

## A NEW CLASS OF MEROMORPHIC FUNCTIONS USING $D^m$ OPERATOR

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**Abstract:** We introduce a new class  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  of functions of the form

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}, \quad a_{n+k} \geq 0, \quad k \in N_0 \text{ which are regular in the punctured unit disk } U^* =$$

$\{Z : Z \in \mathcal{C} : 0 < |Z| < 1\}$ . Sharp results concerning coefficients, distortion, closure properties, integral operator, neighborhood property, inclusion property and radii of starlikeness and convexity for the class are determined.

### I. Introduction

Let  $M_p^k$  denote the class of functions of the form

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}; \quad a_{n+k} \geq 0, \quad p \in N \text{ and } k \in N_0.$$

which are analytic in punctured unit disk  $U^* = \{Z : Z \in \mathcal{C} : 0 < |Z| < 1\}$ . We define the differential operator  $D^m$  on functions belonging to the class  $M_p^k$ , using convolution as follows :

$$(1.2) \quad D^m f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p(1-z)^{m+1}} * f(z) \quad m \in N_0 = \{0,1,2,\dots\}.$$

or

$$(1.3) \quad D^m f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p m!} \frac{d^m}{dz^m} (z^{m+p} f(z))$$

or

$$(1.4) \quad D^m f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}$$

Clearly,  
 $D^0 f(z) = f(z)$ .

A function belonging to the class  $M_p^k$  is said to be meromorphically starlike of order ' $\alpha$ ' if and only if

$$(1.5) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left( - \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > \alpha ; \quad (z \in D, \quad 0 \leq \alpha < p)$$

The subclass of  $M_p^k$  consisting of functions which are meromorphically starlike of order  $\alpha$  is denoted by  $S_p^k(\alpha)$ .

We define a class  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  of function of the form (1.1) which satisfies the condition

$$(1.6) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{D^{m+1} f(z)}{D^m f(z)} \right\} < \frac{m+1+p-\alpha}{m+1}$$

where  $m \in N_0, p \in N = \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $0 \leq \alpha < p$ .

Clearly,

$$M_p^k(0, \alpha) \equiv S_p^k(\alpha).$$

Many important properties of certain subclasses of meromorphic  $p$ -valent functions were studied by several authors including Aouf and Srivastava [1], Joshi and Srivastava [2], Liu and Srivastava [3], Liu and Owa [4], Liu and Srivastava [5], Owa et.al. [6], and Srivastava et.al. [7].

Extending the work of Liu and Owa [5] we obtain the coefficient inequality, inclusion property, distortion theorems, integral operator, neighbourhood properties, closure properties and radii of starlikeness and convexity for the class  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ .

## II. Inclusion Property Of The Class $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ :

For proving the inclusion property, we first prove the following lemma :

**Lemma 2.1 :** Let  $f(z) \in M_p^k$  be given by (1.1), then

$$(2.1) \quad z(D^m f(z))' = (m+1)D^{m+1}f(z) - (m+p+1)D^m f(z)$$

**Proof :** In view of (1.4), we have

$$D^m f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}$$

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} (m+1)D^m f(z) - (m+p+1)f(z) &= \frac{(m+1)}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+1+p+n+k)!}{(m+1)!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} z^{n+k} \\ &\quad - \frac{(m+p+1)}{z^p} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{(m+1)!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} z^{n+k} \\ &= -\frac{p}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} (n+k) a_{n+k} z^{n+k} \\ &= z(D^m f(z))' \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of lemma.

**Theorem 2.2 :**  $M_p^k(m+1, \alpha) \subset M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  for each  $m \in N_0 \setminus \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

**Proof :** Let  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m+1, \alpha)$ , then

$$(2.2) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{D^{m+2}f(z)}{D^{m+1}f(z)} \right\} < \frac{m+2+p-\alpha}{m+2}, \quad |z| < 1$$

Define a regular function  $w(z)$  in  $U = U^* \cup \{0\}$  by

$$(2.3) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{D^{m+1}f(z)}{D^m f(z)} \right\} = \frac{(m+1) + (m+1+2p-2\alpha)w(z)}{(1+m)(1+w(z))}$$

Clearly  $w(0) = 0$ .

