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**PROPERTIES OF CERTAIN MULTIVALENT FUNCTIONS INVOLVING  
RUSCHEWEYH DERIVATIVES**

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $A_p(p \in \mathbb{N})$  be the class of functions  $f(z) = z^p + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_{p+m}z^{p+m}$  which are analytic in the unit disk. By virtue of the Ruscheweyh derivatives we introduce the new subclasses  $C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  of  $A_p$ . Subordination relations, inclusion relations, convolution properties and a sharp coefficient estimate are obtained. We also give a sufficient condition for a function to be in  $C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ .

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## 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Let  $A_p(p \in N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\})$  be the class of functions  $f(z)$  of the form

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_{p+m} z^{p+m}$$

which are analytic in the unit disk  $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . Let

$$C_p(\rho) = \left\{ f(z) \in A_p : \operatorname{Re} \frac{f'(z)}{pz^{p-1}} > \rho \quad (z \in U) \right\}$$

for some  $\rho (0 \leq \rho < 1)$ . It is well known that each function in the class  $C_p(\rho) (0 \leq \rho < 1)$  is  $p$ -valently close-to-convex of order  $\rho$  in  $U$ . Denote by  $K$  the usual subclass of  $A_1$  consisting of convex univalent functions in  $U$ . Further let  $UK (\subset K)$  denote the class of functions called uniformly convex (univalent) in  $U$  and introduced by Goodman [4]. It was shown in Ronning [10] and Ma and Minda [8] that a function  $f(z) \in A_1$  is in  $UK$  if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \quad (z \in U).$$

The uniformly convex and related functions have been studied by several authors (see, e.g., [4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17]).

If  $f(z) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m z^m$  and  $g(z) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} b_m z^m$  are analytic in  $U$ , then the Hadamard product or convolution  $f(z) * g(z)$  of  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  is defined by

$$f(z) * g(z) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m b_m z^m.$$

Let

$$D^{n+p-1} f(z) = \frac{z^p}{(1-z)^{n+p}} * f(z),$$

where  $f(z) \in A_p$  and  $n$  is any integer greater than  $-p$ . Then

$$D^{n+p-1} f(z) = \frac{z^p (z^{n-1} f(z))^{(n+p-1)}}{(n+p-1)!}.$$

This symbol  $D^{n+p-1} f(z)$  is called the Ruscheweyh derivative of  $f(z)$  and was introduced by Ruscheweyh [13] (when  $p = 1$ ) and Goel and Sohi [3]. In this paper we introduce and investigate the following new subclass of  $A_p$ :

**Definition.** A function  $f(z) \in A_p$  is said to be in  $C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  if it satisfies

$$(1.1) \quad (\operatorname{Re} J_p(n, \beta, f(z)))^2 + \mu > \alpha^2 |J_p(n, \beta, f(z) - \lambda|^2 \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$(1.2) \quad J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) = (1 - \beta) \frac{D^{n+p-1} f(z)}{z^p} + \beta \frac{(D^{n+p-1} f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}},$$

$$(1.3) \quad 0 < \alpha < 1, \quad \beta \geq 0, \quad \lambda > 0, \quad \alpha^2(\lambda - 1)^2 - 1 < \mu \leq (\alpha\lambda)^2.$$

Note that  $z^p \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  and for  $n = 1 - p, 0 < \alpha < 1, \beta \geq 0, \lambda = 1$  and  $\mu = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & C_p(1 - p, \alpha, \beta, 1, 0) \\
 &= \left\{ f(z) \in A_p : \operatorname{Re} \left( (1 - \beta) \frac{f(z)}{z^p} + \beta \frac{f'(z)}{pz^{p-1}} \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. > \alpha \left| (1 - \beta) \frac{f(z)}{z^p} + \beta \frac{f'(z)}{pz^{p-1}} - 1 \right| \quad (z \in U) \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $\beta \geq 0$  and  $\rho < 1$ , Ding, Ling and Bao in [1] have considered the class  $Q_\beta(\rho)$  defined by

$$Q_\beta(\rho) = \left\{ f(z) \in A_1 : \operatorname{Re} \left( (1 - \beta) \frac{f(z)}{z} + \beta f'(z) \right) > \rho \quad (z \in U) \right\}.$$

