

## A NEW CLASS OF MEROMORPHIC FUNCTIONS RELATED TO CHO-KWON-SRIVASTAVA OPERATOR

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**Abstract.** In the present paper, we introduce a new class of meromorphic functions defined by means of the Hadamard product of Cho-Kwon-Srivastava operator and we define here a similar transformation by means of an operator introduced by Ghanim and Darus. We investigate a number of inclusion relationships of this class. We also derive some interesting properties of this class.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $\Sigma$  denote the class of meromorphic functions  $f(z)$  normalized by

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the punctured unit disk  $U = \{z : 0 < |z| < 1\}$ . For  $0 \leq \beta$ , we denote by  $S^*(\beta)$  and  $k(\beta)$ , the subclasses of  $\Sigma$  consisting of all meromorphic functions which are, respectively, starlike of order  $\beta$  and convex of order  $\beta$  in  $U$ .

For functions  $f_j(z) (j = 1; 2)$  defined by

$$f_j(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n,j} z^n, \quad (1.2)$$

we denote the Hadamard product (or convolution) of  $f_1(z)$  and  $f_2(z)$  by

$$(f_1 * f_2) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n,1} a_{n,2} z^n. \quad (1.3)$$

Let us define the function  $\tilde{\phi}(\alpha, \beta; z)$  by

$$\tilde{\phi}(\alpha, \beta; z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(\alpha)_{n+1}}{(\beta)_{n+1}} \right| z^n, \quad (1.4)$$

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for  $\beta \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ , and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}/\{0\}$ , where  $(\lambda)_n = \lambda(\lambda+1)_{n+1}$  is the Pochhammer symbol. We note that

$$\tilde{\phi}(\alpha, \beta; z) = \frac{1}{z} {}_2F_1(1, \alpha, \beta; z)$$

where

$${}_2F_1(b, \alpha, \beta; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(b)_n (\alpha)_n}{(\beta)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

is the well-known Gaussian hypergeometric function.

Let us put

$$q_{\lambda, \mu}(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\lambda}{n+1+\lambda} \right)^{\mu} z^n, \quad (\lambda > 0, \mu \geq 0).$$

Corresponding to the functions  $\tilde{\phi}(\alpha, \beta; z)$  and  $q_{\lambda, \mu}(z)$ , and using the Hadamard product for  $f(z) \in \Sigma$ , we define a new linear operator  $L(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu)$  on  $\Sigma$  by

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu) f(z) &= \left( f(z) * \tilde{\phi}(\alpha, \beta; z) * q_{\lambda, \mu}(z) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(\alpha)_{n+1}}{(\beta)_{n+1}} \right| \left( \frac{\lambda}{n+1+\lambda} \right)^{\mu} a_n z^n. \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

The meromorphic functions with the generalized hypergeometric functions were considered recently by Dziok and Srivastava [4,5], Liu [10], Liu and Srivastava [13–15], Cho and Kim [1].

For a function  $f \in L(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu) f(z)$  we define

$$I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, 0} = L(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu) f(z)$$

and for  $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) &= z \left( I^{k-1} L(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu) f(z) \right)' + \frac{2}{z} \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^k \left| \frac{(\alpha)_{n+1}}{(\beta)_{n+1}} \right| \left( \frac{\lambda}{n+1+\lambda} \right)^{\mu} a_n z^n. \end{aligned} \quad (1.6)$$

Note that if  $n = \beta, k = 0$  the operator  $I_{\alpha, n, \lambda}^{\mu, 0}$  have been introduced by N.E. Cho, O.S. Kwon and H.M. Srivastava [2] for  $\mu \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup 0$ . It was known that the definition of the operator  $I_{\alpha, n, \lambda}^{\mu, 0}$  was motivated essentially by the Choi-Saigo-Srivastava operator [3] for analytic functions, which includes a simpler integral operator studied earlier by Noor [17] and others (cf. [11,12,18]). Note also the operator  $I_{\alpha, \beta}^{0, k}$  have been recently introduced and studied by Ghanim and Darus [6–8]. To our best knowledge, the recent work regarding operator  $I_{\alpha, n, \lambda}^{\mu, 0}$  was charmingly studied by Piejko and Sokól [19]. Moreover, the operator  $I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k}$  was defined and studied by Ghanim and Darus [9]. In the same direction, we will study for the operator  $I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k}$  given in (1.6).

