

Fekete-Szegö Problem for Univalent Functions and Quasiconformal Extension

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Abstract

Via Löwner theories, by Becker's and Betker's conditions on Herglotz function which give sufficient conditions for univalent functions admitting k -quasiconformal extension to the complex plane, we define two subclasses denoted by S_k^B and S_k^{BT} . Then we solve the Fekete-Szegö problem on these two subclasses.

1 Introduction

Given a real number $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, the Fekete-Szegö problem for analytic function class \mathcal{F} is to find the maximum of $\max_{f \in \mathcal{F}} |a_3 - \lambda a_2^2|$, where a_2 and a_3 are Taylor coefficients of f . Fekete-Szegö problem plays an important role in characterizing the geometric quantities of functions f , for example, $a_3 - a_2^2 = \frac{1}{6} S_f(0)$, where $S_f(z) = (f''/f')' - \frac{1}{2} (f''/f')^2$ is Schwarzian derivative.

In this paper, we let S be the class of all univalent functions on $\mathbb{D} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ with Taylor expansion

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

A classical theorem of Fekete and Szegö states:

Theorem A. ([7]) If $f \in S$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\max_{f \in S} |a_3 - \lambda a_2^2| = \begin{cases} 3 - 4\lambda, & \lambda < 0; \\ 1 + 2e^{-2\lambda/(1-\lambda)}, & 0 \leq \lambda < 1; \\ 4\lambda - 3, & \lambda \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

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Since the importance of the Fekete-Szegő problem, the studies of this problem on various subclasses of S were widely concerned by many mathematicians, such as strongly starlike function of order α , close-to-convex function and so on [8,12,13]. Furthermore, Xu et al. [17] consider the Fekete-Szegő problem on \mathbb{C}^n , Elin et al. [5,6] consider the “inverse Fekete-Szegő problem” which is related to infinitesimal generators.

For $0 \leq k < 1$, the subclass S_k formed by all $f \in S$ admitting k -quasiconformal extension to the complex plane \mathbb{C} . As we know S_k has attracted widely attention, since it is a classical topic in Geometric Function Theory and closely related to Teichmüller theory [14]. In my knowledge background, it is difficult to study the Fekete-Szegő problem on S_k because of the lack of equivalent characterization of functions in S_k . In 1972 and 1992, by Löwner chain theories, Becker [3,4] and Betker [2] discovered remarkable facts, which give sufficient conditions for $f \in S_k$. Here, we introduce some basic concepts about Löwner chain theories, for more details, we refer to [16].

Definition 1.1. A function $f(z, t) = e^t z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n(t) z^n$ defined on $\mathbb{D} \times [0, \infty)$ is called a Löwner chain if $f_t(z) = f(z, t)$ is holomorphic and univalent in \mathbb{D} for each $t \in [0, \infty)$ and satisfy $f_s(\mathbb{D}) \subsetneq f_t(\mathbb{D})$, for $0 \leq s < t < \infty$.

By Löwner theory, a Löwner chain $f(z, t)$ satisfies a equation

$$\frac{\partial f(z, t)}{\partial t} = z \frac{\partial f(z, t)}{\partial z} p(z, t), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}, \quad t \in [0, \infty), \quad (1.1)$$

where $p(z, t)$ is Herglotz function i.e., $p(z, \cdot)$ is measurable for each $t \in [0, \infty)$, $p(\cdot, t)$ is holomorphic in \mathbb{D} , satisfies $\text{Re} p(\cdot, t) > 0$ for a.e. $t \geq 0$ and $p(0, t) = 1$. Moreover, given $f \in S$, there exist a Löwner chain $f(z, t)$ such that $f(z, 0) = f(z)$. Conversely, given a Herglotz function from Löwner-Kufarev equation, we can obtain a Löwner chain.

Theorem B. ([16]) For any Herglotz function $p(z, t)$, the Löwner-Kufarev equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dw}{dt} = -wp(w, t), & t \geq s > 0; \\ w(s) = z, & z \in \mathbb{D}, \end{cases}$$

has a unique solution $w(t) = \varphi(z, s, t)$, the function $\varphi(z, s, t)$ are univalent in $z \in \mathbb{D}$, and

$$f(z, s) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^t \varphi(z, s, t)$$

exists locally uniformly in $z \in \mathbb{D}$ and is a Löwner chain satisfying (1.1).

With the above preparations, we will now introduce the results of Becker and Betker.

Theorem C. ([3] [4]) Suppose that $f(z, t)$ is a Löwner chain with Herglotz function $p(z, t)$ satisfy

$$\left| \frac{p(z, t) - 1}{p(z, t) + 1} \right| \leq k, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}, \quad a.e. \quad t \in [0, \infty).$$

Then $f(z) = f(z, 0)$ admitting k -quasiconformal extension on \mathbb{C} .

Theorem D. ([2]) Suppose that $f(z, t)$ is a Löwner chain with Herglotz function $p(z, t)$ satisfy

$$\left| \frac{p(z, t) - \overline{q(z, t)}}{p(z, t) + q(z, t)} \right| \leq k, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}, \quad a.e. \quad t \in [0, \infty),$$

where $q(z, t)$ is analytic $z \in \mathbb{D}$ and measurable in $t > 0$ with $\text{Re}q(z, t) > 0$. Then $f(z) = f(z, 0)$ admitting k -quasiconformal extension to \mathbb{C} .

