



## UNIVALENT HARMONIC FUNCTIONS

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**ABSTRACT.** A necessary and sufficient coefficient is given for functions in a class of complex-valued harmonic univalent functions using the Dziok-Srivastava operator. Distortion bounds, extreme points, an integral operator, and a neighborhood of such functions are considered.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $U$  denote the open unit disc and  $S_H$  denote the class of functions which are complex-valued, harmonic, univalent, sense-preserving in  $U$  normalized by  $f(0) = f_z(0) - 1 = 0$ . Each  $f \in S_H$  can be expressed as  $f = h + \bar{g}$ , where  $h$  and  $g$  are analytic in  $U$ . 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  $U$  is that  $|h'(z)| > |g'(z)|$  in  $U$  (see [3]). Thus for  $f = h + \bar{g} \in S_H$ , we may write

$$(1.1) \quad h(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad g(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k \quad (0 \leq b_1 < 1).$$

Note that  $S_H$  reduces to  $S$ , the class of normalized analytic univalent functions if the co-analytic part of  $f = h + \bar{g}$  is identically zero.

For  $\alpha_j \in C$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, q$ ) and  $\beta_j \in C - \{0, -1, -2, \dots\}$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ), the generalized hypergeometric function is defined by

$${}_qF_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_k \cdots (\alpha_q)_k}{(\beta_1)_k \cdots (\beta_s)_k} \frac{z^k}{k!},$$
$$(q \leq s + 1; q, s \in N_0 = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}),$$

where  $(a)_n$  is the Pochhammer symbol defined by

$$(a)_n = \frac{\Gamma(a+n)}{\Gamma(a)} = a(a+1)\cdots(a+n-1)$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and 1 when  $n = 0$ . Corresponding to the function

$$h(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z) = z {}_qF_s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z).$$

The Dziok-Srivastava operator [4],  $H_{q,s}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s)$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} H_{q,s}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s)f(z) &= h(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; z) * f(z) \\ &= z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_{k-1} \cdots (\alpha_q)_{k-1}}{(\beta_1)_{k-1} \cdots (\beta_s)_{k-1}} \frac{a_k z^k}{(k-1)!}, \end{aligned}$$

where “ $*$ ” stands for convolution.

To make the notation simple, we write

$$H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]f(z) = H_{q,s}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s)f(z).$$

We define the Dziok-Srivastava operator of the harmonic function  $f = h + \bar{g}$  given by (1.1) as

$$(1.2) \quad H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]f = H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h + \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g}.$$

Let  $S_H^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$  denote the family of harmonic functions of the form (1.1) such that

$$(1.3) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(\arg H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]f) \geq \beta, \quad 0 \leq \beta < 1, \quad |z| = r < 1.$$

For  $q = s + 1$ ,  $\alpha_2 = \beta_1, \dots, \alpha_q = \beta_s$ ,  $S_H^*(1, \beta) = SH(\beta)$  [6] is the class of orientation-preserving harmonic univalent functions  $f$  which are starlike of order  $\beta$  in  $U$ , that is,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(\arg f(re^{i\theta})) > \beta$ .

Also,  $S_H^*(n+1, \beta) = R_H(n, \beta)$  [7], is the class of harmonic univalent functions with  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(\arg D^n f(z)) \geq \beta$ , where  $D$  is the Ruscheweyh derivative (see [9]).

We also let  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta) = S_H^*(\alpha_1, \beta) \cap V_H$ , where  $V_H$  [5], the class of harmonic functions  $f$  of the form (1.1) and there exists  $\phi$  so that, mod  $2\pi$ ,

$$(1.4) \quad \arg(a_k) + (k-1)\phi = \pi, \quad \arg(b_k) + (k-1)\phi = 0 \quad k \geq 2.$$

Jahangiri and Silverman [5] gave the sufficient and necessary conditions for functions of the form (1.1) to be in  $V_H(\beta)$ , where  $0 \leq \beta < 1$ .

Note for  $q = s + 1$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 1$ ,  $\alpha_2 = \beta_1, \dots, \alpha_q = \beta_s$  and the co-analytic part of  $f = h + \bar{g}$  being zero, the class  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  reduces to the class studied in [10].

