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# On a new subclass of Ruscheweyh-type harmonic multivalent functions

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## Abstract

We introduce a certain subclass of harmonic multivalent functions defined by using a Ruscheweyh derivative operator. We obtain coefficient conditions, distortion bounds, extreme points, convex combination for the above class of harmonic multivalent functions. We also derive inclusion relationships involving the neighborhoods of harmonic multivalent functions belonging to this subclass.

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## 1 Introduction

A continuous function  $f = u + iv$  is a complex-valued harmonic function in a domain  $D \subset \mathbb{C}$  if both  $u$  and  $v$  are real harmonic in  $D$ . In any simply connected domain  $D$ , we can write  $f = h + \bar{g}$ , where  $h$  and  $g$  are analytic in  $D$ . We call  $h$  the analytic part and  $g$  the co-analytic part of  $f$ . The harmonic function  $f = h + \bar{g}$  is sense preserving and locally one-to-one in  $D$  if  $|h'(z)| > |g'(z)|$  in  $D$ . See Clunie and Sheil-Small [1].

For  $p \geq 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , denote by  $SH(n, p)$  the class of functions  $f = h + \bar{g}$  that are sense preserving, harmonic multivalent in the unit disk  $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ , where  $h$  and  $g$  are defined by

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

which are analytic and multivalent functions in  $U$ .

Also, denote by  $\overline{SH}(n, p)$  the subclass of  $SH(n, p)$  consisting of harmonic functions  $f = h + \bar{g}$ , where  $h$  and  $g$  are of the form

$$h(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad g(z) = - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} b_k z^k, \quad a_k, b_k \geq 0. \quad (2)$$

Note that  $\overline{SH}(n, p)$  reduces to  $S(n, p)$ , the class of analytic multivalent functions with negative coefficients, if the co-analytic part of  $f = h + \bar{g}$  is identically zero.

We define an extended linear derivative operator of a Ruscheweyh-type harmonic function  $f = h + \bar{g}$  in  $SH(n, p)$  by

$$D^{\mu,p}f(z) = D^{\mu,p}h(z) + \overline{D^{\mu,p}g(z)}, \tag{3}$$

where  $D$  is the Ruscheweyh derivative [2] of power series  $\phi(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \phi_k z^k$ , given by

$$\begin{aligned} D^{\mu,p}\phi(z) &= \frac{z^p}{(1-z)^{\mu+p}} * \phi(z) \\ &= z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \binom{k+\mu-1}{k-p} \phi_k z^k \\ &= z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(k+\mu)}{(k-p)!\Gamma(p+\mu)} \phi_k z^k \quad (\mu > -p). \end{aligned}$$

The operator  $*$  stands for the Hadamard product or convolution of two power series

$$\phi(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \phi_k z^k \quad \text{and} \quad \Psi(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \Psi_k z^k$$

defined by

$$(\phi * \Psi)(z) = \phi(z) * \Psi(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \phi_k \Psi_k z^k.$$

Raina and Srivastava [3] introduced this extended Ruscheweyh operator for the class  $S(n, 1)$ .

Next, we define the ordinary differential operator  $(D^{\mu,p}f(z))^{(q)}$  to be

$$(D^{\mu,p}f(z))^{(q)} = (D^{\mu,p}h(z))^{(q)} + \overline{(D^{\mu,p}g(z))^{(q)}}, \tag{4}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} (D^{\mu,p}h(z))^{(q)} &= \frac{p!}{(p-q)!} z^{p-q} + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(k+\mu)}{(k-p)!\Gamma(p+\mu)} \frac{k!}{(k-q)!} a_k z^{k-q} \quad \text{and} \\ (D^{\mu,p}g(z))^{(q)} &= \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(k+\mu)}{(k-p)!\Gamma(p+\mu)} \frac{k!}{(k-q)!} b_k z^{k-q}, \quad p > q, p \in \mathbb{N}, q \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $SH_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$  denote the subclass of  $SH(n, p)$  consisting of functions  $f = h + \bar{g} \in SH(n, p)$  that satisfy the condition

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\lambda z (D^{\mu,p}f(z))^{(q+1)} + (1-\lambda) z (D^{1+\mu,p}f(z))^{(q+1)}}{\lambda (D^{\mu,p}f(z))^{(q)} + (1-\lambda) (D^{1+\mu,p}f(z))^{(q)}} \right\} &\geq \alpha(p-q) \\ (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1, 0 \leq \alpha < 1, p > q, p \in \mathbb{N}, q \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}, \mu > -p, n \in \mathbb{N}, z \in U). \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Define  $\overline{SH}_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha) := SH_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha) \cap \overline{SH}(n, p)$ .

