

Coefficient inequality for transforms of bounded turning functions

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Abstract

The objective of this paper is to obtain sharp upper bound for the second Hankel functional associated with the k^{th} root transform $[f(z^k)]^{\frac{1}{k}}$ of normalized analytic function $f(z)$ when it belongs to bounded turning functions, defined on the open unit disc in the complex plane, with the help of Toeplitz determinants.

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1 Introduction

Let A denote the class of analytic functions f of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (1.1)$$

defined in the open unit disc $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$, satisfying the conditions that $f(0) = 0$ and $f'(0) = 1$. Let S be the subclass of 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} Taylor coefficient is bounded by n (see [2]). The bounds for the coefficients of these functions give the information about their geometric properties. In particular, the growth and distortion properties of a normalized univalent function are determined by

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the bound of its second coefficient. The k^{th} root transform for the function f given in (1.1) is defined as

$$F(z) := [f(z^k)]^{\frac{1}{k}} = z + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{kn+1} z^{kn+1}. \quad (1.2)$$

Now, we introduce the Hankel determinant for the k^{th} root transform for the function f , for $q, n, k \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$, defined as

$$[H_q(n)]^{\frac{1}{k}} = \begin{vmatrix} b_{kn} & b_{kn+1} & \cdots & b_{k(n+q-2)+1} \\ b_{kn+1} & b_{k(n+1)+1} & \cdots & b_{k(n+q-1)+1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ b_{k(n+q-2)+1} & b_{k(n+q-1)+1} & \cdots & b_{k[n+2(q-1)-1]+1} \end{vmatrix} \quad (b_k = 1).$$

In particular for $k = 1$, the above determinant reduces to the Hankel determinant defined by Pommerenke [9] for the function f given in (1.1). For the values $q = 2, n = 1$ and $q = 2, n = 2$, the above Hankel determinant simplifies respectively to

$$\begin{aligned} [H_2(1)]^{\frac{1}{k}} &= \begin{vmatrix} b_k & b_{k+1} \\ b_{k+1} & b_{2k+1} \end{vmatrix} = b_{2k+1} - b_{k+1}^2 \\ \text{and } [H_2(2)]^{\frac{1}{k}} &= \begin{vmatrix} b_{2k} & b_{2k+1} \\ b_{2k+1} & b_{3k+1} \end{vmatrix} = b_{2k}b_{3k+1} - b_{2k+1}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

Ali et al. [1] obtained sharp bounds for the Fekete-Szegő functional denoted by $|b_{2k+1} - \mu b_{k+1}^2|$ associated with the k^{th} root transform $[f(z^k)]^{\frac{1}{k}}$ of the function f given in (1.1) and belonging to certain subclasses of S . We refer to $[H_2(2)]^{\frac{1}{k}}$ as the second Hankel determinant for the k^{th} root transform associated with the function f . In the present paper, we consider the Hankel determinant given by $[H_2(2)]^{\frac{1}{k}}$ and obtain sharp upper bound to the functional $|b_{k+1}b_{3k+1} - b_{2k+1}^2|$ for the k^{th} root transform of the function f when it belongs to certain subclass denoted by \mathfrak{R} of S , consisting of functions whose derivative has a positive real part, defined as follows.

Definition 1. Let f be given by (1.1). Then $f \in \mathfrak{R}$, if it satisfies the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} f'(z) > 0, \quad \forall z \in E.$$

The subclass \mathfrak{R} was introduced by Alexander in 1915 and a systematic study of properties of these functions was conducted by MacGregor [7] in 1962, who indeed referred to numerous earlier investigations involving functions whose derivative has a positive real part (also called Bounded turning functions).

Some preliminary Lemmas required for proving our result are as follows:

2 Preliminary Results

Let \mathcal{P} denote the class of functions consisting of p such that

$$p(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n, \quad (2.1)$$

which are analytic (regular) in the open unit disc E and satisfy $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$, for any $z \in E$. Here $p(z)$ is called a Carathéodory function [3].

Lemma 2 ([8], [10]). If $p \in \mathcal{P}$, then $|c_k| \leq 2$, for each $k \geq 1$ and the inequality is sharp for the function $\frac{1+z}{1-z}$.

