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**A GENERALIZATION OF A CLASS OF p -VALENT HARMONIC
FUNCTIONS INVOLVING A GENERALIZED RUSCHEWEYH
TYPE OPERATOR**

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ABSTRACT. We introduce a generalization of a class of p -valent functions involving a generalized Ruscheweyh type operator of the form $f = h + \bar{g}$. We give next a characterization of this class by the means of coefficients and some of its properties concerning distortion bounds, extreme points, convex combination.

1. INTRODUCTION

A continuous function $f = u + iv$ is a complex valued harmonic function in a complex domain \mathbb{C} if both u and v are real harmonic in \mathbb{C} . In any simply - connected domain $D \subset \mathbb{C}$ 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 .

A necessary and sufficient condition for f to be locally univalent and sense - preserving in D is that $|h'(z)| > |g'(z)|$ in D .

Assume $\mathcal{H} = \{f : f = h + \bar{g}\}$, f is harmonic univalent and sense - preserving in open unit disk $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$. So $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}$ is normalized by $f(0) = h(0) = f_z(0) = 1 = 0$.

Ahuja and Jahangiri [1] defined the class $\mathcal{H}(p)$ ($p \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$) consisting of all p -valent harmonic functions $f = h + \bar{g}$ that are sense - preserving, and h, g are of the form:

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

Let $R(p)$ denote the subclass of $\mathcal{H}(p)$ consisting of functions $f = h + \bar{g}$, where h and g are given by

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

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We introduce here a class $\mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ of harmonic functions of the form (1) that satisfy the inequality :

$$Re \left\{ (1 - \beta) \frac{D_\lambda^{k+p-1} f(z)}{z^p} + \beta(1 - m) \frac{(D_\lambda^{k+p-1} f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} + \beta m \frac{(D_\lambda^{k+p-1} f(z))''}{p(p-1)z^{p-2}} \right\} \geq \frac{\alpha}{p}, \quad (3)$$

where $0 \leq \alpha < p, p \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}, \beta \geq 0, \lambda \geq 0, k \in \mathbb{N}_0, 0 \leq m \leq 1$ and

$$D_\lambda^{k+p-1} f(z) = D_\lambda^{k+p-1} h(z) + \overline{D_\lambda^{k+p-1} g(z)}. \quad (4)$$

The operator D_λ^{k+p-1} denotes the generalized Ruscheweyh derivative operator introduced in [2]. For h and g given by (1), we obtain

$$D_\lambda^{k+p-1} h(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda(n-p)) C(k, n, p) a_n z^n, \quad (5)$$

$$D_\lambda^{k+p-1} g(z) = \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda(n-p)) C(k, n, p) b_n z^n, \quad (6)$$

where

$$\lambda \geq 0, p \in \mathbb{N}, k > -p \text{ and } C(k, n, p) = \binom{n+k-1}{k+p-1}. \quad (7)$$

We deem it worthwhile to point here the relevance of the class $\mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ with those classes which have been studied recently. Indeed, we observe that:

- : (i) $\mathcal{H}_0^0(1, \alpha, 1, 0) \equiv N_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha)$ (Ahuja and Jahangiri [1]);
- : (ii) $\mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, 1, 0) \equiv \mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha)$ (Al Shaqsi and Darus [2]);
- : (iii) $\mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(1, 0, 1, 0) \equiv \mathcal{H}_\lambda^k$ (Darus and Al Shaqsi [5]);
- : (iv) $\mathcal{H}_0^0(1, 0, 1, 0) \equiv S_{\mathcal{H}}^*$ Silverman[7];
- : (v) $\mathcal{H}_\lambda^0(1, 0, 1, 0) \equiv \mathcal{HP}(0)$ (Yalcin and Öztürk [8]);
- : (vi) $\mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, 0) \equiv \mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta)$ (Atshan et al.[3]).

Also, we note that the analytic part of the class $\mathcal{H}_0^k(p, \alpha, 1, 0)$ was introduced and studied by Goel and Sohi [6].

We further denote by $R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ the subclass of $\mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ that satisfies the relation:

$$R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m) = R(p) \cap \mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m). \quad (8)$$

2. COEFFICIENT BOUNDS

Here, we obtain the sufficient condition for $f = h + \bar{g}$ to be in the class $\mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$.

