



**ON APPLICATION OF DIFFERENTIAL SUBORDINATION FOR CERTAIN  
SUBCLASS OF MEROMORPHICALLY  $p$ -VALENT FUNCTIONS WITH POSITIVE  
COEFFICIENTS DEFINED BY LINEAR OPERATOR**

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**ABSTRACT.** This paper is mainly concerned with the application of differential subordinations for the class of meromorphic multivalent functions with positive coefficients defined by a linear operator satisfying the following:

$$-\frac{z^{p+1}(L^n f(z))'}{p} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0; z \in U).$$

In the present paper, we study the coefficient bounds,  $\delta$ -neighborhoods and integral representations. We also obtain linear combinations, weighted and arithmetic means and convolution properties.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $L(p, m)$  be a class of all meromorphic functions  $f(z)$  of the form:

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad \text{for any } m \geq p, \quad p \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}, \quad a_k \geq 0,$$

which are  $p$ -valent in the punctured unit disk

$$U^* = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C}, 0 < |z| < 1\} = U/\{0\}.$$

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $f, g$  be analytic in  $U$ . Then  $g$  is said to be subordinate to  $f$ , written  $g \prec f$ , if there exists a Schwarz function  $w(z)$ , which is analytic in  $U$  with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  ( $z \in U$ ) such that  $g(z) = f(w(z))$  ( $z \in U$ ). Hence  $g(z) \prec f(z)$  ( $z \in U$ ), then  $g(0) = f(0)$  and  $g(U) \subset f(U)$ . In particular, if the function  $f(z)$  is univalent in  $U$ , we have the following (e.g. [6]; [7]):

$$g(z) \prec f(z) (z \in U) \text{ if and only if } g(0) = f(0) \quad \text{and} \quad g(U) \subset f(U).$$

**Definition 1.2.** For functions  $f(z) \in L(p, m)$  given by (1.1) and  $g(z) \in L(p, m)$  defined by

$$(1.2) \quad g(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} b_k z^k, \quad (b_k \geq 0, p \in \mathbb{N}, m \geq p),$$

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

$$(1.3) \quad (f * g)(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k, \quad (p \in \mathbb{N}, m \geq p, z \in U).$$

**Definition 1.3** ([9]). Let  $f(z)$  be a function in the class  $L(p, m)$  given by (1.1). We define a linear operator  $L^n$  by

$$\begin{aligned} L^0 f(z) &= f(z), \\ L^1 f(z) &= z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} (p+k+1) a_k z^k = \frac{(z^{p+1} f(z))'}{z^p} \end{aligned}$$

and in general

$$(1.4) \quad \begin{aligned} L^n f(z) &= L(L^{n-1} f(z)) \\ &= z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} (p+k+1)^n a_k z^k \\ &= \frac{(z^{p+1} L^{n-1} f(z))'}{z^p}, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}). \end{aligned}$$

It is easily verified from (1.4) that

$$(1.5) \quad \begin{aligned} z(L^n f(z))' &= L^{n+1} f(z) - (p+1)L^n f(z), \\ (f \in L(p, m), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}). \end{aligned}$$

- (1) Liu and Srivastava [4] introduced recently the linear operator when  $m = 0$ , investigating several inclusion relationships involving various subclasses of meromorphically  $p$ -valent functions, which they defined by means of the linear operator  $L^n$  (see [4]).
- (2) Uralegaddi and Somanatha [10] introduced the linear operator  $L^n$  when  $p = 1$  and  $m = 0$ .
- (3) Aouf and Hossen [2] obtained several results involving the linear operator  $L^n$  when  $m = 0$  and  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ .

We introduce a subclass of the function class  $L(p, m)$  by making use of the principle of differential subordination as well as the linear operator  $L^n$ .

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  ( $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ) be fixed parameters. We say that a function  $f(z) \in L(p, m)$  is in the class  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , if it satisfies the following subordination condition:

$$(1.6) \quad \frac{z^{p+1}(L^n f(z))'}{p} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0; z \in U).$$

By the definition of differential subordination, (1.6) is equivalent to the following condition:

$$\left| \frac{z^{p+1}(L^n f(z))' + p}{Bz^{p+1}(L^n f(z))' + pA} \right| < 1, \quad (z \in U).$$

We can write

$$L\left(p, m, n, 1 - \frac{2\beta}{p}, -1\right) = L(p, m, n, \beta),$$

where  $L(p, m, n, \beta)$  denotes the class of functions in  $L(p, m)$  satisfying the following:

$$\operatorname{Re}\{-z^{p+1}(L^n f(z))'\} > \beta \quad (0 \leq \beta < p; z \in U).$$

## 2. COEFFICIENT BOUNDS

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let the function  $f(z)$  of the form (1.1), be in  $L(p, m)$ . Then the function  $f(z)$  belongs to the class  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$  if and only if*

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n a_k < (A-B)p,$$

where  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $m \geq p$ .

