

# Hankel determinant for starlike and convex functions of order alpha

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## Abstract

The objective of this paper is to obtain an upper bound to the second Hankel determinant  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2|$  for starlike and convex functions of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ), also for the inverse function of  $f$ , belonging to the class of convex functions of order  $\alpha$ , using Toeplitz determinants.

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## 1 Introduction

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

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

in the open unit disc  $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . Let  $S$  be the subclass of  $A$ , consisting of univalent functions. In 1976, Noonan and Thomas [15] defined the  $q^{th}$  Hankel determinant of  $f$  for  $q \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 1$  as

$$H_q(n) = \begin{vmatrix} a_n & a_{n+1} & \cdots & a_{n+q-1} \\ a_{n+1} & a_{n+2} & \cdots & a_{n+q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n+q-1} & a_{n+q} & \cdots & a_{n+2q-2} \end{vmatrix}. \quad (1.2)$$

This determinant has been considered by several authors in the literature. For example, Noor [16] determined the rate of growth of  $H_q(n)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for the functions in  $S$  with bounded boundary. Ehrenborg [5] studied the Hankel determinant of exponential polynomials. The Hankel transform of an integer sequence and some of its properties were discussed by Layman in [11]. 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  $\mu$  real and  $f \in S$ . Ali [3] 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  $f$  defined as  $f^{-1}(w) = w + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \gamma_n w^n$  to the class of strongly starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ) denoted by  $\widetilde{ST}(\alpha)$ . For our discussion in this paper, we consider the Hankel determinant in the case of  $q = 2$  and  $n = 2$ , known as the second Hankel determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{vmatrix} = |a_2a_4 - a_3^2|. \quad (1.3)$$

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Janteng, Halim and Darus [10] have considered the functional  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2|$  and found a sharp bound for the function  $f$  in the subclass RT of S, consisting of functions whose derivative has a positive real part studied by Mac Gregor [12]. In their work, they have shown that if  $f \in \text{RT}$  then  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{4}{9}$ . These authors [9] also obtained the second Hankel determinant and sharp bounds for the familiar subclasses of S, namely, starlike and convex functions denoted by ST and CV and shown that  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq 1$  and  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8}$  respectively. Mishra and Gochhayat [13] have obtained the sharp bound to the non-linear functional  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2|$  for the class of analytic functions denoted by  $R_\lambda(\alpha, \rho)$  ( $0 \leq \rho \leq 1, 0 \leq \lambda < 1, |\alpha| < \frac{\pi}{2}$ ), defined as  $\text{Re} \left\{ e^{i\alpha} \frac{\Omega_z^\lambda f(z)}{z} \right\} > \rho \cos \alpha$ , using the fractional differential operator denoted by  $\Omega_z^\lambda$ , defined by Owa and Srivastava [17]. These authors have shown that, if  $f \in R_\lambda(\alpha, \rho)$  then  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \left\{ \frac{(1-\rho)^2(2-\lambda)^2(3-\lambda)^2 \cos^2 \alpha}{9} \right\}$ . Similarly, the same coefficient inequality was calculated for certain subclasses of analytic functions by many authors ([14], [4], [1]).

Motivated by the above mentioned results obtained by different authors in this direction, in this paper, we obtain an upper bound to the functional  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2|$  for the function  $f$  belonging to the classes starlike and convex functions of order  $\alpha$ , denoted by  $ST(\alpha)$  and  $CV(\alpha)$ , defined as follows.

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $f$  be given by (1.1). Then  $f \in ST(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ ), if and only if

$$\text{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} \geq \alpha, \quad \forall z \in E. \quad (1.4)$$

It is observed that for  $\alpha = 0$ , we obtain  $ST(0) = ST$ . It follows that  $ST(\alpha) \subset ST$ , for  $(0 \leq \alpha < 1)$ ,  $ST(1) = z$  and  $ST(\alpha) \subseteq ST(\beta)$ , for  $\alpha \geq \beta$ . Robertson [19] obtained that if  $f \in ST(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ ), then

$$|a_n| \leq \left[ \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \prod_{k=2}^n (k-2\alpha) \right], \text{ for } n = 2, 3, \dots \quad (1.5)$$

The inequality in (1.5) is sharp for the function  $s_\alpha(z) = \left\{ \frac{z}{(1-z)^{2(1-\alpha)}} \right\}$ , for every integer  $n \geq 2$ .

