

PRESERVING PROPERTIES OF SUBORDINATION AND SUPERORDINATION OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS INVOLVING THE WRIGHT GENERALIZED HYPERGEOMETRIC FUNCTION

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In this paper, we obtain some subordination and superordination - preserving results of analytic functions associated with the Wright generalized hypergeometric function. Sandwich-type result involving this operator is also derived.

1. Introduction

Let $H(U)$ be the class of functions analytic in $U = \{z : z \in C \text{ and } |z| < 1\}$ and $H[a, k]$ be the subclass of $H(U)$ consisting of functions of the form $f(z) = a + a_k z^k + a_{k+1} z^{k+1} + \dots$, with $H_0 \equiv H[0, 1]$ and $H \equiv H[1, 1]$.

Let A_p denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{k+p} z^{k+p} \quad (p, \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}; z \in U), \quad (1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk U .

Let f and F be members of $H(U)$, the function $f(z)$ is said to be subordinate to $F(z)$, or $F(z)$ is said to be superordinate to $f(z)$, if there exists a function $w(z)$

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analytic in U with $w(0) = 0$ and $|w(z)| < 1 (z \in U)$, such that $f(z) = F(w(z))$. In such a case we write $f(z) \prec F(z)$. In particular, if F is univalent, then $f(z) \prec F(z)$ if and only if $f(0) = F(0)$ and $f(U) \subset F(U)$ (see [1,2]).

Let $\Psi : C^2 \times U \rightarrow C$ and let h be univalent in U . If p is analytic in U and satisfies the first order differential subordination

$$\Psi(p(z), zp'(z); z) \prec h(z) (z \in U), \tag{2}$$

then p is called a solution of the differential subordination (2).

The univalent function q is called a dominant solutions of the differential subordination (2) if $p \prec q$ for all p satisfying (2). A dominant \tilde{q} that satisfies $\tilde{q} \prec q$ for all dominants q of (2) is said to be the best dominant of (2).

Similarly, let $\Phi : C^2 \times U \rightarrow C$ and let h be univalent in U . If p is analytic in U and satisfies the first order differential superordination

$$h(z) \prec \Phi(p(z), zp'(z); z) (z \in U), \tag{3}$$

then p is called a solution of the differential superordination (3).

The univalent function q is called a subordinant solutions of the differential superordination (3) if $q \prec p$ for all p satisfying (3). A subordinant \tilde{q} that satisfies $q \prec \tilde{q}$ for all subordinant q of (3) is said to be the best subordinant. (see the monograph by Miller and Mocanu [11], and [12]).

Let $\alpha_1, A_1, \dots, \alpha_l, A_l$ and $\beta_1, B_1, \dots, \beta_m, B_m$ ($l, m \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$) be positive real parameters such that

$$1 + \sum_{k=1}^m B_k - \sum_{k=1}^l A_k > 0. \tag{4}$$

The Wright generalized hypergeometric function (see [14], [15] and [16])

$${}_l\Psi_m [(\alpha_1, A_1, \dots, \alpha_l, A_l); (\beta_1, B_1, \dots, \beta_m, B_m); z] \\ = {}_L\Psi_m [(\alpha_n, A_n)_{1,l}; (\beta_n, B_n)_{1,m}; z] \text{ is defined by}$$

$${}_l\Psi_m [(\alpha_n, A_n)_{1,l}; (\beta_n, B_n)_{1,m}; z] \\ = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \prod_{n=1}^l \Gamma(\alpha_n + kA_n) \right\} \left\{ \prod_{n=1}^m \Gamma(\beta_n + kB_n) \right\}^{-1} \frac{z^k}{k!} (z \in U). \tag{5}$$

If $A_n = 1, (n = 1, \dots, l), B_n = 1, (n = 1, \dots, m)$, we have

$$\Omega_l\Psi_m [(\alpha_n, 1)_{1,l}; (\beta_n, 1)_{1,m}; z] = {}_lF_m(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_m, z), \tag{6}$$

which is the generalized hypergeometric function where

$$\Omega = \left(\prod_{n=1}^l \Gamma(\alpha_n) \right)^{-1} \left(\prod_{n=1}^m \Gamma(\beta_n) \right). \tag{7}$$