Let  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  be analytic in  $U$ . Then we say that the function  $f(z)$  is subordinate to  $g(z)$ , written  $f(z) \prec g(z)$ , if there exists an analytic function  $w(z)$  in  $U$  such that  $|w(z)| \leq |z|$  and  $f(z) = g(w(z))$  for  $z \in U$ . If  $g(z)$  is univalent in  $U$ , that  $f(z) \prec g(z)$  is equivalent to  $f(0) = g(0)$  and  $f(U) \subset g(U)$ . We shall need the following Lemmas.

**Lemma 1.1.** *Let  $F(z)$  be analytic in  $U$  and  $h(z)$  be analytic and convex univalent in  $U$  with  $h(0) = F(0)$ . If*

$$(1.4) \quad F(z) + \frac{1}{c} zF'(z) \prec h(z),$$

where  $c \neq 0$  and  $\operatorname{Re} c \geq 0$ , then

$$F(z) \prec H(z) = cz^{-c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} h(t) dt \prec h(z)$$

and  $H(z)$  is the best dominant of (1.4).

**Lemma 1.2.** *Let  $f(z) = \sum_{m=1}^\infty a_m z^m$  be analytic in  $U$  and  $g(z) \in K$ . If  $f(z) \prec g(z)$ , then  $|a_m| \leq 1 (m \in N)$ .*

Lemma 1.1 is due to Miller and Mocanu [9] and Lemma 1.2 can be found in Duren [2, p.195].

Throughout this paper we assume, unless otherwise stated, that  $n$  is any integer greater than  $-p (p \in N)$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu$  satisfy (1.3).

## 2. SUBORDINATION RELATIONS

**Theorem 2.1.** *A function  $f(z) \in A_p$  is in  $C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  if and only if*

$$J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) \prec h(z),$$

where  $J_p(n, \beta, f(z))$  is defined by (1.2),

$$h(z) = \varphi \left( \frac{z + b}{1 + bz} \right),$$

$$(2.1) \quad \varphi(\zeta) = \lambda_0 + \frac{\delta}{2\alpha(1 - \alpha^2)} \left( \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{\zeta}}{1 - \sqrt{\zeta}} \right)^{2\sigma/\pi} + \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{\zeta}}{1 - \sqrt{\zeta}} \right)^{-2\sigma/\pi} - 2 \right) \quad (|\zeta| < 1),$$

$$\lambda_0 = \frac{\delta - \alpha^3 \lambda}{\alpha(1 - \alpha^2)}, \quad \delta = \sqrt{(\alpha\lambda)^2 - \mu(1 - \alpha^2)}, \quad \sigma = \arccos \alpha$$

and  $b \in (-1, 1)$  is determined by  $\varphi(b) = 1$ .

*Proof.* It follows from (1.3) and (2.1) that  $0 < (\alpha^2\lambda)^2 \leq \delta^2 = (\alpha\lambda)^2 - \mu(1 - \alpha^2) < (\alpha\lambda)^2 - (1 - \alpha^2)(\alpha^2(\lambda - 1)^2 - 1) = (\alpha^2\lambda + 1 - \alpha^2)^2$  and so

$$(2.2) \quad 0 \leq \lambda_1 = \frac{\delta - \alpha^2\lambda}{1 - \alpha^2} < \min\{1, \lambda_0\}.$$

Let  $F(z) = J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) = u + iv$  for  $f(z) \in A_p$ . Then (1.1) can be written as  $u^2 + \mu > \alpha^2((u - \lambda)^2 + v^2)$ , that is,

$$(2.3) \quad \left(u + \frac{\alpha^2\lambda}{1 - \alpha^2}\right)^2 - \frac{\alpha^2}{1 - \alpha^2}v^2 > \frac{(\alpha\lambda)^2 - \mu}{1 - \alpha^2} + \left(\frac{\alpha^2\lambda}{1 - \alpha^2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\delta}{1 - \alpha^2}\right)^2.$$

In view of  $F(0) = 1$ , we see that

$$F(U) \subset \Omega = \{w = u + iv : u \text{ and } v \text{ satisfy (2.3), } u > \lambda_1\}.$$

Note that  $h(0) = \varphi(b) = 1$ . In order to prove our theorem, it suffices to show that the function  $h(z)$  given by (2.1) maps  $U$  conformally onto the hyperbolic region  $\Omega$ .

