



## Coefficient Inequalities For A Class Of Analytic Functions Associated With The Lemniscate Of Bernoulli

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ABSTRACT: In this paper, a new subclass of analytic functions  $ML_\lambda^*$  associated with the right half of the lemniscate of Bernoulli is introduced. The sharp upper bound for the Fekete-Szegő functional  $|a_3 - \mu a_2^2|$  for both real and complex  $\mu$  are considered. Further, the sharp upper bound to the second Hankel determinant  $|H_2(1)|$  for the function  $f$  in the class  $ML_\lambda^*$  using Toeplitz determinant is studied. Relevances of the main results are also briefly indicated.

Key Words: Starlike Function, Fekete-Szegő Inequality, Hankel Determinant, Lemniscate of Bernoulli.

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### 1. Introduction and Motivation

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the class of functions of the form

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

which are analytic in  $\mathbb{U} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of univalent functions in  $\mathbb{U}$ . A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be starlike of order  $\alpha$ , ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ), denoted by  $\mathcal{S}(\alpha)$  if and only if

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (1.2)$$

It may be noted that for  $\alpha = 0$ , the class  $\mathcal{S}(\alpha) = \mathcal{S}^*$ , the familiar subclass of starlike functions in  $\mathbb{U}$ . Similarly, a function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be in the class  $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}(\alpha)$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ , if it satisfies the inequality

$$|(f'(z))^2 - \alpha| < \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (1.3)$$

The class  $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}(1) = \tilde{\mathcal{R}}$  was considered by Sahoo and Patel [28].

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Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two analytic functions in  $\mathbb{U}$ . We say  $f$  is subordinate to  $g$ , written  $f(z) \prec g(z)$  ( $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ), if and only if there exists an analytic function  $w$  in  $\mathbb{U}$  such that  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  for  $|z| < 1$  and  $f(z) = g(w(z))$ . In particular, if  $g$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$ , we have the following (see [19]):

$$f(z) \prec g(z) \iff f(0) = g(0) \text{ and } f(\mathbb{U}) \subset g(\mathbb{U}).$$

In 1966, Pommerenke [26] defined the  $q$  th Hankel determinant of  $f$  for  $q \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 1$  as

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

A good amount of literature is available about the importance of Hankel determinant. It is useful in the study of power series with integral coefficients (see [5]), meromorphic functions (see [32]) and also singularities (see [7]). Noonan and Thomas [22] studied about the second Hankel determinant of a really mean  $p$ -valent functions. Noor [23] determined the rate of growth of  $H_q(n)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for the functions in  $\mathcal{S}$  with a bounded boundary. Ehrenborg [9] studied the Hankel determinant of exponential polynomials.

For  $q = 2, n = 1, a_1 = 1$  and  $q = 2, n = 2$ , the Hankel determinant simplifies respectively to

$$H_2(1) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a_2 \\ a_2 & a_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_3 - a_2^2$$

and

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

It is well-known that for  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  and given by (1.1) (see [8]), the sharp inequality  $|a_3 - a_2^2| \leq 1$  holds. This corresponds to the Hankel determinant with  $q = 2$  and  $n = 1$ . Fekete-Szegő (see [10]) problem is to estimate  $|a_3 - \mu a_2^2|$  with  $\mu$  real and  $f \in \mathcal{S}$ . For details, see [6,24,25]. Given family  $\mathcal{F}$  of the functions in  $\mathcal{A}$ , the functional  $|H_2(2)|$  is popularly known as the second Hankel determinant. Second Hankel determinant for various subclasses of analytic functions were obtained by different researchers including Janteng et al. [14], Mishra and Gochhayat [20] and Murugusundaramoorthy and Magesh [21]. For some more recent works see [1,3,4,11,12,13,15,31].