Using the Wright hypergeometric function, Dziok and Raina ([7] and [8]) introduced the linear operator

$$\theta_p^{l,m} [(\alpha_n, A_n)_{1,l}; (\beta_n, B_n)_{1,m}] : A_p \rightarrow A_p,$$

which is defined by the following convolution

$$\theta_p^{l,m} [(\alpha_n, A_n)_{1,l}; (\beta_n, B_n)_{1,m}] f(z) = \phi_p^{l,m} [(\alpha_n, A_n)_{1,l}; (\beta_n, B_n)_{1,m}] * f(z), \tag{8}$$

where

$$\phi_p^{L,m} [(\alpha_n, A_n)_{1,L}; (\beta_n, B_n)_{1,m}] = \Omega z_L^p \Psi_m [(\alpha_n, A_n)_{1,L}; (\beta_n, B_n)_{1,m}; z] * f(z), \tag{9}$$

If $f(z) \in A_p$ is given by equation (1), then we have

$$\theta_p^{l,m} [(\alpha_n, A_n)_{1,l}; (\beta_n, B_n)_{1,m}] f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sigma(k) a_{k+p} z^{k+p}, \tag{10}$$

where

$$\sigma(k) = \Omega \frac{\prod_{n=1}^l \Gamma(\alpha_n + kA_n)}{\prod_{n=1}^m \Gamma(\beta_n + kB_n) k!}. \tag{11}$$

In order to make the notation simple, we write

$$\theta_p^{l,m} [(\alpha_n, A_n)_{1,l}; (\beta_n, B_n)_{1,m}] = \theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]. \tag{12}$$

It is easily verified from (9) that

$$\begin{aligned} z (\theta_p^{L,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z))' &= \frac{\alpha_1}{A_1} \theta_p^{L,m} [\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1] f(z) \\ &\quad - \left(\frac{\alpha_1}{A_1} - p \right) \theta_p^{L,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z) \quad (A_1 > 0). \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

Not that for $A_n = 1, (n = 1, \dots, l), B_n = 1, (n = 1, \dots, m)$, we have

$$\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, 1, 1] = H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1], \tag{14}$$

where $H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1]$ is the Dziok–Srivastava operator [5].

It is well known [6] that

$$z [H_m^l [\alpha_1] f(z)]' = \alpha_1 H_m^l [\alpha_1 + 1] f(z) - (\alpha_1 - p) H_m^l [\alpha_1] f(z), \tag{15}$$

where $H_m^l [\alpha_1] f(z) = H_m^l (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_m) f(z)$.

To prove our results, we need the following definitions and lemmas.

Definition 1.1. ([11]) Denote by Q the set of all functions $q(z)$ that are analytic and injective on $\bar{U}/E(q)$ where

$$E(q) = \{ \zeta \in \partial U : \lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta} q(z) = \infty \},$$

and are such that $q'(\zeta) \neq 0$ for $\zeta \in \partial U/E(q)$. Further, let the subclass of Q for which $q(0) = a$ be denoted by $Q(a)$, $Q(0) \equiv Q_0$ and $Q(1) \equiv Q_1$.

Definition 1.2. ([12]) A function $L(z, t)$ ($z \in U, t \geq 0$) is said to be a subordination chain if $L(0, t)$ is analytic and univalent in $z \in U$ for all $t \geq 0$, $L(z, 0)$ is continuously differentiable on $[0; 1]$ for all $z \in U$ and $L(z, t_1) \prec L(z, t_2)$ for all $0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2$.

Lemma 1.3. ([13]) The function $L(z, t) : U \times [0; 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ of the form

$$L(z, t) = a_1(t)z + a_2(t)z^2 + \dots \quad (a_1(t) \neq 0; t \geq 0),$$

and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |a_1(t)| = \infty$ is a subordination chain if and only if

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{z \partial L(z, t) / \partial t}{\partial L(z, t) / \partial t} \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in U, t \geq 0).$$

Lemma 1.4. ([9]) Suppose that the function $H : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ satisfies the condition

$$\Re \{ H(is; t) \} \leq 0$$

for all real s and for all $t \leq -n(1 + s^2)/2, n \in \mathbb{N}$. If the function $p(z) = 1 + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots$, is analytic in U and

$\Re \{ H(p(z); zp'(z)) \} > 0$ ($z \in U$). then $\Re \{ p(z) \} > 0$ for $z \in U$.

Lemma 1.5. ([10]) Let $k, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ with $k \neq 0$ and let $h \in H(U)$ with $H(0) = c$. If $\Re \{ kh(z) + \gamma \} > 0$ ($z \in U$), then the solution of the following differential equation:

$$q(z) + \frac{zq'(z)}{kq(z) + \gamma} = h(z) \quad (z \in U; q(0) = c),$$

is analytic in U and satisfies $\Re \{ kh(z) + \gamma \} > 0$ for $z \in U$.

