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# Some starlike and convexity properties associated with p-valent hypergeometric functions

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#### Abstract

In the present paper we obtain some conditions on a, b and c to verify that  $z^p \,_2F_1(a,b;c;z)$  to be in various subclasses of starlike and convex functions. we also examine an integral operator related to the p-valent hypergeometric function.

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#### 1 Introduction

Let  $T_p$  be the class of functions of the form:

$$f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=n+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad (a_n \ge 0) \quad (p \in N = 1, 2, ...)$$
 (1.1)

which are analytic and p-valent in the open unit disc  $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Let  $S_p^*(A, B, \beta)$  be the subclass of  $T_p$  consisting of functions which satisfy the condition:

$$\left| \frac{\frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)} - 1}{A - \frac{B}{p} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}} \right| < \beta, (z \in \mathbb{U}, -1 \le B < A \le 1, 0 < \beta \le 1 \text{ and } p \in N)$$
 (1.2)

and  $C_p^*(A, B, \beta)$  be the subclass of  $T_p$  consisting of functions which satisfy the condition:

$$\left| \frac{\frac{1}{p} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) - 1}{A - \frac{B}{p} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right)} \right| < \beta, (z \in \mathbb{U}, -1 \le B < A \le 1, 0 < \beta \le 1 \text{ and } p \in N)$$
(1.3)

From (1.2) and (1.3), we have

$$f(z) \in C_p^*(A, B, \beta) \Leftrightarrow \frac{zf'(z)}{p} \in S_p^*(A, B, \beta).$$
 (1.4)

We also note that for  $0 \le \alpha < 1$ ,

- (i)  $S_1^*(1-2\alpha,-1,\beta) = S^*(\alpha,\beta)$  and
- (ii)  $C_1^*(1-2\alpha,-1,\beta) = C^*(\alpha,\beta),$
- (iii)  $S^*(\alpha, 1) = S^*(\alpha)$  and (iv)  $C^*(\alpha, 1) = C(\alpha)$

The subclasses of class of  $S^*(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $C^*(\alpha, \beta)$  were introduced and studied by Gupta and Jain([4], see also [6]) while the subclasses  $S^*(\alpha)$  and  $C(\alpha)$  were studied by Silverman [10].

Let  ${}_{2}F_{1}(a,b;c;z)$  be the (Gaussian) hypergeometric function defined by

$$_{2}F_{1}(a,b;c;z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n}(b)_{n}}{(c)_{n}(1)_{n}} z^{n},$$
 (1.5)

where  $c \neq 0, -1, -2, ...,$  and  $(\alpha)_n$  is Pochhammer symbol defined by

$$(\alpha)_n = \begin{cases} 1 & for \ n = 0 \\ \alpha(\alpha + 1) \dots (\alpha + n - 1) & for \ n \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases}$$

We note that  ${}_{2}F_{1}(a, b; c; 1)$  converges for Re(c - a - b) > 0 and is related to the Gamma functions (see [7], p. 49) by

$${}_{2}F_{1}(a,b;c;1) = \frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)}.$$
(1.6)

Silverman [9] gave necessary and sufficient conditions for  $z_2F_1(a,b;c;z)$  to be in  $S^*(\alpha)$  and  $C(\alpha)$  and also examined a linear operator acting on hypergeometric functions. For the other interesting developments for univalent and multivalent hypergeometric function the reader can refer the works of Carlson and Shaffer [1], Merkes and Scott [5], Ruscheweyh and Singh [8], Cho et al. [2], Mostafa [6] and El-Ashwah et al. [3]

### 2 Main Results

In order to establish our main results we need following lemmas:

**Lemma 1**.(i) A function f(z) defined by (1.1) is in the class of  $S_p^*(A, B, \beta)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} [(n-p) + \beta(pA - Bn)] a_n \le p\beta(A - B). \tag{2.1}$$

(ii) A function f(z) defined by (1.1) is in the class of  $C_p^*(A, B, \beta)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} n[(n-p) + \beta(pA - Bn)] a_n \le p^2 \beta(A - B).$$
 (2.2)

**Proof** (i) We assume that the inequality (2.1) is true, Now

$$\left| \frac{\frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)} - 1}{A - \frac{B}{p} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}} \right| \le \left| \frac{\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-p)a_n z^{n-p}}{(A-B)p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (Ap - Bn)a_n z^{n-p}} \right|$$
(2.3)

$$\leq \frac{\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-p)a_n|z|^{n-p}}{(A-B)p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (Ap-Bn)a_n|z|^{n-p}},$$
(2.4)

This shows that  $\frac{\frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)}-1}{A-\frac{B}{p}\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}}$  lie in the circle centered at origin whose radius is  $\beta$ . Hence  $f(z) \in S_p^*(A, B, \beta)$ .