Taking the co-analytic part of  $f = h + \bar{g}$  identically zero and specializing the parameters, we obtain the following subclasses:

- (i)  $SH_\mu^0(n, 1, \lambda, 1 - \alpha) \supset K_\mu(n, \lambda, \alpha)$  (Irmak *et al.* [4]),
- (ii)  $SH_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, (1 - \alpha)(p - q)) \supset T_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$  (Ashwah [5]),
- (iii)  $SH_\mu^0(n, 1, 1, 1 - \alpha|\gamma|) \supset S_n(\gamma, \mu, \alpha)$  ( $\gamma \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ ) (Murugusundaramoorthy and Srivastava [6]).

We will use the notations

$$\Omega(i, q) := \frac{i!}{(i - q)!}, \quad i \in \{p, k\},$$

$$C^p(k, \mu) := \frac{\Gamma(k + \mu)}{(k - p)! \Gamma(p + \mu)}.$$

Following Goodman [7] and Ruscheweyh [8] (see also [9–11] and [12]), for  $\delta \geq 0$ , we define the set of the  $\delta$ -neighborhood of  $f = h + \bar{g} \in \overline{SH}(n, p)$ ,

$$N_{n,p}^\delta(f^{(q)}; s^{(q)}) = \left\{ s \in \overline{SH}(n, p) : s(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^\infty A_k z^k - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^\infty B_k \bar{z}^k, \right. \\ \left. \sum_{k=n+p}^\infty k \Omega(k, q) (|a_k - A_k| + |b_k - B_k|) + (n + p - 1) \Omega(n + p - 1, q) |b_{n+p-1} - B_{n+p-1}| \leq \delta \right\}. \tag{6}$$

In particular, for the function  $e(z) = z^p$ , we immediately have

$$N_{n,p}^\delta(e^{(q)}; s^{(q)}) = \left\{ s \in \overline{SH}(n, p) : s(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^\infty A_k z^k - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^\infty B_k \bar{z}^k, \right. \\ \left. \sum_{k=n+p}^\infty k \Omega(k, q) (A_k + B_k) + (n + p - 1) \Omega(n + p - 1, q) B_{n+p-1} \leq \delta \right\}. \tag{7}$$

Ruscheweyh-type harmonic univalent functions have been studied by several authors such as [13, 14] and [15]. The object of the present paper is to investigate the various properties of multivalent harmonic functions belonging to the subclass  $\overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ . This class is motivated by two earlier investigations [5] and [3]. We extend the results of [5] which include harmonic multivalent functions. Necessary and sufficient coefficient conditions, distortion bounds, extreme points and convex combination of the above mentioned class are derived. Also, inclusion relationships involving the  $(n, \delta)$  neighborhoods of multivalent harmonic functions belonging to this subclass are established.

## 2 Main results

Denote by  $SH^*(n, p)$  the class of functions  $f = h + \bar{g}$  of the form (1) which are sense preserving and multivalent harmonic starlike, satisfying the condition  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\arg f(re^{i\theta})) \geq 0$ , for each  $z = re^{i\theta}$ ,  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ , and  $0 \leq r < 1$ .

**Lemma 2.1** Let  $f = h + \bar{g}$  be of the form (1). If

$$\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} k|a_k| + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} k|b_k| \leq p \quad (p \geq 1, n \in \mathbb{N}) \tag{8}$$

then  $f \in SH^*(n, p)$ .

**Remark** Lemma 2.1 follows immediately from the result due to Ahuja [16] upon setting  $p$  and  $k$  instead of  $m$  and  $n + m - 1$ , respectively.

