

CERTAIN CLASS OF HARMONIC STARLIKE FUNCTIONS WITH SOME MISSING COEFFICIENTS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we have introduced a new class $J_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ of Harmonic Univalent functions in the unit disk $E = \{z; |z| < 1\}$ on the lines of [3] and [4], but with some missing coefficient. We have studied various properties such as coefficient estimates, extreme points, convolution and their related results.

1. INTRODUCTION

The class of functions of the form,

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

that are analytic univalent and normalized in the unit disc E , is denoted by S . The class K of convex functions and class S^* of starlike functions are two widely investigated subclasses of S .

A continuous function $f = u + iv$ defined in a domain $D \subseteq C$ is harmonic in D if u and v are real Harmonic in D . In any simply connected sub domain of D we can write,

$$(1.1) \quad f = h + \bar{g}$$

where h and g are analytic, h is called the analytic and g the coanalytic part of f . In this paper we have introduced a new class $J_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ of functions of the form (1.1) namely $f = h + \bar{g}$ that are Harmonic Univalent and sense preserving

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in the unit disk E with $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$, where h and g are of the form

$$(1.2) \quad h(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{n+1} z^{n+1} \text{ and } g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{n+1} z^{n+1}$$

$\bar{J}_H$ is the subclass of J .

For $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, $\bar{J}_H$ denotes the subclass of J consisting of harmonic starlike functions of order α satisfying,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\arg f(re^{i\theta})) \geq \alpha; \quad |z| = r < 1.$$

Clunie and Sheil - Small [3] and Jahangiri [4] studied Harmonic starlike functions of order α and Rosey et. al. [6] considered the Goodman-Ronning-Type harmonic univalent functions which satisfies the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ (1 + e^{i\alpha}) \frac{zf'}{f} - e^{i\alpha} \right\} \geq 0.$$

Definition. A function $f \in J_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ if it satisfies the condition

$$(1.3) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ (1 + e^{i\alpha}) \frac{zf'}{f} - \gamma e^{i\alpha} \right\} \geq \beta$$

$0 \leq \alpha < 1, 0 \leq \beta < 1, \frac{1}{2} < \gamma \leq 1$ where

$$z' = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (z = re^{i\theta}); \quad f'(z) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} f(re^{i\theta})$$

α, β, γ and θ are real.

Let $\bar{J}_H$ denote a subclass of $J(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ consisting of functions $f = h + \bar{g}$ such that h and g are of the form

$$(1.4) \quad h(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{n+1} z^{n+1} \text{ and } g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{n+1} z^{n+1}, \quad a_{n+1} \geq 0, b_{n+1} \geq 0$$

2. COEFFICIENT ESTIMATES

Theorem 1. Let $f = h + \bar{g}$, where h and g are given by (1.4). Furthermore let

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |a_{n+1}| + \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |b_{n+1}| \right\} \leq 2$$

where $a_1 = 1, 0 \leq \beta < 1$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \gamma \leq 1$. Then f is harmonic univalent in unit disc E and $f \in \bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$.

Proof. We first observe that f is locally univalent and orientation preserving in unit disc E . This is because

$$\begin{aligned} |h'(z)| &\geq 1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+1)|a_{n+1}|r^n > 1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+1)|a_{n+1}| \\ &\geq 1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |a_{n+1}| \geq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |b_{n+1}| \\ &\geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+1)|b_{n+1}| \geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+1)|b_{n+1}|r^n \geq g'(z). \end{aligned}$$

In order to show that f is univalent in E we show that $f(z_1) \neq f(z_2)$ whenever $z_1 \neq z_2$. Since E is simply connected and convex we have $z(\lambda) = (1-\lambda)z_1 + \lambda z_2 \in E$ if $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ and if $z_1, z_2 \in E$ so that $z_1 \neq z_2$. Then we write,

$$f(z_2) - f(z_1) = \int_0^1 [(z_2 - z_1)h'(z(t)) + \overline{(z_2 - z_1)}\overline{g'(z(t))}]dt.$$

