



On Certain Classes of p -Valent Meromorphic Functions Associated with a Family of Integral Operators

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Abstract. This paper gives some inclusion relationships of certain class of p -valent meromorphic functions which are defined by using the linear operator $Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu}$. Further, a property preserving integrals is considered.

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1. Introduction

For any integer $m > -p$, let $\Sigma_{p,m}$ denote the class of all meromorphic functions f of the form:

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

which are analytic and p -valent in the punctured disc $U^* = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < |z| < 1\} = U \setminus \{0\}$. For convenience, we write $\Sigma_{p,-p+1} = \Sigma_p$. If f and g are analytic in U , we say that f is subordinate to g , written symbolically as, $f \prec g$ or $f(z) \prec g(z)$, if there exists a Schwarz function w , which (by definition) is analytic in U with $w(0) = 0$ and $|w(z)| < 1$ ($z \in U$) such that $f(z) = g(w(z))$ ($z \in U$). In particular, if the function g is univalent in U , we have the equivalence [see for example 5]:

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

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

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

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

$$(f * g) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k = (g * f)(z) \quad (m > -p; p \in \mathbb{N}). \tag{3}$$

For $f \in \Sigma_{p,m}$ we introduce the integral operator $Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^p : \Sigma_{p,m} \rightarrow \Sigma_{p,m}$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^p f(z) &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)}{\Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(\alpha - \gamma + 1)} \frac{1}{z^{\beta+p}} \int_0^z \left(1 - \frac{t}{z}\right)^{\alpha-\gamma} t^{\beta+p-1} f(t) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)}{\Gamma(\beta)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\beta + p + k)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + p + k - \gamma + 1)} a_k z^k \\ &\quad (\beta > 0; \alpha > \gamma - 1; \gamma > 0; p \in \mathbb{N}; z \in U^*), \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

and $Q_{\gamma-1,\beta,\gamma}^p f(z) = f(z)$ ($\beta > 0; \gamma > 0; p \in \mathbb{N}; z \in U^*$).

By setting

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^p(z) &= z^{-p} + \frac{\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + p + k - \gamma + 1)}{\Gamma(\beta + p + k)} z^k \\ &\quad (\beta > 0; \alpha > \gamma - 1; \gamma > 0; p \in \mathbb{N}; z \in U^*), \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

we define a new function $f_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu}$ in terms of the Hadamard product as follows

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^p(z) * f_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu}(z) &= \frac{1}{z^p (1-z)^\mu} \\ &\quad (\mu > 0; \beta > 0; \alpha > \gamma - 1; \gamma > 0; p \in \mathbb{N}; z \in U^*). \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Now we introduce the operator $Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} : \Sigma_{p,m} \rightarrow \Sigma_{p,m}$ as follows:

$$Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z) = f_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu}(z) * f(z) \quad (z \in U^*; f \in \Sigma_{p,m}). \tag{7}$$

We can easily find from (5), (6), and (7) that

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z) &= z^{-p} + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)}{\Gamma(\beta)} \\ &\quad \cdot \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\Gamma(\beta + p + k)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + p + k - \gamma + 1)} \right) \frac{(\mu)_{k+p}}{(k+p)!} a_k z^k \right] \\ &\quad (\mu > 0; \beta > 0; \alpha > \gamma - 1; \gamma > 0; p \in \mathbb{N}; z \in U^*), \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

and $Q_{\gamma-1,\beta,\gamma}^{p,1} f(z) = f(z)$ ($\beta > 0; \mu = 1; \gamma > 0; p \in \mathbb{N}; z \in U^*$), where $(\mu)_k$ is the Pochhammer symbol defined by

$$(\mu)_k = \begin{cases} 1 & (k = 0), \\ \mu(\mu + 1) \dots (\mu + k - 1) & (k \in \mathbb{N}) \end{cases}$$

From (8), it is easy to verify that

$$z \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z) \right)' = \mu Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu+1} f(z) - (\mu + p) Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z), \tag{9}$$

Remark 1. (i) For $\mu = 1$, we have $Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,1} = Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^p$;

(ii) For $\mu = \gamma = 1$, $Q_{\alpha,\beta,1}^{p,1} = Q_{\alpha,\beta}^p$, where the operator $Q_{\alpha,\beta}^p$ was introduced and studied by Aqlan et al. [2] (see also [1]);

(iii) For $p = 1$, $Q_{\alpha,\beta}^{1,\mu} = Q_{\alpha,\beta}^\mu$, where the operator $Q_{\alpha,\beta}^\mu$ was introduced and studied by Wang et al. [7];

(iv) For $p = \mu = \gamma = 1$, $Q_{\alpha,\beta,1}^{1,1} = Q_{\alpha,\beta}$, where the operator $Q_{\alpha,\beta}$ was introduced and studied by Lashin [4].

