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# Sharp Estimates of Generalized Zalcman Functional of Early Coefficients for Ma-Minda Type Functions

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**Abstract.** Let  $\varphi$  be an analytic function in the unit disk  $\mathbb{D} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  which has the form  $\varphi(z) = 1 + p_1 z + p_2 z^2 + p_3 z^3 + \cdots$  with  $p_1 > 0$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $p_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ . For given such  $\varphi$ , let  $\mathcal{S}^*(\varphi)$ ,  $\mathcal{K}(\varphi)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(\varphi)$  denote the classes of standardly normalized analytic functions f in  $\mathbb{D}$  which satisfy

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} < \varphi(z), \quad 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} < \varphi(z) \quad f'(z) < \varphi(z), \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

respectively, where  $\prec$  means the usual subordination. In this paper, we find the sharp bounds of  $|a_2a_3 - a_4|$ , where  $a_n := f^{(n)}(0)/n!$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , over classes  $S^*(\varphi)$ ,  $\mathcal{K}(\varphi)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(\varphi)$ .

## 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the class of analytic functions in  $\mathbb{D} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  and let  $\mathcal{H}$  be its subclass of f of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$
 (1)

The subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of univalent functions is denoted by  $\mathcal{S}$ .

For analytic functions f and g we say that f is subordinate to g and write f < g, if there is an analytic function  $\omega : \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$  with  $\omega(0) = 0$  such that  $f = g \circ \omega$  in  $\mathbb{D}$ . If g is univalent, then f < g is equivalent to f(0) = g(0) and  $f(\mathbb{D}) \subset g(\mathbb{D})$ .

Given  $\varphi \in \mathcal{H}$  of the form

$$\varphi(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_n z^n, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$
(2)

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let  $S^*(\varphi)$ ,  $\mathcal{K}(\varphi)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(\varphi)$  denote the classes of functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  which satisfy

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} < \varphi(z), \quad 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} < \varphi(z), \quad f'(z) < \varphi(z), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}, \tag{3}$$

respectively. Let  $\mathcal P$  be the class of functions  $\varphi \in \mathcal H$  of the form (2) having a positive real part in  $\mathbb D$ , i.e., the Carathéodory class of functions. When  $\varphi \in \mathcal P$ , then functions in the classes  $\mathcal S^*(\varphi)$  and  $\mathcal K(\varphi)$  are called Ma-Minda starlike functions and Ma-Minda convex functions, respectively [12]. Therefore functions in  $\mathcal R(\varphi)$  can be called of bounded turning of Ma-Minda type. For  $\varphi \in \mathcal P$  the inclusions  $\mathcal S^*(\varphi) \subset \mathcal S$ ,  $\mathcal K(\varphi) \subset \mathcal S$  and  $\mathcal R(\varphi) \subset \mathcal S$  hold evidently. Let us emphasize, that in our consideration functions  $\varphi$  is not restricted to the class  $\mathcal P$ , however throughout the whole paper we will assume that  $p_1 > 0$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $p_3 \in \mathbb R$  in its power series (2).

Given  $0 \le \alpha < 1$  and  $0 < \beta \le 1$ , define

$$\varphi_{\alpha}(z) := \frac{1 + (1 - 2\alpha)z}{1 - z} = 1 + 2(1 - \alpha)\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} z^{k}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$
(4)

and

$$\varphi_{\beta}^{*}(z) := \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\beta} = 1 + 2\beta z + 2\beta^{2} z^{2} + \frac{2}{3}\beta(1+2\beta^{2})z^{3} + \cdots, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$
 (5)

Let

$$\varphi_P(z) := 1 + \frac{2}{\pi^2} \left( \log \frac{1 + \sqrt{z}}{1 - \sqrt{z}} \right)^2 = 1 + \frac{8}{\pi^2} z + \frac{16}{3\pi^2} z^2 + \frac{184}{45\pi^2} z^3 + \cdots, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$
 (6)

Substituting  $\varphi = \varphi_{\alpha}$ ,  $\varphi = \varphi_{\beta}^*$  and  $\varphi = \varphi_P$  into (3) we obtain several classes that some of these will be examined subsequently:

- $S^*(\alpha) := S^*(\varphi_{\alpha})$  the class of starlike functions of order  $\alpha$ ;
- $SS^*_{\beta} := S^*(\varphi^*_{\beta})$  the class of strongly starlike functions of order  $\beta$ ;
- $S_p^* := S^*(\varphi_p)$  the class of parabolic starlike functions;
- $\mathcal{K}(\alpha) := \mathcal{K}(\varphi_{\alpha})$  the class of convex functions of order  $\alpha$ ;
- $\mathcal{SK}_{\beta} := \mathcal{K}(\varphi_{\beta}^*)$  the class of strongly convex functions of order  $\beta$ ;
- $UCV := K(\varphi_P)$  the class of uniformly convex functions;
- $\mathcal{R}(\alpha) := \mathcal{R}(\varphi_{\alpha})$  the class of functions of bounded turning of order  $\alpha$ .

In this paper, we computed the sharp upper bound of the functional  $J_{2,3}(f) := a_2a_3 - a_4$  over the classes  $S^*(\varphi)$ ,  $\mathcal{K}(\varphi)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(\varphi)$ , respectively. The functional  $J_{2,3}$  is a specific case of the generalized Zalcman functional  $J_{n,m}(f) := a_na_m - a_{n+m-1}$ ,  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$ , which was investigated by Ma [11] for  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  (see also [14] for relevant results on this functional). On the other hand, many authors (*cf.* [1–6, 8, 15]) computed the upper bound for the functional  $J_{2,3}$  over various subclasses of  $\mathcal{A}$  to obtain a bound for Hankel determinant

$$H_{3,1}(f) := \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ a_2 & a_3 & a_4 \\ a_3 & a_4 & a_5 \end{vmatrix}, \quad f \in \mathcal{A},$$

of third order using the inequality

$$|H_3(f)| \le |a_3||a_2a_4 - a_3^2| + |a_4||a_2a_3 - a_4| + |a_5||a_3 - a_2^2|, \quad f \in \mathcal{A}.$$

Refer to [9] for the study of the functional  $H_{2,2}(f) := a_2 a_4 - a_3^2$ , i.e., the Hankel determinant of the second order over the classes  $S^*(\varphi)$  and  $\mathcal{K}(\varphi)$ .

In Section 2 we introduce some lemmas which will be used for proofs main results. Sharp bounds for the functional  $J_{2,3}$  over the classes  $S^*(\varphi)$ ,  $\mathcal{K}(\varphi)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(\varphi)$  are computed in Sections 3, 4 and 5, respectively. Some specific functions are examined in each section also.

