

## On certain subclass of meromorphic p-valent functions with negative coefficients<sup>1</sup>

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### Abstract

A certain subclass  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  consisting of meromorphic p-valent functions with negative coefficients in  $U^* = \{z : z \in C \text{ and } 0 < |z| < 1\}$  is introduced. In this paper we obtain coefficient inequalities, distortion theorem, closure theorems and class preserving integral operators for functions in the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ .

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## 1 Introduction

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

$$(1) \quad f(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (a_{-p} \neq 0; p \in N = \{1, 2, \dots\})$$

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which are regular in the punctured disc  $U^* = \{z : z \in C \text{ and } 0 < |z| < 1\} = U \setminus \{0\}$ . For a function  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$ , we define the following differential operator:

$$(2) \quad D_{\lambda,p}^0 f(z) = f(z),$$

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} D_{\lambda,p}^1 f(z) &= (1 - \lambda)f(z) + \frac{\lambda}{z^p} (z^{p+1} f(z))' \quad (\lambda \geq 0; p \in N) \\ &= \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k + p)] a_k z^k, \end{aligned}$$

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} D_{\lambda,p}^2 f(z) &= D(D_{\lambda,p}^1 f(z)) \\ &= \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k + p)]^2 a_k z^k, \end{aligned}$$

and for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ,

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z) &= D(D_{\lambda,p}^{n-1} f(z)) \\ &= \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k + p)]^n a_k z^k. \end{aligned}$$

Also we can write  $D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)$  as follows :

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z) &= (f * \left\{ \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k + p)]^n z^k \right\})(z) \\ &= (f * \phi_{n,\lambda}^p)(z), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\phi_{n,\lambda}^p(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k + p)]^n z^k$  and  $(\star)$  denotes convolution.

In [1] Aouf and Hossen obtained new criteria for meromorphic  $p$ -valent starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < p$ ) via the basic inclusion relationship  $B_{n+1}(\alpha) \subset B_n(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < p, n \in N_0 = N \cup \{0\}, p \in N$ ), where  $B_n(\alpha)$  is the class consisting of functions in  $\Sigma_p$  satisfying

$$(7) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{D^{n+1} f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - (p+1) \right\} < -\alpha \quad (z \in U^*; 0 \leq \alpha < p; p \in N; n \in N_0).$$

We note that  $B_0(\alpha) = \Sigma_p^*(\alpha)$  (the class of meromorphic p-valent starlike functions of order  $\alpha$ ).

Let  $\sigma_p$  denote the subclass of  $\Sigma_p$  consisting of functions of the form :

$$(8) \quad f(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (a_{-p} > 0; a_k \geq 0; p \in N).$$

With the aid of the differential operator  $D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)$  we define the class  $B_n(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  as follows :

A function  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  is said to be in the class  $B_n(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  if it satisfies the condition

$$(9) \quad \left| \frac{\frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1} f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)} - 1}{B \left[ \frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1} f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)} - (p+1) \right] + [pB + (A-B)(p-\alpha)]} \right| < 1 \quad (z \in U^*)$$

for some  $0 \leq \alpha < p; \lambda \geq 0; p \in N, n \in N_0, -1 \leq A < B \leq 1$  and  $0 < B \leq 1$ .

Let us write :

$$B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B) = B_n(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B) \cap \sigma_p.$$

We note that :

- (i)  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, 0, -1, 1) = \sigma_p(n, \alpha)$  (Darwish [2]);
- (ii)  $B_0(p, \alpha, -1, 1) = \Sigma_p^*(\alpha) (0 \leq \alpha < p);$
- (iii)  $B_0(p, \alpha, 1, -\beta, \beta) = \Sigma_p^*(\alpha, \beta) (0 \leq \alpha < p; 0 < \beta \leq 1)$  is the class of meromorphically p-valent starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  and type  $\beta$ ;
- (iv)  $B_0(\alpha, 1, -\beta, \beta) = \Sigma^*(\alpha, \beta) (0 \leq \alpha < 1; 0 < \beta \leq 1)$  is the class of meromorphically starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  and type  $\beta$  (Mogra et al. [3]).

Also we note that:

$$(i) \quad B_n(p, \alpha, \lambda, -\beta, \beta) = B_n(p, \alpha, \lambda, \beta)$$

$$= \left\{ f(z) \in \Sigma_p : \left| \frac{\frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1} f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)} - 1}{\frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1} f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)} + 2\alpha - (2p+1)} \right| < \beta \right. ,$$

$$(10) \quad (z \in U^*, 0 \leq \alpha < p; 0 < \beta \leq 1; \lambda \geq 0; n \in N_0; p \in N) \} .$$

In this paper coefficient inequalities, distortion theorem and closure theorems for the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  are obtained. Finally, the class preserving integral operators of the form

$$F_{c+p-1}(z) = c \int_0^1 u^{c+p-1} f(uz) du \quad (c > 0)$$

for the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  is considered. We employ techniques similar to these used earlier by Silverman [4] (see also Srivastava and Owa [5]).