Definition 1. We say that a function $f \in \Sigma_{p,m}$ is in the class $\Sigma_{p,m}^\mu(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda)$, if it satisfies the following condition:

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ -\frac{z^{p+1} \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z) \right)'}{p} \right\} > \lambda, \quad z \in U^*. \tag{10}$$

where $\beta > 0$, $\alpha > \gamma - 1$, $\gamma > 0$, $\mu > 0$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$, and $p \in \mathbb{N}$.

Using (9) condition (10) can be re-written in the form

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ -\mu \frac{z^p Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu+1} f(z)}{p} + (\mu + p) \frac{z^p Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z)}{p} \right\} > \lambda, \quad 0 \leq \lambda < 1, z \in U^*. \tag{11}$$

2. Basic Properties of the Class $\Sigma_{p,m}^\mu(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda)$

Unless otherwise mentioned, we shall assume in the reminder of this paper that $\beta > 0$, $\alpha > \gamma - 1$, $\gamma > 0$, $\mu > 0$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$, and $p \in \mathbb{N}$.

We begin by recalling the following result (Jack's lemma), which we shall apply in proving our inclusion theorems below.

Lemma 1. [3] Let the (nonconstant) function $w(z)$ be analytic in U , with $w(0) = 0$. If $|w(z)|$ attains its maximum value on the circle $|z| = r < 1$ at a point $z_0 \in U$, then $z_0 w'(z_0) = \xi w(z_0)$, where ξ is a real number and $\xi \geq 1$.

Theorem 1. The following inclusion property holds true for the class $\Sigma_{p,m}^\mu(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda)$:

$$\Sigma_{p,m}^{\mu+1}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda) \subset \Sigma_{p,m}^\mu(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda). \tag{12}$$

Proof. Let $f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}^{\mu+1}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda)$ and define a regular function $w(z)$ in U such that $w(0) = 0, w(z) \neq -1$ by

$$-\mu Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu+1} f(z) + (\mu + p) Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z) = pz^{-p} \frac{1 + (2\lambda - 1)w(z)}{1 + w(z)}. \tag{13}$$

Differentiating (13) with respect to z , we obtain

$$-\frac{z^{p+1} \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu+1} f(z) \right)'}{p} = \frac{1 + (2\lambda - 1)w(z)}{1 + w(z)} - \frac{2(1 - \lambda)}{\mu} \frac{zw'(z)}{(1 + w(z))^2}. \tag{14}$$

We claim that $|w(z)| < 1$ for $z \in U$. Otherwise there exists a point $z_0 \in U$ such that $\max_{|z| \leq |z_0|} |w(z)| = |w(z_0)| = 1$. Applying Jack's lemma, we have

$$z_0 w'(z_0) = \xi w(z_0) \quad (\xi \geq 1). \tag{15}$$

From (14) and (15) we have

$$-\frac{z_0^{p+1} \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu+1} f(z_0) \right)'}{p} = \frac{1 + (2\lambda - 1)w(z_0)}{1 + w(z_0)} - \frac{2(1 - \lambda)}{\mu} \frac{\xi w(z_0)}{(1 + w(z_0))^2}. \tag{16}$$

Since $\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1+(2\lambda-1)w(z_0)}{1+w(z_0)} \right\} = \lambda, \xi \geq 1$, and $\frac{\xi w(z_0)}{(1+w(z_0))^2}$ is real and positive, we see that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ -\frac{z_0^{p+1} \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu+1} f(z_0) \right)'}{p} \right\} < \lambda, \text{ which obviously contradicts } f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}^{\mu+1}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda). \text{ Hence}$$

$|w(z)| < 1$ for $z \in U$, and it follows from (13) that $f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}^{\mu}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda)$. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

