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## Some Coefficient Inequalities Related to the Hankel Determinant for a Certain Class of Close-to-convex Functions

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Abstract. In the present paper, we investigate the upper bounds on third order Hankel determinants for certain class of close-to-convex functions in the unit disk. Furthermore, we obtain estimates of the Zalcman coefficient functional for this class.

## 1. Introduction

Let $\mathcal{A}$ be the class of functions analytic in the unit disk $\mathbb{D}:=\{z \in \mathbb{C}:|z|<1\}$ of the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
f(z)=z+\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n} \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

We denote by $\mathcal{S}$ the subclass of $\mathcal{A}$ consisting of univalent functions.
A function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be starlike of order $\alpha(0 \leq \alpha<1)$, if it satisfies

$$
\Re\left(\frac{z f^{\prime}(z)}{f(z)}\right)>\alpha \quad(z \in \mathbb{D})
$$

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We denote by $\mathcal{S}^{*}(\alpha)$ the class of starlike functions of order $\alpha$. In particular, $\mathcal{S}^{*}=$ : $\mathcal{S}^{*}(0)$.

Recall that a function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is close-to-convex in $\mathbb{D}$ if it is univalent and the range $f(\mathbb{D})$ is a close-to-convex domain, i.e., the complement of $f(\mathbb{D})$ can be written as the union of nonintersecting half-lines. A normalized analytic function $f$ in $\mathbb{D}$ is close-to-convex in $\mathbb{D}$ if there exists a function $g \in \mathcal{S}^{*}$, such that the following inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Re\left(\frac{z f^{\prime}(z)}{g(z)}\right)>0 \quad(z \in \mathbb{D}) \tag{1.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds. Denote $\mathcal{C}$ by the class of close-to-convex functions. We refer to $[8,16,17,28]$ for discussion and basic results on close-to-convex functions.

In [11], Gao and Zhou investigated the following class of close-to-convex functions.

Definition 1.1. Suppose that $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is analytic in $\mathbb{D}$ of the form (1.1). We say that $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$, if there exists a function $g \in \mathcal{S}^{*}(1 / 2)$, such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Re\left(\frac{z^{2} f^{\prime}(z)}{g(z) g(-z)}\right)<0 \quad(z \in \mathbb{D}) \tag{1.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let

$$
\begin{equation*}
g(z)=z+\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_{n} z^{n} \in \mathcal{S}^{*}(1 / 2) \quad(z \in \mathbb{D}) \tag{1.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
G(z)=-\frac{g(z) g(-z)}{z}=z+\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} B_{2 n-1} z^{2 n-1} \quad(z \in \mathbb{D}) \tag{1.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then $G(-z)=G(z)$, so $G(z)$ is an odd starlike function. It is well-known that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|B_{2 n-1}\right| \leq 1 \quad(n=2,3, \cdots) \tag{1.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting the series expressions of $g(z), G(z)$ in (1.4) and (1.5), and using (1.6), then the following result holds.

Theorem A.([11]) Let $g \in \mathcal{S}^{*}(1 / 2)$. Then for $n \geq 2$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|B_{2 n-1}\right|=\left|2 b_{2 n-1}-2 b_{2} b_{2 n-2}+\cdots+(-1)^{n} 2 b_{n-1} b_{n+1}+(-1)^{n+1} b_{n}^{2}\right| \leq 1 \tag{1.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

The estimates are sharp, with the extremal function given by $g(z)=z /(1-z)$.
Theorem B.([11]) Let $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$ be of the form (1.1). Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|a_{n}\right| \leq 1 \quad(n=2,3, \cdots) \tag{1.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

The estimates are sharp, with the extremal function given by $f(z)=z /(1-z)$.
Noonan and Thomas [24] studied the Hankel determinant $H_{q, n}(f)$ defined as

$$
H_{q, n}(f)=\left|\begin{array}{cccc}
a_{n} & a_{n+1} & \cdots & a_{n+q-1} \\
a_{n+1} & a_{n+2} & \cdots & a_{n+q} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
a_{n+q-1} & a_{n+q} & \cdots & a_{n+2(q-1)}
\end{array}\right| \quad(q, n \in \mathbb{N})
$$

