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AN UPPER BOUND TO THE SECOND HANKEL DETERMINANT FOR PRE-STARLIKE FUNCTIONS OF ORDER α

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The objective of this paper is to obtain an upper bound to the second Hankel determinant $H_2(2)$ for functions f and its inverse f^{-1} when f belongs to the well known class of pre-starlike functions of order α ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$), using Toeplitz determinants.

1. Introduction

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

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

in the open unit disc $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$. Let S be the subclass of A consisting of univalent functions. For any two analytic functions g and h respectively with their expansions as $g(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$ and $h(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k z^k$, the Hadamard product or convolution of $g(z)$ and $h(z)$ is defined as the power series

$$(g * h)(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k \quad (2)$$

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The Hankel determinant of f for $q \geq 1$ and $n \geq 1$ was defined by Pommerenke [13] as

$$H_q(n) = \begin{vmatrix} a_n & a_{n+1} & \cdots & a_{n+q-1} \\ a_{n+1} & a_{n+2} & \cdots & a_{n+q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n+q-1} & a_{n+q} & \cdots & a_{n+2q-2} \end{vmatrix}. \quad (3)$$

This determinant has been considered by several authors in the literature. 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 μ real and $f \in S$. Ali [2] found sharp bounds to 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 $f^{-1}(w) = w + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \gamma_n w^n$ when it belongs to the class of strongly starlike functions of order α ($0 < \alpha \leq 1$) denoted by $\widetilde{ST}(\alpha)$. In this paper, we consider the Hankel determinant in the case of $q = 2$ and $n = 2$, known as the second Hankel determinant, given by

$$H_2(2) = \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{vmatrix} = a_2 a_4 - a_3^2. \quad (4)$$

Janteng, Halim and Darus [8] have considered the functional $|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2|$ and found a sharp upper bound for the familiar subclasses of S , namely, starlike and convex functions denoted by ST and CV and have shown that $|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| \leq 1$ and $|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8}$ respectively. Similarly, the same coefficient inequality was calculated for certain subclasses of analytic functions by many authors [1, 3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 15, 18].

Motivated by the above mentioned results obtained by different authors in this direction, in this paper, using convolution technique, we seek an upper bound to the non-linear functional $|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2|$ for the functions f and its inverse f^{-1} when f belongs to the class of pre-starlike functions of order α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$), defined as follows.

Definition 1.1. A function $f(z) \in A$ is said to be starlike function of order α ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$), denoted by $f \in ST(\alpha)$, if and only if

$$Re \left\{ \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \alpha, \quad \forall z \in E. \quad (5)$$

It is observed that for $\alpha = 0$, we get $ST(0) = ST$. It follows that $ST(\alpha) \subset ST$, for $(0 \leq \alpha < 1)$, $ST(1) = \{z\}$ and $ST(\alpha) \subseteq ST(\beta)$, for $\alpha \geq \beta$.

Definition 1.2. A function $f(z) \in A$ is said to be convex function of order α ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$), denoted by $f \in CV(\alpha)$, if and only if

$$Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \alpha, \quad \forall z \in E. \quad (6)$$

It can be noted that for $\alpha = 0$, we get $CV(0) = CV$. It follows that $CV(\alpha) \subset CV$, for $(0 \leq \alpha < 1)$ and $CV(1) = \{z\}$.

Definition 1.3. A function $f \in A$ is said to be in the class of pre-starlike functions of order α $(0 \leq \alpha < 1)$, denoted by R_α , if and only if

$$f(z) * s_\alpha(z) \in ST(\alpha), \quad \forall z \in E, \tag{7}$$

where $*$ denotes the convolution of two analytic functions and $s_\alpha(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{2(1-\alpha)}}$ is the extremal function for the class $ST(\alpha)$.

