

ON CERTAIN SUBCLASSES OF  $p$ -VALENTLY ANALYTIC  
FUNCTIONS OF ORDER  $\alpha$

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**Abstract.** The object of the present paper is to derive various properties and characteristics of certain subclasses of  $p$ -valently analytic functions of order  $\alpha$  in the open unit disc by using the techniques involving the Briot-Bouquet differential subordination.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND DEFINITIONS

Let  $A_p(n)$  denote the class of functions of the following form:

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

which are analytic and  $p$ -valent in the open unit disc  $U = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } |z| < 1\}$ . We set  $A_p(1) = A_p$  ( $p \in \mathbb{N}$ ). A function  $f(z) \in A_p(n)$  is said to be in the class  $S_p(n, \alpha)$  of  $p$ -valently starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  if it satisfies the following inequality:

$$(1.2) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \alpha \quad (0 \leq \alpha < p; z \in U).$$

A function  $f(z) \in A_p(n)$  is said to be in the class  $K_p(n, \alpha)$  of  $p$ -valently convex functions of order  $\alpha$  if it satisfies the following inequality:

$$(1.3) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \alpha \quad (0 \leq \alpha < p; z \in U).$$

It follows from (1.2) and (1.3) that

$$f(z) \in K_p(n, \alpha) \Leftrightarrow \frac{z f'(z)}{p} \in S_p^*(n, \alpha).$$

The classes  $S_p(n, \alpha)$  and  $K_p(n, \alpha)$  were studied by Aouf et al. [1], see [9] as well for more details. In particular, the class  $S_p(1, \alpha) = S_p^*(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < p; p \in \mathbb{N}$ ) was considered by Patil and Thakare [10]. We also set  $K_p(1, \alpha) = K_p(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < p; p \in \mathbb{N}$ ).

We now introduce an interesting subclasses of  $A_p(n)$  as follows:

DEFINITION 1. A function  $f(z)$  from the class  $A_p(n)$  is said to be in the class  $R_{p,j}(n, A, B, \alpha)$  if it satisfies the following subordination condition:

$$(1.4) \quad \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \frac{f^{(j)}(z)}{z^{p-j}} \prec \frac{1 + [B + (A-B)(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha)] z}{1 + Bz}$$

$$\left( z \in U; 0 \leq j \leq p, -1 \leq B < A \leq 1, 0 \leq \alpha < \frac{p!}{(p-j)!} \right).$$

We note that:

- (i)  $R_{p,j}(n, A, B, 0) = R_{p,j}(n, A, B)$  (Srivastava et al. [12]);
- (ii)  $R_{p,j}(n, 1, -1, \alpha) = R_{p,j}(n, \alpha)$ , where  $R_{p,j}(n, \alpha)$  denotes the class of functions  $f(z) \in A_p(n)$  satisfying the following inequality:

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f^{(j)}(z)}{z^{p-j}} \right\} > \alpha \quad \left( 0 \leq \alpha < \frac{p!}{(p-j)!}; z \in U; 0 \leq j \leq p \right).$$

DEFINITION 2. A function  $f(z) \in A_p$  is said to be in the class  $H_{p,j}^\lambda(A, B, \alpha)$  if it satisfies the following subordination condition:

$$(1.5) \quad (1-\lambda) \frac{z f^{(j)}(z)}{f^{(j-1)}(z)} + \lambda \left( 1 + \frac{z f^{(j+1)}(z)}{f^{(j)}(z)} \right)$$

$$\prec (p-j+1) \frac{1 + [B + (A-B)(1 - \frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})] z}{Bz}$$

for some real number  $\lambda, z \in U; 1 \leq j \leq p; -1 \leq B < A \leq 1, 0 \leq \alpha < p-j+1$ .