Problems involving Hankel determinants $H_{q, n}(f)$ in geometric function theory originate from the work of such authors as Hadamard, Polya and Edrei (see [7, 9]), who used them in study of singularities of meromorphic functions. For example, Hankel determinants can be used in showing that a function of bounded characteristic in $\mathbb{D}$, i.e., a function which is a ratio of two bounded analytic functions with its Laurent series around the origin having integral coefficients, is rational [5]. Pommerenke [25] proved that the Hankel determinants of univalent functions satisfy the inequality $\left|H_{q, n}(f)\right|<K n^{-\left(\frac{1}{2}+\beta\right) q+\frac{3}{2}}$, where $\beta>1 / 4000$ and $K$ depends only on q. Furthermore, Hayman [12] proved a stronger result for areally mean univalent functions, i.e., he showed that $H_{2, n}(f)<A n^{1 / 2}$, where $A$ is an absolute constant.

We note that $H_{2,1}(f)$ is the well-known Fekete-Szegő functional, see [10, 16, 17]. The sharp upper bounds on $H_{2,2}(f)$ were obtained in the articles [2, 14, 15, 18] for various classes of functions.

By the definition, $H_{3,1}(f)$ is given by

$$
H_{3,1}(f)=\left|\begin{array}{ccc}
a_{1} & a_{2} & a_{3} \\
a_{2} & a_{3} & a_{4} \\
a_{3} & a_{4} & a_{5}
\end{array}\right|
$$

Note that for $f \in \mathcal{A}, a_{1}=1$ so that

$$
H_{3,1}(f)=a_{3}\left(a_{2} a_{4}-a_{3}^{2}\right)+a_{4}\left(a_{2} a_{3}-a_{4}\right)+a_{5}\left(a_{3}-a_{2}^{2}\right)
$$

by the triangle inequality, we have

$$
\left|H_{3,1}(f)\right| \leq\left|a_{3}\right|\left|a_{2} a_{4}-a_{3}^{2}\right|+\left|a_{4}\right|\left|a_{2} a_{3}-a_{4}\right|+\left|a_{5}\right|\left|a_{3}-a_{2}^{2}\right|
$$

Obviously, the case of the upper bound of $H_{3,1}(f)$ is much more difficult than the cases of $H_{2,1}(f)$ and $H_{2,2}(f)$. Recently, Prajapat et al.[26] studied the upper bounds on the Hankel determinants for the class of close-to-convex functions.

Theorem C. Let $f \in \mathcal{C}$ be of the form (1.1). Then

$$
\left|a_{2} a_{3}-a_{4}\right| \leq 3, \quad\left|a_{2} a_{4}-a_{3}^{2}\right| \leq \frac{85}{36} \quad \text { and } \quad\left|H_{3,1}(f)\right| \leq \frac{289}{12}
$$

For further information about the upper bounds of the third Hankel determinants for some classes of univalent functions, see e.g. [1, 3, 6, 27, 29].

In 1960, Lawrence Zalcman posed a conjecture that the coefficients of $\mathcal{S}$ satisfy the sharp inequality

$$
\left|a_{n}^{2}-a_{2 n-1}\right| \leq(n-1)^{2} \quad(n \in \mathbb{N})
$$

with equality only for the Koebe function $k(z)=z /(1-z)^{2}$ and its rotations. We call $J_{n}(f)=a_{n}^{2}-a_{2 n-1}$ the Zalcman functional for $f \in \mathcal{S}$. Clearly, for $f \in \mathcal{S}$, we have $\left|J_{2}(f)\right|=\left|H_{2,1}(f)\right|$. The Zalcman conjecture was proved for certain special subclasses of $\mathcal{S}$ in [4, 19, 22, 23].

In the present investigation, our purpose is to develop similar results on the Hankel determinants in the context the close-to-convex functions $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$. Furthermore, the upper bounds to the Zalcman functional for this class are obtained.

## 2. Preliminary Results

Denote by $\mathcal{P}$ the class of Carathéodory functions $p$ normalized by

$$
\begin{equation*}
p(z)=1+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_{n} z^{n} \quad \text { and } \quad \Re(p(z))>0 \quad(z \in \mathbb{D}) \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

The following results are well known for functions belonging to the class $\mathcal{P}$.
Lemma 2.1.([8]) If $p \in \mathcal{P}$ is of the form (2.1), then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|c_{n}\right| \leq 2 \quad(n \in \mathbb{N}) \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

The inequality (2.2) is sharp and the equality holds for the function

$$
\phi(z)=\frac{1+z}{1-z}=1+2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^{n}
$$

Lemma 2.2.([13]) If $p \in \mathcal{P}$ is of the form (2.1), then the sharp estimate (2.3) is valid.

