

# DIFFERENTIAL SANDWICH THEOREMS OF P-VALENT FUNCTIONS

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In this paper, we obtain sandwich results involving Hadamard product for certain  $p$ -valent functions associated with Noor integral operator in the open unit disk.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\Sigma_p$  denote the class of functions  $f(z)$  of the form

$$(1) \quad f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (p \in N = 1, 2, 3, \dots),$$

which are analytic in the punctured open unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ .

For functions  $f \in \Sigma_p$  given by (1) and  $g \in \Sigma_p$  given by

$$g(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} b_k z^k.$$

We define the Hadamard product (or convolution) of  $f$  and  $g$  by

$$(2) \quad (f * g)(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k.$$

Let  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  be analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$ . We say that the function  $g(z)$  is subordinate to  $f(z)$ , if there exists a function  $w(z)$  analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$ , with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$ , and such that  $g(z) = f(w(z))$ . In such a case, we write  $g(z) \prec f(z)$ . If the function  $f$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ , then  $g(z) \prec f(z)$  if and only if  $g(0) = f(0)$  and  $g(\mathbb{U}) \subset f(\mathbb{U})$ .

Let  $H(\mathbb{U})$  denote the class of analytic functions in  $\mathbb{U}$  and let  $H(a, n)$  denote the subclass of functions  $f \in H(\mathbb{U})$  of the form:

$$f(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots).$$

Denote by  $Q$ , the set of all functions  $f(z)$  that are analytic and injective on  $\overline{U} \setminus E(f)$ , where  $E(f) = \{\xi \in \partial U : \lim_{z \rightarrow \xi} f(z) = \infty\}$ , and such that  $f'(\xi) \neq 0$  for  $\xi \in \partial U \setminus E(f)$ .

Let  $\psi : \mathbb{C}^3 \times \overline{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , let  $h(z)$  be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and  $q(z) \in Q$ . Miller and Mocanu [1] considered the problem of determining conditions on admissible function  $\psi$  such that

$$(3) \quad \psi(p(z), zp'(z), z^2p''(z); z) \prec h(z)$$

implies  $p(z) \prec q(z)$ , for all functions  $p(z) \in H(a, n)$  that satisfy the differential subordination (3). Moreover, they found conditions so that  $q(z)$  is the smallest function with this property, called the best dominant of the subordination (3).

Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{C}^3 \times \overline{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , let  $h(z) \in H$  and  $q(z) \in H(a, n)$ . Recently, Miller and Mocanu [2] studied the dual problem and determined conditions on  $\varphi$  such that

$$(4) \quad h(z) \prec \varphi(p(z), zp'(z), z^2p''(z); z)$$

implies  $q(z) \prec p(z)$ , for all functions  $p(z) \in Q$  that satisfy the above superordination. They also found conditions so that the function  $q(z)$  is the largest function with this property, called the best subordinant of the superordination (4).

Liu and Noor [3] introduced an integral operator  $\mathcal{N}_{n,p}f(z) : \Sigma_p \rightarrow \Sigma_p$  as follows:

Let  $f_{n,p}(z) = \frac{z^p}{(1-z)^{n+p}}$  ( $n > -p$ ), and let  $f_{n,p}^{(+)}(z)$  be defined such that

$$(5) \quad f_{n,p}(z) * f_{n,p}^{(+)}(z) = \frac{z^p}{(1-z)^{1+p}},$$

then

$$(6) \quad \mathcal{N}_{n,p}f(z) = f_{n,p}^{(+)}(z) * f_{n,p}(z) = \left(\frac{z^p}{(1-z)^{n+p}}\right)^{(+)} * f_{n,p}(z).$$

If  $f(z)$  is given by (1), then from (5) and (6), we deduce that

$$(7) \quad \mathcal{N}_{n,p}f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(p+1)(p+2) \cdots k}{(n+p)(n+p+1) \cdots (n+k-1)} a_k z^k.$$

It follows from (7) that

$$(8) \quad z(\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z))' = (n+p)\mathcal{N}_{n,p}f(z) - n\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z).$$

We also note that  $\mathcal{N}_{0,p}f(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{p}$  and  $\mathcal{N}_{1,p}f(z) = f(z)$ . The operator  $\mathcal{N}_{n,p}f(z)$  defined by (6) is called as the Noor integral operator of  $(n+p-1)th$  order of  $f(z)$  [1]. For  $p = 1$ , the operator  $\mathcal{N}_{n,1}f(z)$  was introduced by Noor

[4] and Noor [5]. Several classes of analytic functions, defined by using the operator  $\mathcal{N}_{n,1}f(z)$ , have been studied by many authors [6–8].