Lemma 1.6. ([11]) Let $p \in Q(a)$ and let $q(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots$, be analytic in U with $q(z) \neq 0$ and $n \geq 1$. If q is not subordinate to p , then there exists two points $z_0 = r_0 e^{i\theta} \in U$ and $\xi_0 \in \partial U/E(q)$ such that $q(U_{r_0}) \subset p(U)$; $q(z_0) = p(\xi_0)$ and $z_0 p'(z_0) = m \xi_0 p'(\xi_0)$ $m \geq n$.

Lemma 1.7. ([12]) *Let $q \in H[a, 1]$ and $\phi : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ also $\phi(q(z), zq'(z)) = h(z)$. If $L(z, t) = \phi(q(z), tzq'(z))$ is a subordination chain and $q \in H[a, 1] \cap Q(a)$, then*

$$h(z) \prec \phi(p(z), zp'(z)),$$

implies that $q(z) \prec p(z)$. Further, if $\phi(q(z), zq'(z)) = h(z)$ has a univalent solution $q \in Q(a)$, then q is the best subordination.

In the present paper, we aim to prove some subordination-preserving and superordination-preserving properties associated with the fractional differintegral operator $\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]$. Sandwich-type result involving this operator is also derived. A similar problem for analytic functions was studied by Aouf and Seoudy [3] and [4].

2. Subordination, superordination and sandwich results involving the operator $\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]$

Theorem 2.1. *Let $f, g \in A_p$ and let*

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right\} > -\delta, \tag{16}$$

where

$$\phi(z) = \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1]g(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]g(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \quad (\mu > 0; z \in U), \tag{17}$$

where $\alpha_1, A_1, \dots, \alpha_l, A_l$ and $\beta_1, B_1, \dots, \beta_m, B_m$ ($l, m \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$) are positive real parameters such that $1 + \sum_{k=1}^m B_k - \sum_{k=1}^l A_k > 0$, and δ is given by

$$\delta = \frac{A_1^2 + \mu^2 \alpha_1^2 - |A_1^2 - \mu^2 \alpha_1^2|}{4\mu A_1 \alpha_1}. \tag{18}$$

Then the subordination condition

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1]f(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \\ & \prec \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1]g(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]g(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu, \end{aligned}$$

implies that

$$\left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \prec \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu,$$

and the function $\left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ is the best dominant.

Proof. Let us define the functions $F(z)$ and $G(z)$ in U by

$$F(z) = \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \text{ and } G(z) = \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \quad (19)$$

we assume here, without loss of generality, that $G(z)$ is analytic and univalent on \bar{U} and

$$G'(\zeta) \neq 0 \quad (|\zeta| = 1).$$

If not, then we replace $F(z)$ and $G(z)$ by $F(\rho z)$ and $G(\rho z)$, respectively, with $0 < \rho < 1$. These new functions have the desired properties on \bar{U} , and we can use them in the proof of our result. Therefore, the results would follow by letting $\rho \rightarrow 1$. We first show that, if

$$q(z) = 1 + \frac{zG''(z)}{G'(z)} \quad (z \in U), \quad (20)$$

then

$$\Re \{q(z)\} > 0 \quad (z \in U).$$

From (11) and the definition of the functions G, ϕ , we obtain that

$$\phi(z) = G(z) + \frac{A_1 z G'(z)}{\mu \alpha_1}. \quad (21)$$

Differentiating both side of (21) with respect to z yields

$$\phi'(z) = \left(1 + \frac{A_1}{\mu \alpha_1} \right) G'(z) + \frac{A_1 z G'(z)}{\mu \alpha_1}. \quad (22)$$

Combining (20) and (22), we easily get

$$1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} = q(z) + \frac{A_1 z q'(z)}{q(z) + \mu \alpha_1} = h(z) \quad (z \in U). \quad (23)$$

It follows from (16) and (23) that

$$\Re \left\{ h(z) + \frac{\mu\alpha_1}{A} \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in U). \tag{24}$$