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $f$  be given by (1.1). Then  $f \in CV(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ ), if and only if

$$\text{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} \geq \alpha, \quad \forall z \in E. \quad (1.6)$$

Choosing  $\alpha = 0$ , we get  $CV(0) = CV$ . It is observed that the sets  $ST(\alpha)$  and  $CV(\alpha)$  become smaller as the value of  $\alpha$  increases [6]. Further, from the Definitions 1.1 and 1.2, we observe that, there exists an Alexander type Theorem [2], which relates the classes  $ST(\alpha)$  and  $CV(\alpha)$ , stated as follows.

$$f \in CV(\alpha) \Leftrightarrow zf' \in ST(\alpha).$$

We first state some preliminary Lemmas required for proving our results.

## 2 Preliminary Results

Let  $P$  denote the class of functions  $p$  analytic in  $E$ , for which  $\text{Re}\{p(z)\} > 0$ ,

$$p(z) = (1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + c_3z^3 + \dots) = \left[ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n \right], \forall z \in E. \quad (2.1)$$

**Lemma 2.1.** ([18]) If  $p \in P$ , then  $|c_k| \leq 2$ , for each  $k \geq 1$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** ([7]) The power series for  $p$  given in (2.1) converges in the unit disc  $\mathbb{E}$  to a function in  $P$  if and only if the Toeplitz determinants

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

and  $c_{-k} = \bar{c}_k$ , are all non-negative. These are strictly positive except for  $p(z) = \sum_{k=1}^m \rho_k p_0(\exp(it_k)z)$ ,  $\rho_k > 0$ ,  $t_k$  real and  $t_k \neq t_j$ , for  $k \neq j$ ; in this case  $D_n > 0$  for  $n < (m - 1)$  and  $D_n = 0$  for  $n \geq m$ . This necessary and sufficient condition is due to Caratheodory and Toeplitz can be found in [7]. We may assume without restriction that  $c_1 > 0$ . On using Lemma 2.2, for  $n = 2$  and  $n = 3$  respectively, we get

$$D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & c_1 & c_2 \\ \bar{c}_1 & 2 & c_1 \\ \bar{c}_2 & \bar{c}_1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = [8 + 2Re\{c_1^2 c_2\} - 2|c_2|^2 - 4c_1^2] \geq 0,$$

which is equivalent to

$$2c_2 = \{c_1^2 + x(4 - c_1^2)\}, \quad \text{for some } x, \quad |x| \leq 1. \tag{2.2}$$

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

Then  $D_3 \geq 0$  is equivalent to

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

From the relations (2.2) and (2.3), after simplifying, we get

$$4c_3 = \{c_1^3 + 2c_1(4 - c_1^2)x - c_1(4 - c_1^2)x^2 + 2(4 - c_1^2)(1 - |x|^2)z\} \tag{2.4}$$

for some real value of  $z$ , with  $|z| \leq 1$ .

### 3 Main Results

**Theorem 3.1.** If  $f(z) \in ST(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ), then

$$|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| \leq (1 - \alpha)^2.$$

**Proof.** Since  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in ST(\alpha)$ , from the Definition 1.1, there exists an analytic function  $p \in P$  in the unit disc  $\mathbb{E}$  with  $p(0) = 1$  and  $Re\{p(z)\} > 0$  such that

$$\left\{ \frac{zf'(z) - \alpha f(z)}{(1 - \alpha)f(z)} \right\} \Leftrightarrow \{zf'(z) - \alpha f(z)\} = \{(1 - \alpha)f(z)p(z)\}. \tag{3.1}$$