Sokół and Stankiewicz [29](also see [2,30]) introduced the class  $SL^*$  consisting of normalized analytic functions  $f$  in  $\mathbb{U}$  satisfying the condition  $\left| \left[ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right]^2 - 1 \right| < 1$ , ( $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ). We called such function as Sokół-Stankiewicz starlike function. Recently, Raza and Malik [27] determined the upper bound of third Hankel determinant  $H_3(1)$  for the class  $SL^*$ . Further, Sahoo and Patel [28] obtained the upper

bound to the second Hankel determinant for the class  $\tilde{\mathcal{R}} = \{f \in \mathcal{A} : |(f'(z))^2 - 1| < 1, z \in \mathbb{U}\}$ .

Motivated by the above mentioned works obtained by earlier researchers, we introduce the following subclass of analytic function as below:

**Definition 1.1.** A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be in the class  $ML_\lambda^*$ ,  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ , if it satisfies the condition

$$\left| \left[ \frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z) + \lambda z} \right]^2 - 1 \right| < 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \tag{1.4}$$

Note that for  $\lambda = 0$ , the class  $ML_0^*$  reduces to the class  $SL^*$ , studied by Raza and Malik [27] and while for  $\lambda = 1$ , the class  $ML_1^*$  reduces to  $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}$  studied by Sahoo and Patel [28]. In term of subordination, relation (1.4) can be written as.

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z) + \lambda z} \prec q(z) = \sqrt{1+z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}), \tag{1.5}$$

where  $q(0) = 1$ . To state the geometrical significance of the class  $ML_\lambda^*$ , consider

$$w = q(e^{i\theta}) = \sqrt{1 + e^{i\theta}} \quad (0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi). \tag{1.6}$$

It follows from (1.6) that  $w^2 - 1 = e^{i\theta}$ , which implies  $|w^2 - 1| = 1$ . Taking  $w = u + iv$  and simplifying we get

$$(u^2 + v^2)^2 = 2(u^2 - v^2).$$

Therefore,  $q(\mathbb{U})$  is the region bounded by the right half of the lemniscate of Bernoulli given by  $(u^2 + v^2)^2 - 2(u^2 - v^2) = 0$ .

In this paper, following the techniques devised by Libera and Złotkiewicz [16, 17], we solve the Fekete-Szegő problem and also determine the upper bounds of the Hankel determinant  $|H_2(1)|$  for a subclass  $ML_\lambda^*$ .

### 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the class of analytic functions  $p$  normalized by

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

such that

$$\Re \{p(z)\} > 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Each of the following results will be required in our present investigation.

**Lemma 2.1.** [18] Let  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  and of the form (2.1). Then

$$|p_2 - \nu p_1^2| \leq \begin{cases} -4\nu + 2, & \nu < 0 \\ 2, & 0 \leq \nu \leq 1, \\ 4\nu - 2, & \nu > 1. \end{cases}$$

When  $\nu < 0$  or  $\nu > 1$ , the equality holds if and only if  $p(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$  or one of its rotations. If  $0 < \nu < 1$ , then the equality holds if and only if  $p(z) = \frac{1+z^2}{1-z^2}$  or one of its rotations. If  $\nu = 0$ , the equality holds if and only if  $p(z) = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\eta}{2}\right) \frac{1+z}{1-z} + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\eta}{2}\right) \frac{1-z}{1+z}$ , ( $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$ ), or one of its rotations. If  $\nu = 1$ , the equality holds if and only if  $p$  is the reciprocal of one of the functions such that the equality holds in the case of  $\nu = 0$ . Although the above upper bound is sharp, when  $0 < \nu < 1$ , it can be improved as follows:

$$|p_2 - \nu p_1^2| + \nu |p_1|^2 \leq 2 \quad \left(0 < \nu \leq \frac{1}{2}\right),$$

and

$$|p_2 - \nu p_1^2| + (1 - \nu) |p_1|^2 \leq 2 \quad \left(\frac{1}{2} < \nu \leq 1\right).$$

**Lemma 2.2.** [18] Let  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  be of the form (2.1), then for any complex number  $\nu$ ,

$$|p_2 - \nu p_1^2| \leq 2 \max(1, |2\nu - 1|). \quad (2.2)$$

This result is sharp for the functions

$$p(z) = \frac{1+z^2}{1-z^2}, \quad p(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}.$$

**Lemma 2.3.** ([16], [17, p. 254]) Let the function  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  be given by the power series (2.1). Then

$$2p_2 = p_1^2 + x(4 - p_1^2) \quad (2.3)$$

and

$$4p_3 = p_1^3 + 2(4 - p_1^2)p_1x - (4 - p_1^2)p_1x^2 + 2(4 - p_1^2)(1 - |x|^2)z \quad (2.4)$$

for some complex numbers  $x, z$  satisfying  $|x| \leq 1$  and  $|z| \leq 1$ .