The class R_α was introduced and studied by Ruscheweyh [14]. Let

$$c(\alpha, n) = \frac{\prod_{k=2}^n (k - 2\alpha)}{(n - 1)!} \quad \text{for } n = 2, 3, \dots \tag{8}$$

so that $s_\alpha(z)$ can be written in the form

$$s_\alpha(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c(\alpha, n) z^n, \tag{9}$$

note that $c(\alpha, n)$ is a decreasing function of α with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c(\alpha, n) = \begin{cases} \infty, & \text{if } \alpha < \frac{1}{2}, \\ 1, & \text{if } \alpha = \frac{1}{2}, \\ 0, & \text{if } \alpha > \frac{1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Ruscheweyh (see [17]) also showed that a necessary and sufficient condition for f to be in R_α is that the functional

$$G(\alpha, z) = \frac{f(z) * \frac{s_\alpha(z)}{(1-z)}}{f(z) * s_\alpha(z)},$$

satisfy $Re G(\alpha, z) > \frac{1}{2}, \forall z \in E$. Since $s_1(z) = z$, we say that f is pre-starlike function of order 1, if and only if

$$Re \frac{f(z)}{z} > \frac{1}{2}, \quad \forall z \in E. \tag{10}$$

Note that $R_0 = CV(0)$ and $R_{\frac{1}{2}} = ST(\frac{1}{2})$.

It was shown that $R_\alpha \subset R_\beta$, for $0 \leq \alpha < \beta \leq 1$, which generalizes the well-known result that $CV(0) \subset ST(\frac{1}{2})$.

Some preliminary Lemmas required for proving our results are in the following section.

2. Preliminary Results

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

$$p(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + c_3z^3 + \dots = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_nz^n, \tag{11}$$

which are regular in the open unit disc E and satisfy $Re p(z) > 0$ for any $z \in E$. Here $p(z)$ is called Carathéodory function [5].

Lemma 2.1 ([12, 16]). *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 2.2 ([6]). *The power series for p given in (11) converges in the open unit disc E to a function in \mathcal{P} if and only if the Toeplitz determinants*

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

and $c_{-k} = \bar{c}_k$, are all non-negative. They are strictly positive except for $p(z) = \sum_{k=1}^m \rho_k p_0(\exp(it_k)z)$, $\rho_k > 0$, 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 [6] is due to Carathéodory and Toeplitz. We may assume without restriction that $c_1 > 0$. On using Lemma 2.2, for $n = 2$ and $n = 3$ respectively, we obtain

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

it is equivalent to

$$2c_2 = \{c_1^2 + x(4 - c_1^2)\}, \text{ for some } x, |x| \leq 1; \tag{12}$$

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

Then $D_3 \geq 0$ is equivalent to

$$|(4c_3 - 4c_1c_2 + c_1^3)(4 - c_1^2) + c_1(2c_2 - c_1^2)^2| \leq 2(4 - c_1^2)^2 - 2|(2c_2 - c_1^2)|^2. \tag{13}$$

Simplifying the relations (12) and (13), we get

$$4c_3 = \{c_1^3 + 2c_1(4 - c_1^2)x - c_1(4 - c_1^2)x^2 + 2(4 - c_1^2)(1 - |x|^2)z\}, \text{ with } |z| \leq 1. \tag{14}$$

To obtain our results, we refer to the classical method devised by Libera and Zlotkiewicz [9].

3. Main Results

Theorem 3.1. *If $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in R_{\alpha}$ then*

$$|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8(1 - \alpha)}, \text{ for } \left(0 \leq \alpha < \frac{1}{2}\right).$$

Proof. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in R_{\alpha}$, from Definition 1.3, we have

$$f(z) * s_{\alpha}(z) \in ST(\alpha), \quad \forall z \in E. \tag{15}$$

By the convolution, we have

$$\begin{aligned} g(z) = f(z) * s_{\alpha}(z) &= \left\{ z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \right\} * \left\{ z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c(\alpha, n) z^n \right\} \\ &= z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c(\alpha, n) a_n z^n. \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

Since $g(z) \in ST(\alpha)$, from Definition 1.1, there exists an analytic function $p \in \mathcal{P}$ in the open unit disc E with $p(0) = 1$ and $Re p(z) > 0$ such that

$$\frac{zg'(z) - \alpha g(z)}{(1 - \alpha)g(z)} = p(z) \Leftrightarrow zg'(z) - \alpha g(z) = (1 - \alpha)g(z)p(z). \tag{17}$$