The linear transformation  $w_1 = \frac{\alpha}{\delta}((1 - \alpha^2)w + \alpha^2\lambda)$  maps  $\Omega^+ = \Omega \cap \{w = u + iv : v > 0\}$  onto

$$\Omega_1^+ = \left\{w_1 = u_1 + iv_1 : \frac{u_1^2}{\cos^2\sigma} - \frac{v_1^2}{\sin^2\sigma} > 1, u_1 > \cos\sigma, v_1 > 0\right\}$$

so that  $w = \lambda_1$  corresponds to  $w_1 = \alpha = \cos\sigma$  and  $w = \lambda_0$  to  $w_1 = 1$ . It is clear that  $w_2 = w_1 + \sqrt{w_1^2 - 1}$  maps  $\Omega_1^+$  conformally onto

$$\Omega_2^+ = \{w_2 : 0 < \arg w_2 < \sigma, 1 < |w_2| < +\infty\}$$

so that  $w_1 = \cos\sigma$  corresponds to  $w_2 = e^{i\sigma}$  and  $w_1 = 1$  to  $w_2 = 1$ . Also the function  $t = \frac{1}{2}(w_2^{\pi/\sigma} + w_2^{-\pi/\sigma})$  maps  $\Omega_2^+$  conformally onto the upper half plane  $\text{Im}(t) > 0$  so that  $w_2 = e^{i\sigma}$  corresponds to  $t = -1$  and  $w_2 = 1$  to  $t = 1$ . Thus the composite function  $t = g(w)$  (say) maps  $\Omega^+$  conformally onto  $\text{Im}(t) > 0$  so that  $w \in [\lambda_1, +\infty)$  corresponds to  $t \in [-1, +\infty)$ . With the help of the symmetry principle, the function  $t = g(w)$  maps  $\Omega$  conformally onto  $G = \{t : |\arg(t + 1)| < \pi\}$ . Since  $t = 2\left(\frac{1+\zeta}{1-\zeta}\right)^2 - 1$  maps the unit disk  $|\zeta| < 1$  onto  $G$ , we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} w = g^{-1}(t) &= \frac{\delta - \alpha^3\lambda}{\alpha(1 - \alpha^2)} + \frac{\delta}{2\alpha(1 - \alpha^2)} \left( (t + \sqrt{t^2 - 1})^{\sigma/\pi} + (t + \sqrt{t^2 - 1})^{-\sigma/\pi} - 2 \right) \\ &= \lambda_0 + \frac{\delta}{2\alpha(1 - \alpha^2)} \left( \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{\zeta}}{1 - \sqrt{\zeta}} \right)^{2\sigma/\pi} + \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{\zeta}}{1 - \sqrt{\zeta}} \right)^{-2\sigma/\pi} - 2 \right) \\ &= \varphi(\zeta) \end{aligned}$$

maps  $|\zeta| < 1$  conformally onto  $\Omega$  so that  $\zeta = b \in (-1, 1)$  corresponds to  $w = 1$ . Now we easily know that  $w = h(z) = \varphi\left(\frac{z+b}{1+bz}\right)$  maps  $U$  conformally onto  $\Omega$ . Therefore the proof of the theorem is complete.