### 3. Main Results

The first two theorems give the results related to Fekete-Szegő functional, which is a special case of the Hankel determinant.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let the function  $f$  given by (1.1) be in the class  $ML_\lambda^*$ . Then for real  $\mu$ , we have

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{1-3\lambda^2-2\lambda-2\lambda\mu-4\mu}{8(2+\lambda)(1+\lambda)^2}, & \mu < \delta_1, \\ \frac{1}{2(2+\lambda)}, & \delta_1 \leq \mu \leq \delta_2, \\ -\left[\frac{1-3\lambda^2-2\lambda-2\lambda\mu-4\mu}{8(2+\lambda)(1+\lambda)^2}\right], & \mu > \delta_2. \end{cases} \quad (3.1)$$

Furthermore, for  $\delta_1 < \mu \leq \delta_1 + \beta$ ,

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| + (\mu - \delta_1) |a_2|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2(2+\lambda)}, \quad (3.2)$$

and for  $\delta_1 + \beta < \mu < \delta_1 + 2\beta$ ,

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| + (\delta_1 + 2\beta - \mu)|a_2|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2(2 + \lambda)}, \tag{3.3}$$

where

$$\delta_1 = - \left[ \frac{3 + 10\lambda + 7\lambda^2}{2(2 + \lambda)} \right], \tag{3.4}$$

$$\delta_2 = \frac{5 + 6\lambda + \lambda^2}{2(2 + \lambda)} \tag{3.5}$$

and

$$\beta = \frac{2(1 + \lambda)^2}{\lambda + 2}. \tag{3.6}$$

These results are sharp.

*Proof.* Let  $f \in ML_\lambda^*$ . In view of Definition 1.1, there exists an analytic function  $w(z)$  satisfying the condition of Schwarz lemma such that

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{(1 - \lambda)f(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{1 + w(z)} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \tag{3.7}$$

Define a function

$$p(z) = \frac{1 + w(z)}{1 - w(z)} = 1 + p_1z + p_2z^2 + \dots \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \tag{3.8}$$

Clearly  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ . From (3.8), we get

$$w(z) = \frac{p(z) - 1}{p(z) + 1} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \tag{3.9}$$

From (3.7) and (3.9), we have

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{(1 - \lambda)f(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{\frac{p(z) - 1}{p(z) + 1} + 1} = \sqrt{\frac{2p(z)}{1 + p(z)}}. \tag{3.10}$$

Now, by substituting the series expansion of  $p(z)$  from (3.8) in (3.10), it follows that

$$\sqrt{\frac{2p(z)}{1 + p(z)}} = 1 + \frac{1}{4}p_1z + \left(\frac{p_2}{4} - \frac{5}{32}p_1^2\right)z^2 + \left(\frac{p_3}{4} - \frac{5}{16}p_1p_2 + \frac{13}{128}p_1^3\right)z^3 + \dots \tag{3.11}$$

Using series expansions for  $f(z)$  and  $f'(z)$  from (1.1) give

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{zf'(z)}{(1 - \lambda)f(z) + \lambda z} &= 1 + (1 + \lambda)a_2z + \{(2 + \lambda)a_3 - (1 - \lambda^2)a_2^2\}z^2 + \{(3 + \lambda)a_4 \\ &\quad - (1 - \lambda)(2\lambda + 3)a_2a_3 + (1 + \lambda)(1 - \lambda)^2a_2^3\}z^3 + \dots \end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