## 2 Coefficient Inequalities

**Theorem 1** *Let the function  $f(z)$  be defined by (1). If*

$$(11) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k + p)]^n \{ \lambda(k + p)(1 + B) + (A - B)(p - \alpha) \} |a_k| \leq (B - A)(p - \alpha) |a_{-p}| .$$

*Then  $f(z) \in B_n(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ .*

**Proof.** It suffices to show that

$$(12) \quad \left| \frac{\frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1} f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)} - 1}{B \left[ \frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1} f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)} - (p + 1) \right] + [pB + (A - B)(p - \alpha)]} \right| < 1 \quad (|z| < 1).$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{\frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1}f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^nf(z)} - 1}{B \frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1}f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^nf(z)} + [pB + (A-B)(p-\alpha)]} \right| \\
&= \left| \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \lambda(k+p) a_k z^{k+p}}{(A-B)(p-\alpha)a_{-p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n [\lambda B(k+p) + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] a_k z^{k+p}} \right| \\
&\leq \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \lambda(k+p) |a_k|}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)|a_{-p}| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n [\lambda(k+p)B + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] |a_k|}.
\end{aligned}$$

The last expression is bounded by 1 if

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \lambda(k+p) |a_k| \leq (B-A)(p-\alpha) |a_{-p}| - \\
& \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)B + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \} |a_k|
\end{aligned}$$

which reduces to

$$\begin{aligned}
(13) \quad & \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n [\lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] |a_k| \\
& \leq (B-A)(p-\alpha) |a_{-p}|.
\end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

**Theorem 2** Let the function  $f(z)$  be defined by (8). Then  $f(z) \in B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \} a_k \leq (B-A)(p-\alpha) a_{-p}.$$

**Proof.** In view of Theorem 1, it is sufficient to prove the "only if" part. Let us assume that  $f(z)$  defined by (8) is in  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1} f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)} - 1}{B \left[ \frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1} f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)} - (p+1) \right] + [pB + (A-B)(p-\alpha)]} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \lambda(k+p) a_k z^{k+p}}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \{\lambda(k+p)B + (A-B)(p-\alpha)\} a_k z^{k+p}} \right| \\ &< 1 \quad (z \in U^*) . \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|Re(z)| \leq |z|$  for all  $z$ , we have

$$(14) \quad Re \left\{ \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \lambda(k+p) a_k z^{k+p}}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \{\lambda(k+p)B + (A-B)(p-\alpha)\} a_k} \right\} < 1.$$

Choose values of  $z$  on the real axis so that  $\frac{D_{\lambda,p}^{n+1} f(z)}{D_{\lambda,p}^n f(z)}$  is real. Upon clearing the denominator in (14) and letting  $z \rightarrow 1^-$  through real values, we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k + p)]^n \lambda(k + p) a_k \leq (B - A)(p - \alpha)a_{-p} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k + p)]^n \{\lambda(k + p)B + (A - B)(p - \alpha)\} a_k .$$

Thus

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k + p)]^n \{\lambda(k + p)(1 + B) + (A - B)(p - \alpha)\} a_k \leq (B - A)(p - \alpha)a_{-p} .$$

Hence the result follows.

**Corollary 1** *Let the function  $f(z)$  be defined by (8) be in the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ . Then*

$$(15) \quad a_k \leq \frac{(B - A)(p - \alpha)a_{-p}}{[1 + \lambda(k + p)]^n \{\lambda(k + p)(1 + B) + (A - B)(p - \alpha)\}} \quad (k \in N).$$

The result is sharp for the functions of the form

$$(16) \quad f_k(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \{\lambda(k+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} z^k \quad (k \in N).$$

### 3 Distortion Theorem

**Theorem 3** Let the function  $f(z)$  be defined by (8) be in the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ . Then for  $0 < |z| = r < 1$ ,

$$\frac{a_{-p}}{r^p} - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n \{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} r \leq |f(z)| \leq$$

$$(17) \quad \frac{a_{-p}}{r^p} + \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n \{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} r$$

with equality holds for the function

$$(18) \quad f_1(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n \{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} z \quad (z = ir, r),$$

and

$$\frac{pa_{-p}}{r^{p+1}} - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n \{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} \leq |f'(z)| \leq$$

$$(19) \quad \frac{pa_{-p}}{r^{p+1}} + \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n \{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}},$$

where equality holds for the function  $f_1(z)$  given by (18) at  $z = \pm ir, \pm r$ .