Replacing the values of $g(z)$, $g'(z)$ from (16) and $p(z)$ with their equivalent series expressions in (17), we have

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

Upon simplification, we obtain

$$c(2, \alpha)a_2 + 2c(3, \alpha)a_3z + 3c(4, \alpha)a_4z^2 + \dots = (1 - \alpha) \times [c_1 + \{c_2 + c(2, \alpha)c_1a_2\}z + \{c_3 + c(2, \alpha)c_2a_2 + c(3, \alpha)c_1a_3\}z^2 + \dots]. \quad (18)$$

Equating the coefficients of like powers of z^0 , z and z^2 respectively on both sides of (18), after simplifying, we get

$$a_2 = \frac{c_1}{2}; \quad a_3 = \frac{1}{2(3-2\alpha)} \{c_2 + (1-\alpha)c_1^2\};$$

$$a_4 = \frac{1}{4(2-\alpha)(3-2\alpha)} \{2c_3 + 3(1-\alpha)c_1c_2 + (1-\alpha)^2c_1^3\}. \quad (19)$$

Considering, second Hankel functional $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2|$ for the function $f \in R_\alpha$ and substituting the values of a_2, a_3 and a_4 from (19), we have

$$|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| = \left| \frac{c_1}{2} \frac{1}{4(2-\alpha)(3-2\alpha)} \{2c_3 + 3(1-\alpha)c_1c_2 + (1-\alpha)^2c_1^3\} - \frac{1}{4(3-2\alpha)^2} \{c_2 + (1-\alpha)c_1^2\}^2 \right|.$$

Upon simplification, we obtain

$$|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| = \frac{1}{8(2-\alpha)(3-2\alpha)^2} |2(3-2\alpha)c_1c_3 + (1-\alpha)(1-2\alpha)c_1^2c_2 - 2(2-\alpha)c_2^2 - (1-\alpha)^2c_1^4|.$$

The above expression is equivalent to

$$|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| = \frac{1}{8(2-\alpha)(3-2\alpha)^2} \times |d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_1^2c_2 + d_3c_2^2 + d_4c_1^4|, \quad (20)$$

where $d_1 = 2(3-2\alpha); d_2 = (1-\alpha)(1-2\alpha); d_3 = -2(2-\alpha); d_4 = -(1-\alpha)^2$. (21)

Substituting the values of c_2 and c_3 from (12) and (14) respectively from Lemma 2.2 on the right-hand side of (20), we have

$$|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_1^2c_2 + d_3c_2^2 + d_4c_1^4|$$

$$= |d_1c_1 \times \frac{1}{4} \{c_1^3 + 2c_1(4-c_1^2)x - c_1(4-c_1^2)x^2 + 2(4-c_1^2)(1-|x|^2)z\} +$$

$$d_2c_1^2 \times \frac{1}{2} \{c_1^2 + x(4-c_1^2)\} + d_3 \times \frac{1}{4} \{c_1^2 + x(4-c_1^2)\}^2 + d_4c_1^4|. \quad (22)$$

Using the facts that $|z| < 1$ and $|xa + yb| \leq |x||a| + |y||b|$, where x, y, a and b are real numbers, on the right-hand side of the above expression, after simplifying, we get

$$4|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_1^2c_2 + d_3c_2^2 + d_4c_1^4| \leq |(d_1 + 2d_2 + d_3 + 4d_4)c_1^4 + 2d_1c_1(4 - c_1^2) + 2(d_1 + d_2 + d_3)c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|x| - \{(d_1 + d_3)c_1^2 + 2d_1c_1 - 4d_3\}(4 - c_1^2)|x|^2|. \quad (23)$$

