

**SUBORDINATION RESULTS FOR CERTAIN SUBCLASS OF  
ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS DEFINED BY SALAGEAN OPERATOR**

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper we derive subordination results for certain subclass of analytic functions defined by using Salagean operator.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $A$  denote the class of functions of the form:

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

which are analytic and univalent in the open unit disc  $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Let  $g(z) \in A$  be given by:

$$g(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} b_k z^k. \quad (1.2)$$

We also denote by  $K$  the class of functions  $f(z) \in A$  that are convex in  $U$ . For  $f(z) \in A$ , Salagean [8] introduced the following differential operator:

$$D^0 f(z) = f(z), D^1 f(z) = z f'(z), \dots, D^n f(z) = D(D^{n-1} f(z)) \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

We note that

$$D^n f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^n a_k z^k \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}).$$

**Definition 1.** (*Hadamard Product or Convolution*). Given two functions  $f$  and  $g$  in the class  $A$ , where  $f(z)$  is given by (1.1) and  $g(z)$  is given by (1.2) the Hadamard product (or convolution) of  $f$  and  $g$  is defined (as usual) by

$$(f * g)(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k = (g * f)(z). \quad (1.3)$$

**Definition 2.** (*Subordination Principle*). For two functions  $f$  and  $g$ , analytic in  $U$ , we say that the function  $f(z)$  is subordinate to  $g(z)$  in  $U$ , and write  $f(z) \prec g(z)$ , if there exists a Schwarz function  $w(z)$ , which (by definition) is analytic in  $U$  with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$ , such that  $f(z) = g(w(z))$  ( $z \in U$ ). Indeed it is known that

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

Furthermore, if the function  $g$  is univalent in  $U$ , then we have the following equivalence [6, p. 4]:

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

**Definition 3.** [4]. Let  $F_{m,n}(\alpha, \beta)$  denote the subclass of  $A$  consisting of functions  $f(z)$  of the form (1.1) and satisfy the inequality,

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - \alpha \right\} > \beta \left| \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right| \quad (1.4)$$

$$(-1 \leq \alpha \leq 1, \beta \geq 0; m \in \mathbb{N}; n \in \mathbb{N}_0, m > n; z \in U).$$

The family  $F_{m,n}(\alpha, \beta)$  is of special interest for it contains many well-known as well as many new classes of analytic univalent functions.

Specifying the parameters  $\alpha, \beta, m$  and  $n$ , we obtain the following subclasses studied by various authors:

$$(i) F_{n+1,n}(\alpha, \beta) = S(n, \alpha, \beta) = \left\{ f \in A : \Re \left\{ \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - \alpha \right\} > \beta \left| \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right|, \right. \\ \left. 0 \leq \alpha < 1, \beta \geq 0, n \in \mathbb{N}_0, z \in U \right\}$$

(see Rosy and Murugusudaramoorthy [7], see also Aouf [1]);

$$\begin{aligned}
 (ii) \quad F_{1,0}(\alpha, \beta) &= US(\alpha, \beta) \\
 &= \left\{ f \in A : \Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \right\} > \beta \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right|, \right. \\
 &\quad \left. 0 \leq \alpha < 1, \beta \geq 0, z \in U \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{2,1}(\alpha, \beta) &= UK(\alpha, \beta) \\
 &= \left\{ f \in A : \Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \alpha \right\} > \beta \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right|, \right. \\
 &\quad \left. 0 \leq \alpha < 1, \beta \geq 0, z \in U \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

(see Shams et al. [10], see also Shams and Kulkarni [9]);

Also we note that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (i) \quad F_{m,n}(\alpha, 0) &= F_{m,n}(\alpha) = \left\{ f(z) \in A : \Re \left\{ \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} \right\} > \alpha, \right. \\
 &\quad \left. 0 \leq \alpha < 1; m \in \mathbb{N}, n \in \mathbb{N}_0, m > n, z \in U \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 4** (*Subordination Factor Sequence*). A sequence  $\{c_k\}_{k=0}^\infty$  of complex numbers is said to be a subordinating factor sequence if, whenever  $f(z)$  of the form (1.1) is analytic, univalent and convex in  $U$ , we have the subordination given by

$$\sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k c_k z^k \prec f(z) \quad (a_1 = 1; z \in U). \tag{1.5}$$

