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# On some inequalities of a certain class of analytic functions

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## Abstract

The aim of this paper is to study the properties of a subclass of analytic functions related to  $p$ -valent Bazilevic functions by using the concept of differential subordination. We investigate some results concerned with coefficient bounds, inclusion results, radius problem, covering theorem, angular estimation of a certain integral operator, and some other interesting properties.

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## 1 Introduction and preliminaries

Let  $A_p$  be the class of analytic functions

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

defined in the open unit disc  $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . A function  $f \in A_p$  is a  $p$ -valent starlike function of order  $\rho$  if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} > \rho, \quad 0 \leq \rho < p, z \in E.$$

This class of functions is denoted by  $S_p^*(\rho)$ . It is noted that  $S_p^*(0) = S_p^*$ . If  $f(z) \in A_p$  satisfies

$$\left| \arg \frac{zf''(z)}{pf'(z)} \right| < \frac{\pi\eta}{2} \quad (1.2)$$

for some  $\eta \in (0, 1]$  and for all  $z \in E$ , then the function  $f$  is called strongly starlike  $p$ -valent of order  $\eta$  in  $E$ . We denote this class by  $\tilde{S}_p^*(\eta)$ . Let  $f_1(z)$  and  $f_2(z)$  be analytic in  $E$ . We say  $f_1(z)$  is subordinate to  $f_2(z)$ , written  $f_1 \prec f_2$  or  $f_1(z) \prec f_2(z)$ , if there exists a Schwarz function  $w(z)$ ,  $w(0) = 0$ , and  $|w(z)| < 1$  in  $E$ , then  $f_1(z) = f_2(w(z))$ . A function  $f$  in  $A_p$  is said to belong to the class  $S_p^*[A, B]$ ,  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ , if and only if

$$\frac{zf''(z)}{f(z)} \prec p \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}, \quad z \in E.$$

For  $p = 1$ , we obtain the class  $S^*[A, B]$  of Janowski starlike functions. Janowski functions have extensively been studied by several researchers; see for example [1–3]. It is clear that

$f \in S_p^*[A, B]$  if and only if

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \frac{1-AB}{1-B^2} \right| < p \frac{A-B}{1-B^2} \quad (-1 < B < A \leq 1, z \in E), \quad (1.3)$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} > p \frac{1-A}{2} \quad (B = -1, z \in E).$$

A function  $f \in A_p$  is  $p$ -valent Bazilevic function of type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  and order  $\rho$  if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} > \rho, \quad 0 \leq \rho < p, z \in E,$$

where  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $g \in S_p^*$ . For  $p = 1$  and  $\rho = 0$ , this class was introduced by Bazilevic and these functions are univalent for  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ . This class of functions is studied by many authors; for some details, see [4–11].

Using this concept, we generalize and define a subclass of  $p$ -valent Bazilevic functions of type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  as follows.

**Definition 1.1** A function  $f \in M_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B)$  if it satisfies the condition

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} \\ & + \mu \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + (\alpha + i\beta - 1) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - ip\beta \right\} < p \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}, \quad z \in E, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\mu > 0$ ,  $g \in S_p^*$ ,  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$  and  $\beta$  is any real.

We have the following special cases.

- (i) For  $\beta = 0$ , we have the subclass of Bazilevic functions defined by Patel [12].
- (ii) For  $\beta = 0$ ,  $p = 1$ ,  $g(z) = z$ ,  $A = 1 - 2\rho$ ,  $B = -1$ , we obtain the subclass of Bazilevic functions defined in [13].

For  $A = 1 - 2\rho$ ,  $B = -1$ , we have the following subclass of analytic functions.

**Definition 1.2** A function  $f \in B_p(\alpha, \beta, \rho)$  if it satisfies the condition

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} \\ & + \mu \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + (\alpha + i\beta - 1) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - ip\beta \right\} < p \frac{1+(1-2\rho)z}{1-z}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\mu > 0$ ,  $g \in S_p^*$ ,  $0 \leq \rho < 1$ ,  $\beta$  is any real and  $z \in E$ . In other words, a function  $f \in B_p(\alpha, \beta, \rho)$  if it satisfies the condition

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{p} \left[ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} \right. \\ & \left. + \mu \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + (\alpha + i\beta - 1) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - ip\beta \right\} \right] > \rho, \quad z \in E. \end{aligned}$$

We need the following definition and lemmas which will be used in our main results.