In this paper, we will give a sufficient condition for  $f = h + \bar{g}$  given by (1.1) to be in  $S_H^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$  and it is shown that this condition is also necessary for functions in  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ . Distortion theorems, extreme points, integral operators and neighborhoods of such functions are considered.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

In our first theorem, we introduce a sufficient coefficient bound for harmonic functions in  $S_H^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$ .

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

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \left( \frac{k-\beta}{1-\beta} |a_k| + \frac{k+\beta}{1-\beta} |b_k| \right) \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) \leq 1 - \frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta} |b_1|,$$

where  $a_1 = 1$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $\Gamma(\alpha_1, k) = \left| \frac{(\alpha_1)_{k-1} \cdots (\alpha_q)_{k-1}}{(\beta_1)_{k-1} \cdots (\beta_s)_{k-1}} \right|$ , then  $f \in S_H^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$ .

*Proof.* To prove that  $f \in S_H^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$ , we only need to show that if (2.1) holds, then the required condition (1.3) is satisfied. For (1.3), we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(\arg H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]f(z)) &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z))' - \overline{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z))'}}{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h + \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g}} \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \frac{A(z)}{B(z)}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that  $\operatorname{Re} \omega \geq \beta$  if and only if  $|1 - \beta + \omega| \geq |1 + \beta - \omega|$ , it suffices to show that

$$(2.2) \quad |A(z) + (1 - \beta)B(z)| - |A(z) - (1 + \beta)B(z)| \geq 0.$$

Substituting for  $A(z)$  and  $B(z)$  in (2.1) yields

$$\begin{aligned} (2.3) \quad &|A(z) + (1 - \beta)B(z)| - |A(z) - (1 + \beta)B(z)| \\ &\geq (2 - \beta)|z| - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{k + 1 - \beta}{(k - 1)!} \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) |a_k| |z|^k \\ &\quad - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k - 1 + \beta}{(k - 1)!} \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) |b_k| |z|^k - \beta |z| \\ &\quad - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{k - 1 - \beta}{(k - 1)!} \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) |a_k| |z|^k - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k + 1 + \beta}{(k - 1)!} \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) |b_k| |z|^k \\ &\geq 2(1 - \beta)|z| \left\{ 1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{k - \beta}{(1 - \beta)(k - 1)!} \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) |a_k| \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k + \beta}{(1 - \beta)(k - 1)!} \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) |b_k| \right\} \\ &= 2(1 - \beta)|z| \left\{ 1 - \frac{1 + \beta}{1 - \beta} |b_1| \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left[ \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k - 1)!} \left( \frac{k - \beta}{1 - \beta} |a_k| + \frac{k + \beta}{1 - \beta} |b_k| \right) \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) \right] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The last expression is non-negative by (2.1) and so  $f \in S_H^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$ . □

Now, we obtain the necessary and sufficient conditions for  $f = h + \bar{g}$  given by (1.4).

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $f = h + \bar{g}$  be given by (1.4). Then  $f \in V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  if and only if*

$$(2.4) \quad \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k - 1)!} \left( \frac{k - \beta}{1 - \beta} |a_k| + \frac{k + \beta}{1 - \beta} |b_k| \right) \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) \leq 1 - \frac{1 + \beta}{1 - \beta} |b_1|,$$

where  $a_1 = 1$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $\Gamma(\alpha_1, k) = \left| \frac{(\alpha_1)_{k-1} \cdots (\alpha_q)_{k-1}}{(\beta_1)_{k-1} \cdots (\beta_s)_{k-1}} \right|$ .

*Proof.* Since  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta) \subset S_H^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$ , we only need to prove the “only if” part of the theorem. To this end, for functions  $f \in V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ , we notice that the condition  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(\arg H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]f(z)) \geq \beta$

is equivalent to

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\arg H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]f(z)) - \beta = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z))' - \overline{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z))'}}{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z) + \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z)}} - \beta \right\} \geq 0.$$

That is,

$$(2.5) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{(1 - \beta)z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{k-\beta}{(k-1)!} \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) |a_k| z^k - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k+\beta}{(k-1)!} \overline{\Gamma(\alpha_1, k)} |b_k| \overline{z}^k}{z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) |a_k| z^k + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) |b_k| \overline{z}^k} \right] \geq 0.$$

