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## ON COEFFICIENT INEQUALITIES IN THE CLASS $\mathcal{I}$

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§0. Introduction. Let  $\Sigma$  denote the class of functions

$$f(z)=z+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}b_nz^{-n},$$

analytic and univalent in |z| > 1. In this paper we shall prove the following theorems.

Theorem 1. (i) If  $-1/3 \leq \lambda < 1$ , then

$$\operatorname{Re}\{b_{5}+b_{1}b_{3}+b_{2}^{2}+\lambda(2b_{3}+b_{1}^{2})\} \leq \frac{1}{3}(1+3\lambda^{2}-\lambda^{3}).$$

Equality occurs if and only if

$$f(z) = z \{ (1+3\lambda z^{-2}+3b_2 z^{-3}+3\lambda z^{-4}+z^{-6})^{2/3}+2(b_1-\lambda) z^{-2} \}^{1/2}$$

where  $b_2$  is real and  $|b_2| \leq (1/3) \min \{2+6\lambda, 2(1-\lambda)^{3/2}\}$ , with  $\arg(b_1-\lambda) = \pi \pmod{2\pi}$ and  $0 \leq |b_1-\lambda| \leq (1/2) \min \{ [(2+6\lambda)+3b_2]^{2/3}, [(2+6\lambda)-3b_2]^{2/3} \}$ , or with  $\arg(b_1-\lambda) = \pi/3$ ,  $-\pi/3 \pmod{2\pi}$  and  $0 \leq |b_1-\lambda| \leq (1/2) \min \{ [2(1-\lambda)^{3/2}+3b_2]^{2/3}, [2(1-\lambda)^{3/2}-3b_2]^{2/3} \}$ .

(ii) If  $1 \leq \lambda$ , then

$$\operatorname{Re}\{b_{5}+b_{1}b_{3}+b_{2}^{2}+\lambda(2b_{3}+b_{1}^{2})\} \leq \lambda.$$

Equality occurs if and only if

$$f(z) = z \{1 + 2b_1 z^{-2} + z^{-4}\}^{1/2}$$

where  $b_1$  is real and  $-1 \leq b_1 \leq 1$ .

THEOREM 2.

$$\operatorname{Re}\{b_4 + b_1 b_2\} \leq 2/5$$
.

Extremal functions must satisfy

$$f(z^2)^{5/2} - \frac{5}{2}b_1f(z^2)^{1/2} = z^5 + e^{i\theta}z^{-5}.$$

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Duren [2] proved the inequality in Theorem 1 (i) when  $\lambda=0$ . And Kubota [4] proved the inequality in Theorem 2 when  $b_1$  is real.

Our proofs depend on Schiffer's variational method [6], and our key lemmas are that the extremal functions omit the value 0 in |z| > 1, which are proved by making use of Bombieri's theorem [1].

## §1. Proof of Theorem 1.

1.1. Some LEMMAS. Firstly we assume that  $-1/3 \leq \lambda < 1$ .

LEMMA 1.1. Every extremal function f(z) omits the value 0 in |z| > 1.

*Proof.* Applying Schiffer's variational method to this problem, we find the associated quadratic differential

$$Q(w)dw^2 = w^2(w^2 - 2(b_1 - \lambda))dw^2$$

Assume first that  $b_1 - \lambda \neq 0$ . Put  $b_1 - \lambda = |b_1 - \lambda| e^{i\beta}$ . It is clear that the trajectories of  $Q(w)dw^2$  are symmetric with respect to the origin. Let  $\Delta$  denote the critical trajectories of  $Q(w)dw^2$ . Assume that  $\beta \neq n\pi/3$ . On the ray  $J_1 = \{ite^{i\beta/2}: 0 < t < \infty\}$ ,

$$\operatorname{Im} \{Q(ite^{i\beta/2})(d(ite^{i\beta/2}))^2\} = -t^2(t^2+2|b_1-\lambda|)\sin 3\beta(dt)^2 \neq 0.$$

