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## COEFFICIENT INEQUALITY FOR MULTIVALENT BOUNDED TURNING FUNCTIONS OF ORDER $\alpha$

**Abstract.** The objective of this paper is to obtain the sharp upper bound to the  $H_2(p + 1)$ , second Hankel determinant for  $p$ -valent (multivalent) analytic bounded turning functions (also called functions whose derivatives have positive real parts) of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ), using Toeplitz determinants. The result presented here includes three known results as their special cases.

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $A_p$  denote the class of functions  $f$  of the form

$$f(z) = z^p + a_{p+1}z^{p+1} + \dots \tag{1}$$

in the open unit disc  $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  with  $p \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ . Let  $S$  be the subclass of  $A_1 = A$ , consisting of univalent functions.

In 1985, Louis de Branges de Bourcia proved the Bieberbach conjecture, i.e., for a univalent function its  $n^{th}$  coefficient is bounded by  $n$  (see [1]). The bounds for the coefficients of these functions give information about their geometric properties. In particular, the growth and distortion properties of a normalized univalent function are determined by the bound of its second coefficient. The Hankel determinant of  $f$  for  $q \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 1$  was defined by Pommerenke [2] as

$$H_q(n) = \begin{vmatrix} a_n & a_{n+1} & \cdots & a_{n+q-1} \\ a_{n+1} & a_{n+2} & \cdots & a_{n+q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n+q-1} & a_{n+q} & \cdots & a_{n+2q-2} \end{vmatrix}. \tag{2}$$

This determinant has been considered by several authors in the literature. For example, Noonan and Thomas [3] studied the second Hankel determinant of areally mean  $p$ -valent functions. Noor [4] determined the rate of growth of  $H_q(n)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for functions in  $S$  with bounded boundary rotation. The Hankel transform of an integer sequence and some of its properties were discussed by Layman [5]. One can easily observe that the Fekete-Szegő functional is  $H_2(1)$ . Fekete-Szegő then further generalized the estimate  $|a_3 - \mu a_2^2|$  with real  $\mu$  and  $f \in S$ . Ali [6] found sharp bounds on the first four coefficients and sharp estimate for the Fekete-Szegő functional  $|\gamma_3 - t\gamma_2^2|$ , where  $t$  is real, for the inverse function of  $f$  for  $p = 1$ , given in (1.1), defined as  $f^{-1}(w) = w + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \gamma_n w^n$ , when  $f \in \widetilde{ST}(\alpha)$ , the class of strongly starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ). Further sharp bounds for the functional  $|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2|$ , the Hankel determinant in the case of  $q = 2$  and  $n = 2$ , known as the second Hankel determinant (functional), given by

$$H_2(2) = \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{vmatrix} = a_2 a_4 - a_3^2, \quad (3)$$

were obtained for various subclasses of univalent and multivalent analytic functions by several authors in the literature. Janteng et al. [7] have considered the functional  $|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2|$  and found a sharp upper bound for the function  $f$  in the subclass  $\mathcal{R}$  of  $S$ , consisting of functions whose derivative has a positive real part (also called bounded turning functions) studied by MacGregor [8]. In their work, they have shown that if  $f \in \mathcal{R}$  then  $|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{4}{9}$ . Motivated by this result, in this paper we consider the Hankel determinant in the case of  $q = 2$  and  $n = p + 1$ , denoted by  $H_2(p + 1)$ , given by

$$H_2(p + 1) = \begin{vmatrix} a_{p+1} & a_{p+2} \\ a_{p+2} & a_{p+3} \end{vmatrix} = a_{p+1} a_{p+3} - a_{p+2}^2. \quad (4)$$

Further, we seek a sharp upper bound to the functional  $|a_{p+1} a_{p+3} - a_{p+2}^2|$  for the functions belonging to the certain subclass of  $p$ -valent analytic functions, defined as follows.