**Definition 1.3** Let  $\Psi : \mathbb{C}^2 \times E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be analytic in a domain  $D$  and  $h$  be univalent in  $E$ . If  $p$  is analytic in  $E$  with  $(p(z), zp'(z); z) \in D$  when  $z \in E$ , then we say that  $p$  satisfies a first-order differential subordination if

$$\Psi(p(z), zp'(z); z) \prec h(z), \quad z \in E. \quad (1.4)$$

The univalent function  $q$  is called dominant of the differential subordination (1.4) if  $p \prec q$  for all  $p$  satisfies (1.4). If  $\tilde{q} \prec q$  for all dominants of (1.4), then we say that  $\tilde{q}$  is the best dominant of (1.4).

**Lemma 1.4** ([14]) *If  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ,  $\lambda > 0$  and the complex number  $\gamma$  satisfies  $\operatorname{Re}\{\gamma\} \geq -\lambda(1-A)/(1-B)$ , then the differential equation*

$$q(z) + \frac{zq'(z)}{\lambda q(z) + \gamma} = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}, \quad z \in E,$$

*has a univalent solution in  $E$  given by*

$$q(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{z^{\lambda+\gamma}(1+Bz)^{\lambda(A-B)/B}}{\lambda \int_0^z t^{\lambda+\gamma-1}(1+Bt)^{\lambda(A-B)/B} dt} - \frac{\gamma}{\lambda}, & B \neq 0, \\ \frac{z^{\lambda+\gamma} e^{\lambda Az}}{\lambda \int_0^z t^{\lambda+\gamma-1} e^{\lambda At} dt} - \frac{\gamma}{\lambda}, & B = 0. \end{cases}$$

*If  $h(z) = 1 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + \dots$  is analytic in  $E$  and satisfies*

$$h(z) + \frac{zh'(z)}{\lambda h(z) + \gamma} \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}, \quad z \in E,$$

*then*

$$h(z) \prec q(z) \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz},$$

*and  $q(z)$  is the best dominant.*

**Lemma 1.5** ([15]) *Let  $\varepsilon$  be a positive measure on  $[0, 1]$ . Let  $g$  be a complex-valued function defined on  $E \times [0, 1]$  such that  $g(\cdot, t)$  is analytic in  $E$  for each  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $g(z, \cdot)$  is  $\varepsilon$ -integrable on  $[0, 1]$  for all  $z \in E$ . In addition, suppose that  $\operatorname{Re} g(z, t) > 0$ ,  $g(-r, t)$  is real and  $\operatorname{Re}\{1/g(z, t)\} \geq 1/g(-r, t)$  for  $|z| \leq r < 1$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . If  $g(z) = \int_0^1 g(z, t) d\varepsilon(t)$ , then  $\operatorname{Re}\{1/g(z)\} \geq 1/g(-r)$ .*

**Lemma 1.6** ([16, Chapter 14]) *Let  $a_1, b_1$  and  $c_1 \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$  be complex numbers. Then, for  $\operatorname{Re} c_1 > \operatorname{Re} b_1 > 0$ ,*

- (i)  ${}_2F_1(a_1, b_1, c_1; z) = \frac{\Gamma(c_1)}{\Gamma(c_1 - b_1)\Gamma(b_1)} \int_0^1 t^{b_1-1} (1-t)^{c_1-b_1-1} (1-tz)^{-a_1} dt,$
- (ii)  ${}_2F_1(a_1, b_1, c_1; z) = {}_2F_1(b_1, a_1, c_1; z),$
- (iii)  ${}_2F_1(a_1, b_1, c_1; z) = (1-z)^{-a_1} {}_2F_1\left(a_1, c_1 - b_1, c_1; \frac{z}{z-1}\right).$

**Lemma 1.7** ([17]) Let  $-1 \leq B_1 \leq B_2 < A_2 \leq A_1 \leq 1$ . Then

$$\frac{1+A_2z}{1+B_2z} \prec \frac{1+A_1z}{1+B_1z}.$$

**Lemma 1.8** ([18]) Let  $F$  be analytic and convex in  $E$ . If  $f, g \in A_p$  and  $f, g \prec F$ , then

$$\mu f + (1-\mu)g \prec F, \quad 0 \leq \mu \leq 1.$$

**Lemma 1.9** ([19]) Let  $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$  be analytic in  $E$  and  $F(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k z^k$  be analytic and convex in  $E$ . If  $f \prec F$ , then

$$|a_k| \leq |b_1| \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}).$$

**Lemma 1.10** ([20]) Let  $h(z) = 1 + d_1 z + d_2 z^2 + \dots$  be analytic in  $E$  and  $h(z) \neq 0$  in  $E$ . If there exists a point  $z_0 \in E$  such that  $|\arg h(z)| < \frac{\pi}{2}\eta$  ( $|z| < |z_0|$ ) and  $|\arg h(z_0)| = \frac{\pi}{2}\eta$  ( $0 < \eta \leq 1$ ), then we have  $\frac{z_0 h'(z_0)}{h(z_0)} = ik\eta$ , where

$$\begin{cases} k \geq \frac{1}{2}(x + \frac{1}{x}), & \text{when } \arg h(z_0) = \frac{\pi}{2}\eta, \\ k \leq -\frac{1}{2}(x + \frac{1}{x}), & \text{when } \arg h(z_0) = -\frac{\pi}{2}\eta, \end{cases}$$

and  $(h(z_0))^{1/\eta} = \pm ix$  ( $x > 0$ ).

