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# Differential Subordinations for Certain Meromorphically Multivalent Functions Defined by Dziok-Srivastava Operator

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By making use of the Dziok-Srivastava operator, we introduce a new class of meromorphically multivalent functions. Some inclusion properties of functions belonging to this class are derived.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $\Sigma(p)$  denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^{n-p} \quad (p \in \mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}), \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the punctured open unit disk  $\mathbb{U}_0 = \{z : 0 < |z| < 1\}$  with a pole at  $z = 0$ . Also let the Hadamard product (or convolution) of the following functions:

$$f_j(z) = z^{-p} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n,j} z^{n-p} \quad (j = 1, 2) \quad (1.2)$$

be given by

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

Given two functions  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$ , which are analytic in  $\mathbb{U} = \mathbb{U}_0 \cup \{0\}$ , we say that the function  $g(z)$  is subordinate to  $f(z)$  and write  $g < f$  or (more precisely)  $g(z) < f(z)$  ( $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ), if there exists a Schwarz function  $w(z)$ , analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  ( $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ) such that  $g(z) = f(w(z))$  ( $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ). In particular, if  $f(z)$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ , we have the following equivalence:

$$g(z) < f(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \iff g(0) = f(0), \quad g(\mathbb{U}) \subset f(\mathbb{U}). \quad (1.4)$$

Let  $A$  be the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^n, \quad (1.5)$$

which are analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$ . A function  $f(z) \in A$  is said to be in the class  $S^*(\alpha)$  if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \quad (1.6)$$

for some  $\alpha$  ( $\alpha < 1$ ). When  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ,  $S^*(\alpha)$  is the class of starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{U}$ . A function  $f(z) \in A$  is said to be prestarlike of order  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{U}$  if

$$\frac{z}{(1-z)^{2(1-\alpha)}} * f(z) \in S^*(\alpha) \quad (\alpha < 1), \quad (1.7)$$

where the symbol  $*$  means the familiar Hadamard product (or convolution) of two analytic functions in  $\mathbb{U}$ . We denote this class by  $R(\alpha)$  (see [1]). Clearly a function  $f(z) \in A$  is in the class  $R(0)$  if and only if  $f(z)$  is convex univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and  $R(1/2) = S^*(1/2)$ .

For complex parameters

$$\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q \text{ and } \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s \quad (\beta_j \notin \mathbb{Z}_0^- := \{0, -1, -2, \dots\}; j = 1, 2, \dots, s), \quad (1.8)$$

we define the generalized hypergeometric function  ${}_qF_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z)$  by

$${}_qF_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_n \cdots (\alpha_q)_n}{(\beta_1)_n \cdots (\beta_s)_n} \cdot \frac{z^n}{n!} \quad (1.9)$$

$$(q \leq s + 1; q, s \in \mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}; z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

where  $(x)_n$  is the Pochhammer symbol defined, in terms of the Gamma function  $\Gamma(z)$ , by

$$(x)_n := \frac{\Gamma(x+n)}{\Gamma(x)} = \begin{cases} 1 & (n = 0; x \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}) \\ x(x+1) \cdots (x+n-1) & (n \in \mathbb{N}; x \in \mathbb{C}). \end{cases} \quad (1.10)$$

Corresponding to a function  $h_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z)$  defined by

$$h_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z) = z^{-p} {}_qF_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z), \quad (1.11)$$

we now consider a linear operator

$$H_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s) : \Sigma(p) \longrightarrow \Sigma(p), \quad (1.12)$$

defined by means of the Hadamard product (or convolution) as follows:

$$H_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s) f(z) := h_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z) * f(z). \quad (1.13)$$

For convenience, we write

$$H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1) := H_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s). \quad (1.14)$$

Thus, after some calculations, we have

$$z(H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))' = \alpha_1 H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1 + 1)f(z) - (\alpha_1 + p)H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z). \quad (1.15)$$

The operator  $H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)$  is popularly known as the generalized Dziok-Srivastava operator. Many interesting subclasses of multivalent functions, associated with the operator  $H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)$  and its various special cases, were investigated recently by (e.g.) Dziok and Srivastava [2–4], Liu [5], Liu and Srivastava [6, 7], Patel et al. [8], Wang et al. [9], and others.

