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## Certain subclass of higher order derivatives of p-valent functions

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we make use the differential operator to introduce and study the new subclass  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p,q,n,\alpha)$  of p-valent analytic function with negative coefficient, and we derive distortion theorems, closure theorems, modified Hadamard products and radii of close-to-convexity, starlikeness and convexity.

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#### 1 Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{T}(p, n)$  denote the class of analytic and p-valent function in the open unit disc  $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  of the form:

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

A function  $f \in \mathcal{T}(p, n)$  is said to be in the class  $\mathcal{T}_n^*(p, \alpha)$  of *p*-valently starlik functions of order  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{U}$  if the following inequality holds

$$Re\left(\frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; 0 \le \alpha < p; p \in \mathbb{N}).$$
(2)

Also, a function  $f \in \mathcal{T}(p, n)$  is said to be in the class  $\mathcal{C}_n(p, \alpha)$  of *p*-valently convex functions of order  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{U}$  if the following inequality holds

$$Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; 0 \le \alpha < p; p \in \mathbb{N}).$$
(3)

The classes  $\mathcal{T}_{n}^{*}(p,\alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{n}(p,\alpha)$  were introduced and studied by Owa [5]. It is known that (see [3, 5])

$$f \in \mathcal{C}_n(p,\alpha) \Leftrightarrow \frac{zf'}{p} \in \mathcal{T}_n^*(p,\alpha).$$
 (4)

We note that

$$\mathcal{T}_{1}^{*}(p,\alpha) = \mathcal{T}^{*}(p,\alpha) \quad and \quad \mathcal{C}_{1}(p,\alpha) = \mathcal{C}(p,\alpha) \quad (0 \le \alpha < p)$$

The classes  $\mathcal{T}^*(p, \alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{C}(p, \alpha)$  were introduced and studied by Owa [4]. Let  $f_j \in \mathcal{T}(p, n)$  (j = 1, 2) be given by

$$f_j(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} a_{k,j} z^k \quad (a_{k,j} \ge 0; j = 1, 2; k \ge n+p; n, p \in \mathbb{N}), \quad (5)$$

then the Hadamard product (or convolution )  $(f_1 * f_2)$  is defined by

$$(f_1 * f_2)(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} a_{k,1} a_{k,2} z^k = (f_2 * f_1)(z) .$$
 (6)

The main purpose of the present paper is to investigate various interesting properties and characteristics of functions belonging to the two subclasses  $S_n(p,q,\alpha)$  and  $C_n(p,q,\alpha)$  defined by

$$\mathcal{S}_{n}(p,q,\alpha) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{T}(p,n) : Re\left(\frac{z f^{(1+q)}(z)}{f^{(q)}(z)}\right) > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \right\}$$
(7)

and

$$\mathcal{C}_{n}\left(p,q,\alpha\right) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{T}\left(p,n\right) : Re\left(1 + \frac{z f^{\left(2+q\right)}\left(z\right)}{f^{\left(1+q\right)}\left(z\right)}\right) > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \right\}, \quad (8)$$

where, for each  $f \in \mathcal{T}(p, n)$ ,

$$f^{(q)}(z) = \delta(p,q) \, z^{p-q} - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \delta(k,q) \, a_k z^{k-q}, \tag{9}$$

and

$$\delta(i,j) = \frac{i!}{(i-j)!} = \begin{cases} 1 & (j=0)\\ i(i-1)\dots(i-j+1) & (j\neq 0) \end{cases}.$$
(10)

The classes  $\mathcal{S}_n(p,q,\alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{C}_n(p,q,\alpha)$  were introduced and studied by Chen et al. [2]. It is noticed that

$$f^{(q)} \in \mathcal{C}_n(p,q,\alpha) \Leftrightarrow \frac{z f^{(1+q)}}{p-q} \in \mathcal{S}_n(p,q,\alpha).$$
 (11)