Theorem 2. Let c be any real number and $c > 0$. If $f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}^{\mu}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda)$, then

$$J_{c,p}(z) = \frac{c}{z^{c+p}} \int_0^z t^{c+p-1} f(t) dt \in \Sigma_{p,m}^{\mu}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda) \quad (c > 0). \tag{17}$$

Proof. From (17), we have

$$z \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} J_{c,p}(z) \right)' = c Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z) - (c + p) Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} J_{c,p}(z). \tag{18}$$

Define a regular function $w(z)$ in U such that $w(0) = 0, w(z) \neq -1$ by

$$-\frac{z^{p+1} \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} J_{c,p}(z) \right)'}{p} = \frac{1 + (2\lambda - 1)w(z)}{1 + w(z)}. \tag{19}$$

From (18) and (19) we have

$$cQ_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z) - (c+p)Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} J_{c,p}(z) = pz^{-p} \frac{1 + (2\lambda - 1)w(z)}{1 + w(z)}. \tag{20}$$

Differentiating (20) with respect to z , and using (19) we obtain

$$-\frac{z^{p+1} \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z) \right)'}{p} = \frac{1 + (2\lambda - 1)w(z)}{1 + w(z)} - \frac{2(1 - \lambda)}{c} \frac{zw'(z)}{(1 + w(z))^2}. \tag{21}$$

The remaining part of the proof of Theorem 2 is similar to that of Theorem 1.

Theorem 3. *If $f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}$, and satisfy the condition*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ -\frac{z^{p+1} \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z) \right)'}{p} \right\} > \lambda - \frac{(1 - \lambda)}{2c} \quad (c > 0). \tag{22}$$

Then the function

$$J_{c,p}(z) = \frac{c}{z^{c+p}} \int_0^z t^{c+p-1} f(t) dt \in \Sigma_{p,m}^\mu(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda).$$

The proof of Theorem 3 is similar to that of Theorem 2 and so we omit it.

Theorem 4. *Let $f(z)$ be defined by*

$$J_{c,p}(z) = \frac{c}{z^{c+p}} \int_0^z t^{c+p-1} f(t) dt \quad (c > 0). \tag{23}$$

If $J_{c,p}(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}^\mu(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda)$, then $f(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}^\mu(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda)$ in $|z| < \frac{c}{1 + \sqrt{c^2 + 1}}$.

Proof. Since $F(z) \in \Sigma_{p,m}^\mu(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda)$ we can write

$$-z \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} J_{c,p}(z) \right)' = pz^{-p} [\lambda + (1 - \lambda)u(z)], \tag{24}$$

where $u(z) \in P$, the class of functions with positive real part in the unit disk U and normalized by $u(0) = 1$. We can re-write (24) as

$$-\mu Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu+1} J_{c,p}(z) + (\mu + p)Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} J_{c,p}(z) = pz^{-p} [\lambda + (1 - \lambda)u(z)]. \tag{25}$$

Differentiating (25) with respect to z , and using (18) we obtain

$$\left(-\frac{z^{p+1} \left(Q_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{p,\mu} f(z) \right)'}{p} - \lambda \right) (1 - \lambda)^{-1} = u(z) + \frac{1}{c} zu'(z). \tag{26}$$

Using the well-known estimate [see 6] $|zu'(z)| \leq \frac{2r}{1-r^2} \operatorname{Re} u(z), |z| = r$, (26) yields

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \left(-\frac{z^{p+1} \left(Q_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{p, \mu} f(z) \right)'}{p} - \lambda \right) (1 - \lambda)^{-1} \right\} \geq \left(1 - \frac{1}{c} \frac{2r}{1-r^2} \right) \operatorname{Re} u(z). \quad (27)$$

The right-hand side of (27) is positive if $r < \frac{c}{1 + \sqrt{c^2 + 1}}$.

The result is sharp for the function $f(z)$ defined by $f(z) = \frac{1}{cz^{c+p-1}} \left(z^{c+p} J_{c,p}(z) \right)'$ where $J_{c,p}(z)$ is given by $\left(Q_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{p, \mu} J_{c,p}(z) \right)' = -pz^{-p-1} \frac{1+(2\lambda-1)z}{1+z}$.

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