

A New Class of Multivalent Harmonic Functions ¹

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Abstract

In this paper, we introduce a new class of multivalent harmonic functions. We investigate various properties of functions belonging to this class. Coefficients bounds, distortion bounds and extreme points are given.

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1 Introduction

A continuous functions $f = u + iv$ is a complex valued harmonic function in a complex domain \mathbb{C} if both u and v are real harmonic in \mathbb{C} . In any

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simply connected domain $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{C}$ we can write $f = h + \bar{g}$, where h and g are analytic in \mathcal{D} . We call h the analytic part and g the co-analytic part of f . A necessary and sufficient condition for f to be locally univalent and sense-preserving in \mathcal{D} is that $|h'(z)| > |g'(z)|$ in \mathcal{D} . See Clunie and Sheil-Small (see [2]).

Denote by $\mathcal{H}(p)$ the class of functions $f = h + \bar{g}$ that are harmonic multivalent and sense-preserving in the unit disk $\mathbb{U} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$. For $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}(p)$ we may express the analytic functions h and g as

$$(1) \quad h(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad g(z) = \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} b_k z^k, \quad |b_p| < 1.$$

Also denote by $\mathcal{T}(p)$, the subclass of $\mathcal{H}(p)$ consisting of all functions $f = h + \bar{g}$ where h and g are given by

$$(2) \quad h(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} |a_k| z^k, \quad g(z) = - \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} |b_k| z^k, \quad |b_p| < 1.$$

We denote by $\mathcal{H}_{\lambda}^n(p, \alpha)$ the class of all functions of the form (1.1) that satisfy the condition

$$(3) \quad \Re \left\{ \frac{(D_{\lambda}^{n+p-1} f(z))'}{p z^{p-1}} \right\} > \alpha,$$

where $0 \leq \alpha < p$, $p \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lambda \geq 0$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $D_{\lambda}^{n+p-1} f(z) = D_{\lambda}^{n+p-1} h(z) + \overline{D_{\lambda}^{n+p-1} g(z)}$.

When $p = 1$, D_{λ}^n denotes the operator introduced by [3]. For h and g given by (1.1) we have

$$D_{\lambda}^{n+p-1} h(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k-p)] C(n, k, p) a_k z^k,$$

$$D_\lambda^{n+p-1}g(z) = \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} [1 + \lambda(k - p)]C(n, k, p)b_k z^k$$

where $\lambda \geq 0$, $p \in \mathbb{N}$, $n > -p$ and $C(n, k, p) = \binom{k+n-1}{n+p-1}$.

Note that :

$\mathcal{H}_0^0(1, 0) \equiv S_{\mathcal{H}}^*$ studied by Silverman [1],

$\mathcal{H}_\lambda^0(1, 0) \equiv H(\lambda)$ studied by Yalçın and Öztürk [7],

$\mathcal{H}_0^0(1, \alpha) \equiv N_H(\alpha)$ studied by Ahuja and Jahangiri [5],

$\mathcal{H}_\lambda^n(1, 0) \equiv \mathcal{H}_\lambda^n$ studied by the authors in [4].

Also we note that for the analytic part the class $\mathcal{H}_0^n(p, \alpha)$ was introduced and studied by Goel and Sohi [6].

We further denote by $\mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$ the subclass of $\mathcal{H}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$, where

$$\mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha) = \mathcal{T}(p) \cap \mathcal{H}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha).$$

2 Coefficients Bounds

Theorem 2.1. *Let $f = h + \bar{g}$ with h and g are given by (1.1). Let*

$$(4) \quad \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} k [1 + \lambda(k - p)]C(n, k, p)[|a_k| + |b_k|] \leq p(2 - \alpha)$$

where $a_p = p$, $\lambda \geq 0$ and $0 \leq \alpha < p$. Then f is harmonic multivalent sense preserving in \mathbb{U} and $f \in \mathcal{H}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$.

Proof. Letting $w(z) = \frac{(D_\lambda^{n+p-1}f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}}$. Using the fact $\Re\{w\} \geq \alpha$ if and only

if $|p - \alpha + w(z)| \geq |p + \alpha - w(z)|$, it suffices to show that

$$(5) \quad \left| p - \alpha + \frac{(D_\lambda^{n+p-1} f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \right| - \left| p + \alpha - \frac{(D_\lambda^{n+p-1} f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} \right| \geq 0.$$