Logarithmic differentiation of (2.3) yields

$$(2.4) \quad \frac{z(D^{m+1}f(z))'}{D^{m+1}f(z)} - \frac{z(D^m f(z))'}{D^m f(z)} = \frac{z(m+1+2p-2\alpha)w'(z)}{(m+1) + (m+1+2p-2\alpha)w(z)} - \frac{zw'(z)}{1+w(z)}$$

Using lemma (2.1), equation (2.4) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} (m+2) \frac{D^{m+2}f(z)}{D^{m+1}f(z)} - (m+2+p-\alpha) &= \frac{2(p-\alpha)w(z)}{1+w(z)} - (p-\alpha) \\ &\quad + \frac{2(p-\alpha)zw'(z)}{\{(m+1) + (m+1+2p-2\alpha)w(z)\}(1+w(z))} \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\frac{D^{m+2}f(z)}{D^{m+1}f(z)} - \frac{(m+2+p-\alpha)}{m+2} = \frac{2w(z)}{(p-\alpha)/(m+2)} - 1$$

$$+ \frac{2zw'(z)}{\{(m+1) + (m+1+2p-2\alpha) + w(z)\}(1+w(z))}$$

or

$$(2.5) \quad \frac{D^{m+2}f(z)/D^{m+1}f(z) - (m+2+p-\alpha)/m+2}{(p-\alpha)/(m+2)} = \frac{-1+w(z)}{1+w(z)} + \frac{2zw^1(z)}{[(m+1) + (m+1+2p-2\alpha) + w(z)](1+w(z))}$$

Suppose there exists a point  $z_0$  in  $|z| < 1$  such that  $\max_{|z| < z_0} |w(z)| = |w(z_0)| = 1$ . From a well known result due to Jack (1971), there is a real number  $K \geq 1$  such that

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} z_0 w'(z_0) &= Kw(z_0) \\ \text{From (2.5) and (2.6), we obtain} \\ \frac{D^{m+2}f(z_0) - (m+2+p-\alpha)}{D^{m+1}f(z_0) - (p-\alpha)/(m+2)} &= \frac{-1+w(z_0)}{1+w(z_0)} + \frac{2Kw(z_0)}{[(m+1) + (m+1+2p-2\alpha) + w(z_0)](1+w(z_0))} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\frac{D^{m+2}f(z_0) - (m+2+p-\alpha)}{D^{m+1}f(z_0) - (p-\alpha)/(m+2)}}{\frac{-1+w(z_0)}{1+w(z_0)} + \frac{2Kw(z_0)}{[(m+1) + (m+1+2p-2\alpha) + w(z_0)](1+w(z_0))}} \right\} > \frac{1}{2(m+1+p-\alpha)} > 0$$

which contradicts (2.2). Hence,  $|w(z)| < 1$  for  $z \in U$  and from (2.3), it follows that  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ .

Therefore,  $M_p^k(m+1, \alpha) \subset M_p^k(m, \alpha)$

This completes the proof of theorem.

### III. Coefficient Inequality

**Theorem 3.1 :** Let  $f(z) \in M_p^k$  be given by (1.1), then  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  if

$$(3.1) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} \{(n+p+k) + |n+k-p+2\alpha|\} a_{n+k} \leq 2(p-\alpha)$$

for  $0 \leq \alpha < p$ .