**Theorem 2.2** Let  $f = h + \bar{g}$  be given by (1). Furthermore, let

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} 2[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{\Psi \times (p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} |a_k| \\ & + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][(k - q - \alpha(p - q) + 1) + |k - q - \alpha(p - q) - 1|] \\ & \times \left( \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{\Psi \times (p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} \right) |b_k| \leq 1 \\ & (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1, 0 \leq \alpha < 1, p > q, p \in \mathbb{N}, q \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}, n \in \mathbb{N}, z \in U) \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

then  $f$  is sense preserving, harmonic multivalent in  $U$ , and  $f \in SH_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ , where

$$\Psi = [((1 - \alpha)(p - q) + 1) - |(1 - \alpha)(p - q) - 1|].$$

*Proof* If the inequality (9) holds for the coefficients of  $f = h + \bar{g}$ , then by (8),  $f$  is sense preserving, harmonic multivalent and starlike in  $U$ . In view of (5), we need to prove that  $\operatorname{Re}\{w\} > 0$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} w &= (\lambda z(D^{\mu, p}f(z))^{(q+1)} + (1 - \lambda)z(D^{1+\mu, p}f(z))^{(q+1)} - \alpha(p - q)[\lambda(D^{\mu, p}f(z))^{(q)} \\ & + (1 - \lambda)(D^{1+\mu, p}f(z))^{(q)}]) / (\lambda(D^{\mu, p}f(z))^{(q)} + (1 - \lambda)(D^{1+\mu, p}f(z))^{(q)}) \\ & := \frac{A(z)}{B(z)}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that  $\operatorname{Re} w \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow |1 + w| \geq |1 - w|$ , it suffices to show that

$$|A(z) + B(z)| - |A(z) - B(z)| \geq 0.$$

Therefore we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & |A(z) + B(z)| - |A(z) - B(z)| \\ & \geq [\Omega(p, q) \times \Psi] |z|^{p-q} \\ & - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} 2[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)}{(p + \mu)} |a_k| |z|^{k-q} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} \left( [k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)][(k-q-\alpha(p-q)+1) + |k-q-\alpha(p-q)-1|] \right. \\
 & \quad \times \left. \frac{C^p(k, \mu) \Omega(k, q)}{(p+\mu)} |b_k| |z|^{k-q} \right) \\
 & > [\Omega(p, q) \times \Psi] |z|^{p-q} \\
 & \quad \times \left\{ 1 - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} 2[k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)][k-q-\alpha(p-q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{\Psi \times (p+\mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} |a_k| \right. \\
 & \quad - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} \left( [k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)][(k-q-\alpha(p-q)+1) + |k-q-\alpha(p-q)-1|] \right. \\
 & \quad \times \left. \left. \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{\Psi \times (p+\mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} |b_k| \right) \right\} \\
 & \geq 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

This last expression is non-negative by (9), and so the proof is complete. □

**Corollary 2.3** For  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1$  and  $n \geq 2$ , if the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)][k-q-\alpha(p-q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p+\mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} |a_k| \\
 & \quad + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)][k-q-\alpha(p-q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p+\mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} |b_k| \\
 & \leq (1 - \alpha)(p - q) \\
 & \quad (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1, 0 \leq \alpha < 1, p > q, p \in \mathbb{N}, q \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\})
 \end{aligned}$$

holds, then  $f$  is sense preserving, harmonic multivalent in  $U$ , and  $f \in SH_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ .

**Corollary 2.4** For  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1$ , if the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)][k-q-\alpha(p-q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p+\mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} |a_k| \\
 & \quad + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)][k-q-\alpha(p-q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p+\mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} |b_k| \\
 & \leq 1 \\
 & \quad (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1, 0 \leq \alpha < 1, p > q, p \in \mathbb{N}, q \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\})
 \end{aligned}$$

holds, then  $f$  is sense preserving, harmonic multivalent in  $U$ , and  $f \in SH_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ .

**Theorem 2.5** Let  $f = h + \bar{g}$  be given by (2). Then

(i) for  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1$  and  $n \geq 2, f \in \overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} a_k \\ & + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} b_k \\ & \leq (1 - \alpha)(p - q), \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

(ii) for  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1, f \in \overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} a_k \\ & + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} b_k \leq 1. \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

*Proof* The ‘if’ part follows from Theorem 2.2, Corollary 2.3 and Corollary 2.4 upon noting that  $\overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha) \subset SH_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ . For the ‘only if’ part, we show that  $f \notin \overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$  if the condition (11) does not hold.

