# SANDWICH-TYPE THEOREMS FOR MULTIVALENT MEROMORPHIC FUNCTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH CERTAIN TRANSFORMS

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ABSTRACT. In the present paper, the author investigates some subordination and superordination results for certain subclasses of multivalent meromorphic functions defined through the combinations and iterations of a meromorphic analogue of the Cho-Kwon-Srivastava operator for normalized analytic functions. Sandwichtype theorems for function belonging to these classes and some consequences are also obtained.

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### 1. Introduction and Definitions

Let  $\sum_{p}$  denote the class of functions of the form:

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

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

Let  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{U})$  be the linear space of all analytic functions in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$  and let  $\mathcal{H}[a,p]$  denote the subclass of  $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{U})$  consisting of functions of the form:

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

Let the functions f and g be members of the analytic function class  $\mathcal{H}$ . We say that the function f is subordinate to g, written as  $f(z) \prec g(z)$  ( $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ), if there exists a Schwarz function w, which (by definition) is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  with w(0) = 0

0 and |w(z)| < 1 such that f(z) = g(w(z)) ( $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ). It follows from this definition that

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

In particular, if the function g is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ , then we have the following equivalence (see [1, 7, 8]):

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

Now, we mention some definitions from the theory of differential subordination given by Miller and Mocanu [8, 9].

**Definition 1.** (see [8]) Let  $\phi : \mathbb{C}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and let h be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ . If p is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfies the following:

$$\phi\left(p(z), zp'(z)\right) \prec h(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),\tag{2}$$

then p is called a solution of the first order differential subordination (2). The univalent function q is called a dominant of the solutions of the differential subordination (2) or, more simply, a dominant if  $p \prec q$  for every p satisfying (2). An univalent dominant  $\tilde{q}$  that satisfies  $\tilde{q} \prec q$  for all dominants q of (2) is said to be the best dominant.

**Definition 2.** (see [9]) Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{C}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and let h be analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$ . If p and  $\varphi(p(z), zp'(z))$  are univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfy the differential superordination:

$$h(z) \prec \varphi(p(z), zp'(z)) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$
 (3)

then p is called a solution of the first order differential superordination (3). An analytic function q is called a subordinant of the solutions of the differential super-ordination (3) or, more simply, a subordinant if  $q \prec p$ , for all p satisfying (3). A univalent subordinant  $\tilde{q}$  that satisfies  $q \prec \tilde{q}$  for all subordinants q of (3) is said to be the best subordinant.

**Definition 3.** (see [8], Definition 2.2b, p. 21; also see [9], Definition 2, p. 817) We denote by Q the class of functions f that are analytic and injective on  $\overline{\mathbb{U}} \setminus E(f)$ , where

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

and are such that  $f'(\zeta) \neq 0$  for  $\zeta \in \partial \mathbb{U} \setminus E(f)$ .

Let  $f, g \in \sum_{p}$ , where f is given by (1) and the function g is defined by

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_{k-p} z^{k-p} \quad (p \in \mathbb{N}; z \in \mathbb{U}^*),$$

we define the Hadamard product (or convolution) of f(z) and g(z) by

$$(f*g)(z) = \frac{z^p f(z) \star z^p g(z)}{z^p} = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{k-p} b_{k-p} z^{k-p} = (g*f)(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}^*)$$

where  $\star$  denotes the usual Hadamard product (or convolution ) of analytic functions. Liu and Srivastava [6] defined the function  $\phi_p(a,c;z)$  by

$$\phi_p(a,c;z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_k}{(c)_k} z^{k-p} \ (z \in \mathbb{U}^*; \ c \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-, \ \mathbb{Z}_0^- := \{0, -1, -2... \cdots \})$$
 (4)

where  $(\lambda)_n$  is the Pochhammer symbol (or shifted factorial) given by

$$(\lambda)_n := \begin{cases} 1 & (n=0) \\ \lambda(\lambda+1).....(\lambda+n-1) & (n \in \mathbb{N}). \end{cases}$$

They defined the operator  $\mathcal{L}(a,c):\sum_{p}\longrightarrow\sum_{p}$  as

$$\mathcal{L}(a,c)f(z) = \phi_p(a,c;z) * f(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}^*).$$

Corresponding to the function  $\phi_p(a, c; z)$ , Mishra et al. [10] (see also [11, 12]) defined the function  $\phi_p^{\dagger}(a, c; z)$ , the generalized multiplicative inverse of  $\phi_p(a, c; z)$  given by the relation

$$\phi_p(a,c;z) * \phi_p^{\dagger}(a,c;z) = \frac{1}{z^p(1-z)^{\lambda+p}} \quad (a,c \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-, \lambda > -p; z \in \mathbb{U}^*).$$
 (5)