Lemma 3 ([4]). The power series for $p(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n$ given in (2.1) converges in the open unit disc E to a function in \mathcal{P} if and only if the Toeplitz determinants

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

and $c_{-k} = \bar{c}_k$, are all non-negative. They are strictly positive except for $p(z) = \sum_{k=1}^m \rho_k p_0(e^{it_k} z)$, $\sum_{k=1}^m \rho_k = 1$, 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 (see [4]) is due to Caratheódory and Toeplitz. Without loss of generality, in view of Lemma 2, we consider $c_1 > 0$. On using Lemma 3, for $n = 2$ and $n = 3$ respectively, 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

$$2c_2 = c_1^2 + y(4 - c_1^2), \text{ for some complex value of } y \text{ with } |y| \leq 1. \quad (2.2)$$

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

Then $D_3 \geq 0$ is equivalent to

$$|(4c_3 - 4c_1 c_2 + c_1^3)(4 - c_1^2) + c_1(2c_2 - c_1^2)^2| \leq 2(4 - c_1^2)^2 - 2|(2c_2 - c_1^2)|^2. \quad (2.3)$$

Simplifying the relations (2.2) and (2.3), we obtain

$$4c_3 = \{c_1^3 + 2c_1(4 - c_1^2)y - c_1(4 - c_1^2)y^2 + 2(4 - c_1^2)(1 - |y|^2)\zeta\} \quad (2.4)$$

for some complex values y and ζ with $|y| \leq 1$ and $|\zeta| \leq 1$ respectively.

To obtain our main result, we refer to the classical method developed by Libera and Zlotkiewicz [6], which has been used widely (see [11, 12, 13, 14, 15]).

3 Main Result

Theorem 4. If $f \in \mathfrak{R}$ and F is the k^{th} root transformation of f given by (1.2) then

$$|b_{k+1} b_{3k+1} - b_{2k+1}^2| \leq \frac{4}{9k^2}$$

and the inequality is sharp.

Proof. For $f \in \mathfrak{R}$, by virtue of Definition 1, we have

$$f'(z) = p(z), \quad \forall z \in E. \quad (3.1)$$

Using the series representation for f and p in (3.1), upon simplification, we obtain

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{c_n}{n+1}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (3.2)$$

For the function f given in (1.1), on computing, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [f(z^k)]^{\frac{1}{k}} &= \left[z^k + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^{nk} \right]^{\frac{1}{k}} = z + \frac{1}{k} a_2 z^{k+1} + \left\{ \frac{1}{k} a_3 + \frac{(1-k)}{2k^2} a_2^2 \right\} z^{2k+1} \\ &+ \left\{ \frac{1}{k} a_4 + \frac{(1-k)}{k^2} a_2 a_3 + \frac{(1-k)(1-2k)}{6k^3} a_2^3 \right\} z^{3k+1} + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

From the equations (1.2) and (3.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} b_{k+1} &= \frac{1}{k} a_2 ; \quad b_{2k+1} = \frac{1}{k} a_3 + \frac{(1-k)}{2k^2} a_2^2 ; \\ b_{3k+1} &= \frac{1}{k} a_4 + \frac{(1-k)}{k^2} a_2 a_3 + \frac{(1-k)(1-2k)}{6k^3} a_2^3. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Simplifying the expressions (3.2) and (3.4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} b_{k+1} &= \frac{c_1}{2k} ; \quad b_{2k+1} = \frac{c_2}{3k} - \frac{(k-1)}{8k^2} c_1^2 ; \\ b_{3k+1} &= \frac{c_3}{4k} - \frac{(k-1)}{6k^2} c_1 c_2 + \frac{(k-1)(2k-1)}{48k^3} c_1^3. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

Substituting the values of b_{k+1} , b_{2k+1} and b_{3k+1} from (3.5) in the functional $|b_{k+1}b_{3k+1} - b_{2k+1}^2|$, which simplifies to give

$$|b_{k+1}b_{3k+1} - b_{2k+1}^2| = \frac{1}{576k^4} |(72c_1c_3 - 64c_2^2)k^2 + 3(k^2 - 1)c_1^4|. \quad (3.6)$$