We note that:

- (i)  $H_{p,j}^\lambda(A, B, 0) = H_{p,j}^\lambda(A, B)$  (Srivastava et al. [12]);
- (ii)  $H_{p,j}^\lambda(1, -1, \alpha) = H_{p,j}^\lambda(\alpha)$ , where  $H_{p,j}^\lambda(\alpha)$  is the class of functions  $f(z) \in A_p$  satisfying the following inequality:

$$(1.6) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ (1-\lambda) \frac{z f^{(j)}(z)}{f^{(j-1)}(z)} + \lambda \left( 1 + \frac{z f^{(j+1)}(z)}{f^{(j)}(z)} \right) \right\} > \alpha \quad (z \in U)$$

for some real number  $\lambda, 1 \leq j \leq p; 0 \leq \alpha < p-j+1$ .

We also note that:

- (1)  $H_{p,p}^\lambda(\alpha) = H_p(\lambda, \alpha)$ , where  $H_p(\lambda, \alpha)$  is the class of functions  $f(z) \in A_p$  satisfying the following inequality:

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ (1-\lambda) \frac{z f^{(p)}(z)}{f^{(p-1)}(z)} + \lambda \left( 1 + \frac{z f^{(p+1)}(z)}{f^{(p)}(z)} \right) \right\} > \alpha \quad (z \in U)$$

for some real number  $\lambda (\lambda \geq 0), 0 \leq \alpha < 1$ .

- (2)  $H_{p,1}^\lambda(\alpha) = M_p(\lambda, \alpha)$ , where  $M_p(\lambda, \alpha)$  is the class of functions  $f(z) \in A_p$  satisfying the following inequality:

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ (1 - \lambda) \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} + \lambda \left( 1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \right\} > \alpha$$

for some real number  $\lambda$  ( $\lambda \geq 0$ ),  $0 \leq \alpha < p$ . The class  $M_p(\lambda, \alpha)$  of  $p$ -valently  $\lambda$ -convex of order  $\alpha$  was studied by Owa [9].

We further set:  $H_{p,j}^0(A, B, \alpha) = H_{p,j}(A, B, \alpha)$ ,  $H_{p,j}^0(\alpha) = H_{p,j}(\alpha)$ ,  $H_{p,j}^\lambda(0) = H_{p,j}^\lambda$ ,  $H_{p,1}^\lambda(0) = M_p(\lambda)$  and  $H_{p,p}^\lambda(0) = H_p(\lambda)$ .

The class  $H_p(\lambda)$  of  $p$ -valently  $\lambda$ -convex functions was introduced by Nunokawa [5] and was studied subsequently by Saitoh et al. [11] and Owa [9]. The class  $M_p(\lambda)$  of  $p$ -valently Mocanu functions was investigated recently by Dziok and Stankiewicz [2] and Owa [8].

In the present paper, we derive various properties and characteristics of functions belonging to the classes  $R_{p,j}(n, A, B, \alpha)$  and  $H_{p,j}^\lambda(A, B, \alpha)$  by using the techniques involving the Briot–Bouquet differential subordinations.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

In our present investigation of the classes  $R_{p,j}(n, A, B, \alpha)$  and  $H_{p,j}(A, B, \alpha)$ , we require each of the following lemmas.

LEMMA 1. ([3]) *Let  $h(z)$  be a convex (univalent) function in  $U$  such that  $h(0) = 1$ . Also let*

$$(2.1) \quad \varphi(z) = 1 + c_1 z^n + c_2 z^{n+1} + \dots$$

*be analytic in  $U$ . If*

$$\varphi(z) + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\gamma} \prec h(z) \quad (z \in U)$$

*for some complex number  $\gamma \neq 0$  with  $\operatorname{Re}(\gamma) \geq 0$ , then*

$$\varphi(z) \prec \Psi(z) = \frac{\gamma}{n} z^{-\frac{\gamma}{n}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\gamma}{n}-1} h(t) dt \prec h(z) \quad (z \in U)$$

