



A study on certain inequalities for p-valent functions

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Abstract. In this paper, we derive conditions on the parameters a, b, c so that the function $z^p F(a, b; c; z)$ is p-valent starlike and p-valent convex functions in \mathcal{U} , where $F(a, b; c; z)$ denotes the classical hypergeometric function. We also consider an integral operator related to the hypergeometric function.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let $\mathcal{A}(p)$ be the class of functions f of the form

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

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which are analytic and p-valent in the open unit disk $\mathcal{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$.

A function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ is called p-valent starlike of order β ($0 \leq \beta < p$), $p \in \mathbb{N}$ if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \beta, z \in \mathcal{U}.$$

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This function class is denoted by $\mathcal{S}^*(p, \beta)$. Also a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ is said to be p-valent convex of order β ($0 \leq \beta < p$), $p \in \mathbb{N}$ if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \beta, z \in \mathcal{U}.$$

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This class is denoted by $\mathcal{K}(p, \beta)$. Note that $\mathcal{S}^*(1, \beta) \equiv \mathcal{S}^*(\beta)$ and $\mathcal{K}(1, \beta) \equiv \mathcal{K}(\beta)$ are, respectively, the usual classes of starlike and convex functions of order β . Furthermore $\mathcal{S}^*(p, 0) \equiv \mathcal{S}^*(p)$ and $\mathcal{K}(p, 0) \equiv \mathcal{K}(p)$

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are, respectively p-valent starlike and p-valent convex functions

From (1.2) and (1.3), we have

$$f \in \mathcal{K}(p, \beta) \Leftrightarrow \frac{zf'}{p} \in \mathcal{S}^*(p, \beta).$$

A function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ is said to be in $\mathcal{US}_p(\beta)$, the class of uniformly p-valent starlike functions of order β if

it satisfies the condition

$$Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \beta \right\} \geq \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right|, z \in \mathcal{U}.$$

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Also a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}(p)$ is said to be in $\mathcal{UCV}_p(\beta)$, the class of uniformly p-valent convex functions of order β if it satisfies the condition

$$Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \beta \right\} \geq \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - (p-1) \right|, z \in \mathcal{U}.$$

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Uniformly p-valent starlike and p-valent convex functions were first introduced [1] when $p = 1, \beta = 0$ and [2] when $p \geq 1, p \in \mathbb{N}$ and then studies by various authors.

Also denote $\mathcal{T}(p)$, the subclass of $\mathcal{A}(p)$ consisting of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n, a_n \geq 0, p \in \mathbb{N}.$$

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We denote by $\mathcal{T}^*(p, \beta)$, $\mathcal{C}(p, \beta)$, $\mathcal{T}_p^*(\beta)$ and $\mathcal{C}_p(\beta)$ the classes obtained by taking intersections, respectively, of the classes $\mathcal{S}^*(p, \beta)$ and $\mathcal{K}(p, \beta)$ with $\mathcal{T}(p)$; that is

$$\mathcal{T}^*(p, \beta) = \mathcal{S}^*(p, \beta) \cap \mathcal{T}(p)$$

$$\mathcal{C}(p, \beta) = \mathcal{K}(p, \beta) \cap \mathcal{T}(p)$$

$$\mathcal{T}_p^*(\beta) = \mathcal{US}_p(\beta) \cap \mathcal{T}(p)$$

$$\mathcal{C}_p(\beta) = \mathcal{UCV}_p(\beta) \cap \mathcal{T}(p)$$

The classes $\mathcal{T}^*(p, \beta)$ and $\mathcal{C}(p, \beta)$ were introduced by Owa (1985)[4]. In particular, the classes

$\mathcal{T}^*(1, \beta) = \mathcal{T}^*(\beta)$ and $\mathcal{C}(1, \beta) = \mathcal{C}(\beta)$ when $p=1$, were studied by Silverman (1975)[3].

Note that $f \in \mathcal{T}^*(p, \beta) \Leftrightarrow f \in \mathcal{T}_p^*(\beta), f \in \mathcal{UCV}_p(\beta) \Leftrightarrow f \in \mathcal{K}(p, \beta)$ and $f \in \mathcal{S}^*(p, \beta) \Leftrightarrow f \in \mathcal{US}_p(\beta)$.

