+1} z^{p+m+1} + \dots \tag{12}$$

If

$$\phi(z) + \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\gamma} \prec h(z) \quad (\operatorname{Re}(\gamma) \geq 0, \gamma \neq 0; z \in U), \tag{13}$$

then

$$\phi(z) \prec \psi(z) = \frac{\gamma}{p+m} z^{-\frac{\gamma}{p+m}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\gamma}{p+m}-1} h(t) dt \prec h(z) \quad (z \in U),$$

and  $\psi(z)$  is the best dominant of (13).

We denote by  $P(\gamma)$  the class of functions  $\varphi(z)$  given by

$$\varphi(z) = 1 + b_1 z + b_2 z^2 + \dots, \tag{14}$$

which are analytic in  $U$  and satisfy the following inequality:

$$\operatorname{Re}(\varphi(z)) > \gamma \quad (0 \leq \gamma < 1; z \in U).$$

**Lemma 2** ([9]). *Let the function  $\varphi(z)$ , given by (14) be in the class  $P(\gamma)$ . Then*

$$\operatorname{Re}(\varphi(z)) \geq 2\gamma - 1 + \frac{2(1-\gamma)}{1+|z|} \quad (0 \leq \gamma < 1; z \in U).$$

**Lemma 3** ([12]). *If  $\varphi_j \in P(\gamma_j)$  ( $0 \leq \gamma_j < 1; j = 1, 2$ ), then*

$$\varphi_1 * \varphi_2 \in P(\gamma_3) \quad (\gamma_3 = 1 - 2(1-\gamma_1)(1-\gamma_2)).$$

*The result is the best possible.*

For real or complex numbers  $a, b$  and  $c$  ( $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ ), the Gauss hypergeometric function  ${}_2F_1$  is defined in  $U$  by

$${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_k (b)_k}{(c)_k} \frac{z^k}{k!}, \tag{15}$$

where  $(x)_k$  denotes the Pochhammer symbol given by

$$(x)_k = \begin{cases} x(x+1)(x+2)\dots(x+k-1) & (k \in \mathbb{N}, x \in \mathbb{C}) \\ 1 & (k = 0, x \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}). \end{cases}$$

We note that the series defined by (15) converges absolutely for  $z \in U$  and hence represents an analytic function in the open unit disk  $U$  (see [14]).

**Lemma 4** ([14]). *For real or complex numbers  $a, b$  and  $c$  ( $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ ),*

$$\int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-zt)^{-a} dt = \frac{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c-b)}{\Gamma(c)} {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) \quad (\operatorname{Re}(c) > \operatorname{Re}(b) > 0); \tag{16}$$

$${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = (1-z)^{-a} {}_2F_1(a, c-b; c; \frac{z}{z-1}); \tag{17}$$

$${}_2F_1(a, b; \frac{a+b+1}{2}; \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\frac{a+b+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{a+1}{2})\Gamma(\frac{b+1}{2})}; \tag{18}$$

$${}_2F_1(1, 1; 2; \frac{z}{z+1}) = \frac{z+1}{z} \ln(1+z) \quad (z \neq 0). \tag{19}$$

### 3. Main Results

Unless otherwise mentioned, we assume throughout this paper that

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

**Theorem 1.** If  $f \in \Sigma_{p,m}^p(\beta, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  ( $\beta > 0$ ), then

$$-\frac{z^{p+1} \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)'}{p} \prec q_1(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U), \tag{20}$$

where the function  $q_1(z)$  given by

$$q_1(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1 + Bz)^{-1} {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{\beta}{\lambda(p+m)} + 1; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1}) & (B \neq 0) \\ 1 + \frac{\beta}{\beta + \lambda(p+m)}Az & (B = 0), \end{cases}$$

is the best dominant of (20). Furthermore,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( -\frac{z^{p+1} \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)'}{p} \right) > \rho \quad (z \in U), \tag{21}$$

where

$$\rho(\beta, p, \lambda, A, B) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1 - B)^{-1} {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{\beta}{\lambda(p+m)} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1}) & (B \neq 0) \\ 1 - \frac{\beta}{\beta + \lambda(p+m)}A & (B = 0). \end{cases}$$

The result is the best possible.