#### 2. Preliminary results

Let  $\mathcal{B}_0$  be a subclass of  $\mathcal{H}$  of functions  $\omega$  of the form

$$\omega(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},\tag{7}$$

such that  $\omega(0) = 0$  which map  $\mathbb D$  into itself, and called Schwarz functions. Clearly,  $\omega \in \mathcal B_0$  if and only if  $\varphi := (1 + \omega)/(1 - \omega) \in \mathcal P$ .

In [13], Prokhorov and Szynal investigated the sharp upper bound for the functional  $\Psi$  over the class  $\mathcal{B}_0$ , where

$$\Psi(\mu,\nu) := |c_3 + \mu c_1 c_2 + \nu c_1^3|, \quad (\mu,\nu) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$
(8)

and  $c_i$  (i = 1, 2, 3) are the coefficients of functions in  $\mathcal{B}_0$  with the form given by (7). Moreover the extremal functions for each cases ( $\mu, \nu$ )  $\in D_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, 12$ ) were given in [13, p. 135]. Here,  $D_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, 12$ ) are the set defined as in [13, p. 127] such that  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{12} D_i = \mathbb{R}^2$ . Recall that the extremal functions are given by

I. 
$$\omega(z) = z^3$$
, when  $(\mu, \nu) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \{(2, 1)\};$ 

II. 
$$\omega(z) = z$$
, when  $(\mu, \nu) \in \bigcup_{k=3}^{7} D_k$ .

However the explicit form of the extremal functions for the cases  $(\mu, \nu) \in D_8 \cup D_9$ ,  $(\mu, \nu) \in D_{10} \cup D_{11} \setminus \{(2, 1)\}$  and  $(\mu, \nu) \in D_{12}$  have not been dealt with at all until now. In this section we will obtain the extremal functions  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}_0$  with the explicit form for the cases above.

To do it, the following result shown by Kwon *et al.* [7] is required. We remark here that a special case of the proposition below matches to [10, Lemma 2.3]. Let  $\mathbb{T} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1\}$ .

**Proposition 2.1 ([7]).** *Let*  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}$  *be of the form* (2) *with*  $p_1 \in [0,2)$  *and for*  $\zeta \in \mathbb{T}$ *,* 

$$2p_2 = p_1^2 + \zeta(4 - p_1^2). \tag{9}$$

*Then*  $\varphi$  *must be of the form* 

$$\varphi(z) = \frac{1 + \rho(1 + \zeta)z + \zeta z^2}{1 - \rho(1 - \zeta)z - \zeta z^2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$
(10)

where  $\rho \in [0, 1)$ .

Let  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}_0$  be of the form (7) and  $c_2 = (1 - c_1^2)\zeta$  holds for some  $\zeta \in \mathbb{T}$ . Then  $\varphi := (1 + \omega)/(1 - \omega) \in \mathcal{P}$  is of the form (2) and therefore

$$p_1 = 2c_1$$
,  $p_2 = 2(c_1^2 + c_2)$ ,  $p_3 = 2(c_1^3 + 2c_1c_2 + c_3)$ .

Hence and from equality  $c_2 = (1 - c_1^2)\zeta$ , it follows that (9) holds. By Proposition 2.1 the function  $\varphi$  is of the form (10). Since  $\omega = (\varphi - 1)/(\varphi + 1)$ , we get the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}_0$  be of the form (7) with  $c_1 \in [0,1)$  and  $c_2 = (1-c_1^2)\zeta$  for some  $\zeta \in \mathbb{T}$ . Then  $\omega$  must be of the form

$$\omega(z) = \frac{z(\rho + \zeta z)}{1 + \rho \zeta z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},\tag{11}$$

where  $\rho \in [0,1)$ .

From Lemma 2.2, the statements III, IV and V in [13, p. 135] can be replaced by III', IV' and V' below, respectively, i.e., the extremal function  $\omega$  has the form (11) with

III'. 
$$\rho = \sqrt{(\mu + 1)/(3(\mu + 1 + \nu))}$$
 and  $\zeta = -1$ , when  $(\mu, \nu) \in D_8 \cup D_9$ ;

IV'. 
$$\rho = \sqrt{(3\mu^2 - 2(\mu^2 + 2)\nu)/(3(\nu - 1)(4\nu - \mu^2))}$$
 and  $\zeta = e^{i\theta_0}$ , where  $\theta_0$  is defined by

$$\theta_0 = \pm \arccos\left(\frac{\mu[2(\mu^2 + 2) - (\mu^2 + 8)\nu]}{2[3\mu^2 - 2(\mu^2 + 2)\nu]}\right),$$

when  $(\mu, \nu) \in D_{10} \cup D_{11} \setminus \{(2, 1)\};$ 

V'. 
$$\rho = \sqrt{(\mu - 1)/(3(\mu - 1 - \nu))}$$
 and  $\zeta = 1$ , when  $(\mu, \nu) \in D_{12}$ .

With the aid of [13, Lemma 2] and the extremal functions given in I, II, III', IV', V', from here, we will obtain the sharp bounds of  $|a_2a_3 - a_4|$  over the classes  $S^*(\varphi)$ ,  $\mathcal{K}(\varphi)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(\varphi)$ .

## 3. The class $S^*(\varphi)$

In this section, we deal with the class  $S^*(\varphi)$ . Given  $\varphi \in \mathcal{H}$  of the form (2) with  $p_1 > 0$ ,  $p_2$  and  $p_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $f \in S^*(\varphi)$  be of the form (1). Then there exists  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}_0$  of the form (7) such that

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = \varphi(\omega(z)), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$
 (12)

Substituting the series (1), (2) and (7) into (12) by equating the coefficient we get

$$a_2 = p_1 c_1$$
,  $a_3 = \frac{1}{2} [p_1 c_2 + (p_1^2 + p_2)c_1^2]$  and  $a_4 = \frac{1}{6} [2p_1 c_3 + (3p_1^2 + 4p_2)c_1 c_2 + (p_1^3 + 3p_1 p_2 + 2p_3)c_1^3]$ . (13)

Hence

$$|a_2 a_3 - a_4| = \frac{1}{3} p_1 \Psi(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\nu}), \tag{14}$$

where  $\Psi$  is defined by (8),

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{2p_2}{p_1}, \quad \hat{\nu} = \frac{p_3 - p_1^3}{p_1}.$$

Thus by applying the result in [13, Lemma 2], the sharp bound of (14) is one of the following values:

$$A_1 := \frac{1}{3}p_1, \quad A_2 := \frac{1}{3}|p_3 - p_1^3|, \quad A_3 := \frac{2\sqrt{3}(p_1 + 2|p_2|)^{3/2}}{27\sqrt{p_1 - p_1^3 + 2|p_2| + p_3}},$$

$$A_4 := \frac{2\sqrt{3}(p_3 - p_1^3)(p_2^2 - p_1^2)^{3/2}}{27(p_2^2 + p_1^4 - p_1p_3)\sqrt{p_1(p_3 - p_1 - p_1^3)}} \quad \text{and} \quad A_5 := \frac{2\sqrt{3}(2|p_2| - p_1)^{3/2}}{27\sqrt{2|p_2| - p_1 + p_1^3 - p_3}}.$$

Now, for each i = 1, ..., 5 consider the functions whose coefficients satisfy equality  $|a_2a_3 - a_4| = A_i$ . To do this, define

$$f(z) = z \exp\left[\int_0^z \frac{\varphi(\omega(\xi)) - 1}{\xi} d\xi\right], \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$
 (15)

Taking  $\mu = \hat{\mu}$  and  $\nu = \hat{\nu}$  in [13, Lemma 2], we get the following functions which are extremal ones for each case.