## 2. MAIN RESULT

Unless otherwise mentioned, we assume in the reminder of this paper that,  $-1 \leq \alpha \leq 1, \beta \geq 0, m \in \mathbb{N}, n \in \mathbb{N}_0, m > n$  and  $z \in U$ .

To prove our main result we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1.** [13]. *The sequence  $\{c_k\}_{k=0}^\infty$  is a subordinating factor sequence if and only if*

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^\infty c_k z^k \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in U). \tag{2.1}$$

Now, we prove the following lemma which gives a sufficient condition for functions belonging to the class  $F_{m,n}(\alpha, \beta)$ .

**Lemma 2.** A function  $f(z)$  of the form (1.1) is in the class  $F_{m,n}(\alpha, \beta)$  if

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [(1 + \beta)(k^m - k^n) + (1 - \alpha)k^n] |a_k| \leq 1 - \alpha. \tag{2.2}$$

*Proof.* It suffices to show that

$$\beta \left| \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right| - \Re \left\{ \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right\} < 1 - \alpha.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta \left| \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right| - \Re \left\{ \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right\} \\ & \leq (1 + \beta) \left| \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right| \leq \frac{(1 + \beta) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k^m - k^n) |a_k|}{1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^n |a_k|}. \end{aligned}$$

This last expression is bounded above by  $(1 - \alpha)$  if

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [(1 + \beta)(k^m - k^n) + (1 - \alpha)k^n] |a_k| \leq 1 - \alpha,$$

and hence the proof of Lemma 2 is completed.

**Remark 1.** The result obtained by Lemma 2 is giving a simplified version of the result obtained by Eker and Owa [4, Theorem 2.1].

Taking  $\beta = 0$  in Lemma 2, we obtain the following corollary:

**Corollary 3.** A function  $f(z)$  of the form (1.1) is in the class  $F_{m,n}(\alpha)$  if

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k^m - \alpha k^n) |a_k| \leq 1 - \alpha. \tag{2.3}$$

Let  $F_{m,n}^*(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $F_{m,n}^*(\alpha)$  denote the classes of functions  $f(z) \in A$  whose coefficients satisfy the condition (2.2) and (2.3) respectively. We note that  $F_{m,n}^*(\alpha, \beta) \subseteq F_{m,n}(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $F_{m,n}^*(\alpha) \subseteq F_{m,n}(\alpha)$ .

Employing the technique used earlier by Attiya [3] and Srivastava and Attiya [11], we prove:

**Theorem 4.** Let  $f(z) \in F_{m,n}^*(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then

$$\frac{(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)2^n}{2[(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)(2^n + 1)]} (f * h)(z) \prec h(z) \quad (z \in U), \tag{2.4}$$

for every function  $h$  in  $K$ , and

$$\Re \{f(z)\} > -\frac{[(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)(2^n+1)]}{(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)2^n} \quad (z \in U). \quad (2.5)$$

The constant factor  $\frac{(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)2^n}{2[(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)(2^n+1)]}$  in the subordination result (2.4) cannot be replaced by a larger one.