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**Corollary 2.2.** Let  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  and  $h(z)$  be given by (2.1). Then for  $z \in U$ ,

$$(2.4) \quad |\arg J_p(n, \beta, f(z))| < \begin{cases} \arctan \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{(\alpha\lambda)^2 - \mu} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2}}, & \mu < (\alpha\lambda)^2, \\ \frac{\pi}{2}, & \mu = (\alpha\lambda)^2. \end{cases}$$

The result is sharp with the extremal function  $f_\beta(z)$  defined by  $f_\beta(z) \in A_p$  and

$$(2.5) \quad D^{n+p-1}f_\beta(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{p}{\beta} z^{p(1-1/\beta)} \int_0^z t^{(p/\beta)-1} h(t) dt, & \beta > 0, \\ z^p h(z), & \beta = 0. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* From the proof of Theorem 2.1 we see that

$$(2.6) \quad \partial h(U) = \{w = u + iv : u^2 + \mu = \alpha^2 ((u - \lambda)^2 + v^2), u \geq \lambda_1\}.$$

If  $\mu < (\alpha\lambda)^2$ , then  $\lambda_1 > 0$ . Consider the equations

$$u^2 + \mu = \alpha^2 ((u - \lambda)^2 + v^2) \quad \text{and} \quad v = ku,$$

where  $u, v$  and  $k$  are real with  $u \geq \lambda_1 > 0$ . Elimination of  $v$  yields

$$(\alpha^2(k^2 + 1) - 1) u^2 - 2\alpha^2 \lambda u + (\alpha\lambda)^2 - \mu = 0.$$

Suppose  $(\alpha^2 \lambda)^2 - (\alpha^2(k^2 + 1) - 1)((\alpha\lambda)^2 - \mu) = 0$ , then

$$k^2 = \frac{(\alpha\lambda)^2}{(\alpha\lambda)^2 - \mu} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2} - 1 > 0.$$

If  $\mu = (\alpha\lambda)^2$ , then  $\lambda_1 = 0$ . Therefore we conclude that

$$(2.7) \quad \min\{\theta : |\arg h(z)| < \theta \ (z \in U)\} = \begin{cases} \arctan \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{(\alpha\lambda)^2 - \mu} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2}}, & \mu < (\alpha\lambda)^2, \\ \frac{\pi}{2}, & \mu = (\alpha\lambda)^2. \end{cases}$$

Now (2.7) follows immediately from Theorem 2.1.

For the function  $f_\beta(z)$  defined by (2.5), it is easy to verify that

$$J_p(n, \beta, f_\beta(z)) = h(z) \quad \text{and} \quad f_\beta(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu).$$

Hence the bound in (2.7) is sharp. ■

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ ,  $\beta > 0$ , and  $h(z)$  be given by (2.1). Then

$$(2.8) \quad \frac{D^{n+p-1}f(z)}{z^p} \prec \frac{p}{\beta} \int_0^1 \rho^{\frac{p}{\beta}-1} h(\rho z) d\rho.$$

*Proof.* Let us put

$$(2.9) \quad F(z) = \frac{D^{n+p-1}f(z)}{z^p}$$

for  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  and  $\beta > 0$ . Then it follows from (2.9) and Theorem 2.1 that

$$F(z) + \frac{\beta}{p} z F'(z) = J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) \prec h(z).$$

Therefore, an application of Lemma 1.1 with  $c = \frac{p}{\beta} > 0$  yields

$$(2.10) \quad F(z) \prec \frac{p}{\beta} z^{-\frac{p}{\beta}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{p}{\beta}-1} h(t) dt = \frac{p}{\beta} \int_0^1 \rho^{\frac{p}{\beta}-1} h(\rho z) d\rho \prec h(z),$$

which proves (2.8).  
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**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ . Then for  $z \in U$ , we have

$$(2.11) \quad h(-|z|) \leq \operatorname{Re} J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) \leq h(|z|),$$

$$(2.12) \quad \operatorname{Re} J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) > \lambda_1,$$

$$(2.13) \quad \frac{p}{\beta} \int_0^1 \rho^{\frac{p}{\beta}-1} h(-\rho|z|) d\rho \leq \operatorname{Re} \frac{D^{n+p-1} f(z)}{z^p} \leq \frac{p}{\beta} \int_0^1 \rho^{\frac{p}{\beta}-1} h(\rho|z|) d\rho, \quad \beta > 0,$$

and

$$(2.14) \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{D^{n+p-1} f(z)}{z^p} > \frac{p}{\beta} \int_0^1 \rho^{\frac{p}{\beta}-1} h(-\rho) d\rho, \quad \beta > 0,$$

where  $J_p(n, \beta, f(z))$ ,  $h(z)$  and  $\lambda_1$  are as given in Theorem 2.1. These results are sharp.