**Definition 1.** A function  $f(z) \in A_p$  is said to be in the class  $\mathcal{R}_p(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) if it satisfies the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{f'(z)}{p z^{p-1}} > \alpha, \quad \forall z \in E. \quad (5)$$

- 1) If  $p = 1$ , we obtain  $\mathcal{R}_1(\alpha) = \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ , the class of bounded turning functions of order  $\alpha$ .
- 2) Choosing  $\alpha = 0$ , we get  $\mathcal{R}_p(0) = \mathcal{R}_p$ , the class of  $p$ -valent bounded turning functions.
- 3) Selecting  $p = 1$  and  $\alpha = 0$ , we have  $\mathcal{R}_1(0) = \mathcal{R}$ .

In the next section we give some preliminary Lemmas required for proving our result.

**2. Preliminary Results.** Let  $\mathcal{P}$  denote the class of functions consisting of  $g$  such that

$$g(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + c_3z^3 + \dots = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n, \tag{6}$$

which are regular in the open unit disc  $E$  and satisfy  $\text{Reg}(z) > 0$  for any  $z \in E$ . Here  $g(z)$  is called a Caratheodory function [9].

**Lemma 1.** [10, 11] *If  $g \in \mathcal{P}$ , then  $|c_k| \leq 2$ , for each  $k \geq 1$  and the inequality is sharp for the function  $\frac{1+z}{1-z}$ .*

**Lemma 2.** [12] *The power series for  $g(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n$  given in (6) converges in the open unit disc  $E$  to a function in  $\mathcal{P}$  if and only if the Toeplitz determinants*

$$D_n = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & c_1 & c_2 & \cdots & c_n \\ c_{-1} & 2 & c_1 & \cdots & c_{n-1} \\ c_{-2} & c_{-1} & 2 & \cdots & c_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ c_{-n} & c_{-n+1} & c_{-n+2} & \cdots & 2 \end{vmatrix}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3 \dots$$

and  $c_{-k} = \bar{c}_k$ , are all non-negative. They are strictly positive except for  $p(z) = \sum_{k=1}^m \rho_k p_0(e^{it_k} z)$ , with  $\sum_{k=1}^m \rho_k = 1$ ,  $t_k$  real and  $t_k \neq t_j$ , for  $k \neq j$ , where  $p_0(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$ ; in this case  $D_n > 0$  for  $n < (m - 1)$  and  $D_n = 0$  for  $n \geq m$ .

This necessary and sufficient condition found in [12] is due to Caratheodory and Toeplitz. We may assume without restriction that  $c_1 > 0$ . From Lemma 2, for  $n = 2$  we have

$$D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & c_1 & c_2 \\ \bar{c}_1 & 2 & c_1 \\ \bar{c}_2 & \bar{c}_1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}.$$

On expanding the determinant, we get

$$D_2 = 8 + 2\operatorname{Re}\{c_1^2 c_2\} - 2|c_2|^2 - 4|c_1|^2 \geq 0.$$

Applying the fundamental principles of complex numbers, the above expression is equivalent to

$$2c_2 = c_1^2 + y(4 - c_1^2). \quad (7)$$

In the same way,

$$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ \bar{c}_1 & 2 & c_1 & c_2 \\ \bar{c}_2 & \bar{c}_1 & 2 & c_1 \\ \bar{c}_3 & \bar{c}_2 & \bar{c}_1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}.$$

Then  $D_3 \geq 0$  is equivalent to

$$|(4c_3 - 4c_1c_2 + c_1^3)(4 - c_1^2) + c_1(2c_2 - c_1^2)^2| \leq 2(4 - c_1^2)^2 - 2|(2c_2 - c_1^2)|^2. \quad (8)$$

Simplifying relations (7) and (8), we obtain

$$4c_3 = \{c_1^3 + 2c_1(4 - c_1^2)y - c_1(4 - c_1^2)y^2 + 2(4 - c_1^2)(1 - |y|^2)\zeta\} \quad (9)$$

for some complex valued  $y$  with  $|y| \leq 1$  and for some complex valued  $\zeta$  with  $|\zeta| \leq 1$ . To obtain our result, we refer to the classical method devised by Libera and Zlotkiewicz [13], used by several authors in literature.