- (1)  $|a_2a_3 a_4| = A_1$  holds for  $\hat{f_1} := f$ , where f is the function defined by (15) with  $\omega(z) = z^3$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ ;
- (2)  $|a_2a_3 a_4| = A_2$  holds for  $\hat{f_2} := f$ , where f is the function defined by (15) with  $\omega(z) = z$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ ;
- (3)  $|a_2a_3 a_4| = A_3$  holds for  $\hat{f_3} := f$ , where f is the function defined by (15) with  $\omega$  defined by (11), where

$$\rho = \sqrt{\frac{2p_2 + p_1}{3(2p_2 + p_1 - p_1^3 + p_3)}} \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta = -1;$$

(4)  $|a_2a_3 - a_4| = A_4$  holds for  $\hat{f_4} := f$ , where f is the function defined by (15) with  $\omega$  defined by (11), where

$$\rho = \sqrt{\frac{p_1^5 + 3p_1p_2^2 + 2p_1^3p_2^2 - p_1^2p_3 - 2p_2^2p_3}{3(p_1 + p_1^3 - p_3)(p_1^4 + p_2^2 - p_1p_3)}}, \quad \zeta = e^{i\theta_0}$$

and

$$\theta_0 = \pm \arccos \left( \frac{p_2(2p_1^5 + 2p_1p_2^2 + p_1^3(1 + p_2^2) - 2p_1^2p_3 - p_2^2p_3)}{p_1(p_1^5 + 3p_1p_2^2 + 2p_1^3p_2^2 - p_1^2p_3 - 2p_2^2p_3)} \right);$$

(5)  $|a_2a_3-a_4|=A_5$  holds for  $\hat{f_5}:=f$ , where f is the function defined by (15) with  $\omega$  defined by (11), where

$$\rho = \sqrt{\frac{2p_2 - p_1}{3(2p_2 - p_1 + p_1^3 - p_3)}} \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta = 1.$$

From the above consideration it follows the following sharp upper bound of the functional  $J_{2,3}$  over the class  $S^*(\varphi)$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{H}$  be of the form given by (2) with  $p_1 > 0$ ,  $p_2, p_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  and let

$$\hat{\sigma}_1 := p_1^3 - p_1 - 2|p_2| + \frac{4(p_1 + 2|p_2|)^3}{27p_1^2}, \quad \hat{\sigma}_2 := p_1^3 + \frac{p_1|p_2|(p_1 + 2|p_2|)}{p_1^2 + p_1|p_2| + p_2^2},$$

$$\hat{\sigma_3} := p_1^3 + \frac{p_1|p_2|(2|p_2| - p_1)}{p_2^2 - p_1|p_2| + p_1^2} \quad and \quad \hat{\sigma_4} := p_1^3 + \frac{p_2^2 + 2p_1^2}{3p_1}.$$

Let  $f \in S^*(\varphi)$  be of the form given by (1). Then the following sharp inequalities hold:

A. When  $|p_2| \le p_1/4$ :

(a) If 
$$p_1^3 - p_1 \le p_3 \le p_1^3 + p_1$$
, then  $|a_2a_3 - a_4| \le A_1$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f_1}$ ;

(b) If 
$$p_3 \le p_1^3 - p_1$$
 or  $p_3 \ge p_1^3 + p_1$ , then  $|a_2a_3 - a_4| \le A_2$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f_2}$ .

*B.* When  $p_1/4 \le |p_2| \le p_1$ :

- (a) If  $\hat{\sigma}_1 \leq p_3 \leq p_1^3 + p_1$ , then  $|a_2 a_3 a_4| \leq A_1$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f}_1$ ;
- (b) If  $p_3 \le (3p_1^3 2p_1 4|p_2|)/3$  or  $p_3 \ge p_1^3 + p_1$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le A_2$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f}_2$ ;
- (c) If  $(3p_1^3 2p_1 4|p_2|)/3 \le p_3 \le \hat{\sigma}_1$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le A_3$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f}_3$ .

## *C.* When $p_1 < |p_2| \le 2p_1$ :

- (a) If  $p_3 \le (3p_1^3 2p_1 4|p_2|)/3$  or  $p_3 \ge \hat{\sigma}_4$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le A_2$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f}_2$ ;
- (b) If  $(3p_1^3 2p_1 4|p_2|)/3 \le p_3 \le \hat{\sigma}_2$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le A_3$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f}_3$ ;
- (c) If  $\hat{\sigma}_2 \leq p_3 \leq \hat{\sigma}_4$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \leq A_4$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f}_4$ .

# *D.* When $|p_2| \ge 2p_1$ :

- (a) If  $p_3 \le (3p_1^3 2p_1 4|p_2|)/3$  or  $p_3 \ge (3p_1^3 2p_1 + 4|p_2|)/3$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le A_2$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f_2}$ ;
- (b) If  $(3p_1^3 2p_1 4|p_2|)/3 \le p_3 \le \hat{\sigma}_2$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le A_3$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f}_3$ ;
- (c) If  $\hat{\sigma}_2 \leq p_3 \leq \hat{\sigma}_3$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \leq A_4$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f}_4$ ;
- (d) If  $\hat{\sigma}_3 \le p_3 \le (3p_1^3 2p_1 + 4|p_2|)/3$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le A_5$  and the extremal function is  $\hat{f}_5$ .