**Lemma 1.11** Let  $g \in S^*[A, B]$ . Then the function

$$G(z) = \left[ \frac{c + \alpha + i\beta}{z^{c+i\beta}} \int_0^z t^{c+i\beta-1} g^\alpha(t) dt \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \quad (1.5)$$

belongs to  $S^*[A, B]$  for  $c \geq -\alpha \frac{1-A}{1-B}$ .

Proof is straightforward by using Lemma 1.4.

Throughout this paper,  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mu > 0$ , and  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$  unless otherwise stated.

## 2 Main results

**Theorem 2.1** If  $f \in M_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B)$ , then

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} \prec q(z), \quad (2.1)$$

where  $q(z) = \frac{\mu}{pQ(z)}$  and

$$Q(z) = \begin{cases} \int_0^1 t^{\frac{p}{\mu}-1} \left( \frac{1+Bzt}{1+Bz} \right)^{\frac{p}{\mu}(A-B)/B} dt, & B \neq 0, \\ \int_0^1 t^{\frac{p}{\mu}-1} e^{\frac{B}{\mu}(t-1)Az} dt, & B = 0. \end{cases} \quad (2.2)$$

In hypergeometric function form,

$$q(z) = \begin{cases} [{}_2F_1(1, \frac{p}{\mu}(1 - \frac{A}{B}); \frac{p}{\mu} + 1; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1})]^{-1}, & B \neq 0, \\ [{}_1F_1(1, \frac{p}{\mu} + 1; -\frac{p}{\mu}Az)]^{-1}, & B = 0, \end{cases} \quad (2.3)$$

and if  $A < -\frac{\mu B}{p}$ ,  $-1 \leq B < 0$ , then  $M_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B) \subset B_p(\alpha, \beta, \rho)$ , where

$$\rho = p \left\{ {}_2F_1 \left( 1, \frac{p}{\mu} \left( 1 - \frac{A}{B} \right); \frac{p}{\mu} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1} \right) \right\}^{-1}. \quad (2.4)$$

This result is best possible.

*Proof* Let

$$h(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta},$$

where  $h(z)$  is analytic in  $E$  with  $h(0) = 1$ . Differentiating logarithmically, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} + \mu \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + (\alpha + i\beta - 1) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - ip\beta \right\} \\ &= ph(z) + \frac{\mu zh'(z)}{h(z)} \prec p \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

Using Lemma 1.4 for  $\lambda = \frac{p}{\mu}$  and  $\gamma = 0$ , we have

$$h(z) \prec q(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz},$$

where  $q(z)$  is given in (2.3) and is the best dominant of (2.5). Next, in order to prove  $M_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B) \subset B_p(\alpha, \beta, \rho)$ , we show that  $\inf_{|z|<1} \{\operatorname{Re} q(z)\} = q(-1)$ . Now, we set  $a = \frac{p}{\mu}(B-A)/B$ ,  $b = \frac{p}{\mu}$  and  $c = \frac{p}{\mu} + 1$ , then it is clear that  $c > b > 0$ ; therefore, for  $B \neq 0$  it follows from (2.2) by using Lemma 1.6 that

$$\begin{aligned} Q(z) &= (1 + Bz)^a \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1 + Btz)^{-a} dt \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(c)} {}_2F_1 \left( 1, a, c; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

To prove that  $\inf_{|z|<1} \{\operatorname{Re} q(z)\} = q(-1)$ , we need to show that

$$\operatorname{Re} \{1/Q(z)\} \geq 1/Q(-1).$$

Since  $A < -\frac{\mu B}{p}$  with  $-1 \leq B < 0$  implies that  $c > a > 0$ , therefore, by using Lemma 1.6, (2.6) yields

$$Q(z) = \int_0^1 g(z, t) d\varepsilon(t),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} g(z, t) &= \frac{1 + Bz}{1 + (1-t)Bz} \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1), \\ d\varepsilon(t) &= \frac{\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(c-a)} t^{a-1} (1-t)^{c-a-1} dt, \end{aligned}$$

which is a positive measure on  $[0, 1]$ . For  $-1 \leq B < 0$  it is clear that  $\operatorname{Re} g(z, t) > 0$  and  $g(-r, t)$  is real for  $0 \leq |z| \leq r < 1$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Also,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{g(z, t)} \right\} = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1 + (1-t)Bz}{1 + Bz} \right\} \geq \frac{1 - (1-t)Br}{1 - Br} = \frac{1}{g(-r, t)}$$

for  $|z| \leq r < 1$ . Therefore, using Lemma 1.5, we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \{1/Q(z)\} \geq 1/Q(-r).$$