Dividing by $z_2 - z_1 \neq 0$ and taking the real part we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z_2) - f(z_1)}{z_2 - z_1} \right\} &= \int_0^1 \text{Re} \left[h'(z(t)) + \frac{\overline{(z_2 - z_1)}}{(z_2 - z_1)} \overline{g'(z(t))} \right] dt \\ (2.2) \quad &> \int_0^1 \text{Re}[h'(z(t)) - |g'(z(t))|]dt \end{aligned}$$

on the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re}(h'(z) - |g'(z)|) &\geq \text{Re} h'(z) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+1)|b_{n+1}| \\ &\geq 1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+1)|a_{n+1}| - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+1)|b_{n+1}| \\ &\geq 1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |a_{n+1}| \\ &\quad - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |b_{n+1}| \\ &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

using (2.1). This along with inequality (2.2) leads to the univalence of f . According to the condition (1.2), it suffices to show that (2.1) holds if

$$\text{Re} \left\{ \frac{(1 + e^{i\alpha})(zh'(z) - z\overline{g'(z)}) - \gamma e^{i\alpha}(h(z) + \overline{g(z)})}{h(z) + \overline{g(z)}} \right\} = \text{Re} \frac{A(z)}{B(z)} \geq \beta$$

where $z = re^{i\theta}$, $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$, $0 \leq r < 1$, $\frac{1}{2} < \gamma \leq 1$.

Let $A(z) = (1+e^{i\alpha})(zh'(z)-z\overline{g'(z)})-\gamma e^{i\alpha}(h(z)+\overline{g(z)})$ and $B(z) = h(z)+\overline{g(z)}$. Since $Re(w) \geq \beta$ if and only if $|\gamma - \beta + w| \geq |\gamma + \beta - w|$. It is enough to show that

$$(2.3) \quad |A(z) + (1 - \beta)B(z)| - |A(z) - (1 + \beta)B(z)| \geq 0.$$

Substitute for $A(z)$ and $B(z)$ in (2.3) to yield

$$\begin{aligned} & |(1 - \beta)h(z) + (1 + e^{i\alpha})zh'(z) - \gamma e^{i\alpha}h(z) \\ & \quad + \overline{(1 - \beta)g(z) - (1 + e^{i\alpha})zg'(z) - \gamma e^{i\alpha}g(z)}| \\ & \quad - |(1 + \beta)h(z) - (1 + e^{i\alpha})zh'(z) + \gamma e^{i\alpha}h(z) \\ & \quad + \overline{(1 + \beta)g(z) + (1 + e^{i\alpha})zg'(z) + \gamma e^{i\alpha}g(z)}| \\ &= |(2 - \beta)z + ze^{i\alpha}(1 - \gamma) - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [(2 + n - \beta) + e^{i\alpha}(n + 1 - \gamma)]a_{n+1}z^{n+1} \\ & \quad - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \overline{[(n + \beta) + e^{i\alpha}(1 + n + \gamma)]b_{n+1}z^{n+1}}| \\ & \quad - |\beta z + ze^{i\alpha}(1 - \gamma) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [(n - \beta) + e^{i\alpha}(1 + n - \gamma)]a_{n+1}z^{n+1} \\ & \quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \overline{[(2 + \beta + n) + e^{i\alpha}(1 + n + \gamma)]b_{n+1}z^{n+1}}| \\ &\geq (3 - \beta - \gamma)|z| - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (3 + 2n - \beta - \gamma)|a_{n+1}||z|^{n+1} \\ & \quad - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2n + \beta + \gamma + 1)|b_{n+1}||z|^{n+1} \\ & \quad - (\beta + \gamma - 1)|z| - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (2n - \beta - \gamma + 1)|a_{n+1}||z|^{n+1} \\ & \quad - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (3 + 2n + \beta + \gamma)|b_{n+1}||z|^{n+1} \\ &\geq 2(2 - \beta - \gamma)|z| \left\{ 1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)}|a_{n+1}||z|^n \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)}|b_{n+1}||z|^n \right\} \\ &\geq 2(2 - \beta - \gamma)|z| \left\{ 1 - \left[\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)}|a_{n+1}| \right. \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\left. + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |b_{n+1}| \right] \Bigg\} \geq 0.$$