*and  $\Psi(z)$  is the best dominant.*

LEMMA 2. ([4]) *If  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ,  $\beta \geq 0$ , and  $\operatorname{Re}(\gamma) \geq -\frac{\beta(1-A)}{1-B}$ , then the following differential equation*

$$q(z) + \frac{z q'(z)}{\beta q(z) + \gamma} = \frac{1 + A z}{1 + B z}$$

has a univalent solution in  $U$  given by

$$(2.2) \quad q(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{z^{\beta+\gamma}(1+Bz)^{\frac{\beta(A-B)}{B}}}{\beta \int_0^z t^{\beta+\gamma-1}(1+Bt)^{\frac{\beta(A-B)}{B}} dt} - \frac{\gamma}{\beta} & (B \neq 0), \\ \frac{z^{\beta+\gamma} e^{\beta A z}}{\beta \int_0^z t^{\beta+\gamma-1} \exp(\beta A t) dt} - \frac{\gamma}{\beta} & (B = 0). \end{cases}$$

Furthermore, if  $\varphi$  is analytic in  $U$  and satisfies the following subordination condition:

$$\varphi(z) + \frac{z \varphi'(z)}{\beta \varphi(z) + \gamma} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U),$$

then

$$\varphi(z) \prec q(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U)$$

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

LEMMA 3. ([14]) Let  $\mu$  be a positive measure on the unit interval  $I = [0, 1]$ . Let  $g(t, z)$  be a function analytic in  $U$ , for each  $t \in I$ , and integrable in  $t$ , for each  $z \in U$  and for almost all  $t \in I$ . Suppose also that

$$\operatorname{Re}\{g(t, z)\} > 0 \quad (z \in U ; t \in I),$$

$g(t, -r)$  is real for real  $r$ , and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{g(t, z)} \right) \geq \frac{1}{g(t, -r)} \quad (|z| \leq r < 1; t \in I).$$

If

$$g(z) = \int_I g(t, z) d\mu(t),$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{g(z)} \right) \geq \frac{1}{g(-r)} \quad (|z| \leq r < 1).$$

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

$$(2.3) \quad {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = 1 + \frac{a \cdot b}{c} \frac{z}{1!} + \frac{a(a+1)b(b+1)}{c(c+1)} \frac{z^2}{2!} + \dots$$

We note that the series in (2.3) converges absolutely for  $z \in U$  and hence represents an analytic function in  $U$ .

Each of the identities (asserted by Lemma 4 below) is well known (cf. e.g., [13, Ch. 14]).

LEMMA 4. For real or complex numbers  $a, b$  and  $c$  ( $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ ),

$$\int_0^1 t^b (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-tz)^{-a} dt = \frac{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c-b)}{\Gamma(c)} {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z)$$

(2.4) ( $\operatorname{Re}(c) > \operatorname{Re}(b) > 0$ );

(2.5)  ${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = (1-z)^{-a} {}_2F_1\left(a, c-b; c; \frac{z}{z-1}\right);$

(2.6)  ${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = {}_2F_1(b, a; c; z);$

(2.7)  $(b+1) {}_2F_1(1, b; b+1; z) = (b+1) + bz {}_2F_1(1, b+1; b+2; z)$

and

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

LEMMA 5. ([7]) Let  $\varphi(z)$  be analytic in  $U$  with  $\varphi(0) = 1$  and  $\varphi(z) \neq 0$  ( $0 < |z| < 1$ ). Also let

$$\left| \frac{\nu(A-B)}{B} - 1 \right| \leq 1 \quad (-1 \leq B < A \leq 1; B \neq 0; \nu \in C \setminus \{0\})$$

or

$$\left| \frac{\nu(A-B)}{B} + 1 \right| \leq 1 \quad (-1 \leq B < A \leq 1; B \neq 0; \nu \in C \setminus \{0\}).$$

If  $\varphi(z)$  satisfies the following subordination condition

(2.9)  $1 + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\nu\varphi(z)} \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \quad (z \in U),$

$$\varphi(z) \prec \Psi(z) = (1+Bz)^{\frac{\nu(A-B)}{B}} \quad (z \in U)$$

and  $\Psi(z)$  is the best dominant.