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|c_{n}-\mu c_{k} c_{n-k}\right| \leq 2 \quad(n, k \in \mathbb{N}, n>k ; 0 \leq \mu \leq 1) \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Lemma 2.3.([20, 21]) If $p \in \mathcal{P}$ is of the form (2.1), then there exist $x$, $z$ such that $|x| \leq 1$ and $|z| \leq 1$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
2 c_{2}=c_{1}^{2}+\left(4-c_{1}^{2}\right) x \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
4 c_{3}=c_{1}^{3}+2 c_{1}\left(4-c_{1}^{2}\right) x-c_{1}\left(4-c_{1}^{2}\right) x^{2}+2\left(4-c_{1}^{2}\right)\left(1-|x|^{2}\right) z \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

## 3. The Upper Bounds of the Hankel Determinant

In this section, we first give an upper bound of the functional $\left|a_{2} a_{3}-a_{4}\right|$ for functions $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$.

Theorem 3.1. Let $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$ be of the form (1.1). Then

$$
\left|a_{2} a_{3}-a_{4}\right| \leq \frac{1}{2}
$$

Proof. Let $g$ be given by (1.4), and

$$
\begin{equation*}
p(z)=\frac{z^{2} f^{\prime}(z)}{-g(z) g(-z)}=1+c_{1} z+c_{2} z^{2}+\cdots \quad(z \in \mathbb{D}) \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then, we have $\Re(p(z))>0$, and

$$
\begin{equation*}
z^{2} f^{\prime}(z)=-g(z) g(-z) p(z) \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting the expansions of $f(z), g(z)$ and $p(z)$ in (3.2), and equating the coefficients, we obtain

$$
\left\{\begin{align*}
a_{2} & =\frac{1}{2} c_{1}  \tag{3.3}\\
a_{3} & =\frac{1}{3}\left(c_{2}+2 b_{3}-b_{2}^{2}\right), \\
a_{4} & =\frac{1}{4}\left[c_{3}+\left(2 b_{3}-b_{2}^{2}\right) c_{1}\right]
\end{align*}\right.
$$

Hence, by using the above values of $a_{2}, a_{3}$ and $a_{4}$ from (3.3), and the relations of (2.4) and (2.5) we obtain, for some $x$ and $z$ such that $|x| \leq 1$ and $|z| \leq 1$,

$$
\begin{align*}
\left|a_{2} a_{3}-a_{4}\right| & =\frac{1}{12}\left|-\left(2 b_{3}-b_{2}^{2}\right) c_{1}+2 c_{1} c_{2}-3 c_{3}\right|  \tag{3.4}\\
& =\frac{1}{48}\left|c_{1}^{3}-4\left(2 b_{3}-b_{2}^{2}\right) c_{1}+\left(4-c_{1}^{2}\right)\left[-2 c_{1} x+3 c_{1} x^{2}-6\left(1-|x|^{2}\right) z\right]\right|
\end{align*}
$$

By Lemma 2.1, we have $\left|c_{1}\right| \leq 2$. By setting $c:=c_{1}$, we may assume without loss of generality that $c \in[0,2]$. Thus, by applying the triangle inequality in (3.4) with $\mu=|x|$, we obtain

$$
\left|a_{2} a_{3}-a_{4}\right| \leq \frac{1}{48}\left\{c^{3}+4 c+\left(4-c^{2}\right)\left[3(c-2) \mu^{2}+2 c \mu+6\right]\right\}=: F(c, \mu)
$$

Let

$$
\varphi(\mu)=3(c-2) \mu^{2}+2 c \mu+6 \quad(c \in[0,2] ; \mu \in[0,1])
$$

In particular, for the case of $c=2$, we have

$$
\varphi(\mu)=4 \mu+6 \leq \varphi(1)=10
$$

For the case of $0 \leq c<2$, then $\varphi(\mu)$ is a quadratic function of $\mu \in[0,1]$, and we can get

$$
\varphi(\mu)=3(c-2)\left(\mu-\frac{c}{3(2-c)}\right)^{2}+\frac{c^{2}-18 c+36}{3(2-c)}
$$