We note that

(i)  $S_n(p,0,\alpha) = \mathcal{T}_n^*(p,\alpha)$  and  $C_n(p,0,\alpha) = C_n(p,\alpha)$  (Owa [5]); (ii)  $S_n(p,0,\alpha) = \mathcal{T}_\alpha(p,n)$  and  $C_n(p,0,\alpha) = \mathcal{CT}_\alpha(p,n)$  (Yamakawa [9]); (iii)  $S_n(1,0,\alpha) = \mathcal{T}_n^*(1,\alpha) = \mathcal{T}_\alpha(1,n) = \mathcal{T}_\alpha(n)$  (Srivastava et al. [8]); (iv)  $C_n(1,0,\alpha) = C_n(1,\alpha) = \mathcal{CT}_\alpha(1,n) = \mathcal{C}_\alpha(n)$  (Srivastava et al. [8]); (v)  $S_1(1,0,\alpha) = \mathcal{T}_\alpha(1) = \mathcal{T}^*(\alpha)$  (Silverman [7]); (vi)  $C_1(1,0,\alpha) = C_\alpha(1) = \mathcal{C}(\alpha)$  (Silverman [7]).

## 2 General Classes Associated with Coefficient Bounds

Unless otherwise mentioned, we shell assume in the reminder of this paper that, the parameters  $0 \leq \alpha < p-q$ , p > q, n and  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ , m and  $q \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $k \geq n+p$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{U}$  and  $\delta(i, j)$  is given by (10).

In order to prove our results for functions belonging to class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p,q,n,\alpha)$ , we shall need the following lemmas given by Chen et al. [2].

**Lemma 1** [2, Theorem 1]. Let the function f(z) be in the class  $\mathcal{T}(p, n)$ . Then f(z) is in the class  $\mathcal{S}_n(p, q, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \left(k-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(k,q\right) a_k \le \left(p-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(p,q\right).$$
(12)

The result is sharp for the function f(z) given by

$$f(z) = z^p - \frac{(p-q-\alpha)\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q-\alpha)\delta(n+p,q)}z^{n+p}.$$
(13)

**Lemma 2** [2, Theorem 2]. Let the function f(z) be in the class  $\mathcal{T}(p, n)$ . Then f(z) is in the class  $\mathcal{C}_n(p, q, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{(k-q)}{(p-q)} \left(k-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(k,q\right) a_k \le \left(p-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(p,q\right).$$
(14)

The result is sharp, the extremal function given by

$$f(z) = z^{p} - \frac{(p-q)(p-q-\alpha)\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q)(n+p-q-\alpha)\delta(n+p,q)}z^{n+p}.$$
 (15)

**Definition 1.** A function f(z) defined by (1) and belonging to the class  $\mathcal{T}(p, n)$  is said to be in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, n, \alpha)$  if it also satisfies the coefficient inequality:

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k-q}{p-q}\right)^m \left(k-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(k,q\right) a_k \le \left(p-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(p,q\right).$$
(16)

It is easily to observe that

$$\mathcal{TC}_{0}(p,q,n,\alpha) = \mathcal{S}_{n}(p,q,\alpha) \quad and \quad \mathcal{TC}_{1}(p,q,n,\alpha) = \mathcal{C}_{n}(p,q,\alpha).$$
(17)

### 3 Distortion Theorems

**Theorem 1.** Let the function f(z) defined by (1) be in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, n, \alpha)$ . Then for |z| = r < 1 and  $k \ge n + p$ , we have

$$\left|f^{(l)}(z)\right| \le \left[\delta(p,l) + \frac{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q) \,\delta(n+p,l)}{(n+p-q)^m (n+p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(n+p,q)} r^n\right] r^{p-l} \quad (18)$$

and

$$\left|f^{(l)}(z)\right| \ge \left[\delta(p,l) - \frac{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q) \,\delta(n+p,l)}{(n+p-q)^m (n+p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(n+p,q)} r^n\right] r^{p-l}.$$
 (19)

The result is sharp for the function f(z) given by

$$f(z) = z^{p} - \frac{(p-q)^{m} (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q)^{m} (n+p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(n+p,q)} z^{n+p} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \,.$$
(20)

**Proof.** Under the hypothesis of Theorem 1, we find from the assertion (16) of Definition 1 that

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} k! a_k \le \frac{(n+p)! (p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q)^m (n+p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(n+p,q)} \quad (n,p \in \mathbb{N}; q,m \in \mathbb{N}_0; p > q) \,.$$
(21)

Now, the inequalities (18) and (19) would follow readily when we make use of (21) in conjunction with the series expansion for  $f^{(l)}(z)$   $(l \in \mathbb{N}_0)$  given by (11).