Conversly, let  $f(z) \in S_p^*(A, B, \beta)$ , then

$$\left| \frac{\frac{zf'(z)}{pf(z)} - 1}{A - \frac{B}{p} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}} \right| < \beta,$$

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z) - pf(z)}{\beta (Apf(z) - Bzf'(z))} \right| < 1,$$
(2.5)

We note that

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z) - pf(z)}{\beta (Apf(z) - Bzf'(z))} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-p)a_n z^n}{\beta \left( p(A-B)z^p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (pA-nB)a_n z^n \right)} \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-p)a_n|z|^{n-p}}{\beta \left( p(A-B) - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (pA-nB)a_n|z|^{n-p} \right)}$$
(2.6)

Letting  $z \longrightarrow 1^-$  through real values, we have

$$\leq \frac{\sum\limits_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-p)a_n}{\beta \left( p(A-B) - \sum\limits_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (pA-nB)a_n \right)}$$
(2.7)

The extreme-right-side expression of the above inequality would remain bounded by 1 if

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-p)a_n \le \beta \left( p(A-B) - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (pA-nB)a_n \right)$$
 (2.8)

which leads to the desired inequality (2.1). This completes the proof.

Finally, the following function:

$$f(z) = z^{p} - \frac{\beta(A-B)p}{(n-p) + \beta(Ap - Bn)} z^{n+p},$$
(2.9)

is an extremal function for the Lemma.

(ii) On replacing  $a_n$  by  $\frac{na_n}{p}$  and using (1.4), we immediately get the part (ii) of the Lemma.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $z \in \mathbb{U}, -1 \leq B < A \leq 1, 0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ 

(i) If a, b > -1, c > 0 and ab < 0, then  $z^p \, _2F_1(a, b; c; z)$  is in  $S_p^*(A, B, \beta)$  if and only if

$$c \ge a + b + 1 - \frac{(1 - \beta B)ab}{p\beta(A - B)}$$
 (2.10)

(ii) If a, b > 0 and c > a + b + 1, then  $h_p(a, b; c; z) = z^p (2 - {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z))$  is in  $S_p^*(A, B, \beta)$ , if and only if

$$\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)(c-b)} \left[ 1 + \frac{ab(1-\beta B)}{p\beta(A-B)(c-a-b-1)} \right] \le 2$$
 (2.11)

**Proof.** (i) Since

$$z^{p} {}_{2}F_{1}(a,b;c;z) = z^{p} + \frac{ab}{c} \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}} z^{n},$$

$$= z^{p} - \left| \frac{ab}{c} \right| \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}} z^{n}, \tag{2.12}$$

According to the Lemma 1(i), we must show that

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[ (n-p) + \beta(pA - Bn) \right] \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}} \le \beta p(A - B) \left| \frac{c}{ab} \right|.$$
(2.13)

Note that the left side of (2.13) diverges if  $c \le a + b + 1$ . Now

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[ (n-p) + \beta(pA - Bn) \right] \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}}$$

$$= (1-\beta B) \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} n \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}}$$

$$+ p(A\beta - 1) \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}}.$$

$$= (1-\beta B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+p+1) \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}} + p(A\beta - 1) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}}.$$

$$= (1-\beta B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_n} + p\beta(A-B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}}.$$

$$= (1-\beta B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_n} + \frac{p\beta(A-B)c}{ab} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_n}.$$

$$= (1-\beta B) \frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b-1)}{\Gamma(c-a)(c-b)} + \frac{p\beta(A-B)c}{ab} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)(c-b)} - 1 \right]$$

Hence, (2.13) is equivalent to

$$\frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b-1)}{\Gamma(c-a)(c-b)} \left[ (1-\beta B) + \frac{p\beta(A-B)(c-a-b-1)}{ab} \right]$$

$$\leq p\beta(A-B) \left[ \left| \frac{c}{ab} \right| + \frac{c}{ab} \right] = 0$$
(2.14)