Note that a necessary and sufficient condition for  $f = h + \bar{g}$  given by (2) to be in  $\overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$  is that the condition (5) to be satisfied. This is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \left( (1 - \alpha)(p - q) - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \right. \right. \\ & \quad \times \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} a_k z^{k-p} \\ & \quad \left. \left. - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} b_k \bar{z}^{k-p} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. / \left( 1 - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} a_k z^{k-p} \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} b_k \bar{z}^{k-p} \right) \right\} \\ & \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

The above condition must hold for all values of  $z, |z| = r < 1$ . Upon choosing the values of  $z$  on the positive real axis where  $0 \leq z = r < 1$ , we must have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( (1 - \alpha)(p - q) - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} a_k r^{k-p} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} b_k r^{k-p} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & / \left( 1 - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} a_k r^{k-p} \right. \\ & \left. - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} b_k r^{k-p} \right) \\ & \geq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

If the condition (11) does not hold, then the numerator of (12) is negative for  $r$  sufficiently close to 1 because of conditions (i) or (ii). Thus there exists a  $z_0 = r_0$  in  $(0, 1)$ , for which the quotient in (12) is negative. This contradicts the required condition for  $f \in \overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$  and so the proof is complete.  $\square$

Next we determine the distortion bounds for the functions in  $\overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ .

**Theorem 2.6** *Let  $f \in \overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ . Then for  $|z| = r < 1$ , we have*

(i) *for  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1$  and  $n \geq 2$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| & \leq (1 + b_{n+p-1})r^p + \left( \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]} \right. \\ & \times \frac{(p + \mu)}{C^p(n + p, \mu)} \frac{\Omega(p, q)}{\Omega(n + p, q)} \\ & - \frac{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]} \\ & \left. \times \frac{n(n + p - q)}{(n + p + \mu - 1)(n + p)} b_{n+p-1} \right) r^{n+p} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| & \geq (1 - b_{n+p-1})r^p - \left( \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]} \right. \\ & \times \frac{(p + \mu)}{C^p(n + p, \mu)} \frac{\Omega(p, q)}{\Omega(n + p, q)} \\ & - \frac{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]} \\ & \left. \times \frac{n(n + p - q)}{(n + p + \mu - 1)(n + p)} b_{n+p-1} \right) r^{n+p}, \end{aligned}$$

(ii) *for  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| & \leq (1 + b_{n+p-1})r^p + \left( \frac{1}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]} \right. \\ & \times \frac{(p + \mu)}{C^p(n + p, \mu)} \frac{\Omega(p, q)}{\Omega(n + p, q)} \\ & - \frac{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]} \\ & \left. \times \frac{n(n + p - q)}{(n + p + \mu - 1)(n + p)} b_{n+p-1} \right) r^{n+p} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f(z)| &\geq (1 - b_{n+p-1})r^p - \left( \frac{1}{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]} \right. \\
 &\quad \times \frac{(p + \mu)}{C^p(n+p, \mu)} \frac{\Omega(p, q)}{\Omega(n+p, q)} \\
 &\quad - \frac{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]}{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]} \\
 &\quad \left. \times \frac{n(n+p-q)}{(n+p+\mu-1)(n+p)} b_{n+p-1} \right) r^{n+p}.
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof* (i) We only prove the right-hand inequality. The proof for the left-hand inequality is similar and will be omitted. Let  $f \in \overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ . Taking the absolute value of  $f$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f(z)| &\leq (1 + b_{n+p-1})r^p + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} (a_k + b_k)r^k \\
 &\leq (1 + b_{n+p-1})r^p + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} (a_k + b_k)r^{n+p} \\
 &= (1 + b_{n+p-1})r^p + \frac{1}{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]} \frac{(p + \mu)}{C^p(n+p, \mu)} \frac{\Omega(p, q)}{\Omega(n+p, q)} \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1-\alpha)(p-q)] \\
 &\quad \times \frac{C^p(n+p, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(n+p, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} (a_k + b_k)r^{n+p} \\
 &\leq (1 + b_{n+p-1})r^p + \frac{1}{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]} \frac{(p + \mu)}{C^p(n+p, \mu)} \frac{\Omega(p, q)}{\Omega(n+p, q)} \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)][k - q - \alpha(p-q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} (a_k + b_k)r^{n+p}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Using Theorem 2.5(i), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f(z)| &\leq (1 + b_{n+p-1})r^p + \left( \frac{(1-\alpha)(p-q)}{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]} \right. \\
 &\quad \times \frac{(p + \mu)}{C^p(n+p, \mu)} \frac{\Omega(p, q)}{\Omega(n+p, q)} \\
 &\quad - \frac{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]}{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]} \\
 &\quad \left. \times \frac{n(n+p-q)}{(n+p+\mu-1)(n+p)} b_{n+p-1} \right) r^{n+p}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The proof of the other case is similar and so is omitted. □