The result is sharp for the function  $f(z)$  given by

$$f(z) = z^{-p} + \frac{(A-B)p}{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n} z^m, \quad m \geq p.$$

*Proof.* Assume that the condition (2.1) is true. We must show that  $f \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , or equivalently prove that

$$(2.2) \quad \left| \frac{z^{p+1}(L^n f(z))' + p}{Bz^{p+1}(L^n f(z))' + Ap} \right| < 1.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{z^{p+1}(L^n f(z))' + p}{Bz^{p+1}(L^n f(z))' + Ap} \right| &= \left| \frac{z^{p+1}(-pz^{-(p+1)} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k z^{k-1}) + p}{Bz^{p+1}(-pz^{-(p+1)} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k z^{k-1}) + Ap} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k z^{k+p}}{(A-B)p + B \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k z^{k+p}} \right| \\ &\leq \left\{ \frac{\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k}{(A-B)p + B \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(k+p+1)^n a_k} \right\} < 1. \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality by (2.1) is true.

Conversely, suppose that  $f(z) \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ . We must show that the condition (2.1) holds true. We have

$$\left| \frac{z^{p+1}(L^n f(z))' + p}{Bz^{p+1}(L^n f(z))' + Ap} \right| < 1,$$

hence we get

$$\left| \frac{\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k z^{k+p}}{(A-B)p + B \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k z^{k+p}} \right| < 1.$$

Since  $\operatorname{Re}(z) < |z|$ , so we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k z^{k+p}}{(A-B)p + B \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k z^{k+p}} \right\} < 1.$$

We choose the values of  $z$  on the real axis and letting  $z \rightarrow 1^-$ , then we obtain

$$\left\{ \frac{\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k}{(A-B)p + B \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(p+k+1)^n a_k} \right\} < 1,$$

then

$$\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n a_k < (A-B)p$$

and the proof is complete.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.** Let  $f(z) \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , then we have

$$a_k \leq \frac{(A-B)p}{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}, \quad k \geq m.$$

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $0 \leq n_2 < n_1$ , then  $L(p, m, n_2, A, B) \subseteq L(p, m, n_1, A, B)$ .

### 3. NEIGHBOURHOODS AND PARTIAL SUMS

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ,  $m \geq p$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\delta \geq 0$ . We define the  $\delta$ -neighbourhood of a function  $f \in L(p, m)$  and denote  $N_\delta(f)$  such that

$$(3.1) \quad N_\delta(f) = \left\{ g \in L(p, m) : g(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} b_k z^k, \text{ and } \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)p} |a_k - b_k| \leq \delta \right\}.$$

Goodman [3], Ruscheweyh [8] and Altintas and Owa [1] have investigated neighbourhoods for analytic univalent functions, we consider this concept for the class  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$ . For every complex number  $\mu$  with  $|\mu| < \delta$ ,  $\delta \geq 0$ , let  $\frac{f(z)+\mu z^{-p}}{1+\mu} \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , then  $N_\delta(f) \subset L(p, m, n, A, B)$ ,  $\delta \geq 0$ .

*Proof.* Since  $f \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ ,  $f$  satisfies (2.1) and we can write for  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $|\gamma| = 1$ , that

$$(3.2) \quad \left[ \frac{z^{p+1}(L^n f(z))' + p}{Bz^{p+1}(L^n f(z))' + pA} \right] \neq \gamma.$$

Equivalently, we must have

$$(3.3) \quad \frac{(f * Q)(z)}{z^{-p}} \neq 0, \quad z \in U^*,$$

where

$$Q(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} e_k z^k,$$

such that  $e_k = \frac{\gamma k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)^p}$ , satisfying  $|e_k| \leq \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)^p}$  and  $k \geq m, p \in \mathbb{N}, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