In this paper, we will derive several subordination results, superordination results and sandwich results involving the operator  $\mathcal{N}_{n,p}f(z)$  and some of its special operators.

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

LEMMA 1 (see [9]). *Let  $q(z)$  be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  and suppose that*

$$(9) \quad \operatorname{Re}\left\{1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)}\right\} > \max\left\{0, -\operatorname{Re}\frac{1}{\gamma}\right\}.$$

*If  $p(z)$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$ , with  $p(0) = q(0)$  and*

$$(10) \quad p(z) + \gamma zp'(z) \prec q(z) + \gamma zq'(z),$$

*then  $p(z) \prec q(z)$ , and  $q(z)$  is the best dominant.*

LEMMA 2 (see [10]). *Let  $q(z)$  be convex in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,  $q(0) = a$  and  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}\gamma > 0$ . If  $p \in H(a, 1)$  and  $p(z) + \gamma zp'(z)$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ , and*

$$(11) \quad q(z) + \gamma zq'(z) \prec p(z) + \gamma zp'(z),$$

*then  $q(z) \prec p(z)$  and  $q(z)$  is the best subordinator.*

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

We shall assume in the reminder of this paper that  $p, n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ .

THEOREM 1. *Let  $q(z)$  be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  with  $q(0) = 1$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}^*$ , and suppose that*

$$(12) \quad \operatorname{Re}\left\{1 + \frac{zq''(z)}{q'(z)}\right\} > \max\left\{0, -\operatorname{Re}\frac{n+p}{\alpha}\right\}.$$

*If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  satisfies the subordination*

$$(13) \quad \mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p) \prec q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{n+p}zq'(z),$$

*where  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p)$  is given by*

$$(14) \quad \mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p) = (1 - \alpha)\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z^p} + \alpha\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n,p}f(z)}{z^p},$$

*then*

$$\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z^p} \prec q(z).$$

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

*Proof.* Let

$$(15) \quad p(z) = \frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z^p},$$

differentiating (15) with respect to  $z$  and using the identity (8) in the resulting equation, we have

$$\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} = (n + p)\left\{\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n,p}f(z)}{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)} - 1\right\},$$

that is,

$$\frac{1}{(n + p)}zp'(z) = \frac{\mathcal{N}_{n,p}f(z)}{z^p} - \frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z^p}.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p) = (1 - \alpha)\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z^p} + \alpha\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n,p}f(z)}{z^p} = p(z) + \frac{\alpha}{(n + p)}zp'(z).$$

By (13), we obtain

$$p(z) + \frac{\alpha}{(n + p)}zp'(z) \prec q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{n + p}zq'(z).$$

By Lemma 1,  $\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z^p} \prec q(z)$ , and the proof of Theorem 1 is completed.  $\square$

Taking the convex function  $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  in Theorem 1, we have the following corollary.

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let  $A, B, \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $A \neq B$ ,  $|B| < 1$ ,  $\text{Re}\alpha > 0$ . If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  satisfies the subordination*

$$\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} + \frac{\alpha}{n + p} \frac{(A - B)z}{(1 + Bz)^2},$$

where  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p)$  is given by (14), then

$$\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z^p} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz},$$

and the function  $\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$  is the best dominant.

Taking  $n = 0$  in Theorem 1, we obtain the following result.