Making use of (3.11) and (3.12) in (3.10) and equating the coefficients of  $z$ ,  $z^2$  and  $z^3$  in the resulting equation, we deduce that

$$a_2 = \frac{p_1}{4(1+\lambda)}, \quad (3.13)$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{4(2+\lambda)} \left[ p_2 - \frac{7\lambda+3}{8(1+\lambda)} p_1^2 \right], \quad (3.14)$$

and

$$a_4 = \frac{1}{4(3+\lambda)} \left[ p_3 - \frac{7\lambda^2+16\lambda+7}{4(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} p_1 p_2 + \frac{13+40\lambda+25\lambda^2}{32(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} p_1^3 \right]. \quad (3.15)$$

For real  $\mu$ , it follows from (3.13) and (3.14) that

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| = \frac{1}{4(2+\lambda)} |p_2 - \nu p_1^2|, \quad (3.16)$$

where

$$\nu = \frac{3+10\lambda+7\lambda^2+4\mu+2\lambda\mu}{8(1+\lambda)^2}.$$

In view of (3.16) and by an application of Lemma 2.1, we obtain the desired assertion.

The results are sharp for the functions  $\psi_i(z)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  such that

$$\frac{z\psi_1'(z)}{(1-\lambda)\psi_1(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{1+z} \quad (\mu < \delta_1 \text{ or } \mu > \delta_2),$$

$$\frac{z\psi_2'(z)}{(1-\lambda)\psi_2(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{1+z^2} \quad (\delta_1 < \mu < \delta_2),$$

$$\frac{z\psi_3'(z)}{(1-\lambda)\psi_3(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{1+\phi(z)} \quad (\mu = \delta_1),$$

and

$$\frac{z\psi_4'(z)}{(1-\lambda)\psi_4(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{1-\phi(z)} \quad (\mu = \delta_2),$$

where

$$\phi(z) = \frac{z(z+\eta)}{1+\eta z} \quad (0 \leq \eta \leq 1).$$

Thus, the proof of Theorem 3.1 is completed.  $\square$

**Remark 3.2.** Putting  $\lambda = 1$  in Theorem 3.1, we get the result due to Sahoo and Patel (see [28, Corollary 2.2]).

**Remark 3.3.** Putting  $\lambda = 0$  in Theorem 3.1, we get the Fekete-Szegő functional for the class  $SL^*$  due to Raza and Malik (see [27, Theorem 2.1]).

**Theorem 3.4.** Let the function  $f$  given by (1.1) be in the class  $ML_\lambda^*$ . Then, for a complex number  $\mu$ , we have

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| \leq \frac{1}{2(2+\lambda)} \max \left\{ 1, \left| \frac{3\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 2\lambda\mu + 4\mu - 1}{4(1+\lambda)^2} \right| \right\}. \quad (3.17)$$

The estimate in (3.17) is sharp.

*Proof.* From (3.16), we have

$$|a_3 - \mu a_2^2| = \frac{1}{4(2+\lambda)} |p_2 - \nu p_1^2|.$$

Therefore, by virtue of Lemma 2.2, we obtain the desired assertion. The result is sharp for the function

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{1+z},$$

or

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{1+z^2}.$$

□

**Remark 3.5.** Putting  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\lambda = 1$  in Theorem 3.4, we get the result of Raza and Malik (see [27, Theorem 2.2]) and Sahoo and Patel (see [28, Theorem 2.1]) respectively.

Taking  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\mu = 1$  in Theorem 3.4, we get the result for  $|H_2(1)|$  as follows.

**Corollary 3.6.** [27] If the function  $f$ , given by (1.1) belongs to the class  $SL^*$ , then

$$|a_3 - a_2^2| \leq \frac{1}{4}.$$

Further, putting  $\lambda = \mu = 1$  and  $\lambda = 1, \mu = 0$  in Theorem 3.4, we have the following results due to Sahoo and Patel [28].