### 3. Main Result

**Theorem 1.** *If  $f(z) \in \mathcal{R}_p(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) with  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  then*

$$|a_{p+1}a_{p+3} - a_{p+2}^2| \leq \left[ \frac{2p(1 - \alpha)}{p + 2} \right]^2$$

and the inequality is sharp.

For the function  $f(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in \mathcal{R}_p(\alpha)$ , by virtue of Definition 1, there exists an analytic function  $g \in \mathcal{P}$  in the open unit disc  $E$  with  $g(0) = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Re} g(z) > 0$  such that

$$\frac{f'(z) - p\alpha z^{p-1}}{p(1 - \alpha)z^{p-1}} = g(z) \Leftrightarrow f'(z) - p\alpha z^{p-1} = p(1 - \alpha)z^{p-1}g(z). \quad (10)$$

Replacing  $f'(z)$  and  $g(z)$  with their equivalent series expressions in (10), we have

$$pz^{p-1} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} na_n z^{n-1} - p\alpha z^{p-1} = p(1 - \alpha)z^{p-1} \left\{ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n \right\}.$$

Upon simplification, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} p(1 - \alpha)z^{p-1} + (p + 1)a_{p+1}z^p + (p + 2)a_{p+2}z^{p+1} + (p + 3)a_{p+3}z^{p+2} + \dots = \\ = p(1 - \alpha)z^{p-1}[1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + c_3z^3 + \dots]. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Equating the coefficients of same powers of  $z^p$ ,  $z^{p+1}$  and  $z^{p+2}$  in (11), we have

$$a_{p+1} = \frac{p(1 - \alpha)c_1}{p + 1}, \quad a_{p+2} = \frac{p(1 - \alpha)c_2}{p + 2} \quad \text{and} \quad a_{p+3} = \frac{p(1 - \alpha)c_3}{p + 3}. \quad (12)$$

Substituting the values of  $a_{p+1}$ ,  $a_{p+2}$ , and  $a_{p+3}$  from (12) in the functional  $|a_{p+1}a_{p+3} - a_{p+2}^2|$ , after simplifying we get

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{p+1}a_{p+3} - a_{p+2}^2| = \\ = \frac{p^2(1 - \alpha)^2}{(p + 1)(p + 2)^2(p + 3)} |(p + 2)^2c_1c_3 - (p + 1)(p + 3)c_2^2|. \end{aligned}$$

The above expression is equivalent to

$$|a_{p+1}a_{p+3} - a_{p+2}^2| = t \left| d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_2^2 \right|, \quad (13)$$

where

$$t = \frac{p^2(1 - \alpha)^2}{(p + 1)(p + 2)^2(p + 3)}, \quad d_1 = (p + 2)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad d_2 = -(p + 1)(p + 3). \quad (14)$$

Substituting the values of  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  from (7) and (9) respectively from Lemma 2 in the expression  $\left| d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_2^2 \right|$ , which is on the right-hand side of (13), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_2^2 \right| = \left| d_1c_1 \times \frac{1}{4} \{ c_1^3 + 2c_1(4 - c_1^2)y - c_1(4 - c_1^2)y^2 + \right. \\ \left. + 2(4 - c_1^2)(1 - |y|^2)\zeta \} + d_2 \times \frac{1}{4} \{ c_1^2 + y(4 - c_1^2) \}^2 \right|; \end{aligned}$$

$$4 \left| d_1 c_1 c_3 + d_2 c_2^2 \right| = \left| (d_1 + d_2) c_1^4 + 2d_1 c_1 (4 - c_1^2) \zeta + 2(d_1 + d_2) c_1^2 (4 - c_1^2) y - \{ d_1 c_1^2 y^2 + 2d_1 c_1 |y|^2 \zeta - d_2 (4 - c_1^2) y^2 \} (4 - c_1^2) \right|;$$

$$4 \left| d_1 c_1 c_3 + d_2 c_2^2 \right| = \left| (d_1 + d_2) c_1^4 + 2d_1 c_1 (4 - c_1^2) \zeta + 2(d_1 + d_2) c_1^2 (4 - c_1^2) y - \{ (d_1 + d_2) c_1^2 y^2 + 2d_1 c_1 |y|^2 \zeta - 4d_2 y^2 \} (4 - c_1^2) \right|.$$