If $\mu_{0}=\frac{c}{3(2-c)} \leq 1$, that is, $0 \leq c \leq \frac{3}{2}$, we obtain

$$
\varphi(\mu) \leq \varphi\left(\mu_{0}\right)=\frac{c^{2}-18 c+36}{3(2-c)}
$$

If $\mu_{0}=\frac{c}{3(2-c)} \geq 1$, that is, $\frac{3}{2} \leq c<2$, we get

$$
\varphi(\mu) \leq \varphi(1)=5 c
$$

Thus, we have

$$
F(c, \mu) \leq G(c)= \begin{cases}G_{1}(c)=\frac{1}{36}\left(c^{3}-4 c^{2}+3 c+18\right) & (0 \leq c \leq 3 / 2) \\ G_{2}(c)=\frac{1}{12}\left(-c^{3}+6 c\right) & (3 / 2 \leq c \leq 2)\end{cases}
$$

For $G_{1}(c)$, we have

$$
G_{1}^{\prime}(c)=\frac{1}{36}\left(3 c^{2}-8 c+3\right) \quad \text { and } \quad G_{1}^{\prime \prime}(c)=\frac{1}{18}(3 c-4)
$$

Let

$$
C_{0}=\frac{4-\sqrt{7}}{3} \in\left[0, \frac{3}{2}\right]
$$

then, we obtain

$$
G_{1}^{\prime}\left(C_{0}\right)=0 \quad \text { and } \quad G_{1}^{\prime \prime}\left(C_{0}\right)<0
$$

For $G_{2}(c)$, we have

$$
G_{2}^{\prime}(c)=\frac{1}{4}\left(2-c^{2}\right)<0, \quad\left(\frac{3}{2} \leq c \leq 2\right)
$$

Obviously, $G_{2}(c)$ is an decreasing function of $c$ on $[3 / 2,2]$ and, hence,

$$
G_{2}(c) \leq G_{2}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)=\frac{15}{32}
$$

Since $G(c)$ is a continuous function of $c$ on the closed interval [ 0,2 ], it follows that

$$
\left|a_{2} a_{3}-a_{4}\right| \leq G(c) \leq \max \left\{G_{1}(0), G_{1}\left(C_{0}\right), G_{2}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\right\}=\frac{1}{2}
$$

Now, we are ready to give an upper bound of $\left|a_{2} a_{4}-a_{3}^{2}\right|$ for functions $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$.

Theorem 3.2. Let $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$ be of the form (1.1). Then

$$
\left|a_{2} a_{4}-a_{3}^{2}\right| \leq 1
$$

Proof. Using the values of $a_{2}, a_{3}$ and $a_{4}$ from (3.3), and using (2.4) and (2.5) for some $x$ and $z$ such that $|x| \leq 1$ and $|z| \leq 1$, we get

$$
\begin{aligned}
a_{2} a_{4}-a_{3}^{2}= & \frac{1}{288}\left\{c_{1}^{4}+\left(4-c_{1}^{2}\right)\left[2 c_{1}^{2} x-\left(32+c_{1}^{2}\right) x^{2}+18\left(1-|x|^{2}\right) c_{1} z\right]\right\} \\
& -\frac{2}{9}\left(2 b_{3}-b_{2}^{2}\right)\left(c_{2}-\frac{9}{16} c_{1}^{2}\right)-\frac{1}{9}\left(2 b_{3}-b_{2}^{2}\right)^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

By Lemma 2.1, we may assume that $\left|c_{1}\right|=c \in[0,2]$. By applying Theorem A, Lemma 2.1, Lemma 2.2 and the triangle inequality in above relation with $\mu=|x|$, we obtain

$$
\left|a_{2} a_{4}-a_{3}^{2}\right| \leq \frac{1}{288}\left\{c^{4}+\left(4-c^{2}\right)\left[\left(c^{2}-18 c+32\right) \mu^{2}+2 c^{2} \mu+18 c\right]\right\}+\frac{5}{9}
$$

Let

$$
\psi(\mu)=\left(c^{2}-18 c+32\right) \mu^{2}+2 c^{2} \mu+18 c, \quad S(c, \mu)=\frac{1}{288}\left[c^{4}+\left(4-c^{2}\right) \psi(\mu)\right]
$$