Since  $\frac{f(z) + \mu z^{-p}}{1 + \mu} \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , by (3.3),

$$\frac{1}{z^{-p}} \left( \frac{f(z) + \mu z^{-p}}{1 + \mu} * Q(z) \right) \neq 0,$$

and then

$$(3.4) \quad \frac{1}{z^{-p}} \left( \frac{(f * Q)(z) + \mu z^{-p}}{1 + \mu} \right) \neq 0.$$

Now assume that  $\left| \frac{(f * Q)(z)}{z^{-p}} \right| < \delta$ . Then, by (3.4), we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{1 + \mu} \frac{f * Q}{z^{-p}} + \frac{\mu}{1 + \mu} \right| \geq \frac{|\mu|}{|1 + \mu|} - \frac{1}{|1 + \mu|} \left| \frac{(f * Q)(z)}{z^{-p}} \right| > \frac{|\mu| - \delta}{|1 + \mu|} \geq 0.$$

This is a contradiction as  $|\mu| < \delta$ . Therefore  $\left| \frac{(f * Q)(z)}{z^{-p}} \right| \geq \delta$ .

Letting

$$g(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} b_k z^k \in N_{\delta}(f),$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \delta - \left| \frac{(g * Q)(z)}{z^{-p}} \right| &\leq \left| \frac{((f - g) * Q)(z)}{z^{-p}} \right| \\ &\leq \left| \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} (a_k - b_k) e_k z^k \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} |a_k - b_k| |e_k| |z|^k \\ &< |z|^m \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)^p} \right] |a_k - b_k| \\ &\leq \delta, \end{aligned}$$

therefore  $\frac{(g * Q)(z)}{z^{-p}} \neq 0$ , and we get  $g(z) \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , so  $N_{\delta}(f) \subset L(p, m, n, A, B)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $f(z)$  be defined by (1.1) and the partial sums  $S_1(z)$  and  $S_q(z)$  be defined by  $S_1(z) = z^{-p}$  and

$$S_q(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{m+q-2} a_k z^k, \quad q > m, m \geq p, p \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Also suppose that  $\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} C_k a_k \leq 1$ , where

$$C_k = \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)p}.$$

Then

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & f \in L(p, m, n, A, B) \\ \text{(ii)} \quad & \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{S_q(z)} \right\} > 1 - \frac{1}{C_q}, \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.6) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{S_q(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \frac{C_q}{1+C_q}, \quad z \in U, q > m.$$

*Proof.*

(i) Since  $\frac{z^{-p} + \mu z^{-p}}{1+\mu} = z^{-p} \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ ,  $|\mu| < 1$ , then by Theorem 3.1, we have  $N_1(z^{-p}) \subset L(p, m, n, A, B)$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}(N_1(z^{-p}))$  denoting the 1-neighbourhood). Now since

$$\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} C_k a_k \leq 1,$$

then  $f \in N_1(z^{-p})$  and  $f \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ .

(ii) Since  $\{C_k\}$  is an increasing sequence, we obtain

$$(3.7) \quad \sum_{k=m}^{m+q-2} a_k + C_q \sum_{k=q+m-1}^{\infty} a_k \leq \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} C_k a_k \leq 1.$$

Setting

$$G_1(z) = C_q \left( \frac{f(z)}{S_q(z)} - \left( 1 - \frac{1}{C_q} \right) \right) = \frac{C_q \sum_{k=q+m-1}^{\infty} a_k z^{k+p}}{1 + \sum_{k=m}^{m+q-2} a_k z^{k+p}} + 1,$$

from (3.7) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{G_1(z) - 1}{G_1(z) + 1} \right| &= \left| \frac{C_q \sum_{k=q+m-1}^{\infty} a_k z^{k+p}}{2 + 2 \sum_{k=m}^{m+q-2} a_k z^{k+p} + C_q \sum_{k=q+m-1}^{\infty} a_k z^{k+p}} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{C_q \sum_{k=q+m-1}^{\infty} a_k}{2 - 2 \sum_{k=m}^{m+q-2} a_k - C_q \sum_{k=q+m-1}^{\infty} a_k} \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

This proves (3.5). Therefore,  $\operatorname{Re}(G_1(z)) > 0$  and we obtain  $\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{S_q(z)} \right\} > 1 - \frac{1}{C_q}$ . Now, in the same manner, we can prove the assertion (3.6), by setting

$$G_2(z) = (1 + C_q) \left( \frac{S_q(z)}{f(z)} - \frac{C_q}{1 + C_q} \right).$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