Applying the triangle inequality, we get

$$4 \left| d_1 c_1 c_3 + d_2 c_2^2 \right| \leq \left| (d_1 + d_2) c_1^4 + 2d_1 c_1 (4 - c_1^2) \right| |\zeta| + 2(d_1 + d_2) c_1^2 (4 - c_1^2) |y| + \{ (d_1 + d_2) c_1^2 |y|^2 + 2d_1 c_1 |y|^2 |\zeta| - 4d_2 |y|^2 \} (4 - c_1^2).$$

Using the fact that  $|\zeta| < 1$  in the above inequality, we obtain

$$4 \left| d_1 c_1 c_3 + d_2 c_2^2 \right| \leq \left| (d_1 + d_2) c_1^4 + 2d_1 c_1 (4 - c_1^2) \right| + 2(d_1 + d_2) c_1^2 (4 - c_1^2) |y| + \{ (d_1 + d_2) c_1^2 + 2d_1 c_1 - 4d_2 \} (4 - c_1^2) |y|^2. \quad (15)$$

Using the values of  $d_1, d_2$  given in (14), we can write

$$\begin{aligned} d_1 + d_2 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \{ (d_1 + d_2) c_1^2 + 2d_1 c_1 - 4d_2 \} &= \\ &= c_1^2 + 2(p + 2)^2 c_1 + 4(p + 1)(p + 3). \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Substituting the values from (16) and value of  $d_1$  from (14) to the right-hand side of (15), we have

$$4 \left| d_1 c_1 c_3 + d_2 c_2^2 \right| \leq \left| c_1^4 + 2(p + 2)^2 c_1 (4 - c_1^2) + 2c_1^2 (4 - c_1^2) |y| + \{ c_1^2 + 2(p + 2)^2 c_1 + 4(p + 1)(p + 3) \} (4 - c_1^2) |y|^2 \right|. \quad (17)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Consider} \quad \{ c_1^2 + 2(p + 2)^2 c_1 + 4(p + 1)(p + 3) \} &= \\ = \left[ \{ c_1 + (p + 2)^2 \}^2 - (\sqrt{p^4 + 8p^3 + 20p^2 + 16p + 4})^2 \right] &= \\ = \left[ c_1 + \left\{ (p + 2)^2 + (\sqrt{p^4 + 8p^3 + 20p^2 + 16p + 4}) \right\} \right] \times \\ \times \left[ c_1 + \left\{ (p + 2)^2 - (\sqrt{p^4 + 8p^3 + 20p^2 + 16p + 4}) \right\} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Noting that  $(c_1 + a)(c_1 + b) \geq (c_1 - a)(c_1 - b)$ , where  $a, b \geq 0$ , and  $c_1 \in [0, 2]$  in the above expression, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \{c_1^2 + 2(p + 2)^2c_1 + 4(p + 1)(p + 3)\} &\geq \\ &\geq \{c_1^2 - 2(p + 2)^2c_1 + 4(p + 1)(p + 3)\}. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