Substituting for h and g in (2.2) yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| p - \alpha + \frac{(D_\lambda^{n+p-1} h(z))' + \overline{(D_\lambda^{n+p-1} g(z))'}}{pz^{p-1}} \right| - \\ & - \left| p + \alpha - \frac{(D_\lambda^{n+p-1} h(z))' + \overline{(D_\lambda^{n+p-1} g(z))'}}{pz^{p-1}} \right| = \\ & = \left| p + 1 - \alpha + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{p} [1 + \lambda(k-p)] C(n, k, p) a_k z^{k-p} + \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} \frac{k}{p} [1 + \lambda(k-p)] C(n, k, p) b_k z^{k-p} \right| - \\ & - \left| p - 1 + \alpha - \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{p} [1 + \lambda(k-p)] C(n, k, p) a_k z^{k-p} - \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} \frac{k}{p} [1 + \lambda(k-p)] C(n, k, p) b_k z^{k-p} \right| \geq \\ & \geq 2 \left\{ (1 - \alpha) - \left[\sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{p} [1 + \lambda(k-p)] C(n, k, p) |a_k| |z^{k-p}| + \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} \frac{k}{p} [1 + \lambda(k-p)] C(n, k, p) |b_k| |z^{k-p}| \right] \right\} > \\ & > 2 \left\{ p(1 - \alpha) - \left[\sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} k [1 + \lambda(k-p)] C(n, k, p) |a_k| + \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} k [1 + \lambda(k-p)] C(n, k, p) |b_k| \right] \right\} > 0. \end{aligned}$$

The Harmonic mappings

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{x_k}{k[1 + \lambda(k - p)]C(n, k, p)} z^k + \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} \frac{\bar{y}_k}{k[1 + \lambda(k - p)]C(n, k, p)} \bar{z}^k$$

where $\sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} |x_k| + \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} |y_k| = p(1 - \alpha)$, show that the coefficient bound given by (2.1) is sharp.

The functions of the form (2.3) are in $\mathcal{H}_{\lambda}^n(p, \alpha)$ because

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} k[1 + \lambda(k - p)]C(n, k, p) (|a_k| + |b_k|) = \\ & = p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} |x_k| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |y_k| = p(2 - \alpha). \end{aligned}$$

The restriction placed in Theorem 2.1 on the moduli of the coefficients of $f = h + \bar{g}$ enables us to conclude for arbitrary rotation of the coefficients of f that the resulting functions would still be harmonic multivalent and $f \in H_{\lambda}^n(p, \alpha)$.

We next show that the condition (2.1) is also necessary for functions in $\mathcal{T}_{\lambda}^n(p, \alpha)$.

Theorem 2.2. *Let $f = h + \bar{g}$ with h and g are given by (1.2). Then $f \in \mathcal{T}_{\lambda}^n(p, \alpha)$ if and only if*

$$(6) \quad \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} k[1 + \lambda(k - p)]C(n, k, p)[|a_k| + |b_k|] \leq p(2 - \alpha)$$

where $a_p = p$, $\lambda \geq 0$ and $0 \leq \alpha < p$.

Proof. The "if" part follows from Theorem 2.1 upon noting $\mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha) \subset \mathcal{H}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$. For the "only if" part, assume that $f \in \mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$. Then by (1.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Re \left\{ \frac{(D_\lambda^n h(z))' + \overline{(D_\lambda^n g(z))'}}{pz^{p-1}} \right\} = \\ & = \Re \left\{ 1 - \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{p} [1 + \lambda(k-1)] C(n, k) |a_k| z^{k-p} - \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} \frac{k}{p} [1 + \lambda(k-1)] C(n, k) |b_k| \bar{z}^{k-p} \right\} > \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

If we choose z to be real and let $z \rightarrow 1^-$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & 1 - \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{p} [1 + \lambda(k-1)] C(n, k) |a_k| z^{k-p} - \\ & - \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} \frac{k}{p} [1 + \lambda(k-1)] C(n, k) |b_k| \bar{z}^{k-p} \geq \alpha, \end{aligned}$$

which is precisely the assertion (2.4) of Theorem 2.2.

3 Distortion Bounds and Extreme Points.

In this section, we shall obtain distortion bounds for functions in $\mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$ and also provide extreme points for the class $\mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$.

Theorem 3.1. *If $f \in \mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$, for $\lambda \geq 0$, $p \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $|z| = r > 1$, then*

$$|f(z)| \leq (1 + b_p)r^p + \frac{p(1 - \alpha) - |b_p|}{(p+1)(1+\lambda)(n+p)} r^{p+1},$$

and

$$|f(z)| \geq (1 - b_p)r^p - \frac{p(1 - \alpha) - |b_p|}{(p+1)(1+\lambda)(n+p)} r^{p+1}.$$