*Proof.* From the proof of Theorem 2.1 we know that the univalent function  $h(z)$  maps the closed disk  $|z| \leq r$  ( $0 < r < 1$ ) onto a closed region which is convex and symmetric with respect to the real axis. Hence we have

$$(2.15) \quad h(r) \geq \operatorname{Re} h(z) \geq h(-r) > h(-1) = \varphi(-1) = \lambda_1 \quad (|z| \leq r).$$

According to the definition of the subordination, it follows from Theorem 2.1, Corollary 2.3 and (2.15) that the inequalities (2.11)-(2.14) hold true. Further these results are sharp for the function  $f_\beta(z)$  defined by (2.5). ■

### 3. PROPERTIES OF $C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ .

If  $\lambda_0$  in (2.1) satisfies the restricted condition  $\lambda_0 \leq 1$ , then we can prove the following:

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ . If  $\lambda_1 < \rho < \lambda_0 \leq 1$ , then  $\operatorname{Re} J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) > \rho$  in  $|z| < r$ , where*

$$(3.1) \quad r = r(\rho, \alpha, \lambda, \mu) = \frac{b + \tan^2 \theta}{1 + b \tan^2 \theta}, \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{4\sigma} \arccos \left( \frac{\alpha}{\delta} (\rho(1 - \alpha^2) + \alpha^2 \lambda) \right),$$

and  $J_p(n, \beta, f(z))$ ,  $\lambda_0$ ,  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\sigma$  and  $b$  are as given in Theorem 2.1. The result is sharp.

*Proof.* Since  $\lambda_0 \leq 1$  and  $\varphi(b) = 1$ , it follows from (2.1) in Theorem 2.1 that  $0 \leq b < 1$ . In view of  $0 \leq \lambda_1 < \rho < \lambda_0 (\leq 1)$ , (2.1) and (3.1), we have

$$0 < \frac{\alpha}{\delta} (\rho(1 - \alpha^2) + \alpha^2 \lambda) < \frac{\alpha}{\delta} (\lambda_0(1 - \alpha^2) + \alpha^2 \lambda) = 1,$$

$$0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{4\sigma} \arccos \left( \frac{\alpha}{\delta} (\lambda_1(1 - \alpha^2) + \alpha^2 \lambda) \right) = \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

Hence  $0 \leq b < r < 1$ . Let  $h(z)$  be given by (2.1). Then it follows from (2.1) and (3.1) that

$$\begin{aligned} h(-r) &= \varphi\left(\frac{b-r}{1-br}\right) \\ &= \lambda_0 + \frac{\delta}{2\alpha(1-\alpha^2)} \left( \left( \frac{1+i\sqrt{(r-b)/(1-br)}}{1-i\sqrt{(r-b)/(1-br)}} \right)^{2\sigma/\pi} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left( \frac{1+i\sqrt{(r-b)/(1-br)}}{1-i\sqrt{(r-b)/(1-br)}} \right)^{-2\sigma/\pi} - 2 \right) \\ &= \lambda_0 + \frac{\delta}{\alpha(1-\alpha^2)} \left( \cos\left(\frac{4\sigma}{\pi} \arctan \sqrt{\frac{r-b}{1-br}}\right) - 1 \right) \\ &= \lambda_0 + \frac{\delta}{\alpha(1-\alpha^2)} \left( \cos\frac{4\sigma\theta}{\pi} - 1 \right) \\ &= \lambda_0 + \frac{\delta}{\alpha(1-\alpha^2)} \left( \frac{\alpha}{\delta} (\rho(1-\alpha^2) + \alpha^2\lambda) - 1 \right) = \rho, \end{aligned}$$

which leads to

$$(3.2) \quad \inf_{|z|<r} \operatorname{Re} h(z) = h(-r) = \rho.$$

If  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  then, by Theorem 2.1 and (3.2), we get

$$\operatorname{Re} J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) > \rho \quad (|z| < r).$$

