

SĂLĂGEAN-TYPE HARMONIC MULTIVALENT FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. We define and investigate a new class of Sălăgean-type harmonic multivalent functions. we obtain coefficient inequalities, extreme points and distortion bounds for the functions in this class.

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1. INTRODUCTION

For fixed positive integer p , denote by $H(p)$ the set of all harmonic multivalent functions $f = h + \bar{g}$ which are sense-preserving in the open unit disk $\mathbb{U} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ where h and g are of the form

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

The differential operator D^m was introduced by Sălăgean [6]. For fixed positive integer m and for $f = h + \bar{g}$ given by (1) we define the modified Sălăgean operator $D^m f$ as

$$D^m f(z) = D^m h(z) + (-1)^m \overline{D^m g(z)}; \quad p > m, \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \quad (2)$$

where

$$D^m h(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k+p-1}{p} \right)^m a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1}$$

and

$$D^m g(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k+p-1}{p} \right)^m b_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1}.$$

It is known that, (see [3]), the harmonic function $f = h + \bar{g}$ is sense-preserving in \mathbb{U} if $|g'| < |h'|$ in \mathbb{U} . The class $H(p)$ was studied by Ahuja and Jahangiri [1] and the class $H(p)$ for $p = 1$ was defined and studied by Jahangiri et al in [5].

For fixed positive integers m, n and p and for $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ we let $H_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$ denote the class of multivalent harmonic functions of the form (1) that satisfy the condition

$$Re \left\{ \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} \right\} > \beta \left| \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right| + \alpha. \tag{3}$$

The subclass $\overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$ consists of function $f_m = h + \bar{g}_m$ in $H_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$ so that h and g are of the form

$$h(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1}, \quad g_m(z) = (-1)^{m-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1}, \quad |b_p| < 1. \tag{4}$$

The families $H_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$ and $\overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$ include a variety of well-known classes of harmonic functions as well as many new ones. For example $\overline{H}_1(1, 0, \alpha, 0) \equiv HS(\alpha)$ is the class of sense-preserving, harmonic univalent functions f which are starlike of order α in \mathbb{U} , $\overline{H}_1(2, 1, \alpha, 0) \equiv HK(\alpha)$ is the class of sense-preserving, harmonic univalent functions f which are convex of order α in \mathbb{U} and $\overline{H}_1(n+1, n, \alpha, 0) \equiv \overline{H}(n, \alpha)$ is the class of Sălăgean-type harmonic univalent functions.

For the harmonic functions f of the form (1) with $b_1 = 0$, Avcı and Zlotkiewicz [2] showed that if

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k(|a_k| + |b_k|) \leq 1,$$

then $f \in HS(0)$ and if

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^2(|a_k| + |b_k|) \leq 1,$$

then $f \in HK(0)$. Silverman [8] proved that the above two coefficient conditions are also necessary if $f = h + \bar{g}$ has negative coefficients. Later, Silverman

and Silvia [9] improved the results of [5] and [6] to the case b_1 not necessarily zero.

For the harmonic functions f of the form (4) with $m = 1$, Jahangiri [4] showed that $f \in HS(\alpha)$ if and only if

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k - \alpha) |a_k| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (k + \alpha) |b_k| \leq 1 - \alpha$$

and $f \in \overline{H}_1(2, 1, \alpha, 0)$ if and only of

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k(k - \alpha) |a_k| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k(k + \alpha) |b_k| \leq 1 - \alpha.$$

In this paper, the coefficient conditions for the classes $HS(\alpha)$ and $HK(\alpha)$ are extended to the class $H_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$, of the forms (3) above. Furthermore, we determine extreme points and distortion theorem for the functions in $\overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$.

2. MAIN RESULTS

In our first theorem, we introduce a sufficient coefficient bound for harmonic functions in $H_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$.