Now, letting  $r \rightarrow 1^-$ , it follows

$$\operatorname{Re} \{1/Q(z)\} \geq 1/Q(-1).$$

Therefore,  $M_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B) \subset B_p(\alpha, \beta, \rho)$ .  $\square$

For  $\beta = 0$ , we have the following result proved in [12].

**Corollary 2.2** *If  $f \in M_p(\alpha, \mu, A, B)$ , then*

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \prec \begin{cases} [{}_2F_1(1, \frac{p}{\mu}(1 - \frac{A}{B}); \frac{p}{\mu} + 1; \frac{Bz}{Bz+1})]^{-1}, & B \neq 0, \\ [{}_1F_1(1, \frac{p}{\mu} + 1; -\frac{p}{\mu}Az)]^{-1}, & B = 0, \end{cases}$$

and if  $A < -\frac{\mu B}{p}$ ,  $-1 \leq B < 0$ , then  $M_p(\alpha, \mu, A, B) \subset B_p(\alpha, \rho)$ , where

$$\rho = p \left\{ {}_2F_1 \left( 1, \frac{p}{\mu} \left( 1 - \frac{A}{B} \right); \frac{p}{\mu} + 1; \frac{B}{B-1} \right) \right\}^{-1}.$$

This result is best possible.

For  $p = 1$ , we have the class  $M_1(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B) = M(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B)$ . We denote the class of functions  $f \in A$ , having Taylor series representation of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k$$

and satisfying the condition

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{i\beta} \\ & + \mu \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + (\alpha + i\beta - 1) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - i\beta \right\} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}, \quad z \in E, \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

by  $M^*(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B)$ , where  $g(z) = z + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} b_k z^k$  such that  $\operatorname{Re} \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} > 0$ . Now, we derive the following result for the class  $M^*(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B)$ .

**Theorem 2.3** Let  $f \in M^*(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B)$ . Then

$$|a_{n+1}| \leq \frac{(A - B) + \alpha(n + 1)(1 + \mu n)}{|\alpha + i\beta + n|(1 + \mu n)}. \quad (2.8)$$

*Proof* Since  $f \in M^*(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B)$ , therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{i\beta} \\ & + \mu \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf'''(z)}{f'(z)} + (\alpha + i\beta - 1) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - i\beta \right\} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, using the fact that  $f(z) = z + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k$  and  $g(z) = z + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} b_k z^k$ , we obtain

$$1 + \{(\alpha + i\beta + n)(1 + \mu n)a_{n+1} - \alpha(1 + \mu n)b_{n+1}\}z^n + \dots \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}.$$

By a well-known result due to Janowski and Lemma 1.9, we have

$$|(\alpha + i\beta + n)(1 + \mu n)a_{n+1} - \alpha(1 + \mu n)b_{n+1}| \leq A - B.$$

By the triangle inequality, we obtain

$$|(\alpha + i\beta + n)(1 + \mu n)a_{n+1}| - |\alpha(1 + \mu n)b_{n+1}| \leq A - B.$$

Using the coefficient bound for the class  $S^*$ , we have the required result.  $\square$

For  $\beta = 0$  and  $g(z) = z$ , we have the following result proved in [13].

**Corollary 2.4** Let  $f \in M(\alpha, \mu, A, B)$ . Then

$$|a_{n+1}| \leq \frac{(A - B)}{(\alpha + n)(1 + \mu n)}.$$

For  $\beta = 0$ ,  $p = 1$ ,  $g(z) = z$ ,  $A = 1 - 2\rho$  and  $B = -1$ , we have the following result proved in [21].