**Proof :** For  $0 \leq \alpha < p$ , consider the expression

$$(3.2) \quad H(z) = \left| -D^{m+1}f(z) + D^m f(z) \right| - \left| -D^{m+1}f(z) + \left( \frac{m+1+2p-2\alpha}{m+1} \right) D^m f(z) \right|$$

Replacing  $D^m f(z)$  and  $D^{m+1} f(z)$  by their series expansions.

$$H(z) = \left| - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} \frac{(n+p+k)}{(m+1)} a_{n+k} z^{n+k} \right| - \left| \frac{2(p-\alpha)}{(m+1)z^p} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} \frac{(n+k-p+2\alpha)}{(m+1)} a_{n+k} z^{n+k} \right|$$

for  $0 < |z| = r < 1$  we have

$$r^p H(z) < \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+k+p)!} \frac{(p+n+k)}{(m+1)} a_{n+k} r^{n+k-p} - \frac{2(p-\alpha)}{(m+1)} \\ + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+k+p)!} \frac{|n+k-p+2\alpha|}{(m+1)} a_{n+k} r^{n+k-p}$$

Since this holds for all  $r, 0 < r < 1$ , making  $r \rightarrow 1$  we have

$$H(z) \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+k+p)!} \left\{ \frac{(p+n+k)|n+k-p+2\alpha|}{(m+1)} \right\} a_{n+k} - \frac{2(p-\alpha)}{(m+1)} \\ \leq 0 \quad \text{(using (3.1))}$$

From (3.2), we find

$$\left| \left( -\frac{D^{m+1}f(z)}{D^m f(z)} + 1 \right) \left( -\frac{D^{m+1}f(z)}{D^m f(z)} + \frac{(m+1+2p-2\alpha)}{(m+1)} \right)^{-1} \right| \leq 1$$

or

$$\left| \frac{\left( -\frac{D^{m+1}f(z)}{D^m f(z)} + 2 \right) - 1}{\left( -\frac{D^{m+1}f(z)}{D^m f(z)} + 2 \right) + \left( 1 - 2 \left( \frac{m+1-p+\alpha}{m+1} \right) \right)} \right| \leq 1$$

or

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( -\frac{D^{m+1}f(z)}{D^m f(z)} + 2 \right) > \frac{m+1-p+\alpha}{m+1}$$

or

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{D^{m+1}f(z)}{D^m f(z)} \right) < \frac{m+1+p-\alpha}{m+1}$$

Hence,  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ .

**Theorem 3.2 :** Let  $f(z) \in M_p^k$  be given by (1.1). Then  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$(3.3) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+\alpha) \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+k+p)!} a_{n+k} \leq (p-\alpha), \quad a_{n+k} \geq 0$$

for  $p/2 \leq \alpha < p$ .

**Proof :** In view of theorem (3.1), it is sufficient to show the “only if” part. Let us assume that  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  then

$$(3.4) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{D^{m+1}f(z)}{D^m f(z)} \right) < \frac{m+1+p-\alpha}{m+1}, \quad z \in U.$$

Replacing  $D^{m+1}f(z)$  and  $D^m f(z)$  by their series expansions, we have

$$(3.5) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+1+p+n+k)!}{(m+1)!(n+k+p)!} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}}{\frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{(m)!(n+k+p)!} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}} \right\} \leq \frac{m+1+p-\alpha}{m+1}$$

when  $z$  is real,  $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}$  is real and since  $a_{n+k} \geq 0$ , making  $z \rightarrow 1^-$  through positive values (3.5) becomes

$$\frac{1 + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+1+p+n+k)!}{(m+1)!(n+k+p)!} a_{n+k}}{1 + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+k+p)!} a_{n+k}} \leq \frac{m+1+p-\alpha}{m+1}$$

hence, we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+k+p)!} (n+k+\alpha) a_{n+k} \leq p-\alpha.$$

Hence the result follows.

**Remark :** The result is sharp. The extremal function being

$$(3.6) \quad f_n(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{(p-\alpha)m!(n+k+p)!}{(n+k+\alpha)(m+n+k+p)!} z^{n+k}, \quad n, k \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, 1, \dots\}$$

**Corollary 3.3 :** If  $f(z) \in M_p^k$  with  $p=1$  and  $a_k=0$ , then theorem 3.2 holds true for  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ .

#### IV. DISTORTION THEOREM

**Theorem 4.1 :** If  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ , then

$$(4.1a) \quad \frac{1}{r^p} - \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{k+\alpha}\right) r^k \leq D^m f(z) \leq \frac{1}{r^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{k+\alpha}\right) r^k, \quad (k \geq 1)$$

and

$$(4.1b) \quad \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} - \frac{(p-\alpha)(k+2\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} r^{k-1} \leq (D^m f(z))' \leq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} + \frac{(p-\alpha)(k+2\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} r^{k-1}, \quad (k \geq 2)$$

for  $a < |z| = r < 1$  and  $p/2 \leq \alpha < p$ .

**Proof :** In view of theorem (3.2), we have

$$(4.2) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} \leq \frac{p-\alpha}{k+\alpha}$$

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

$$(4.3) \quad |D^m f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{r^p} + r^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} \leq \frac{1}{r^p} + \frac{(p-\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} r^k \quad (\text{on using 4.2})$$

$$(4.4) \quad |D^m f(z)| \geq \frac{1}{r^p} - r^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} \geq \frac{1}{r^p} - \frac{(p-\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} r^k \quad (\text{on using 4.2})$$

From (4.3) and (4.4), we get (4.1a).

Again, by theorem (3.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k)(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} &\leq (p-\alpha) - \alpha \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} \\ &\leq (p-\alpha) + \alpha \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k)(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} &\leq (p-\alpha) + \alpha \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{k+\alpha}\right) \quad \text{from (4.2)} \\ &= \frac{(p-\alpha)(k+2\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$(4.5) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k) \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} \leq \frac{(p-\alpha)(k+2\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)}$$

Further, for using  $k \geq 2$  and using (4.5), we get

and

$$(4.6) \quad \begin{aligned} |(D^m f(z))'| &\leq \frac{1}{r^{p+1}} - r^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k) \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} r^{n+k-1} \\ &\leq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} + \frac{(p-\alpha)(k+2\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} r^{k-1} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(4.7) \quad \begin{aligned} |(D^m f(z))'| &\geq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} - r^{k-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k) \frac{(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} \\ &\geq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} - \frac{(p-\alpha)(k+2\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} r^{k-1} \end{aligned}$$

Using (4.6) and (4.7), we get (4.1b).

**Remark :** The bounds in (4.1a) and (4.1b) are sharp. Since the equalities are attained for the function

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{(p-\alpha)m!(k+p)!}{(k+\alpha)(m+p+k)!} z^k \quad (z = \pm r).$$

**Corollary 4.2 :** If  $f(z) \in M_p^k(0, \alpha) \equiv S_p^k(\alpha)$ , then

$$\frac{1}{r^p} - \left( \frac{p-\alpha}{k+\alpha} \right) r^k \leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{r^p} + \left( \frac{p-\alpha}{k+\alpha} \right) r^k \quad (k \geq 1)$$

and

$$\frac{p}{r^{p+1}} - \left( \frac{(p-\alpha)(k+2\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} \right) r^{k-1} \leq |f'(z)| \leq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} + \frac{(p-\alpha)(k+2\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} r^{k-1} \quad (k \geq 2).$$

for  $0 < |z| = r < 1$  and  $p/2 \leq \alpha < p$ .

For  $p = 1$ , we get the following corollary.

**Corollary 4.3a :** If  $f(z) \in M_1^k(m, \alpha)$ , then

$$\frac{1}{r} - \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{k+\alpha} \right) r^k \leq |D^m f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{r} + \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{k+\alpha} \right) r^k \quad (k \geq 1)$$

and

$$\frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{(1-\alpha)(k+2\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} r^{k-1} \leq |D^m f(z)'| \leq \frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{(1-\alpha)(k+2\alpha)}{(k+\alpha)} r^{k-1} \quad (k \geq 2).$$

for  $0 < |z| = r < 1$  and  $1/2 \leq \alpha < 1$ .