Theorem 1. *Let $f = h + \bar{g}$ be given by (1). Furthermore, let*

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \{ \Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) |a_{k+p-1}| + \Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) |b_{k+p-1}| \} \leq 2 \quad (5)$$

where

$$\Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) = \frac{\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m (1 + \beta) - (\beta + \alpha) \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n}{1 - \alpha}$$

$$\Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) = \frac{\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m (1 + \beta) - (-1)^{m-n} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n (\beta + \alpha)}{1 - \alpha},$$

$\mathcal{K}_{k,p} = \frac{k+p-1}{p}$, $a_p = 1$, $\alpha(0 \leq \alpha < 1)$, $\beta \geq 0$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $m > n$. Then $f \in H_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$.

Proof. According to (2) and (3) we only need to show that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{D^m f(z) - \alpha D^n f(z) - \beta e^{i\theta} |D^m f(z) - D^n f(z)|}{D^n f(z)} \right) \geq 0$$

The case $r = 0$ is obvious. For $0 < r < 1$ it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{D^m f(z) - \alpha D^n f(z) - \beta e^{i\theta} |D^m f(z) - D^n f(z)|}{D^n f(z)} \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(1 - \alpha)z^p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - \alpha \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1}}{z^p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{(-1)^m \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - (-1)^{m-n} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \alpha) \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}}{z^p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{\beta e^{i\theta} \left| \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^m \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - (-1)^{m-n} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1} \right|}{z^p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}} \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(1 - \alpha) + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - \alpha \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) a_{k+p-1} z^{k-1}}{1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1} z^{k-1} + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1} z^{-p}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{(-1)^m \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - (-1)^{m-n} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \alpha) \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1} z^{-p}}{1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1} z^{k-1} + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1} z^{-p}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\beta e^{i\theta} z^{-p} \left| \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^m \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - (-1)^{m-n} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1} \right|}{1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1} z^{k-1} + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1} z^{-p}}$$

$$= Re \left[\frac{(1 - \alpha) + A(z)}{1 + B(z)} \right].$$

For $z = re^{i\theta}$ we have

$$A(re^{i\theta}) = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - \alpha \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) a_{k+p-1} r^{k-1} e^{(k-1)\theta i}$$

$$+ (-1)^m \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - (-1)^{m-n} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \alpha) \bar{b}_{k+p-1} r^{k-1} e^{-(k+2p-1)\theta i} - \beta e^{-(p-1)i\theta} T(m, n, p, \alpha)$$

where

$$T(m, n, p, \alpha) = \left| \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) a_{k+p-1} r^{k-1} e^{-(k+p-1)\theta i} + \right.$$

$$\left. + (-1)^m \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - (-1)^{m-n} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) \bar{b}_{k+p-1} r^{k-1} e^{-(k+p-1)\theta i} \right|$$

and

$$B(re^{i\theta}) = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1} r^{k-1} e^{(k-1)\theta i} + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \bar{b}_{k+p-1} r^{k-1} e^{-(k+2p-1)\theta i}.$$

Setting

$$\frac{(1 - \alpha) + A(z)}{1 + B(z)} = (1 - \alpha) \frac{1 + w(z)}{1 - w(z)}$$

the proof will be complete if we can show that $|w(z)| \leq r < 1$. This is the case since, by the condition (5), we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 |w(z)| &= \left| \frac{A(z) - (1 - \alpha)B(z)}{A(z) + (1 - \alpha)B(z) + 2(1 - \alpha)} \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [(1 + \beta)(\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n)|a_{k+p-1}| + (1 + \beta)(\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - (-1)^{m-n}\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n)|b_{k+p-1}|] r^{k-1}}{4(1 - \alpha) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \{[\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m(1 + \beta) - \Lambda\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n]|a_{k+p-1}| + [\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m(1 + \beta) - (-1)^{m-n}\Lambda\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n]|b_{k+p-1}|\} r^{k-1}} \\
 &< \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \beta)(\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n)|a_{k+p-1}| + (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - (-1)^{m-n}\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n)(1 + \beta)|b_{k+p-1}|}{4(1 - \alpha) - \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m(1 + \beta) - \Lambda\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n]|a_{k+p-1}| + [\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m(1 + \beta) - (-1)^{m-n}\Lambda\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n]|b_{k+p-1}| \right\}} \\
 &\leq 1,
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\Lambda = \beta + 2\alpha - 1$. The harmonic univalent functions