Moreover, by using Lemma 1.5, we conclude that the differential equation (23) has a solution $q(z) \in H(U)$ with $h(0) = q(0) = 1$. Let

$$H(u, v) = u + \frac{A_1 v}{A_1 u + \mu\alpha_1} + \delta,$$

where δ is given by (18). From (23) and (24), we obtain

$$\Re \{ H(q(z); zq'(z)) \} > 0 \quad (z \in U).$$

To verify the condition that

$$\Re \{ H(is; t) \} \leq 0 \quad (t \leq -(1 + s^2)/2; s \in \mathbb{R}). \tag{25}$$

we proceed it as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \Re \{ H(is; t) \} &= \Re \left\{ is + \frac{A_1 t}{A_1 is + \mu\alpha_1} + \delta \right\} = \frac{A_1 \alpha_1 t \mu}{A_1^2 s^2 + \mu^2 \alpha_1^2} + \delta \\ &\leq -\frac{A_1^2 \psi_p(\alpha_1, \mu, A_1, s)}{2 [A_1^2 s^2 + \mu^2 \alpha_1^2]}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\psi_p(\alpha_1, \mu, A_1, s) = \left[\frac{\mu\alpha_1}{A_1} - 2\delta \right] s^2 - 2\delta \frac{\mu^2 \alpha_1^2}{A_1^2} + \frac{\mu\alpha_1}{A_1}. \tag{26}$$

For δ given by (18), we note that the expression $\psi_p(\alpha_1, \mu, A_1, s)$ in (26) is a positive, which implies that (25) holds. Thus, by using Lemma 1.4, we conclude that

$$\Re \{ q(z) \} > 0 \quad (z \in U).$$

By the definition of $q(z)$, we know that G is convex. To prove $F \prec G$, let the function $L(z, t)$ be defined by

$$L(z, t) = G(z) + \frac{(1+t)A_1 z G'(z)}{\mu\alpha_1} \quad (0 \leq t < \infty; z \in U). \tag{27}$$

Since G is convex, then

$$\left. \frac{\partial L(z, t)}{\partial z} \right|_{z=0} = G'(0) \left(1 + \frac{A_1(1+t)}{\mu\alpha_1} \right) \neq 0 \quad (0 \leq t < \infty; z \in U)$$

and

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{z \partial L(z,t) / \partial t}{\partial L(z,t) / \partial t} \right\} = \Re \left\{ \frac{\mu \alpha_1}{A_1} + (1+t)q(z) \right\} > 0 \quad (0 \leq t < \infty; z \in U).$$

Therefore, by using Lemma 1.3, we deduce that $L(z,t)$ is a subordination chain. It follows from the definition of subordination chain that

$$\phi(z) = G(z) + \frac{A_1 z G'(z)}{\mu \alpha_1} = L(z, 0),$$

and

$$L(z, 0) \prec L(z, t) \quad (0 \leq t < \infty),$$

which implies

$$L(\zeta, t) \notin L(U, 0) \quad (0 \leq t < \infty; \zeta \in \partial U), \tag{28}$$

If F is not subordinate to G , by using Lemma 1.6, we know that there exist two points $z_0 \in U$ and $\zeta_0 \in \partial U$ such that

$$F(z_0) = G(\zeta_0) \text{ and } z_0 F'(z_0) = (1+t)\zeta_0 p(\zeta_0) \quad (0 \leq t < \infty). \tag{29}$$

Hence, by virtue of (11) and (29), we have

$$\begin{aligned} L(\zeta_0, t) &= G(\zeta_0) + \frac{(1+t)A_1 z G'(\zeta_0)}{\mu \alpha_1} = F(z_0) + \frac{A_1 z_0 F'(z_0)}{\mu \alpha_1} \\ &= \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1] f(z_0)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z_0)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z_0)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \in \phi(U). \end{aligned}$$

This contradicts to (28). Thus, we deduce that $F \prec G$. Considering $F = G$, we see that the function G is the best dominant.

□

By taking $A_n = 1, (n = 1, \dots, l)$ and $B_n = 1, (n = 1, \dots, m)$, in Theorem 2.1 and using the relation (14) we get the following corollary

Corollary 2.2. *Let $f, g \in A_p$ and let*

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{z \phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right\} > -\delta, \tag{30}$$

where

$$\phi(z) = \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1] g(z)}{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1] g(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \quad (\mu > 0; z \in U), \tag{31}$$

where $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l$ and $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_m (l, m \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\})$ are positive real parameters and δ is given by

$$\delta = \frac{1 + \mu^2 \alpha_1^2 - |1 - \mu^2 \alpha_1^2|}{4\mu \alpha_1}. \tag{32}$$

Then the subordination condition

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1] f(z)}{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1] f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \\ & \prec \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1] g(z)}{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1] g(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \end{aligned}$$

implies that

$$\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \prec \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu,$$

and the function $\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ is the best dominant.

We now derive the following superordination result.

Theorem 2.3. Let $f, g \in A_p$ and let

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right\} > -\delta, \tag{33}$$

where

$$\phi(z) = \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1] g(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \quad (\mu > 0; z \in U), \tag{34}$$

where $\alpha_1, A_1, \dots, \alpha_l, A_l$ and $\beta_1, B_1, \dots, \beta_m, B_m (l, m \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\})$ are positive real parameters such that $1 + \sum_{k=1}^m B_k - \sum_{k=1}^l A_k > 0$, and δ is given by (18).