Hence by Bombieri's theorem [1]  $\bar{J}_1$  meets a component of  $\Delta$  which goes through the origin only at the origin. The same fact is true for  $-J_1 = \{ite^{i\beta/2}: -\infty < t < 0\}$ . On  $J_2 = \{te^{i\beta/2}: 0 < t < (2|b_1-\lambda|)^{1/2}\}$ ,

$$\operatorname{Im} \{Q(te^{i\beta/2})(d(te^{i\beta/2}))^2\} = t^2(t^2 - 2|b_1 - \lambda|) \sin 3\beta(dt)^2 \neq 0.$$

Hence  $\bar{J}_2$  meets one component of  $\Delta$  at most at the origin and another component at most at the critical point  $(2(b_1-\lambda))^{1/2}$ . The similar fact holds for  $-J_2$ . On  $J_3 = \{te^{i\beta/2}: (2|b_1-\lambda|)^{1/2} < t < \infty\}$ ,

$$\operatorname{Im} \{Q(te^{i\beta/2})(d(te^{i\beta/2}))^2\} = t^2(t^2 - 2|b_1 - \lambda|) \sin 3\beta(dt)^2 \neq 0.$$

Hence  $\overline{J}_3$  meets  $\Delta$  at most at the critical point  $(2(b_1 - \lambda))^{1/2}$ , because three critical trajectories must meet at  $(2(b_1 - \lambda))^{1/2}$  with equal angles. The similar fact holds for  $-J_3$ . Furthermore, on the short segments  $J_{\alpha} = \{te^{i(\beta+\alpha)/2} : 0 < t < \varepsilon\}$ ,

$$\operatorname{Im} \{ Q(te^{i(\beta+\alpha)/2})(d(te^{i(\beta+\alpha)/2}))^2 \}$$
  
=  $t^2(t^2\sin(3\beta+3\alpha)-2|b_1-\lambda|\sin(3\beta+2\alpha))(dt)^2 \neq 0$ 

for all sufficiently small  $\alpha$  and  $\varepsilon$ . Thus none of the four trajectories which tend to the origin can be tangential along  $J_2$ . The same fact holds along  $-J_2$ . Hence by the fact that the four trajectories meet at the origin with equal

angles, we know that each of them remains in each of the quadrants divided by  $J_2+J_3$ ,  $J_1$ ,  $(-J_2)+(-J_3)$  and  $-J_1$ .

Assume that  $\beta = 0$ . Then

$$Q(w)dw^2 = w^2(w^2 - 2|b_1 - \lambda|)dw^2$$

In this case  $\Delta$  has three components and is symmetric with respect to the real axis. In the case of  $\beta = 2n\pi/3$ , the shape of  $\Delta$  is the rotated one of  $\Delta$  in the case of  $\beta = 0$ .

Assume that  $\beta = \pi$ . Then

$$Q(w)dw^2 = w^2(w^2 + 2|b_1 - \lambda|)dw^2$$
.

In this case  $\Delta$  has only one component and is symmetric with respect to the real axis. In the case of  $\beta = (2n+1)\pi/3$ , the shape of  $\Delta$  is the rotated one of  $\Delta$  in the case of  $\beta = \pi$ .

Now assume that  $b_1 - \lambda = 0$ . Then

$$Q(w)dw^2 = w^4 dw^2$$

In this case  $\Delta$  consists of six rays meeting at the origin with equal angles.

We denote the image of |z|=1 by the extremal function f(z) by  $\Gamma$ .  $\Gamma$  is on the trajectories of  $Q(w)dw^2$ . So  $\Gamma$  must be on  $\Delta$  and go through the origin, because the conformal centre

$$\frac{1}{2\pi}\int_0^{2\pi}f(e^{i\theta})d\theta=0.$$

This completes the proof.

We prepare two more lemmas. The next one is a special case of Jenkins' general coefficient theorem.