Now, it follows from (1.5) and (1.6) that

$$z \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' = \alpha I_{\alpha+1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) - (\alpha + 1) I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z). \quad (1.7)$$

Let  $\Omega$  be the class of analytic functions  $h(z)$  with  $h(0) = 1$ , which are convex and univalent in the open unit disk  $U = U^* \cup \{0\}$ . For functions  $f$  and  $g$  analytic in  $U$ , we say that  $f$  is subordinate to  $g$  and write  $f \prec g$ , if  $g$  is univalent in  $U$ ,  $f(0) = g(0)$  and  $f(U) \subset g(U)$ .

DEFINITION 1.1. A function  $f \in \Sigma$  is said to be in the class  $\Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h)$ , if it satisfies the subordination condition

$$(1 + \rho)z \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right)' \prec h(z) \tag{1.8}$$

where  $\rho$  is a real or complex number and  $h(z) \in \Omega$ .

Let  $A$  be class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \tag{1.9}$$

which are analytic in  $U$ . A function  $h(z) \in A$  is said to be in the class  $S^*(\mathbf{a})$ , if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \mathbf{a} \quad (z \in U).$$

For some  $\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{a} < 1)$ . When  $0 < \mathbf{a} < 1$ ,  $S^*(\mathbf{a})$  is the class of starlike functions of order  $\mathbf{a}$  in  $U$ . A function  $h(z) \in A$  is said to be prestarlike of order  $\mathbf{a}$  in  $U$ , if

$$\frac{z}{(1-z)^{2(1-\mathbf{a})}} * f(z) \in S^*(\mathbf{a}) \quad (\mathbf{a} < 1)$$

where the symbol  $*$  means the familiar Hadamard product (or convolution) of two analytic functions in  $U$ . We denote this class by  $R(\mathbf{a})$  (see [20,24]). A function  $f(z) \in A$  is in the class  $R(0)$ , if and only if  $f(z)$  is convex univalent in  $U$  and

$$R\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = S^*\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

In this paper, we introduce and investigate various inclusion relationships and convolution properties of a certain class of meromorphic functions, which are defined in this paper by means of a linear operator.

### 2. Preliminary results

In order to prove our main results, we need the following lemmas.

LEMMA 2.1. [16] *Let  $g(z)$  be analytic in  $U$ , and  $h(z)$  be analytic and convex univalent in  $U$  with  $h(0) = g(0)$ . If,*

$$g(z) + \frac{1}{\mathbf{m}} z g'(z) \prec h(z) \tag{2.1}$$

where  $\operatorname{Re} \mathbf{m} \geq 0$  and  $\mathbf{m} \neq 0$ , then

$$g(z) \prec \tilde{h}(z) = \mathbf{m} z^{-\mathbf{m}} \int_0^z t^{\mathbf{m}-1} h(t) dt \prec h(z)$$

and  $\tilde{h}(z)$  is the best dominant of (2.1).

LEMMA 2.2. [20] Let  $a < 1$ ,  $f(z) \in S^*(a)$  and  $g(z) \in R(\mathbf{a})$ . For any analytic function  $F(z)$  in  $U$ , then

$$\frac{g * (fF)}{g * f}(U) \subset \overline{co}(F(U)),$$

where  $\overline{co}(F(U))$  denotes the convex hull of  $F(U)$ .

### 3. Main results

THEOREM 3.1. For some real  $\rho$ , let  $0 \leq \rho_1 < \rho_2$ . Then

$$\Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho_2; h) \subset \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho_1; h)$$

*Proof.* Let  $0 \leq \rho_1 < \rho_2$  and suppose that

$$g(z) = z \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) \quad (3.1)$$

for  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho_2; h)$ . Then the function  $g(z)$  is analytic in  $U$  with  $g(0) = 1$ . Differentiating both sides of (3.1) with respect to  $z$  and using (1.7), we have

$$(1 + \rho_2) z \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) + \rho_2 z^2 \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right)' = g(z) + \rho_2 z g'(z) \prec h(z). \quad (3.2)$$

Hence an application of Lemma 2.1 with  $\mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{\rho_2} > 0$  yields

$$g(z) \prec h(z). \quad (3.3)$$

Noting that  $0 \leq \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2} < 1$  and that  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $U$ , it follows from (3.1)–(3.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + \rho_1) z \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) + \rho_1 z^2 \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right)' \\ &= \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2} \left[ (1 + \rho_2) z \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) + \rho_2 z^2 \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right)' \right] + \left( 1 - \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2} \right) g(z) \prec h(z). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho_1; h)$  and the proof of Theorem 3.1 is complete. ■