**Corollary 2.5** Let  $f$  satisfy the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^\alpha + \mu \left[ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + (1 - \alpha) \left( 1 - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \right] \right\} > \rho.$$

Then

$$|a_{n+1}| \leq \frac{2(1 - \rho)}{(n + \alpha)(1 + \mu n)}.$$

**Theorem 2.6** For  $\mu_2 \geq \mu_1 \geq 0$  and  $-1 \leq B_1 \leq B_2 < A_2 \leq A_1 \leq 1$ ,

$$M_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu_2, A_2, B_2) \subset M_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu_1, A_1, B_1).$$

*Proof* Let  $f \in M_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu_2, A_2, B_2)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} \\ & + \mu_2 \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + (\alpha + i\beta - 1) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - ip\beta \right\} \prec p \frac{1 + A_2 z}{1 + B_2 z}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $-1 \leq B_1 \leq B_2 < A_2 \leq A_1 \leq 1$ , therefore by Lemma 1.7, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} \\ & + \mu_2 \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + (\alpha + i\beta - 1) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - ip\beta \right\} \prec p \frac{1 + A_1 z}{1 + B_1 z}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have  $f \in M_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu_2, A_1, B_1)$ . For  $\mu_2 = \mu_1 \geq 0$ , we have the required result.  
 When  $\mu_2 > \mu_1 \geq 0$ , Theorem 2.1 implies that

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} \prec p \frac{1 + A_1 z}{1 + B_1 z}.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} \\ & + \mu_1 \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + (\alpha + i\beta - 1) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - ip\beta \right\} \\ & = \left( 1 - \frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2} \right) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} + \frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} \right. \\ & \left. + \mu_2 \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + (\alpha + i\beta - 1) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - ip\beta \right\} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 1.8, we have the required result.  $\square$

For  $\beta = 0$ , we have the following result.

**Corollary 2.7** For  $\mu_2 \geq \mu_1 \geq 0$  and  $-1 \leq B_1 \leq B_2 < A_2 \leq A_1 \leq 1$ ,

$$M_p(\alpha, \mu_2, A_2, B_2) \subset M_p(\alpha, \mu_1, A_1, B_1).$$

This result is proved in [13].

For  $\beta = 0$ ,  $p = 1$ ,  $g(z) = z$ ,  $A = 1 - 2\rho$  and  $B = -1$ , we have the class  $M(\alpha, \mu, \rho)$  defined as

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^\alpha + \mu \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \alpha \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right\} \right] > \rho \quad (2.9)$$

for  $z \in E$ . Now have the following result for the class  $M(\alpha, \mu, \rho)$  proved in [21].

**Corollary 2.8** For  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\mu_2 \geq \mu_1 \geq 0$  and  $1 > \rho_2 \geq \rho_1 \geq 0$ ,

$$M(\alpha, \mu_2, \rho_2) \subset M(\alpha, \mu_1, \rho_1).$$

**Theorem 2.9** Let  $f \in A_p$  satisfy

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right\} > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} - p \right| < \sigma p, \quad 0 < \sigma \leq 1,$$

for  $g \in S_p^*$ . Then  $f$  is  $p$ -valent convex in  $|z| < R_{\alpha, \beta, \sigma}$ , where

$$R_{\alpha, \beta, \sigma} = \left( (2|1 - \alpha - i\beta| + 2\alpha p + \sigma) - \sqrt{(2|1 - \alpha - i\beta| + 2\alpha p + \sigma)^2 - 4p(2\alpha p - p - \sigma)} \right) / (2(2\alpha p - p - \sigma)). \quad (2.10)$$

*Proof* Let

$$h(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right)^{i\beta} - 1,$$

where  $h(z)$  is analytic in  $E$  with  $h(0) = 0$  and  $|h(z)| < 1$ . By using the Schwarz lemma, we get

$$h(z) = \sigma z \psi(z),$$

where  $\psi(z)$  is analytic in  $E$  with  $|\psi(z)| < 1$ . Differentiating logarithmically, we have

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} = (1 - \alpha - i\beta) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + \alpha \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{\sigma z(z\psi'(z) + \psi(z))}{1 + \sigma z\psi(z)} + ip\beta.$$

Since  $\operatorname{Re}\{\frac{f(z)}{z^p}\} > 0$ , therefore,

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = p + \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)}, \quad \operatorname{Re} \varphi(z) > 0.$$

This implies that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} \geq (1 - \alpha)p + \alpha \operatorname{Re} \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - |1 - \alpha - i\beta| \left| \frac{z\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)} \right| - \sigma \left| \frac{z(z\psi'(z) + \psi(z))}{1 + \sigma z\psi(z)} \right|.$$