Using the values of d_1, d_2, d_3 and d_4 from the relation (21), upon simplification, we obtain

$$d_1 + 2d_2 + d_3 + 4d_4 = 0; \quad d_1 = 2(3 - 2\alpha); \quad d_1 + d_2 + d_3 = 2\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 3. \quad (24)$$

$$(d_1 + d_3)c_1^2 + 2d_1c_1 - 4d_3 = (2 - 2\alpha)c_1^2 + 4(3 - 2\alpha)c_1 + 8(2 - \alpha). \quad (25)$$

Consider

$$(2 - 2\alpha)c_1^2 + 4(3 - 2\alpha)c_1 + 8(2 - \alpha) = (2 - 2\alpha) \left\{ c_1^2 + \frac{4(3 - 2\alpha)}{(2 - 2\alpha)}c_1 + \frac{8(2 - \alpha)}{(2 - 2\alpha)} \right\} \quad (26)$$

After simplifying, the expression (26) is equivalent to

$$(2 - 2\alpha)c_1^2 + 4(3 - 2\alpha)c_1 + 8(2 - \alpha) = (2 - 2\alpha) \cdot \left[c_1 + \left\{ \frac{2(3 - 2\alpha)}{(2 - 2\alpha)} + \frac{2}{(2 - 2\alpha)} \right\} \right] \left[c_1 + \left\{ \frac{2(3 - 2\alpha)}{(2 - 2\alpha)} - \frac{2}{(2 - 2\alpha)} \right\} \right]. \quad (27)$$

Since $c_1 \in [0, 2]$, noting that $(c_1 + a)(c_1 + b) \geq (c_1 - a)(c_1 - b)$, where $a, b \geq 0$ on the right-hand side of (27), which simplifies to

$$\{(2 - 2\alpha)c_1^2 + 4(3 - 2\alpha)c_1 + 8(2 - \alpha)\} \geq \{(2 - 2\alpha)c_1^2 - 4(3 - 2\alpha)c_1 + 8(2 - \alpha)\}. \quad (28)$$

From the relations (25) and (28), we get

$$-\{(d_1 + d_3)c_1^2 + 2d_1c_1 - 4d_3\} \leq -\{(2 - 2\alpha)c_1^2 - 4(3 - 2\alpha)c_1 + 8(2 - \alpha)\}. \quad (29)$$

Substituting the calculated values from (24) and (29) on the right-hand side of (23), we have

$$4|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_1^2c_2 + d_3c_2^2 + d_4c_1^4| \leq |4(3 - 2\alpha)c_1(4 - c_1^2) + 2(2\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 3)c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|x| - \{(2 - 2\alpha)c_1^2 - 4(3 - 2\alpha)c_1 + 8(2 - \alpha)\}(4 - c_1^2)|x|^2|.$$

Choosing $c_1 = c \in [0, 2]$, applying triangle inequality and replacing $|x|$ by μ on the right hand side of the above inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 4|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_1^2c_2 + d_3c_2^2 + d_4c_1^4| &\leq [4(3 - 2\alpha)c(4 - c^2) + \\ &\quad 2(2\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 3)c^2(4 - c^2)\mu \\ &\quad + \{(2 - 2\alpha)c^2 - 4(3 - 2\alpha)c + 8(2 - \alpha)\}(4 - c^2)\mu^2] \\ &= F(c, \mu), \text{ for } 0 \leq \mu = |x| \leq 1, \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } F(c, \mu) &= [4(3 - 2\alpha)c + 2(2\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 3)c^2\mu \\ &\quad + \{(2 - 2\alpha)c^2 - 4(3 - 2\alpha)c + 8(2 - \alpha)\}\mu^2] \times (4 - c^2). \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

Further, we maximize the function $F(c, \mu)$ in the closed region $[0, 1] \times [0, 2]$. Differentiating $F(c, \mu)$ given in (31) partially with respect to μ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} &= [2(2\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 3)c^2 \\ &\quad + 2\{(2 - 2\alpha)c^2 - 4(3 - 2\alpha)c + 8(2 - \alpha)\}\mu] \times (4 - c^2). \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