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

THEOREM 1. Let  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq p$ , and  $0 \leq \alpha < \frac{p!}{(p-j)!}$ . If  $f(z) \in R_{p,j}(n, A, B, \alpha)$ , then

(3.1) 
$$\frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \frac{\mu+p}{z^{\mu+p}} \int_0^z t^{\mu+j-1} f^{(j)}(t) dt \prec \tilde{q}(z)$$

$$\prec \frac{1 + [B + (A-B)(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha)] z}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U; 0 < \mu + p),$$

where  $\tilde{q}(z)$ , given by

$$(3.2) \quad \tilde{q}(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{[B+(A-B)(1-\frac{(p-j)!}{p!}\alpha)]}{B} + \frac{(B-A)(1-\frac{(p-j)!}{p!}\alpha)}{B} (1+Bz)^{-1} \\ \cdot {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{\mu+p}{n} + 1; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1}) & (B \neq 0), \\ 1 + \frac{(\mu+p)[B+(A-B)(1-\frac{(p-j)!}{p!}\alpha)]z}{\mu+p+n} & (B = 0), \end{cases}$$

is the best dominant of (3.1).

Furthermore,

$$(3.3) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\mu+p}{z^{\mu+p}} \int_0^z t^{\mu+j-1} f^{(j)}(t) dt \right\} > \frac{p!}{(p-j)!} \rho(n, p, \mu, A, B, \alpha) \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$\rho(n, p, \mu, A, B, \alpha) = \begin{cases} \frac{[B+(A-B)(1-\frac{(p-j)!}{p!}\alpha)]}{B} + \frac{(B-A)(1-\frac{(p-j)!}{p!}\alpha)}{B} \\ \cdot (1-B)^{-1} {}_2F_1(1, 1; \frac{\mu+p}{n} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1}) & (B \neq 0), \\ 1 - \frac{(\mu+p)[B+(A-B)(1-\frac{(p-j)!}{p!}\alpha)]}{\mu+p+n} & (B = 0). \end{cases}$$

The result is the best possible.

*Proof.* By setting

$$(3.4) \quad \varphi(z) = \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \frac{\mu+p}{z^{\mu+p}} \int_0^z t^{\mu+j-1} f^{(j)}(t) dt \quad (z \in U),$$

we note that  $\varphi(z)$  is of the form (2.1) and analytic in  $U$ . On differentiating (3.4) with respect to  $z$  and simplifying, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(z) + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\mu+p} &= \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \frac{f^{(j)}(z)}{z^{p-j}} \\ &< \frac{1+[B+(A-B)(1-\frac{(p-j)!}{p!}\alpha)]z}{1+Bz} \quad (z \in U). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by using Lemma 1 for  $\nu = \mu + p$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \frac{\mu+p}{z^{\mu+p}} \int_0^z t^{\mu+j-1} f^{(j)}(t) dt \prec \tilde{q}(z) \\ &= \frac{\mu+p}{n} z^{-\left(\frac{\mu+p}{n}\right)} \int_0^z t^{\frac{\mu+p-n}{n}} \frac{1 + [B + (A-B)\left(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha\right)]t}{1+Bt} dt \\ &= \begin{cases} \left[ \frac{[B+(A-B)\left(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha\right)]}{B} + \frac{(B-A)\left(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha\right)}{B} (1+Bz)^{-1} \right. \\ \quad \cdot {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{\mu+p}{n} + 1; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1}\right) & (B \neq 0), \\ \left. 1 + \frac{(\mu+p)[B+(A-B)\left(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha\right)]z}{\mu+p+n} \right] & (B = 0), \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

by changing of variables followed by the use of the identities (2.4), (2.5), (2.6) and (2.7), successively. This proves assertion (3.1) of Theorem 1. Next, we show that

$$(3.5) \quad \inf_{|z|<1} \{\operatorname{Re}(\tilde{q}(z))\} = \tilde{q}(-1).$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1 + [B + (A-B)\left(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha\right)]z}{1+Bz} \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \left(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha\right) \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} + \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha \right\} \\ &\geq \left(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha\right) \frac{1-Ar}{1-Br} + \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha \\ &= \frac{1 - [B + (A-B)\left(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha\right)]r}{1-Br} \quad (|z| \leq r < 1). \end{aligned}$$