Theorem 2.1. *Let $f = h + \bar{g}$ (h and g being given by (1)). If*

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n-p)) C(k, n, p) |a_n| + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n-p)) C(k, n, p) |b_n| \leq p - \alpha, \quad (9)$$

where $\lambda \geq 0, \beta \geq 0, 0 \leq \alpha < p, p \in \mathbb{N}, 0 \leq m \leq 1$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$, then f is harmonic p -valent sense-preserving in U and $f \in \mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$.

Proof. Let

$$w(z) = (1 - \beta) \frac{D_\lambda^{k+p-1} f(z)}{z^p} + \beta(1 - m) \frac{(D_\lambda^{k+p-1} f(z))'}{pz^{p-1}} + \beta m \frac{(D_\lambda^{k+p-1} f(z))''}{p(p-1)z^{p-2}}.$$

To prove that $Re\{w\} \geq \frac{\alpha}{p}$, it is sufficient to show equivalently that $|p - \alpha + pw(z)| \geq |p + \alpha - pw(z)|$. Substituting for $w(z)$ and making use of (4) to (6), and resorting to simple calculations, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} |p - \alpha + pw(z)| &\geq 2p - \alpha - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p + m(n-p) - 1)}{p-1} + p(1 - \beta) \right] \\ &(1 + \lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|a_n||z^{n-p}| - \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p + m(n-p) - 1)}{p-1} + p(1 - \beta) \right] \\ &(1 + \lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|b_n||z^{n-p}| \quad (10) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |p + \alpha - pw(z)| &\leq \alpha + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p + m(n-p) - 1)}{p-1} + p(1 - \beta) \right] \\ &(1 + \lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|a_n||z^{n-p}| + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p + m(n-p) - 1)}{p-1} + p(1 - \beta) \right] \\ &(1 + \lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|b_n||z^{n-p}| \quad (11) \end{aligned}$$

where $C(k, n, p)$ is given by (7). Evidently, (10) and (11) in conjunction with (9) yields

$$|p - \alpha + pw(z)| - |p + \alpha - pw(z)| \geq 0.$$

The harmonic functions

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{x_n}{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)} z^n \\ &+ \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \frac{\bar{y}_n}{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)} (\bar{z})^n \quad (12) \end{aligned}$$

$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} |x_n| + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} |y_n| = p - \alpha$ show that the coefficient bound given by (9) is sharp.

The functions of the form (12) are in $\mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ because in view of (9), we infer that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|a_n| \\ & + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|b_n| \\ & = \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} |x_n| + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} |y_n| = p - \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

□

The restriction imposed in Theorem 2.1 on the moduli of the coefficients of $f = h + \bar{g}$ implies that for arbitrary rotation of the coefficients of f , the resulting functions would still be harmonic p -valent and $f \in \mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$.

The following theorem shows the condition (9) is also necessary for function f to belong to $R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$.

Theorem 2.2. *Let $f = h + \bar{g}$ with h and g are given by (2). Then $f \in R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ if and only if*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|a_n| \\ & + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|b_n| \leq p - \alpha, \quad (13) \end{aligned}$$

where $\lambda \geq 0, \beta \geq 0, 0 \leq \alpha < p, p \in \mathbb{N}, 0 \leq m \leq 1$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Proof. By noting that $R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m) \subset \mathcal{H}_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$, the sufficiency part of Theorem 2.2 follows at once from Theorem 2.1. To prove the necessary part, let us assume that $f \in R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$. Using (3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Re} \left\{ (1-\beta) \left(\frac{D_\lambda^{k+p-1}h(z) + \overline{D_\lambda^{k+p-1}g(z)}}{z^p} \right) + \beta(1-m) \right. \\ & \left. \left(\frac{(D_\lambda^{k+p-1}h(z))' + \overline{(D_\lambda^{k+p-1}g(z))'}}{pz^{p-1}} \right) + \beta m \left(\frac{(D_\lambda^{k+p-1}h(z))'' + \overline{(D_\lambda^{k+p-1}g(z))''}}{p(p-1)z^{p-2}} \right) \right\} \\ & = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p(p-1)} + (1-\beta) \right] \right. \\ & \left. (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|a_n|z^{n-p} - \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p(p-1)} + (1-\beta) \right] \right. \\ & \left. (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|b_n|(\bar{z})^{n-p} \right\} \geq \frac{\alpha}{p}. \end{aligned}$$