Let  $P$  be the class of functions  $h(z)$  with  $h(0) = 1$ , which are analytic and convex univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ .

*Definition 1.1.* A function  $f(z) \in \Sigma(p)$  is said to be in the class  $T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h)$  if it satisfies the subordination condition

$$\frac{(\lambda - 1)}{p} z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))' + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))'' < h(z), \quad (1.16)$$

where  $\lambda$  is a complex number and  $h(z) \in P$ .

The main object of this paper is to present a systematic investigation of the class  $T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h)$  defined above by means of the generalized Dziok-Srivastava operator  $H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)$ .

For our purpose, we shall need the following lemmas to derive our main results for the class  $T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h)$ .

**Lemma 1.2** (see [10]). *Let  $g(z)$  be analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and  $h(z)$  be analytic and convex univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  with  $h(0) = g(0)$ . If*

$$g(z) + \frac{1}{\mu} z g'(z) < h(z), \quad (1.17)$$

where  $\operatorname{Re} \mu > 0$ , then

$$g(z) \prec \tilde{h}(z) = \mu z^{-\mu} \int_v^z t^{\mu-1} h(t) dt \prec h(z) \quad (1.18)$$

and  $\tilde{h}(z)$  is the best dominant of (1.17).

**Lemma 1.3** (see [1]). Let  $\alpha < 1$ ,  $f(z) \in S^*(\alpha)$  and  $g(z) \in R(\alpha)$ . Then, for any analytic function  $F(z)$  in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,

$$\frac{g * (fF)}{g * f}(\mathbb{U}) \subset \overline{\operatorname{co}}(F(\mathbb{U})), \quad (1.19)$$

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

## 2. Properties of the Class $T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h)$

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 \leq 0$ . Then  $T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda_1; h) \subset T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda_2; h)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 \leq 0$  and suppose that

$$g(z) = -\frac{z^{p+1}(H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))'}{p} \quad (2.1)$$

for  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda_1; h)$ . Then the function  $g(z)$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  with  $g(0) = 1$ . Differentiating both sides of (2.1) with respect to  $z$  and using (1.16), we have

$$\frac{(\lambda_1 - 1)}{p} z^{p+1}(H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))' + \frac{\lambda_1}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2}(H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))'' = g(z) - \frac{\lambda_1}{p+1} z g'(z) \prec h(z). \quad (2.2)$$

Hence an application of Lemma 1.2 yields

$$g(z) \prec h(z). \quad (2.3)$$

Noting that  $0 < \lambda_2/\lambda_1 < 1$  and that  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ , it follows from (2.1) to (2.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\lambda_2 - 1)}{p} z^{p+1}(H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))' + \frac{\lambda_2}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2}(H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))'' \\ &= \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \left( \frac{(\lambda_1 - 1)}{p} z^{p+1}(H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))' + \frac{\lambda_1}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2}(H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))'' \right) \\ &+ \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \right) g(z) \prec h(z). \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

Thus  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda_2; h)$  and the proof of Theorem 2.1 is completed.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $0 < b_1 < b_2$ . Then  $T_{p,q,s}(b_2, \lambda; h) \subset T_{p,q,s}(b_1, \lambda; h)$ .*

*Proof.* Define a function  $g(z)$  by

$$g(z) = z + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(b_1)_n}{(b_2)_n} z^{n+1} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; 0 < b_1 < b_2). \tag{2.5}$$

Then

$$z^{p+1} h_p(b_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s, 1; b_2, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s; z) = g(z) \in A, \tag{2.6}$$

where

$$h_p(b_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s, 1; b_2, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s; z) \tag{2.7}$$

is defined as in (1.11), and

$$\frac{z}{(1-z)^{b_2}} * g(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{b_1}}. \tag{2.8}$$