THEOREM 3.2. Let,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ z \tilde{\phi}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2; z) \right\} > \frac{1}{2} \quad (z \in U; \alpha_2 \notin \{0, -1, -2, \dots\}), \quad (3.4)$$

where  $\tilde{\phi}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2; z)$  is defined as in (1.4). Then,

$$\Sigma_{\alpha_2,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h) \subset \Sigma_{\alpha_1,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h).$$

*Proof.* For  $f(z) \in \Sigma$  it is easy to verify that

$$z \left( I_{\alpha_1,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) = \left( z \tilde{\phi}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2; z) * \left( z I_{\alpha_2,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) \right) \quad (3.5)$$

and

$$z^2 \left( I_{\alpha_1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' = \left( z \tilde{\phi}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2; z) * z^2 \left( I_{\alpha_2, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' \right). \quad (3.6)$$

Let  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha_2, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h)$ . Then from (3.5) and (3.6), we deduce that

$$(1 + \rho) z \left( I_{\alpha_1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha_1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' = \left( z \tilde{\phi}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2; z) \right) * \Psi(z) \quad (3.7)$$

and

$$\Psi(z) = (1 + \rho) z \left( I_{\alpha_2, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha_2, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' \prec h(z) \quad (3.8)$$

In view of (3.4), the function  $z \tilde{\phi}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2; z)$  has the Herglotz representation

$$z \tilde{\phi}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2; z) = \int_{|x|=1} \frac{d\mathbf{m}(x)}{1-xz} \quad (z \in U), \quad (3.9)$$

where  $\mathbf{m}(x)$  is a probability measure defined on the unit circle  $|x| = 1$  and

$$\int_{|x|=1} d\mathbf{m}(x) = 1.$$

Since  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $U$ , it follows from (3.7)–(3.9) that

$$(1 + \rho) z \left( I_{\alpha_1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha_1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' = \int_{|x|=1} \Psi(xz) d\mathbf{m}(x) \prec h(z).$$

This shows that  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha_1, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h)$  and the theorem is proved. ■

**THEOREM 3.3** *Let  $0 < \alpha_1 < \alpha_2$ . Then*

$$\Sigma_{\alpha_2, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h) \subset \Sigma_{\alpha_1, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h).$$

*Proof.* Define,

$$g(z) = z + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(\alpha_1)_{n+1}}{(\alpha_2)_{n+1}} \right| z^{n+1} \quad (z \in U; 0 < \alpha_1 < \alpha_2).$$

Then,

$$z^2 \tilde{\phi}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2; z) = g(z) \in A \quad (3.10)$$

where  $\tilde{\phi}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2; z)$  is defined as in (1.4), and

$$\frac{z}{(1-z)^{\alpha_2}} * g(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{\alpha_1}}. \quad (3.11)$$

By (3.11), we see that

$$\frac{z}{(1-z)^{\alpha_2}} * g(z) \in S^* \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha_1}{2} \right) \subset S^* \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} \right)$$

for  $0 < \alpha_1 < \alpha_2$ , which implies that

$$g(z) \in R \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} \right) \quad (3.12)$$

Let  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha_2, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h)$ . Then we deduce from (3.7), (3.8) and (3.10) that

$$(1 + \rho)z \left( I_{\alpha_1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha_1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' = \frac{g(z)}{z} * \Psi(z) = \frac{g(z) * (z\Psi(z))}{g(z) * z}, \quad (3.13)$$

where

$$\Psi(z) = (1 + \rho)z \left( I_{\alpha_2, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha_2, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' \prec h(z). \quad (3.14)$$

Since  $z$  belongs to  $S^* \left(1 - \frac{\alpha_2}{2}\right)$  and  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $U$ , it follows from (3.12)–(3.14) and Lemma 2.2 that

$$(1 + \rho)z \left( I_{\alpha_1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha_1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' \prec h(z)$$

Thus,  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha_1, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h)$  and the proof is completed. ■

As a special case of Theorem 3.3, we have

$$\Sigma_{\alpha+1, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h) \subset \Sigma_{\alpha, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h) \quad (\alpha > 0)$$

In Theorem 3.4 below we give a generalization of the above result.