The above condition must hold for all values of  $z$  in  $U$ . Upon choosing  $\phi$  according to (1.4), we must have

$$(2.6) \quad \frac{(1 - \beta) - (1 + \beta)|b_1| - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{k-\beta}{(k-1)!} |a_k| + \frac{k+\beta}{(k-1)!} |b_k| \right) \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) r^{k-1}}{1 + |b_1| + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|) \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) r^{k-1}} \geq 0.$$

If condition (2.4) does not hold then the numerator in (2.6) is negative for  $r$  sufficiently close to 1. Hence there exist  $z_0 = r_0$  in  $(0, 1)$  for which the quotient of (2.6) is negative. This contradicts the fact that  $f \in V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  and so the proof is complete.  $\square$

The following theorem gives the distortion bounds for functions in  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  which yields a covering result for this class.

**Theorem 2.3.** *If  $f \in V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ , then*

$$|f(z)| \leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2)} \left( \frac{1 - \beta}{2 - \beta} - \frac{1 + \beta}{2 - \beta} |b_1| \right) r^2 \quad |z| = r < 1$$

and

$$|f(z)| \geq (1 + |b_1|)r - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2)} \left( \frac{1 - \beta}{2 - \beta} - \frac{1 + \beta}{2 + \beta} |b_1| \right) r^2 \quad |z| = r < 1.$$

*Proof.* We will only prove the right hand inequality. The proof for the left hand inequality is similar.

Let  $f \in V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ . Taking the absolute value of  $f$ , we obtain

$$|f(z)| \leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|) r^k \leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|) r^2.$$

That is,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| &\leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \frac{1 - \beta}{\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2)(2 - \beta)} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2 - \beta}{1 - \beta} |a_k| + \frac{2 - \beta}{1 - \beta} |b_k| \right) \Gamma(\alpha_1, 2) r^2 \\ &\leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \frac{1 - \beta}{\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2)(2 - \beta)} \left[ 1 - \frac{1 + \beta}{1 - \beta} |b_1| \right] r^2 \\ &\leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2)} \left( \frac{1 - \beta}{2 - \beta} - \frac{1 + \beta}{2 - \beta} |b_1| \right) r^2. \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

**Corollary 2.4.** *Let  $f$  be of the form (1.1) so that  $f \in V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ . Then*

$$(2.7) \quad \left\{ \omega : |\omega| < \frac{2\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2) - 1 - (\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2) - 1)\beta}{(2 - \beta)\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2)} - \frac{2\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2) - 1 - (\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2) - 1)\beta}{(2 + \beta)\Gamma(\alpha_1, 2)} |b_1| \right\} \subset f(U).$$

Next, we examine the extreme points for  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  and determine extreme points of  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** *Set*

$$\lambda_k = \frac{(1 - \beta)(k - 1)!}{(k - \beta)\Gamma(\alpha_1, k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_k = \frac{(1 - \beta)(k - 1)!}{(k + \beta)\Gamma(\alpha_1, k)}.$$

For  $b_1$  fixed, the extreme points for  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  are

$$(2.8) \quad \{z + \lambda_k x z^k + \overline{b_1 z}\} \cup \{z + \overline{b_1 z + \mu_k x z^k}\},$$

where  $k \geq 2$  and  $|x| = 1 - |b_1|$ .

*Proof.* Any function  $f \in V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  may be expressed as

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} |a_k| e^{i\gamma_k} z^k + \overline{b_1 z} + \overline{\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} |b_k| e^{i\delta_k} z^k},$$

where the coefficients satisfy the inequality (2.1). Set

$$h_1(z) = z, g_1(z) = b_1 z, h_k(z) = z + \lambda_k e^{i\gamma_k} z^k \\ g_k = b_1 z + \mu_k e^{i\delta_k} z^k, \quad \text{for } k = 2, 3, \dots$$

Writing  $X_k = \frac{|a_k|}{\lambda_k}, Y_k = \frac{|b_k|}{\mu_k}, k = 2, 3, \dots$  and

$$X_1 = 1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} X_k; \quad Y_1 = 1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} Y_k,$$

we have

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (X_k h_k(z) + Y_k g_k(z)).$$

In particular, setting

$$f_1(z) = z + \overline{b_1 z} \quad \text{and} \quad f_k(z) = z + \lambda_k x z^k + \overline{b_1 z + \mu_k y z^k} \\ (k \geq 2, |x| + |y| = 1 - |b_1|),$$

we see that the extreme points of  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  are contained in  $\{f_k(z)\}$ .