**Corollary 4.3b :** If  $f(z) \in M_1^k(m, \alpha)$  with  $a_k = 0$ , then corollary 4.3a holds true for  $0 < |z| = r < 1$  and  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ .

for  $\alpha = 0$  and  $m = 0$ , we get

**Corollary 4.4 :** If  $f(z) \in M_p^k(0, 0) \equiv S_p^k(0) \equiv S_p^k$ , then

$$\frac{1}{r^p} - \frac{p}{k} r^k \leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{r^p} + \frac{p}{k} r^k \quad (k \geq 1)$$

and

$$\frac{p}{r^{p+1}} - p r^{k-1} \leq |f'(z)| \leq \frac{p}{r^{p+1}} + p r^{k-1} \quad (k \geq 2)$$

for  $\alpha = 0$  and  $p = 1$ , we get the following corollary.

**Corollary 4.5a :** If  $f(z) \in M_1^k(m, 0)$ , then

$$\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{k} r^{k-1} \leq |D^m f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{r} + \frac{r^{k-1}}{k} \quad (k \geq 1)$$

and

$$\frac{1}{r} - r^{k-1} \leq |D^m f(z)'| \leq \frac{1}{r} - r^{k-1} \quad (k \geq 2)$$

for  $0 < |z| = r < 1$  and  $1/2 \leq \alpha < 1$ .

**Corollary 4.5b :** If  $f(z) \in M_1^k(m, 0)$ , with  $a_k = 0$ , then corollary 4.5a holds true for  $0 < |z| = r < 1$  and  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ .

V. CLOSURE THEOREMS :

**Theorem 4.1 :** If  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}$  ,  $a_{n+k} \geq 0$

and  $g(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{n+k} z^{n+k}$  ,  $b_{n+k} \geq 0$

are in  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ , then  $h(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_{n+k} + b_{n+k}) z^{n+k}$  is also in  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ . For  $p/2 \leq \alpha < p$ .

**Proof :**  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  being in  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ , we have

$$(5.1) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+\alpha) \frac{(m+n+p+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k} \leq (p-\alpha)$$

$$(5.2) \text{ and } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+\alpha) \frac{(m+n+p+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} b_{n+k} \leq (p-\alpha)$$

for  $p/2 \leq \alpha < p$ .

It is sufficient for  $h(z)$  to be a member of  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  to show

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+\alpha) \frac{(m+n+p+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} (a_{n+k} + b_{n+k}) \leq (p-\alpha)$$

which will follow immediately by use of (5.1) and (5.2).

**Theorem 5.2 :** The class  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  is closed under convex linear combination.

**Proof :** Let the function  $F_j(z)$  given by

$$(5.3) \quad F_j(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+k,j} z^{n+k} \quad (j=1,2,\dots), \quad a_{n+k,j} \geq 0$$

be in  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ . Then it is enough to show that the function

$$H(z) = \lambda F_1(z) + (1-\lambda) F_2(z) \quad (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1)$$

is also in  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ . For  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\lambda a_{n+k,1} + (1-\lambda) a_{n+k,2}) z^{n+k}$$

we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+n+p+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} [\lambda a_{n+k,1} + (1-\lambda) a_{n+k,2}] \\ &= \lambda \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+n+p+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} \lambda a_{n+k,1} + (1-\lambda) \\ & \quad \times \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+n+p+k)!}{m!(n+p+k)!} a_{n+k,2} \\ & \leq \lambda(p-\alpha) + (1-\lambda)(p-\alpha) \\ & \leq (p-\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

By theorem (3.2), we have  $H(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ .

**Theorem 5.3 :** Let  $f_0(z) = \frac{1}{z^p}$  and

$$f_{n+k}(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{(p-\alpha)m!(n+k+p)!}{(m+p+n+k)!(n+k+\alpha)} z^{n+k} \quad , \quad n=0,1,2,\dots$$

Then  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  if and only if  $f(z)$  can be expressed in the form

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n(z) \quad \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_{k-1} = 0$$

where  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n = 1$ ,  $\lambda_n \geq 0$  and  $\lambda_n = 0$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots, k-1$  ( $n < k$  and  $k \geq 2$ ).

**Proof :** Suppose that  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n(z)$

thus,

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+k} \left\{ \frac{(p-\alpha)m!(n+k+p)!}{(m+p+n+k)!(n+k+\alpha)} \right\} z^{n+k}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+p+n+k)!(n+k+\alpha)}{(p-\alpha)m!(n+k+p)!} \lambda_{n+k} \frac{(p-\alpha)m!(n+k+p)!}{(m+p+n+k)!(n+k+\alpha)} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+k} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \\ &= 1 - \lambda_0 \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by theorem (3.2)  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ .

**Conversely :** Suppose that the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) belongs to  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ , then by theorem (3.2), we have

$$a_{n+k} \leq \frac{(p-\alpha)m!(n+k+p)!}{(m+p+n+k)!(n+k+\alpha)}, \quad n \geq 0.$$

Setting  $\lambda_{n+k} = \frac{(m+p+n+k)!(n+k+\alpha)a_{n+k}}{(p-\alpha)m!(n+k+p)!}$

with  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_{k-1} = 0$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n = 1$ ,  $\lambda_n \geq 0$

then

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+k} z^{n+k} \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p-\alpha)m!(n+k+p)!}{(m+p+n+k)!(n+k+\alpha)} \lambda_{n+k} z^{n+k} \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+k} \left\{ f_{n+k} - \frac{1}{z^p} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \left( 1 - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+k} \right) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+k} f_{n+k} \\ &= \left( 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \right) \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n \\ &= \lambda_0 f_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n(z) \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.



VI. RADII OF STARLIKENESS AND CONVEXITY :

**Theorem 6.1 :** Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ , then  $f(z)$  is meromorphically  $p$ -valent starlike of order  $\delta(p/2 \leq \delta < p)$  in the disk  $|z| < r_1$ , where

$$(6.1) \quad r_1 = r_1(\alpha, \delta) = \inf_n \left[ \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+p+n+k)!(p-\delta)}{(n+k+\delta)m!(n+p+k)!(p-\alpha)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n+k+p}} \quad n \in N_0$$

**Proof :** It is sufficient to prove that

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z) + pf(z)}{zf'(z) + (2\delta - p)f(z)} \right| \leq 1 \quad \text{for } 0 < |z| < r_1$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{zf'(z) + pf(z)}{zf'(z) + (2\delta - p)f(z)} \right| &= \left| \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+p)a_{n+k}z^{n+k}}{\frac{2(\delta - p)}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+2\delta - p)a_{n+k}z^{n+k}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+p)a_{n+k}z^{n+k+p}}{-2(p-\delta) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+2\delta - p)a_{n+k}z^{n+k+p}} \right| \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the result follows if

$$\left| \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+p)a_{n+k}z^{n+k+p}}{-2(p-\delta) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+2\delta - p)a_{n+k}z^{n+k+p}} \right| \leq 1$$

or 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+p)a_{n+k} |z|^{n+k+p} \leq 2(p-\delta) - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+2\delta - p)a_{n+k} |z|^{n+k+p}$$

which is equivalent to

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+k+\delta)a_{n+k} |z|^{n+k+p} \leq (p-\delta)$$

or

$$(6.2) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k+\delta)}{(p-\delta)} a_{n+k} |z|^{n+k+p} \leq 1$$

But, by theorem 3.2, we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+k+p)!(p-\alpha)} a_{n+k} \leq 1$$

Hence, (6.2) holds if and only if for all  $n \in N_0$

$$\frac{(n+k+\delta)}{(p-\delta)} a_{n+k} |z|^{n+k+p} \leq \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+p+n+k)!}{m!(n+k+p)!(p-\alpha)} a_{n+k}$$

or 
$$|z|^{n+k+p} \leq \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+p+n+k)!(p-\delta)}{(n+k+\delta)m!(n+k+p)!(p-\alpha)}$$

$$|z| \leq \left[ \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+p+n+k)!(p-\delta)}{(n+k+\delta)m!(n+k+p)!(p-\alpha)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n+k+p}}$$

This completes the theorem.