**Corollary 3.7.** [28, Corollary 2.1] If the function  $f$ , given by (1.1) belongs to the class  $\bar{\mathcal{R}}$ , then

$$|a_3 - a_2^2| \leq \frac{1}{6} \text{ and } |a_3| \leq \frac{1}{6}. \quad (3.18)$$

The estimates are sharp.

Now, we determine the sharp upper bound to the second Hankel determinant  $|H_2(1)|$  for the class  $ML_\lambda^*$ .

**Theorem 3.8.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  given by (1.1) be in the class  $ML_\lambda^*$ . Assume that its coefficients  $a_2, a_3$  and  $a_4$  are given by (3.13), (3.14) and (3.15), with  $p_1 > 0$ . Then

$$|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| \leq \frac{1}{4(2+\lambda)^2}. \quad (3.19)$$

The estimate in (3.19) is sharp.

*Proof.* From (3.13), (3.14) and (3.15), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
a_2 a_4 - a_3^2 &= \frac{p_1}{16(1+\lambda)(3+\lambda)} \left( p_3 - \frac{7\lambda^2 + 16\lambda + 7}{4(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} p_1 p_2 + \frac{13 + 40\lambda + 25\lambda^2}{32(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} p_1^3 \right) \\
&\quad - \left[ \frac{1}{4(2+\lambda)} \left( p_2 - \frac{3+7\lambda}{8(1+\lambda)} p_1^2 \right) \right]^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{16} \left[ \frac{p_1 p_3}{(1+\lambda)(3+\lambda)} - \frac{p_2^2}{(2+\lambda)^2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{-5-6\lambda+\lambda^2}{4(1+\lambda)^2(2+\lambda)^2(3+\lambda)} p_1^2 p_2 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{25+51\lambda-9\lambda^2+\lambda^3}{64(1+\lambda)^2(2+\lambda)^2(3+\lambda)} p_1^4 \right]. \tag{3.20}
\end{aligned}$$

For convenience of notation, we write  $p_1 = p$  ( $0 \leq p \leq 2$ ). Putting the values of  $p_2$  and  $p_3$  from Lemma 2.3 in (3.20), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
|a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| &= \frac{1}{16} \left| \frac{p_1 \{p^3 + 2(4-p^2)px - (4-p^2)px^2 + 2(4-p^2)(1-|x|^2)z\}}{4(1+\lambda)(3+\lambda)} \right. \\
&\quad - \frac{(5+6\lambda-\lambda^2)p^2 \{p^2 + (4-p^2)x\}}{8(1+\lambda)^2(2+\lambda)^2(3+\lambda)} \\
&\quad - \frac{\{p^2 + (4-p^2)x\}^2}{4(2+\lambda)^2} \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{25+51\lambda-9\lambda^2+\lambda^3}{64(1+\lambda)^2(2+\lambda)^2(3+\lambda)} p^4 \right| \\
&= \frac{1}{16} \left| \frac{\lambda^3 - \lambda^2 + 19\lambda + 1}{64(1+\lambda)^4(2+\lambda)^2(3+\lambda)} p^4 \right. \\
&\quad - \frac{1+2\lambda-\lambda^2}{8(1+\lambda)^2(2+\lambda)^2(3+\lambda)} (4-p^2)p^2 x \\
&\quad - \frac{p^2+4\lambda^2+16\lambda+12}{4(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)^2(3+\lambda)} (4-p^2)x^2 \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{p(4-p^2)(1-|x|^2)z}{2(1+\lambda)(3+\lambda)} \right|, \tag{3.21}
\end{aligned}$$

for some  $x$  ( $|x| \leq 1$ ) and for some  $z$  ( $|z| \leq 1$ ). An application of triangle inequality in (3.21) and replacing  $|x|$  by  $y$  in the resulting equation with assumption that