LEMMA 1.2. (Jenkins, e.g. [5, Theorem 8.12.]) Let

$$\psi(w) = w + a_2 w^{-2} + a_3 w^{-3} + a_4 w^{-4} + a_5 w^{-5} + \cdots$$

be univalent and admissible for the quadratic differential

$$Q(w)dw^{2} = (A_{0}w^{4} + A_{1}w^{3} + A_{2}w^{2} + A_{3}w)dw^{2}.$$

Then

 $\operatorname{Re}(A_{0}a_{5}+A_{1}a_{4}+A_{2}a_{3}+A_{3}a_{2}+A_{0}a_{2}^{2}) \leq 0.$ 

If equality holds, then

$$\frac{Q(\psi(w))}{Q(w)}\psi'(w)^2 \equiv 1.$$

LEMMA 1.3. If  $-1/3 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ , then

$$\operatorname{Re}\{b_{5}+b_{1}b_{3}+\lambda(2b_{3}+b_{1}^{2})\} \leq \frac{1}{3}(1+3\lambda^{2}-\lambda^{3})$$

for all odd functions f(z) in  $\Sigma$ . Equality occurs if and only if

$$f(z) = z \{ (1 + 3\lambda z^{-2} + 3\lambda z^{-4} + z^{-6})^{2/3} + 2(b_1 - \lambda) z^{-2} \}^{1/2}$$

with  $\arg(b_1 - \lambda) = \pi \pmod{2\pi}$  and  $0 \le |b_1 - \lambda| \le (1/2)(2 + 6\lambda)^{2/3}$ , or with  $\arg(b_1 - \lambda) = \pi/3$ ,  $-\pi/3 \pmod{2\pi}$  and  $0 \le |b_1 - \lambda| \le 2^{-1/3}(1 - \lambda)$ .

*Proof.* From any odd function  $f(z)=z+b_1z^{-1}+b_3z^{-3}+b_5z^{-5}+\cdots$  in  $\Sigma$ , we obtain the univalent function

$$f(z^{1/2})^2 = z + c_0 + c_1 z^{-1} + c_2 z^{-2} + \cdots$$

where  $c_1 = 2b_3 + b_1^2$  and  $c_2 = 2(b_5 + b_1b_3)$ . Hence

$$b_5 + b_1 b_3 + \lambda (2b_3 + b_1^2) = \frac{1}{2} (c_2 + 2\lambda c_1).$$

By this relation and Jenkins' results ([3], Lemma 3 and Corollary 10), we obtain the desired result.

1.2. SCHIFFER'S DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION. We denote the extremal function by

$$f(z) = z + b_1 z^{-1} + b_2 z^{-2} + b_3 z^{-3} + b_4 z^{-4} + b_5 + z^{-5} + \cdots$$

Put

(1)

$$\psi(w) = -f(-f^{-1}(w)) = w - 2b_2 w^{-2} - (2b_4 + 4b_1b_2)w^{-4} - 4b_2^2 w^{-5} + \cdots$$

Because  $\Gamma = f(|z|=1)$  is on the critical trajectories of the quadratic differential  $Q(w)dw^2 = w^2(w^2 - 2(b_1 - \lambda))dw^2$ , we have

$$\psi(w)^{2}(\psi(w)^{2}-2(b_{1}-\lambda))\psi'(w)^{2}=w^{2}(w^{2}-2(b_{1}-\lambda))\psi'$$

by making use of Lemma 1.2. Expanding the left hand side and comparing the coefficients, we have

$$b_4 + b_1 b_2 + \lambda b_2 = 0.$$

Hence the extremal function f(z) satisfies Schiffer's differential equation

$$f(z)^2(f(z)^2-2(b_1-\lambda))z^2f'(z)^2$$

$$=z^{6}+2\lambda z^{4}-(2b_{3}+b_{1}^{2})z^{2}-6\left(b_{5}+b_{1}b_{3}+b_{2}^{2}+\frac{2}{3}\lambda(2b_{3}+b_{1}^{2})\right)-(2\bar{b}_{3}+\bar{b}_{1}^{2})z^{-2}+2\lambda z^{-4}+z^{-6}.$$

We denote the right hand side by q(z). Then

$$q(z) \leq 0$$
 on  $|z| = 1$ .