Putting l = 0 in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 1**. Let the function f(z) defined by (1) be in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p,q,n,\alpha)$ . Then for |z| = r < 1 and  $k \ge n + p$ , we have

$$|f(z)| \le \left[1 + \frac{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q)^m (n+p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(n+p,q)} r^n\right] r^p \qquad (22)$$

and

$$|f(z)| \ge \left[1 - \frac{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q)^m (n+p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(n+p,q)} r^n\right] r^p.$$
(23)

The result is sharp for the function f(z) given by (20).

Putting l = 1 in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.** Let the function f(z) defined by (1.1) be in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p,q,n,\alpha)$ . Then for |z| = r < 1 and  $k \ge n + p$ , we have

$$\left|f'(z)\right| \le \left[p + \frac{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) (n+p) \,\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q)^m (n+p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(n+p,q)} r^n\right] r^{p-1} \tag{24}$$

and

$$\left| f'(z) \right| \ge \left[ p - \frac{\left(p-q\right)^m \left(p-q-\alpha\right) \left(n+p\right) \delta\left(p,q\right)}{\left(n+p-q\right)^m \left(n+p-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(n+p,q\right)} r^n \right] r^{p-1}.$$
 (25)

The result is sharp for the function f(z) given by (20).

Putting m = 0 in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 3** [2, Theorem 1]. Let the function f(z) defined by (1) be in the class  $S_n(p,q,\alpha)$ . Then for |z| = r < 1 and  $k \ge n + p$ , we have

$$\left|f^{(l)}\left(z\right)\right| \leq \left[\delta\left(p,l\right) + \frac{\left(p-q-\alpha\right)\delta\left(p,q\right)\delta\left(n+p,l\right)}{\left(n+p-q-\alpha\right)\delta\left(n+p,q\right)}r^{n}\right]r^{p-l}$$
(26)

and

$$\left|f^{(l)}(z)\right| \ge \left[\delta\left(p,l\right) - \frac{\left(p-q-\alpha\right)\delta\left(p,q\right)\delta\left(n+p,l\right)}{\left(n+p-q-\alpha\right)\delta\left(n+p,q\right)}r^{n}\right]r^{p-l}.$$
 (27)

The result is sharp for the function f(z) given by

$$f(z) = z^p - \frac{(p-q-\alpha)\,\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q-\alpha)\,\delta(n+p,q)} z^{n+p} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})\,.$$

$$\tag{28}$$

Putting m = 1 in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 4** [2, Theorem 8]. Let the function f(z) defined by (1) be in the class  $C_n(p, q, \alpha)$ . Then for |z| = r < 1 and  $k \ge n + p$ , we have

$$\left|f^{(l)}(z)\right| \le \left[\delta(p,l) + \frac{(p-q)(p-q-\alpha)\delta(p,q)\delta(n+p,l)}{(n+p-q)(n+p-q-\alpha)\delta(n+p,q)}r^{n}\right]r^{p-l}$$
(29)

and

$$\left|f^{(l)}(z)\right| \ge \left[\delta(p,l) - \frac{(p-q)(p-q-\alpha)\delta(p,q)\delta(n+p,l)}{(n+p-q)(n+p-q-\alpha)\delta(n+p,q)}r^{n}\right]r^{p-l}.$$
 (30)

The result is sharp for the function f(z) given by

$$f(z) = z^{p} - \frac{(p-q)(p-q-\alpha)\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q)(n+p-q-\alpha)\delta(n+p,q)} z^{n+p} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
(31)

## 4 Closure Theorems

Let the functions  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2, ...s) be defined by

$$f_v(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} a_{k,v} z^k \quad (a_{k,v} \ge 0).$$
 (32)

We shall prove the following results for the closure functions in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p,q,n,\alpha)$ .