Substituting c_2 and c_3 values from (2.2) and (2.4) respectively, on the right-hand side of the expression (3.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 576k^4 |b_{k+1}b_{3k+1} - b_{2k+1}^2| &= \left| [72c_1 \times \frac{1}{4} \{c_1^3 + 2c_1(4 - c_1^2)y - c_1(4 - c_1^2)y^2 \right. \\ &\left. + 2(4 - c_1^2)(1 - |y|^2)\zeta\} - 64 \times \frac{1}{4} \{c_1^2 + y(4 - c_1^2)\}^2] k^2 + 3(k^2 - 1)c_1^4 \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Then applying the triangle inequality and using the fact $|\zeta| < 1$, will give

$$\begin{aligned} 576k^4 |b_{k+1}b_{3k+1} - b_{2k+1}^2| &\leq |(5k^2 - 3)c_1^4 + 36k^2c_1(4 - c_1^2) + 4k^2c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|y| \\ &\quad + 2(c_1 + 2)(c_1 + 16)k^2(4 - c_1^2)|y|^2|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

Choosing $c_1 = c \in [0, 2]$, noting that $(c_1 + a)(c_1 + b) \geq (c_1 - a)(c_1 - b)$, where $a, b \geq 0$, applying the triangle inequality and replacing $|y|$ by μ on the right-hand side of (3.7),

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 576k^4|b_{k+1}b_{3k+1} - b_{2k+1}^2| &\leq \left[(5k^2 - 3)c^4 + 36k^2c(4 - c^2) + 4k^2c^2(4 - c^2)\mu \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2(c - 2)(c - 16)k^2(4 - c^2)\mu^2 \right] \\ &= F(c, \mu), \text{ for } 0 \leq \mu = |y| \leq 1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Here } F(c, \mu) &= (5k^2 - 3)c^4 + 36k^2c(4 - c^2) + 4k^2c^2(4 - c^2)\mu \\ &\quad + 2(c - 2)(c - 16)k^2(4 - c^2)\mu^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

Next, we need to find the maximum value of the function $F(c, \mu)$ on the closed region $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$. For this, let us suppose that there exists a maximum value at any point (c, μ) in the interior of the closed region $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ for the function $F(c, \mu)$. Differentiating $F(c, \mu)$ in (3.9) partially with respect to μ , we get

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} = 4k^2\{c^2 + (c - 2)(c - 16)\mu\}(4 - c^2). \quad (3.10)$$

For $0 < \mu < 1$, for fixed c with $0 < c < 2$, from (3.10), we observe that $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} > 0$. Therefore, $F(c, \mu)$ becomes an increasing function of μ and hence it cannot have a maximum value at any point (c, μ) in the interior of the closed region $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$. The maximum value of $F(c, \mu)$ occurs on the boundary only i.e., when $\mu = 1$. Therefore, for fixed $c \in [0, 2]$, we have

$$\max_{0 \leq \mu \leq 1} F(c, \mu) = F(c, 1) = G(c). \quad (3.11)$$

In view of (3.11), replacing μ by 1 in (3.9), we get

$$G(c) = -(k^2 + 3)c^4 - 40k^2c^2 + 256k^2, \quad (3.12)$$

$$G'(c) = -4(k^2 + 3)c^3 - 80k^2c. \quad (3.13)$$

From the expression (3.13), we observe that $G'(c) \leq 0$ for all values of c in the interval $[0, 2]$ and for every k . Therefore, $G(c)$ is a monotonically decreasing function of c in the interval $[0, 2]$ and hence it attains the maximum value at $c = 0$ only. From (3.12), the maximum value $G(c)$ at $c = 0$ is given by

$$\max_{0 \leq c \leq 2} G(0) = 256k^2. \quad (3.14)$$

Simplifying the relations (3.8) and (3.14), we obtain

$$|b_{k+1}b_{3k+1} - b_{2k+1}^2| \leq \frac{4}{9k^2}. \quad (3.15)$$

Choosing $c_1 = c = 0$ and selecting $y = 1$ in (2.2) and (2.4), we find that $c_2 = 2$ and $c_3 = 0$. Substituting the values $c_2 = 2$ and $c_1 = c_3 = 0$ in (3.5) and the obtained values in (3.15), we see that equality is attained, which shows that our result is sharp. For these values, from (2.1), we can derive

$$p(z) = 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^{2n} = \frac{1 + z^2}{1 - z^2}. \quad (3.16)$$

Therefore, in this case the extremal function is

$$f'(z) = 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^{2n}.$$

This completes the proof of our Theorem. \square

Remark 5. By choosing $k = 1$ in (3.15), the result coincides with that of Janteng et al. [5].

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