For $0 < \mu < 1$, for fixed c with $0 < c < 2$ and $0 \leq \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$, from (32), we observe that $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} > 0$, which implies that $F(c, \mu)$ is an increasing function of μ and hence, there exists no point of maximum in the interior of the closed region $[0, 1] \times [0, 2]$. Moreover, for fixed $c \in [0, 2]$, we have

$$\max_{0 \leq \mu \leq 1} F(c, \mu) = F(c, 1) = G(c). \quad (33)$$

Therefore, replacing μ by 1 in (31), upon simplification, we obtain

$$G(c) = -4(2 - \alpha)\{(1 - \alpha)c^4 - 2(1 - 2\alpha)c^2 - 8\}, \quad (34)$$

$$G'(c) = -16(2 - \alpha)\{(1 - \alpha)c^3 - (1 - 2\alpha)c\}, \quad (35)$$

$$G''(c) = -16(2 - \alpha)\{3(1 - \alpha)c^2 - (1 - 2\alpha)\}. \quad (36)$$

For optimum value of $G(c)$, consider $G'(c) = 0$. From (35), we get

$$-16(2 - \alpha)c\{(1 - \alpha)c^2 - (1 - 2\alpha)\} = 0. \quad (37)$$

We now discuss the following cases.

Case 1: If $c = 0$, then, from (36), we obtain

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

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

Case 2: If $c \neq 0$, then, from (37), we get

$$c^2 = \frac{(1 - 2\alpha)}{(1 - \alpha)} = 2 - \frac{1}{(1 - \alpha)}. \tag{38}$$

Substituting the value of c^2 from (38) in (36), which simplifies to

$$G''(c) = -32(2 - \alpha)(1 - 2\alpha) < 0, \text{ for } 0 \leq \alpha < \frac{1}{2}.$$

By the second derivative test, $G(c)$ has maximum value at c , where c^2 given by (38). Substituting the value of c^2 in (34), which simplifies to

$$\max_{0 \leq c \leq 2} G(c) = \frac{4(2 - \alpha)(3 - 2\alpha)^2}{(1 - \alpha)}. \tag{39}$$

Considering, the maximum value of $G(c)$ only at c^2 , from (30) and (39), upon simplification, we obtain

$$|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_1^2c_2 + d_3c_2^2 + d_4c_1^4| \leq \frac{(2 - \alpha)(3 - 2\alpha)^2}{(1 - \alpha)}. \tag{40}$$

Simplifying the expressions (20) and (40), we obtain

$$|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8(1 - \alpha)}. \tag{41}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1. □

Remark 3.2. For the choice of $\alpha = 0$, from (41), we obtain $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8}$. This inequality is sharp and this result coincides with that of Janteng , Halim and Darus [8].

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

$$|t_2t_4 - t_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{(2 - \alpha)(4 - 3\alpha)}.$$

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

$$w = f \{ f^{-1}(w) \}. \tag{42}$$

Using the expression for $f(z)$, the relation (42) is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} w &= f\{f^{-1}(w)\} = f^{-1}(w) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \{f^{-1}(w)\}^n \\ &= \{f^{-1}(w)\} + a_2 \{f^{-1}(w)\}^2 + a_3 \{f^{-1}(w)\}^3 + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

Using the expression for $f^{-1}(w)$ in (43), we have

$$\begin{aligned} w &= (w + t_2 w^2 + t_3 w^3 + \dots) + a_2 (w + t_2 w^2 + t_3 w^3 + \dots)^2 + \\ &\quad a_3 (w + t_2 w^2 + t_3 w^3 + \dots)^3 + a_4 (w + t_2 w^2 + t_3 w^3 + \dots)^4 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Upon simplification, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (t_2 + a_2)w^2 + (t_3 + 2a_2 t_2 + a_3)w^3 + \\ (t_4 + 2a_2 t_3 + a_2 t_2^2 + 3a_3 t_2 + a_4)w^4 + \dots = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