**Example 3.2.** (see [4, Theorem 2.1]) Let  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$  and let  $f \in S^*(\alpha) = S^*(\varphi_{\alpha})$ , where  $\varphi_{\alpha}$  is defined by (4). Since  $p_1 = p_2 = p_3 = 2(1 - \alpha)$ , we see that  $p_1/4 \le |p_2| \le p_1$  for all  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ . Note that  $\hat{\sigma}_1 > p_3$  for all  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ , since  $\hat{\sigma}_1 - p_3 = 8(1 - \alpha)^3$ . Note also that  $p_3 - (3p_1^3 - 2p_1 - 4|p_2|)/3 = -2(1 - \alpha)(1 - 8\alpha + 4\alpha^2)$ . Therefore, for  $\alpha \in [0, (2 - \sqrt{3})/2]$  the inequality  $p_3 \le (3p_1^3 - 2p_1 - 4|p_2|)/3$  holds. Hence by Theorem 3.1.B.(b) we have

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| \le A_2 = \frac{2}{3}(3 - 11\alpha + 12\alpha^2 - 4\alpha^3)$$

when  $\alpha \in [0, (2 - \sqrt{3})/2]$ . The equality holds for the function

$$\hat{f}_2(z) = z \exp\left(\int_0^z \frac{\varphi_\alpha(\xi) - 1}{\xi} d\xi\right) = \frac{z}{(1 - z)^{2(1 - \alpha)}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

which is in  $S^*(\alpha)$ . On the other hand, for  $\alpha \in [(2-\sqrt{3})/2,1)$ , the inequality  $p_3 \ge (3p_1^3-2p_1-4|p_2|)/3$  holds and this fact with Theorem 3.1.B.(c) yield the sharp inequality

$$|a_2 a_3 - a_4| \le A_3 = \frac{2(1-\alpha)}{3\sqrt{\alpha(2-\alpha)}}.$$

The equality holds for the function

$$\hat{f}_3(z) = z \exp\left(\int_0^z \frac{\varphi_\alpha(\xi^3) - 1}{\xi} d\xi\right) = z \exp\left(\int_0^z \frac{2(1 - \alpha)(\rho - \xi)}{1 - 2\rho\xi + \xi^2} d\xi\right), \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

with  $\rho = 1/(2\sqrt{\alpha(2-\alpha)})$ , which is in  $S^*(\alpha)$ .

**Example 3.3.** (see [3, Theorem 2.1]) Let  $\beta \in (0,1]$  and let  $f \in \mathcal{SS}^*_{\beta} = \mathcal{S}^*(\varphi^*_{\beta})$ , where  $\varphi^*_{\beta}$  is defined by (5). We have  $p_1 = 2\beta$ ,  $p_2 = 2\beta^2$  and  $p_3 = 2\beta(1 + 2\beta^2)/3$ . Firstly, let  $\beta \in (0,1/4]$ . Then  $p_2 \leq p_1/4$  and  $p_1^3 - p_1 \leq p_3 \leq p_1^3 + p_1$ . Hence by Theorem 3.1.A.(a), we get the sharp inequality

$$|a_2 a_3 - a_4| \le \frac{2}{3}\beta. \tag{16}$$

The equality holds for the function

$$\hat{f}_1(z) = z \exp\left[\int_0^z \frac{1}{\xi} \left( \left( \frac{1+\xi^3}{1-\xi^3} \right)^{\beta} - 1 \right) d\xi \right], \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

which is in  $SS_{\beta}^*$ . Now, let fix  $\beta \in [1/4, 1]$ . Then  $p_1/4 \le |p_2| \le p_1$  and  $p_3 \le p_1^3 + p_1$ . Note also that  $(3p_1^3 - 2p_1 - 4p_2)/3 \le p_3$  when  $\beta \in [1/4, (2 + \sqrt{34})/10]$  and  $(3p_1^3 - 2p_1 - 4p_2)/3 \ge p_3$  when  $\beta \in [(2 + \sqrt{34})/10, 1]$ . We have

$$\hat{\sigma}_1 - p_3 = \frac{4}{27}\beta(-16 - 15\beta + 69\beta^2 + 16\beta^3).$$

Hence  $\hat{\sigma}_1 \leq p_3$  for  $\beta \in [1/4, \beta_1]$  and  $\hat{\sigma}_1 \geq p_3$  for  $\beta \in [\beta_1, 1]$ , where  $\beta_1 \approx 0.559$  is the zero of the equation  $-16 - 15x + 69x^2 + 16x^3 = 0$ . Consequently, for  $\beta \in [1/4, \beta_1]$ , by Theorem 3.1.B.(a) the sharp inequality (16) holds. The equality holds for  $\hat{f}_1$  defined above. For  $\beta \in [\beta_1, (2 + \sqrt{34})/10]$ , by Theorem 3.1.B.(c) we get the sharp inequality

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| \le A_3 = \frac{2\sqrt{2}\beta(1+2\beta)^{3/2}}{9\sqrt{2+3\beta-5\beta^2}}.$$

The equality holds for the function

$$\hat{f}_3(z) = z \exp\left[\int_0^z \frac{1}{\xi} \left( \left( \frac{1 - \xi^2}{1 - 2\rho\xi + \xi^2} \right)^{\beta} - 1 \right) d\xi \right], \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

where  $\rho = \sqrt{(1+2\beta)/(3(1+3\beta-4\beta^2))}$ , which is  $SS^*_{\beta}$ . When  $\beta \in [(2+\sqrt{34})/10,1]$ , by applying Theorem 3.1.B.(b) we get the sharp inequality

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| \le A_2 = \frac{2}{9}\beta(10\beta^2 - 1).$$

The equality holds for the function

$$\hat{f}_2(z) = z \exp\left[\int_0^z \frac{1}{\xi} \left( \left( \frac{1+\xi}{1-\xi} \right)^{\beta} - 1 \right) d\xi \right], \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

which is in  $SS_{\beta}^*$ .

### 4. The class $\mathcal{K}(\varphi)$

Given  $\varphi$  be of the form (2) with  $p_1 > 0$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $p_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $f \in \mathcal{K}(\varphi)$  be of the form (1). Since  $zf'(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*(\varphi)$ , from (13) we obtain

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{2}p_1c_1$$
,  $a_3 = \frac{1}{6}[p_1c_2 + (p_1^2 + p_2)c_1^2]$  and  $a_4 = \frac{1}{24}[2p_1c_3 + (3p_1^2 + 4p_2)c_1c_2 + (p_1^3 + 3p_1p_2 + 2p_3)c_1^3]$ .

Hence

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| = \frac{1}{12}p_1\Psi(\tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\nu}),$$

where  $\Psi$  is defined by (8),

$$\tilde{\mu} = \frac{p_1^2 + 4p_2}{2p_1}, \quad \tilde{v} = \frac{2p_3 + p_1p_2 - p_1^3}{2p_1}.$$

Therefore, by applying the result in [13, Lemma 2] the sharp bound of the functional  $J_{2,3}$  over the class  $\mathcal{K}(\varphi)$  is among the following values:

$$B_1 := \frac{1}{12}p_1, \quad B_2 := \frac{1}{24}|p_1^3 - p_1p_2 - 2p_3|, \quad B_3 := \frac{\sqrt{3}(|p_1^2 + 4p_2| + 2p_1)^{3/2}}{108\sqrt{|p_1^2 + 4p_2| + 2p_1 - p_1^3 + p_1p_2 + 2p_3}},$$

$$B_4 := \frac{\sqrt{6}(-p_1^3 + p_1p_2 + 2p_3)(p_1^4 + 8p_1^2p_2 + 16p_2^2 - 16p_1^2)^{3/2}}{432(9p_1^4 + 16p_2^2 - 16p_1p_3)\sqrt{p_1(-p_1^3 + p_1p_2 + 2p_3 - 2p_1)}}$$

and

$$B_5 := \frac{\sqrt{3}(|p_1^2 + 4p_2| - 2p_1)^{3/2}}{108\sqrt{|p_1^2 + 4p_2| - 2p_1 + p_1^3 - p_1p_2 - 2p_3}}.$$