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} x_k z^{k+p-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} \overline{y_k z^{k+p-1}} \quad (6)$$

where $m \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $m \geq n$, $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, $\beta \geq 0$ and $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} |x_k| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |y_k| = 1$, show that the coefficient bound given by (5) is sharp. The functions of the form (6) are in $H_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$ because

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [\Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) |a_{k+p-1}| + \Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) |b_{k+p-1}|] = 1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} |x_k| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |y_k| = 2.$$

In the following theorem it is shown that the condition (5) is also necessary for functions $f_m = h + \overline{g_m}$ where h and g_m are of the form (4).

Theorem 2. Let $f_m = h + \overline{g_m}$ be given by (4). Then $f_m \in \overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$ if and only if

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [\Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) a_{k+p-1} + \Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) b_{k+p-1}] \leq 2 \quad (7)$$

where $a_p = 1$, $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $m > n$.

Proof. Since $\overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta) \subset H_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$, we only need to prove the "only if" part of the theorem. For functions f_m of the form (4), we note that the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} \right\} > \beta \left| \frac{D^m f(z)}{D^n f(z)} - 1 \right| + \alpha$$

is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(1-\alpha)z^p - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - \alpha \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1}}{z^p - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^{m+n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n b_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}} \right. \\ & + \frac{(-1)^{2m-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - (-1)^{m-n} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n \alpha) b_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}}{z^p - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^{m+n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n b_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}} \left. \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \geq \beta e^{i\theta} \left| \frac{-\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^{2m-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m - (-1)^{m-n} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n) \bar{b}_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}}{z^p - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^{m+n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n b_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}} \right| \\ & \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{K}_{k,p} = \frac{k+p-1}{p}$.

The above required condition (8) must hold for all values of z in \mathbb{U} . Upon choosing the values of z on the positive real axis where $0 \leq z = r < 1$, we must have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{(1 - \alpha) - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m(1 + \beta) - (\beta + \alpha)\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n] a_{k+p-1}r^{k-1}}{1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1}r^{k-1} - (-1)^{m-n} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n b_{k+p-1}r^{k+p-1}} \\
 & + \frac{-\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^m(1 + \beta) - (-1)^{m-n}\mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n(\beta + \alpha)] b_{k+p-1}r^{k-1}}{1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n a_{k+p-1}r^{k-1} - (-1)^{m-n} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{K}_{k,p}^n b_{k+p-1}r^{k-1}} \geq 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

If the condition (8) does not hold, then the expression in (9) is negative for r sufficiently close to 1. Hence there exist $z_0 = r_0$ in $(0,1)$ for which the quotient in (9) is negative. This contradicts the required condition for $f_m \in \overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$. And so the proof is complete.

Next we determine the extreme points of the closed convex hull of $\overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$, denoted by $clco\overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$.

Theorem 3. *Let f_m be given by (4). Then $f_m \in \overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$ if and only if*

$$f_m(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [x_{k+p-1}h_{k+p-1}(z) + y_{k+p-1}g_{k+p-1}(z)]$$

where

$$h_p(z) = z^p, \quad h_{k+p-1}(z) = z^p - \frac{1}{\Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} z^{k+p-1}; \quad (k = 2, 3, \dots)$$

and

$$g_{m_{k+p-1}}(z) = z^p + (-1)^{m-1} \frac{1}{\Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}; \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

$x_{k+p-1} \geq 0$, $y_{k+p-1} \geq 0$, $x_p = 1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} x_{k+p-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} y_{k+p-1}$. In particular, the extreme points of $\overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$ are $\{h_{k+p-1}\}$ and $\{g_{k+p-1}\}$.

Proof. For functions f_m of the form (4)

$$\begin{aligned} f_m(z) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [x_{k+p-1}h_{k+p-1}(z) + y_{k+p-1}g_{m_{k+p-1}}(z)] \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (x_{k+p-1} + y_{k+p-1})z^p - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} x_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} \\ &\quad + (-1)^{m-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} y_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) \left(\frac{1}{\Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} x_{k+p-1} \right) \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) \left(\frac{1}{\Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} y_{k+p-1} \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} x_{k+p-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} y_{k+p-1} = 1 - x_p \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

and so $f_m(z) \in clco\bar{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$.