Let $F(a, b; c; z)$ be the Gaussian hypergeometric function defined by

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

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Where $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ and $(a)_n$ is the pochhammer symbol defined by

$$(a)_n = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ a(a+1)(a+2) \dots (a+n-1) & n \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases}$$

We note that $F(a, b; c; 1)$ converges for $Re(c - a - b) > 0$ and is related to the Gamma function by

$$F(a, b; c; 1) = \frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)}$$

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Corresponding to the function $F(a, b; c; z)$, we define $h_p(a, b; c; z) = z^p F(a, b; c; z)$.

Clearly $z^p F(a, b; c; z)$ has the series representation of the form **(Error! No text of specified style in document.-1)** where $a_n = \frac{(a)_{n-p}(b)_{n-p}}{(c)_{n-p}(1)_{n-p}}$, hence we have

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

2. MAIN RESULT

In this section, we determine necessary and sufficient conditions for $h_p(a, b; c; z) = z^p F(a, b; c; z)$ to be in $\mathcal{T}^*(p, \beta)$ and $\mathcal{C}(p, \beta)$. Furthermore, we consider an integral operator related to the hypergeometric function.

To prove the main result, we need the following lemmas.

Lemma 2.1 [4]

- (i) A function $f(z)$ of the form **(Error! No text of specified style in document.-1)** is in $\mathcal{US}_p(\beta)$ if it satisfies the condition

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n - \beta) |a_n| \leq p - \beta.$$

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(ii) A function $f(z)$ of the form ((Error! No text of specified style in document.-1) is in $\mathcal{UCV}_p(\beta)$ if it satisfies the condition

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{p} (n - \beta) |a_n| \leq p - \beta.$$

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Lemma 2.2[4]

(i) A function $f(z)$ of the form ((Error! No text of specified style in document.-1) is in $\mathcal{T}^*(p, \beta)$ if and only if it satisfies

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n - \beta) a_n \leq p - \beta.$$

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(ii) A function $f(z)$ of the form ((Error! No text of specified style in document.-1) is in $\mathcal{C}(p, \beta)$ if and only if it satisfies

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{p} (p - \beta) a_n \leq p - \beta.$$

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Lemma 2.3[7] A function $f(z)$ of the form ((Error! No text of specified style in document.-1) is p-valent in \mathcal{U} if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n + p) a_{n+p} \leq p$.

Theorem 2.4 If $a, b > 0$ and $c > a + b + 1$, then $h_p(a, b; c; z) = z^p F(a, b; c; z)$ to be in $\mathcal{US}_p(\beta)$ if

$$\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c - a - b)}{\Gamma(c - a)\Gamma(c - b)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{ab}{(p - \beta)(c - a - b - 1)} \right\} \leq 2.$$

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Proof. Since

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

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By the condition (2.1), we need only show that

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

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Now

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

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Noting that $(\theta)_n = \theta(\theta+1)_{n-1}$ and applying (1.7), (1.8) we may express (2.8) as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{ab}{c} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-1}(b+1)_{n-1}}{(c+1)_{n-1}(1)_{n-1}} + (p - \beta) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_n} - 1 \right) \\ = \frac{ab}{c} \frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b-1)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} + (p-\beta) \left(\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} - 1 \right) \\ = \frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left\{ \frac{ab}{c-a-b-1} + (p-\beta) \right\} - (p-\beta). \end{aligned}$$

By the condition (2.7) and above expression, we have:

$$\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left\{ \frac{ab}{c-a-b-1} + (p-\beta) \right\} - (p-\beta) \leq p - \beta.$$

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Hence condition (2.5) holds. ■

Remark 2.5 In Theorem 2.4, $\beta = 0$ and $p = 1$ gives the sufficient condition for $zF(a, b; c; z)$ to be in the class $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{P}}$ of uniformly starlike functions in \mathcal{U} .

In the next theorem, we find constraints on a, b and c that lead to necessary and sufficient conditions for $h_p(a, b; c; z)$ to be in the class $\mathcal{T}^*(p, \beta)$.