*Proof.* Setting

$$\phi(z) = -\frac{z^{p+1} \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)'}{p} \quad (z \in U). \tag{22}$$

Then the function  $\phi(z)$  is of the form (12) and is analytic in  $U$ . Differentiating (22), and with the aid of the identity (8) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(z) + \frac{\lambda z \phi'(z)}{\beta} &= -\frac{z^{p+1}}{p} \left\{ (1 - \lambda) \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)' + \lambda \left( P_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} f(z) \right)' \right\} \\ &\prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U). \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

Now, by using Lemma 1 for  $\gamma = \frac{\beta}{\lambda}$ , we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(z) \prec q_1(z) &= \frac{\beta}{\lambda} z^{-\frac{\beta}{\lambda(p+m)}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda(p+m)}-1} \left( \frac{1+At}{1+Bt} \right) dt \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1+Bz)^{-1} {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{\beta}{\lambda(p+m)} + 1; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1}) & (B \neq 0) \\ 1 + \frac{\beta}{\beta + \lambda(p+m)} Az & (B = 0), \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

by change of variables followed by the use of the identities (16) and (17) (with  $a = 1, b = \frac{\beta}{\lambda}$  and  $c = b + 1$ ). This proves the assertion (20) of Theorem 1. Next, to prove the assertion (21) of Theorem 1, it suffices to show that

$$\inf_{|z| < 1} \{ \operatorname{Re}(q_1(z)) \} = q_1(-1). \tag{24}$$

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

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

Setting

$$G(s, z) = \frac{1+Asz}{1+Bsz} \text{ and } d\mu(s) = \frac{\beta}{\lambda(p+m)} s^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda(p+m)}-1} ds \quad (0 \leq s \leq 1),$$

which is a positive measure on  $[0, 1]$ , we get

$$q_1(z) = \int_0^1 G(s, z) d\mu(s),$$

so that

$$\operatorname{Re}(q_1(z)) \geq \int_0^1 \frac{1-Asr}{1-Bsr} d\mu(s) = q_1(-r) \quad (|z| \leq r < 1).$$

Letting  $r \rightarrow 1^-$  in the above inequality, we obtain the assertion (24). The result in (21) is best possible as the function  $q_1(z)$  is the best dominant of (20).

Putting  $\lambda = \frac{\sigma}{1-\sigma(p+1)}\beta$  ( $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{p+1}; \beta > 0$ ) in Theorem 1, we get the following result.

**Corollary 1.** *If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}$  satisfies*

$$\frac{-z^{p+1} \left[ \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)' + \sigma z \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)'' \right]}{p[1-\sigma(p+1)]} \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \quad (z \in U),$$

then

$$-\frac{z^{p+1} \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)'}{p} \prec q_2(z) \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \quad (z \in U),$$

where the function  $q_2(z)$  given by

$$q_2(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1 + Bz)^{-1} {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{1-\sigma(1-m)}{\sigma(p+m)}; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1}) & (B \neq 0) \\ 1 + \frac{1-\sigma(p+1)}{1-\sigma(1-m)}Az & (B = 0), \end{cases}$$

is the best dominant of (20). Furthermore,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( -\frac{z^{p+1} \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)'}{p} \right) > \rho(p, \sigma, A, B) \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$\rho(p, \sigma, A, B) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1 - B)^{-1} {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{1-\sigma(1-m)}{\sigma(p+m)}; \frac{B}{B-1}) & (B \neq 0) \\ 1 - \frac{1-\sigma(p+1)}{1-\sigma(1-m)}A & (B = 0). \end{cases}$$

The result is the best possible.

**Remark 1.** For  $m = \alpha = 0$  and  $p = 1$ , Corollary 1 reduces to the recent result of Patel and Sahoo [10, Theorem 1].

Taking  $A = 1 - \frac{2\delta}{p}$  ( $0 \leq \delta < p$ ),  $B = -1$ ,  $m = 2 - p$  and  $\lambda = \beta$  ( $\beta > 0$ ) in Theorem 1 and using (18), we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.** If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,2-p}$  satisfies the following inequality

$$\operatorname{Re}\{-z^{p+1}[(p+2) \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)' + z \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)'' ]\} > \delta \quad (0 \leq \delta < p; z \in U),$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re}\{-z^{p+1} \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)'\} > \delta + (p - \delta) \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - 1 \right) \quad (z \in U).$$

The result is the best possible.