**Theorem 2.** Let the function  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2, ..., s) defined by (32) be in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, n, \alpha)$ . Then the function h(z) defined by

$$h(z) = \sum_{v=1}^{s} c_v f_v(z) \quad (c_v \ge 0)$$
(33)

is also in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p,q,n,\alpha)$ , where

$$\sum_{v=1}^{s} c_v = 1.$$

**Proof** According to the definition of h(z), it can be written as

$$h(z) = \sum_{v=1}^{s} c_v \left( z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} a_{k,v} z^k \right) = \sum_{v=1}^{s} c_v z^p - \sum_{v=1}^{s} \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} c_v a_{k,v} z^k$$
$$= z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \sum_{v=1}^{s} c_v a_{k,v} z^k.$$
(34)

Furthermore, since the function  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2, ...s) are in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, n, \alpha)$ , then

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k-q}{p-q}\right)^m \left(k-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(k,q\right) a_{k,v} \le \left(p-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(p,q\right).$$

Hence

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k-q}{p-q}\right)^m (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta\left(k,q\right) \left(\sum_{v=1}^s c_v a_{k,v}\right)$$
$$= \sum_{v=1}^s c_v \left[\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k-q}{p-q}\right)^m (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta\left(k,q\right) a_{k,v}\right] \le (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta\left(p,q\right)$$

which implies that h(z) be in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_{m}(p,q,n,\alpha)$ .

**Corollary 5.** Let the function  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2) defined by (32) be in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, j, \alpha)$ . Then the function h(z) defined by

$$h(z) = (1 - \eta) f_1(z) + \eta f_2(z) \quad (0 \le \eta \le 1)$$
(35)

is also in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_{m}(p,q,n,\alpha)$ .

#### 5 Extreme points

**Theorem 3.** Let  $f_p(z) = z^p$  and

$$f_{k}(z) = z^{p} - \frac{(p-q)^{m} (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)}{(k-q)^{m} (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q)} z^{k} \quad (k \ge n+p; n, p \in \mathbb{N}; q, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0}; p > q)$$
(36)

Then the function f(z) is in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p,q,n,\alpha)$  if and only if it can be expressed in the form:

$$f(z) = \lambda_p \ z^p + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \lambda_k \ f_k(z)$$
(37)

where  $(\lambda_p \ge 0, \lambda_k \ge 0, k \ge n+p)$  and  $\lambda_p + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \lambda_n = 1$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that f(z) is expressed in the form (37). Then

$$f(z) = \lambda_{p} z^{p} + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \lambda_{k} \left[ z^{p} - \frac{(p-q)^{m} (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)}{(k-q)^{m} (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q)} z^{k} \right]$$
  
=  $z^{p} - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{(p-q)^{m} (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)}{(k-q)^{m} (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q)} \lambda_{k} z^{k}.$ 

Hence

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{\left(k-q\right)^m \left(k-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(k,q\right)}{\left(p-q\right)^m \left(p-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(p,q\right)} \cdot \frac{\left(p-q\right)^m \left(p-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(p,q\right)}{\left(k-q\right)^m \left(k-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(k,q\right)} \lambda_k$$
$$= \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \lambda_k = 1 - \lambda_p \le 1.$$

Then,  $f(z) \in \mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, n, \alpha)$ .

**Conversely**, suppose that  $f(z) \in \mathcal{TC}_m(p,q,n,\alpha)$ . We may set

$$\lambda_{k} = \frac{\left(k-q\right)^{m} \left(k-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(k,q\right)}{\left(p-q\right)^{m} \left(p-q-\alpha\right) \delta\left(p,q\right)} a_{k},$$

where  $a_k$  is given by (16). Then

$$f(z) = z^{p} - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} a_{k} z^{k} = z^{p} - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{(p-q)^{m} (p-q-\alpha) \delta(p,q)}{(k-q)^{m} (k-q-\alpha) \delta(k,q)} \lambda_{k} z^{k}$$
$$= z^{p} - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [z^{p} - f_{k}(z)] \lambda_{k} = \left(1 - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \lambda_{k}\right) z^{p} + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \lambda_{k} f_{k}(z)$$
$$= \lambda_{p} z^{p} + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \lambda_{k} f_{k}(z) .$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 3.

