

# On Subclass of Harmonic Univalent Functions defined by a Generalised Operator

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## Abstract

We introduce a new subclass for harmonic univalent in the unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$  define by the constructed operator  $L_n^\sigma$  in [1]. Properties such as coefficient bounds, distortion bounds, extreme points, and convolution will be studied.

## 1 Introduction

Let  $f = u + iv$  be a complex valued harmonic function in a complex domain  $\mathbb{C}$  that is both  $u$  and  $v$  are real harmonic in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let

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

where  $h$  and  $g$  are analytic in  $\mathbb{D} \subset \mathbb{C}$  and  $\mathbb{D}$  is any simply connected domain. Let  $\mathcal{SH}$  be the class of functions  $f = h + \bar{g}$  that are harmonic univalent and sense-preserving in the unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  for which  $f(0) = h(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ ,  $h$  and  $g$  define as follows

$$h(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n, g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n, |b_1| < 1. \quad (1.2)$$

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In 1984 Clunie and Sheil-Small [8] introduced and investigated the class  $\mathcal{SH}$  as well as its geometric subclasses and obtained some properties of this class and this motivated many researchers to introduce some subclasses of the class  $\mathcal{SH}$ , (see [3, 4, 6]). The importance of these functions is due to their use in the study of minimal surfaces as well as in various problems related to applied mathematics. Let  $D^n$  with  $(n \in N_0 = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$ , be the Salagean derivative operator defined as  $D^n f(z) = D(D^{n-1} f(z)) = z[D^{n-1} f(z)]'$  with  $D^0 f(z) = f(z)$  given as

$$D^n f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^n a_n z^k. \quad (1.3)$$

Let  $I^\sigma$  one-parameter Jung-Kim-Srivastava integral operator defined as  $I^\sigma f(z) = \frac{2^\sigma}{2\Gamma_\sigma} \int_0^z (\log \frac{z}{t})^{\sigma-1} f(t) dt$  given as

$$I^\sigma f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma a_k z^k. \quad (1.4)$$

The operator  $L_n^\sigma$  was define as follows in [1]

$$L_n^\sigma f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma a_k z^k. \quad (1.5)$$

with  $L_n^0 f(z) = D^n f(z)$  and  $L_0^\sigma f(z) = I^\sigma f(z)$ . We define the operator on  $f$  as follows

$$L_n^\sigma f(z) = L_n^\sigma h(z) + (-1)^n \overline{L_n^\sigma g(z)}. \quad (1.6)$$

where  $L_n^\sigma h(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma a_k z^k$  and  $L_n^\sigma g(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma a_k z^k$  and also

$$L_0^0 f(z) = h(z) + \overline{g(z)}. \quad (1.7)$$

The two operators have been used by researchers to generalised the concepts of starlikeness and convexity of functions in the unit disk. (see [9, 10, 11]). We define  $M_\sigma^n(\beta)$  be the family of harmonic functions of the form (1) such that

$$Re \left( \frac{M_\sigma^{n+1} f(z)}{M_\sigma^n f(z)} > \right) \beta. \quad (1.8)$$

Clearly the class  $M_\sigma^n(\beta)$  includes a variety of well-known subclasses of  $\mathcal{SH}$ . For example,  $M_0^0(\beta) \equiv \mathcal{SH}(\beta)$  is the class of sense-preserving, harmonic univalent functions  $f$  which are starlike of order  $\beta$  in  $U$  and  $M_0^1(\beta) \equiv \mathcal{KH}$  is the

class of sense-preserving, harmonic univalent functions  $f$  which are convex of order  $\beta$  in  $U$  studied by Jahangiri [2],  $M_0^n(\beta)$  is the class of Salagean-type harmonic univalent functions introduced by Jahangiri et al. [5, 7]. We let the subclass  $\overline{M}_\sigma^n(\beta)$  consist of harmonic functions  $f_n = h(z) + g_n(z)$  in the class  $M_\sigma^n(\beta)$  where  $h$  and  $f$  are of the form

$$h(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} |a_k| z^k, g(z) = (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_k| z^k, |b_k| < 1. \tag{1.9}$$

In this work, we give the sufficient condition for functions in the class  $M_\sigma^n(\beta)$  which is sufficient for the functions in the class  $\overline{M}_\sigma^n(\beta)$ . The distortion, extreme point and convolution for the functions in the class  $\overline{M}_\sigma^n(\beta)$  were also obtained.