By (2.1), the functions

$$(2.4) \quad f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{2 - \beta - \gamma}{2n - \beta - \gamma + 2} x_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2 - \beta - \gamma}{2n + \beta + \gamma + 2} \bar{y}_{n+1} \bar{z}^{n+1}$$

where

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |x_{n+1}| + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |y_{n+1}| = 1$$

shows that the coefficient bound given by (2.1) is sharp. $\square$

The function of the form (2.4) are in $\bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ because

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |a_{n+1}| + \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |b_{n+1}| \right\} \\ = 1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |x_{n+1}| + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |y_{n+1}| = 2 \end{aligned}$$

where $a_1 = 1$ and some coefficients are missing. The restriction placed in Theorem (1) on the module of the coefficients of f , enables us to conclude for arbitrary rotation of the coefficients of f that the resulting function would still be harmonic and univalent in $\bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$. The following theorem establishes that such coefficient bounds cannot be improved.

Theorem 2. Let $f = h + \bar{g}$, be so that h and g are

$$(2.5) \quad h(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{n+1} z^{n+1}; \quad g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{n+1} z^{n+1}$$

Then $f(z) \in \bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ if and only if

$$(2.6) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |a_{n+1}| + \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |b_{n+1}| \right\} \leq 2$$

where $a_1 = 1, 0 \leq \beta < 1, \frac{1}{2} < \gamma \leq 1$ and some coefficients are missing.

Proof. The “if” part follows from theorem [1] upon noting that if the analytic part h and co-analytic part g of $f \in \bar{J}_H$ are of the form (2.5) then $f \in \bar{J}_H$.

For the “only if” part, we show that $f(z) \notin \bar{J}_H$ if the condition (2.6) does not hold. Note that a necessary and sufficient condition for $f = h + \bar{g}$ given by (2.5) to be in $\bar{J}_H$ is that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ (1 + e^{i\alpha}) z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} - \gamma e^{i\alpha} \right\} \geq \beta.$$

This is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(1 + e^{i\alpha})(zh'(z) - z\overline{g'(z)}) - \gamma e^{i\alpha}(h(z) - \overline{g(z)})}{h(z) + \overline{g(z)}} - \beta \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{(2 - \beta - \gamma)z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)|a_{n+1}|z^{n+1}}{z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_{n+1}|z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_{n+1}|\bar{z}^{n+1}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)|b_{n+1}|\bar{z}^{n+1}}{z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_{n+1}|z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_{n+1}|\bar{z}^{n+1}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The above condition must hold for all values of z , $|z| = r < 1 \geq 0$. Choosing the values of z along +ve real axis where $0 \leq z = r < 1$, we must have

(2.7)

$$\frac{(2 - \beta - \gamma) - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)|a_{n+1}|r^n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)|b_{n+1}|r^n}{1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_{n+1}|r^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_{n+1}|r^n}$$

If the condition (2.6) does not hold then the numerator in (2.7) is negative for r sufficiently close to 1. Thus, there exists $z_0 = r_0$ in $(0, 1)$ for which the quotient in (2.7) is negative. This contradicts the required condition for $f \in \bar{J}_H$ and hence the required result. $\square$

3. EXTREME POINTS

We obtain the extreme points of the closed convex hulls of $\bar{J}_H$, denoted by $CLCH\bar{J}_H$.

Theorem 3. $f(z) \in CLCH\bar{J}_H$ if and only if,

$$(3.1) \quad f(z) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (x_{n+1}h_{n+1} + y_{n+1}g_{n+1})$$

where $h_1(z) = z$;

$$h_{n+1}(z) = z - \frac{(2 - \beta - \gamma)}{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}z^{n+1}; \quad n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

$$g_{n+1}(z) = z + \frac{(2 - \beta - \gamma)}{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}z^{n+1}; \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (x_{n+1} + y_{n+1}) = 1; \quad x_{n+1} \geq 0 \text{ and } y_{n+1} \geq 0.$$

In particular, the extreme points of $\bar{J}_H$, are $\{h_{n+1}\}$ and $\{g_{n+1}\}$.