By (2.8), we see that

$$\frac{z}{(1-z)^{b_2}} * g(z) \in S^* \left(1 - \frac{b_1}{2}\right) \subset S^* \left(1 - \frac{b_2}{2}\right) \quad (0 < b_1 < b_2), \tag{2.9}$$

which implies that

$$g(z) \in R \left(1 - \frac{b_2}{2}\right). \tag{2.10}$$

Let  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(b_2, \lambda; h)$ . It is easy to verify that

$$z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(b_1) f(z))' = (z^p h_p(b_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s, 1; b_2, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s; z)) * (z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(b_2) f(z))') \tag{2.11}$$

$$z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(b_1) f(z))'' = (z^p h_p(b_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s, 1; b_2, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s; z)) * (z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(b_2) f(z))''). \tag{2.12}$$

From (2.11), (2.12), and (2.6), we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\lambda - 1)}{p} z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(b_1) f(z))' + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(b_1) f(z))'' \\ &= \frac{g(z)}{z} * w(z) = \frac{g(z) * (zw(z))}{g(z) * z}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.13}$$

where

$$w(z) := \frac{(\lambda - 1)}{p} z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(b_2)f(z))' + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(b_2)f(z))'' < h(z). \quad (2.14)$$

Since the function  $z$  belongs to the function class  $S^*(1 - b_2/2)$  and  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ , it follows from (2.12), (2.13), (2.14), and Lemma 1.3 that

$$\frac{(\lambda - 1)}{p} z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(b_1)f(z))' + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(b_1)f(z))'' < h(z). \quad (2.15)$$

Thus  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(b_1, \lambda; h)$  and the proof of Theorem 2.2 is completed.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h)$ ,  $g(z) \in \Sigma(p)$  and

$$\operatorname{Re}\{z^p g(z)\} > \frac{1}{2} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (2.16)$$

Then

$$(f * g)(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h). \quad (2.17)$$

*Proof.* For  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h)$  and  $g(z) \in \Sigma(p)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\lambda - 1)}{p} z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)(f * g)(z))' + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)(f * g)(z))'' \\ &= \frac{(\lambda - 1)}{p} (z^p g(z)) * (z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))') + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} (z^p g(z)) * (z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))'') \\ &= (z^p g(z)) * \psi(z), \end{aligned} \quad (2.18)$$

where

$$\psi(z) = \frac{(\lambda - 1)}{p} z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))' + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))''. \quad (2.19)$$

In view of (2.16), the function  $z^p g(z)$  has the Herglotz representation

$$z^p g(z) = \int_{|x|=1} \frac{d\mu(x)}{1 - xz} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}), \quad (2.20)$$

where  $\mu(x)$  is a probability measure defined on the unit circle  $|x| = 1$  and

$$\int_{|x|=1} d\mu(x) = 1. \quad (2.21)$$

Since  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ , it follows from (2.18) to (2.20) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\lambda - 1)}{p} z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)(f * g)(z))' + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)(f * g)(z))'' \\ & = \int_{|x|=1} \psi(xz) d\mu(x) < h(z). \end{aligned} \tag{2.22}$$

This shows that  $(f * g)(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h)$  and the theorem is proved.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h)$ ,  $g(z) \in \Sigma(p)$  and

$$z^{p+1}g(z) \in R(\alpha) \quad (\alpha < 1). \tag{2.23}$$

Then

$$(f * g)(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h). \tag{2.24}$$

*Proof.* For  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1, \lambda; h)$  and  $g(z) \in \Sigma(p)$ , from (2.18) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\lambda - 1)}{p} z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(f * g)(z))' + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(f * g)(z))'' \\ & = \frac{(z^{p+1}g(z)) * (z\psi(z))}{(z^{p+1}g(z)) * z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}), \end{aligned} \tag{2.25}$$

where  $\psi(z)$  is defined as in (2.19).