**COROLLARY 2.** *Let  $q(z)$  be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  with  $q(0) = 1$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}^*$ , and suppose that (12) holds. If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  satisfies the subordination*

$$(16) \quad \mathcal{R}(\alpha, p) \prec q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{p}zq'(z),$$

where  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, p)$  is given by

$$(17) \quad \mathcal{R}(\alpha, p) = (1 - \alpha) \frac{f(z)}{z^p} + \frac{\alpha}{p} \frac{zf'(z)}{z^p},$$

then

$$\frac{f(z)}{z^p} \prec q(z).$$

Taking  $p = 1$  in Theorem 1, we have the following result.

**COROLLARY 3.** *Let  $q(z)$  be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  with  $q(0) = 1$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}^*$ , and suppose that (12) holds. If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  satisfies the subordination*

$$(18) \quad \mathcal{R}(\alpha, n) \prec q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{n+1} zq'(z),$$

where  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n)$  is given by

$$(19) \quad \mathcal{R}(\alpha, n) = (1 - \alpha) \frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1}f(z)}{z} + \alpha \frac{\mathcal{N}_n f(z)}{z},$$

then

$$\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1}f(z)}{z} \prec q(z).$$

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $q(z)$  be convex in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,  $q(0) = 1$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$ . If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  such that  $\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z^p} \in H(q(0), 1) \cap \mathcal{Q}$ , and  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p)$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfies the superordination*

$$(20) \quad q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{n+p} zq'(z) \prec \mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p),$$

where  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p)$  is given by (14), then

$$q(z) \prec \frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z^p},$$

and  $q(z)$  is the best subdominant.

*Proof.* Let  $p(z)$  be given by (15) and proceeding as in the proof of Theorem 1, the subordination (20) becomes

$$q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{n+p} zq'(z) \prec p(z) + \frac{\alpha}{(n+p)} zp'(z).$$

The proof follows by an application of Lemma 2.  $\square$

Taking  $n = 0$  in Theorem 2, we obtain the following result.

COROLLARY 4. Let  $q(z)$  be convex in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,  $q(0) = 1$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}\alpha > 0$ . If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  such that  $\frac{f(z)}{z^p} \in H(q(0), 1) \cap \mathcal{Q}$ , and  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, p)$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfies the superordination

$$(21) \quad q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{p} zq'(z) \prec \mathcal{R}(\alpha, p),$$

where  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, p)$  is given by (17), then

$$q(z) \prec \frac{f(z)}{z^p}.$$

Taking  $p = 1$  in Theorem 2, we have the following result.

COROLLARY 5. Let  $q(z)$  be convex in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,  $q(0) = 1$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}\alpha > 0$ . If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  such that  $\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1}f(z)}{z} \in H(q(0), 1) \cap \mathcal{Q}$ , and  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n)$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfies the superordination

$$(22) \quad \mathcal{R}(\alpha, n) \prec q(z) + \frac{\alpha}{n+1} zq'(z),$$

where  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n)$  is given by (19), then

$$q(z) \prec \frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1}f(z)}{z}.$$

Combining Theorems 1 and 2, we have the following sandwich theorem.

THEOREM 3. Let  $q_1$  and  $q_2(z)$  be convex in  $\mathbb{U}$ ,  $q_1(0) = q_2(0) = 1$  and  $q_2(z)$  satisfies (12), and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}\alpha > 0$ . If  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  such that  $\frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z} \in H(q(0), 1) \cap \mathcal{Q}$ , and  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p)$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfies

$$(23) \quad q_1(z) + \frac{\alpha}{n+p} zq_1'(z) \prec \mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p) \prec q_2(z) + \frac{\alpha}{n+p} zq_2'(z),$$

where  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha, n, p)$  is given by (14), then

$$q_1(z) \prec \frac{\mathcal{N}_{n+1,p}f(z)}{z^p} \prec q_2(z).$$

and  $q_1(z)$ ,  $q_2(z)$  are the best subordinator and the best dominant, respectively.

*Remark.* Combining Corollaries 2, 4 and Corollaries 3, 5, we obtain the corresponding sandwich results for the operators  $\mathcal{N}_p$  and  $\mathcal{N}_{n+1}$

### 3. OPEN PROBLEM

If  $f(z)$  is meromorphically multivalent functions, a new operator can be defined. New results which is about differential Sandwich theorems of the new operator can be obtained.

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