Theorem 2.6

(i) If $a, b > -1$ and $c > 0$ and $ab < 0$, then $h_p(a, b; c; z)$ to be in $\mathcal{T}^*(p, \beta)$ ($\mathcal{T}_p^*(\beta)$) if and only if

$$c \geq a + b + 1 - \frac{ab}{p-\beta}.$$

(ii) If $a, b > 0$ and $c > a + b + 1$, then $F_p(a, b; c; z) = z^p(2 - F(a, b; c; z))$ is in $\mathcal{T}^*(p, \beta)$ ($\mathcal{T}_p^*(\beta)$) if and only if

$$\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{ab}{(p-\beta)(c-a-b-1)} \right\} \leq 2.$$

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Proof. (i) Since

$$\begin{aligned} h_p(a, b; c; z) &= z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n-p}(b)_{n-p}}{(c)_{n-p}(1)_{n-p}} z^n = z^p + \frac{ab}{c} \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}} z^n \\ &= z^p - \left| \frac{ab}{c} \right| \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}} z^n, \end{aligned}$$

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According to the condition (2.3), we must show that

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-\beta) \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}} \leq \left| \frac{c}{ab} \right| p - \beta.$$

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Noting that $(\theta)_n = \theta(\theta+1)_{n-1}$ and then applying (Error! Reference source not found.) and (Error! Reference source not found.), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-\beta) \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1+p-\beta) \frac{(a+1)_n(b)_{n-1}}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n-1}} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}} + (p-\beta) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_n} + (p-\beta) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_{n-1}(b+1)_{n-1}}{(c+1)_{n-1}(1)_n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_n} + (p-\beta) \frac{c}{ab} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_n} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b-1)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} + (p-\beta) \frac{c}{ab} \left(\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} - 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

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Hence, (2.12) is equivalent to

$$\frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b-1)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left\{ 1 + (p-\beta) \frac{c-a-b-1}{ab} \right\} \leq (p-\beta) \left(\left| \frac{c}{ab} \right| + \frac{c}{ab} \right)$$

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The above expression is valid if and only if

$$1 + (p-\beta) \frac{c-a-b-1}{ab} \leq 0,$$

which is equivalent to $c \geq a + b + 1 - \frac{ab}{p-\beta}$ and the proof is complete. ■

(ii) Since $F_p(a, b; c; z) = z^p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n-p}(b)_{n-p}}{(c)_{n-p}(1)_{n-p}} z^n$, the necessary of (2-13) for F_p to be in $\mathcal{T}^*(p, \beta) (\mathcal{T}^*_p(\beta))$ follows from condition (2.4). ■

Theorem 2.7 If $a, b > 0$ and $c > a + b + 2$, then $h_p(a, b; c; z)$ to be in $\mathcal{UCV}_p(\beta)$ if

$$\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{2p+1-\beta}{p(p-\beta)} \right) \left(\frac{ab}{c-a-b-1} \right) + \frac{(a)_2(b)_2}{p(p-\beta)(c-a-b-2)_2} \right\} \leq$$

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Proof. In view of (ii) of lemma (2.1), we need only show that

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

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Now

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

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

Using $(a)_{n+k} = (a)_n(a+k)_n$ we may write the above expression as

$$\frac{(a)_2(b)_2}{(c)_2} \frac{\Gamma(c+2)\Gamma(c-a-b-2)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} + (2p+1-\beta) \frac{ab}{c} \frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b-1)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} + p(p-\beta) \left(\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} - 1 \right).$$

The last expression is bounded above by $p(p-\beta)$ if and only if (2.15) holds. ■

Remark 2.8 In Theorem 2.7, $\beta = 0$ and $p = 1$ reduces to a necessary and sufficient condition for $zF(a, b; c; z)$ to be in the class \mathcal{UCV} of uniformly convex functions in \mathcal{U} .

Theorem 2.9

(i) If $a, b > -1, ab < 0$ and $c > a + b + 2$, then $h_p(a, b; c; z)$ is in $\mathcal{C}(p, \beta) (\mathcal{C}_p(\beta))$ if and only if

$$(a)_2(b)_2 + (1+2p-\beta)ab(c-a-b-2) + p(p-\beta)(c-a-b-2)_2 \geq 0.$$

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(ii) If $a, b > 0$ and $c > a + b + 2$, then $F_p(a, b; c; z) = z^p(2 - F(a, b; c; z))$ is in $\mathcal{C}(p, \beta) (\mathcal{C}_p(\beta))$ if and only if

$$\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{2p+1-\beta}{p(p-\beta)} \right) \left(\frac{ab}{c-a-b-1} \right) + \frac{(a)_2(b)_2}{p(p-\beta)(c-a-b-2)_2} \right\} \leq$$

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Proof. (i) Since $h_p(a, b; c; z)$ has the form (2.11), we see from (ii) of lemma 2.2 that our conclusion is equivalent to

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} n(p-\beta) \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}} \leq \left| \frac{c}{ab} \right| p(p-\beta).$$