**THEOREM 3.4** *Let  $\operatorname{Re} \alpha \geq 0$  and  $\alpha \neq 0$ . Then,*

$$\Sigma_{\alpha+1, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h) \subset \Sigma_{\alpha, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; \tilde{h}),$$

where

$$\tilde{h}(z) = \alpha z^{-\alpha} \int_0^z t^{\alpha-1} h(t) dt \prec h(z).$$

*Proof.* Let us define

$$g(z) = (1 + \rho)z \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' \quad (3.15)$$

for  $f(z) \in \Sigma$ . Then (1.7) and (3.15) lead to

$$\frac{g(z)}{z} = \alpha \rho \left( I_{\alpha+1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + (1 - \alpha \rho) \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right). \quad (3.16)$$

Differentiating both sides of (3.16) and using (1.7), we obtain the following

$$g'(z) - \frac{g(z)}{z} = \alpha \rho z \left( I_{\alpha+1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' + (1 - \alpha \rho) \left[ \alpha \left( I_{\alpha+1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) - (1 + \alpha) \left( I_{\alpha+1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) \right]. \quad (3.17)$$

By (3.16) and (3.17), we get

$$g'(z) - \frac{\alpha g(z)}{z} = \alpha \rho z \left( I_{\alpha+1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' + \alpha (1 + \rho) \left( I_{\alpha+1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right),$$

that is,

$$g(z) + \frac{z g'(z)}{\alpha} = (1 + \rho)z \left( I_{\alpha+1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha+1, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)'. \quad (3.18)$$

If  $f \in \Sigma_{\alpha+1,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h)$ , then it follows from (3.18) that

$$g(z) + \frac{zg'(z)}{\alpha} \prec h(z) \quad (\operatorname{Re} \alpha \geq 0, \alpha \neq 0).$$

Hence an application of Lemma 2.1 yields

$$g(z) \prec \tilde{h}(z) = \alpha z^{-\alpha} \int_0^z t^{\alpha-1} h(t) dt \prec h(z),$$

which shows that

$$f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; \tilde{h}) \subset \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h) \quad \blacksquare$$

**THEOREM 3.5** Let  $\rho > 0, \delta > 0$  and  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; \delta h + 1 - \delta)$ . If  $\delta \leq \delta_0$ , where

$$\delta_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\rho} \int_0^1 \frac{u^{\frac{1}{\rho}-1}}{1+u} du \right)^{-1} \quad (3.19)$$

then  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h)$ .

*Proof.* Let us define

$$g(z) = z \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) \quad (3.20)$$

for  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; \delta h + 1 - \delta)$ . with  $\rho > 0$ , and  $\delta > 0$ . Then we have

$$g(z) + \rho z g'(z) = (1 + \rho) z \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right)' \prec \delta (h(z) - 1) + 1$$

Hence an application of Lemma 2.1 yields

$$g(z) \prec \frac{\delta}{\rho} z^{-\frac{1}{\rho}} \int_0^z t^{\frac{1}{\rho}-1} h(t) dt + 1 - \delta = (h * \Psi)(z), \quad (3.21)$$

where

$$\Psi(z) = \frac{\delta}{\rho} z^{-\frac{1}{\rho}} \int_0^z \frac{t^{\frac{1}{\rho}-1}}{1-t} dt + 1 - \delta \quad (3.22)$$

If  $0 < \delta \leq \delta_0$ , where  $\delta_0 > 1$  is given by (3.19), then it follows from (3.22) that

$$\operatorname{Re} \Psi(z) = \frac{\delta}{\rho} \int_0^1 u^{\frac{1}{\rho}-1} \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{1-uz} \right) du + 1 - \delta > \frac{\delta}{\rho} \int_0^1 \frac{u^{\frac{1}{\rho}-1}}{1+u} du + 1 - \delta \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

( $z \in U$ ). Now, by using the Herglotz representation for  $\Psi(z)$ , from (3.20) and (3.21) we get

$$z \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) \prec (h * \Psi)(z) \prec h(z)$$

because  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $U$ . This shows that  $f(z) \in \Sigma(\alpha, \beta, k, \rho; h)$ . For  $h(z) = \frac{1}{1-z}$  and  $f(z) \in \Sigma$  defined by

$$z \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k} f(z) \right) = \frac{\delta}{\rho} z^{-\frac{1}{\rho}} \int_0^z \frac{t^{\frac{1}{\rho}-1}}{1-t} dt + 1 - \delta,$$

it is easy to verify that

$$(1 + \rho) z \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' = \delta (h(z) - 1) + 1$$