## 6 Modified Hadamard Products

Let the function  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2) defined by (32). The modified Hadamard product of the function  $f_1(z)$  and  $f_2(z)$  is defined by

$$(f_1 * f_2)(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} a_{k,1} a_{k,2} z^k.$$
(38)

**Theorem 4.** Let the function  $f_v(z)(v = 1, 2)$  defined by (32) be in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, n, \alpha)$  and  $(k \ge n + p)$ . Then we have  $(f_1 * f_2)(z) \in \mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, n, \beta)$ , where

$$\beta = p - q - \frac{n \left(p - q\right)^m \left(p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(p, q\right)}{\left(n + p - q\right)^m \left(n + p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(n + p, q\right) - \left(p - q\right)^m \left(p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(p, q\right)}.$$
(39)

The result is sharp for the functions  $f_{v}(z)(v=1,2)$  given by

$$f_{v}(z) = z^{p} - \frac{(p-q)^{m} (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q)^{m} (n+p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(n+p,q)} z^{n+p}.$$
 (40)

**Proof.** Employing the technique used earlier by Schild and Silverman [6], we need to fined the largest  $\beta = \beta (p, q, n, \alpha)$  such that

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{(k-q)^m (k-q-\beta) \,\delta(k,q)}{(p-q)^m (p-q-\beta) \,\delta(p,q)} a_{k,1} a_{k,2} \le 1.$$
(41)

Since the function  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2) belong to the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, n, \alpha)$ , then from Definition 1, we have

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{(k-q)^m (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q)}{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)} a_{k,v} \le 1.$$
(42)

By the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we have

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{(k-q)^m (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q)}{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)} \sqrt{a_{k,1} a_{k,2}} \le 1.$$
(43)

Thus, it is sufficient to show that

$$\frac{(k-q-\beta)}{(p-q-\beta)}\sqrt{a_{k,1}a_{k,2}} \le \frac{(k-q-\alpha)}{(p-q-\alpha)},$$

that is, that

$$\sqrt{a_{k,1}a_{k,2}} \le \frac{(k-q-\alpha)(p-q-\beta)}{(p-q-\alpha)(k-q-\beta)}.$$
(44)

But from (43) we have

$$\sqrt{a_{k,1}a_{k,2}} \le \frac{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)}{(k-q)^m (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q)}.$$
(45)

Consequently, we need only to prove that

$$\frac{\left(p-q-\alpha\right)\left(k-q-\beta\right)}{\left(k-q-\alpha\right)\left(p-q-\beta\right)} \le \frac{\left(k-q\right)^m \left(k-q-\alpha\right)\delta\left(k,q\right)}{\left(p-q\right)^m \left(p-q-\alpha\right)\delta\left(p,q\right)},$$

or, equivalently, that

$$\beta \le (p-q) - \frac{(p-q)^m (k-p) (p-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(p,q)}{(k-q)^m (k-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(k,q) - (p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(p,q)}.$$
(46)

Since the right hand side of (46) is an increasing function of  $k \ (k \ge n+p)$ . Hence, we have

$$\beta = p - q - \frac{n \left(p - q\right)^m \left(p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(p, q\right)}{\left(n + p - q\right)^m \left(n + p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(n + p, q\right) - \left(p - q\right)^m \left(p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(p, q\right)}.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 4.

Putting m = 0 in Theorem 4, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 6.** Let the functions  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2) defined by (32) be in the class  $\mathcal{S}_n(p, q, \alpha)$  and  $k \ge n + p$ . Then we have  $(f_1 * f_2)(z) \in \mathcal{S}_n(p, q, \beta)$ , where

$$\beta = p - q - \frac{n \left(p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(p, q\right)}{\left(n + p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(n + p, q\right) - \left(p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(p, q\right)}.$$
 (47)

The result is sharp.

**Remark 1**. We note that the result obtained by Chen et al. [2, Theorem 5] is not correct. The correct result is given by (47).

Putting m = 1 in Theorem 4, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 7.** Let the functions  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2) defined by (32) be in the class  $C_n(p, q, \alpha)$  and  $(k \ge n + p)$ . Then we have  $(f_1 * f_2)(z) \in C_n(p, q, \beta)$ , where

$$\beta = (p-q) - \frac{n(p-q)(p-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q)(n+p-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(n+p,q) - (p-q)(p-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(p,q)}$$
(48)

The result is sharp.

**Remark 2**. We note that the result obtained by Chen et al. [2, Theorem 6] is not correct. The correct result is given by (48).