Therefore,

$$
\psi^{\prime}(\mu)=2(c-2)(c-16) \mu+2 c^{2} \geq 0
$$

which implies that $\psi(\mu)$ is an increasing function of $\mu$ on $[0,1]$. Hence, we have

$$
\psi(\mu) \leq \psi(1)=3 c^{2}+32
$$

which yields that

$$
S(c, \mu) \leq S(c, 1)=\frac{1}{144}\left(-c^{4}-10 c^{2}+64\right) \leq \frac{4}{9}, \quad(0 \leq c \leq 2)
$$

Thus, we obtain the bound of $\left|a_{2} a_{4}-a_{3}^{2}\right|$.
Let $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$. Then using the above results in theorem B, Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.2, together with the known inequality $\left|a_{2}^{2}-a_{3}\right| \leq 1$ (see [16]), we obtain the upper bound of the third Hankel determinant for close-to-convex functions $f \in$ $\mathcal{K}_{s}$.

Theorem 3.3. Let $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$ be of the form (1.1). Then

$$
\left|H_{3,1}(f)\right| \leq \frac{5}{2}
$$

Remark 3.1. In Theorem 3.1, Theorem3.2 and Theorem 3.3, we have obtained the upper bounds for the Hankel determinant. However, these results are far from sharp.

## 4. The Upper Bounds of the Zalcman Functional

In this section, we consider the Zalcman functional for functions $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$.
Theorem 4.1. Let $f \in \mathcal{K}_{s}$ be of the form (1.1). Then

$$
\left|a_{2}^{2}-a_{3}\right| \leq 1, \quad\left|a_{3}^{2}-a_{5}\right| \leq \frac{34}{45}
$$

and

$$
\left|a_{n}^{2}-a_{2 n-1}\right| \leq \begin{cases}2-\frac{4(n-1)}{n^{2}} & (n=2 k \geq 4) \\ 2-\frac{4}{n} & (n=2 k+1 \geq 5)\end{cases}
$$

Proof. Let $g(z), G(z)$ and $p(z)$ be given by (1.4), (1.5) and (3.1), respectively. Then, we have

$$
z f^{\prime}(z)=p(z) G(z) \quad(z \in \mathbb{D})
$$

Comparing the coefficients of two sides of this equation, we obtain

$$
a_{n}= \begin{cases}\frac{1}{2 k}\left(c_{2 k-1} B_{1}+c_{2 k-3} B_{3}+\cdots+c_{1} B_{2 k-1}\right) & (n=2 k) \\ \frac{1}{2 k+1}\left(c_{2 k} B_{1}+c_{2 k-2} B_{3}+\cdots+c_{0} B_{2 k+1}\right) & (n=2 k+1),\end{cases}
$$

where $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $B_{1}=c_{0}=1$.
For the case of $n=2 k$, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\left|a_{n}^{2}-a_{2 n-1}\right|=\left|a_{4 k-1}-a_{2 k}^{2}\right| \\
&= \left\lvert\, \frac{1}{4 k-1}\left(c_{4 k-2} B_{1}+c_{4 k-4} B_{3}+\cdots+c_{2 k} B_{2 k-1}+c_{2 k-2} B_{2 k+1}+\cdots+c_{0} B_{4 k-1}\right)\right. \\
& \left.-\frac{1}{4 k^{2}}\left(c_{2 k-1} B_{1}+c_{2 k-3} B_{3}+\cdots+c_{1} B_{2 k-1}\right)^{2} \right\rvert\, \\
&= \left\lvert\, \frac{1}{4 k-1}\left(c_{4 k-2}-\frac{4 k-1}{4 k^{2}} c_{2 k-1}^{2}\right)+\frac{B_{3}}{4 k-1}\left(c_{4 k-4}-\frac{4 k-1}{2 k^{2}} c_{2 k-1} c_{2 k-3}\right)\right. \\
&+\cdots+\frac{B_{2 k-1}}{4 k-1}\left(c_{2 k}-\frac{4 k-1}{2 k^{2}} c_{2 k-1} c_{1}\right) \\
&+\frac{1}{4 k-1}\left(c_{2 k-2} B_{2 k+1}+\cdots+c_{2} B_{4 k-3}+c_{0} B_{4 k-1}\right) \\
& \left.\quad-\frac{1}{4 k^{2}}\left(c_{2 k-3} B_{3}+\cdots+c_{1} B_{2 k-1}\right)^{2} \right\rvert\,
\end{aligned}
$$