Now, for each i = 1, ..., 5 consider the functions whose coefficients satisfy equality  $|a_2a_3 - a_4| = B_i$ . To do this, define

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \left( \exp\left[ \int_0^{\zeta} \frac{\varphi(\omega(\xi)) - 1}{\xi} d\xi \right] \right) d\zeta, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$
 (17)

where  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}_0$ . Taking  $\mu = \tilde{\mu}$  and  $\nu = \tilde{\nu}$  in [13, Lemma 2], we get the following functions which are extremal ones for each case.

- (1)  $|a_2a_3 a_4| = B_1$  holds for  $\tilde{f_1} := f$ , where f is the function defined by (17) with  $\omega(z) = z^3$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ ;
- (2)  $|a_2a_3 a_4| = B_2$  holds for  $\tilde{f_2} := f$ , where f is the function defined by (17) with  $\omega(z) = z$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ ;
- (3)  $|a_2a_3 a_4| = B_3$  holds for  $\tilde{f_3} := f$ , where f is the function defined by (17) with  $\omega$  defined by (11), where

$$\rho = \sqrt{\frac{p_1^2 + 4p_2 + 2p_1}{3(p_1^2 + 4p_2 + 2p_1 + 2p_3 + p_1p_2 - p_1^3)}} \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta = -1;$$

(4)  $|a_2a_3 - a_4| = B_4$  holds for  $\tilde{f}_4 := f$ , where f is the function defined by (17) with  $\omega$  defined by (11), where  $\rho = \sqrt{(2\kappa_1)/(3\kappa_2)}$ ,  $\zeta = e^{i\theta_0}$  and  $\theta_0 = \pm \arccos(\kappa_3/\kappa_4)$ , and where

$$\kappa_1 := p_1^7 + 16p_1(3-p_2)p_2^2 + 8p_1^3p_2(2+p_2) + p_1^5(11+7p_2) - 2p_1^4p_3 - 32p_2^2p_3 - 16p_1^2(1+p_2)p_3,$$

$$\kappa_2 := (p_1^3 + p_1(2 - p_2) - 2p_3)(9p_1^4 + 16p_2^2 - 16p_1p_3),$$

$$\kappa_3 := (p_1^2 + 4p_2)[4p_1(8p_1^2 + (p_1^2 + 4p_2)^2) + (p_1^4 + 16p_2^2 + 8p_1^2(4 + p_2))(p_1^3 - p_1p_2 - 2p_3)]$$

and

$$\kappa_4 := 24p_1^2(p_1^2 + 4p_2)^2 + 8p_1(8p_1^2 + (p_1^2 + 4p_2)^2)(p_1^3 - p_1p_2 - 2p_3);$$

(5)  $|a_2a_3 - a_4| = B_5$  holds for  $\tilde{f_5} := f$ , where f is the function defined by (17) with  $\omega$  defined by (11), where

$$\rho = \sqrt{\frac{p_1^2 + 4p_2 - 2p_1}{3(p_1^2 + 4p_2 - 2p_1 - 2p_3 - p_1p_2 + p_1^3)}} \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta = 1.$$

From the above consideration it follows the following sharp upper bound of the functional  $J_{2,3}$  over the class  $\mathcal{K}(\varphi)$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{H}$  be of the form (2) with  $p_1 > 0$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $p_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  and let

$$\tilde{\sigma}_1 := \frac{1}{2} p_1^3 - \frac{1}{2} p_1 p_2 - p_1 - \frac{1}{2} |p_1^2 + 4p_2| + \frac{(|p_1^2 + 4p_2| + 2p_1)^3}{54 p_1^2},$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}_2 := \frac{1}{2} p_1^3 - \frac{1}{2} p_1 p_2 + \frac{p_1 (2 p_1^4 + 16 p_1^2 p_2 + 32 p_2^2 + 4 p_1 | p_1^2 + 4 p_2 |)}{p_1^4 + 8 p_1^2 p_2 + 16 p_2^2 + 16 p_1^2 + 4 p_1 | p_1^2 + 4 p_2 |},$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}_3 := \frac{1}{2}p_1^3 - \frac{1}{2}p_1p_2 + \frac{p_1(2p_1^4 + 16p_1^2p_2 + 32p_2^2 - 4p_1|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)}{p_1^4 + 8p_1^2p_2 + 16p_2^2 + 16p_1^2 - 4p_1|p_1^2 + 4p_2|}$$

and

$$\tilde{\sigma}_4 := \frac{1}{2}p_1^3 - \frac{1}{2}p_1p_2 + \frac{p_1^4 + 8p_1^2p_2 + 16p_2^2 + 32p_1^2}{48p_1}.$$

Let  $f \in \mathcal{K}(\varphi)$  be of the form given by (1). Then the following sharp inequalities hold:

- A. When  $|p_1^2 + 4p_2| \le p_1$ :
  - (a) If  $(p_1^3 2p_1 p_1p_2)/2 \le p_3 \le (p_1^3 + 2p_1 p_1p_2)/2$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le B_1$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f_1}$ ;
  - (b) If  $p_3 \le (p_1^3 2p_1 p_1p_2)/2$  or  $p_3 \ge (p_1^3 + 2p_1 p_1p_2)/2$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le B_2$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f_2}$ .
- B. When  $p_1 \le |p_1^2 + 4p_2| \le 4p_1$ :
  - (a) If  $\tilde{\sigma}_1 \le p_3 \le (p_1^3 p_1p_2 + 2p_1)/2$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le B_1$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f}_1$ ;
  - (b) If  $p_3 \le (3p_1^3 3p_1p_2 4p_1 2|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)/6$  or  $p_3 \ge (p_1^3 p_1p_2 + 2p_1)/2$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le B_2$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f}_2$ ;
  - (c) If  $(3p_1^3 3p_1p_2 4p_1 2|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)/6 \le p_3 \le \tilde{\sigma}_1$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le B_3$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f_3}$ .
- C. When  $4p_1 < |p_1^2 + 4p_2| \le 8p_1$ :
  - (a) If  $p_3 \le (3p_1^3 3p_1p_2 4p_1 2|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)/6$  or  $p_3 \ge \tilde{\sigma}_4$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le B_2$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f}_2$ ;
  - (b) If  $(3p_1^3 3p_1p_2 4p_1 2|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)/6 \le p_3 \le \tilde{\sigma}_2$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le B_3$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f}_3$ ;
  - (c) If  $\tilde{\sigma}_2 \leq p_3 \leq \tilde{\sigma}_4$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \leq B_4$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f}_4$ .
- D. When  $|p_1^2 + 4p_2| \ge 8p_1$ :
  - (a) If  $p_3 \le (3p_1^3 3p_1p_2 4p_1 2|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)/6$  or  $p_3 \ge (3p_1^3 3p_1p_2 4p_1 + 2|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)/6$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le B_2$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f_2}$ ;
  - (b) If  $(3p_1^3 3p_1p_2 4p_1 2|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)/6 \le p_3 \le \tilde{\sigma}_2$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le B_3$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f}_3$ ;
  - (c) If  $\tilde{\sigma}_2 \leq p_3 \leq \tilde{\sigma}_3$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \leq B_4$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f}_4$ ;
  - (d) If  $\tilde{\sigma}_3 \leq p_3 \leq (3p_1^3 3p_1p_2 4p_1 + 2|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)/6$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \leq B_5$  and the extremal function is  $\tilde{f}_5$ .