## 2 Main Results

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $f(z) = h(z) + \overline{g(z)}$ , where  $h(z)$  and  $g(z)$  are given by (1.2) If*

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [(k - \beta)|a_k| + (k + \beta)|b_k|] k^n (2/k + 1)^\sigma \leq 2(1 - \beta). \tag{2.1}$$

where  $a_1 = 1, 0 \leq \beta < 1, \sigma, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . then  $f$  is sense-preserving, harmonic univalent in  $U$ , and  $f \in M_\sigma^n(\beta)$

**Proof** If  $z_1 \neq z_2$ . then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(z_1) - f(z_2)}{h(z_1) - h(z_2)} \right| &\geq 1 - \left| \frac{g(z_1) - g(z_2)}{h(z_1) - h(z_2)} \right| = 1 - \left| \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k (z_1^k - z_2^k)}{(z_1^k - z_2^k) + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k (z_1^k - z_2^k)} \right| \\ &> 1 - \frac{\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k b_k}{1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k a_k} \geq 1 - \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^n 2^\sigma / (k + 1)^\sigma |b_k|}{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^n 2^\sigma / (k + 1)^\sigma |a_k|} \geq 0 \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

which proves univalence. Note that  $f$  is sense-preserving in  $\mathbb{U}$ , because

$$\begin{aligned} |h'(z)| &\geq \left( 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k |a_k| |z|^{k-1} \right) > \left( 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^n \left( \frac{2}{k + 1} \right)^\sigma |a_k| \right) \\ &\geq \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^n \left( \frac{2}{k + 1} \right)^\sigma |b_k| \right) \geq \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k |b_k| |z|^{k-1} \right) \geq |g'(z)| \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

by (1.8)

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{L_\sigma^{n+1} f(z)}{L_\sigma^{n+1} f(z)} \right) = \left( \frac{L_\sigma^{n+1} h(z) + \overline{(-1)^{n+1} L_\sigma^{n+1} g(z)}}{L_\sigma^n h(z) + \overline{(-1)^n L_\sigma^n g(z)}} \right) > \beta \quad (2.4)$$

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

$$\left| 1 - \beta + \frac{L_\sigma^{n+1} f(z)}{L_\sigma^n f(z)} \right| - \left| 1 + \beta - \frac{L_\sigma^{n+1} f(z)}{L_\sigma^n f(z)} \right| \geq 0 \quad (2.5)$$

$$|L_\sigma^{n+1} f(z) + (1 - \beta)L_\sigma^n f(z)| - |L_\sigma^{n+1} f(z) - (1 + \beta)L_\sigma^n f(z)| \geq 0 \quad (2.6)$$

substituting for  $L_\sigma^{n+1} f(z)$ ,  $L_\sigma^n f(z)$  in (2.6), we have that

$$\begin{aligned} & |L_\sigma^{n+1} h(z) + \overline{(-1)^{n+1} L_\sigma^{n+1} g(z)} + (1 - \beta) [L_\sigma^n h(z) + \overline{(-1)^n L_\sigma^n g(z)}]| \\ & - |L_\sigma^{n+1} h(z) + \overline{(-1)^{n+1} L_\sigma^{n+1} g(z)} - (1 + \beta) [L_\sigma^n h(z) + \overline{(-1)^n L_\sigma^n g(z)}]| \\ & = \left| z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{n+1} \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma a_k z^k + (-1)^{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{n+1} \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma \overline{b_k z^k} \right| \\ & + (1 - \beta) \left[ z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma a_k z^k + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma \overline{b_k z^k} \right] \\ & - \left| z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{n+1} \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma a_k z^k + (-1)^{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{n+1} \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma \overline{b_k z^k} \right| \\ & - (1 + \beta) \left[ z + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma a_k z^k + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma \overline{b_k z^k} \right] \\ & = \left| (2 - \beta)z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k + 1 - \beta)k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma a_k z^k - (-1)^n \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k + 1 - \beta)k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma \overline{b_k z^k} \right| \\ & - \left| (-\beta)z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k - 1 - \beta)k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma a_k z^k - (-1)^n \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k + 1 + \beta)k^n \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma \overline{b_k z^k} \right| \\ & \geq 2(1 - \beta)|z| - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} 2k^n(k - \beta) \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma |a_k||z|^k - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} 2k^n(k - \beta) \left( \frac{2}{k+1} \right)^\sigma |b_k||z|^k \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2(1-\beta) \left[ 1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} 2k^n \frac{(k-\beta)}{1-\beta} \left(\frac{2}{k+1}\right)^{\sigma} |a_k| - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} 2k^n \frac{(k+\beta)}{1-\beta} \left(\frac{2}{k+1}\right)^{\sigma} |b_k| \right] \tag{2.7}$$