**Remark 2.** For  $\alpha = 0$ , Corollary 2 reduces to the recent result of Srivastava and Patel [11, Corollary 2].

Taking  $\delta = -\frac{p(\pi-2)}{4-\pi}$  in Corollary 2, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.** If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,2-p}$  satisfies the following inequality

$$\operatorname{Re}\{-z^{p+1}[(p+2) \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)' + z \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)'' ]\} > -\frac{p(\pi-2)}{4-\pi} \quad (z \in U),$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re}\{-z^{p+1} \left( P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)'\} > 0 \quad (z \in U).$$

The result is the best possible.

**Remark 3.** For  $\alpha = 0$ , Corollary 3 reduces to the result of Pap [8].

Taking  $A = 1 - \frac{2\delta}{p}$  ( $0 \leq \delta < p$ ),  $B = -1$ ,  $m = 1 - p$  and  $\lambda = \beta$  ( $\beta > 0$ ) in Theorem 1 and using (19), we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 4.** If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  satisfies the following inequality

$$\operatorname{Re}\{-z^{p+1}[(p+2)\left(P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z)\right)' + z\left(P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z)\right)''\}] > \delta \quad (0 \leq \delta < p; z \in U),$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re}\{-z^{p+1}\left(P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z)\right)'\} > p + 2(p - \delta)(\ln 2 - 1) \quad (z \in U).$$

The result is the best possible.

**Theorem 2.** If  $f \in \Sigma_{p,m}^Q(\beta, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  ( $\beta > -1$ ), then

$$-\frac{z^{p+1}\left(Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z)\right)'}{p} \prec q_3(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (\beta > -1; z \in U), \tag{25}$$

where the function  $q_3(z)$  given by

$$q_3(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1 + Bz)^{-1} {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{\beta + \alpha - 1}{\lambda(p+m)} + 1; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1}) & (B \neq 0) \\ 1 + \frac{\beta + \alpha - 1}{\beta + \alpha + \lambda(p+m) - 1} Az & (B = 0), \end{cases}$$

is the best dominant of (25). Furthermore,

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(-\frac{z^{p+1}\left(Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z)\right)'}{p}\right) > \eta \quad (z \in U), \tag{26}$$

where

$$\eta(\beta, \alpha, p, \lambda, A, B) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{B} + (1 - \frac{A}{B})(1 - B)^{-1} {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{\beta + \alpha - 1}{\lambda(p+m)} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1}) & (B \neq 0) \\ 1 - \frac{\beta + \alpha - 1}{\beta + \alpha + \lambda(p+m) - 1} A & (B = 0). \end{cases}$$

The result is the best possible.

*Proof.* Setting

$$\phi(z) = -\frac{z^{p+1}\left(Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z)\right)'}{p} \quad (z \in U). \tag{27}$$



Then the function  $\phi(z)$  is of the form (12) and is analytic in  $U$ . Differentiating (27), and with the aid of the identity (9) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(z) + \frac{\lambda z \phi'(z)}{\beta + \alpha - 1} &= -\frac{z^{p+1}}{p} \left\{ (1 - \lambda) \left( Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right)' + \lambda \left( Q_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} f(z) \right)' \right\} \\ &\prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U). \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

Now, by using Lemma 1 for  $\gamma = \frac{\beta + \alpha - 1}{\lambda}$ , we deduce that

$$\phi(z) \prec q(z) = \frac{\beta + \alpha - 1}{\lambda(p + m)} z^{-\frac{\beta + \alpha - 1}{\lambda(p + m)}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\beta + \alpha - 1}{\lambda(p + m)} - 1} \left( \frac{1 + At}{1 + Bt} \right) dt,$$

and the proof is completed similarly to Theorem 1.

Replacing  $\phi(z)$  by  $z^p P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z)$  in (22) and following the lines of the proof of Theorem 1, we can prove the following result.

**Theorem 3.** *If  $f \in \Sigma_{p,m}$  satisfies*

$$z^p \left\{ (1 - \lambda) P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) + \lambda P_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} f(z) \right\} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (\beta > 0; z \in U),$$

then

$$z^p P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \prec q_1(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (\beta > 0; z \in U),$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( z^p P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right) > \rho \quad (\beta > 0; z \in U),$$

where  $q_1$  and  $\rho$  are given as in Theorem 1. The result is the best possible.

