



**ON SUBORDINATIONS FOR CERTAIN MULTIVALENT ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS  
ASSOCIATED WITH THE GENERALIZED HYPERGEOMETRIC FUNCTION**

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**ABSTRACT.** The main object of the present paper is to investigate several interesting properties of a linear operator  $H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)$  associated with the generalized hypergeometric function.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $A(p)$  denote the class of functions of the form

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad (p \in N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\})$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk  $U = \{z: z \in C \text{ and } |z| < 1\}$ .

Let  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  be analytic in  $U$ . Then we say that the function  $g(z)$  is subordinate to  $f(z)$  if there exists an analytic function  $w(z)$  in  $U$  such that  $|w(z)| < 1$  (for  $z \in U$ ) and  $g(z) = f(w(z))$ . This relation is denoted  $g(z) \prec f(z)$ . In case  $f(z)$  is univalent in  $U$  we have that the subordination  $g(z) \prec f(z)$  is equivalent to  $g(0) = f(0)$  and  $g(U) \subset f(U)$ .

For analytic functions

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad \text{and} \quad g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n z^n,$$

by  $f * g$  we denote the Hadamard product or convolution of  $f$  and  $g$ , defined by

$$(1.2) \quad (f * g)(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n z^n = (g * f)(z).$$

Next, for real parameters  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ , we define the function

$$(1.3) \quad h(A, B; z) = \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U).$$

It is well known that  $h(A, B; z)$  for  $-1 \leq B \leq 1$  is the conformal map of the unit disk onto the disk symmetrical with respect to the real axis having the center  $(1 - AB)/(1 - B^2)$  and the radius  $(A - B)/(1 - B^2)$  for  $B \neq \mp 1$ . The boundary circle cuts the real axis at the points  $(1 - A)/(1 - B)$  and  $(1 + A)/(1 + B)$ .

For complex parameters  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q$  and  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_s$  ( $\beta_j \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots; j = 1, \dots, s$ ), we define the generalized hypergeometric function  ${}_qF_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z)$  by

$$(1.4) \quad {}_qF_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_n \cdots (\alpha_q)_n}{(\beta_1)_n \cdots (\beta_s)_n} \cdot \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$(q \leq s + 1; q, s \in N_0 = N \cup \{0\}; z \in U),$

where  $(x)_n$  is the Pochhammer symbol, defined, in terms of the Gamma function  $\Gamma$ , by

$$(x)_n = \frac{\Gamma(x+n)}{\Gamma(x)} = \begin{cases} 1 & (n=0), \\ x(x+1) \cdots (x+n-1) & (n \in N). \end{cases}$$

Corresponding to a function  $\mathcal{F}_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z)$  defined by

$$\mathcal{F}_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z) = z^p {}_qF_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z),$$

we consider a linear operator

$$H_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s) : A(p) \rightarrow A(p),$$

defined by the convolution

$$(1.5) \quad H_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s)f(z) = \mathcal{F}_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z) * f(z).$$

For convenience, we write

$$(1.6) \quad H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i) = H_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_i, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s) \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, q).$$

Thus, after some calculations, we have

$$(1.7) \quad z(H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z))' = \alpha_i H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i + 1)f(z) - (\alpha_i - p)H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)$$

$(i = 1, 2, \dots, q).$

It should be remarked that the linear operator  $H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ) is a generalization of many operators considered earlier. For  $q = 2$  and  $s = 1$  Carlson and Shaffer studied this operator under certain restrictions on the parameters  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1$  in [1]. A more general operator was studied by Ponnusamy and Rønning [13]. Also, many interesting subclasses of analytic functions, associated with the operator  $H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ) and its many special cases, were investigated recently by (for example) Dziok and Srivastava [2, 3, 4], Gangadharan et al. [5], Liu [7], Liu and Srivastava [8, 9] and others (see also [6, 12, 15, 16, 17]).

In the present sequel to these earlier works, we shall use the method of differential subordination to derive several interesting properties and characteristics of the operator  $H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ).

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

We begin by recalling each of the following lemmas which will be required in our present investigation.

**Lemma 2.1** (see [10]). *Let  $h(z)$  be analytic and convex univalent in  $U$ ,  $h(0) = 1$  and let  $g(z) = 1 + b_1z + b_2z^2 + \dots$  be analytic in  $U$ . If*

$$(2.1) \quad g(z) + zg'(z)/c \prec h(z) \quad (z \in U; c \neq 0),$$

then for  $\operatorname{Re} c \geq 0$ ,

$$(2.2) \quad g(z) \prec \frac{c}{z^c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} h(t) dt.$$

**Lemma 2.2** (see [14]). *The function  $(1 - z)^\gamma \equiv e^{\gamma \log(1-z)}$ ,  $\gamma \neq 0$ , is univalent in  $U$  if and only if  $\gamma$  is either in the closed disk  $|\gamma - 1| \leq 1$  or in the closed disk  $|\gamma + 1| \leq 1$ .*

**Lemma 2.3** (see [11]). *Let  $q(z)$  be univalent in  $U$  and let  $\theta(w)$  and  $\phi(w)$  be analytic in a domain  $D$  containing  $q(U)$  with  $\phi(w) \neq 0$  when  $w \in q(U)$ . Set  $Q(z) = zq'(z)\phi(q(z))$ ,  $h(z) = \theta(q(z)) + Q(z)$  and suppose that*

- (1)  $Q(z)$  is starlike (univalent) in  $U$ ;
- (2)  $\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} \right) = \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{\theta'(q(z))}{\phi(q(z))} + \frac{zQ'(z)}{Q(z)} \right) > 0 \quad (z \in U)$ .