1.3. Proof of Theorem 1(i). Suppose that  $b_1 - \lambda = 0$ . Then Schiffer's dif-

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ferential equation (1) becomes

$$f(z)^{4}z^{8}f'(z)^{2} = z^{6}q(z)$$
  
=  $\left[\prod_{j=1}^{6} (z - e^{i\alpha_{j}})\right]^{2} = [z^{6} + Az^{5} + Bz^{4} + Cz^{3} + Dz^{2} + Ez + F]^{2},$ 

by Lemma 1.1. Comparing coefficients, we have A=C=E=0,  $B=\lambda$ ,  $F^2=1$ ,  $DF=\lambda$ ,  $D=-b_3-\lambda^2$  and  $-3(b_5+b_1b_3+b_2^2+(2/3)\lambda(2b_3+b_1^2))=F+\lambda D$ . It follows that F=-1,  $D=-\lambda$  and  $b_3=\lambda-\lambda^2$  by the fact that  $q(z)\leq 0$  on |z|=1. Hence we have

$$b_5 + b_1 b_3 + b_2^2 + \lambda (2b_3 + b_1^2) = \frac{1}{3} (1 + 3\lambda^2 - \lambda^3)$$
.

And the extremal function w = f(z) must satisfy

$$w^{4}z^{8}(dw/dz)^{2} = [z^{6} + \lambda z^{4} - \lambda z^{2} - 1]^{2}$$
.

By solving this differential equation we have

$$w = z(1+3\lambda z^{-2}+3b_2 z^{-3}+3\lambda z^{-4}+z^{-6})^{1/3}$$

where  $b_2$  is real and  $|b_2| \leq (1/3) \min \{2+6\lambda, 2(1-\lambda)^{3/2}\}.$ 

Now assume that  $b_1 - \lambda \neq 0$  and put  $b_1 - \lambda = |b_1 - \lambda| e^{i\beta}$  as before.

Case a). Suppose that  $\beta = (2n+1)\pi/3$  and that  $\Gamma = f(|z|=1)$  contains both of critical points  $\pm (2(b_1-\lambda))^{1/2}$ . Then we know as above that

$$b_5 + b_1 b_3 + b_2^2 + \lambda (2b_3 + b_1^2) = \frac{1}{3} (1 + 3\lambda^2 - \lambda^3)$$

and that the extremal function must satisfy

$$w^{2}(w^{2}-2(b_{1}-\lambda))z^{8}(dw/dz)^{2}=[z^{6}+\lambda z^{4}-\lambda z^{2}-1]^{2}.$$

By solving this differential equation we have

$$w = z \{ (1 + 3\lambda z^{-2} + 3b_2 z^{-3} + 3\lambda z^{-4} + z^{-6})^{2/3} + 2(b_1 - \lambda) z^{-2} \}^{1/2}$$

where  $b_2$  is real and  $|b_2| \leq (1/3) \min\{2+6\lambda, 2(1-\lambda)^{3/2}\}$ , with  $\arg(b_1-\lambda) = \pi$ (mod.  $2\pi$ ) and  $0 < |b_1-\lambda| \leq (1/2) \min\{[(2+6\lambda)+3b_2]^{2/3}, [(2+6\lambda)-3b_2]^{2/3}\}$ , or with  $\arg(b_1-\lambda) = \pi/3$ ,  $-\pi/3$  (mod.  $2\pi$ ) and  $0 < |b_1-\lambda| \leq (1/2) \min\{[2(1-\lambda)^{3/2}+3b_2]^{2/3}, [2(1-\lambda)^{3/2}-3b_2]^{2/3}\}$ .