Replacing  $f(z)$ ,  $f'(z)$  and  $p(z)$  with their equivalent series expressions in (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ z \left\{ 1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n a_n z^{n-1} \right\} - \alpha \left\{ z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \right\} \right] \\ & = (1 - \alpha) \left[ \left\{ z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \right\} \times \left\{ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n \right\} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Upon simplification, we obtain

$$[a_2 z + 2a_3 z^2 + 3a_4 z^3 + \dots] = (1 - \alpha)[c_1 z + (c_2 + c_1 a_2) z^2 + (c_3 + c_2 a_2 + c_1 a_3) z^3 + \dots] \quad (3.2)$$

Equating the coefficients of like powers of  $z$ ,  $z^2$  and  $z^3$  respectively in (3.2), after simplifying, we get

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 &= (1 - \alpha)c_1; a_3 = \frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} \{c_2 + (1 - \alpha)c_1^2\}; \\ a_4 &= \frac{(1 - \alpha)}{6} \{2c_3 + 3(1 - \alpha)c_1 c_2 + (1 - \alpha)^2 c_1^3\} \quad (3.3) \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the values of  $a_2$ ,  $a_3$  and  $a_4$  from (3.3) in the second Hankel determinant  $|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2|$  for the function  $f \in ST(\alpha)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| &= \left| (1 - \alpha)c_1 \times \frac{(1 - \alpha)}{6} \{2c_3 + 3(1 - \alpha)c_1 c_2 + (1 - \alpha)^2 c_1^3\} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{(1 - \alpha)^2}{4} \{c_2 + (1 - \alpha)c_1^2\}^2 \right|. \end{aligned}$$

After simplifying, we get

$$|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| = \frac{(1 - \alpha)^2}{12} \times |4c_1 c_3 - 3c_2^2 - (1 - \alpha)^2 c_1^4|. \quad (3.4)$$

Substituting the values of  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  from (2.2) and (2.4) respectively from Lemma 2.2 in the right hand side of (3.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |4c_1 c_3 - 3c_2^2 - (1 - \alpha)^2 c_1^4| = \\ & \left| 4c_1 \times \frac{1}{4} \{c_1^3 + 2c_1(4 - c_1^2)x - c_1(4 - c_1^2)x^2 + 2(4 - c_1^2)(1 - |x|^2)z\} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - 3 \times \frac{1}{4} \{c_1^2 + x(4 - c_1^2)\}^2 - (1 - \alpha)^2 c_1^4 \right| \end{aligned}$$

Using the facts that  $|z| < 1$  and  $|xa + yb| \leq |x||a| + |y||b|$ , where  $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, after simplifying, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 4|4c_1 c_3 - 3c_2^2 - (1 - \alpha)^2 c_1^4| &\leq |(-4\alpha^2 + 8\alpha - 3)c_1^4 + 8c_1(4 - c_1^2) + \\ & \quad 2c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|x| - (c_1 + 2)(c_1 + 6)(4 - c_1^2)|x|^2|. \quad (3.5) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $c_1 \in [0, 2]$ , using the result  $(c_1 + a)(c_1 + b) \geq (c_1 - a)(c_1 - b)$ , where  $a, b \geq 0$  in the right hand side of (3.5), upon simplification, we obtain

$$4 |4c_1c_3 - 3c_2^2 - (1 - \alpha)^2c_1^4| \leq |(-4\alpha^2 + 8\alpha - 3)c_1^4 + 8c_1(4 - c_1^2) + 2c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|x| - (c_1 - 2)(c_1 - 6)(4 - c_1^2)|x|^2| \quad (3.6)$$

