

HERMITIAN-TOEPLITZ DETERMINANTS FOR A SUBCLASS OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS

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Abstract

In this study, we obtain sharp bounds for the second Hermitian- Toeplitz determinants of a subclass of analytic functions in the open unit disk.

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1 Introduction and definitions

Let H be the class of analytic functions in the unit disk $\mathbb{E} := \{\xi \in \mathbb{C} : |\xi| < 1\}$, and let A be the subclass normalized by $l(0) := l'(0) - 1 := 0$, that is, functions of the form

$$l(\xi) = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} a_r \xi^r, \quad a_1 := 1 \quad (\xi \in \mathbb{E}). \quad (1)$$

Let S be a subclass of A that consists of univalent (one-to-one) functions. A function $l \in A$ is said to be starlike (with respect to the origin) if $l(\mathbb{E})$ is starlike with respect to the origin, and convex if $l(\mathbb{E})$ is convex. Let $S^*(\alpha)$ and $C(\alpha)$ denote, respectively, the classes of starlike and convex functions of order α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$) in S . It is well known that a function $l \in A$ belongs to $S^*(\alpha)$ if, and only if,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{\xi l'(\xi)}{l(\xi)} \right) > \alpha \quad (\xi \in \mathbb{E}),$$

and that $l \in C(\alpha)$ if, and only if,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{\xi l''(\xi)}{l'(\xi)} \right) > \alpha \quad (\xi \in \mathbb{E}).$$

Note that $S^*(0) =: S^*$ and $C(0) =: C$.

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Definition 1. Let $l \in A$ and be locally univalent for $\xi \in \mathbb{E}$, and $0 \leq \alpha < 1$. Then, $l \in M(\alpha)$ if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left((1 - \xi^2) \frac{l(\xi)}{\xi} \right) > \alpha \quad (\xi \in \mathbb{E}). \quad (2)$$

Due to their geometrical characteristics, this class has a significant impact on the theory of geometric functions. This function $l \in M(\alpha)$ maps univalently \mathbb{E} onto a domain $l(\mathbb{E})$ convex in the direction of the imaginary axis, i.e., for $w_1, w_2 \in l(\mathbb{E})$ such that $\operatorname{Re} w_1 = \operatorname{Re} w_2$ the line segment $[w_1, w_2]$ lies in $l(\mathbb{E})$, with the additional property that there exist two points w_1, w_2 on the boundary of $l(\mathbb{E})$ for which $\{w_1 + it : t > 0\} \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus l(\mathbb{E})$ and $\{w_2 - it : t > 0\} \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus l(\mathbb{E})$ (see, e.g., [11, p.199]).

Definition 2. Let $l \in A$, and be given by (1). Then, for $q \geq 1$ and $n \geq 0$, define

$$T_{q,n}(f) := \begin{vmatrix} a_n & a_{n+1} & \cdots & a_{n+q-1} \\ \bar{a}_{n+1} & a_n & \cdots & a_{n+q-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \bar{a}_{n+q-1} & \bar{a}_{n+q-2} & \cdots & a_n \end{vmatrix},$$

where $\bar{a}_k := \overline{a_k}$. When a_n is a real number, $T_{q,n}(f)$ is q th Hermitian-Toeplitz determinant.

In particular

$$T_{3,1}(f) = 1 - 2|a_2|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}(a_2^2 \bar{a}_3) - |a_3|^2.$$

Finding sharp bounds for the Hankel determinants of functions in A has been the subject of a great many papers in the recent years. In particular, many results are known concerning the second Hankel determinant $H_2(2) = a_2 a_4 - a_3^2$ when $l \in S$ and its subclasses, and a summary of some of the more important results can be found in [19]. On the other hand, investigations concerning Toeplitz determinants were introduced only recently in [2]. Similarly, problems concerning Hermitian-Toeplitz determinants were first considered in [7].