*Proof.* Let  $f(z) \in F_{m,n}^*(\alpha, \beta)$  and let  $h(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} c_k z^k \in K$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)2^n}{2[(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)(2^n+1)]} (f * h)(z) = \\ & \frac{(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)2^n}{2[(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)(2^n+1)]} \left( z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k c_k z^k \right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Thus, by Definition 4, the subordination result (2.4) will hold true if the sequence

$$\left\{ \frac{(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)2^n}{2[(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)(2^n+1)]} a_k \right\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$$

is a subordinating factor sequence, with  $a_1 = 1$ . In view of Lemma 1, this is equivalent to the following inequality:

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)2^n}{[(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)(2^n+1)]} a_k z^k \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in U). \quad (2.7)$$

Now, since

$$\Psi(k) = (1+\beta)(k^m - k^n) + (1-\alpha)k^n$$

is an increasing function of  $k$  ( $k \geq 2$ ), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Re \left\{ 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)2^n}{[(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)(2^n+1)]} a_k z^k \right\} \\ & = \Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)2^n}{[(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)(2^n+1)]} z + \right. \\ & \quad \left. \frac{1}{[(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)(2^n+1)]} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [(1+\beta)(2^m-2^n) + (1-\alpha)2^n] a_k z^k \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\geq 1 - \frac{(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)2^n}{[(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)(2^n + 1)]} r - \\
 &\quad \frac{1}{[(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)(2^n + 1)]} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [(1 + \beta)(k^m - k^n) - (1 - \alpha)k^n] |a_k| r^k \\
 &> 1 - \frac{(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)2^n}{[(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)(2^n + 1)]} r - \frac{1 - \alpha}{[(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)(2^n + 1)]} r \\
 &= 1 - r > 0 \quad (|z| = r < 1),
 \end{aligned}$$

where we have also made use of assertion (2.2) of Lemma 2. Thus (2.7) holds true in  $U$ , this proves the inequality (2.4). The inequality (2.5) follows from (2.4) by taking the convex function  $h(z) = \frac{z}{1-z} = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} z^k$ . To prove the sharpness of the constant  $\frac{(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)2^n}{2[(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)(2^n + 1)]}$ , we consider the function  $f_0(z) \in F_{m,n}^*(\alpha, \beta)$  given by

$$f_0(z) = z - \frac{1 - \alpha}{(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)2^n} z^2. \tag{2.8}$$

Thus from (2.4), we have

$$\frac{(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)2^n}{2[(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)(2^n + 1)]} f_0(z) \prec \frac{z}{1-z} \quad (z \in U). \tag{2.9}$$

Moreover, it can easily be verified for the function  $f_0(z)$  given by (2.8) that

$$\min_{|z| \leq r} \left\{ \Re \frac{(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)2^n}{2[(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)(2^n + 1)]} f_0(z) \right\} = -\frac{1}{2}. \tag{2.10}$$

This shows that the constant  $\frac{(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)2^n}{2[(1 + \beta)(2^m - 2^n) + (1 - \alpha)(2^n + 1)]}$  is the best possible.

**Remark 2.** (i) The result obtained in Theorem 1, is giving a simplified version of the result obtained by Srivastava and Eker [12, Theorem 1];

(ii) Taking  $m = n + 1$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ) in Theorem 1, we obtain the result obtained by Aouf et al. [2, Corollary 4];

(iii) Taking  $m = 1$  and  $n = 0$  in Theorem 1, we obtain the result obtained by Frasin [5, Corollary 2.2];

(iv) Taking  $m = 2$  and  $n = 1$  in Theorem 1, we obtain the result obtained by Frasin [5, Corollary 2.5];

Putting  $\beta = 0$  in Theorem 1, we have the following corollary:

**Corollary 5.** *Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $F_{m,n}^*(\alpha)$  and suppose that  $h(z) \in K$ . Then*

$$\frac{2^m - 2^n \alpha}{2[(2^m + 1) - (2^n + 1)\alpha]} (f * h)(z) \prec h(z) \quad (2.11)$$

and

$$\Re \{f(z)\} > -\frac{(2^m + 1) - (2^n + 1)\alpha}{2^m - 2^n \alpha}. \quad (2.12)$$

The constant factor  $\frac{2^m - 2^n \alpha}{2[(2^m + 1) - (2^n + 1)\alpha]}$  in the subordination result (2.11) cannot be replaced by a larger one.

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