**Example 4.2.** Let  $\alpha \in [0,1)$  and let  $f \in \mathcal{K}(\alpha) = \mathcal{K}(\varphi_{\alpha})$ , where  $\varphi_{\alpha}$  is defined by (4). Since  $p_1 = p_2 = p_3 = 2(1-\alpha)$ , it follows that  $4p_1 < p_1^2 + 4p_2 < 8p_1$  for all  $\alpha \in [0,1)$ . Note also that  $p_3 > (3p_1^3 - 3p_1p_2 - 4p_1 - 2|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)/6$  for all  $\alpha \in [0,1)$ . We have

$$p_3 - \tilde{\sigma}_4 = \frac{1}{6}(1 - \alpha)^2(-17 + 25\alpha).$$

Thus  $p_3 \ge \tilde{\sigma}_4$  for  $\alpha \in [17/25, 1)$ . Therefore, by Theorem 4.1.C.(a) we get the sharp inequality

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| \le B_2 = \frac{1}{6}\alpha(3 - 5\alpha + 2\alpha^2).$$

The equality holds for the function

$$\tilde{f_2}(z) = \frac{1}{1 - 2\alpha} \left( (1 - z)^{2\alpha - 1} - 1 \right), \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

which is in  $K(\alpha)$ . When  $\alpha \in [0, 17/25]$ , then  $p_3 \leq \tilde{\sigma}_4$ . We have

$$\tilde{\sigma}_2 - p_3 = \frac{2(1-\alpha)^2(24 - 47\alpha + 17\alpha^2 - 2\alpha^3)}{19 - 8\alpha + \alpha^2}.$$

If  $\alpha \in [0, \alpha_1]$ , where  $\alpha_1 \approx 0.653$  is the zero of the equation  $24 - 47x + 17x^2 - 2x^3 = 0$ , then  $\tilde{\sigma}_2 \ge p_3$ . Therefore by Theorem 4.1.C.(b) we get the sharp inequality

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| \le B_3 = \frac{\sqrt{6}(1-\alpha)(4-\alpha)^{3/2}}{54\sqrt{2+\alpha-\alpha^2}}, \quad \alpha \in [0,\alpha_1].$$

The equality holds for the function

$$\tilde{f_3}(z) = \int_0^z \left[ \exp \left( 2(1 - \alpha) \int_0^{\zeta} \frac{(\rho - \xi)}{1 - 2\rho\xi + \xi^2} d\xi \right) \right] d\zeta, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

with  $\rho = \sqrt{(4-\alpha)/(6(\alpha^2-\alpha-2))}$ , which is in  $\mathcal{K}(\alpha)$ . If  $\alpha \in [\alpha_1, 17/25]$ , then  $\tilde{\sigma}_2 \leq p_3$ . Therefore by Theorem 4.1.C.(c) we get the sharp inequality

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| \le B_4 = \frac{\sqrt{3}\alpha(3 - 2\alpha)(5 - \alpha)^{3/2}}{486\sqrt{2\alpha - 1}}, \quad \alpha \in [\alpha_1, 17/25].$$

The equality holds for the function

$$\tilde{f_4}(z) = \int_0^z \left[ \exp\left( 2(1 - \alpha) \int_0^{\zeta} \frac{(\rho + \zeta \xi)}{1 + \rho(\zeta - 1)\xi - \zeta \xi^2} d\xi \right) \right] d\zeta, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

where

$$\rho = \sqrt{\frac{-27 + 57\alpha - 26\alpha^2 + 4\alpha^3}{27(1 - \alpha)^2(-1 + 2\alpha)}}$$

and  $\zeta = e^{i\theta_0}$  with

$$\theta_0 = \arccos\left(\frac{(-3 + \alpha)(-22 + 41\alpha - 13\alpha^2 + 2\alpha^3)}{54 - 114\alpha + 52\alpha^2 - 8\alpha^3}\right),$$

which is in  $\tilde{f}_4 \in \mathcal{K}(\alpha)$ .

**Example 4.3.** Let  $\beta \in (0,1]$  and consider the function  $f \in \mathcal{SK}_{\beta} = \mathcal{K}(\varphi_{\beta}^*)$ , where  $\varphi_{\beta}^*$  is defined by (5). Then  $p_1 = 2\beta$ ,  $p_2 = 2\beta^2$  and  $p_3 = 2\beta(1+2\beta^2)/3$ . Note that  $(p_1^3 - 2p_1 - p_1p_2)/2 < p_3 < (p_1^3 + 2p_1 - p_1p_2)/2$  for all  $\beta \in (0,1]$ . Firstly, let  $\beta \in (0,1/6]$ . Then  $p_1^2 + 4p_2 \le p_1$ . Thus from Theorem 4.1.A.(a) we get the sharp inequality

$$|a_2 a_3 - a_4| \le \frac{1}{6}\beta. \tag{18}$$

The equality holds for the function

$$\tilde{f}_1(z) = \int_0^z \left( \exp\left[ \int_0^\zeta \frac{1}{\xi} \left( \left( \frac{1+\xi^3}{1-\xi^3} \right)^\beta - 1 \right) d\xi \right] \right) d\zeta, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$
(19)

which is in  $\mathcal{SK}_{\beta}$ . Let now  $\beta \in [1/6, 2/3]$ . Since

$$\tilde{\sigma}_1 - p_3 = -\frac{2}{27}\beta(32 + 45\beta - 117\beta^2 - 108\beta^3),$$

we see that  $\tilde{\sigma}_1 \leq p_3$  when  $\beta \in [1/6, \beta_2]$  and  $\tilde{\sigma}_1 \geq p_3$  when  $\beta \in [\beta_2, 2/3]$ , where  $\beta_2 \approx 0.568$  is the zero of the equation  $32 + 45x - 117x^2 + 108x^3 = 0$ . Therefore, if  $\beta \in [1/6, \beta_2]$  by Theorem 4.1.B.(a) the sharp inequality (18) holds with  $\tilde{f}_1$  defined by (19) as the extremal function. If  $\beta \in [\beta_2, 2/3]$ , then taking into account that

$$\frac{1}{6}(3p_1^3 - 3p_1p_2 - 4p_1 - 2|p_1^2 + 2p_2|) - p_3 = -\frac{2}{3}\beta(3 + 6\beta - \beta^2) < 0, \quad \beta \in (0, 1],$$
(20)

by Theorem 4.1.B.(c) we get the sharp inequality

$$|a_2 a_3 - a_4| \le \frac{\beta (1 + 3\beta)^{3/2}}{9\sqrt{4 + 9\beta - \beta^2}}. (21)$$