We next discuss the Zalcman functional, its relationship with the Zalcman conjecture, and a generalization due to Ma [18]. In the early 70s, Lawrence Zalcman posed the conjecture that if $l \in S$, and is given by (1) then

$$|a_n^2 - a_{2n-1}| \leq (n-1)^2 \quad \text{for } n \geq 2, \quad (3)$$

with equality for the Koebe function $k(z) = z/(1-z)^2$ for $z \in \mathbb{E}$, or a rotation. This conjecture implies the celebrated Bieberbach conjecture $|a_n| \leq n$ for $l \in S$ [5]. The elementary area theorem shows that the conjecture is true when $n = 2$ [8]. Kruskal established the conjecture when $n = 3$ [14], and more recently for $n = 4, 5, 6$ [15]. However, the Zalcman conjecture for $n > 6$ remains an open problem.

The conjecture has been proved for several subclasses of S , e.g., starlike, typically real, and close-to-convex functions [5], [17] and it is known that the Zalcman conjecture is asymptotically true [10]. Recently, Abu Muhana et al. [1] proved the conjecture for the class $M(\alpha)$.

Relevant to this paper is Ma's generalization of the Zalcman functional $a_n^2 - a_{2n-1}$, defined as follows.

Definition 3. Let $l \in A$, and be given by (1). For $m, n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$, let $j_{m,n}(f) := a_m a_n - a_{m+n-1}$, and in particular, $J_{2,3}(f) = a_2 a_3 - a_4$.

In [18], Ma conjecture that if $l \in S$, then for $m, n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$

$$|J_{m,n}(f)| \leq (n-1)(m+1).$$

The following results will be used for functions $p \in P$, the class of functions with positive real part in \mathbb{E} given by

$$p(\xi) = 1 + \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} d_r \xi^r, \quad (4)$$

and because the coefficients a_2 , a_3 , and a_4 will be our main focus, we also need Lemma 4, which can easily be deduced from (1), (2) and (4).

Lemma 1. ([8]) Let $p \in P$ be given by (4), then $|d_r| \leq 2$, when $r \geq 1$. Also

$$\left| d_2 - \frac{v}{2} d_1^2 \right| \leq \max \{2, 2|v-1|\} = \begin{cases} 2, & 0 \leq v \leq 2, \\ 2|v-1|, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Lemma 2. ([9]) If $p \in P$ is given by (4), then

$$|d_r - v d_k d_{r-k}| \leq 2 \max \{1, |2v-1|\}$$

for $v \in \mathbb{C}$, and $1 \leq k \leq r-1$.

Lemma 3. ([16]) Assume that $p \in P$, with coefficients given by (4), and $d_1 \geq 0$. Then, for some complex valued ζ with $|\zeta| \leq 1$ and some complex-valued y with $|y| \leq 1$

$$2d_2 = d_1^2 + y(4 - d_1^2),$$

$$4d_3 = d_1^3 + 2(4 - d_1^2)d_1 y - d_1(4 - d_1^2)y^2 + 2(4 - d_1^2)(1 - |y|^2)\zeta.$$

Lemma 4. Assume that $l \in M(\alpha)$, and is given by (1). Then

$$a_2 = (1 - \alpha) d_1, \quad (6)$$

$$a_3 = (1 - \alpha) d_2 + 1, \quad (7)$$

$$a_4 = (1 - \alpha) (d_3 + d_1), \quad (8)$$

$$a_5 = (1 - \alpha) (d_2 + d_4) + 1, \quad (9)$$

where d_1 , d_2 , and d_3 , d_4 are given by (4).

Proof. By (2) there exists $p \in P$ of the form (4) such that

$$(1 - \xi^2) \frac{l(\xi)}{\xi} = p(\xi)(1 - \alpha) + \alpha \quad (\xi \in \mathbb{E}). \quad (10)$$

Substituting the series (1) and (4) into (10) by equating the coefficients we obtain (6), (7), (8) and (9). \square

2 Hermitian-Toeplitz determinants

In this section, we compute sharp lower and upper bounds for

$$T_{3,1}(f) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ \bar{a}_2 & 1 & a_2 \\ \bar{a}_3 & \bar{a}_2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \operatorname{Re}(a_2^2 \bar{a}_3) - 2|a_2|^2 - |a_3|^2 + 1 \quad (11)$$

over the class $M(\alpha)$.

Theorem 1. *If $l \in M(\alpha)$, $0 \leq \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$, then*

$$T_{3,1}(f) \leq \begin{cases} 2, & \alpha \in [0, 0.0554] \\ 4\alpha(1 - \alpha)(4\alpha - 5) + 2, & \alpha \in [0.0554, \frac{1}{2}] \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

and

$$T_{3,1}(f) \geq \frac{(2\alpha^2 - 3\alpha + 2)^2}{2\alpha - 1} + 4\alpha(1 - \alpha) + 2. \quad (13)$$

Both inequalities are sharp.