Choosing  $c_1 = c \in [0, 2]$ , applying Triangle inequality and replacing  $|x|$  by  $\mu$  in the right hand side of (3.6), we get

$$4 |4c_1c_3 - 3c_2^2 - (1 - \alpha)^2c_1^4| \leq [(4\alpha^2 - 8\alpha + 3)c^4 + 8c(4 - c^2) + 2c^2(4 - c^2)\mu + (c - 2)(c - 6)(4 - c^2)\mu^2] = F(c, \mu) \text{ (say)}, \quad \text{with } 0 \leq \mu = |x| \leq 1. \quad (3.7)$$

Where

$$F(c, \mu) = [(4\alpha^2 - 8\alpha + 3)c^4 + 8c(4 - c^2) + 2c^2(4 - c^2)\mu + (c - 2)(c - 6)(4 - c^2)\mu^2]. \quad (3.8)$$

We next maximize the function  $F(c, \mu)$  on the closed square  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ . Differentiating  $F(c, \mu)$  in (3.8) partially with respect to  $\mu$ , we get

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} = 2 [c^2 + (c - 2)(c - 6)\mu] \times (4 - c^2). \quad (3.9)$$

For  $0 < \mu < 1$ , for fixed  $c$  with  $0 < c < 2$ , from (3.9), we observe that  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} > 0$ . Consequently,  $F(c, \mu)$  is an increasing function of  $\mu$  and hence it cannot have a maximum value at any point in the interior of the closed square  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ .

Moreover, for fixed  $c \in [0, 2]$ , we have

$$\max_{0 \leq \mu \leq 1} F(c, \mu) = F(c, 1) = G(c) \text{ (say)}. \quad (3.10)$$

From the relations (3.8) and (3.10), upon simplification, we obtain

$$G(c) = \{4\alpha(\alpha - 2)c^4 + 48\}. \quad (3.11)$$

$$G'(c) = \{16\alpha(\alpha - 2)c^3\}. \quad (3.12)$$

From the expression (3.12), we observe that  $G'(c) \leq 0$  for all values of  $0 \leq c \leq 2$  and  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \frac{1}{2}$ . Therefore,  $G(c)$  is a monotonically decreasing function of  $c$  in the interval  $[0, 2]$  so that its maximum value occurs at  $c = 0$ . From (3.11), we obtain

$$\max_{0 \leq c \leq 2} G(0) = 48. \quad (3.13)$$

From the expressions (3.7) and (3.13), after simplifying, we get

$$|4c_1c_3 - 3c_2^2 - (1 - \alpha)^2c_1^4| \leq 12. \quad (3.14)$$

From the expressions (3.4) and (3.14), upon simplification, we obtain

$$|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq (1 - \alpha)^2. \quad (3.15)$$

This completes the proof of our Theorem 3.1.

**Remark.** For the choice of  $\alpha = 0$ , we get  $ST(0) = ST$ , for which, from (3.15), we get  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq 1$ . This inequality is sharp and coincides with that of Janteng, Halim and Darus [9].

**Theorem 3.2.** If  $f(z) \in CV(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ ), then

$$|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \left[ \frac{(1-\alpha)^2(17\alpha^2 - 36\alpha + 36)}{144(\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2)} \right].$$

**Proof.** Since  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in CV(\alpha)$ , from the Definition 1.2, there exists an analytic function  $p \in P$  in the unit disc  $E$  with  $p(0) = 1$  and  $\text{Re}\{p(z)\} > 0$  such that

$$\left\{ \frac{\{f'(z) + zf''(z)\} - \alpha f'(z)}{(1-\alpha)f'(z)} \right\} = p(z) \\ \Leftrightarrow \{(1-\alpha)f'(z) + zf''(z)\} = \{(1-\alpha)f'(z)p(z)\}. \quad (3.16)$$

Replacing  $f'(z)$ ,  $f''(z)$  and  $p(z)$  with their equivalent series expressions in (3.16), we have

$$\left[ (1-\alpha) \left\{ 1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n a_n z^{n-1} \right\} + z \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n z^{n-2} \right\} \right] \\ = \left[ (1-\alpha) \left\{ 1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n a_n z^{n-1} \right\} \times \left\{ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n \right\} \right].$$