Putting

$$\begin{aligned} G(s, z) &= \frac{1 + [B + (A-B)\left(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha\right)]sz}{1+Bs z} \\ & \quad (0 \leq s \leq 1; 0 \leq \alpha < \frac{(p-j)!}{p!}; z \in U) \end{aligned}$$

and letting

$$d\mu(s) = \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(c-a)} s^{a-1}(1-s)^{c-a-1} ds,$$

which is a positive measure on the closed interval  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\tilde{q}(z)$  can be rewritten as follows:

$$\tilde{q}(z) = \int_0^1 G(s, z) d\mu(s),$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}\{\tilde{q}(z)\} &\geq \int_0^1 \frac{1 - [B + (A - B)(1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha)]sr}{1 - Bsr} d\mu(s) \\ &= \tilde{q}(-r) \quad (|z| \leq r < 1), \end{aligned}$$

which, on letting  $r \rightarrow 1^-$ , yields (3.5). This proves (3.3). The estimate in (3.3) is the best possible as the function  $\tilde{q}(z)$  is the best dominant of (3.1).  $\square$

Putting  $A = 1$  and  $B = -1$  in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary:

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let  $0 \leq j \leq p$  and  $0 \leq \alpha < \frac{(p-j)!}{p!}$ . If  $f(z) \in R_{p,j}(n, \alpha)$ , then*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\mu + p}{z^{\mu+p}} \int_0^1 zt^{\mu+j-1} f^{(j)}(t) dt \right\} > \xi(n, p, \mu, \alpha) \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$\xi(n, p, \mu, \alpha) = \frac{(p-j)! \alpha}{p!} + \left( 1 - \frac{(p-j)!}{p!} \alpha \right) \left[ {}_2F_1 \left( 1, 1; 1 + \frac{\mu+p}{n}; \frac{1}{2} \right) - 1 \right].$$

The result is the best possible.

**REMARK 1.** (i) Corollary 1 improves the corresponding results of Aouf et al. [1], for  $j = 0$  and  $j = 1$ , respectively.

(ii) Corollary 1 improves the corresponding result of Srivastava et al. [12].

(iii) For  $A = 1, B = -1, n = p = 1$  and  $j = 0$ , Corollary 1 improves a result due to Obradovic [6].

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1, 1 \leq j \leq p, 0 \leq \alpha < p - j + 1$ , and  $\lambda > 0$ . If  $f(z) \in H_{p,j}^\lambda(A, B, \alpha)$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z f^{(j)}(z)}{(p-j+1) f^{(j-1)}(z)} < \tilde{q}_1(z) = \frac{\lambda}{(p-j+1)Q(z)} < \\ (3.6) \quad \frac{1 + [B + (A - B)(1 - \frac{\alpha}{p-j+1} \alpha)]z}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(3.7) \quad Q(z) = \begin{cases} \int_0^z t^{\frac{(p-j-\lambda+1)}{\lambda}} \left( \frac{1+Bt}{1+Bz} \right)^{\frac{(p-j+1)(A-B)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})}{\lambda B}} dt & (B \neq 0), \\ \int_0^z t^{\frac{(p-j-\lambda+1)}{\lambda}} \exp\left(\frac{(p-j+1)(t-1)A(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})z}{\lambda}\right) dt & (B = 0), \end{cases}$$



and  $\tilde{q}_1(z)$  is the best dominant of (3.6). Furthermore, if  $-1 \leq B < 0$  and  $A \leq \frac{-\lambda B}{(p-j+1)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})}$ , then  $f(z) \in H_{p,j}(\mathfrak{S}(p, j, A, B, \lambda, \alpha))$ , where

$$\mathfrak{S}(p, j, A, B, \lambda, \alpha) = (p-j+1) \left[ {}_2F_1 \left( 1, \frac{(p-j+1)(B-A)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})}{\lambda B}; \frac{p-j+1}{\lambda} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1} \right) \right]^{-1}.$$

The result is the best possible.