They defined the operator  $\mathcal{L}_p^{\lambda}(a,c): \sum_p \longrightarrow \sum_p$  as

$$\mathcal{L}_p^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z) = \phi_p^{\dagger}(a,c;z) * f(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}^*). \tag{6}$$

Therefore, it follows from (5) and (6) that

$$\mathcal{L}_{p}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z) = \frac{1}{z^{p}} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda+p)_{k}(c)_{k}}{(a)_{k}(1)_{k}} a_{k-p} z^{k-p} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}^{*}).$$
 (7)

Note that, the holomorphic analogue of the function  $\phi_p^{\dagger}(a, c; z)$  and the corresponding transform is popularly known as the Cho-Kwon- Srivastava operator in literature (see[2, 13]).

For  $f \in \sum_{p}$  given by (1), set

$$C^0 f(z) = f(z),$$

$$C^{(t,1)}f(z) = (1-t)f(z) + \frac{tz(-f(z))'}{p} = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p-kt}{p}\right) a_{k-p} z^{k-p} := C^t f(z) \quad (t \ge 0)$$

and for  $m = 2, 3 \cdots$ 

$$C^{(t,m)}f(z) = C^t \left( C^{(t,m-1)}f(z) \right) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{p-kt}{p} \right)^m a_{k-p} z^{k-p} \ (z \in \mathbb{U}^*). \tag{8}$$

Similarly, the *n*-times superimpositions of the operator  $\mathcal{L}_p^{\lambda}(a,c)$  is defined as follows;

$$\mathcal{L}_p^{(\lambda,0)}(a,c)f(z) = f(z)$$

and for  $n = 1, 2, 3 \cdots$ 

$$\mathcal{L}_{p}^{(\lambda,n)}(a,c)f(z) = \mathcal{L}_{p}^{\lambda}(a,c) \left( \mathcal{L}_{p}^{(\lambda,n-1)}(a,c)f(z) \right) = \frac{1}{z^{p}} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{(\lambda+p)_{k}(c)_{k}}{(a)_{k}(1)_{k}} \right)^{n} a_{k-p} z^{k-p}.$$
(9)

Note that for n = 1 and p = 1, we use the notation

$$\mathcal{L}_{1}^{(\lambda,1)}(a,c)f(z) = \mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z).$$

Recently, Mishra et al. [10] (see also [11, 12]) introduced and studied the operator

$$\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{n,m}(a,c): \sum_{p} \longrightarrow \sum_{p} (m,n \in \mathbb{N}_{0} = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}, t \ge 0)$$

as the compsition of the operator  $\mathcal{L}_p^{(\lambda,n)}(a,c)$  and  $C^{(t,m)}$ . Thus, for  $f \in \sum_p$  given by (1), we have

$$\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{n,m}(a,c)f(z) = \mathcal{L}_p^{(\lambda,n)}(a,c)\mathcal{C}^{(t,m)}f(z) 
= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{(\lambda+p)_k(c)_k}{(a)_k(1)_k}\right)^n \left(\frac{p-kt}{p}\right)^m a_{k-p}z^{k-p}, \quad (10) 
(m, n \in \mathbb{N}_0, \ \lambda > -p, \ t \ge 0; \ z \in \mathbb{U}^*)$$

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The operator  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{n,m}(a,c)$  generalizes several previously studied familiar operators and also provides meromorphic analogue for certain well known operators for analytic functions (see, for detail [10, 11]). Very recently, a similar operator for analytic functions has been studied by Srivastava et al. [18].

In the particular case n = 1, we use the notation

$$\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{1,m}(a,c)f(z) := \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z).$$

In the recent years, several authors obtained many interesting results involving various linear and non-linear operators associated with differential subordination and superordination (for detail, see [3, 4, 5, 15, 16, 17]).

The main object of the present paper is to obtain sufficient conditions for the functions  $f \in \sum_{p}$  defined by using the operator  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)$  given by (10) such that sandwich relations of the form:

$$q_1(z) \prec \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \prec q_2(z),$$

holds good where  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are given univalent functions in  $\mathbb{U}$  with  $q_1(0) = q_2(0) = 1$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

To establish our results, we need the following:

**Lemma 1.** (see [14]) Let q be a convex univalent function in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$  and let  $\psi \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  with  $\Re\{1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)} + \frac{\psi}{\gamma}\} > 0$ . If p(z) is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  with p(0) = q(0) and

$$\psi p(z) + \gamma z p'(z) \prec \psi q(z) + \gamma z q'(z)$$

then  $p \prec q$  and q is the best dominant.