Proof. First note that both $M(\alpha)$ and $T_{3,1}(f)$ are rotationally invariant, and so, we can assume that $d_1 = 2x$ for $x \in [0, 1]$. Thus, using (11), Lemma 3 and Lemma 4, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} T_{3,1}(f) &= 8(1 - \alpha)^2 [2(1 - \alpha)x^4 + 2x^2(1 - \alpha)(1 - x^2) \operatorname{Re} y] \\ &\quad - 4(1 - \alpha)^2 (x^4 + 2x^2(1 - x^2) \operatorname{Re} y + |y|^2(1 - x^2)^2) \\ &\quad - 4(1 - \alpha)(x^2 + (1 - x^2) \operatorname{Re} y) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

for some complex y with $|y| \leq 1$.

We consider two cases : **A**, when $y \neq 0$. Then, $y = |y| e^{i\varphi}$ with $|y| \in (0, 1]$, and $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi)$.

Thus, setting $t = x^2$, from 14, we get

$$T_{3,1}(f) = G(t, |y|, \varphi), \quad (15)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} G(t, u, \varphi) &= 16(1 - \alpha)^3(t^2 + t(1 - t)u \cos \varphi \\ &\quad - 4(1 - \alpha)^2(t^2 + 2t(1 - t)u \cos \varphi + u^2(1 - t)^2) \\ &\quad - 4(1 - \alpha)(t + (1 - t)u \cos \varphi) \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

for $t \in [0, 1]$, $u \in [0, 1]$, $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi]$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} G(t, u, \varphi) = & -4(1-\alpha)^2(1-t)^2u^2 + \\ & +4(1-\alpha)(2(1-\alpha)(1-2\alpha)t-1)(1-t)u\cos\varphi \\ & +4(1-\alpha)^2(3-4\alpha)t^2-4(1-\alpha)t \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

and $\alpha \in [0, \frac{1}{2})$, we see that

$$L(t, u) \leq G(t, u, \varphi) \leq P(t, u), \quad t \in [0, 1], u \in [0, 1], \varphi \in [0, 2\pi], \quad (18)$$

where

$$L(t, u) = G(t, u, \pi), \quad P(t, u) = G(t, u, 0).$$

I. We first discuss the inequality (12). We have

$$\begin{aligned} P(t, u) = & -4(1-\alpha)^2(1-t)^2u^2 + \\ & +4(1-\alpha)(2(1-\alpha)(1-2\alpha)t-1)(1-t)u \\ & +4(1-\alpha)^2(3-4\alpha)t^2-4(1-\alpha)t. \end{aligned}$$

When $t = 1$, i.e., $x = 1$, then $d_1 = 2$, so

$$P(1, u) = 4(1-\alpha)(4\alpha^2 - 7\alpha + 2), \quad u \in [0, 1]. \quad (19)$$

Assume next that $t \in [0, 1)$, and let

$$u_w = \frac{2(1-\alpha)(1-2\alpha)t-1}{2(1-\alpha)(1-t)}.$$

We consider two further cases.

Case1. Suppose that $u_w \geq 1$ i.e., that $\frac{3-2\alpha}{4(1-\alpha)^2} \leq t \leq 1$. Then

$$P(t, u) \leq P(t, 1) = 8(1-\alpha)^2(1-2\alpha)t - 4(1-\alpha)(2-\alpha) + 2.$$

Since

$$t_w = \frac{2(1-\alpha)(2-\alpha)-1}{4(1-\alpha)^2(1-2\alpha)} < \frac{(3-2\alpha)}{4(1-\alpha)^2},$$

$$P(t, 1) \leq P(1, 1) = 4\alpha(1-\alpha)(4\alpha-5) + 2.$$

Case2. Suppose that $0 \leq u_w < 1$, i.e., that $0 \leq t < \frac{(3-2\alpha)}{4(1-\alpha)^2}$. Then

$$P(t, u) \leq P(t, u_w) = 16(1-\alpha)^4t^2 - 8(1-\alpha)^2t + 1 \leq P(0, u_w) = 1.$$

Noting now that

$$P(1, 1) = 4\alpha(1-\alpha)(4\alpha-5) + 2 < 1 = P(0, u_w)$$

if, and only if, $\alpha \in (0, 0.0554)$, combining (19) with (18) and (15), inequality (12) follows in the case when $y \neq 0$.