Case b). Suppose that  $\beta = (2n+1)\pi/3$  and  $\Gamma$  contains exactly one of the critical points  $\pm (2(b_1-\lambda))^{1/2}$ . Because q(-z)=q(z) we have

$$f(-z)^2(f(-z)^2 - 2(b_1 - \lambda))f'(-z)^2 = f(z)^2(f(z)^2 - 2(b_1 - \lambda))f'(z)^2 - 2(b_1 - \lambda))f'(z)^2 - 2(b_1 - \lambda)f'(z)^2 - 2(b_1$$

in |z| > 1. If  $f(z_0) = (2(b_1 - \lambda))^{1/2}$  for some  $z_0$ ,  $|z_0| > 1$ , then

$$f(-z_0)=0$$
 or  $f(-z_0)=-(2(b_1-\lambda))^{1/2}$ .

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By Lemma 1.1 we have  $f(-z_0) = -(2(b_1 - \lambda))^{1/2}$ . But this contradicts the assumption. Hence this case cannot occur.

Case c). Now suppose that  $\Gamma$  does not contain the critical points  $\pm (2(b_1 - \lambda))^{1/2}$ . By Lemma 1.1 and the fact that q(-z) = q(z) we can put

$$f(z)^{2}(f(z)^{2}-2(b_{1}-\lambda))z^{8}f'(z)^{2}=z^{6}q(z)$$
  
=[(z^{2}-e^{2i\alpha\_{1}})(z^{2}-e^{2i\alpha\_{2}})]^{2}(z^{2}-r^{2}e^{2i\alpha\_{3}})(z^{2}-r^{-2}e^{2i\alpha\_{3}})

for some real  $\alpha_j$  (j=1, 2, 3) and r>1. Putting w=f(z), we have

$$w(w^{2}-2(b_{1}-\lambda))^{1/2}dw$$
  
= $z^{-4}(z^{2}-e^{2i\alpha_{1}})(z^{2}-e^{2i\alpha_{2}})((z^{2}-r^{2}e^{2i\alpha_{3}})(z^{2}-r^{-2}e^{2i\alpha_{3}}))^{1/2}dz$ 

Hence

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$$= \int_{re^{i\alpha_{3}}}^{e^{i\alpha_{1}}} w(w^{2} - 2(b_{1} - \lambda))^{1/2} dw$$
$$= \int_{re^{i\alpha_{3}}}^{e^{i\alpha_{1}}} z^{-4} (z^{2} - e^{2i\alpha_{1}})(z^{2} - e^{2i\alpha_{2}})((z^{2} - r^{2}e^{2i\alpha_{3}})(z^{2} - r^{-2}e^{2i\alpha_{3}}))^{1/2} dz$$

and

$$\int_{-(2(b_1-\lambda))^{1/2}}^{f(-e^{i\alpha_1})} w(w^2 - 2(b_1 - \lambda))^{1/2} dw$$
  
= 
$$\int_{-re^{i\alpha_3}}^{-e^{i\alpha_1}} z^{-4}(z^2 - e^{2i\alpha_1})(z^2 - e^{2i\alpha_2})((z^2 - r^2 e^{2i\alpha_3})(z^2 - r^{-2} e^{2i\alpha_3}))^{1/2} dz.$$

The integrand in the right hand side is a single-valued odd function on the domain D, the complement of the slits  $(\infty, -re^{i\alpha_3})$ ,  $(-e^{i\alpha_3}/r, e^{i\alpha_3}/r)$  and  $(re^{i\alpha_3}, \infty)$ . Taking the integral path  $\gamma$  in D from  $re^{i\alpha_3}$  to  $e^{i\alpha_1}$  and  $-\gamma$  from  $-re^{i\alpha_3}$  to  $-e^{i\alpha_1}$ , it follows that

$$\int_{(2(b_1-\lambda))^{1/2}}^{f(e^{i\alpha_1})} w(w^2-2(b_1-\lambda))^{1/2} dw = \int_{-(2(b_1-\lambda))^{1/2}}^{f(-e^{i\alpha_1})} w(w^2-2(b_1-\lambda))^{1/2} dw .$$

Thus we have

$$\frac{1}{3}(f(e^{i\alpha_1})^2 - 2(b_1 - \lambda))^{3/2} = \frac{1}{3}(f(-e^{i\alpha_1})^2 - 2(b_1 - \lambda))^{3/2}.$$

Hence

$$f(e^{i\alpha_1}) = -f(-e^{i\alpha_1}).$$

By a similar calculation we also have

$$f(e^{i\alpha_2}) = -f(-e^{i\alpha_2}).$$

Hence  $\varGamma$  is symmetric with respect to the origin. So the extremal function

f(z) must be an odd function. This case is contained in Lemma 1.3. This completes the proof of Theorem 1 (i).