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

$$(3.8) \quad \phi(z) = \frac{z f^{(j)}(z)}{(p-j+1)f^{(j-1)}(z)} \quad (1 \leq j \leq p; z \in U).$$

We note that

$$(3.9) \quad \varphi(z) = 1 + w_1 z + w_2 z^2 + \dots$$

is analytic in  $U$ . Making use of the logarithmic differentiation in (3.8) and using (1.5), we find that

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} & \varphi(z) + \frac{\lambda z \varphi'(z)}{(p-j+1)\varphi(z)} \prec \\ & \frac{1 + [B + (A-B)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})] z}{1 + B z} \quad (z \in U). \end{aligned}$$

Now, by using Lemma 2 for  $\beta = \frac{p-j+1}{\lambda}$  and  $\gamma = 0$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{z f^{(j)}(z)}{(p-j+1)f^{(j-1)}(z)} \prec \tilde{q}_1(z) = \frac{\lambda}{(p-j+1)Q(z)} \\ & \prec \frac{1 + [B + (A-B)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})] z}{1 + B z} \quad (z \in U), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{q}_1(z)$  is the best dominant of (3.10) and  $Q(z)$  is given by (3.7). Next, we show that

$$(3.11) \quad \inf_{|z|<1} \{\operatorname{Re}(\tilde{q}(z))\} = \tilde{q}(-1).$$

If we set

$$a = \frac{(p-j+1)(B-A)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})}{\lambda B}, \quad b = \frac{(p-j+1)}{\lambda}, \quad \text{and } c = b + 1,$$

so that  $c > b > 0$ , then by using (2.4), (2.5), and (2.6), we find from (3.7) that

$$Q(z) = (1 + Bz)^a \int_0^1 s^{b-1} (1 + Bsz)^{-a} ds$$

$$(3.12) \quad = \frac{\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(c)} {}_2F_1 \left( 1, a; c; \frac{Bz}{1+Bz} \right).$$

Since  $B < 0$  and  $A \leq \frac{-\lambda B}{(p-j+1)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})}$ , together, imply that  $c > a > 0$ , by using (2.4), (3.12) yields

$$Q(z) = \int_0^1 g(s, z) d\mu(s),$$

where

$$g(s, z) = \frac{1+Bz}{1+(1-s)Bz} \quad \text{and} \quad d\mu(s) = \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a)} s^{a-1}(1-s)^{c-a-1} ds$$

is a positive measure on the closed interval  $[0, 1]$ .

For  $-1 \leq B < 1$ , we note that  $\operatorname{Re}\{g(s, z)\} > 0$  ( $z \in U; s \in [0, 1]$ ),  $g(s, -r)$  is real, for  $0 \leq r < 1$  and  $s \in [0, 1]$ , and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{g(s, z)} \right\} \geq \frac{1 - (1-s)Br}{1-Br} = \frac{1}{g(s, -r)}$$

( $|z| \leq r < 1; s \in [0, 1]$ ).

Therefore, by using Lemma 3, we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{Q(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{1}{Q(-r)} \quad (|z| \leq r < 1),$$

which, upon letting  $r \rightarrow 1^-$ , yields

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{Q(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{1}{Q(-1)}.$$

In the case  $A = -\frac{\lambda B}{(p-j+1)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})}$ , we obtain the required result by letting  $A \rightarrow (-\frac{\lambda B}{(p-j+1)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})})^+$  in  $\tilde{q}_1(z) = \frac{\lambda}{(p-j+1)Q(z)}$ , where  $Q(z)$  is given as above. The result is sharp because of the best dominant property of  $\tilde{q}_1(z)$ .  $\square$

REMARK 2. Putting (i)  $\alpha = 0$ , (ii)  $A = 1$  and  $B = -1$ , (iii)  $A = 1, B = -1$  and  $\alpha = 0$ , we obtain the results obtained by Srivastava et al. [12].