**Theorem 5.** Let the functions  $f_v(z)$ , (v = 1, 2) defined by (32) be in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, n, \alpha)$ . Then the function

$$h(z) = z^{p} - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \left(a_{k,1}^{2} + a_{k,2}^{2}\right) z^{k}$$
(49)

is in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_{m}(p,q,n,\alpha)$ , where

$$\beta = p - q - \frac{2n \left(p - q\right)^m \left(p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(p, q\right)}{\left(n + p - q\right)^m \left(n + p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(n + p, q\right) - 2 \left(p - q\right)^m \left(p - q - \alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(p, q\right)}$$
(50)

The result is sharp for the function  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2) given by (40).

**Proof**. From Definition 1, we have

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(k-q)^m (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q)}{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)} \right]^2 a_{k,v}^2 \tag{51}$$

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$$\leq \left[\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{(k-q)^m (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q)}{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)} a_{k,v}\right]^2 \leq 1 \ (v=1,2).$$
(52)

It follow that

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(k-q)^m (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q)}{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q)} \right]^2 \left( a_{k,1}^2 + a_{k,2}^2 \right) \le 1.$$
(53)

Therefore, we need to fined the largest  $\beta$  such that

$$\frac{(k-q-\beta)}{(p-q-\beta)} \le \frac{1}{2} \frac{(k-q)^m (k-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(k,q)}{(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(p,q)} \quad (k \ge n+p) \,,$$

that is, that

$$\beta = (p-q) - \frac{2(k-p)(p-q)^m(p-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(p,q)}{(k-q)^m (k-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(k,q) - 2(p-q)^m (p-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta(p,q)}.$$
(54)

Since the right hand side of (54) is an increasing function of k  $(k \ge n + p)$ , then, setting k = n + p in (54), we have (50). This completes the proof of Theorem 5.

Putting m = 0 in Theorem 5, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 8.** Let the functions  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2) defined by (32) be in the class  $S_n(p, q, \alpha)$  and  $(k \ge n + p)$ . Then the function h(z) defined by (49) belongs to the class  $S_n(p, q, \sigma)$ , where

$$\sigma = p - q - \frac{2n(p-q-\alpha)^2 \,\delta\left(p,q\right)}{\left(n+p-q-\alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(n+p,q\right) - 2\left(p-q-\alpha\right)^2 \delta\left(p,q\right)}.$$

Putting m = 1 in Theorem 5, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 9.** Let the functions  $f_v(z)$  (v = 1, 2) defined by (32) be in the class  $C_n(p, q, \alpha)$  and  $(k \ge n + p)$ . Then the function h(z) defined by (49) belongs to the class  $C_n(p, q, \rho)$ , where

$$\rho = p - q - \frac{2n(p-q)(p-q-\alpha)^2 \delta(p,q)}{(n+p-q)(n+p-q-\alpha)^2 \delta(n+p,q) - 2(p-q)(p-q-\alpha)^2 \delta(p,q)}$$

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**Theorem 6.** Let the function f(z) defined by (1) be in the class  $\mathcal{TC}_m(p,q,n,\alpha)$ , then

(i) f(z) is *p*-valently close-to-convex of order  $\delta$  ( $0 \le \delta < p$ ) in  $|z| < r_1$ , where

$$r_{1} = \inf_{k} \left\{ \frac{(k-q)^{m} (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q) \,(p-\delta)}{(p-q)^{m} (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q) \,k} \right\}^{\frac{1}{k-p}}.$$
(55)

(ii) f(z) is *p*-valently starlike of order  $\delta$  ( $0 \le \delta < p$ ) in  $|z| < r_2$ , where

$$r_{2} = \inf_{k} \left\{ \frac{(k-q)^{m} (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q) \,(p-\delta)}{(p-q)^{m} (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q) \,(k-\delta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{k-p}}.$$
(56)

(iii) f(z) is *p*-valently convex of order  $\delta$  ( $0 \le \delta < p$ ) in  $|z| < r_3$ , where

$$r_{3} = \inf_{k} \left\{ \frac{(k-q)^{m} (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q) \,p(p-\delta)}{(p-q)^{m} (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q) \,k(k-\delta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{k-p}}.$$
(57)

Each of these results is sharp for the function f(z) given by (20). **Proof.** It is sufficient to show that

$$\left|\frac{f'(z)}{z^{p-1}} - p\right| \le p - \delta \quad (|z| < r_1; 0 \le \delta < p; p \in \mathbb{N}),\tag{58}$$

$$\left|\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p\right| \le p - \delta \quad (|z| < r_2; 0 \le \delta < p; p \in \mathbb{N}), \tag{59}$$

and that

$$\left| 1 + \frac{zf^{''}(z)}{f'(z)} - p \right| \le p - \delta \quad (|z| < r_3; 0 \le \delta < p; p \in \mathbb{N})$$
(60)

for a function  $f \in \mathcal{TC}_m(p, q, n, \alpha)$ , where  $r_1, r_2$ , and  $r_3$  are defined by (55), (56) and (57), respectively.