The equality holds for the function

$$\tilde{f}_3(z) = \int_0^z \left( \exp\left[ \int_0^\zeta \frac{1}{\xi} \left( \left( \frac{1 - \xi^2}{1 - 2\rho \xi + \xi^2} \right)^\beta - 1 \right) d\xi \right] \right) d\zeta, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$
 (22)

where  $\rho = \sqrt{(1+3\beta)/(4+9\beta-\beta^2)}$ , which is in  $SK_{\beta}$ . Let now  $\beta \in [2/3,1]$ . Since

$$p_3 - \tilde{\sigma}_2 = \frac{2\beta(4 - 12\beta - 49\beta^2 - 6\beta^3 - 9\beta^4)}{3(4 + 6\beta + 9\beta^2)} < 0, \quad \beta \in [2/3, 1],$$

by (20) we have  $(3p_1^3 - 3p_1p_2 - 4p_1 - 2|p_1^2 + 4p_2|)/6 < p_3$ . Thus from Theorem 4.1.C.(b) it follows that the sharp inequality (21) holds with the  $\tilde{f_3}$  defined by (22) as the extremal function. Summarizing, we get the following sharp result. Let  $\beta \in (0,1]$  and  $f \in \mathcal{SK}_{\beta}$  be of the form (1). Then

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| \le \begin{cases} \frac{\beta}{6}, & \beta \in (0, \beta_2], \\ \frac{\beta(1+3\beta)^{3/2}}{9\sqrt{4+9\beta-\beta^2}}, & \beta \in [\beta_2, 1]. \end{cases}$$

**Example 4.4.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{UCV} = \mathcal{K}(\varphi_P)$ , where  $\varphi_P$  is defined by (6). Since  $p_1 = 8/\pi^2$ ,  $p_2 = 16/(3\pi^2)$  and  $p_3 = 184/(45\pi^2)$ , we can easily check that  $\tilde{\sigma}_1 < p_3 < (p_1^3 - p_1p_2 + 2p_1)/2$ . Therefore by Theorem 4.1.B.(a) we get the sharp inequality

$$|a_2a_3 - a_4| \le \frac{2}{3\pi^2}.$$

The equality holds for the function

$$\tilde{f_1}(z) = \int_0^z \left( \exp \left[ \int_0^{\zeta} \frac{1}{\xi} \left( \varphi_P(\xi^3) - 1 \right) d\xi \right] \right) d\zeta, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

which is in UCV.

#### 5. The class $\mathcal{R}(\varphi)$

Given  $\varphi \in \mathcal{H}$  of the form (2) with  $p_1 > 0$ ,  $p_2, p_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $f \in \mathcal{R}(\varphi)$  be of the form (1). Then there exists  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}_0$  of the form (7) such that

$$f'(z) = \varphi(\omega(z)), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$
 (23)

Substituting the series (1), (2) and (7) into (23) by equating the coefficient we get

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{2}c_1p_1$$
,  $a_3 = \frac{1}{3}(c_2p_1 + c_1^2p_2)$  and  $a_4 = \frac{1}{4}(c_3p_1 + 2c_1c_2p_2 + c_1^3p_3)$ .

Hence

$$|a_2 a_3 - a_4| = \frac{1}{4} p_1 \Psi(\mathring{\mu}, \mathring{v}),$$

where  $\Psi$  is defined by (8),

$$\mathring{\mu} = \frac{2(3p_2 - p_1^2)}{3p_1}, \quad \mathring{v} = \frac{3p_3 - 2p_1p_2}{3p_1}.$$

Therefore, by applying the result in [13, Lemma 2], the sharp bound of the functional  $J_{2,3}$  over the class  $\mathcal{R}(\varphi)$  is among the following values:

$$C_1 := \frac{1}{4}p_1, \quad C_2 := \frac{1}{12}|3p_3 - 2p_1p_2|, \quad C_3 := \frac{\sqrt{3}(2|3p_2 - p_1^2| + 3p_1)^{3/2}}{54\sqrt{2|3p_2 - p_1^2| + 3p_1 - 2p_1p_2 + 3p_3}},$$

$$C_4 := \frac{(3p_3 - 2p_1p_2)(9p_2^2 - 6p_1^2p_2 + p_1^4 - 9p_1^2)^{3/2}}{54[(p_1^2 - 3p_2)^2 + 3p_1(2p_1p_2 - 3p_3)]\sqrt{p_1(3p_3 - 2p_1p_2 - 3p_1)}}$$

and

$$C_5 := \frac{\sqrt{3}(2|3p_2 - p_1^2| - 3p_1)^{3/2}}{54\sqrt{2|3p_2 - p_1^2| - 3p_1 + 2p_1p_2 - 3p_3}}.$$

Define

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \varphi(w(\xi)) d\xi, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$
 (24)

and by applying the analogue methods in Section 3 and 4, let us define the functions  $f_i$  (i = 1,...,5) as follows:

- (1)  $f_1 = f$ , where f is the function defined by (24) with  $\omega(z) = z^3$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ ;
- (2)  $f_2 = f$ , where f is the function defined by (24) with  $\omega(z) = z$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ ;
- (3)  $f_3 = f$ , where f is the function defined by (24) with  $\omega$  defined by (11), where

$$\rho = \sqrt{\frac{3p_1 - 2p_1^2 + 6p_2}{3(3p_1 - 2p_1^2 + 6p_2 - 2p_1p_2 + 3p_3)}}, \quad \zeta = -1;$$