Now, using the well-known results for classes  $S_p^*$ ,  $P$  and the Schwarz function [22], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} &\geq (1 - \alpha)p + \alpha p \frac{1 - r}{1 + r} - |1 - \alpha - i\beta| \frac{2r}{(1 - r^2)} - \frac{\sigma r}{(1 - r)} \quad (0 < \sigma \leq 1) \\ &= \frac{(2\alpha p - p - \sigma)r^2 - (2|1 - \alpha - i\beta| + 2\alpha p + \sigma)r + p}{(1 - r^2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $P(r) = (2\alpha p - p - \sigma)r^2 - (2|1 - \alpha - i\beta| + 2\alpha p + \sigma)r + p$ . Since  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0 < \sigma \leq 1$ , therefore,  $P(0) = p > 0$  and  $P(1) = -2(|1 - \alpha - i\beta| + \sigma) < 0$ . It follows that the root lies in  $(0, 1)$ . This implies that  $\operatorname{Re}\{1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\} > 0$  if  $r < R_{\alpha, \beta, \sigma}$ , where  $R_{\alpha, \beta, \sigma}$  is given by (2.10).  $\square$

For  $\sigma = 1$  and  $\beta = 0$ , we have the following result which is proved in [12].

**Corollary 2.10** *Let  $f \in A_p$  satisfy*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right\} > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha - p \right| < p,$$

$g \in S_p^*$ . Then  $f$  is  $p$ -valent convex in  $|z| < R_\alpha$ , where

$$R_\alpha = \frac{3 + 2\alpha(p-1) - \sqrt{(3 + 2\alpha(p-1))^2 - 4p(2\alpha p - p - 1)}}{2(2\alpha p - p - 1)}.$$

**Theorem 2.11** *Let  $f \in A_p$  satisfy*

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha - p \right| < \sigma p,$$

for  $g \in S_p^*$ . Then, for  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $f$  is  $p$ -valent  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$ -convex in  $|z| < R_{\alpha,\sigma}$ , where

$$R_{\alpha,\sigma} = \frac{2\alpha p + \sigma - \sqrt{(2\alpha p + \sigma)^2 - 4\alpha p(\alpha p - \sigma)}}{2(\alpha p - \sigma)}. \quad (2.11)$$

*Proof* Let

$$h(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha - 1,$$

where  $h(z)$  is analytic in  $E$  with  $h(0) = 0$  and  $|h(z)| < 1$ . By using the Schwarz lemma, we get

$$h(z) = \sigma z \psi(z),$$

where  $\psi(z)$  is analytic in  $E$  with  $|\psi(z)| < 1$ . Differentiating logarithmically, we have

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) + \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{\sigma}{\alpha} \frac{z(z\psi'(z) + \psi(z))}{1 + \sigma z\psi(z)}.$$

This implies that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{\alpha} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) + \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} \geq \operatorname{Re} \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - \frac{\sigma}{\alpha} \left| \frac{(z\psi'(z) + \psi(z))}{1 + \sigma z\psi(z)} \right|.$$

Now, using the well-known results for classes  $S_p^*$ , and the Schwarz function, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{p} \left\{ \frac{1}{\alpha} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) + \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} &\geq \frac{1-r}{1+r} - \frac{\sigma r}{\alpha p(1-r)} \quad (0 < \sigma \leq 1) \\ &= \frac{(\alpha p - \sigma)r^2 - (2\alpha p + \sigma)r + \alpha p}{\alpha(1-r^2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $Q(r) = (\alpha p - \sigma)r^2 - (2\alpha p + \sigma)r + \alpha p$ . Then for  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\alpha > 0$  and  $0 < \sigma \leq 1$ ,  $Q(0) = \alpha p > 0$  and  $Q(1) = -2\sigma < 0$ . It shows that the root lies in  $(0, 1)$ . This implies that  $\operatorname{Re}\{\frac{1}{\alpha}(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}) + (1 - \frac{1}{\alpha})\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\} > 0$  if  $r < R_{\alpha,\sigma}$ , where  $R_{\alpha,\sigma}$  is given by (2.11).  $\square$

**Theorem 2.12** Let  $f \in M(\alpha, \beta, \mu, A, B)$ . Then  $E$  is mapped by  $f$  on a domain that contains the disc  $|w| < R_{\alpha,\beta,\mu} \in (0, 1)$ , where

$$R_{\alpha,\beta,\mu} = \frac{|\alpha + i\beta + 1|(1 + \mu)}{2|\alpha + i\beta + 1|(1 + \mu) + (A - B) + 2\alpha(1 + \mu)}. \quad (2.12)$$

*Proof* Let  $w_0$  be any complex number such that  $f(z) \neq w_0$ . Then

$$\frac{w_0 f(z)}{w_0 - f(z)} = z + \left(a_2 + \frac{1}{w_0}\right)z^2 + \dots,$$

is univalent in  $E$ , so that

$$\left|a_2 + \frac{1}{w_0}\right| \leq 2.$$

Therefore,

$$\left|\frac{1}{w_0}\right| - |a_2| \leq 2.$$

Hence,

$$w_0 \geq \frac{|\alpha + i\beta + 1|(1 + \mu)}{2|\alpha + i\beta + 1|(1 + \mu) + (A - B) + 2\alpha(1 + \mu)} = R_{\alpha,\beta,\mu}. \quad \square$$

For  $\beta = 0$ ,  $g(z) = z$ ,  $A = 1 - 2\rho_1$ ,  $B = -1$ , we have the following result proved in [13].