$(p^2 + 4\lambda^2 + 16\lambda + 12 - 8p - 8\lambda p - 2\lambda^2 p) > 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 |a_2 a_4 - a_3^2| &\leq \frac{1}{16} \left[ \frac{\lambda^3 - \lambda^2 + 19\lambda + 1}{64(1 + \lambda)^2(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} p^4 \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{(1 + 2\lambda - \lambda^2)(4 - p^2)p^2 y}{8(1 + \lambda)^2(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} \\
 &\quad + \frac{p^2 + 4\lambda^2 + 16\lambda + 12 - 8p - 8\lambda p - 2\lambda^2 p}{4(1 + \lambda)(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} (4 - p^2)y^2 \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{(4 - p^2)p}{2(1 + \lambda)(3 + \lambda)} \right] \\
 &= F(p, y; \lambda) \quad (0 \leq p \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq 1)(say). \tag{3.22}
 \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating on both sides of (3.22) with respect to  $y$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial F(p, y; \lambda)}{\partial y} &= \frac{1}{16} \left[ \frac{(1 + 2\lambda - \lambda^2)(4 - p^2)p^2}{8(1 + \lambda)^2(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{(p^2 + 4\lambda^2 + 16\lambda + 12 - 8p - 8\lambda p - 2\lambda^2 p)}{2(1 + \lambda)(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} (4 - p^2)y \right] \tag{3.23}
 \end{aligned}$$

It is observed that  $\frac{\partial F(p, y; \lambda)}{\partial y} > 0$  for  $0 < p < 2, 0 < y < 1$ . Thus  $F(p, y; \lambda)$  is an increasing function of  $y$  which implies  $F(p, y; \lambda)$  cannot have maximum in the interior on the closed rectangle  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ . Therefore, for fixed  $p \in [0, 2]$ ,

$$\max_{0 \leq y \leq 1} F(p, y; \lambda) = F(p, 1, \lambda) = H(p; \lambda)(say), \tag{3.24}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(p; \lambda) &= \frac{1}{16} \left[ \frac{\lambda^3 - \lambda^2 + 19\lambda + 1}{64(1 + \lambda)^2(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} p^4 + \frac{(1 + 2\lambda - \lambda^2)(4 - p^2)p^2}{8(1 + \lambda)^2(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{(4 - p^2)p}{2(1 + \lambda)(3 + \lambda)} + \frac{p^2 + 4\lambda^2 + 16\lambda + 12 - 8p - 8\lambda p - 2\lambda^2 p}{4(1 + \lambda)(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} (4 - p^2) \right]. \tag{3.25}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 H'(p; \lambda) &= \frac{1}{16} \left[ \frac{\lambda^3 - \lambda^2 + 19\lambda + 1}{16(1 + \lambda)^2(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} p^3 + \frac{p(1 + 2\lambda - \lambda^2)(2 - p^2)}{2(1 + \lambda)^2(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{3p^2}{2(1 + \lambda)(3 + \lambda)} - \frac{p(4p^2 + 8\lambda^2 + 32\lambda + 16 + 16p + 6\lambda^2 p + 24\lambda p - 2p^2)}{4(1 + \lambda)(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 H''(p; \lambda) &= \frac{1}{16} \left[ \frac{3(\lambda^3 - \lambda^2 + 19\lambda + 1)}{16(1 + \lambda)^2(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} p^2 + \frac{(1 + 2\lambda - \lambda^2)(2 - 3p^2)}{2(1 + \lambda)^2(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{3p}{(1 + \lambda)(3 + \lambda)} - \frac{12p^2 + 8\lambda^2 + 32\lambda + 16 + 32p + 12\lambda^2 p + 48\lambda p - 6p^2 + 16p}{4(1 + \lambda)(2 + \lambda)^2(3 + \lambda)} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

By elementary calculus we have  $H''(p; \lambda) < 0$  for  $0 \leq p \leq 2$  and  $H(p; \lambda)$  has real critical point at  $p = 0$ . This shows that the maximum of  $H(p; \lambda)$  occurs at  $p = 0$ . Thus, the upper bound in (3.22) corresponds to  $p = 0$  and  $y = 1$  from which we get the required estimate (3.19).

The result is sharp for the functions

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{1+z},$$

or

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{1+z^2}.$$

The proof of Theorem 3.8 is thus completed.  $\square$

**Remark 3.9.** Putting  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\lambda = 1$  in Theorem 3.8, we get the result of Raza and Malik (see [27]) and Sahoo and Patel (see [28]).

