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# A new class of Salagean-type harmonic univalent functions

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#### **Abstract**

We define and investigate a new class of Salagean-type harmonic univalent functions. We obtain coefficient conditions, extreme points, distortion bounds, convex combination and radii of convex for the above class of harmonic univalent functions.

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#### 1. Introduction

A continuous complex-valued function f = u + iv defined in a simply connected complex domain  $\mathfrak{D}$  is said to be harmonic in  $\mathfrak{D}$  if both u and v are real harmonic in  $\mathfrak{D}$ . In any simply connected domain we can write  $f = h + \bar{g}$ , where h and g are analytic in  $\mathfrak{D}$ . A necessary and sufficient condition for f to be locally univalent and sense preserving in  $\mathfrak{D}$  is that  $|h'(z)| > |g'(z)|, z \in \mathfrak{D}$ .

Denote by  $S_H$  the class of functions  $f=h+\bar{g}$  that are harmonic univalent and sense preserving in the unit disk  $U=\{z:|z|<1\}$  for which  $f(0)=f_z(0)-1=0$ . Then for  $f=h+\bar{g}\in S_H$  we may express the analytic functions h and g as

$$h(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \qquad g(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k, \quad |b_1| < 1.$$
 (1)

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In 1984 Clunie and Sheil-Small [2] investigated the class  $S_H$  as well as its geometric subclasses and obtained some coefficient bounds. Since then, there have been several related papers on  $S_H$  and its subclasses.

The differential operator  $D^m$  was introduced by Salagean [5]. For  $f = h + \bar{g}$  given by (1), Jahangiri et al. [4] defined the modified Salagean operator of f as

$$D^{m} f(z) = D^{m} h(z) + (-1)^{m} \overline{D^{m} g(z)}$$
(2)

where

$$D^{m}h(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^{m} a_{k} z^{k}$$
 and  $D^{m}g(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{m} b_{k} z^{k}$ .

For  $0 \le \alpha < 1$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , m > n and  $z \in U$ , we let  $S_H(m, n; \alpha)$  denote the family of harmonic functions f of the form (1) such that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{D^{m}f(z)}{D^{n}f(z)}\right\} > \alpha \tag{3}$$

where  $D^m f$  is defined by (2).

We let the subclass  $\bar{S}_H(m, n; \alpha)$  consist of harmonic functions  $f_m = h + \bar{g}_m$  in  $\bar{S}_H(m, n; \alpha)$  so that h and  $g_m$  are of the form

$$h(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \qquad g_m(z) = (-1)^{m-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k; \quad a_k, b_k \ge 0.$$
 (4)

The class  $\bar{S}_H(m,n;\alpha)$  includes a variety of well-known subclasses of  $S_H$ . For example,  $\bar{S}_H(1,0;\alpha) \equiv \mathcal{F}(\alpha)$  is the class of sense-preserving, harmonic univalent functions f which are starlike of order  $\alpha$  in U,  $\bar{S}_H(2,1;\alpha)$  is the class of sense-preserving, harmonic univalent functions f which are convex of order  $\alpha$  in U, and  $\bar{S}_H(n+1,n;\alpha) \equiv \bar{H}(n,\alpha)$  is the class of Salagean-type harmonic univalent functions.

For the harmonic functions f of the form (1) with  $b_1 = 0$ , Avc1 and Zlotkiewicz [1] showed that if  $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^2(|a_k| + |b_k|) \le 1$  then  $f \in HK$ , and Silverman [6] proved that the above coefficient condition is also necessary if  $f = h + \bar{g}$  has negative coefficients. Later, Silverman and Silvia [7] improved the results of [1,6] to the case  $b_1$  not necessarily zero.

For the harmonic functions f of the form (4) with m=1, Jahangiri [3] showed that  $f \in \mathcal{F}(\alpha)$  if and only if  $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k-\alpha)|a_k| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (k+\alpha)|b_k| \leq 1-\alpha$  and  $f \in \bar{S}_H(2,1;\alpha)$  if and only if  $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k(k-\alpha)|a_k| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k(k+\alpha)|b_k| \leq 1-\alpha$ . In this note, we extend the above results to the families  $S_H(m,n;\alpha)$  and  $\bar{S}_H(m,n;\alpha)$ . We also obtain extreme points, distortion bounds, convolution conditions, and convex combinations for  $\bar{S}_H(m,n;\alpha)$ .

#### 2. Main results

We begin with a sufficient coefficient condition for functions in  $S_H(m, n; \alpha)$ .

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

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{k^m - \alpha k^n}{1 - \alpha} |a_k| + \frac{k^m - (-1)^{m-n} \alpha k^n}{1 - \alpha} |b_k| \right) \le 2$$
 (5)

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