Equating the coefficients of like powers of w^2 , w^3 and w^4 on both sides of (44) respectively, further simplification gives

$$t_2 = -a_2; \quad t_3 = -a_3 + 2a_2^2; \quad t_4 = -a_4 + 5a_2 a_3 - 5a_2^3. \quad (45)$$

Using the values of a_2 , a_3 and a_4 from (19) along with (45), upon simplification, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} t_2 &= -\frac{c_1}{2}; \quad t_3 = -\frac{1}{2(3-2\alpha)} \{c_2 - (2-\alpha)c_1^2\}; \\ t_4 &= -\frac{1}{8(2-\alpha)(3-2\alpha)} \{4c_3 - 2(7-2\alpha)c_1 c_2 + (2\alpha^2 - 9\alpha + 12)c_1^3\}. \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

Substituting the values of t_2 , t_3 and t_4 from (46) in the second Hankel functional $|t_2 t_4 - t_3^2|$ for the inverse function of $f \in R_\alpha$, after simplifying, we get

$$\begin{aligned} |t_2 t_4 - t_3^2| &= \frac{1}{16(2-\alpha)(3-2\alpha)^2} \times \\ &\quad |4(3-2\alpha)c_1 c_3 + (8\alpha - 10)c_1^2 c_2 - 4(2-\alpha)c_2^2 + (4-3\alpha)c_1^4|. \end{aligned}$$

The above expression is equivalent to

$$|t_2 t_4 - t_3^2| = \frac{1}{16(2-\alpha)(3-2\alpha)^2} |d_1 c_1 c_3 + d_2 c_1^2 c_2 + d_3 c_2^2 + d_4 c_1^4|, \quad (47)$$

$$\text{where } d_1 = 4(3-2\alpha); \quad d_2 = (8\alpha - 10); \quad d_3 = -4(2-\alpha); \quad d_4 = (4-3\alpha). \quad (48)$$

Substituting the values of c_2 and c_3 from (12) and (14) respectively from Lemma 2.2 on the right-hand side of (47), applying the same procedure as described in Theorem 3.1, we obtain

$$4|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_1^2c_2 + d_3c_2^2 + d_4c_1^4| \leq |(d_1 + 2d_2 + d_3 + 4d_4)c_1^4 + 2d_1c_1(4 - c_1^2) + 2(d_1 + d_2 + d_3)c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|x| - \{(d_1 + d_3)c_1^2 + 2d_1c_1 - 4d_3\}(4 - c_1^2)|x|^2. \quad (49)$$

Using the values of d_1, d_2, d_3 and d_4 from the relation (48), upon simplification, we obtain

$$d_1 + 2d_2 + d_3 + 4d_4 = 0; \quad d_1 = 4(3 - 2\alpha); \quad d_1 + d_2 + d_3 = 2(2\alpha - 3). \quad (50)$$

$$(d_1 + d_3)c_1^2 + 2d_1c_1 - 4d_3 = 4\{(1 - \alpha)c_1^2 + 2(3 - 2\alpha)c_1 + 4(2 - \alpha)\}. \quad (51)$$

Since $c_1 \in [0, 2]$, using the same procedure as described in Theorem 3.1, we get

$$- \{(d_1 + d_3)c_1^2 + 2d_1c_1 - 4d_3\} \leq -4\{(1 - \alpha)c_1^2 - 2(3 - 2\alpha)c_1 + 4(2 - \alpha)\}. \quad (52)$$

Substituting the calculated values from (50) and (52) on the right-hand side of (49), we have

$$4|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_1^2c_2 + d_3c_2^2 + d_4c_1^4| \leq |8(3 - 2\alpha)c_1(4 - c_1^2) + 4(2\alpha - 3)c_1^2(4 - c_1^2)|x| - 4\{(1 - \alpha)c_1^2 - 2(3 - 2\alpha)c_1 + 4(2 - \alpha)\}(4 - c_1^2)|x|^2.$$