**Lemma 2.** (see [9]) Let q be convex univalent in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$  and  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\Re(\gamma) > 0$ . If  $p(z) \in \mathcal{H}[q(0), 1] \cap Q$ , and  $p(z) + \gamma z p'(z)$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ , then

$$q(z) + \gamma z q'(z) \prec p(z) + \gamma z p'(z),$$

then  $q \prec p$  and q is the best subordinant.

**Lemma 3.** Let a and c be complex numbers  $(a, c \notin \mathbb{Z}_0^-)$ ,  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0, t > 0, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\lambda > -p$ . Let  $f \in \sum_p$ . Then the following identities hold.

$$z(\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{n,m}(a,c)f(z))' = \frac{p}{t}(1-t)\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{n,m}(a,c)f(z) - \frac{p}{t}\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{n,m+1}(a,c)f(z), \tag{11}$$

$$z(\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z))' = (a-1)\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a-1,c)f(z) - (a-1+p)\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z),$$
(12)

$$z(\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z))' = (\lambda+p)\mathcal{I}_{\lambda+1,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z) - (\lambda+2p)\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z), \tag{13}$$

$$z(\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z))' = c\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c+1)f(z) - (c+p)\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z). \tag{14}$$

*Proof.* These identities can be verified by considering series expansions of individual functions involved.

### 3. Main Results

Unless otherwise mentioned, we assume throughout the sequel that  $t > 0, \lambda > -p, p \in \mathbb{N}, m \in \mathbb{N}_0, \eta \in \mathbb{C}^*$  and  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . The powers are considered as the principal one.

We prove the following.

**Theorem 4.** Let q be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfies

$$\Re\left\{1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)} + \frac{\alpha}{\eta}\right\} > 0. \tag{15}$$

Suppose  $f \in \sum_{p}$  satisfies any one of the following subordination conditions:

$$\left[1 - \frac{\eta p}{t}\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} + \frac{\eta p}{t} z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m+1}(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1} \\
 \qquad \qquad \prec q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z), \quad (16)$$

or

or

Then

$$\left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \prec q(z) \tag{20}$$

and q is the best dominant of (20).

*Proof.* Define the function  $\phi(z)$  by

$$\phi(z) = \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}^*).$$
 (21)

Clearly, the function  $\phi(z)$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and  $\phi(0) = 1$ . Differentiating (21) logarithmically with respect to z followed by applications of the identities (11) to (14) yield respectively

$$\frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} = -\frac{p\alpha}{t} \left[ 1 - \frac{\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m+1}(a,c)f(z)}{\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z)} \right], \tag{22}$$

$$\frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} = (a-1)\alpha \left[ 1 - \frac{\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a-1,c)f(z)}{\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)} \right],\tag{23}$$

$$\frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} = (\lambda + p)\alpha \left[ 1 - \frac{\mathcal{I}_{\lambda+1,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}{\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)} \right], \tag{24}$$

and

$$\frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} = c\alpha \left[ 1 - \frac{\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c+1)f(z)}{\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z)} \right]. \tag{25}$$

Now, the subordination conditions (16) to (19) are equivalent to

$$\phi(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z \phi'(z) \prec q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z). \tag{26}$$

The assertion of Theorem 4 now follows by an application of Lemma 1 with  $\psi = 1$  and  $\gamma = \frac{\eta}{\alpha}$ . The proof of Theorem 4 is completed.

Taking  $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  (-1 \le B < A \le 1) and  $q(z) = \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma}$  (0 < \gamma \le 1) in Theorem 4, we have the following results (Corollaries 16 and 17 below.)

Corollary 5. Let  $\Re\{\frac{1-Bz}{1+Bz} + \frac{\alpha}{\eta}\} > 0$   $(z \in \mathbb{U})$ . Suppose the function  $f \in \sum_p$  satisfying any one of the following conditions:

or

$$[1+\eta(a-1)] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(a-1) z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a-1,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

$$\prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Bz)^2},$$

or

$$\begin{split} \left[1+\eta(\lambda+p)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}^m_{\lambda,p}(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - &\eta(\lambda+p) z^p \mathcal{I}^m_{\lambda+1,p}(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}^m_{\lambda,p}(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1} \\ &\prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Bz)^2}, \end{split}$$

or

$$[1+\eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c+1) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$
$$\prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Bz)^2}.$$

Then

$$\left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}^m_{\lambda,p}(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}$$
 (27)

and  $\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  is the best dominant of (27).