Proof. For function f of the form (3.1) we have,

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (x_{n+1}h_{n+1} + y_{n+1}g_{n+1})$$

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (x_{n+1} + y_{n+1})z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2-\beta-\gamma)}{(2n-\beta-\gamma+2)} x_{n+1} z^{n+1} +$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2-\beta-\gamma)}{(2n+\beta+\gamma+2)} y_{n+1} \bar{z}^{n+1}$$

Then

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2n-\gamma-\beta+2)}{(2-\beta-\gamma)} \left(\frac{(2-\beta-\gamma)}{(2n-\gamma-\beta+2)} x_{n+1} \right) +$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+\beta+\gamma+2)}{(2-\beta-\gamma)} \left(\frac{(2-\beta-\gamma)}{(2n+\beta+\gamma+2)} y_{n+1} \right)$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} x_{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_{n+1} = 1 - x_1 \leq 1$$

and so $f(z) \in CLCH\bar{J}_H$.

Conversely, suppose that $f(z) \in CLCH\bar{J}_H$. Set

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{(2n-\gamma-\beta+2)}{(2-\beta-\gamma)} |a_{n+1}|; \quad n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

and

$$y_{n+1} = \frac{(2n+\gamma+\beta+2)}{(2-\beta-\gamma)} |b_{n+1}|; \quad n = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

Then note that by theorem (2), $0 \leq x_{n+1} \leq 1, n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$ and $0 \leq y_{n+1} \leq 1, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Consequently, we obtain

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (x_{n+1}h_{n+1} + y_{n+1}g_{n+1}).$$

Using Theorem 2 it is easily seen that $\bar{J}_H$ is convex and closed and so

$$CLCH\bar{J}_H = \bar{J}_H.$$

□

4. COVOLUTION RESULT

For harmonic functions,

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{n+1} \bar{z}^{n+1}$$

$$G(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} A_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_{n+1} \bar{z}^{n+1}$$

we define the convolution of f and G as,

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} (f * G)(z) &= f(z) * G(z) \\ &= z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{n+1} A_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{n+1} B_{n+1} \bar{z}^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 4. For $0 \leq \beta < 1$ let $f(z) \in \bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ and $G(z) \in \bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$. Then

$$f(z) * G(z) \in \bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma).$$

Proof. Let

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_{n+1}| z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_{n+1}| \bar{z}^{n+1} \text{ be in } \bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$$

and

$$G(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |A_{n+1}| z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |B_{n+1}| \bar{z}^{n+1} \text{ be in } \bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$$

Obviously, the coefficients of f and G must satisfy condition similar to the inequality (2.6). So for the coefficients of $f * G$ we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |a_{n+1} A_{n+1}| + \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |b_{n+1} B_{n+1}| \right] \\ \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |a_{n+1}| + \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |b_{n+1}| \right] \end{aligned}$$

The right side of this inequality is bounded by 2 because $f \in \bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$. By the same token, we then conclude that

$$f(z) * G(z) \in \bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma).$$

□

Finally, we show that $f \in \bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, is closed under convex combination of its members.

Theorem 5. The family $\bar{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ is closed under convex combination.

Proof. For $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ let $f_i \in \overline{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ where f_i is given by,

$$f_i(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_{i(n+1)}| z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_{i(n+1)}| \bar{z}^{n+1}$$

Then by (2.6),

$$(4.2) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |a_{i(n+1)}| + \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |b_{i(n+1)}| \leq 2 \right].$$

For $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i = 1; 0 \leq t_i \leq 1$, the convex combination of f_i may be written as,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i f_i(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i |a_{i(n+1)}| \right] z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i |b_{i(n+1)}| \right] \bar{z}^{n+1}.$$

Then by (4.2)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i |a_{i(n+1)}| + \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i |b_{i(n+1)}| \right] \\ & \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i \left[\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2n - \beta - \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |a_{i(n+1)}| + \frac{(2n + \beta + \gamma + 2)}{(2 - \beta - \gamma)} |b_{i(n+1)}| \right] \\ & \leq 2 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i = 2. \end{aligned}$$

This is the condition required by (2.6) and so,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i f_i(z) \in \overline{J}_H(\alpha, \beta, \gamma).$$

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