THEOREM 3. Let  $1 \leq j \leq p, \lambda \geq 0, \mu + p - j + 1 \geq 0, -1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ , and  $0 \leq \alpha < p - j + 1$ , such that

$$B < A \leq 1 + \frac{\mu(1-B)}{p-j+1}.$$

(i) If  $f(z) \in H_{p,j}^\lambda(A, B, \alpha)$ , then

$$(3.13) \quad \frac{z^\mu f^{(j-1)}(z)}{(\mu + p - j + 1) \int_0^z t^{\mu-1} f^{(j-1)}(t) dt} \prec \frac{1 + A^*z}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$A^* = 1 - \frac{(p-j+1)(1 - [B + (A-B)(1 - \frac{\alpha}{p-j+1}]) + \mu(1-B))}{\mu + p - j + 1}.$$

Furthermore, if  $f(z) \in H_{p,j}(A, B, \alpha)$ , then

$$(3.14) \quad \frac{z^\mu f^{(j-1)}(z)}{(\mu + p - j + 1) \int_0^z t^{\mu-1} f^{(j-1)}(t) dt} \prec \tilde{q}_2(z) = \frac{1}{(\mu + p - j + 1)Q(z)} \\ \prec \frac{1 + [B + (A-B)(1 - \frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})]z}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$Q(z) = \begin{cases} \int_0^1 s^{\mu+p-j} \left(\frac{1+Bs z}{1+Bz}\right)^{\frac{(p-j+1)(A-B)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})}{B}} ds & (B \neq 0), \\ \int_0^1 s^{\mu+p-j} \exp((p-j+1)(s-1)A(1 - \frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})z) ds & (B = 0), \end{cases}$$

and  $\tilde{q}_2(z)$  is the best dominant.

(ii) If  $-1 \leq B < 0$ ,  $B < A \leq \min(1, \frac{\mu(1-B)}{p-j+1}, -\frac{(\mu+1)B}{p-j+1})$  and  $f(z) \in H_{p,j}(A, B, \alpha)$ , then

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{z^\mu f^{(j-1)}(z)}{\int_0^z t^{\mu-1} f^{(j-1)}(t) dt} \right) > \theta(p, j, \mu, A, B, \alpha) \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$\theta(p, j, \mu, A, B, \alpha) = (\mu + p - j + 1) \left[ {}_2F_1 \left( 1, \frac{(p-j+1)(B-A)(1 - \frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})}{B}; \mu + p - j + 2; \frac{B}{B-1} \right) \right]^{-1}.$$

The result is the best possible.

*Proof.* By setting

$$(3.14) \quad \phi(z) = \frac{z^\mu f^{(j-1)}(z)}{(\mu + p - j + 1) \int_0^z t^{\mu-1} f^{(j-1)}(t) dt} \quad (z \in U),$$

we see that  $\phi(z)$  is of the form (3.9) and is analytic in  $U$ . On differentiating both sides of (3.14) followed by some obvious simplifications, we get

$$\frac{z f^{(j)}(z)}{(p-j+1)f^{(j-1)}(z)} = P(z) + \frac{zP'(z)}{(p-j+1)P(z) + \mu} \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$(3.15) \quad P(z) = \frac{1}{p-j+1} [(\mu + p - j + 1)\phi(z) - \mu].$$

By using Lemma 2, we get

$$(3.16) \quad P(z) \prec q(z) \prec \frac{1 + [B + (A - B)(1 - \frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})]z}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U),$$

where  $q(z)$  is given by (2.2) with  $\beta = p - j + 1$  and  $\gamma = \mu$ . Again, by using (3.15) in (3.16), we get (3.13) and (3.14), respectively. The remaining part of the proof of Theorem 3 is similar to that of Theorem 2, and so we omit the details.  $\square$

REMARK 3. Putting (i)  $\alpha = 0$ , (ii)  $A = 1$ ,  $B = -1$  and  $j = 1$ , (iii)  $A = 1$ ,  $B = -1$ ,  $j = 1$  and  $\mu = 0$ , we obtain the results obtained by Srivastava et al. [12].