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

$$\theta(p(z)) + zp'(z)\phi(p(z)) \prec \theta(q(z)) + zq'(z)\phi(q(z)) = h(z),$$

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

We now prove our first result given by Theorem 2.4 below.

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $\alpha_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ),  $\lambda > 0$ , and  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ . If  $f(z) \in A(p)$  satisfies*

$$(2.3) \quad (1 - \lambda) \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)}{z^p} + \lambda \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i + 1)f(z)}{z^p} \prec h(A, B; z),$$

then

$$(2.4) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left( \left( \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{\frac{1}{m}} \right) > \left( \frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda} - 1} \left( \frac{1 - Au}{1 - Bu} \right) du \right)^{\frac{1}{m}} \quad (m \geq 1).$$

The result is sharp.

*Proof.* Let

$$(2.5) \quad g(z) = \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)}{z^p}$$

for  $f(z) \in A(p)$ . Then the function  $g(z) = 1 + b_1z + \dots$  is analytic in  $U$ . By making use of (1.7) and (2.5), we obtain

$$(2.6) \quad \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i + 1)f(z)}{z^p} = g(z) + \frac{zg'(z)}{\alpha_i}.$$

From (2.3), (2.5) and (2.6) we get

$$(2.7) \quad g(z) + \frac{\lambda}{\alpha_i} zg'(z) \prec h(A, B; z).$$

Now an application of Lemma 2.1 leads to

$$(2.8) \quad g(z) \prec \frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda} z^{-\frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda}} \int_0^1 t^{\frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda}-1} \left( \frac{1+At}{1+Bt} \right) dt$$

or

$$(2.9) \quad \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)}{z^p} = \frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda}-1} \left( \frac{1+Auww(z)}{1+Buw(z)} \right) du,$$

where  $w(z)$  is analytic in  $U$  with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  ( $z \in U$ ).

In view of  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$  and  $\alpha_i > 0$ , it follows from (2.9) that

$$(2.10) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)}{z^p} \right) > \frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda}-1} \left( \frac{1-Au}{1-Bu} \right) du \quad (z \in U).$$

Therefore, with the aid of the elementary inequality  $\operatorname{Re}(w^{1/m}) \geq (\operatorname{Re} w)^{1/m}$  for  $\operatorname{Re} w > 0$  and  $m \geq 1$ , the inequality (2.4) follows directly from (2.10).

To show the sharpness of (2.4), we take  $f(z) \in A(p)$  defined by

$$\frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)}{z^p} = \frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda}-1} \left( \frac{1+Au}{1+Bu} \right) du.$$

For this function, we find that

$$(1-\lambda) \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)}{z^p} + \lambda \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i+1)f(z)}{z^p} = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$$

and

$$\frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)}{z^p} \rightarrow \frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda}-1} \left( \frac{1-Au}{1-Bu} \right) du \quad \text{as } z \rightarrow -1.$$

Hence the proof of the theorem is complete.  $\square$

Next we prove our second theorem.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $\alpha_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ), and  $0 \leq \rho < 1$ . Let  $\gamma$  be a complex number with  $\gamma \neq 0$  and satisfy either  $|2\gamma(1-\rho)\alpha_i - 1| \leq 1$  or  $|2\gamma(1-\rho)\alpha_i + 1| \leq 1$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ). If  $f(z) \in A(p)$  satisfies the condition

$$(2.11) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i+1)f(z)}{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)} \right) > \rho \quad (z \in U; i = 1, 2, \dots, q),$$

then

$$(2.12) \quad \left( \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\gamma \prec \frac{1}{(1-z)^{2\gamma(1-\rho)\alpha_i}} = q(z) \quad (z \in U; i = 1, 2, \dots, q),$$

where  $q(z)$  is the best dominant.

*Proof.* Let

$$(2.13) \quad p(z) = \left( \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i)f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\gamma \quad (z \in U; i = 1, 2, \dots, q).$$

Then, by making use of (1.7), (2.11) and (2.13), we have

$$(2.14) \quad 1 + \frac{zp'(z)}{\gamma\alpha_i p(z)} \prec \frac{1+(1-2\rho)z}{1-z} \quad (z \in U).$$

If we take

$$q(z) = \frac{1}{(1-z)^{2\gamma(1-\rho)\alpha_i}}, \quad \theta(w) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(w) = \frac{1}{\gamma\alpha_i w},$$

then  $q(z)$  is univalent by the condition of the theorem and Lemma 2.2. Further, it is easy to show that  $q(z)$ ,  $\theta(w)$  and  $\phi(w)$  satisfy the conditions of Lemma 2.3. Since

$$Q(z) = zq'(z)\phi(q(z)) = \frac{2(1-\rho)z}{1-z}$$

is univalent starlike in  $U$  and

$$h(z) = \theta(q(z)) + Q(z) = \frac{1 + (1-2\rho)z}{1-z}.$$

It may be readily checked that the conditions (1) and (2) of Lemma 2.3 are satisfied. Thus the result follows from (2.14) immediately. The proof is complete.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.6.** *Let  $\alpha_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ) and  $0 \leq \rho < 1$ . Let  $\gamma$  be a real number and  $\gamma \geq 1$ . If  $f(z) \in A(p)$  satisfies the condition (2.11), then*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_i) f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{\frac{1}{2\gamma(1-\rho)\alpha_i}} > 2^{-1/\gamma} \quad (z \in U; i = 1, 2, \dots, q).$$

The bound  $2^{-1/\gamma}$  is the best possible.

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