Upon simplification, we obtain

$$[2a_2z + 6a_3z^2 + 12a_4z^3 + \dots] \\ = (1-\alpha)[c_1z + (c_2 + 2c_1a_2)z^2 + (c_3 + 2c_2a_2 + 3c_1a_3)z^3 + \dots]. \quad (3.17)$$

Equating the coefficients of like powers of  $z$ ,  $z^2$  and  $z^3$  respectively in (3.17), after simplifying, we get

$$[a_2 = \frac{(1-\alpha)}{2}c_1; a_3 = \frac{(1-\alpha)}{6}\{c_2 + (1-\alpha)c_1^2\}; \\ a_4 = \frac{(1-\alpha)}{24}\{2c_3 + 3(1-\alpha)c_1c_2 + (1-\alpha)^2c_1^3\}] \quad (3.18)$$

Substituting the values of  $a_2$ ,  $a_3$  and  $a_4$  from (3.18) in the second Hankel functional  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2|$  for the function  $f \in CV(\alpha)$ , upon simplification, we obtain

$$|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| = \frac{(1-\alpha)^2}{144} \times |6c_1c_3 - 4c_2^2 + (1-\alpha)c_1^2c_2 - (1-\alpha)^2c_1^4|. \quad (3.19)$$

Applying the same procedure as described in Theorem 3.1, we get

$$2|6c_1c_3 - 4c_2^2 + (1-\alpha)c_1^2c_2 - (1-\alpha)^2c_1^4| \leq |(3\alpha - 2\alpha^2)c_1^4 \\ + 6c_1(4 - c_1^2) + (3 - \alpha)c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|x| - (c_1 + 2)(c_1 + 4)(4 - c_1^2)|x|^2|. \quad (3.20)$$

Since  $c_1 \in [0, 2]$ , using the result  $(c_1 + a)(c_1 + b) \geq (c_1 - a)(c_1 - b)$ , where  $a, b \geq 0$  in the right hand side of (3.20), upon simplification, we obtain

$$2 |6c_1c_3 - 4c_2^2 + (1 - \alpha)c_1^2c_2 - (1 - \alpha)^2c_1^4| \leq |(3\alpha - 2\alpha^2)c_1^4 + 6c_1(4 - c_1^2) + (3 - \alpha)c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|x| - (c_1 - 2)(c_1 - 4)(4 - c_1^2)|x|^2|. \quad (3.21)$$

Applying the same procedure as described in Theorem 3.1, we obtain

$$2 |6c_1c_3 - 4c_2^2 + (1 - \alpha)c_1^2c_2 - (1 - \alpha)^2c_1^4| \leq [(3\alpha - 2\alpha^2)c_1^4 + 6c(4 - c^2) + (3 - \alpha)c^2(4 - c^2)\mu + (c - 2)(c - 4)(4 - c^2)\mu^2] = F(c, \mu)(say), \quad \text{with } 0 \leq \mu = |x| \leq 1. \quad (3.22)$$

Where

$$F(c, \mu) = [(3\alpha - 2\alpha^2)c_1^4 + 6c(4 - c^2) + (3 - \alpha)c^2(4 - c^2)\mu + (c - 2)(c - 4)(4 - c^2)\mu^2]. \quad (3.23)$$

We next maximize the function  $F(c, \mu)$  on the closed square  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ . Differentiating  $F(c, \mu)$  in (3.23) partially with respect to  $\mu$ , we get

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} = [(3 - \alpha)c^2 + 2(c - 2)(c - 4)\mu] \times (4 - c^2). \quad (3.24)$$

For  $0 < \mu < 1$ , for fixed  $c$  with  $0 < c < 2$  and for  $(0 \leq \alpha \leq 1)$ , from (3.24), we observe that  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} > 0$ . Consequently,  $F(c, \mu)$  is an increasing function of  $\mu$  and hence it cannot have a maximum value at any point in the interior of the closed square  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ .

Moreover, for fixed  $c \in [0, 2]$ , we have

$$\max_{0 \leq \mu \leq 1} F(c, \mu) = F(c, 1) = G(c)(say). \quad (3.25)$$

In view of the expression (3.25), replacing  $\mu$  by 1 in (3.23), after simplifying, we get

$$G(c) = 2 \{ -(\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2)c^4 + 2(2 - \alpha)c^2 + 16 \}. \quad (3.26)$$

$$G'(c) = 2 \{ -4(\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2)c^3 + 4(2 - \alpha)c \}. \quad (3.27)$$

$$G''(c) = 2 \{ -12(\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2)c^2 + 4(2 - \alpha) \}. \quad (3.28)$$

For Optimum value of  $G(c)$ , consider  $G'(c) = 0$ . From (3.27), we get

$$-8c \{ (\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2)c^2 - (2 - \alpha) \} = 0. \quad (3.29)$$

We now discuss the following Cases.

**Case 1)** If  $c = 0$ , then, from (3.28), we obtain

$$G''(c) = \{ 8(2 - \alpha) \} > 0, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \alpha < 1.$$

From the second derivative test,  $G(c)$  has minimum value at  $c = 0$ .

**Case 2)** If  $c \neq 0$ , then, from (3.29), we get

$$c^2 = \left\{ \frac{(2 - \alpha)}{(\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2)} \right\}. \quad (3.30)$$

Using the value of  $c^2$  given in (3.30) in (3.28), after simplifying, we obtain

$$G''(c) = -\{16(2 - \alpha)\} < 0, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \alpha < 1.$$

By the second derivative test,  $G(c)$  has maximum value at  $c$ , where  $c^2$  given in (3.30). Using the value of  $c^2$  given by (3.30) in (3.26), upon simplification, we obtain

$$\max_{0 \leq c \leq 2} G(c) = 2 \left[ \frac{(17\alpha^2 - 36\alpha + 36)}{(\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2)} \right]. \quad (3.31)$$

Considering, the maximum value of  $G(c)$  at  $c$ , where  $c^2$  is given by (3.30), from (3.22) and (3.31), after simplifying, we get

$$|6c_1c_3 - 4c_2^2 + (1 - \alpha)c_1^2c_2 - (1 - \alpha)^2c_1^4| \leq \left[ \frac{(17\alpha^2 - 36\alpha + 36)}{(\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2)} \right]. \quad (3.32)$$

From the expressions (3.19) and (3.32), we obtain

$$|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \left[ \frac{(1 - \alpha)^2(17\alpha^2 - 36\alpha + 36)}{144(\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2)} \right]. \quad (3.33)$$

This completes the proof of our Theorem 3.2.

**Remark.** Choosing  $\alpha = 0$ , we have  $CV(0) = CV$ , for which, from (3.33), we get  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8}$ . This inequality is sharp and coincides with that of Janteng, Halim and Darus [9].

**Theorem 3.3.** If  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in CV(\alpha)$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < \frac{2}{5}$ ) and  $f^{-1}(w) = w + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} t_n w^n$  near  $w = 0$ , is the inverse function of  $f$ , then

$$|t_2t_4 - t_3^2| \leq \left[ \frac{(57\alpha^2 - 84\alpha + 36)}{288} \right].$$

**Proof.** Since  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in CV(\alpha)$ , from the definition of inverse function of  $f$ , we have

$$w = f \{f^{-1}(w)\}. \quad (3.34)$$

Using the expression for  $f(z)$ , the relation (3.34) is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} w = f \{f^{-1}(w)\} &= \left[ f^{-1}(w) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \{f^{-1}(w)\}^n \right] \\ &= \left[ \{f^{-1}(w)\} + a_2 \{f^{-1}(w)\}^2 + a_3 \{f^{-1}(w)\}^3 + \dots \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.35)$$