#### 4. INTEGRAL REPRESENTATION

In the next theorem we obtain an integral representation for  $L^n f(z)$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $f \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , then*

$$L^n f(z) = \int_0^z \frac{p(A\psi(t) - 1)}{t^{p+1}(1 - B\psi(t))} dt,$$

where  $|\psi(z)| < 1, z \in U^*$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f(z) \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ . Letting  $-\frac{z^{p+1}(L^n f(z))'}{p} = y(z)$ , we have

$$y(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}$$

or we can write  $\left| \frac{y(z)-1}{By(z)-A} \right| < 1$ , so that consequently we have

$$\frac{y(z) - 1}{By(z) - A} = \psi(z), \quad |\psi(z)| < 1, \quad z \in U.$$

We can write

$$\frac{-z^{p+1}(L^n f(z))'}{p} = \frac{1 - A\psi(z)}{1 - B\psi(z)},$$

which gives

$$(L^n f(z))' = \frac{p(A\psi(z) - 1)}{z^{p+1}(1 - B\psi(z))}.$$

Hence

$$L^n f(z) = \int_0^z \frac{p(A\psi(t) - 1)}{t^{p+1}(1 - B\psi(t))} dt,$$

and this gives the required result. □

#### 5. LINEAR COMBINATION

In the theorem below, we prove a linear combination for the class  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$ .

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let*

$$f_i(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} a_{k,i} z^k, \quad (a_{k,i} \geq 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, \ell, k \geq m, m \geq p)$$

belong to  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , then

$$F(z) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} c_i f_i(z) \in L(p, m, n, A, B),$$

where  $\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} c_i = 1$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 2.1, we can write for every  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, \ell\}$

$$\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)p} a_{k,i} < 1,$$

therefore

$$F(z) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} c_i \left( z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} a_{k,i} z^k \right) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} c_i a_{k,i} \right) z^k.$$

However,

$$\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)p} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} c_i a_{k,i} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \left[ \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)p} a_{k,i} \right] c_i \leq 1,$$

then  $F(z) \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , so the proof is complete.  $\square$

## 6. WEIGHTED MEAN AND ARITHMETIC MEAN

**Definition 6.1.** Let  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  belong to  $L(p, m)$ , then the weighted mean  $h_j(z)$  of  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  is given by

$$h_j(z) = \frac{1}{2}[(1-j)f(z) + (1+j)g(z)].$$

In the theorem below we will show the weighted mean for this class.

**Theorem 6.1.** If  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  are in the class  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , then the weighted mean of  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  is also in  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$ .

*Proof.* We have for  $h_j(z)$  by Definition 6.1,

$$\begin{aligned} h_j(z) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ (1-j) \left( z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} a_k z^k \right) + (1+j) \left( z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} b_k z^k \right) \right] \\ &= z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} ((1-j)a_k + (1+j)b_k) z^k. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  are in the class  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$  so by Theorem 2.1 we must prove that

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n \left[ \frac{1}{2}(1-j)a_k + \frac{1}{2}(1+j)b_k \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(1-j) \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n a_k + \frac{1}{2}(1+j) \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n b_k \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}(1-j)(A-B)p + \frac{1}{2}(1+j)(A-B)p. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is complete.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.2.** Let  $f_1(z), f_2(z), \dots, f_{\ell}(z)$  defined by

$$(6.1) \quad f_i(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} a_{k,i} z^k, \quad (a_{k,i} \geq 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, \ell, k \geq m, m \geq p)$$

be in the class  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , then the arithmetic mean of  $f_i(z)$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, \ell$ ) defined by

$$(6.2) \quad h(z) = \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} f_i(z)$$

is also in the class  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$ .

*Proof.* By (6.1), (6.2) we can write

$$h(z) = \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \left( z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} a_{k,i} z^k \right) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} a_{k,i} \right) z^k.$$

Since  $f_i(z) \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \dots, \ell$ , so by using Theorem 2.1, we prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n \left( \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} a_{k,i} \right) \\ = \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \left( \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n a_{k,i} \right) \leq \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} (A-B)p. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is complete.  $\square$