**Proof.** In view of Theorem 2, we have

$$(20) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \leq \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n \{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}}.$$

Thus, for  $0 < |z| = r < 1$ ,

$$(21) \quad \begin{aligned} |f(z)| &\leq \frac{a_{-p}}{r^p} + r \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \\ &\leq \frac{a_{-p}}{r^p} + \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n\{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} r \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(22) \quad \begin{aligned} |f(z)| &\geq \frac{a_{-p}}{r^p} - r \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \\ &\geq \frac{a_{-p}}{r^p} - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n\{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} r, \end{aligned}$$

which, together, yield (17). Furthermore, it follows from Theorem 2 that

$$\begin{aligned} [1+\lambda(1+p)]^n \{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ka_k &\leq \\ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(1+p)]^n \{\lambda(k+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\} a_k &\leq (B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}, \end{aligned}$$

that is, that

$$(23) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ka_k \leq \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n\{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}}.$$

Hence

$$(24) \quad \begin{aligned} |f'(z)| &\leq \frac{pa_{-p}}{r^{p+1}} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ka_k r^{k-1} \leq \frac{pa_{-p}}{r^{p+1}} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ka_k \\ &\leq \frac{pa_{-p}}{r^{p+1}} + \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n\{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(25) \quad \begin{aligned} |f'(z)| &\geq \frac{pa_{-p}}{r^{p+1}} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ka_k r^{k-1} \geq \frac{pa_{-p}}{r^{p+1}} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ka_k \\ &\geq \frac{pa_{-p}}{r^{p+1}} - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(1+p)]^n\{\lambda(1+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}}, \end{aligned}$$

which, together, yield (19). It can easily be seen that the function  $f_1(z)$  defined by (18) is extremal for Theorem 3.

## 4 Closure Theorems

Let the functions  $f_j(z)$  be defined for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ , by

$$(26) \quad f_j(z) = \frac{a_{-p,j}}{z^p} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{k,j} z^k \quad (a_{-p,j} > 0; a_{k,j} \geq 0; p \in N)$$

for  $z \in U^*$ .

**Theorem 4** Let the functions  $f_j(z)$  be defined by (26) be in the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  for every  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . Then the function  $F(z)$  defined by

$$(27) \quad F(z) = \frac{b_{-p}}{z^p} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k \quad (b_{-p} > 0; b_k \geq 0; p \in N)$$

is a member of the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ , where

$$(28) \quad b_{-p} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m a_{-p,j} \quad \text{and} \quad b_k = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m a_{k,j} \quad (k \in N).$$

**Proof.** Since  $f_j(z) \in B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ , it follows from Theorem 2 that

$$(29) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \} a_{k,j} \\ & \leq (B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p,j}, \end{aligned}$$

for every  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \} b_k \\ & = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \} \left\{ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m a_{k,j} \right\} \\ & = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \} a_{k,j} \right) \\ & \leq (B-A)(p-\alpha) \left( \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m a_{-p,j} \right) = (B-A)(p-\alpha)b_{-p}, \end{aligned}$$

which (in view of Theorem 2) implies that  $F(z) \in B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ .

**Theorem 5** *The class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  is closed under convex linear combination.*

**Proof.** Let the functions  $f_j(z)(j = 1, 2)$  defined by (26) be in the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ , it is sufficient to prove that the function

$$(30) \quad H(z) = tf_1(z) + (1-t)f_2(z) \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1)$$

is also in the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ . Since, for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ,

$$(31) \quad H(z) = \frac{ta_{-p,1} + (1-t)a_{-p,2}}{z^p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \{ta_{k,1} + (1-t)a_{k,2}\} z^k,$$

we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} (32) \quad & \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) \\ & + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \} \{ ta_{k,1} + (1-t)a_{k,2} \} \\ & = t \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \} a_{k,1} + \\ & (1-t) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \} a_{k,2} \\ & \leq (B-A)(p-\alpha) \{ ta_{-p,1} + (1-t)a_{-p,2} \} \end{aligned}$$

with the aid of Theorem 2. Hence  $H(z) \in B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 5.