Using the expression for  $f^{-1}(w)$  in (3.35), we have

$$w = \{(w + t_2w^2 + t_3w^3 + \dots) + a_2(w + t_2w^2 + t_3w^3 + \dots)^2 + a_3(w + t_2w^2 + t_3w^3 + \dots)^3 + a_4(w + t_2w^2 + t_3w^3 + \dots)^4 + \dots\}.$$

Upon simplification, we obtain

$$\{(t_2 + a_2)w^2 + (t_3 + 2a_2t_2 + a_3)w^3 + (t_4 + 2a_2t_3 + a_2t_2^2 + 3a_3t_2 + a_4)w^4 + \dots\} = 0. \quad (3.36)$$

Equating the coefficients of like powers of  $w^2$ ,  $w^3$  and  $w^4$  on both sides of (3.36) respectively, we have

$$\{(t_2 + a_2) = 0; (t_3 + 2a_2t_2 + a_3) = 0; (t_4 + 2a_2t_3 + a_2t_2^2 + 3a_3t_2 + a_4) = 0\}.$$

After simplifying, we get

$$\{t_2 = -a_2; t_3 = \{-a_3 + 2a_2^2\}; t_4 = \{-a_4 + 5a_2a_3 + -5a_2^2\}\}. \quad (3.37)$$

Using the values of  $a_2$ ,  $a_3$  and  $a_4$  in (3.18) along with (3.37), upon simplification, we obtain

$$\{t_2 = -\frac{(1-\alpha)c_1}{2}; t_3 = -\frac{(1-\alpha)}{6} \{c_2 - 2(1-\alpha)c_1^2\}; t_4 = -\frac{(1-\alpha)}{24} \{2c_3 - 7(1-\alpha)c_1c_2 + 6(1-\alpha)^2c_1^3\}\} \quad (3.38)$$

Substituting the values of  $t_2$ ,  $t_3$  and  $t_4$  from (3.38) in the second Hankel functional  $|t_2t_4 - t_3^2|$  for the inverse function  $f \in CV(\alpha)$ , after simplifying, we get

$$|t_2t_4 - t_3^2| = \frac{(1-\alpha)^2}{144} \times |6c_1c_3 - 5(1-\alpha)c_1^2c_2 - 4c_2^2 + 2(1-\alpha)^2c_1^4|. \quad (3.39)$$

Substituting the values of  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  from (2.2) and (2.4) respectively from Lemma 2.2 in the right hand side of (3.39), using the same procedure as described in Theorem 3.1, upon simplification, we obtain

$$2|6c_1c_3 - 5(1-\alpha)c_1^2c_2 - 4c_2^2 + 2(1-\alpha)^2c_1^4| \leq |-(3\alpha - 4\alpha^2)c_1^4 + 6c_1(4 - c_1^2) + (3 - 5\alpha)c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|x| - (c_1 + 2)(c_1 + 4)(4 - c_1^2)|x|^2|. \quad (3.40)$$

Since  $c_1 \in [0, 2]$ , using the result  $(c_1 + a)(c_1 + b) \geq (c_1 - a)(c_1 - b)$ , where  $a, b \geq 0$  in the right hand side of (3.40), applying the same procedure as described in Theorem 3.1, after simplifying, we get

$$2|6c_1c_3 - 5(1-\alpha)c_1^2c_2 - 4c_2^2 + 2(1-\alpha)^2c_1^4| \leq [(3\alpha - 4\alpha^2)c^4 + 6c(4 - c^2) + (3 - 5\alpha)c^2(4 - c^2)\mu - (c - 2)(c - 4)(4 - c^2)\mu^2] = F(c, \mu) \text{ (say), with } 0 \leq \mu = |x| \leq 1. \quad (3.41)$$

Where

$$F(c, \mu) = [(3\alpha - 4\alpha^2)c^4 + 6c(4 - c^2) + (3 - 5\alpha)c^2(4 - c^2)\mu + (c - 2)(c - 4)(4 - c^2)\mu^2]. \quad (3.42)$$