**Theorem 6.2 :** Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ . Then  $f(z)$  is meromorphically  $p$ -valent convex of order  $\delta(p/2 \leq \delta < p)$  in the disk  $|z| < r_2$  where  $r_2 = r_2(\alpha, \delta)$

$$= \inf_n \left[ \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+p+n+k)!(p-\delta)p}{(n+k)(n+k+\delta)m!(n+p+k)!(p-\alpha)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n+k+p}} \quad n \in N_0$$

**Theorem 6.3:** Let function  $f(z)$  given by (1.1) be in the class  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ .

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{c} [(c+p)f(z) + zf^1(z)] \quad , \quad c > 0$$

Then,  $F(z)$  is in  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  for  $|z| \leq r(\alpha, \beta)$ , where

$$r(\alpha, \beta) = \inf_n \left[ \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(p-\beta)c}{(n+k+\beta)(c+p+n+k)(p-\alpha)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n+k+p}} \quad , \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

The result is sharp for the function  $f_n(z)$  given by (3.6).

**Proof :** 
$$F(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c+p+n+k)}{c} a_{n+k} z^{n+k}$$

Let 
$$w(z) = 1 - \frac{(m+1)}{(p-\beta)} \left\{ \frac{D^{m+1}F(z)}{D^m F(z)} - 1 \right\}$$

Then it is sufficient to show that

$$\left| \frac{w(z)-1}{w(z)+1} \right| < 1$$

A computation shows that this is satisfied if

$$(6.3) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k+\beta)(m+p+n+k)!(c+p+n+k)}{(p-\beta)m!(n+k+p)!c} a_{n+k} |z|^{n+p+k} \leq 1$$

Since  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ , by theorem 3.2, we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+p+n+k)!}{(p-\alpha)m!(n+k+p)!} a_{n+k} \leq 1$$

The equation (6.3) is satisfied if

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k+\beta)(m+p+n+k)!(c+p+n+k)}{(p-\beta)m!(n+k+p)!c} |z|^{n+p+k} a_{n+k} \\ \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(m+p+n+k)!}{(p-\alpha)m!(n+k+p)!} a_{n+k} \end{aligned}$$

or

$$|z| \leq \left[ \frac{(n+k+\alpha)(p-\beta)c}{(n+k+\beta)(c+p+n+k)(p-\alpha)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n+k+p}}$$

## VII. INTEGRAL OPERATOR

**Theorem 7.1 :** Let the function  $f(z)$  given by (1.1) be in  $M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ . Then the integral operator

$$F(z) = (c-p+1) \int_0^1 u^c f(uz) du \quad \text{for } p \leq c < \infty$$

$$0 < u \leq 1$$

is in  $M_p^k(m, \delta)$  where

$$\delta = \frac{p(p + \alpha)(c + k + 1) - p(p - \alpha)(c - p + 1)}{(c - p + 1)(p - \alpha) + (p + \alpha)(c + k + 1)}$$

This result is sharp for the function

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \frac{(p - \alpha)m!(k + p)!}{(k + \alpha)(m + p + k)!} z^{n+k}$$

**Proof :** Let  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= (c - p + 1) \int_0^1 u^c f(uz) du \\ &= (c - p + 1) \int_0^1 \left( \frac{u^{c-p}}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+k} u^{c+n+k} z^{n+k} \right) du \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{c - p + 1}{c + n + k + 1} a_{n+k} z^{n+k} \end{aligned}$$