Conversely, suppose that $f_m(z) \in clco\bar{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$. Set

$$x_{k+p-1} = \Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) a_{k+p-1}, \quad (k = 2, 3, \dots)$$

$$y_{k+p-1} = \Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) b_{k+p-1}, \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

and

$$x_p = 1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} x_{k+p-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} y_{k+p-1}.$$

Then, as required, we obtain

$$f_m(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^{m-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_{k+p-1} \bar{z}^{k+p-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= z^p - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} x_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^{m-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} y_{k+p-1} \overline{z^{k+p-1}} \\
 &= z^p - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [z^p - h_{k+p-1}(z)] x_{k+p-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [z^p - g_{m_{k+p-1}}(z)] y_{k+p-1} \\
 &= \left[1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} x_{k+p-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} y_{k+p-1} \right] z^p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} x_{k+p-1} h_{k+p-1}(z) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} y_{k+p-1} g_{m_{k+p-1}}(z) \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [x_{k+p-1} h_{k+p-1}(z) + y_{k+p-1} g_{m_{k+p-1}}(z)].
 \end{aligned}$$

The following theorem gives the distortion bounds for functions in $\overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$ which yields a covering results for this class.

Theorem 4. *Let $f_m \in \overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$. Then for $|z| = r < 1$ we have*

$$|f_m(z)| \leq (1 + b_p)r^p + [\Phi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) - \Omega(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)b_p] r^{n+p}$$

and

$$|f_m(z)| \geq (1 - b_p)r^p - \{\Phi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) - \Omega(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)b_p\} r^{n+p}$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Phi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) &= \frac{1 - \alpha}{\left(\frac{p+1}{p}\right)^m (1 + \beta) - \left(\frac{p+1}{p}\right)^n (\beta + \alpha)}, \\
 \Omega(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) &= \frac{(1 + \beta) - (-1)^{m-n}(\alpha + \beta)}{\left(\frac{p+1}{p}\right)^m (1 + \beta) - \left(\frac{p+1}{p}\right)^n (\beta + \alpha)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We prove the right hand side inequality for $|f_m|$. The proof for the left hand inequality can be done using similar arguments. Let $f_m \in \overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$. Taking the absolute value of f_m then by Theorem 2, we obtain:

$$|f_m(z)| = \left| z^p - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_{k+p-1} z^{k+p-1} + (-1)^{m-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_{k+p-1} \overline{z^{k+p-1}} \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq r^p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_{k+p-1} r^{k+p-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_{k+p-1} r^{k+p-1} \\
 &= r^p + b_p r^p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (a_{k+p-1} + b_{k+p-1}) r^{k+p-1} \\
 &\leq r^p + b_p r^p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (a_{k+p-1} + b_{k+p-1}) r^{p+1} \\
 &= (1+b_p)r^p + \Phi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Phi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta)} (a_{k+p-1} + b_{k+p-1}) r^{p+1} \\
 &\leq (1+b_p)r^p + \Phi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) r^{n+p} \left[\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \Psi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) a_{k+p-1} + \Theta(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) b_{k+p-1} \right] \\
 &\leq (1+b_p)r^p + [\Phi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) - \Omega(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) b_p] r^{n+p}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The following covering result follows from the left hand inequality in Theorem 4.

Corollary 1. *Let $f_m \in \overline{H}_p(m, n, \alpha, \beta)$, then for $|z| = r < 1$ we have*

$$\{w : |w| < 1 - b_p - [\Phi(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) - \Omega(m, n, p, \alpha, \beta) b_p] \subset f_m(\mathbb{U})\}.$$

Remark 1. If we take $m = n + 1$, $\beta = 0$ and $p = 1$, then the above covering result given in [5]. Furthermore, the results of this paper, for $p = 1$ and $\beta = 0$ coincide with the results in [10].

Remark 2. For $p = 1$, we obtain the results given in [7].

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