1.4. Proof of Theorem 1 (ii). It follows from Theorem 1 (i) that

 $\operatorname{Re}(b_5+b_1b_3+b_2^2+2b_3+b_1^2) \leq 1$ .

By making use of the inequality

$$\operatorname{Re}(2b_3+b_1^2) \leq 1$$

which is one of Grunsky's inequalities, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\operatorname{Re}\{b_{5}+b_{1}b_{3}+b_{2}^{2}+\lambda(2b_{3}+b_{1}^{2})\}\\ &=\operatorname{Re}(b_{5}+b_{1}b_{3}+b_{2}^{2}+2b_{3}+b_{1}^{2})+(\lambda-1)\operatorname{Re}(2b_{3}+b_{1}^{2})\\ &\leq 1+(\lambda-1)=\lambda\end{aligned}$$

for all  $\lambda \ge 1$ . Equality occurs only for the functions which satisfy  $\operatorname{Re}(2b_3+b_1^2)$ =1. These are

$$f(z) = z(1+2b_1z^{-2}+z^{-4})^{1/2}$$

where  $b_1$  is real and  $-1 \leq b_1 \leq 1$ . In fact these functions satisfy  $\operatorname{Re}\{b_5+b_1b_3+b_2^2+\lambda(2b_3+b_1^2)\}=\lambda$ . Hence we obtain the desired result.

## §2. Proof of Theorem 2.

2.1. A LEMMA. We start again the following

LEMMA 2.1. Every extremal function f(z) omits the value 0 in |z| > 1.

*Proof.* The associated quadratic differential of this problem is

$$Q(w)dw^2 = w(w^2 - b_1)dw^2$$

Take an extremal function  $f(z)=z+b_1z^{-1}+b_2z^{-2}+b_3z^{-3}+b_4z^{-4}+\cdots$ . We can put  $b_1=|b_1|e^{i\alpha}$  with  $0\leq \alpha<4\pi/5$  by rotation. The local structure of critical trajectories of  $Q(w)dw^2$  around the critical points  $0, (b_1)^{1/2}, -(b_1)^{1/2}$  and  $\infty$  is well known. Let us denote the critical trajectories of  $Q(w)dw^2$  by  $\Delta$ . If  $b_1=0$  then  $\Delta$  consists of five rays joining at the origin with equal angles. We suppose that  $b_1\neq 0$ .

Case a).  $\alpha = 0$ .  $\Delta$  is symmetric with respect to the real axis. Let J be the imaginary axis  $\{it: -\infty < t < \infty\}$ . Along J

$$\operatorname{Im}\{Q(w)dw^{2}\} = t(t^{2} + b_{1})(dt)^{2} \neq 0$$

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for  $t \neq 0$ . Hence by Bombieri's theorem  $\overline{f}$  meets the component of  $\Delta$  which goes through the origin only at the origin. So we can conclude that  $\Gamma = f(|z|=1)$  contains the origin because the conformal centre

$$\frac{1}{2\pi}\int_0^{2\pi}f(e^{i\theta})d\theta=0.$$

Case b).  $\alpha = \pi/5$ . Let  $J_1$  be  $\{te^{\pi i/10}: 0 < t < \infty\}$ . Along  $J_1$ 

$$\operatorname{Im}\{Q(w)dw^{2}\} = t(t^{2} - |b_{1}|)(dt)^{2} \neq 0$$

for  $t \neq |b_1|^{1/2}$ . Hence  $\overline{J}_1$  meets one component of  $\Delta$  at most at the origin and the other component at most at  $(b_1)^{1/2}$ . The similar fact holds along  $-J_1$ . Let  $J_2$  be  $\{ite^{\pi i/10}: 0 < t < \infty\}$ . Along  $J_2$ 