Obviously the function  $f_\beta(z)$  defined by (2.5) shows that the result is sharp. ■

**Theorem 3.2.**  $C_p(n, \alpha, \beta_1, \lambda, \mu) \subset C_p(n, \alpha, \beta_2, \lambda, \mu)$  for  $0 \leq \beta_2 < \beta_1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta_1, \lambda, \mu)$  and  $h(z)$  be given by (2.1). Then, by Theorem 2.1 and (2.10) in the proof of Corollary 2.3, we have

$$(3.3) \quad J_p(n, \beta_1, f(z)) \prec h(z), \quad J_p(n, 0, f(z)) \prec h(z).$$

Noting that  $0 \leq \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_1} < 1$  and  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $U$ , it follows from (3.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} J_p(n, \beta_2, f(z)) &= \left(1 - \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_1}\right) \frac{D^{n+p-1}f(z)}{z^p} + \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_1} \left( (1 - \beta_1) \frac{D^{n+p-1}f(z)}{z^p} + \beta_1 \frac{(D^{n+p-1}f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \right) \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_1}\right) J_p(n, 0, f(z)) + \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_1} J_p(n, \beta_1, f(z)) \\ &\prec h(z). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, using Theorem 2.1,  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta_2, \lambda, \mu)$  and the proof is completed. ■

**Theorem 3.3.**  $C_p(n+1, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu) \subset C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ .

*Proof.* It is known [3] that

$$(3.4) \quad z(D^{n+p-1}f(z))' = (p+n)D^{n+p}f(z) - nD^{n+p-1}f(z)$$

for  $f(z) \in A_p$ . Let

$$(3.5) \quad g(z) = J_p(n, \beta, f(z)).$$

Then (3.4) and (3.5) lead to

$$(3.6) \quad pz^p g(z) = \beta(p+n)D^{n+p}f(z) + (p(1-\beta) - \beta n)D^{n+p-1}f(z).$$

Differentiating (3.6) and using (3.4) we obtain

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} & pz^p(pg(z) + zg'(z)) \\ &= \beta(p+n)z(D^{n+p}f(z))' + (p(1-\beta) - \beta n)((p+n)D^{n+p}f(z) - nD^{n+p-1}f(z)) \end{aligned}$$

It follows from (3.6) and (3.7) that

$$pz^p((p+n)g(z) + zg'(z)) = \beta(p+n)z(D^{n+p}f(z))' + p(1-\beta)(p+n)D^{n+p}f(z),$$

that is,

$$(3.8) \quad J_p(n+1, \beta, f(z)) = g(z) + \frac{zg'(z)}{p+n}.$$

If  $f(z) \in C_p(n+1, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ , then from Theorem 2.1 and (3.8) we get

$$g(z) + \frac{zg'(z)}{p+n} \prec h(z),$$

and an application of Lemma 1.1 with  $c = p+n > 0$  yields

$$g(z) = J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) \prec h(z).$$

Hence, by Theorem 2.1,  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ . This completes the proof. ■

**Remark 3.1.** For  $\beta \geq 1$ , it follows from Theorems 3.3 and 3.2 and (2.12) in Corollary 2.4 (with  $n = 1-p$  and  $\beta = 1$ ) that

$$C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu) \subset C_p(1-p, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu) \subset C_p(1-p, \alpha, 1, \lambda, \mu) \subset C_p(\lambda_1).$$

Thus each function in the class  $C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  with  $\beta \geq 1$  is  $p$ -valently close-to-convex of order  $\lambda_1$  in  $U$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ ,  $g(z) \in A_p$  and  $\operatorname{Re} \frac{g(z)}{z^p} > \frac{1}{2}$  ( $z \in U$ ). Then  $f(z) * g(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ .

*Proof.* . We easily have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D^{n+p-1}(f * g)(z)}{z^p} &= \frac{D^{n+p-1}f(z)}{z^p} * \frac{g(z)}{z^p}, \\ \frac{(D^{n+p-1}(f * g)(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} &= \frac{(D^{n+p-1}f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} * \frac{g(z)}{z^p}, \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$(3.9) \quad J_p(n, \beta, f(z) * g(z)) = F(z) * P(z) \quad (z \in U),$$

where  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ ,  $F(z) = J_p(n, \beta, f(z))$  and  $P(z) = \frac{g(z)}{z^p}$ . Since the function  $P(z)$  has the integral representation

$$P(z) = \int_{|x|=1} \frac{d\mu(x)}{1-xz} \quad (z \in U),$$

where  $\mu(x)$  is a probability measure defined on the unit circle  $|x| = 1$  and  $\int_{|x|=1} d\mu(x) = 1$ , it follows from (3.9) that

$$(3.10) \quad J_p(n, \beta, f(z) * g(z)) = \int_{|x|=1} F(xz) d\mu(x) \quad (z \in U).$$



According to Theorem 2.1 the function  $F(z)$  is subordinate to the convex univalent function  $h(z)$  given by (2.1). Therefore, we deduce from (3.10) that

$$J_p(n, \beta, f(z) * g(z)) \prec h(z),$$

which leads to  $f(z) * g(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  by Theorem 2.1. ■

If  $\lambda_1$  in (2.2) satisfies the restricted condition  $\lambda_1 \geq \frac{1}{2}$ , then it follows from Theorem 3.4 and (2.12) in Corollary 2.4 (with  $n = 1 - p$  and  $\beta = 0$ ) that the following:

**Corollary 3.5.** *Let  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  and  $g(z) \in C_p(1 - p, \alpha, 0, \lambda, \mu)$ . If  $\lambda_1 \geq \frac{1}{2}$ , where  $\lambda_1$  is given by (2.2), then  $f(z) * g(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ .*

**Remark 3.2.** Note that  $C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu) \subset C_p(1 - p, \alpha, 0, \lambda, \mu)$ . We known from Corollary 3.5 that  $C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  is closed with respect to Hadamard product provided  $\lambda_1 \geq \frac{1}{2}$ .

Let  $S^*(\frac{1}{2})$  denote the class of starlike univalent functions of order  $\frac{1}{2}$  in  $U$  consisting of functions  $g(z) \in A_1$  satisfying

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} > \frac{1}{2} \quad (z \in U).$$

It is well known that if  $g(z) \in S^*(\frac{1}{2})$  then  $\operatorname{Re} \frac{g(z)}{z} > \frac{1}{2}$  for  $z \in U$ . Thus Theorem 3.4 with  $p = 1$  and  $n > -1$  yields the following:

**Corollary 3.6.** *Let  $f(z) \in C_1(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ ,  $n \in N \cup \{0\}$ , and  $g(z) \in S^*(\frac{1}{2})$ . Then  $f(z) * g(z) \in C_1(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ .*

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $f(z) = z^p + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_{p+m}z^{p+m} \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ . Then*

$$|a_{p+1}| \leq \frac{p\delta(1-b^2)}{\alpha(1-\alpha^2)(p+\beta)(p+n)} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{2m} (-1)^k \binom{2\sigma/\pi}{k} \binom{-2\sigma/\pi}{2m-k} \right) mb^{m-1}, \tag{3.11}$$

where  $\delta, \sigma$  and  $b$  are as given in Theorem 2.1. The result is sharp.

*Proof.* . Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \left( (1+t)^\rho(1-t)^{-\rho} + (1-t)^\rho(1+t)^{-\rho} \right) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{2m} (-1)^k \binom{\rho}{k} \binom{-\rho}{2m-k} \right) t^{2m} \quad (\rho > 0, |t| < 1), \end{aligned}$$

the function  $\varphi(\zeta)$  given by (2.1) has the expansion

$$\varphi(\zeta) = \lambda_0 + \frac{\delta}{\alpha(1-\alpha^2)} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{2m} (-1)^k \binom{2\sigma/\pi}{k} \binom{-2\sigma/\pi}{2m-k} \right) \zeta^m \quad (|\zeta| < 1).$$

From this we have

$$h(z) = \varphi \left( \frac{z+b}{1+bz} \right) = 1 + Bz + \dots \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$B = \varphi'(b)(1-b^2) = \frac{\delta(1-b^2)}{\alpha(1-\alpha^2)} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{2m} (-1)^k \binom{2\sigma/\pi}{k} \binom{-2\sigma/\pi}{2m-k} \right) mb^{m-1}.$$

Also it follows from the proof of Theorem 2.1 that  $B = h'(0) > 0$ .