Replacing  $\phi(z)$  by  $z^p Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z)$  in (27) and following the lines of the proof of Theorem 2, we can prove the following result.

**Theorem 4.** *If  $f \in \Sigma_{p,m}$  satisfies*

$$z^p \left\{ (1 - \lambda) Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) + \lambda Q_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} f(z) \right\} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (\beta > -1; z \in U),$$

then

$$z^p Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \prec q_3(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (\beta > -1; z \in U),$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( z^p Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f(z) \right) > \eta \quad (\beta > -1; z \in U),$$

where  $q_3$  and  $\eta$  are given as in Theorem 2. The result is the best possible.

**Theorem 5.** Let  $-1 \leq B_j < A_j \leq 1$  ( $j = 1, 2$ ) and  $\beta > 0$ . If each of the functions  $f_j(z) \in \Sigma_p$  satisfies the following subordination condition

$$z^p \left\{ (1 - \lambda)P_{\beta,p}^\alpha f_j(z) + \lambda P_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} f_j(z) \right\} \prec \frac{1 + A_j z}{1 + B_j z} \quad (j = 1, 2; z \in U). \tag{29}$$

then

$$z^p \left\{ (1 - \lambda)P_{\beta,p}^\alpha H(z) + \lambda P_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} H(z) \right\} \prec \frac{1 + (1 - \frac{2\gamma}{p})z}{1 - z} \quad (z \in U), \tag{30}$$

where

$$H(z) = P_{\beta,p}^\alpha (f_1 * f_2)(z) \tag{31}$$

and

$$\gamma = 1 - \frac{4(A_1 - B_1)(A_2 - B_2)}{(1 - B_1)(1 - B_2)} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{2} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\beta}{\lambda} + 1; \frac{1}{2}\right) \right].$$

The result is the best possible when  $B_1 = B_2 = -1$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that each of the functions  $f_j(z) \in \Sigma_p$  ( $j = 1, 2$ ) satisfies the condition (29). Then, by letting

$$\varphi_j(z) = z^p \left\{ (1 - \lambda)P_{\beta,p}^\alpha (f_j(z)) + \lambda P_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} (f_j(z)) \right\} \quad (j = 1, 2), \tag{32}$$

we have

$$\varphi_j(z) \in P(\gamma_j) \quad (\gamma_j = \frac{1 - A_j}{1 - B_j}; j = 1, 2).$$

Making use of the identity (8) in (32), we have

$$P_{\beta,p}^\alpha (f_j(z)) = \frac{\beta}{\lambda} z^{-\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-p} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} \varphi_j(t) dt \quad (j = 1, 2). \tag{33}$$

From (31) and (33), we get

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\beta,p}^\alpha H(z) &= \left( \frac{\beta}{\lambda} z^{-\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-p} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} \varphi_1(t) dt \right) * \left( \frac{\beta}{\lambda} z^{-\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-p} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} \varphi_2(t) dt \right) \\ &= \frac{\beta}{\lambda} z^{-\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-p} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} \varphi_0(t) dt \end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_0(z) &= z^p \left\{ (1 - \lambda)P_{\beta,p}^\alpha H(z) + \lambda P_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} H(z) \right\} \\ &= \frac{\beta}{\lambda} z^{-\frac{\beta}{\lambda}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} (\varphi_1 * \varphi_2)(t) dt. \end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

Since  $\varphi_1(z) \in P(\gamma_1)$  and  $\varphi_2(z) \in P(\gamma_2)$ , it follows from Lemma 3 that

$$(\varphi_1 * \varphi_2)(z) \in P(\gamma_3) \quad (\gamma_3 = 1 - 2(1 - \gamma_1)(1 - \gamma_2)). \tag{36}$$

According to Lemma 2, we have

$$\operatorname{Re}\{(\varphi_1 * \varphi_2)(z)\} \geq 2\gamma_3 - 1 + \frac{2(1 - \gamma_3)}{1 + |z|}. \tag{37}$$