Proof. We only prove the second inequality. The argument for first inequality is similar and will be omitted. Let $f \in \mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$. Taking the absolute value of f , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f(z)| &\geq (1 - b_p)r^p - \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|)r^k \geq (1 - b_p)r^p - \\
 &\quad - \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|)r^{p+1} = \\
 &= (1 - b_p)r^p - \frac{1}{(p+1)(1+\lambda)(n+p)} \cdot \\
 &\quad \cdot \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} (p+1)(1+\lambda)(n+p)(|a_k| + |b_k|)r^{p+1} \geq \\
 &\quad \geq (1 - b_p)r^p - \frac{1}{(p+1)(1+\lambda)(n+p)} \cdot \\
 &\quad \cdot \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} k[1 + \lambda(k-p)]C(n, k, p)(|a_k| + |b_k|)r^{p+1} \geq \\
 &\geq (1 - b_p)r^p - \frac{1}{(p+1)(1+\lambda)(n+p)} \left[p(1 - \alpha) - |b_p| \right] r^{p+1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The bounds given in Theorem 3.1 for the functions $f = h + \bar{g}$ of the form (1.2) also hold for functions of the form (1.1) if the coefficient condition (2.1) is satisfied. The functions

$$f(z) = z^p + |b_p|\bar{z}^p - \frac{p(1 - \alpha) - |b_p|}{(p+1)(1+\lambda)(n+p)}\bar{z}^{p+1}$$

and

$$f(z) = (1 - |b_p|)z^p - \frac{p(1 - \alpha) - |b_p|}{(p+1)(1+\lambda)(n+p)}z^{p+1}$$

for $|b_p| < 1$ show that the bounds given Theorem 3.1 are sharp.

The following covering result follows from the second inequality in Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 1 *If $f \in \mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$, then*

$$\left\{ w : |w| < (1 - |b_p|) - \frac{p(1 - \alpha) - |b_p|}{(p + 1)(1 + \lambda)(n + p)} \right\} \subset f(\mathbb{U}).$$

Theorem 3.2. *$f \in \mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$ if and only if f can be expressed as*

$$(7) \quad f(z) = \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} (\gamma_k h_k + \mu_k g_k)$$

where $z \in \mathbb{U}$,

$$h_p(z) = z^p, \quad h_k(z) = z^p - \frac{p(1 - \alpha)}{k[1 + \lambda(k - p)]C(n, k, p)} z^k, \quad (k = p + 1, p + 2, \dots),$$

$$g_k(z) = z^p - \frac{p(1 - \alpha)}{k[1 + \lambda(k - p)]C(n, k, p)} \bar{z}^k, \quad (k = p, p + 1, \dots),$$

$$\sum_{k=p}^{\infty} (\gamma_k + \mu_k) = 1, \quad \gamma_k \geq 0 \text{ and } \mu_k \geq 0 \quad (k = p + 1, p + 2, \dots).$$

In particular, the extreme points of $\mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$ are $\{h_k\}$ and $\{g_k\}$.

Proof. Note that for f we may write

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} (\gamma_k h_k + \mu_k g_k) = \\ &= \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} (\gamma_k + \mu_k) z^p - \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{p(1 - \alpha)}{k[1 + \lambda(k - p)]C(n, k, p)} \gamma_k z^k - \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} \frac{p(1-\alpha)}{k[1+\lambda(k-p)]C(n,k,p)} \mu_k \bar{z}^k = \\
 & = z^p - \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{p(1-\alpha)}{k[1+\lambda(k-p)]C(n,k,p)} \gamma_k z^k - \\
 & \quad - \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} \frac{p(1-\alpha)}{k[1+\lambda(k-p)]C(n,k,p)} \mu_k \bar{z}^k
 \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \left[k[1+\lambda(k-p)]C(n,k,p) \right] \frac{p(1-\alpha)}{k[1+\lambda(k-p)]C(n,k,p)} \gamma_k \\
 & \quad - \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} \left[k[1+\lambda(k-p)]C(n,k,p) \right] \frac{p(1-\alpha)}{k[1+\lambda(k-p)]C(n,k,p)} \mu_k \\
 & = p(1-\alpha) \left(\sum_{k=p}^{\infty} (\gamma_k + \mu_k) - \gamma_p \right) = p(1-\alpha)(1-\gamma_p) \leq p(1-\alpha)
 \end{aligned}$$

and so $f \in \mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$.

Conversely, suppose that $f \in \mathcal{T}_\lambda^n(p, \alpha)$. Setting

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma_k &= \frac{k[1+\lambda(k-p)]C(n,k,p)}{p(1-\alpha)} |a_k| \quad (k = p+1, p+2, \dots), \\
 \mu_k &= \frac{k[1+\lambda(k-p)]C(n,k,p)}{p(1-\alpha)} |b_k| \quad (k = p, p+1, p+2, \dots),
 \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} (\gamma_k h_k + \mu_k g_k) \text{ as required.}$$

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