If $k=1$, using Theorem $\mathbf{B}$ and Lemma 2.2, we have

$$
\left|a_{2}^{2}-a_{3}\right|=\left|\frac{1}{3}\left(c_{2}-\frac{3}{4} c_{1}^{2}\right)+\frac{1}{3} B_{3}\right| \leq \frac{1}{3}\left|c_{2}-\frac{3}{4} c_{1}^{2}\right|+\frac{1}{3}\left|B_{3}\right| \leq 1
$$

If $k \geq 2$, we note that

$$
\frac{4 k-1}{4 k^{2}} \leq 1 \quad \text { and } \quad \frac{4 k-1}{2 k^{2}} \leq 1 \quad(k \geq 2)
$$

by Theorem B, Lemma 2.1, Lemma 2.2 and the triangle inequality, we obtain

$$
\left|a_{n}^{2}-a_{2 n-1}\right| \leq \frac{2 k}{4 k-1}+\frac{2(k-1)+1}{4 k-1}+\frac{[2(k-1)]^{2}}{4 k^{2}}=2-\frac{4(n-1)}{n^{2}}
$$

For the case of $n=2 k+1$, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|a_{n}^{2}-a_{2 n-1}\right| & =\left|a_{4 k+1}-a_{2 k+1}^{2}\right| \\
= & \left\lvert\, \frac{1}{4 k+1}\left(c_{4 k} B_{1}+c_{4 k-2} B_{3}+\cdots+c_{2 k+2} B_{2 k-1}\right.\right. \\
& \left.+c_{2 k} B_{2 k+1}+c_{2 k-2} B_{2 k+3}+\cdots+c_{0} B_{4 k+1}\right) \\
& \left.-\frac{1}{(2 k+1)^{2}}\left(c_{2 k} B_{1}+c_{2 k-2} B_{3}+\cdots+c_{2} B_{2 k-1}+c_{0} B_{2 k+1}\right)^{2} \right\rvert\, \\
= & \left\lvert\, \frac{1}{4 k+1}\left(c_{4 k}-\frac{4 k+1}{(2 k+1)^{2}} c_{2 k}^{2}\right)+\frac{B_{3}}{4 k+1}\left(c_{4 k-2}-\frac{2(4 k+1)}{(2 k+1)^{2}} c_{2 k} c_{2 k-2}\right)\right. \\
& +\cdots+\frac{B_{2 k-1}}{4 k+1}\left(c_{2 k+2}-\frac{2(4 k+1)}{(2 k+1)^{2}} c_{2 k} c_{2}\right) \\
& +\left(\frac{1}{4 k+1}-\frac{2}{(2 k+1)^{2}}\right) c_{2 k} B_{2 k+1} \\
& +\frac{1}{4 k+1}\left(c_{2 k-2} B_{2 k+3}+\cdots+c_{2} B_{4 k-1}+c_{0} B_{4 k+1}\right) \\
& \left.-\frac{1}{(2 k+1)^{2}}\left(c_{2 k-2} B_{3}+\cdots+c_{2} B_{2 k-1}+c_{0} B_{2 k+1}\right)^{2} \right\rvert\, .
\end{aligned}
$$

If $k=1$, using Theorem B, Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.2, we have

$$
\left|a_{3}^{2}-a_{5}\right| \leq \frac{1}{5}\left|c_{4}-\frac{5}{9} c_{2}^{2}\right|+\left|\frac{1}{5}-\frac{2}{9}\right|\left|c_{2} B_{3}\right|+\frac{1}{5}\left|B_{5}\right|+\frac{1}{9}\left|B_{3}^{2}\right| \leq \frac{34}{45}
$$

If $k \geq 2$, we note that

$$
\frac{1}{4 k+1}-\frac{2}{(2 k+1)^{2}} \geq 0, \quad \frac{4 k+1}{(2 k+1)^{2}} \leq 1 \quad \text { and } \quad \frac{2(4 k+1)}{(2 k+1)^{2}} \leq 1 \quad(k \geq 2)
$$

by Theorem B, Lemma 2.1, Lemma 2.2 and the triangle inequality, we obtain

$$
\left|a_{n}^{2}-a_{2 n-1}\right| \leq \frac{2 k}{4 k+1}+\left(\frac{2}{4 k+1}-\frac{4}{(2 k+1)^{2}}\right)+\frac{2 k-1}{4 k+1}+\frac{(2 k-1)^{2}}{(2 k+1)^{2}}=2-\frac{4}{n}
$$

This completes the proof.

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