Now by using (37) in (35) and then appealing to Lemma 4, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}\{\varphi_o(z)\} &= \frac{\beta}{\lambda_0} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} \operatorname{Re}\{(\varphi_1 * \varphi_2)(uz)\} du \\ &\geq \frac{\beta}{\lambda_0} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} \left(2\gamma_3 - 1 + \frac{2(1 - \gamma_3)}{1 + u|z|}\right) du \\ &> \frac{\beta}{\lambda_0} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} \left(2\gamma_3 - 1 + \frac{2(1 - \gamma_3)}{1 + u}\right) du \\ &= 1 - \frac{4(A_1 - B_1)(A_2 - B_2)}{(1 - B_1)(1 - B_2)} \left[1 - \frac{\beta}{\lambda_0} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} (1 + u)^{-1} du\right] \\ &= 1 - \frac{4(A_1 - B_1)(A_2 - B_2)}{(1 - B_1)(1 - B_2)} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\beta}{\lambda} + 1; \frac{1}{2}\right)\right] \\ &= \gamma \quad (z \in U). \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of the assertion (30).

When  $B_1 = B_2 = -1$ , we consider the functions  $f_j(z) \in \sum_p (j = 1, 2)$ , which satisfy (29) and

$$P_{\beta,p}^\alpha (f_j(z)) = \frac{\beta}{\lambda} z^{-\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-p} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} \left(\frac{1 + A_j t}{1 - t}\right) dt \quad (j = 1, 2),$$

for which we have

$$\varphi_j(z) = \frac{1 + A_j z}{1 - z} \quad (j = 1, 2)$$

and

$$(\varphi_1 * \varphi_2)(z) = 1 + \frac{(1 + A_1)(1 + A_2)z}{1 - z}.$$

Thus it follows from (35) and Lemma 4 that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_o(z) &= \frac{\beta}{\lambda_0} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{\beta}{\lambda}-1} \left(1 - (1 + A_1)(1 + A_2) + \frac{(1 + A_1)(1 + A_2)}{1 - uz}\right) du \\ &= 1 - (1 + A_1)(1 + A_2) + (1 + A_1)(1 + A_2)(1 - z)^{-1} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\beta}{\lambda} + 1; \frac{z}{z - 1}\right) \\ &\rightarrow 1 - (1 + A_1)(1 + A_2) + \frac{1}{2}(1 + A_1)(1 + A_2) {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\beta}{\lambda} + 1; \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &\quad \text{as } z \rightarrow -1, \end{aligned}$$

which evidently completes the proof of Theorem 5.

Letting  $A_j = 1 - \frac{2\eta_j}{p}$  ( $0 \leq \eta_j < p$ ),  $B_j = -1 (j = 1, 2)$ ,  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\frac{\lambda}{\beta} = \tau$ , in Theorem 5, we get the following result.

**Corollary 5.** If  $f \in \Sigma_p$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} z^p \left\{ (1 + p\tau)f_j(z) + \tau z f_j'(z) \right\} > \eta_j \quad (j = 1, 2; z \in U),$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} z^p \left\{ (1 + p\tau)(f_1 * f_2)(z) + \tau z ((f_1 * f_2)(z))' \right\} > \gamma,$$

where

$$\gamma = 1 - 4 \left(1 - \frac{\eta_1}{p}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\eta_2}{p}\right) \left[1 - \frac{1}{2} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{1}{\tau} + 1; \frac{1}{2}\right)\right].$$

**Remark 4.** For  $p = 1$ , the result (asserted by Corollary 5 above) was also obtained by Yang [15].

**Theorem 6.** Let  $-1 \leq B_j < A_j \leq 1$  ( $j = 1, 2$ ) and  $\beta > -1$ . If each of the functions  $f_j(z) \in \Sigma_p$  satisfies the following subordination condition

$$z^p \left\{ (1 - \lambda)Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha f_j(z) + \lambda Q_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} f_j(z) \right\} \prec \frac{1 + A_j z}{1 + B_j z} \quad (j = 1, 2; z \in U).$$

then

$$z^p \left\{ (1 - \lambda)Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha E(z) + \lambda Q_{\beta,p}^{\alpha-1} E(z) \right\} \prec \frac{1 + (1 - \frac{2\xi}{p})z}{1 - z} \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$E(z) = Q_{\beta,p}^\alpha (f_1 * f_2)(z)$$

and

$$\xi = 1 - \frac{4(A_1 - B_1)(A_2 - B_2)}{(1 - B_1)(1 - B_2)} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2} {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\beta + \alpha - 1}{\lambda} + 1; \frac{1}{2}\right)\right].$$

The result is the best possible when  $B_1 = B_2 = -1$ .

The proof is similar to Theorem 5.

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