Finally, we prove the following result:

THEOREM 4. Let  $1 \leq j \leq p$ ,  $-1 \leq B < 0$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $B < A \leq -\frac{\lambda B}{(p-j+1)(1-\frac{\alpha}{p-j+1})}$ .

If  $f(z) \in H_{p,j}^\lambda(A, B, \alpha)$ , then, for  $z \in U$ , we have

$$(3.17) \quad \left( \frac{f^{(j-1)}(z)}{z^{p-j+1}} \right)^\nu \prec \left( \frac{p!}{(p-j+1)!} \right)^\nu (1-z)^{-2\nu[p-j-\Im(p,j,A,B,\lambda,\alpha)+1]}$$

where  $\nu(p, j, A, B, \lambda, \alpha)$  is defined as in Theorem 2 and  $\nu \neq 0$  satisfies either

$$|2\nu[(p-j+1) - \Im(p, j, A, B, \lambda, \alpha)] - 1| \leq 1$$

or

$$|2\nu[(p-j+1) - \Im(p, j, A, B, \lambda, \alpha)] + 1| \leq 1.$$

The result is the best possible.

*Proof.* Considering the function  $\varphi(z)$  given by

$$(3.18) \quad \varphi(z) = \left( \frac{(p-j+1)!}{p!} \cdot \frac{f^{(j-1)}(z)}{z^{p-j+1}} \right)^\nu \quad (z \in U).$$

and choosing the principle branch in (3.18), we note that  $\varphi(z)$  is of the form (3.9) and is analytic in  $U$ . On differentiating (3.18) logarithmically followed by the use of Theorem 2 in the resulting equation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z f^{(j)}(z)}{(p-j+1) f^{(j-1)}(z)} &= 1 + \frac{z \varphi'(z)}{\nu(p-j+1)\varphi(z)} \\ &\prec \frac{1 + [1 - \frac{2\Im(p,j,A,B,\lambda,\alpha)}{p-j+1}]z}{1-z} \quad (z \in U), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Im(p, j, A, B, \lambda, \alpha)$  is defined as in Theorem 2. Now, the assertion of Theorem 4 follows by using Lemma 5.  $\square$

Putting  $A = 1, B = -1$  and  $j = 1$  in Theorem 4, we have the following corollary:

COROLLARY 2. *If  $f(z) \in M_p(\lambda, \alpha)$ , for  $\lambda \geq p - \alpha > 0$  and  $0 \leq \alpha < p$ , then*

$$(3.19) \quad \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\nu \prec (1-z)^{-2\nu[p-\mathfrak{S}(p,\lambda,\alpha)]} \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$\mathfrak{S}(p, \lambda, \alpha) = \frac{p\Gamma\left(\frac{p}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\lambda} + 1\right)}$$

and  $\nu \neq 0$  satisfies either

$$|2\nu [(p - \mathfrak{S}(p, \lambda, \alpha)) + 1] \leq 1$$

or

$$|2\nu [(p - \mathfrak{S}(p, \lambda, \alpha)) - 1] \leq 1$$

The result is the best possible.

Putting  $A = 1, B = -1$ , and  $j = p$  in Theorem 4 yields the following corollary:

COROLLARY 3. *If  $f(z) \in H_p(\lambda, \alpha)$ ,  $\lambda \geq 1 - \alpha$ , then*

$$(3.20) \quad \left( \frac{f^{(p-1)}(z)}{p! z} \right)^\nu \prec (1-z)^{-2\nu[1-\mathfrak{S}(\lambda,\alpha)]} \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$\mathfrak{S}(\lambda, \alpha) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1-\alpha}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{1-\alpha}{\lambda} + 1\right)} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu \neq 0$$

satisfies either

$$|2\nu [(1 - \mathfrak{S}(\lambda, \alpha)) + 1] \leq 1$$

or

$$|2\nu [(1 - \mathfrak{S}(\lambda, \alpha)) - 1] \leq 1 .$$

The result is the best possible.

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