If the function $\left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1] f(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ is univalent in U and $\left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \in Q$, then the superordination condition

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1] g(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \\ & \prec \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1] f(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu, \end{aligned}$$

implies that

$$\left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \prec \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu,$$

and the function $\left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ is the best subordinate.

Proof. Suppose that the functions F , G and q are defined by (19) and (20), respectively. By applying the similar method as in the proof of Theorem 2.1, we get

$$\Re \{q(z)\} > 0 \quad (z \in U).$$

Next, to arrive at our desired result, we show that $G \prec F$. For this, we suppose that the function $L(z, t)$ be defined by (27).

Since G is convex, by applying a similar method as in Theorem 2.1, we deduce that $L(z, t)$ is subordination chain. Therefore, by using Lemma 1.7, we conclude that $G \prec F$. Moreover, since the differential equation

$$\phi(z) = G(z) + \frac{A_1 z G'(z)}{\mu \alpha_1} = \varphi(G(z), zG'(z))$$

has a univalent solution G , it is the best subordinate. □

By taking $A_n = 1, (n = 1, \dots, l)$ and $B_n = 1, (n = 1, \dots, m)$, in Theorem 2.3 and using the relation (14) we get the following corollary

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where

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where $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l$ and $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_m (l, m \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\})$ are positive real parameters and δ is given by (32).

If the function $\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1 + 1] f(z)}{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ is univalent in U

and $\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \in Q$, then the superordination condition

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1]g(z)}{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]g(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \\ & \prec \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1]f(z)}{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \end{aligned}$$

implies that

$$\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \prec \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu,$$

and the function $\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]g(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ is the best subdominant.

Combining Theorems 2.1 and 2.3, we obtain the following “sandwich-type result”.

Theorem 2.5. Let $f, g_i \in A_p$ ($j = 1, 2$) and let

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{z\phi_j''(z)}{\phi_j'(z)} \right\} > -\delta, \tag{37}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_j(z) = & \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1]g_j(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]g_j(z)} \right) \\ & \cdot \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]g_j(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \quad (\mu > 0; z \in U) \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

where $\alpha_1, A_1, \dots, \alpha_l, A_l$ and $\beta_1, B_1, \dots, \beta_m, B_m$ ($L, m \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$) are positive real parameters such that $1 + \sum_{k=1}^m B_k - \sum_{k=1}^l A_k > 0$, and δ is given by (18).

If the function $\left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1]f(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ is univalent in U and $\left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \in Q$, then the condition

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1]g_1(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]g_1(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]g_1(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \\ & \prec \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1]f(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1, A_1, B_1]f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \end{aligned}$$

$$\prec \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1 + 1, A_1, B_1] g_2(z)}{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g_2(z)} \right) \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g_2(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu,$$

implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g_1(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu &\prec \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \\ &\prec \left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g_1(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu, \end{aligned}$$

and the function $\left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g_1(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ and $\left(\frac{\theta_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1, A_1, B_1] g_2(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ are, respectively, the best subordinant and the best dominant.

By taking $A_n = 1, (n = 1, \dots, l)$ and $B_n = 1, (n = 1, \dots, m)$, in Theorem 2.5 and using the relation (14) we get the following corollary

Corollary 2.6. *Let $f, g_i \in A_p (j = 1, 2)$ and let*

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{z\phi_j''(z)}{\phi_j'(z)} \right\} > -\delta, \tag{39}$$

where

$$\phi_j(z) = \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1 + 1] g_j(z)}{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] g_j(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] g_j(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \quad (\mu > 0; z \in U) \tag{40}$$

where $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l$ and $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_m (l, m \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\})$ are positive real parameters and δ is given by (32). If the function $\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1 + 1] f(z)}{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ is univalent in U and $\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \in \mathcal{Q}$, then the condition

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1 + 1] g_1(z)}{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] g_1(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] g_1(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \\ &\prec \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1 + 1] f(z)}{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] f(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \\ &\prec \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1 + 1] g_2(z)}{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] g_2(z)} \right) \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m} [\alpha_1] g_2(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \end{aligned}$$

implies that

$$\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]g_1(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \prec \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]f(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu \prec \left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]g_1(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu,$$

and the function $\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]g_1(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ and $\left(\frac{H_p^{l,m}[\alpha_1]g_2(z)}{z^p} \right)^\mu$ are, respectively, the best subdominant and the best dominant.

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