The following covering result follows from the left-hand inequality in Theorem 2.6.



**Corollary 2.7** Let  $f$  of the form (2) be so that  $f \in \overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ . Then

(i) for  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1$  and  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$\left\{ w : |w| < \left[ 1 - \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]} \frac{(p + \mu)}{C^p(n + p, \mu)} \frac{\Omega(p, q)}{\Omega(n + p, q)} \right. \right. \\
 - \left. \left. \left( [n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)](n + p + \mu - 1)(n + p) \right. \right. \right. \\
 - \left. \left. \left. [n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)] \right) \right. \right. \\
 \times \left. \left. \left. \left( [n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)] \right)^{-1} \right. \right. \\
 \left. \left. \left. \times \frac{n(n + p - q)}{(n + p + \mu - 1)(n + p)} b_{n+p-1} \right] \right\} \subset f(U),$$

(ii) for  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1$ ,

$$\left\{ w : |w| < \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]} \frac{(p + \mu)}{C^p(n + p, \mu)} \frac{\Omega(p, q)}{\Omega(n + p, q)} \right. \right. \\
 - \left. \left. \left( [n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)](n + p + \mu - 1)(n + p) \right. \right. \right. \\
 - \left. \left. \left. [n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)] \right) \right. \right. \\
 \times \left. \left. \left. \left( [n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)] \right)^{-1} \right. \right. \\
 \left. \left. \left. \times \frac{n(n + p - q)}{(n + p + \mu - 1)(n + p)} b_{n+p-1} \right] \right\} \subset f(U).$$

**Theorem 2.8** Let  $f$  be given by (2). Then  $f \in \overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} (x_k h_k(z) + y_k g_k(z)),$$

where  $h_{n+p-1}(z) = z^p$ ,  $h_k(z)$ , for  $k = n + p, n + p + 1, \dots$  is of the form

$$h_k(z) = \begin{cases} z^p - \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)} z^k; & (1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1 \text{ and } n \geq 2, \\ z^p - \frac{(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)} z^k; & (1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

and  $g_k(z)$ , for  $k = n + p - 1, n + p, \dots$  is of the form

$$g_k(z) = \begin{cases} z^p - \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)} z^k; & (1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1 \text{ and } n \geq 2, \\ z^p - \frac{(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)} z^k; & (1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1, \end{cases}$$

$$x_{n+p-1} \equiv x_p = 1 - \left( \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} x_k + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} y_k \right), \quad x_k \geq 0, y_k \geq 0.$$

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

*Proof* Suppose  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} (x_k h_k(z) + y_k g_k(z)) \\ &= z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)} x_k z^k \\ &\quad - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)} y_k \bar{z}^k. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \frac{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)}{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)} \\ &\quad \times \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)} x_k \\ &+ \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} \frac{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)}{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)} \\ &\quad \times \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)} y_k \\ &= \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} x_k + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} y_k = 1 - x_p \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

and so  $f \in \overline{SH}_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ .

Conversely, if  $f \in \overline{SH}_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ , then

$$a_k \leq \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)}{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]} \frac{(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)}$$

and

$$b_k \leq \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)}{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]} \frac{(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)}.$$

Set

$$\begin{aligned} x_k &= \frac{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)}{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)} a_k \quad (k = n + p, n + p + 1, \dots), \\ y_k &= \frac{[k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)]C^p(k, \mu)\Omega(k, q)}{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)} b_k \quad (k = n + p - 1, n + p, \dots) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$x_p = 1 - \left( \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} x_k + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} y_k \right),$$

where  $x_p \geq 0$ . Then, as required, we obtain

$$f(z) = x_p z^p + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} x_k h_k(z) + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} y_k g_k(z).$$

The proof for the case  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1$  is similar and hence is omitted. □

**Theorem 2.9** *The class  $\overline{SH}_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$  is closed under convex combinations.*

*Proof* Let  $f_i \in \overline{SH}_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ , where  $f_i$  is given by

$$f_i(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} a_{k_i} z^k - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} b_{k_i} \bar{z}^k.$$

Then by (10) and (11),

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} a_{k_i} \\ & + \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} b_{k_i} \\ & \leq \begin{cases} (1 - \alpha)(p - q) & \text{if } (1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1 \text{ and } n \geq 2, \\ 1 & \text{if } (1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

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

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i f(z) = z^p - \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i a_{k_i} \right) z^k - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i b_{k_i} \right) \bar{z}^k.$$

Then by (13),

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i a_{k_i} \right) \\ & - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i b_{k_i} \right) \\ & = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i \left\{ \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} a_{k_i} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \sum_{k=n+p-1}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k - p)][k - q - \alpha(p - q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p + \mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} b_{k_i} \right\} \\ & \leq \begin{cases} (1 - \alpha)(p - q) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i = (1 - \alpha)(p - q) & \text{if } (1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1 \text{ and } n \geq 2, \\ 1 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i = 1 & \text{if } (1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

This is the condition required by (10) and (11), and so  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i f_i(z) \in \overline{SH}_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ . □

**Theorem 2.10** Let  $s(z) \in \overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ , then

$$\overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha) \subset N_{n,p}^\delta(e^{(q)}; s^{(q)}),$$

where  $e(z)$  and  $s(z)$  are given by (7),

(i) for  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1$  and  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$\delta = \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)(n + p)}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu]C^p(n + p, \mu)[n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)] - [\Theta - (n + p - 1)\Omega(n + p - 1, q)]B_{n+p-1}},$$

(ii) for  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1$ ,

$$\delta = \frac{(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)(n + p)}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu]C^p(n + p, \mu)[n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)] - [\Theta - (n + p - 1)\Omega(n + p - 1, q)]B_{n+p-1}},$$

where

$$\Theta = \frac{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]\Omega(n + p - 1, q)n(n + p)}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu](n + p + \mu - 1)[n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]}.$$

*Proof* Let  $s(z) \in \overline{SH}_\mu^q(n, p, \lambda, \alpha)$ ,  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1$  and  $n \geq 2$ . We need to show that  $s(z) \in N_{n,p}^\delta(e^{(q)}; s^{(q)})$ . It suffices to show that  $s$  satisfies the condition (7). In view of Theorem 2.5(i), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu]C^p(n + p, \mu)}{(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)} \right) \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} (k - q - \alpha(p - q))\Omega(k, q)(A_k + B_k) \\ & \leq (1 - \alpha)(p - q) \\ & \quad - \frac{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]C^p(n + p - 1, \mu)\Omega(n + p - 1, q)}{(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)} \\ & \quad \times B_{n+p-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} k\Omega(k, q)(A_k + B_k) \\ & \leq \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu]C^p(n + p, \mu)} \\ & \quad - \left( \frac{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]\Omega(n + p - 1, q)n}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu](n + p + \mu - 1)} \right) B_{n+p-1} \\ & \quad + \frac{(q + \alpha(p - q))}{(n + p)} \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} k\Omega(k, q)(A_k + B_k) \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} k\Omega(k, q)(A_k + B_k) &\leq \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)(n + p)}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu]C^p(n + p, \mu)[n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]} - \Theta B_{n+p-1} \\ &= \delta - (n + p - 1)\Omega(n + p - 1, q)B_{n+p-1}, \end{aligned}$$

which, in view of definition (7), completes the proof of Theorem 2.10. The proof of other case is similar and so is omitted.  $\square$

**Remark** Taking the co-analytic part of  $s(z)$  of the form (7) identically zero and letting  $s \in SH_{\mu}^q(n, p, \lambda, (1 - \alpha)(p - q))$ , we obtain the neighborhood result of Ashwah [5].