Choosing $c_1 = c \in [0, 2]$, applying triangle inequality and replacing $|x|$ by μ on the right-hand side of the above inequality, which simplifies to

$$|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_1^2c_2 + d_3c_2^2 + d_4c_1^4| \leq [2(3 - 2\alpha)c(4 - c^2) + (3 - 2\alpha)c^2(4 - c^2)\mu + \{(1 - \alpha)c^2 - 2(3 - 2\alpha)c + 4(2 - \alpha)\}(4 - c^2)\mu^2] = F(c, \mu), \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \mu = |x| \leq 1, \quad (53)$$

$$\text{where } F(c, \mu) = [2(3 - 2\alpha)c + (3 - 2\alpha)c^2\mu + \{(1 - \alpha)c^2 - 2(3 - 2\alpha)c + 4(2 - \alpha)\}\mu^2](4 - c^2). \quad (54)$$

We next maximize the function $F(c, \mu)$ on the closed region $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$. Differentiating $F(c, \mu)$ in (54) partially with respect to μ , we obtain

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} = [(3 - 2\alpha)c^2 + 2\{(1 - \alpha)c^2 - 2(3 - 2\alpha)c + 4(2 - \alpha)\}\mu](4 - c^2). \quad (55)$$

For $0 < \mu < 1$, for fixed c with $0 < c < 2$ and $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, from (55), we observe that $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} > 0$. Therefore, $F(c, \mu)$ is an increasing function of μ and hence it cannot have a maximum value at any point in the interior of the closed region $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$. Further, for fixed $c \in [0, 2]$, we have

$$\max_{0 \leq \mu \leq 1} F(c, \mu) = F(c, 1) = G(c). \quad (56)$$

Therefore, from (54) and (56), upon simplification, we obtain

$$G(c) = -(4 - 3\alpha)c^4 + 8(1 - \alpha)c^2 + 16(2 - \alpha), \quad (57)$$

$$G'(c) = -4(4 - 3\alpha)c^3 + 16(1 - \alpha)c, \quad (58)$$

$$G''(c) = -12(4 - 3\alpha)c^2 + 16(1 - \alpha). \quad (59)$$

For extreme values of $G(c)$, consider $G'(c) = 0$. From (58), we have

$$-4c \{ (4 - 3\alpha)c^2 - 4(1 - \alpha) \} = 0. \quad (60)$$

We now discuss the following cases.

Case 1: If $c = 0$, then, from (59), we obtain

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

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

Case 2: If $c \neq 0$, then, from (60), we get

$$c^2 = \frac{4(1 - \alpha)}{4 - 3\alpha} = \frac{4}{3} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{(4 - 3\alpha)} \right\} > 0, \text{ for } 0 \leq \alpha < 1. \quad (61)$$

Substituting the value of c^2 in (59), which simplifies to

$$G''(c) = -32(1 - \alpha) < 0, \text{ for } 0 \leq \alpha < 1.$$

By the second derivative test, $G(c)$ has maximum value at c , where c^2 is given in (61). Using the value of c^2 in (57), after simplifying, we get

$$\max_{0 \leq c \leq 2} G(c) = \frac{16(2\alpha - 3)^2}{(4 - 3\alpha)}. \quad (62)$$

Considering, the maximum value of $G(c)$ only at c^2 , from (53) and (62), we obtain

$$|d_1c_1c_3 + d_2c_1^2c_2 + d_3c_2^2 + d_4c_1^4| \leq \frac{16(2\alpha - 3)^2}{(4 - 3\alpha)}. \quad (63)$$

Simplifying the relations (47) and (63), we get

$$|t_2t_4 - t_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{(2 - \alpha)(4 - 3\alpha)}. \quad (64)$$

This completes the proof of our Theorem 3.3. \square

Remark 3.4. Choosing $\alpha = 0$, we have $R_0 = CV$, for which, from (64), we obtain $|t_2t_4 - t_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8}$.

Special Remark. For $\alpha = 0$, we have $R_0 = CV$, from Theorems 3.1 and 3.3 we observe that $|a_2a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8}$ and $|t_2t_4 - t_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{8}$. From this, we conclude that the upper bound to the second Hankel functional for the function f and its inverse is the same, provided $f \in CV$.

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