This last expression is nonnegative by (2.1), and so the proof is complete. The harmonic function

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} 2k^n \frac{(k+\beta)}{1-\beta} \left(\frac{2}{k+1}\right)^{\sigma} x_k z^k + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} 2k^n \frac{(k+\beta)}{1-\beta} \left(\frac{2}{k+1}\right)^{\sigma} y_k z^k \tag{2.8}$$

where  $n, \sigma \in N_0$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$ , and  $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} x_k + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} y_k = 1$ , shows that the coefficient bound given by (2.1) is sharp. The functions of the form (2.7) are in  $M_{\sigma}^n(\beta)$  because

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(k-\beta)}{1-\beta} |a_k| + \frac{(k+\beta)}{1-\beta} |b_k| \right] k^n \left(\frac{2}{k+1}\right)^{\sigma} = 1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} |x_k| + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} |y_k| = 1 + 1 = 2 \tag{2.9}$$

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $f_n(z) = h(z) + \overline{g_n(z)}$ , then  $f \in \overline{M}_{\sigma}^n(\beta)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [(k-\beta)|a_k| + (k+\beta)|b_k|] k^n (2/k+1)^{\sigma} \leq 2(1-\beta) \tag{2.10}$$

where  $a_1 = 1$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$ ,  $\sigma, n \in N_0$ . and  $f \in M_{\sigma}^n(\beta)$

**Proof** By condition (1.5) and since  $\overline{M}_{\sigma}^n(\beta) \subset M_{\sigma}^n(\beta)$ , it shows that (2.10) is true

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $f_n \in \overline{M}_{\sigma}^n(\beta)$ , then for  $|z| = r < 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| &\leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \frac{1}{2^n} \left( \frac{1-\beta}{2-\beta} - \frac{1+\beta}{2-\beta} |b_1| \right) r^2 \\ |f(z)| &\geq (1 + |b_1|)r + \frac{1}{2^n} \left( \frac{1-\beta}{2-\beta} - \frac{1+\beta}{2-\beta} |b_1| \right) r^2 \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

**Proof** Taking the absolute value of  $f(z)$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| &= \left| z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \overline{z^k} \right| \\ &\leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|) r^k \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq (1 + |b_1|)r + r^2 \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|) \\ &\leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \frac{1 - \beta}{(2 - \beta)2^n} \left( \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2 - \beta)2^n}{1 - \beta} |a_k| + \frac{(2 - \beta)2^n}{1 - \beta} |b_k| \right) r^2 \quad (2.12) \\ &\leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \frac{1 - \beta}{(2 - \beta)2^n} \left( \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^n \frac{(k - \beta)}{1 - \beta} \left( \frac{2}{k + 1} \right)^{\sigma} |a_k| + k^n \frac{(k + \beta)}{1 - \beta} \left( \frac{2}{k + 1} \right)^{\sigma} |b_k| \right) r^2 \\ &\leq (1 + |b_1|)r + \frac{1 - \beta}{(2 - \beta)2^n} \left( 1 - \frac{1 + \beta}{1 - \beta} |b_1| \right) r^2 \end{aligned}$$

for  $|b_1| < 1$ . This shows that the bounds given in Theorem (2.3) are sharp. By following proof, the lower bound is achieved and the proof is omitted.