Thus (2.14) is valid if and only if  $(1 - \beta B) + \frac{p\beta(A-B)(c-a-b-1)}{ab} \leq 0$ , or equiva-

c 
$$\geq a + b + 1 - \frac{(1-\beta B)ab}{p\beta(A-B)}$$

(ii) Since

$$h_p(a,b;c;z) = z^p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n-p}(b)_{n-p}}{(c)_{n-p}(1)_{n-p}} z^n,$$
(2.15)

then according to Lemma 1 (i), we only need to show that

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[ n(1-\beta B) + p(\beta A - 1) \right] \frac{(a)_{n-p}(b)_{n-p}}{(c)_{n-p}(1)_{n-p}} \le p\beta (A - B). \tag{2.16}$$

Now L.H.S. of (2.16)

$$= (1 - \beta B) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_{n-1}} + p\beta (A - B) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_n}.$$
 (2.17)

Using  $(\alpha)_n = \alpha(\alpha+1)_{n-1}$  in (2.17), we have

$$L.H.S.of(2.15) = \frac{ab}{c} (1 - \beta B) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-1}(b+1)_{n-1}}{(c+1)_{n-1}(1)_{n-1}} + p\beta (A-B) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_n}.$$

$$= \frac{ab}{c} (1 - \beta B) \frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b-1)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)}$$

$$+ p\beta (A-B) \left[ \frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} - 1 \right]. \quad (by(1.6))$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left[ p\beta (A-B) + \frac{ab(1-\beta B)}{c-a-b-1} \right] - p\beta (A-B).$$

But this last expression is bounded above by  $p\beta(A-B)$  if and only if (2.11)holds. **Theorem 2.**Let  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ,  $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  (i) If a, b > -1, ab < 0 and c > a + b + 2, then a necessary and sufficient condition for  $z^p$   ${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z)$  to be in  $C_p^*(A, B, \beta)$  is that

$$(1 - \beta b)ab(a+1)(b+1) + \{p(1+\beta(A-2B)) + 1 - \beta B\}ab(c-a-b-2) + p^2\beta(A-B)(c-a-b-2)(c-a-b-1) \ge 0.$$
 (2.18)

(ii) If a, b > 0 and c > a + b + 2, then a necessary and sufficient condition for  $h_p(a, b; c; z)$  to be in  $C_p^*(A, B, \beta)$  is that

$$\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left[ 1 + \frac{\{p(1+\beta(A-2B)) + 1 - \beta B\} ab}{(c-a-b-1)\beta p^2(A-B)} + \frac{(1-\beta B)ab(a+1)(b+1)}{(c-a-b-1)(c-a-b-2)\beta p^2(A-B)} \right] \le 2$$
(2.19)

**Proof.** (i) Since  $z^p {}_2F_1(a,b;c;z)$  has the form (2.12), using (ii) of Lemma 1, our conclusion can be written as

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} n \left[ (n-p) + \beta (pA - Bn) \right] \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}} \le \left| \frac{c}{ab} \right| p^2 \beta (A - B).$$
(2.20)

Noting that for c > a + b + 2, the left hand side of (2.20) converges. Now

$$L.H.S.of(2.20) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+p+1) \left[ (n+p+1)(1-\beta B) + p(A\beta-1) \right]$$

$$\frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}}$$

$$= (1-\beta B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_n} + p \left\{ 1 + \beta (A-2B) \right\} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_n}$$

$$+\beta (A-B) p^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}}$$

$$= (1-\beta B) \frac{(a+1)(b+1)}{(c+1)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+2)_n(b+2)_n}{(c+2)_n(1)_n} + \left[ p \left\{ 1 + \beta (A-2B) \right\} + 1 - \beta B \right]$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_n} + \frac{c}{ab} \beta (A-B) p^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_n}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(c+1) \Gamma(c-a-b-2)}{\Gamma(c-a) \Gamma(c-b)} \left[ (a+1)(b+1)(1-\beta B) + \left[ p \left\{ 1 + \beta (A-2B) \right\} + 1 - \beta B \right] + (c-a-b-2) + p^2 \frac{\beta (A-B)}{ab} (c-a-b-2)(c-a-b-1) \right]$$

$$-p^2 \frac{\beta (A-B)c}{ab}$$

This last expression is bounded above by  $\left|\frac{c}{ab}\right| p^2 \beta(A-B)$  if and only if

$$(a+1)(b+1)(1-\beta B) + [p\{1+\beta(A-2B)\} + 1-\beta B](c-a-b-2)$$
$$+p^{2}\frac{\beta(A-B)}{ab}(c-a-b-2)(c-a-b-1) \le 0,$$

which is equivalent to (2.18).