(4)  $\mathring{f}_4 = f$ , where f is the function defined by (24) with  $\omega$  defined by (11), where  $\rho = \sqrt{\kappa_1/(3\kappa_2)}$ ,  $\zeta = \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\theta_0}$  and  $\theta_0 = \pm \arccos(\kappa_3/\kappa_4)$ , and where

$$\begin{split} \kappa_1 &:= -12 p_1^3 p_2 (3 + 2 p_2) + p_1^5 (9 + 4 p_2) + 9 p_1 p_2^2 (9 + 4 p_2) - 6 p_1^4 p_3 - 54 p_2^2 p_3 + 9 p_1^2 (-3 + 4 p_2) p_3, \\ \kappa_2 &:= (p_1 (3 + 2 p_2) - 3 p_3) (p_1^4 + 9 p_2^2 - 9 p_1 p_3), \\ \kappa_3 &:= (p_1^2 - 3 p_2) [-2 p_1^5 (3 + p_2) - 18 p_1 p_2^2 (3 + p_2) + 3 p_1^3 (-9 + 4 p_2^2) + 3 p_1^4 p_3 - 18 p_1^2 (-3 + p_2) p_3 + 27 p_2^2 p_3] \end{split}$$

and

$$\kappa_4 := 3p_1[-12p_1^3p_2(3+2p_2) + p_1^5(9+4p_2) + 9p_1p_2^2(9+4p_2) - 6p_1^4p_3 - 54p_2^2p_3 + 9p_1^2(-3+4p_2)p_3];$$

(5)  $f_5 = f$ , where f is the function defined by (24) with  $\omega$  defined by (11), where

$$\rho = \sqrt{\frac{3p_1 + 2p_1^2 - 6p_2}{3(3p_1 + 2p_1^2 - 6p_2 - 2p_1p_2 + 3p_3)}}, \quad \zeta = 1.$$

The following sharp upper bound of the functional  $J_{2,3}$  over the class  $\mathcal{R}(\varphi)$  holds.

**Theorem 5.1.** Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{H}$  be of the form (2) with  $p_1 > 0$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $p_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  and let

$$\ddot{\sigma}_1 := \frac{2}{3} p_1 p_2 - p_1 - \frac{2}{3} |3p_2 - p_1^2| + \frac{4(2|3p_2 - p_1^2| + 3p_1)^3}{729 p_1^2}, \quad \ddot{\sigma}_2 := \frac{2}{3} p_1 p_2 + \frac{p_1 [2(3p_2 - p_1^2)^2 + 3p_1|3p_2 - p_1^2|]}{(p_1^2 - 3p_2)^2 + 9p_1^2 + 3p_1|p_1^2 - 3p_2|}, \\ \ddot{\sigma}_3 := \frac{2}{3} p_1 p_2 + \frac{p_1 [2(3p_2 - p_1^2)^2 - 3p_1|3p_2 - p_1^2|]}{(p_1^2 - 3p_2)^2 + 9p_1^2 - 3p_1|p_1^2 - 3p_2|}, \quad and \quad \ddot{\sigma}_4 := \frac{2}{3} p_1 p_2 + \frac{9p_2^2 - 6p_1^2 p_2 + p_1^4 + 18p_1^2}{27p_1}.$$

Let  $f \in \mathcal{R}(\varphi)$  be of the form (1). Then the following sharp inequalities hold:

- A. When  $4|3p_2 p_1^2| \le 3p_1$ :
  - (a) If  $p_1(2p_2-3)/3 \le p_3 \le p_1(2p_2+3)/3$ , then  $|a_2a_3-a_4| \le C_1$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f}_1$ ;
  - (b) If  $p_3 \le p_1(2p_2-3)/3$  or  $p_3 \ge p_1(2p_2+3)/3$ , then  $|a_2a_3-a_4| \le C_2$  and the extremal function is  $\check{f_2}$ .
- B. When  $3p_1 \le 4|3p_2 p_1^2| \le 12p_1$ :
  - (a) If  $\mathring{\sigma}_1 \le p_3 \le p_1(2p_2 + 3)/3$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le C_1$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f}_1$ ;
  - (b) If  $p_3 \le (6p_1p_2 4|p_1^2 3p_2| 6p_1)/9$  or  $p_3 \ge p_1(2p_2 + 3)/3$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le C_2$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f_2}$ ;
  - (c) If  $(6p_1p_2 4|p_1^2 3p_2| 6p_1)/9 \le p_3 \le \mathring{\sigma}_1$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le C_3$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f}_3$ .
- C. When  $3p_1 < |3p_2 p_1^2| \le 6p_1$ :
  - (a) If  $p_3 \le (6p_1p_2 4|p_1^2 3p_2| 6p_1)/9$  or  $p_3 \ge \mathring{\sigma}_4$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le C_2$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f}_2$ ;
  - (b) If  $(6p_1p_2 4|p_1^2 3p_2| 6p_1)/9 \le p_3 \le \mathring{\sigma}_2$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le C_3$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f}_3$ ;
  - (c) If  $\mathring{\sigma}_2 \leq p_3 \leq \mathring{\sigma}_4$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \leq C_4$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f}_4$ .
- D. When  $|3p_2 p_1^2| \ge 6p_1$ :
  - (a) If  $p_3 \le (6p_1p_2 4|p_1^2 3p_2| 6p_1)/9$  or  $p_3 \ge (6p_1p_2 + 4|p_1^2 3p_2| 6p_1)/9$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le C_2$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f_2}$ ;

- (b) If  $(6p_1p_2 4|p_1^2 3p_2| 6p_1)/9 \le p_3 \le \mathring{\sigma}_2$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le C_3$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f}_3$ ;
- (c) If  $\mathring{\sigma}_2 \leq p_3 \leq \mathring{\sigma}_3$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \leq C_4$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f}_4$ ;
- (d) If  $\mathring{\sigma}_3 \le p_3 \le (6p_1p_2 + 4|p_1^2 3p_2| 6p_1)/9$ , then  $|a_2a_3 a_4| \le C_5$  and the extremal function is  $\mathring{f}_5$ .

**Example 5.2.** (see [6, Theorem 2.1]) Let  $\alpha \in [0,1)$  and  $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha) = \mathcal{R}(\varphi_{\alpha})$ , where  $\varphi_{\alpha}$  is defined by (4). Since  $p_1 = p_2 = p_3 = 2(1-\alpha)$ , we see that  $3p_1 \le 4|3p_2 - p_1^2| \le 12p_1$  for all  $\alpha \in [0,1)$ . We have

$$\mathring{\sigma}_1 - p_3 = -\frac{16}{729}(1 - \alpha)^2(59 + 152\alpha + 32\alpha^2) < 0, \quad \alpha \in [0, 1)$$

and

$$p_3 - \frac{1}{3}p_1(2p_2 + 3) = -\frac{8}{3}(1 - \alpha)^2 < 0, \quad \alpha \in [0, 1).$$

Thus  $\mathring{\sigma}_1 \le p_3 \le p_1(2p_2 + 3)/3$  and by Theorem 5.1.B.(a) we get the sharp inequality

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

The equality holds the function

$$f_1^{z}(z) = \int_0^z \frac{1 + (1 - 2\alpha)\xi^3}{1 - \xi^3} d\xi, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

which is in  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ .

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