Putting m = 0 in Theorem 6, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 10.** Let the function f(z) defined by (1) be in the class  $S_n(p,q,\alpha)$ , then

(i)  $f\left(z\right)$  is  $p-\text{valently close-to-convex of order }\delta$  (0  $\leq\delta< p$ ) in  $|z|< r_1,$  where

$$r_{1} = \inf_{k} \left\{ \frac{\left(k - q - \alpha\right) \delta\left(k, q\right) \left(p - \delta\right)}{\left(p - q - \alpha\right) \delta\left(p, q\right) k} \right\}^{\frac{1}{k - p}}$$

(ii) f(z) is *p*-valently starlike of order  $\delta$  ( $0 \le \delta < p$ ) in  $|z| < r_2$ , where

$$r_{2} = \inf_{k} \left\{ \frac{\left(k - q - \alpha\right) \delta\left(k, q\right) \left(p - \delta\right)}{\left(p - q - \alpha\right) \delta\left(p, q\right) \left(k - \delta\right)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{k - p}},$$

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(iii) f(z) is p-valently convex of order  $\delta$  ( $0 \le \delta < p$ ) in  $|z| < r_3$ , where

$$r_{3} = \inf_{k} \left\{ \frac{\left(k - q - \alpha\right)\delta\left(k, q\right)p\left(p - \delta\right)}{\left(p - q - \alpha\right)\delta\left(p, q\right)k\left(k - \delta\right)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{k - p}}$$

Each of these results is sharp for the function f(z) given by (13).

Putting m = 1 in Theorem 6, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 11.** Let the function f(z) defined by (1) be in the class  $C_n(p,q,\alpha)$ , then

(i)  $f\left(z\right)$  is  $p-\text{valently close-to-convex of order }\delta$  (0  $\leq$   $\delta$  < p) in |z| <  $r_1, \text{where}$ 

$$r_{1} = \inf_{k} \left\{ \frac{(k-q)(k-q-\alpha)\,\delta(k,q)(p-\delta)}{(p-q)(p-q-\alpha)\,\delta(p,q)\,k} \right\}^{\frac{1}{k-p}}$$

(ii) f(z) is *p*-valently starlike of order  $\delta$  ( $0 \le \delta < p$ ) in  $|z| < r_2$ , where

$$r_{2} = \inf_{k} \left\{ \frac{(k-q)^{m} (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q) \,(p-\delta)}{(p-q)^{m} (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q) \,(k-\delta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{k-p}},$$

(iii) f(z) is *p*-valently convex of order  $\delta$  ( $0 \le \delta < p$ ) in  $|z| < r_3$ , where

$$r_{3} = \inf_{k} \left\{ \frac{(k-q) (k-q-\alpha) \,\delta(k,q) \, p(p-\delta)}{(p-q) (p-q-\alpha) \,\delta(p,q) \, k \, (k-\delta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{k-p}}.$$

Each of these results is sharp for the function f(z) given by (15).

**Remarks**. (i) Putting m = 0 in Theorem 1, Corollary 1, 2, Theorem 2, Corollary 5 and Theorem 3, 4 and 5 we obtain the results of Aouf and Mostafa [1, with  $b_k = 1$ , Theorem 3, Corallary 2, 3, Theorem 5, Corallary 6, Theorem 6, 8 and 10, respectively];

(ii) Putting m = 1 in Theorem 1, Corollary 1, 2, Theorem 2, Corollary 5 and Theorem 3, 4 and 5 we obtain the results of Aouf and Mostafa [1, with  $b_k = 1$ , Theorem 4, Corallary 4, 5, Theorem 7, Corallary 7, Corallary 8 and Theorem 9 and 11, respectively].

#### 8 Open problem

The authors suggest solving this idea by using f \* g instead of the function f which leads to many other classes.

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