II. We next discuss the inequality (13).

We have

$$\begin{aligned} L(t, u) = & -4(1-\alpha)^2(1-t)^2u^2 \\ & -4(1-\alpha)(2(1-\alpha)(1-2\alpha)t-1)(1-t)u \\ & +4(1-\alpha)^2(3-4\alpha)t^2+4(1-\alpha)(2\alpha-3)t+2 \end{aligned}$$

for $t \in [0, 1]$, $u \in [0, 1]$.

When $t = 1$, i.e., $x = 1$, so far $d_1 = 2$, we have

$$L(1, u) = 4\alpha(1-\alpha)(4\alpha-5) + 2, \quad u \in [0, 1]. \quad (20)$$

Assume next that $t \in [0, 1)$ and let

$$u'_w = \frac{-2(1-\alpha)(1-2\alpha)t-1}{2(1-\alpha)(1-t)}.$$

Since $u'_w \leq 0$, for $t \in [0, 1)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} L(t, u) \geq L(t, 1) = & -4(1-\alpha)^2(1-t)^2 - 4(1-\alpha)(2(1-\alpha)(1-2\alpha)t-1)(1-t) \\ & +4(1-\alpha)^2(3-4\alpha)t^2+4(1-\alpha)(2\alpha-3)t+2. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$t'_w = \frac{(2\alpha^2-3\alpha+2)}{4(1-\alpha)(1-2\alpha)}.$$

It is easy to check, $t'_w < 1$, so

$$L(t, 1) \geq L(t'_w, 1) = \frac{-(2\alpha^2-3\alpha+2)^2}{(1-2\alpha)} + 4\alpha(1-\alpha) + 2, \quad t \in [0, 1). \quad (21)$$

Note now that the inequality $L(1, u) \geq L(t'_w, 1)$, i.e., the inequality

$$4\alpha(1-\alpha)(4\alpha-5) + 2 \geq \frac{-(2\alpha^2-3\alpha+2)^2}{(1-2\alpha)} + 4\alpha(1-\alpha) + 2.$$

Therefore, (21), together with (20), (15) and (18), proves (13) in this case also.

This completes the proof of the theorem in case **A**.

B. Now, assume that $y = 0$. Since

$$T_{3,1}(f) = 4(1-\alpha)^2(3-4\alpha)t^2 - 4(1-\alpha)t = G(t, 0, \varphi)$$

for $t \in [0, 1]$ and $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi]$, and noting that (18) is true for $u = 0$, by Parts I and II above, both inequalities (12) and (13) are true. \square

3 The functional $J_{2,3}(f)$

We give the sharp upper bound for $|J_{2,3}(f)|$ when $f \in M(\alpha)$.

Theorem 2. *If $f \in M(\alpha)$, $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, then*

$$|J_{2,3}(f)| \leq 2(1 - \alpha)(1 - 2\alpha).$$

The inequality is sharp.

Proof. From Lemma 4, we have

$$a_2a_3 - a_4 = (1 - \alpha)^2d_1d_2 - (1 - \alpha)d_3. \quad (22)$$

Noting that both $M(\alpha)$ and $J_{2,3}(f)$ are rotationally invariant, we now use Lemma 3 to express the coefficients d_3 and d_2 in terms of d_1 , and write $u = d_1$ to obtain with $0 \leq u \leq 2$

$$a_2a_3 - a_4 = \frac{(1 - \alpha)}{4} \left[(1 - 2\alpha)u^3 + u(4 - u^2)y^2 - 2(4 - u^2)(1 - |y|^2)\zeta \right].$$

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| \leq \frac{(1 - \alpha)}{4} \left[(1 - 2\alpha)u^3 + u(4 - u^2)t^2 - 2(4 - u^2)(1 - t^2) \right] = \psi(u, t),$$

where $t = |y| \in [0, 1]$. When $u = 2$, $0 \leq \alpha < 1$

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| \leq 2(1 - \alpha)(1 - 2\alpha).$$

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