Corollary 6. Let  $\Re\{\frac{1+2\gamma z+z^2}{1-z^2}+\frac{\alpha}{\eta}\}>0$   $(z\in\mathbb{U})$ . Suppose the function  $f\in\sum_p$  satisfies any one of the following subordination conditions:

or

or

$$[1 + \eta(\lambda + p)] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(\lambda + p) z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda+1,p}^m(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

$$\prec \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma} + \frac{2\gamma\eta}{\alpha} z \frac{(1+z)^{\gamma-1}}{(1-z)^{\gamma+1}},$$

or

$$[1+\eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c+1) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

$$\prec \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma} + \frac{2\gamma \eta}{\alpha} z \frac{(1+z)^{\gamma-1}}{(1-z)^{\gamma+1}}.$$

Then

$$\left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \prec \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma} \tag{28}$$

and  $\left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma}$  is the best dominant of (28).

Taking p=t=1 and m=0 in Theorem 4, we obtain the following results (Corollary 7 below).

**Corollary 7.** Let q be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and (15) holds. Suppose the function  $f \in \sum (\equiv \sum_1)$  satisfies the following subordination:

$$[1-\eta] \left( \frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)} \right)^{\alpha} - \eta \frac{\left( \mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z) \right)'}{z^{\alpha-1}} \left( \frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)} \right)^{\alpha+1} \prec q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z),$$

or

$$[1 + \eta(\lambda + 1)] \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(\lambda + 1) \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda + 1}(a, c)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha + 1}$$

$$\prec q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z),$$

or

$$[1+\eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c+1)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1} \prec q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z).$$

Then

$$\left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \prec q(z) \tag{29}$$

and q(z) is the best dominant of (29).

**Theorem 8.** Let the function q be univalent convex in  $\mathbb{U}$ . Further, let us assume that

$$\Re(\eta) > 0 \tag{30}$$

and

$$\left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda, p}^m(a, c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \in \mathcal{H}[q(0), 1)] \cap Q.$$

Suppose the function f and q satisfy any one of the following pair of conditions:

$$\left[1 - \frac{\eta p}{t}\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} + \frac{\eta p}{t} z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m+1}(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$
(31)

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ 

and

$$q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z) \prec \left[1 - \frac{\eta p}{t}\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} + \frac{\eta p}{t} z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m+1}(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1},$$
(32)

$$[1+\eta(a-1)]\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}-\eta(a-1)z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a-1,c)f(z)\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$
(33)

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and

$$q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z) \prec \left[1 + \eta(a-1)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(a-1) z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a-1,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}, \quad (34)$$

or

$$[1 + \eta(\lambda + p)] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(\lambda + p) z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda+1,p}^m(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

$$(35)$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and

$$q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z) \prec \left[1 + \eta(\lambda + p)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(\lambda + p) z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda+1,p}^m(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}, \tag{36}$$

or

$$[1+\eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c+1) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$
(37)

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and

$$q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z) \prec [1 + \eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c+1) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}.$$
(38)

Then

$$q(z) \prec \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}$$
 (39)

and q is the best dominant of (39).

*Proof.* Differentiating logarithmically with respect to z of the function

$$\phi(z) = \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}^*),$$

followed by application of the identities (11) to (14) give (22) to (25) respectively. Hence the subordination conditions (32), (34), (36) and (38) are equivalent to

$$q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z) \prec \phi(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z \phi'(z).$$

The assertion (39) of Theorem 8 follows by an application of Lemma 2. The proof of Theorem 8 is thus completed.

Taking  $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \ (-1 \le B < A \le 1)$  and  $q(z) = \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma} \ (0 < \gamma \le 1)$  in Theorem 8 we get the following results (Corollaries 9 and 10).