To see that  $f_1$  is not an extreme point, note that  $f_1$  may be written as

$$f_1(z) = \frac{1}{2} \{f_1(z) + \lambda_2(1 - |b_1|)z^2\} + \frac{1}{2} \{f_1(z) - \lambda_2(1 - |b_1|)z^2\},$$

a convex linear combination of functions in  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ . If both  $|x| \neq 0$  and  $|y| \neq 0$ , we will show that it can also be expressed as a convex linear combination of functions in  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ .

Without loss of generality, assume  $|x| \geq |y|$ . Choose  $\epsilon > 0$  small enough so that  $\epsilon < \frac{|x|}{|y|}$ . Set

$A = 1 + \epsilon$  and  $B = 1 - \left| \frac{\epsilon x}{y} \right|$ . We then see that both

$$t_1(z) = z + \lambda_k A x z^k + \overline{b_1 z + \mu_k y B z^k}$$

and

$$t_2(z) = z + \lambda_k(2 - A)x z^k + \overline{b_1 z + \mu_k y(2 - B)z^k}$$

are in  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  and note that

$$f_n(z) = \frac{1}{2} \{t_1(z) + t_2(z)\}.$$

The extremal coefficient bound shows that the functions of the form (2.8) are the extreme points for  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  and so the proof is complete.  $\square$

For  $q = s + 1, \alpha_2 = \beta_1, \dots, \alpha_q = \beta_s, \alpha_1 = n + 1$ , Theorems 2.1 to 2.5 give Theorems 1, 2, 3 and 4 in [7].

Now, we will examine the closure properties of the class  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  under the generalized Bernardi-Libera-Livingston integral operator  $L_c(f)$  which is defined by

$$L_c(f(z)) = \frac{c+1}{z^c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} f(t) dt, \quad c > -1.$$

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $f \in V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ . Then  $L_c(f(z))$  belongs to the class  $V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ .*

*Proof.* From the representation of  $L_c(f(z))$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} L_c(f(z)) &= \frac{c+1}{z^c} \int_0^z t^{c-1} \{h(t) + \overline{g(t)}\} dt \\ &= \frac{c+1}{z^c} \left( \int_0^z t^{c-1} \left( t + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k t^k \right) dt + \overline{\int_0^z t^{c-1} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k t^k \right) dt} \right) \\ &= z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} A_k z^k + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \overline{B_k z^k}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$A_k = \frac{c+1}{c+k} a_k, \quad B_k = \frac{c+1}{c+k} b_k.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \left( \frac{(k-\beta)(c+1)}{(1-\beta)(c+k)} |a_k| + \frac{(k+\beta)(c+1)}{(1-\beta)(c+k)} |b_k| \right) \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \left( \frac{k-\beta}{1-\beta} |a_k| + \frac{k+\beta}{1-\beta} |b_k| \right) \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) \\ &\leq 1 - \frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta} b_1. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f \in V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ , therefore by Theorem 2.2,  $L_c(f(z)) \in V_{\overline{H}}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ . □

The next theorem gives a sufficient coefficient bound for functions in  $S^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$ .

**Theorem 2.7.**  *$f \in S_{\overline{H}}^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$  if and only if*

$$\begin{aligned} H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z) * \left[ \frac{2(1-\beta)z + (\xi - 1 + 2\beta)z^2}{(1-z)^2} \right] \\ + \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g} * \left[ \frac{2(\xi + \beta)\overline{z} - (\xi - 1 + 2\beta)\overline{z}^2}{(1-\overline{z})^2} \right] \neq 0, \quad |\xi| = 1, \quad z \in U. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* From (1.3),  $f \in S_{\overline{H}}^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$  if and only if for  $z = re^{i\theta}$  in  $U$ , we have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\arg(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]f(re^{i\theta}))) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left[ \arg \left( H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(re^{i\theta}) + \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(re^{i\theta})} \right) \right] \geq \beta.$$

Therefore, we must have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{1-\beta} \left[ \frac{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z))' - \overline{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z))'}}{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z) + \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z)}} - \beta \right] \right\} \geq 0.$$