If we choose z to be real and let $z \rightarrow 1^-$, we obtain

$$1 - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p + m(n-p) - 1)}{p(p-1)} + (1-\beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|a_n| - \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p + m(n-p) - 1)}{p(p-1)} + (1-\beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|b_n| \geq \frac{\alpha}{p}.$$

Hence

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p + m(n-p) - 1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|a_n| + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p + m(n-p) - 1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)|b_n| \leq p - \alpha,$$

which completes the proof of Theorem 2.2. □

3. DISTORTION BOUNDS AND EXTREME POINTS

Here, we obtain the distortion bounds for functions belonging to the class $R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ and also provide extreme points for the class $R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $f \in R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ for $\lambda \geq 0, \beta \geq 0, 0 \leq \alpha < p, p \in \mathbb{N}, 0 \leq m \leq 1, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $|z| = r < 1$. Then*

$$|f(z)| \leq (1 + |b_p|)r^p + \frac{(p - \alpha) - p|b_p|}{\left[\frac{(p+1)\beta(p+m-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1 + \lambda)(p+k)} r^{p+1}, \tag{14}$$

and

$$|f(z)| \geq (1 - |b_p|)r^p - \frac{(p - \alpha) - p|b_p|}{\left[\frac{(p+1)\beta(p+m-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1 + \lambda)(p+k)} r^{p+1}. \tag{15}$$

Proof. We only prove the first inequality (14). The proof for the second inequality (15) is similar, and is hence omitted.

Assume $f \in R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$. Using (1) and (9) of Theorem 2.1, we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
|f(z)| &\leq (1 + |b_p|)r^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (|a_n| + |b_n|)r^n \\
&\leq (1 + |b_p|)r^p + r^{p+1} \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (|a_n| + |b_n|) \\
&= (1 + |b_p|)r^p + \frac{1}{\left[\frac{(p+1)\beta(p+m-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta)\right] (1+\lambda)(p+k)} \\
&\quad \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(p+1)\beta(p+m-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta)\right] (1+\lambda)(p+k)(|a_n| + |b_n|)r^{p+1} \\
&\leq (1 + |b_p|)r^p + \frac{1}{\left[\frac{(p+1)\beta(p+m-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta)\right] (1+\lambda)(p+k)} \\
&\quad \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta)\right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)(|a_n| + |b_n|)r^{p+1} \\
&\leq (1 + |b_p|)r^p + \frac{1}{\left[\frac{(p+1)\beta(p+m-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta)\right] (1+\lambda)(p+k)} [(p-\alpha) - p|b_p|]r^{p+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

The bounds given in Theorem 3.1 (for the functions $f = h + \bar{g}$ of the form (2)) also hold for functions of the form (1) if the coefficient condition (9) is satisfied.

The functions

$$f(z) = z^p + |b_p|(\bar{z})^p + \frac{(p-\alpha) - p|b_p|}{\left[\frac{(p+1)\beta(p+m-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta)\right] (1+\lambda)(p+k)} (\bar{z})^{p+1} \quad (16)$$

and

$$f(z) = z^p - |b_p|(\bar{z})^p - \frac{(p-\alpha) - p|b_p|}{\left[\frac{(p+1)\beta(p+m-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta)\right] (1+\lambda)(p+k)} (\bar{z})^{p+1} \quad (17)$$

for $|b_p| < 1$ show that the bounds given by Theorem 3.1 are sharp.

The covering result given below in Corollary 3.2 follows from the inequality (15) of Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.2. *Let $f \in R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$. Then*

$$\left\{ w : |w| < (1 - |b_p|) - \frac{(p-\alpha) - p|b_p|}{\left[\frac{(p+1)\beta(p+m-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta)\right] (1+\lambda)(p+k)} \right\} \subset f(U). \quad (18)$$

The next theorem gives the extreme points of the closed convex hulls of $R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$, denoted by $R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$.