The sharp upper bound for the fourth coefficient of the function  $f \in ML_\lambda^*$  is given by the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.10.** Let the function  $f$  given by (1.1) be in the class  $ML_\lambda^*$ . Then

$$|a_4| \leq \frac{1}{2(3+\lambda)} \quad (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1). \quad (3.26)$$

*Proof.* Proceeding similarly as in the proof of Theorem 3.8 and making use of Lemma 2.2 in (3.15) assuming that  $(1 - 4\lambda - 3\lambda^2) > 0$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |a_4| &\leq \frac{1}{16(3+\lambda)} \left[ \frac{1+5\lambda^2}{8(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} p^3 + \frac{(1-4\lambda-3\lambda^2)}{2(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} (4-p^2)py \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (4-p^2)py^2 + 2(4-p^2)(1-y^2) \right] \\ &= T(p, y; \lambda) \text{ (say)}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.27)$$

Now we maximize the function  $T(p, y; \lambda)$  on the closed rectangle  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ . Suppose that the maximum of  $T$  occurs at the interior point of  $[0, 2] \times [0, 1]$ . Differentiating (3.27) with respect to  $y$ , we obtain

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{16(3+\lambda)} \left[ \frac{(1-4\lambda-3\lambda^2)}{2(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} p + 2(p-2)y \right] (4-p^2). \quad (3.28)$$

It is clear that  $\frac{\partial T}{\partial y} < 0$  for  $0 < p < 2$  and  $0 < y < 1$ . Thus,  $T(p, y, \lambda)$  is an decreasing function of  $y$ , contradicting our assumption. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{0 \leq y \leq 1} T(p, y; \lambda) &= T(p, 0, \lambda) = \frac{1}{16(3+\lambda)} \left[ \frac{1+5\lambda^2}{8(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} p^3 + 2(4-p^2) \right] \\ &= S(p) \text{ (say)}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.29)$$

From (3.29), we have

$$S'(p) = \frac{1}{16(3+\lambda)} \left[ \frac{3(1+5\lambda^2)p^2}{8(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} - 4p \right], \quad (3.30)$$

and

$$S''(p) = \frac{1}{16(3+\lambda)} \left[ \frac{3(1+5\lambda^2)p}{4(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} - 4 \right]. \quad (3.31)$$

For extreme values of  $S(p)$ , consider  $S'(p) = 0$ . From (3.30), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3(1+5\lambda^2)p^2}{8(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} - 4p &= 0 \\ \implies p \left[ \frac{3(1+5\lambda^2)p}{8(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)} - 4 \right] &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.32)$$

We now discuss the following cases.

**Cases 1:** If  $p = 0$ , then

$$S''(p) = -\frac{1}{4(3+\lambda)} < 0.$$

By the second derivative test,  $S(p)$  has maximum value at  $p = 0$ .

**Cases 2:** If  $p \neq 0$ , then (3.33) gives

$$p = \frac{32(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda)}{3(1+5\lambda^2)}. \quad (3.33)$$

Using the value of  $p$  given in (3.33) in (3.31), we get

$$S''(p) = \frac{1}{4(3+\lambda)} > 0 \quad (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1).$$

Hence by second derivative test,  $S(p)$  has minimum value at  $p$ , where  $p$  is given by (3.33).

From the above discussion, it is clear that  $S(p)$  attains its maximum at  $p = 0$ . Thus, the upper bound in (3.27) corresponds to  $p = 0$  and  $y = 0$  from which we get the required estimate (3.26).

The estimate in (3.26) is sharp for the function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  given by

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{(1-\lambda)f(z) + \lambda z} = \sqrt{1+z^3} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

This complete the prove of Theorem 3.10.  $\square$

**Remark 3.11.** Taking  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\lambda = 1$  in Theorem 3.10, we get the upper bounds for  $|a_4|$  for the class of  $SL^*$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}$  respectively studied by Raza and Malik [27] and Sahoo and Patel [28].

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