(ii) In view of Lemma 1 (ii) and (2.15) we only need to show that

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} n \left[ n(1-\beta B) + p(\beta A - 1) \right] \frac{(a)_{n-p}(b)_{n-p}}{(c)_{n-p}(1)_{n-p}} \le p^2 \beta (A - B). \tag{2.21}$$

Now

$$L.H.S.of(2.21) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+p+1) \left[ (n+p+1)(1-\beta B) + p(\beta A - 1) \right] \frac{(a)_{n+1}(b)_{n+1}}{(c)_{n+1}(1)_{n+1}}$$

$$= (1 - \beta B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)^2 \frac{(a)_{n+1}(b)_{n+1}}{(c)_{n+1}(1)_{n+1}} + p \left\{ 1 + \beta (A - 2B) \right\} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) \frac{(a)_{n+1}(b)_{n+1}}{(c)_{n+1}(1)_{n+1}}$$

$$+ p^2 \beta (A - B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n+1}(b)_{n+1}}{(c)_{n+1}(1)_{n+1}}$$

$$= (1 - \beta B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) \frac{(a)_{n+1}(b)_{n+1}}{(c)_{n+1}(1)_n} + p \left\{ 1 + \beta (A - 2B) \right\} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n+1}(b)_{n+1}}{(c)_{n+1}(1)_n}$$

$$+ p^2 \beta (A - B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n+1}(b)_{n+1}}{(c)_{n+1}(1)_{n+1}}$$

$$= (1 - \beta B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n+2}(b)_{n+2}}{(c)_{n+2}(1)_n} + [p \left\{ 1 + \beta (A - 2B) \right\} + 1 - \beta B] \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n+1}(b)_{n+1}}{(c)_{n+1}(1)_n}$$

$$+ p^2 \beta (A - B) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_n}$$

$$(2.22)$$

Since  $(a)_{n+k} = (a)_k (a+k)_n$ , and using (1.6), we can write the equation (2.22) as

L.H.S. of (2.21)

$$= (1-\beta B)ab(a+1)(b+1)\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b-2)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} + \left[p(1+\beta(A-2B)) + 1 - \beta B\right]$$
$$ab\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b-1)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} + p^2\beta(A-B)\left[\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} - 1\right]$$

Upon simplification, we find that the last expression is bounded above by  $p^2\beta(A-B)$  if and only if (2.19) holds

**Remark 2.1** Putting p = 1,  $A = 1 - 2\alpha$ , B = -1 in Theorems 1 and 2, we get the results given recently by Mostafa [6], which contains the results due to Silverman [9].

## 3 Integral Operator

Let

$$H_p(a,b;c;z) = z^{p-1} \int_0^z {}_2F_1(a,b;c;t)dt$$
 (3.1)

be an integral opeartor acting on  ${}_{2}F_{1}(a,b;c;z)$ . If we evaluate the integral in (3.1), we find that

$$H_p(a, b; c; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_{n+1}} z^{n+p}$$

$$= z^{p} + \frac{ab}{c} \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p+1}}$$
(3.2)

Now let a, b > -1, s.t. ab < 0 and c > 0, then (3.2) reduces to

$$H_p(a,b;c;z) == z^p - \left| \frac{ab}{c} \right| \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p+1}}$$
(3.3)

**Theorem 3.**Let  $a, b > -1, ab < 0, c > max \{0, a + b\}, z \in \mathbb{U}, -1 \le B < A \le 1, 0 \le \beta < 1$ . Then  $H_p(a, b; c; z)$  defined by (3.1) is in  $S_p^*(A, B, \beta)$  if and only if

$$\frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left[ \frac{(1-\beta B)}{ab} + \frac{[p\beta(A-B)+B\beta-1](c-a-b)}{ab(a-1)(b-1)} \right] - \frac{[p\beta(A-B)+B\beta-1]c(c-1)}{ab(a-1)(b-1)} \le 0$$
(3.4)

**Proof.** In view of (3.3) and Lemma 1(i), we need only to show that

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[ (n-p) + \beta (pA - Bn) \right] \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1} (b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1} (1)_{n-p+1}}$$

$$\leq \beta p(A-B) \left| \frac{c}{ab} \right|$$
(3.5)

Now

$$L.H.S.of(3.5) = (1 - \beta B) \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} n \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p+1}} + p(A\beta - 1)$$