Thus,  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; \delta h + 1 - \delta)$ . Also, for  $\delta > \delta_0$ , we have

$$\operatorname{Re} z \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) \rightarrow \frac{\delta}{\rho} \int_0^1 \frac{u^{\frac{1}{\rho}-1}}{1+u} du + 1 - \delta < \frac{1}{2} (z \rightarrow -1),$$

which implies that  $f(z) \notin \Sigma_{\alpha, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h)$ . ■

#### 4. Convolution properties

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h)$ ,  $g(z) \in \Sigma$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(zg(z)) > \frac{1}{2}$  ( $z \in U$ ). Then,*

$$(f * g)(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h)$$

*Proof.* For  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h)$  and  $g \in \Sigma$ . we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + \rho) z \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} (f * g)(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} (f * g)(z) \right)' \\ = (1 + \rho) z g(z) * z \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z g(z) * z^2 \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' = z g(z) * \Psi(z) \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

where

$$\Psi(z) = (1 + \rho) z \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha, \beta, \lambda}^{\mu, k} f(z) \right)' \prec h(z) \quad (4.2)$$

The remaining part of the proof of Theorem 4.1 is similar to that of Theorem 3.2 and hence we omit it. ■

**COROLLARY 4.1.** *Let  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h)$  be given by (1.1) and let*

$$\omega_m(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} a_n z^{n-1} \quad (m \in N \setminus \{1\}).$$

*Then the function*

$$\sigma_m(z) = \int_0^1 t \omega_m(tz) dt$$

*is also in the class  $\Sigma_{\alpha, \beta}^{\mu, k, \lambda}(\rho; h)$ .*

*Proof.* We have

$$\sigma_m(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \frac{a_n}{n+1} z^{n-1} = (f * g_m)(z) \quad (m \in N \setminus \{1\}), \quad (4.3)$$

where

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^{n-1} \in \Sigma(\alpha, \beta, k, \rho; h)$$



and

$$g_m(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \frac{z^{n-1}}{n+1} \in \Sigma.$$

Also, for  $m \in N \setminus \{1\}$ , it is known from [21] that

$$\operatorname{Re} \{zg_m(z)\} = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \frac{z^n}{n+1} \right\} > \frac{1}{2} \quad (z \in U). \quad (4.4)$$

In view of (4.3) and (4.4), an application of Theorem 4.1 leads to  $\sigma_m(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h)$ . ■

**THEOREM 4.2.** *Let  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h)$ ,  $g(z) \in \Sigma$  and  $z^2g(z) \in R(\mathfrak{a})$  ( $\mathfrak{a} < 1$ ). Then,*

$$(f * g)(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h).$$

*Proof.* For  $f(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h)$  and  $g(z) \in \Sigma$ , from (4.1) (used in the proof of Theorem 4.1, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + \rho)z \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k}(f * g)(z) \right) + \rho z^2 \left( I_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda}^{\mu,k}(f * g)(z) \right)' \\ = \frac{z^2g(z) * z\Psi(z)}{z^2g(z) * z} (z \in U), \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

where  $\Psi(z)$  is defined as in (4.2).

Since  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $U$ ,  $\Psi(z) \prec h(z)$ ,  $z^2g(z) \in R(\mathfrak{a})$  and  $z \in S^*(\mathfrak{a})$  ( $\mathfrak{a} < 1$ ), the desired result follows from (4.5) and Lemma 2.2 ■

Taking  $\mathfrak{a} = 0$  and  $\mathfrak{a} = \frac{1}{2}$ , Theorem 4.2 reduces to the following.

**COROLLARY 4.2.** *Let  $f(z) \in \Sigma(\alpha, \beta, k, \rho; h)$  and let  $g(z) \in \Sigma$  satisfy either of the following conditions*

(i)  $z^2g(z)$  is convex univalent in  $U$  or

(ii)  $z^2g(z) \in S^*\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ .

Then,  $(f * g)(z) \in \Sigma_{\alpha,\beta}^{\mu,k,\lambda}(\rho; h)$ .

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