From expressions (17) and (18), we get

$$\begin{aligned} 4|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_2^2| &\leq |c_1^4 + 2(p + 2)^2c_1(4 - c_1^2) + 2c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|y| + \\ &+ \{c_1^2 - 2(p + 2)^2c_1 + 4(p + 1)(p + 3)\}(4 - c_1^2)|y|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Choosing  $c_1 = c \in [0, 2]$ , replacing  $|y|$  by  $\mu$  on the right-hand side of (19), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 4|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_2^2| &\leq [c^4 + 2(p + 2)^2c(4 - c^2) + 2c^2(4 - c^2)\mu + \\ &+ \{c^2 - 2(p + 2)^2c + 4(p + 1)(p + 3)\}(4 - c^2)\mu^2] = \\ &= F(c, \mu), \quad 0 \leq \mu = |y| \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq c \leq 2. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Next, we maximize function  $F(c, \mu)$  on the closed region  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ . Differentiating  $F(c, \mu)$  given in the right-hand side of (20) partially with respect to  $\mu$ , we get

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} = 2 [c^2 + \{c^2 - 2(p + 2)^2c + 4(p + 1)(p + 3)\} \mu] (4 - c^2). \quad (21)$$

For  $0 < \mu < 1$ , for fixed  $c$  with  $0 < c < 2$  and  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ , from (21), we observe that  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} > 0$ . Therefore,  $F(c, \mu)$  becomes an increasing function of  $\mu$  and hence it cannot have a maximum value at any point in the interior of the closed region  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ . The maximum value of  $F(c, \mu)$  occurs on the boundary i.e., when  $\mu = 1$ . Therefore, for fixed  $c \in [0, 2]$ , we have

$$\max_{0 \leq \mu \leq 1} F(c, \mu) = F(c, 1) = G(c). \quad (22)$$

Replacing  $\mu$  by 1 in  $F(c, \mu)$ , it simplifies to

$$G(c) = -2c^4 - 4p(p + 4)c^2 + 16(p + 1)(p + 3), \quad (23)$$

$$G'(c) = -8c^3 - 8p(p + 4)c. \quad (24)$$

From (24), we observe that  $G'(c) \leq 0$  for every  $c \in [0, 2]$  with  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ . Consequently,  $G(c)$  becomes a decreasing function of  $c$ , whose maximum value occurs at  $c = 0$  only. From (23), the maximum value of  $G(c)$  at  $c = 0$  is obtained to be

$$G_{max} = G(0) = 16(p+1)(p+3). \quad (25)$$

Simplifying expressions (20) and (25), we get

$$\left| d_1 c_1 c_3 + d_2 c_2^2 \right| \leq 4(p+1)(p+3). \quad (26)$$

From relations (13) and (26), along with the value of  $t$  in (14), upon simplification, we obtain

$$|a_{p+1}a_{p+3} - a_{p+2}^2| \leq \left[ \frac{2p(1-\alpha)}{p+2} \right]^2. \quad (27)$$

By setting  $c_1 = c = 0$  and selecting  $y = 1$  in the expressions (7) and (9), we find that  $c_2 = 2$  and  $c_3 = 0$ , respectively. Substituting the values  $c_2 = 2$ ,  $c_3 = 0$ , and  $d_2 = -(p+1)(p+3)$  in (26), we observe that equality is attained, which shows that our result is sharp. For the values  $c_2 = 2$  and  $c_3 = 0$ , from (6) we derive the extremal function given by

$$g(z) = 1 + 2z^2 + 2z^4 + \dots = \frac{1+z^2}{1-z^2}.$$

So that from (10), we have

$$\frac{f'(z) - p\alpha z^{p-1}}{p(1-\alpha)z^{p-1}} = 1 + 2z^2 + 2z^4 + \dots = \frac{1+z^2}{1-z^2}.$$

This completes the proof of our Theorem.

**Remark 1.** If  $p = 1$  and  $\alpha = 0$  in (27) then  $|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{4}{9}$ ; this coincides with the result of Janteng et al. [7].

**Remark 2.** If  $p = 1$  in (27) then  $|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{4(1-\alpha)^2}{9}$ , this result is same as that of Vamshee Krishna and RamReddy [14].

**Remark 3.** If  $\alpha = 0$  in (27) then  $|a_{p+1}a_{p+3} - a_{p+2}^2| \leq \left[ \frac{2p}{p+2} \right]^2$ , this result coincides with the result obtained by Vamshee Krishna and RamReddy [15].

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