

## Subordination Results for $p$ -Valent Meromorphic Functions Associated with a Linear Operator

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**Abstract.** In this paper, by making use of the Hadamard products, we obtain some subordination results for certain family of meromorphic functions defined by using a new linear operator.

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### 1 Introduction

Let  $\Sigma_p$  be the class of functions of the form:

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

which are analytic and  $p$ -valent in the punctured unit disc  $U^* = U \setminus \{0\}$ , where  $U = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C}, |z| < 1\}$ . If  $f$  and  $g$  are analytic functions in  $U$ , we say that  $f$  is subordinate to  $g$ , written  $f \prec g$  if there exists a Schwarz function  $w$ , which (by definition) is analytic in  $U$  with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  for all  $z \in U$ , such that  $f(z) = g(w(z))$ ,  $z \in U$ . Furthermore, if the function  $g$  is univalent in  $U$ , then we have the following equivalence (cf. e.g., [6, 7] and [3]):

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

For functions  $f$  given by (1.1) and  $g \in \Sigma_p$  given by

$$g(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=1-p}^{\infty} b_k z^k,$$

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the Hadamard product (or convolution) of  $f$  and  $g$  is defined by

$$(f * g)(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{k=1-p}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k = (g * f)(z).$$

For complex numbers  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q$  and  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_s$  ( $\beta_j \notin Z_0^- = \{0, -1, -2, \dots\}; j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ), we define the generalized hypergeometric function  ${}_qF_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z)$  (see, for example, [9]) by the following infinite series:

$${}_qF_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_k \cdots (\alpha_q)_k}{(\beta_1)_k \cdots (\beta_s)_k (1)_k} z^k, \quad q \leq s+1; \quad s, q \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}; \quad z \in U,$$

where

$$(d)_k = \begin{cases} 1, & k=0; \quad d \in \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}, \\ d(d+1) \cdots (d+k-1), & k \in \mathbb{N}_0; \quad d \in \mathbb{C}. \end{cases}$$

Corresponding to a function  $K_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1; \beta_1; z)$  defined by

$$K_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1; \beta_1; z) = z_q^{-p} F_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z), \tag{1.2}$$

we define the linear operator  $H_{p,q,s}^{m,\lambda}(\alpha_1) f: \Sigma_p \rightarrow \Sigma_p$  by:

$$\begin{aligned} H_{p,q,s}^{0,\lambda}(\alpha_1) f(z) &= f(z) * K_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1; \beta_1; z), \\ H_{p,q,s}^{1,\lambda}(\alpha_1) f(z) &= H_{p,q,s}^{\lambda}(\alpha_1) f(z) \\ &= (1-\lambda)(f(z) * K_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1; \beta_1; z)) + \frac{\lambda}{z^p} [z^{p+1} f(z) * K_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1; \beta_1; z)]', \end{aligned}$$

and (in general)

$$\begin{aligned} H_{p,q,s}^{m,\lambda}(\alpha_1) f &= H_{p,q,s}^{\lambda}(\alpha_1) (H_{p,q,s}^{m-1,\lambda}(\alpha_1) f(z)) \\ &= z^{-p} + \sum_{k=1-p}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k+p)]^m \frac{(\alpha_1)_{k+p} \cdots (\alpha_q)_{k+p}}{(\beta_1)_{k+p} \cdots (\beta_s)_{k+p} (1)_{k+p}} a_k z^k, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}_0; \quad \lambda > 0. \end{aligned} \tag{1.3}$$

From (1.3), we can easily deduce that

$$z(H_{p,q,s}^{m,\lambda}(\alpha_1) f(z))' = \alpha_1 H_{p,q,s}^{m,\lambda}(\alpha_1 + 1) f(z) - (\alpha_1 + p) H_{p,q,s}^{m,\lambda}(\alpha_1) f(z), \tag{1.4}$$

and

$$\lambda z(H_{p,q,s}^{m,\lambda}(\alpha_1) f(z))' = H_{p,q,s}^{m+1,\lambda}(\alpha_1) f(z) - (1 + \lambda p) H_{p,q,s}^{m,\lambda}(\alpha_1) f(z), \quad \lambda > 0. \tag{1.5}$$

We note that, for  $m=0$ , the operator  $H_{p,q,s}^{0,\lambda}(\alpha_1) = H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)$  which was investigated by Liu and Srivastava [5] and Aouf [2], for  $q=2, s=1, \alpha_2=1$  and  $m=0$ , the operator  $H_{p,2,1}^{0,\lambda}(\alpha_1; \beta_1) =$