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p+1}}$$

$$= (1 - \beta B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+p+1) \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+2}} + p(A\beta - 1) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+2}}$$

$$= (1 - \beta B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2) \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+2}} + [p\beta(A-B) + B\beta - 1]$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+2}}$$

$$= (1 - \beta B) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}} + [p\beta(A-B) + B\beta - 1]$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-1}(b+1)_{n-1}}{(c+1)_{n-1}(1)_{n+1}}$$

$$= (1-\beta B) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-1}(b+1)_{n-1}}{(c+1)_{n-1}(1)_n} + [p\beta(A-B) + B\beta - 1] \frac{c}{ab} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_{n+1}}$$

$$= (1-\beta B) \frac{c}{ab} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_n} + [p\beta(A-B) + B\beta - 1] \frac{c}{ab} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n-1}(b)_{n-1}}{(c)_{n-1}(1)_n}$$

$$= (1-\beta B) \frac{c}{ab} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} - 1 \right] + [p\beta(A-B) + B\beta - 1] \frac{c(c-1)}{ab(a-1)(b-1)}$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(a-1)_n(b-1)_n}{(c-1)_n(1)_n}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left[ \frac{(1-\beta B)}{ab} + \frac{[p\beta(A-B) + B\beta - 1](c-a-b)}{ab(a-1)(b-1)} \right]$$

$$+ \frac{[p\beta(A-B) + B\beta - 1]c(c-1)}{ab(a-1)(b-1)} - p\beta(A-B) \frac{c}{ab}$$

which is bounded above by  $p\beta(A-B)\left|\frac{c}{ab}\right|$  if and only if (3.4) holds. **Theorem 4.** Let  $a,b>-1,ab<0,c>a+b+2,z\in\mathbb{U},-1\leq B< A\leq 1,0\leq \beta<1.$  Then  $H_p(a,b;c;z)$  defined by (3.1) is in  $C_p^*(A,B,\beta)$  if and only if

$$\frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b-1)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left[ \frac{[p-1-B\beta(2p-1)+pA\beta](c-a-b-1)}{ab} + 1 - \beta B + \frac{(p-1)[-B\beta(p-1)+pA\beta](c-a-b)(c-a-b-1)}{ab(a+1)(b+1)} \right] - [(p-1)-B\beta(2p-1)-p^2\beta(A-B)+pA\beta] \frac{c}{ab} + (p-1)[B\beta-1] + p\beta(A-B) - \frac{(p-1)(a-1)(b-1)[-\beta(p-1)+pA\beta]c(c+1)}{(c-1)ab(a+1)(b+1)} \le 0 \quad (4.1)$$

**Proof.** The proof of Theorem 4 can be developed on the lines similar to Theorem 3 and using Lemma 1(ii).

If we take p=1 in Theorem 3 and 4 and we arrive at the following results contained in

Corollary 1. Let  $a, b > -1, ab < 0, c > max\{0, a + b\}, z \in \mathbb{U}, -1 \le B < A \le 1, 0 \le \beta < 1$ . Then

$$H_1(a,b;c;z) = H(a,b;c;z) = \int_0^z {}_2F_1(a,b;c;t)dt$$
 (4.2)

is in  $S^*(A, B, \beta)$  if and only if

$$\frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left[ \frac{1-\beta B}{ab} - \frac{(1-AB)(c-a-b)}{ab(a-1)(b-1)} \right] - \frac{(1-A\beta)c(c-1)}{ab(a-1)(b-1)} \le 0$$
(4.3)

and

Corollary 2. Let a, b > -1, ab < 0 and c > a + b + 2,  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ,  $-1 \le B < A \le 1$ ,  $0 \le \beta < 1$ . Then H(a, b; c; z) defined by (4.2) is in  $C^*(A, B, \beta)$  if and only if

$$c > a+b+1 - \frac{B\beta - 1}{\beta(A-B)}ab \tag{4.4}$$

For  $A = 1 - 2\alpha$  and B = -1 in Corollary 1 and 2, we easily arrive at the recent results due to Mostafa [6], which evidently contains the results due to Silverman [9] for  $\beta = 1$ .

# 4 Open Problem

In section 3, we introduced a new integral operator

$$H_p(a,b;c;z) = z^{p-1} \int_0^z {}_2F_1(a,b;c;t)dt$$

and obtained starlike and convex conditions for this operator. If we define a new integral operator

$$I_p(a, b; c; z) = \int_0^z \frac{{}_2F_1(a, b; c; t)}{t^p} dt.$$

then, what will be the conditions of starlikeness and convexity for this integral operator?

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