**Remark** Taking the co-analytic part of  $s(z)$  of the form (7) identically zero and letting  $s \in SH_{\mu}^0(n, 1, 1, 1 - \alpha|\gamma|)$ , we obtain the neighborhood result of Murugusundaramoorthy and Srivastava [6].

**Theorem 2.11** Let  $f \in \overline{SH}_{n,p}^m(q, \lambda, \alpha)$  and

(i) for  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1$  and  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta &\leq \Omega(n + p - 1, q) \\ &\times \left[ p - \frac{(1 - \alpha)(p - q)(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)(n + p - q)!}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]C^p(n + p, \mu)(n + p - 1)!} \right. \\ &\left. - ((n + p - 1) - \Lambda)b_{n+p-1} \right], \end{aligned}$$

(ii) for  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta &\leq \Omega(n + p - 1, q) \\ &\times \left[ p - \frac{(p + \mu)\Omega(p, q)(n + p - q)!}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]C^p(n + p, \mu)(n + p - 1)!} \right. \\ &\left. - ((n + p - 1) - \Lambda)b_{n+p-1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

then

$$N_{n,p}^{\delta}(f^{(q)}; s^{(q)}) \subset SH^*(n, p),$$

where

$$\Lambda = \frac{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n - 1 + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)]\Omega(n + p - 1, q)n(n + p - q)!}{[n(1 - \lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1 - \alpha)(p - q)](n + p - 1)!(n + p + \mu - 1)}.$$

*Proof* Let  $(1 - \alpha)(p - q) < 1$  and  $n \geq 2$ . Also, suppose that  $f(z) \in \overline{SH}_{n,p}^m(q, \lambda, \alpha)$  and  $s(z) \in N_{n,p}^{\delta}(f^{(q)}; s^{(q)})$ . We need to show that  $s(z) \in SH^*(n, p)$ . It suffices to show that  $s$  satisfies the

condition (8). We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} k(A_k + B_k) + (n+p-1)B_{n+p-1} \\
 & \leq \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} k[|a_k - A_k| + |b_k - B_k|] + (n+p-1)|b_{n+p-1} - B_{n+p-1}| \\
 & \quad + \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} k(a_k + b_k) + (n+p-1)b_{n+p-1} \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{\Omega(n+p-1, q)} \left[ \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} k\Omega(k, q)(|a_k - A_k| + |b_k - B_k|) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + (n+p-1)\Omega(n+p-1, q)|b_{n+p-1} - B_{n+p-1}| \right] + (n+p-1)b_{n+p-1} \\
 & \quad + \left( \frac{(p+\mu)\Omega(p, q)(n+p-q)!}{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]C^p(n+p, \mu)(n+p-1)!} \right) \\
 & \quad \times \left( \sum_{k=n+p}^{\infty} [k + \mu - \lambda(k-p)][k - q - \alpha(p-q)] \frac{C^p(k, \mu)}{(p+\mu)} \frac{\Omega(k, q)}{\Omega(p, q)} (a_k + b_k) \right) \\
 & \leq \frac{\delta}{\Omega(n+p-1, q)} + (n+p-1)b_{n+p-1} \\
 & \quad + \left( \frac{(p+\mu)\Omega(p, q)(n+p-q)!}{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]C^p(n+p, \mu)(n+p-1)!} \right) \\
 & \quad \times \left( (1-\alpha)(p-q) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \frac{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu + \lambda - 1][n-1 + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]C^p(n+p-1, \mu)\Omega(n+p-1, q)}{(p+\mu)\Omega(p, q)} \right) \\
 & \quad \times b_{n+p-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now this expression is never greater than  $p$  provided that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta \leq & \Omega(n+p-1, q) \left[ p - \frac{(1-\alpha)(p-q)(p+\mu)\Omega(p, q)(n+p-q)!}{[n(1-\lambda) + p + \mu][n + (1-\alpha)(p-q)]C^p(n+p, \mu)(n+p-1)!} \right. \\
 & \left. - ((n+p-1) - \Lambda)b_{n+p-1} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

The proof of the other case is similar and so is omitted. □

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