Since  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,

$$\psi(z) < h(z), \quad z^{p+1}g(z) \in R(\alpha), \quad z \in S^*(\alpha) \quad (\alpha < 1), \tag{2.26}$$

it follows from (2.25) and Lemma 1.3 the desired result.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $\lambda < 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$  and  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\lambda; \beta h + 1 - \beta)$ . If  $\beta \leq \beta_0$ , where

$$\beta_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{p+1}{\lambda} \int_0^1 \frac{u^{-(p+1)/\lambda - 1}}{1+u} du \right)^{-1}, \tag{2.27}$$

then  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(0; h)$ . The bound  $\beta_0$  is sharp when  $h(z) = 1/(1-z)$ .

*Proof.* Let us define

$$g(z) = -\frac{z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1) f(z))'}{p} \tag{2.28}$$

for  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\lambda; \beta h + 1 - \beta)$  with  $\lambda < 0$  and  $\beta > 0$ . Then we have

$$g(z) - \frac{\lambda}{p+1} z g'(z) = \frac{(\lambda-1)}{p} z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1) f(z))' + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1) f(z))'' < \beta h(z) + 1 - \beta. \quad (2.29)$$

Hence an application of Lemma 1.2 yields

$$g(z) < -\frac{\beta(p+1)}{\lambda} z^{(p+1)/\lambda} \int_0^z t^{-((p+1)/\lambda)-1} h(t) dt + 1 - \beta = (h * \psi)(z), \quad (2.30)$$

where

$$\psi(z) = -\frac{\beta(p+1)}{\lambda} z^{(p+1)/\lambda} \int_0^z \frac{t^{-((p+1)/\lambda)-1}}{1-t} dt + 1 - \beta. \quad (2.31)$$

If  $0 < \beta \leq \beta_0$ , where  $\beta_0 (> 1)$  is given by (2.27), then it follows from (2.31) that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \psi(z) &= -\frac{\beta(p+1)}{\lambda} \int_0^1 u^{-((p+1)/\lambda)-1} \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{1-uz} \right) du + 1 - \beta \\ &> -\frac{\beta(p+1)}{\lambda} \int_0^1 \frac{u^{-((p+1)/\lambda)-1}}{1+u} du + 1 - \beta \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; \lambda < 0). \end{aligned} \quad (2.32)$$

Now, by using the Herglotz representation for  $\psi(z)$ , from (2.28) and (2.30), we arrive at

$$-\frac{z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1) f(z))'}{p} < (h * \psi)(z) < h(z) \quad (2.33)$$

because  $h(z)$  is convex univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ . This shows that  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(0; h)$ .

For  $h(z) = 1/(1-z)$  and  $f(z) \in \Sigma(p)$  defined by

$$-\frac{z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1) f(z))'}{p} = -\frac{\beta(p+1)}{\lambda} z^{(p+1)/\lambda} \int_0^z \frac{t^{-((p+1)/\lambda)-1}}{1-t} dt + 1 - \beta, \quad (2.34)$$

it is easy to verify that

$$\frac{(\lambda-1)}{p} z^{p+1} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1) f(z))' + \frac{\lambda}{p(p+1)} z^{p+2} (H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1) f(z))'' = \beta h(z) + 1 - \beta. \quad (2.35)$$



Thus  $f(z) \in T_{p,q,s}(\lambda; \beta h + 1 - \beta)$ . Also, for  $\beta > \beta_0$ , we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ -\frac{z^{p+1}(H_{p,q,s}(\alpha_1)f(z))'}{p} \right\} \rightarrow -\frac{\beta(p+1)}{\lambda} \int_0^1 \frac{u^{-(p+1)/\lambda-1}}{1+u} du + 1 - \beta < \frac{1}{2} \quad (z \rightarrow -1), \quad (2.36)$$

which implies that  $f(z) \notin T_{p,q,s}(0; h)$ . Hence the bound  $\beta_0$  cannot be increased when  $h(z) = 1/(1-z)$ .  $\square$

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