**Corollary 2.13** Let  $f \in M(\alpha, \mu, \rho)$ . Then  $E$  is mapped by  $f$  on a domain that contains the disc  $|w| < R_{\alpha,\mu}$ , where

$$R_{\alpha,\beta,\mu} = \frac{(1 + \alpha)(1 + \mu)}{2(1 + \alpha)(1 + \mu) + 2(1 - \rho_1)}.$$

**Theorem 2.14** Let  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $c \geq -\alpha \frac{1-A}{1-B}$  and let  $f \in A$ . If

$$\left| \arg \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{i\beta} - \rho \right| < \frac{\pi}{2}\nu \quad (0 < \nu \leq 1, 0 \leq \rho < 1), \quad (2.13)$$

for some  $g \in S^*$ , then

$$\left| \arg \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} \left( \frac{F(z)}{G(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{F(z)}{z} \right)^{i\beta} - \rho \right| < \frac{\pi}{2}\eta \quad (0 < \eta \leq 1), \quad (2.14)$$

where

$$F(z) = \left[ \frac{c + \alpha + i\beta}{z^c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} f^{\alpha+i\beta}(t) dt \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha+i\beta}}, \quad (2.15)$$

with

$$v = \begin{cases} \eta + \frac{2}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{(1+B)\eta \sin(\pi(1-t(\alpha,\beta,c,A,B))/2)}{|c+i\beta|(1+B)+\alpha(1+A)+\eta(1+B) \cos(\pi(1-t(\alpha,\beta,c,A,B))/2)} \right), & B \neq -1, \\ \eta, & B = -1, \end{cases} \quad (2.16)$$

and

$$t(\alpha, \beta, c, A, B) = \frac{2}{\pi} \sin^{-1} \frac{\alpha(A-B) + \beta(1-B^2)}{|c+i\beta|(1-B^2) + \alpha(1-AB)}. \quad (2.17)$$

*Proof* Since

$$F^{\alpha+i\beta}(z) = \frac{c+\alpha+i\beta}{z^c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} f^{\alpha+i\beta}(t) dt,$$

therefore,

$$z^{1-i\beta} F^{\alpha+i\beta-1}(z) F'(z) = \frac{1}{\alpha+i\beta} \{ (c+\alpha+i\beta) z^{-i\beta} f^{\alpha+i\beta}(z) - cz^{-i\beta} F^{\alpha+i\beta}(z) \}.$$

Now using (1.5), we have

$$\frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} \left( \frac{F(z)}{G(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{F(z)}{z} \right)^{i\beta} = \frac{\frac{1}{\alpha+i\beta} \{ (c+\alpha+i\beta) z^c f^{\alpha+i\beta}(z) - cz^c F^{\alpha+i\beta}(z) \}}{(c+\alpha+i\beta) \int_0^z t^{c+i\beta-1} g^\alpha(t) dt}.$$

Let

$$h(z) = \frac{1}{1-\rho} \left( \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} \left( \frac{F(z)}{G(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{F(z)}{z} \right)^{i\beta} - \rho \right) = \frac{N(z)}{D(z)},$$

where  $h(z)$  is analytic with  $h(0) = 1$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{N'(z)}{D'(z)} &= \frac{1}{1-\rho} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{i\beta} - \rho \right) \\ &= h(z) \left\{ 1 + \frac{D(z)}{zD'(z)} \cdot \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} N(z) &= \frac{1}{1-\rho} \left( \frac{1}{\alpha+i\beta} \{ (c+\alpha+i\beta) z^c f^{\alpha+i\beta}(z) - cz^c F^{\alpha+i\beta}(z) \} - \rho z^{c+i\beta-1} G^\alpha(z) \right), \\ D(z) &= (c+\alpha+i\beta) \int_0^z t^{c+i\beta-1} g^\alpha(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $G \in S^*[A, B]$ , therefore, we can write

$$\frac{zD'(z)}{D(z)} = c + i\beta + \alpha \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)} = r_1 e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}\theta},$$

where

$$\begin{cases} |c+i\beta| + \alpha \frac{1-A}{1-B} < r_1 < |c+i\beta| + \alpha \frac{1+A}{1+B}, & B \neq -1, \\ -t(\alpha, \beta, c, A, B) < \theta < t(\alpha, \beta, c, A, B), & B \neq -1, \end{cases} \quad (2.18)$$

similarly

$$\begin{cases} |c + i\beta| + \alpha \frac{1-A}{2} < r_1 < \infty, & B = -1, \\ -1 < \theta < 1, & B = -1. \end{cases} \quad (2.19)$$