$$Q(w)dw^2 = -t(t^2 + |b_1|)(dt)^2$$

Hence  $J_2$  is an orthogonal trajectory and  $-J_2$  is a critical trajectory. Thus  $\Gamma$  passes through the origin by

$$\frac{1}{2\pi}\int_0^{2\pi}f(e^{i\theta})d\theta=0.$$

Case c).  $0 < \alpha < \pi/5$  or  $\pi/5 < \alpha < 2\pi/5$ . Let  $J_1$  be  $\{te^{i\alpha/2} : 0 < t < \infty\}$ . Along  $J_1$ 

$$\operatorname{Im}\{Q(w)dw^{2}\} = t(t^{2} - |b_{1}|)\sin(5\alpha/2)(dt)^{2} \neq 0$$

for  $t \neq |b_1|^{1/2}$ . Hence  $\overline{J}_1$  meets two components of  $\Delta$  at most at the origin and at  $(b_1)^{1/2}$  respectively. The similar fact holds along  $-J_1$ . On  $J_2 = \{te^{-\pi t/5}: 0 < t < \infty\}$ ,

$$Im\{Q(w)dw^{2}\}=t|b_{1}|\sin(\alpha+2\pi/5)(dt)^{2}\neq0.$$

Hence  $J_2$  meets the component of  $\Delta$  which passes through the origin only at the origin. The same is true for  $-J_2$ . The similar considerations can be applyed to the lines  $\{te^{\pi i/5}: -\infty < t < \infty\}$  and  $\{it: -\infty < t < \infty\}$ . Now we can readily prove that  $\Gamma$  goes through the origin by the above facts, the local structure of critical trajectories of  $Q(w)dw^2$  around the critical points and

$$\frac{1}{2\pi}\int_0^{2\pi}f(e^{i\theta})d\theta=0$$

Case d).  $2\pi/5 \leq \alpha < 4\pi/5$ . By the rotation  $w = e^{-4\pi i/5}\zeta$ ,  $w(w^2-b_1)dw^2 = \zeta(\zeta^2-b_1e^{-2\pi i/5})d\zeta^2$ . It means that this case is essentially included in the above three cases. This completes the proof.

2.2. Proof of Theorem 2. Let  $f(z)=z+b_1z^{-1}+b_2z^{-2}+b_3z^{-3}+b_4z^{-4}+\cdots$  be an extremal function. We can take its square-root transformation  $g(z)=f(z^2)^{1/2}$  by Lemma 2.1. Let  $F_5(w)$  be the fifth Faber polynomial of g(z) defined by

$$F_5(g(z)) = z^5 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{5n} z^{-n}$$
.

Then Grunsky's inequality says that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |a = a_{5n}|^{2} \leq 5$$

and especially

 $|a_{55}| \leq 1$ .

Because  $a_{55} = (5/2)(b_4 + b_1b_2)$  in this case, we obtain

 $|b_4+b_1b_2| \leq 2/5$ .

If equality holds then  $|a_{55}|=1$  and therefore  $a_{5n}=0$  for  $n \neq 5$ . Hence we have  $F_5(g(z))=z^5+e^{i\theta}z^{-5}$ . Since  $F_5(w)=w^5-(5/2)b_1w$  in this case, we obtain the desired relation

$$f(z^2)^{5/2} - \frac{5}{2} b_1 f(z^2)^{1/2} = z^5 + e^{i\theta} z^{-5}.$$

Expanding the left hand side of this relation, we have  $b_2=0$ . It means that  $b_2=0$  for each extremal function. Thus we can deduce that  $|b_4+b_1b_2|<2/5$  if  $b_2\neq 0$ . Moreover, it follows directly from Theorem 2 that if  $b_2=0$  then  $|b_4|\leq 2/5$ .

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