Since

$$\frac{1}{1-\beta} \left[ \frac{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z))' - \overline{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z))'}}{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z) + \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z)}} - \beta \right] = 1 \quad \text{at } z = 0,$$

the above required condition is equivalent to

$$(2.9) \quad \frac{1}{1-\beta} \left[ \frac{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z))' - \overline{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z))'}}{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z) + \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z)}} - \beta \right] \neq \frac{\xi - 1}{\xi + 1},$$

$$|\xi| = 1, \xi \neq -1, 0 < |z| < 1.$$

By a simple algebraic manipulation, inequality (2.9) yields

$$\begin{aligned} & 0 \neq (\xi + 1)[z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z))' - \overline{z(H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z))'}] \\ & \quad - (\xi - 1 + 2\beta)[H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z) + \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z)}] \\ & = H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z) * \left[ \frac{(\xi + 1)z}{(1-z)^2} - \frac{\xi - 1 + 2\beta}{1-z} \right] \\ & \quad - \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z)} * \left[ \frac{(\bar{\xi} + 1)z}{(1-z)^2} + \frac{(\bar{\xi} - 1 + 2\beta)z}{1-z} \right] \\ & = H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]h(z) * \left[ \frac{2(1-\beta)z + (\xi - 1 + 2\beta)z^2}{(1-z)^2} \right] \\ & \quad + \overline{H_{q,s}[\alpha_1]g(z)} * \left[ \frac{2(\bar{\xi} + \beta)z - (\bar{\xi} - 1 + 2\beta)z^2}{(1-z)^2} \right], \end{aligned}$$

which is the condition required by Theorem 2.7. □

Finally, for  $f$  given by (1.1), the  $\delta$ -neighborhood of  $f$  is the set

$$N_\delta(f) = \left\{ F = z + \sum_{k=2}^\infty A_k z^k + \sum_{k=1}^\infty \overline{B_k z^k} : \sum_{k=2}^\infty k(|a_k - A_k| + |b_k - B_k|) + |b_1 - B_1| \leq \delta \right\}$$

(see [1] [8]). In our case, let us define the generalized  $\delta$ -neighborhood of  $f$  to be the set

$$N(f) = \left\{ F : \sum_{k=2}^\infty \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1, k)}{(k-1)!} [(k-\beta)|a_k - A_k| + (k+\beta)|b_k - B_k|] + (1+\beta)|b_1 - B_1| \leq (1-\beta)\delta \right\}.$$

**Theorem 2.8.** *Let  $f$  be given by (1.1). If  $f$  satisfies the conditions*

$$(2.10) \quad \sum_{k=2}^\infty \frac{k(k-\beta)}{(k-1)!} |a_k| \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) + \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{k(k+\beta)}{(k-1)!} |b_k| \Gamma(\alpha_1, k) \leq 1 - \beta, \quad 0 \leq \beta < 1$$

and

$$\delta \leq \frac{1-\beta}{2-\beta} \left( 1 - \frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta} |b_1| \right),$$

then  $N(f) \subset S_H^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f$  satisfy (2.10) and

$$F(z) = z + \overline{B_1}z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left( A_k z^k + \overline{B_k z^k} \right)$$

belong to  $N(f)$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + \beta)|B_1| + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1, k)}{(k-1)!} ((k - \beta)|A_k| + (k + \beta)|B_k|) \\ & \leq (1 + \beta)|B_1 - b_1| + (1 + \beta)|b_1| + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1, k)}{(k-1)!} [(k - \beta)|A_k - a_k| + (k + \beta)|B_k - b_k|] \\ & \quad + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1, k)}{(k-1)!} [(k - \beta)|a_k| + (k + \beta)|b_k|] \\ & \leq (1 - \beta)\delta + (1 + \beta)|b_1| + \frac{1}{2 - \beta} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1, k)}{(k-1)!} [(k - \beta)|a_k| + (k + \beta)|b_k|] \\ & \leq (1 - \beta)\delta + (1 + \beta)|b_1| + \frac{1}{2 - \beta} [(1 - \beta) - (1 + \beta)|b_1|] \\ & \leq 1 - \beta. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for

$$\delta \leq \frac{1 - \beta}{2 - \beta} \left[ 1 - \frac{1 + \beta}{1 - \beta} |b_1| \right],$$

we have  $F(z) \in S_H^*(\alpha_1, \beta)$ . □

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