It is sufficient to show that

$$(7.1) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c - p + 1)(m + n + p + k)!(n + p + \delta)}{(c + n + k + 1)(p - \delta)(n + k + p)!m!} a_{n+k} \leq 1$$

Since  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m + n + p + k)!(n + p + \alpha)}{m!(n + k + p)!(p - \alpha)} \leq 1$$

(7.1) is satisfied if

$$(c - p + 1)(n + p + \delta)(p - \alpha) \leq (c + n + k + 1)(p - \delta)(n + p + \alpha)$$

or

$$\delta \leq \frac{p(c + n + k + 1)(n + p + \alpha) - (c - p + 1)(n + p)(p - \alpha)}{(c - p + 1)(p - \alpha) + (c + n + k + 1)(n + p + \alpha)} = F(n)$$

A computation shows that

$$\begin{aligned} &F(n + 1) - F(n) \\ &= \frac{(p - \alpha)(c - p + 1)[(n + p)(n + 2p + 1) + p(\alpha + p + 1) + pn + k(p - \alpha)]}{[(c - p + 1)(p - \alpha) + (c + n + k + 2)(n + 1 + p + \alpha)][(c - p + 1)(p - \alpha) + (c + n + k + 1)(n + p + \alpha)]} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $n \geq 0$ . This means  $F(n)$  is increasing and  $F(n) \geq F(0)$ . Using this the result follows.

### VIII. NEIGHBOURHOODS FOR THE CLASS $M_p^k(m, \alpha, \gamma)$ :

**Definition 8.1 :** A function  $f(z) \in M_p^k$  is said to be in the class  $M_p^k(m, \alpha, \gamma)$  if there exist a function  $g(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  such that

$$(8.1) \quad \left| \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} - 1 \right| \leq 1 - \gamma, \quad 0 \leq \gamma < 1.$$

**Definition 8.2 :**  $N_\delta(f)$  denote the  $\delta$ -neighbourhood of the function  $f \in M_p^k$  of the form (1.1), i.e.

$$(8.2) \quad N_\delta(f) = \left\{ g \in M_p^k : g(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{n+k} z^{n+k} \right. \\ \left. \text{and } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n + k) | a_{n+k} - b_{n+k} | \leq \delta \right\}$$

**Theorem 8.1 :** If  $g(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$  and

$$(8.3) \quad \gamma = 1 - \frac{\delta(k + \alpha)(m + k + p)!}{k[(k + \alpha)(m + k + p)! - m!(p - \alpha)(k + p)!]}$$

Then  $N_\delta(g) \subset M_p^k(m, \alpha, \gamma)$ .

**Proof :** Let  $f(z) \in N_\delta(g)$ , then we find from (8.2) that

$$(8.4) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_{n+k} - b_{n+k}| \leq \frac{\delta}{k}$$

Since  $g(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha)$ , we have from (3.3)

$$(8.5) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{n+k} \leq \frac{(p - \alpha)m!(k + p)!}{(k + \alpha)(m + p + k)!}$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} - 1 \right| &= \left| \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_{n+k} - b_{n+k})}{1 + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{n+k}} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_{n+k} - b_{n+k}|}{1 - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{n+k}} \\ &= \frac{\delta}{k \left[ 1 - \frac{(p - \alpha)m!(k + p)!}{(k + \alpha)(m + p + k)!} \right]} \quad (\text{using (8.4) \& (8.5)}) \\ &= \frac{\delta(k + \alpha)(m + k + p)!}{k[(k + \alpha)(m + k + p)! - (p - \alpha)m!(k + p)!]} \\ &= 1 - \gamma \end{aligned}$$

where  $\gamma$  is given by (8.3). Hence by definition 8.1  $f(z) \in M_p^k(m, \alpha, \gamma)$  which completes the proof.

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