**Corollary 9.** Assume that (30) holds and  $\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \in \mathcal{H}[1,1] \cap Q$ . Suppose the function  $f \in \sum_p$  satisfies any one of the following pair of the conditions:

$$\left[1-\frac{\eta p}{t}\right]\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}+\frac{\eta p}{t}z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m+1}(a,c)f(z)\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ 

and

$$\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Bz)^2} \prec \left[1 - \frac{\eta p}{t}\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} + \frac{\eta p}{t} z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m+1}(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

or

$$[1+\eta(a-1)]\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}-\eta(a-1)z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a-1,c)f(z)\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb U$ 

and

$$\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Bz)^2} \prec \left[1+\eta(a-1)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \\
-\eta(a-1)z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a-1,c)f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

or

$$[1+\eta(\lambda+p)]\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}^m_{\lambda,p}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}-\eta(\lambda+p)z^p\mathcal{I}^m_{\lambda+1,p}(a,c)f(z)\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}^m_{\lambda,p}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ 

and

$$\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Bz)^2} \prec \left[1+\eta(\lambda+p)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}$$
$$-\eta(\lambda+p)z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda+1,p}^m(a,c)f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

or

$$[1+\eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c+1) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ 

and

$$\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} \frac{(A-B)z}{(1+Bz)^2} \prec [1+\eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c+1)f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}.$$

Then

$$\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \prec \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \tag{40}$$

and  $\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  is the best subordinant of (40).

Corollary 10. Assume that (30) holds and  $\left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \in \mathcal{H}[1,1] \cap Q$ . Suppose the function  $f \in \sum_p$  satisfies any one of the following pair of the conditions:

$$\left[1 - \frac{\eta p}{t}\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} + \frac{\eta p}{t} z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m+1}(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb U$ 

and

$$\left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma} + \frac{2\eta\gamma}{\alpha} \frac{z(1+z)^{\gamma-1}}{(1-z)^{\gamma+1}} \prec \left[1 - \frac{\eta p}{t}\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^{p} \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} + \frac{\eta p}{t} z^{p} \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m+1}(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^{p} \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

or

$$[1+\eta(a-1)]\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}-\eta(a-1)z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a-1,c)f(z)\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ 

and

$$\left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma} + \frac{2\eta\gamma}{\alpha} \frac{z(1+z)^{\gamma-1}}{(1-z)^{\gamma+1}} \prec \left[1+\eta(a-1)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^{p}\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \\
- \eta(a-1)z^{p}\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a-1,c)f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^{p}\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

or

$$[1+\eta(\lambda+p)]\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}-\eta(\lambda+p)z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda+1,p}^m(a,c)f(z)\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ 

and

$$\left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma} + \frac{2\eta\gamma}{\alpha} \frac{z(1+z)^{\gamma-1}}{(1-z)^{\gamma+1}} \prec \left[1+\eta(\lambda+p)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^{p}\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \\
- \eta(\lambda+p)z^{p}\mathcal{I}_{\lambda+1,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^{p}\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

$$[1+\eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c+1) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and

$$\left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma} + \frac{2\eta\gamma}{\alpha} \frac{z(1+z)^{\gamma-1}}{(1-z)^{\gamma+1}} \prec \left[1+\eta c\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^{p}\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta cz^{p}\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c+1)f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^{p}\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}.$$

Then

$$\left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma} \prec \left(\frac{1}{z^{p} \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \tag{41}$$

and  $\left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma}$  is the best subordinant of (41).

Taking p=t=1 and m=0 in Theorem 8, we obtain the following result (Corollary 11 below).

**Corollary 11.** Let  $f \in \sum_{p}$  and q be univalent convex function in  $\mathbb{U}$  satisfying the condition  $\Re(\eta) > 0$  and  $\left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \in \mathcal{H}[1,1] \cap Q$ . Suppose any one of the following pair of the conditions is satisfied:

$$(1 - \eta) \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta \frac{\left(\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c)f(z)\right)'}{z^{\alpha - 1}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha + 1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and

$$q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z) \prec (1 - \eta) \left( \frac{1}{z \mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z)} \right)^{\alpha} - \eta \frac{\left( \mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z) \right)'}{z^{\alpha - 1}} \left( \frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z)} \right)^{\alpha + 1}$$

or

$$[1+\eta(a-1)] \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(a-1) \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a-1,c)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,

and

$$q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z) \prec \left[1 + \eta(a-1)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(a-1) \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a-1,c)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

$$[1+\eta(\lambda+1)]\left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}-\eta(\lambda+1)\frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda+1}(a,c)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}}\left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,

and

$$q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z) \prec \left[1 + \eta(\lambda + 1)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(\lambda + 1) \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda + 1}(a,c)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha + 1} + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z)$$

$$(1+\eta c)\left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}-\eta c\frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c+1)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}}\left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,

and

$$q(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q'(z) \prec \left(1 + \eta c \left(\frac{1}{z \mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c+1) f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}.$$

Then

$$q(z) \prec \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}$$
 (42)

and q(z) is the best subordinant of (42).