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Now

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} n(p-\beta) \frac{(a+1)_{n-p-1}(b+1)_{n-p-1}}{(c+1)_{n-p-1}(1)_{n-p}} \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1+p)(n+1+p-\beta) \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}} \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [(n+1)^2 + (2p-\beta)(n+1) + p(p-\beta)] \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}} \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)^2 \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}} \\
&\quad + (2p-\beta) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}} + p(p-\beta) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}} \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_n} \\
&\quad + (2p-\beta) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_n} + p(p-\beta) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_{n+1}} \\
&= \frac{(a+1)(b+1)}{(c+1)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+2)_n(b+2)_n}{(c+2)_n(1)_n} + (2p+1-\beta) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a+1)_n(b+1)_n}{(c+1)_n(1)_n} \\
&\quad + p(p-\beta) \frac{c}{ab} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n(1)_n} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(c+1)\Gamma(c-a-b-2)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \times \\
&\quad \left((a+1)(b+1) + (2p+1-\beta)(c-a-b-2) + \frac{p(p-\beta)}{ab}(c-a-b-2)_2 \right) \\
&\quad - \frac{p(p-\beta)c}{ab}.
\end{aligned}$$

This is less than or equal to $\left| \frac{c}{ab} \right| p(p-\beta)$ if and only if

$$(a+1)(b+1) + (2p+1-\beta)(c-a-b-2) + \frac{p(p-\beta)}{ab}(c-a-b-2)_2 \leq 0,$$

Which is equivalent to (2.18). ■

(iii) From Theorem (2.7) it follows. ■

3. AN INTEGRAL OPERATOR

In this section, we illustrate some results obtained by a particular integral operator $G_p(a, b; c; z)$ acting on $F(a, b; c; z)$ as follows

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

$$= z^p + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p}{n+p} \right) \frac{(a)_n (b)_n}{(c)_n (1)_n} z^{n+p}.$$

Theorem 3.1

(i) If $a, b > 0$ and $c > a + b$, then $G_p(a, b; c; z)$ to be in $\mathcal{S}^*(p)$ if

$$\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-b)} \leq 2.$$

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(ii) If $a, b > -1, ab < 0$ and $c > 0$, then $G_p(a, b; c; z)$ is in $\mathcal{T}(p)$ or $\mathcal{A}(p)$ if and only if $c > \max\{a, b\}$.

Proof. (i) Since

$$G(a, b; c; z) = z^p + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p}{n+p} \right) \frac{(a)_n (b)_n}{(c)_n (1)_n} z^{n+p},$$

According to the Lemma (2.3), we must show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+p) \left(\frac{p}{n+p} \right) \frac{(a)_n (b)_n}{(c)_n (1)_n} \leq p.$$

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We see that

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

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The last expression is bounded above by p if and only if condition (3.1) holds. ■

(ii) Since

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

According to the Lemma (3.2), we must show that

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

or, equivalently,

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

But this is equivalent to

$$\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-b)} - 1 \geq -1,$$

which is true if and only if $c > \max\{a, b\}$. This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1(ii). ■

Since $\frac{z}{p} G'_p = h_p$, $\frac{z}{p} G''_p = h'_p - \frac{1}{p} G'_p$, and so $1 + \frac{zG''_p}{G_p} = \frac{zh'_p}{h_p}$.

$$G_p(a, b; c; z) \in \mathcal{K}(p, \beta) (\mathcal{UCV}_p(\beta)) \Leftrightarrow \frac{z}{p} G'_p(a, b; c; z) = h_p(a, b; c; z) \in \mathcal{S}^*(p, \beta) (\mathcal{US}_p(\beta)).$$

Thus any p-valent starlike about h_p leads to a p-valent convex about G_p . Hence we obtain the following analogues to theorems (2.4) and (2.6).

Theorem 3.2

(i) If $a, b > 0$ and $c > a + b + 1$, then $G_p(a, b; c; z)$ to be in $\mathcal{UCV}_p(\beta)$ if

$$\frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a)\Gamma(c-b)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{ab}{(p-\beta)c-a-b-1} \right\} \leq 2.$$

(ii) if $a, b > -1$, $ab < 0$ and $c > a + b + 2$, then $G_p(a, b; c; z)$ is in $\mathcal{C}(p, \beta) (\mathcal{C}_p(\beta))$ if and only if

$$c \geq a + b + 1 - \frac{ab}{p-\beta}.$$

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