## 7. CONVOLUTION PROPERTIES

**Theorem 7.1.** *If  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  belong to  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$  such that*

$$(7.1) \quad f(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad g(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} b_k z^k,$$

then

$$T(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} (a_k^2 + b_k^2) z^k$$

is in the class  $L(p, m, n, A_1, B_1)$  such that  $A_1 \geq (1 - B_1)\mu^2 + B_1$ , where

$$\mu = \frac{\sqrt{2}(A-B)}{\sqrt{m(m+2)^n(1-B)}}.$$

*Proof.* Since  $f, g \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , Theorem 2.1 yields

$$\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \left( \left[ \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)p} \right] a_k \right)^2 \leq 1$$

and

$$\sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \left( \left[ \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)p} \right] b_k \right)^2 \leq 1.$$

We obtain from the last two inequalities

$$(7.2) \quad \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)p} \right]^2 (a_k^2 + b_k^2) \leq 1.$$

However,  $T(z) \in L(p, m, n, A_1, B_1)$  if and only if

$$(7.3) \quad \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{k(1-B_1)(p+k+1)^n}{(A_1-B_1)p} \right] (a_k^2 + b_k^2) \leq 1,$$

where  $-1 \leq B_1 < A_1 \leq 1$ , but (7.2) implies (7.3) if

$$\frac{k(1-B_1)(p+k+1)^n}{(A_1-B_1)p} < \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{k(1-B)(p+k+1)^n}{(A-B)p} \right]^2.$$

Hence, if

$$\frac{1-B_1}{A_1-B_1} < \frac{k(p+k+1)^n}{2p} \alpha^2, \quad \text{where } \alpha = \frac{1-B}{A-B}.$$

In other words,

$$\frac{1-B_1}{A_1-B_1} < \frac{k(k+2)^n}{2} \alpha^2.$$

This is equivalent to

$$\frac{A_1 - B_1}{1 - B_1} > \frac{2}{k(k+2)^n \alpha^2}.$$

So we can write

$$(7.4) \quad \frac{A_1 - B_1}{1 - B_1} > \frac{2(A - B)^2}{m(m+2)^n(1 - B)^2} = \mu^2.$$

Hence we get  $A_1 \geq (1 - B_1)\mu^2 + B_1$ . □

**Theorem 7.2.** Let  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  of the form (7.1) belong to  $L(p, m, n, A, B)$ . Then the convolution (or Hadamard product) of two functions  $f$  and  $g$  belong to the class, that is,  $(f * g)(z) \in L(p, m, n, A_1, B_1)$ , where  $A_1 \geq (1 - B_1)v + B_1$  and

$$v = \frac{(A - B)^2}{m(1 - B)^2(m + 2)^n}.$$

*Proof.* Since  $f, g \in L(p, m, n, A, B)$ , by using the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and Theorem 2.1, we obtain

$$(7.5) \quad \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{k(1 - B)(p + k + 1)^n}{(A - B)p} \sqrt{a_k b_k} \\ \leq \left( \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{k(1 - B)(p + k + 1)^n}{(A - B)p} a_k \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{k(1 - B)(p + k + 1)^n}{(A - B)p} b_k \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq 1.$$

We must find the values of  $A_1, B_1$  so that

$$(7.6) \quad \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{k(1 - B_1)(p + k + 1)^n}{(A_1 - B_1)p} a_k b_k < 1.$$

Therefore, by (7.5), (7.6) holds true if

$$(7.7) \quad \sqrt{a_k b_k} \leq \frac{(1 - B)(A_1 - B_1)}{(1 - B_1)(A - B)}, \quad k \geq m, \quad m \geq p, \quad a_k \neq 0, \quad b_k \neq 0.$$

By (7.5), we have  $\sqrt{a_k b_k} < \frac{(A - B)p}{k(1 - B)(p + k + 1)^n}$ , therefore (7.7) holds true if

$$\frac{k(1 - B_1)(p + k + 1)^n}{(A_1 - B_1)p} \leq \left[ \frac{k(1 - B)(p + k + 1)^n}{(A - B)p} \right]^2,$$

which is equivalent to

$$\frac{(1 - B_1)}{(A_1 - B_1)} < \frac{k(1 - B)^2(p + k + 1)^n}{(A - B)^2 p}.$$

Alternatively, we can write

$$\frac{(1 - B_1)}{(A_1 - B_1)} < \frac{k(1 - B)^2(k + 2)^n}{(A - B)^2},$$

to obtain

$$\frac{A_1 - B_1}{1 - B_1} > \frac{(A - B)^2}{m(1 - B)^2(m + 2)^n} = v.$$

Hence we get  $A_1 > v(1 - B_1) + B_1$ . □

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