Combining Theorem 4 and Theorem 8 we get the following sandwich theorem.

**Theorem 12.** Let  $q_1$  be univalent convex and  $q_2$  be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ . Suppose  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  satisfy the conditions (30) and (15) respectively.

Further, assume that  $\left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \neq 0 \in \mathcal{H}[q_1(0),1] \cap Q$ . Suppose the function  $f \in \sum_p$  satisfies any one of the following pair of conditions:

$$\left[1 - \frac{\eta p}{t}\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} + \frac{\eta p}{t} z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m+1}(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in U

and

$$q_{1}(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_{1}'(z) \prec \left[1 - \frac{\eta p}{t}\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^{p} \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} + \frac{\eta p}{t} z^{p} \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m+1}(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^{p} \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^{m}(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1} \prec q_{2}(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_{2}'(z)$$

or

$$[1+\eta(a-1)]\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}-\eta(a-1)z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a-1,c)f(z)\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and

$$q_1(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_1'(z) \prec \left[1 + \eta(a-1)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(a-1) z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a-1,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1} \prec q_2(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_2'(z)$$

or

$$[1+\eta(\lambda+p)]\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}^m_{\lambda,p}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha}-\eta(\lambda+p)z^p\mathcal{I}^m_{\lambda+1,p}(a,c)f(z)\left(\frac{1}{z^p\mathcal{I}^m_{\lambda,p}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

 $is \ univalent \ in \ \mathbb{U} \\ and$ 

$$q_1(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_1'(z) \prec \left[1 + \eta(\lambda + p)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(\lambda + p) z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda+1,p}^m(a,c) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1} \prec q_2(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_2(z)$$

or

$$[1+\eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c+1) f(z) \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ 

and

$$q_1(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_1'(z) \prec [1 + \eta c] \left( \frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)} \right)^{\alpha} - \eta c z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c+1) f(z) \left( \frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)} \right)^{\alpha+1} \prec q_2(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_2(z)$$

Then

$$q_1(z) \prec \left(\frac{1}{z^p \mathcal{I}_{\lambda,p}^m(a,c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \prec q_2(z)$$

where  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are the best subordinant and the best dominant respectively.

Taking p = t = 1 and m = 0 in Theorem 12 we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 13.** Let  $q_1$  be univalent convex and  $q_2$  be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  satisfying the conditions (30) and (15) respectively. Let

$$\left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \neq 0 \in \mathcal{H}[q_1(0),1] \cap Q.$$

Suppose the function  $f \in \sum_{p}$  satisfies any one of the following pair of conditions:

$$[1 - \eta] \left( \frac{1}{z \mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z)} \right)^{\alpha} - \eta \frac{\left( \mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z) \right)'}{z^{\alpha - 1}} \left( \frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z)} \right)^{\alpha + 1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ 

$$q_{1}(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_{1}'(z) \quad \prec \quad [1 - \eta] \left( \frac{1}{z \mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z)} \right)^{\alpha} + \eta \alpha \frac{\left( \mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z) \right)'}{z^{\alpha - 1}} \left( \frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z)} \right)^{\alpha + 1}$$

$$\prec \quad q_{2}(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_{2}'(z)$$

or

$$[1 + \eta(a-1)] \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(a-1)\frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a-1,c)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in U

and

$$q_1(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_1'(z) \prec \left[1 + \eta(a-1)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(a-1) \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a-1,c)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1} \prec q_2(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_2'(z)$$

$$[1+\eta(\lambda+1)] \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(\lambda+1) \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda+1}(a,c)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ 

and

$$q_1(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_1'(z) \prec \left[1 + \eta(\lambda + 1)\right] \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta(\lambda + 1) \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda+1}(a,c)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1} \prec q_2(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_2'(z)$$

or

$$[1 + \eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c+1)f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha+1}$$

is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ 

and

$$q_{1}(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_{1}'(z) \quad \prec \quad [1 + \eta c] \left(\frac{1}{z \mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} - \eta c \frac{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c + 1) f(z)}{z^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a, c) f(z)}\right)^{\alpha + 1}$$

$$\prec \quad q_{2}(z) + \frac{\eta}{\alpha} z q_{2}'(z)$$

Then

$$q_1(z) \prec \left(\frac{1}{z\mathcal{L}^{\lambda}(a,c)f(z)}\right)^{\alpha} \prec q_2(z)$$

where  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are the best subordinant and the best dominant respectively.

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