Theorem 3.3. $f \in clco R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ if and only if

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (\sigma_n h_n + \epsilon_n g_n) \tag{19}$$

where $z \in U, h_p(z) = z^p$,

$$h_n(z) = z^p - \frac{p - \alpha}{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1 - \beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n - p))C(k, n, p)} z^n, \tag{20}$$

($n = p + 1, p + 2, \dots$)

$$g_n(z) = z^p - \frac{p - \alpha}{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1 - \beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n - p))C(k, n, p)} (\bar{z})^n, \tag{21}$$

($n = p, p + 1, \dots$) and $\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (\sigma_n + \epsilon_n) = 1$ ($\sigma_n \geq 0, \epsilon_n \geq 0$).

In particular, the extreme points of $R_\lambda^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ are $\{h_n\}$ and $\{g_n\}$.

Proof. Suppose f is of the form (19). Using (20) and (21), we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (\sigma_n h_n + \epsilon_n g_n) \\ &= \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (\sigma_n + \epsilon_n) z^p \\ &\quad - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{p - \alpha}{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1 - \beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n - p))C(k, n, p)} \sigma_n z^n \\ &\quad - \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \frac{p - \alpha}{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1 - \beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n - p))C(k, n, p)} \epsilon_n (\bar{z})^n \\ &= z^p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{p - \alpha}{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1 - \beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n - p))C(k, n, p)} \sigma_n z^n \\ &\quad - \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \frac{p - \alpha}{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1 - \beta) \right] (1 + \lambda(n - p))C(k, n, p)} \epsilon_n (\bar{z})^n. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p) \\
& \frac{p-\alpha}{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)} \sigma_n \\
& + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p) \\
& \frac{p-\alpha}{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)} \epsilon_n \\
& = (p-\alpha) \left(\sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (\sigma_n + \epsilon_n) - \sigma_p \right) = (p-\alpha)(1-\sigma_p) \leq p-\alpha,
\end{aligned}$$

which implies that $f \in R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$.

Conversely, assume that $f \in R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$. Putting

$$\sigma_n = \frac{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)}{p-\alpha} |a_n|, \quad (n = p+1, p+2, \dots),$$

$$\epsilon_n = \frac{\left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k, n, p)}{p-\alpha} |b_n|, \quad (n = p, p+1, p+2, \dots),$$

we get

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (\sigma_n h_n + \epsilon_n g_n),$$

and this completes the proof of Theorem 3.3. \square

4. CONVEX COMBINATION

In the following theorem, we determine the convex combination properties of the members of $R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$.

Theorem 4.1. *The class $R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ is closed under convex combination.*

Proof. Suppose $f_i \in R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ ($i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$), are defined by

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

From (13), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p)|a_{n,i}| \\ & + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p)|b_{n,i}| \\ & \leq p-\alpha. \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

For $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sigma_i = 1, 0 \leq \sigma_i \leq 1$, we can write the convex combination of f_i as

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

from (22) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p) \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sigma_i |a_{n,i}| \right) \\ & + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p) \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sigma_i |b_{n,i}| \right) \\ & = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sigma_i \left\{ \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p) |a_{n,i}| \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p) |b_{n,i}| \right\} \\ & \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sigma_i (p-\alpha) = p-\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Then $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sigma_i f_i(z) \in R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$. □

Theorem 4.2. *The class $R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$ is a convex set.*

Proof. Let f_1, f_2 be the arbitrary elements of $R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$. Then for every t ($0 < t < 1$), we show that $(1-t)f_1 + tf_2 \in R_{\lambda}^k(p, \alpha, \beta, m)$, thus we have

$$(1-t)f_1(z) + tf_2(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} [(1-t)|a_{n,1}| + t|a_{n,2}|] z^n - \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} [(1-t)|b_{n,1}| + t|b_{n,2}|] (\bar{z})^n$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p)[(1-t)|a_{n,1}| + t|a_{n,2}|] \\ & + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p)[(1-t)|b_{n,1}| + t|b_{n,2}|] \\ & = (1-t) \left[\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p)) \right. \\ & \left. C(k,n,p)|a_{n,1}| + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] \right. \\ & \left. (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p)|b_{n,1}| \right] \\ & + t \left[\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p)|a_{n,2}| \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n\beta(p+m(n-p)-1)}{p-1} + p(1-\beta) \right] (1+\lambda(n-p))C(k,n,p)|b_{n,2}| \right] \\ & \leq (1-t)(p-\alpha) + t(p-\alpha) = p-\alpha. \end{aligned} \tag{□}$$

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