**Corollary 2.1** If the function  $f_n = h_n + \overline{g_n}$  in  $f \in \overline{M}_n^n(\beta)$

$$\left[ w : |w| < \frac{2^{n+1} - 1 - (2^n - 1)\beta}{2^n(2 - \beta)} - \frac{2^{n+1} + 1}{2^n(2 - \beta)} |b_1| \right] \subset f(U) \quad (2.13)$$

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $f_n = h_n + \overline{g_n}$ , where  $h$  and  $g$  are given by (1.8),  $f \in \overline{M}_\sigma^n(\beta)$  if and only if

$$f_n(z) = (X_k h_k(z) + Y_k g_{nk}(z)) \quad (2.14)$$

where  $h_k(z) = z - (1 - \beta)/(k - \beta)k^n(k + 1/2)^\sigma z^k$ , where  $(k = 2, 3, \dots)$ ,  $g_{nk} = z - (-1)^n(1 - \beta)/(k - \beta)k^n(k + 1/2)^\sigma z^k$  and  $(X_k + Y_k) = 1$ ,  $X_k \geq 0$ ,  $Y_k \geq 0$ . In particular the extreme points of  $M_\sigma^n(\beta)$  are  $h_k$  and  $g_{nk}$

**Proof** for functions  $f_n = h + \overline{g}$ , where  $h$  and  $g$  are given by (1.8), we have that

$$\begin{aligned} f_n(z) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (X_k h_k(z) + Y_k g_{nk}(z)) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (X_k + Y_k)z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1 - \beta}{(k - \beta)k^n(k + 1/2)^\sigma} X_k z^k + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - \beta)}{(k + \beta)k^n(k + 1/2)^\sigma} Y_k z^k \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

then

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{2^\sigma(k - \beta)k^n}{(1 - \beta)(k + 1)^\sigma} |a_k| + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{2^\sigma(k - \beta)k^n}{(1 - \beta)(k + 1)^\sigma} |b_k| = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} X_k + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} Y_k \quad (2.16)$$

and so  $f$  is in closed convex hulls of  $M_\sigma^n(\beta)$ . The converse is true and the proof is omitted. In the next theorem, we show that the class  $M_\sigma^n(\beta)$  is invariant under convolution

For harmonic function  $f_n(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^\infty |a_k|z^k + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^\infty |b_k|z^k$  and  $F_n(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^\infty |A_k|z^k + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^\infty |B_k|z^k$ . The convolution  $f(z)$  and  $F(z)$  gives

$$(f * F)(z) = f(z) * F(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^\infty |a_k||A_k|z^k + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^\infty |b_k||B_k|z^k$$

**Theorem 2.5.** For  $0 \leq \gamma \leq \beta < 1$ , let  $f \in M_\sigma^n(\beta)$  and  $F \in M_\sigma^n(\gamma)$ . Then  $f(z) * F(z) \in M_\sigma^n(\beta) \subset M_\sigma^n(\gamma)$

**Proof** Let the functions  $f_n(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^\infty |a_k|z^k + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^\infty |b_k|z^k$  be in the class  $M_\sigma^n(\beta)$  and the functions  $F_n(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^\infty |A_k|z^k + (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^\infty |B_k|z^k$  be in the class  $M_\sigma^n(\gamma)$ . We need to show the convolution satisfies the required condition of theorem 2.1, note that  $|A_k| \leq 1$  and  $|B_k| \leq 1$ . By the convolution, we obtain

$$\sum_{k=2}^\infty \frac{k - \beta}{1 - \beta} \left(\frac{2}{k + 1}\right)^\sigma k^n |a_k||A_k| + \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{k + \beta}{1 - \beta} \left(\frac{2}{k + 1}\right)^\sigma |b_k||B_k| \quad (2.16)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \sum_{k=2}^\infty \frac{k - \beta}{1 - \beta} \left(\frac{2}{k + 1}\right)^\sigma k^n |a_k| + \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{k + \beta}{1 - \beta} \left(\frac{2}{k + 1}\right)^\sigma |b_k| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=2}^\infty \frac{k - \beta}{1 - \beta} \left(\frac{2}{k + 1}\right)^\sigma k^n |a_k| + \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{k + \beta}{1 - \beta} \left(\frac{2}{k + 1}\right)^\sigma |b_k| \leq 1 \end{aligned} \quad (2.17)$$

since  $0 \leq \gamma \leq \beta < 1$  and  $f \in M_\sigma^n(\beta)$ . Therefore  $f(z) * F(z) \in M_\sigma^n(\beta) \subset M_\sigma^n(\gamma)$ .

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