If  $f(z) = z^p + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_{p+m} z^{p+m} \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$ , then we have from Theorem 2.1 that

$$\begin{aligned} J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) &= (1 - \beta)(1 + (p+n)a_{p+1}z + \cdots) + \beta \left( 1 + \frac{1}{p}(p+1)(p+n)a_{p+1}z + \cdots \right) \\ &= 1 + \left( 1 + \frac{\beta}{p} \right) (p+n)a_{p+1}z + \cdots \prec h(z), \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$\frac{1}{B} \left( 1 + \frac{\beta}{p} \right) (p+n)a_{p+1}z + \cdots \prec \frac{1}{B}(h(z) - 1) \in K.$$

Now an application of Lemma 1.2 gives

$$|a_{p+1}| \leq \frac{pB}{(p+\beta)(p+n)},$$

which proves (3.11).

The result is sharp since the equality in (3.11) is attained for the function  $f_\beta(z)$  defined by (2.5). The proof of the theorem is completed. ■

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $f(z) \in A_p$  satisfy*

$$(3.12) \quad |J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) - a| < d \quad (z \in U),$$

where

$$d = d(a, \alpha, \lambda, \mu) = \begin{cases} a - \lambda_1, & \lambda_1 < a \leq \lambda + \frac{\lambda_1}{\alpha^2}, \\ \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\alpha^2} + a^2 - \lambda^2 - \alpha^2(a - \lambda)^2}, & a \geq \lambda + \frac{\lambda_1}{\alpha^2} \end{cases}$$

and  $J_p(n, \beta, f(z))$  and  $\lambda_1$  are as given in Theorem 2.1. Then  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  and the bound  $d$  in (3.12) is sharp for each  $a (a > \lambda_1)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $h(z)$  be given by (2.1) and  $d$  denote the minimum distance from the point  $a (a > \lambda_1)$  to the points on the hyperbola  $\partial h(U)$  given by (2.6). Then

$$d^2 = \min_{u \geq \lambda_1} g(u), \quad g(u) = (u - a)^2 + \frac{1}{\alpha^2}(u^2 + \mu) - (u - \lambda)^2.$$

If  $\lambda_1 < a \leq \lambda + \frac{\lambda_1}{\alpha^2}$ , then

$$(3.13) \quad g'(u) = \frac{2}{\alpha^2} (u - \alpha^2(a - \lambda)) \geq 0 \quad (u \geq \lambda_1).$$

Note that  $\lambda_1 \in \partial h(U)$ . It follows from (3.13) that

$$d = \sqrt{g(\lambda_1)} = \sqrt{(\lambda_1 - a)^2 + \frac{1}{\alpha^2}(\lambda_1^2 + \mu) - (\lambda_1 - \lambda)^2} = a - \lambda_1.$$

If  $a \geq \lambda + \frac{\lambda_1}{\alpha^2}$ , then the function  $g(u) (u \geq \lambda_1)$  attains its minimum value at  $u = \alpha^2(a - \lambda)$  and so

$$d = \sqrt{g(\alpha^2(a - \lambda))} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\alpha^2} + a^2 - \lambda^2 - \alpha^2(a - \lambda)^2}.$$

Consequently, if  $f(z) \in A_p$  satisfies (3.12) then the domain of the values of  $J_p(n, \beta, f(z))$  for  $z \in U$  is contained in  $h(U)$ , which implies that  $J_p(n, \beta, f(z)) \prec h(z)$ . Hence  $f(z) \in C_p(n, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  by Theorem 2.1. Furthermore, the bound  $d$  in (3.12) is sharp for the function  $f_\beta(z)$  defined by (2.5). ■

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