We next maximize the function  $F(c, \mu)$  on the closed square  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ . Differentiating  $F(c, \mu)$  in (3.42) partially with respect to  $\mu$ , we obtain

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} = [(3 - 5\alpha)c^2 + 2(c - 2)(c - 4)\mu] \times (4 - c^2). \quad (3.43)$$

For  $0 < \mu < 1$ , for fixed  $c$  with  $0 < c < 2$  and for  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ , from (3.43), we observe that  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} > 0$ . Consequently,  $F(c, \mu)$  is an increasing function of  $c$  and hence it cannot have a maximum value at any point in the interior of the closed square  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ . Moreover, for fixed  $c \in [0, 2]$ , we have

$$\max_{0 \leq \mu \leq 1} F(c, \mu) = F(c, 1) = G(c) \text{ (say)}. \quad (3.44)$$

Replacing  $\mu$  by 1 in (3.42), after simplifying, we get

$$G(c) = \{-4(1 - \alpha)^2 c^4 + 4(2 - 5\alpha)c^2 + 32\}. \quad (3.45)$$

$$G'(c) = \{-16(1 - \alpha)^2 c^3 + 8(2 - 5\alpha)c\}. \quad (3.46)$$

$$G''(c) = \{-48(1 - \alpha)^2 c^2 + 8(2 - 5\alpha)\}. \quad (3.47)$$

For maximum or minimum value of  $G(c)$ , consider  $G'(c) = 0$ . From (3.46), we get

$$-8c\{2(1 - \alpha)^2 c^2 - (2 - 5\alpha)\} = 0. \quad (3.48)$$

We now discuss the following Cases.

**Case 1)** If  $c = 0$ , then, from (3.47), we obtain

$$G''(c) = \{8(2 - 5\alpha)\} > 0, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \alpha < \frac{2}{5}.$$

From the second derivative test,  $G(c)$  has minimum value at  $c = 0$ .

**Case 2)** If  $c \neq 0$ , then, from (3.48), we get

$$c^2 = \left\{ \frac{(2 - 5\alpha)}{2(1 - \alpha)^2} \right\}. \quad (3.49)$$

Using the value of  $c^2$  given in (3.49) in (3.47), after simplifying, we obtain

$$G''(c) = -\{16(2 - 5\alpha)\} < 0, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \alpha < \frac{2}{5}.$$

By the second derivative test,  $G(c)$  has maximum value at  $c$ , where  $c^2$  given in (3.49). Using the value of  $c^2$  given by (3.49) in (3.45), upon simplification, we obtain

$$\max_{0 \leq c \leq 2} G(c) = \left[ \frac{(57\alpha^2 - 84\alpha + 36)}{(1 - \alpha)^2} \right]. \quad (3.50)$$

Considering, the maximum value of  $G(c)$  at  $c$ , where  $c^2$  is given by (3.49), from (3.41) and (3.50), after simplifying, we get

$$|6c_1 c_3 - 5(1 - \alpha)c_1^2 c_2 - 4c_2^2 + 2(1 - \alpha)^2 c_1^4| \leq \left[ \frac{(57\alpha^2 - 84\alpha + 36)}{2(1 - \alpha)^2} \right]. \quad (3.51)$$

From the expressions (3.39) and (3.51), upon simplification, we obtain

$$|t_2t_4 - t_3^2| \leq \left[ \frac{(57\alpha^2 - 84\alpha + 36)}{288} \right]. \quad (3.52)$$

This completes the proof of our Theorem 3.3.

**Remark.1** Choosing  $\alpha = 0$ , we get  $CV(0) = CV$ , class of convex functions, for which, from (3.52), we get  $|t_2t_4 - t_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8}$ .

**Remark.2** For the function  $f \in CV$ , we have  $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8}$  and  $|t_2t_4 - t_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8}$ . From these two results, we conclude that the upper bound to the second Hankel determinant of a convex function and its inverse is the same.

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