**Theorem 6** *Let*

$$(33) \quad f_0(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p}$$

and

$$(34) \quad f_k(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1 + \lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \}} z^k \quad (k \in N).$$

Then  $f(z) \in B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$  if and only if it can be expressed in the form

$$(35) \quad f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_k f_k(z),$$

where  $\mu_k \geq 0 (k \geq 0)$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_k = 1$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_k f_k(z),$$

where  $\mu_k \geq 0 (k \geq 0)$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_k = 1$ . Then

$$(36) \quad \begin{aligned} f(z) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_k f_k(z) = \mu_0 f_0(z) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu_k f_k(z) \\ &= \frac{a_{-p}}{z^{-p}} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu_k \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \{\lambda(k+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} z^k, \\ &\quad (k \in N). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$(37) \quad \begin{aligned} &\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \{\lambda(k+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\} \cdot \\ &\cdot \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \{\lambda(k+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} \mu_k \\ &(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu_k = (B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}(1-\mu_0) \\ &\leq (B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}, \end{aligned}$$

we have  $f(z) \in B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ , by Theorem 2. Conversely, suppose that the function  $f(z)$  defined by (8) belongs to the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ . Since

$$(38) \quad a_k \leq \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1+\lambda(k+p)]^n \{\lambda(k+p)(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} \quad (k \in N)$$

by Corollary 1, setting

$$(39) \quad \mu_k = \frac{[1 + \lambda(k + p)]^n \{\lambda(k + p)(1 + B) + (A - B)(p - \alpha)\}}{(B - A)(p - \alpha)a_{-p}} a_k \quad (k \in N)$$

and

$$(40) \quad \mu_0 = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu_k,$$

it follows that

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_k f_k(z).$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 6.

## 5 Integral Operators

In this section we consider integral transforms of functions in the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ .

**Theorem 7** *Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (8) be in the class  $B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ . Then the integral transforms*

$$(41) \quad F_{c+p-1}(z) = c \int_0^1 u^{c+p-1} f(uz) du \quad (c > 0)$$

are in the class  $B_n^*(p, \gamma, \lambda, A, B)$ , where

$$\gamma = p - \frac{c\lambda(1+p)(1+B)(p-\alpha)}{(c+p+1)[\lambda(1+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] - c(A-B)(p-\alpha)}$$

for  $F_{c+p-1}(z) \neq 0 (z \in U^*)$ . The result is sharp for the function  $f(z)$  given by

$$(42) \quad f(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}}{[1 + \lambda(1+p)]^n \{\lambda(1+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha)\}} z.$$

**Proof.** Suppose  $f(z) = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k (a_{-p} > 0; a_k \geq 0; p \in N) \in B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ . Then we have

$$(43) \quad F_{c+p-1}(z) = c \int_0^1 u^{c+p-1} f(uz) du = \frac{a_{-p}}{z^p} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{c}{c+p+k} a_k z^k.$$

Since  $f(z) \in B_n^*(p, \alpha, \lambda, A, B)$ , we have

$$(44) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{[1 + \lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \}}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)a_{-p}} a_k \leq 1.$$

In view of Theorem 2, we shall find the largest  $\gamma$  for which

$$(45) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{[1 + \lambda(k+p)]^n \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\gamma) \}}{(B-A)(p-\gamma)a_{-p}} \left( \frac{c}{c+p+k} \right) a_k \leq 1.$$

It suffices to find the range of values of  $\gamma$  for which

$$\frac{c \{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\gamma) \}}{(c+p+k)(p-\gamma)} \leq \frac{\{ \lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha) \}}{(p-\alpha)}$$

for each  $k \in N$ . Form the above inequality, we obtain

$$\gamma \leq p - \frac{c\lambda(k+p)(1+B)(p-\alpha)}{(c+p+k)[\lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] - c(A-B)(p-\alpha)}$$

for each  $\alpha, p, \lambda, A$  and for  $c$  fixed, let

$$F(k) = p - \frac{c\lambda(k+p)(1+B)(p-\alpha)}{(c+p+k)[\lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] - c(A-B)(p-\alpha)}.$$

Then

$$F(k+1) - F(k) = \frac{c\lambda^2(1+B)^2(p-\alpha)(k+p)(k+p+1)}{A_1 B_1} > 0$$

for each  $k \in N$ , where

$$A_1 = (c+p+k)[\lambda(k+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] - c(A-B)(p-\alpha)$$

and

$$B_1 = (c+p+k+1) [\lambda(k+p+1)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] - c(A-B)(p-\alpha) .$$

Hence  $F(k)$  is an increasing function of  $k$ . Since

$$F(1) = p - \frac{c\lambda(1+p)(1+B)(p-\alpha)}{(c+p+1) [\lambda(1+p)(1+B) + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] - c(A-B)(p-\alpha)} ,$$

the assertion of Theorem 7 follows.

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