Suppose that  $h(z) \neq 0$  in  $E$ , there exists a point  $z_0 \in E$  such that  $|\arg h(z)| < \frac{\pi}{2}\eta$  ( $|z| < |z_0|$ ) and  $|\arg h(z_0)| = \frac{\pi}{2}\eta$ . Now, using Lemma 1.10, we have  $\frac{zh'(z_0)}{h(z_0)} = ik\eta$ . At first suppose that  $h(z_0) = (ix)^\eta$  ( $x > 0$ ) for the case  $B \neq -1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \arg \left( \frac{z_0 f'(z_0)}{f(z_0)} \left( \frac{f(z_0)}{g(z_0)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z_0)}{z_0} \right)^{i\beta} - \rho \right) \\ &= \arg h(z_0) + \arg \left( 1 + \frac{1}{c + i\beta + \alpha \frac{zG'(z_0)}{G(z_0)}} \cdot \frac{z_0 h'(z_0)}{h(z_0)} \right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2}\eta + \arg \left( 1 + (r_1 e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}\theta})^{-1} ik\eta \right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2}\eta + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{k\eta \sin \pi(1-\theta)/2}{r_1 + k\eta \cos \pi(1-\theta)/2} \right) \\ &\geq \frac{\pi}{2}\eta + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\eta \sin \pi(1-t(\alpha, \beta, c, A, B))/2}{|c + i\beta| + \alpha \frac{1+A}{1+B} + \eta \cos \pi(1-t(\alpha, \beta, c, A, B))/2} \right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2}\nu, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\nu$  and  $t(\alpha, \beta, c, A, B)$  are given by (2.16) and (2.17) respectively. For  $B = -1$ , we have

$$\arg \left( \frac{z_0 f'(z_0)}{f(z_0)} \left( \frac{f(z_0)}{g(z_0)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z_0)}{z_0} \right)^{i\beta} - \rho \right) \geq \frac{\pi}{2}\eta,$$

which is a contradiction to the assumption of our theorem. Now we suppose that  $h(z_0) = (-ix)^\eta$ . For the case  $B \neq -1$  using a similar method, we obtain

$$\arg \left( \frac{z_0 f'(z_0)}{f(z_0)} \left( \frac{f(z_0)}{g(z_0)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z_0)}{z_0} \right)^{i\beta} - \rho \right) \leq -\frac{\pi}{2}\nu,$$

and for  $B = -1$ , we have

$$\arg \left( \frac{z_0 f'(z_0)}{f(z_0)} \left( \frac{f(z_0)}{g(z_0)} \right)^\alpha \left( \frac{f(z_0)}{z_0} \right)^{i\beta} - \rho \right) \leq -\frac{\pi}{2}\eta,$$

which is a contradiction to the assumption of our theorem. Hence, we have the proof.  $\square$

This kind of problem is also considered in [23]. For  $\beta = 0$ , we have the following result proved in [24].

**Corollary 2.15** *Let  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $c \geq -\alpha \frac{1-A}{1-B}$  and let  $f \in A$ . If*

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^\alpha - \rho \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2}\nu \quad (0 < \nu \leq 1),$$

then

$$\left| \arg \left( \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} \left( \frac{F(z)}{G(z)} \right)^\alpha - \rho \right) \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \eta \quad (0 < \eta \leq 1),$$

where

$$F(z) = \left[ \frac{c+\alpha}{z^c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} f^\alpha(t) dt \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}},$$

with

$$\nu = \begin{cases} \eta + \frac{2}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{(1+B)\eta \sin(\pi(1-t(\alpha,\beta,c,A,B))/2)}{c(1+B)+\alpha(1+A)+\eta(1+B) \cos(\pi(1-t(\alpha,\beta,c,A,B))/2)} \right), & B \neq -1, \\ \eta, & B = -1, \end{cases}$$

and

$$t(\alpha, \beta, c, A, B) = \frac{2}{\pi} \sin^{-1} \frac{\alpha(A-B)}{c(1-B^2) + \alpha(1-AB)}.$$

**Remark 2.16** By using the suitable choices of parameters  $c, \alpha, A$  and  $B$ , we can find many results proved in the literature.

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