Remark 1.1. When $q(z, t) = 1$, Theorem D is just Theorem C. When $q(z, t) = p(z, t)$, then condition becomes $|\arg p(z, t)| \leq \arcsin k$.

Using Theorem C and Theorem D, we define two subclasses. We say $f \in S_k^B$, if $f \in S$ admitting a Löwner chain with Herglotz function $p(z, t)$ satisfy

$$p(\mathbb{D}, t) \subseteq U(k) := \left\{ w \in \mathbb{C} : \left| \frac{w - 1}{w + 1} \right| \leq k \right\}, \quad a.e. \quad t \geq 0, \tag{1.2}$$

and $f \in S_k^{BT}$, if $f \in S$ admitting a Löwner chain with Herglotz function $p(z, t)$ satisfy

$$p(\mathbb{D}, t) \subseteq A(k) := \{ w \in \mathbb{C} : |\arg w| \leq \arcsin k \}, \quad a.e. \quad t \geq 0. \tag{1.3}$$

From Theorem C and Theorem D, we have $S_k^B \subset S_k$ and $S_k^{BT} \subset S_k$. In this article, we consider the Fekete-Szegő problem on S_k^B and S_k^{BT} and obtain the following results.

Theorem 1. For $0 \leq k < 1$, let $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + a_3z^3 + \dots \in S_k^B$. Then, for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\max_{f \in S_k^B} |a_3 - \lambda a_2^2| = \begin{cases} k^2(3 - 4\lambda), & \lambda < \frac{k-1}{2k}; \\ k + k(1+k)e^{-\frac{1-k+2k\lambda}{k(1-\lambda)}}, & \frac{k-1}{2k} \leq \lambda < 1; \\ k + k(1-k)e^{-\frac{1+k-2k\lambda}{k(\lambda-1)}}, & 1 \leq \lambda < \frac{k+1}{2k}; \\ k^2(4\lambda - 3), & \lambda \geq \frac{k+1}{2k}. \end{cases}$$

Theorem 2. For $0 \leq k < 1$, let $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + a_3z^3 + \dots \in S_k^{BT}$. Then, for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\max_{f \in S_k^{BT}} |a_3 - \lambda a_2^2| = \begin{cases} \alpha^2(3 - 4\lambda), & \lambda < \frac{\alpha-1}{2\alpha}; \\ \alpha + \alpha(1+\alpha)e^{-\frac{1-\alpha+2\alpha\lambda}{\alpha(1-\lambda)}}, & \frac{\alpha-1}{2\alpha} \leq \lambda < 1; \\ \alpha + \alpha(1-\alpha)e^{-\frac{1+\alpha-2\alpha\lambda}{\alpha(\lambda-1)}}, & 1 \leq \lambda < \frac{\alpha+1}{2\alpha}; \\ \alpha^2(4\lambda - 3), & \lambda \geq \frac{\alpha+1}{2\alpha}, \end{cases}$$

where $\alpha = \frac{2}{\pi} \arcsin k$.

Remark 1.2. In Theorem 1, let $\lambda = 0$ then we obtain the third coefficient estimate

$$\max_{f \in S_k^B} |a_3| = k + k(k+1)e^{1-\frac{1}{k}}.$$

Which is exactly Theorem 3.1 of Gumenyuk and Hotta [9]. Theorem A is just the case of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2 when $k \rightarrow 1$.

2 Properties of Herglotz Functions

From introduction, we know Herglotz function plays a significance role in Löwner theories. In this section, we will give some properties of Herglotz functions which will be used in the proofs of Theorems 1 and 2.

The following lemma characterizes the relationship between the modulus of derivatives and the modulus of functions, we refer to [1, p.136] for the proof.

Lemma 2.1. *If f is holomorphic in \mathbb{D} and satisfies the condition $|f(z)| \leq 1$, then*

$$|f'(z)| \leq \frac{1 - |f(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2}.$$

Lemma 2.2. *Let $f(z, t)$ be a Löwner chain with Herglotz function $p(z, t) = 1 + c_1(t)z + c_2(t)z^2 + \dots$ satisfy (1.2). Then*

$$|c_1(t)| \leq 2k, \tag{2.1}$$

$$2k + \operatorname{Re} c_2(t) \geq \frac{1+k}{2k} (\operatorname{Re} c_1(t))^2, \tag{2.2}$$

$$2k + \operatorname{Re} c_2(t) \geq \frac{1-k}{2k} (\operatorname{Im} c_1(t))^2. \tag{2.3}$$

Proof. We let

$$L(z) = \frac{(1-k) - (1+k)z}{(1-k)z - (1+k)},$$

it is easily to know that $L(z) : U(k) \rightarrow \mathbb{H} = \{w : \operatorname{Re} w > 0\}$ and $L(1) = 1$. Furthermore, we let

$$\varphi(z, t) = \frac{1}{z} \frac{L(p(z, t)) - 1}{L(p(z, t)) + 1} = \frac{1}{2k} c_1(t) + \left(\frac{1}{2k} c_2(t) - \frac{1}{4k} (c_1(t))^2 \right) z + \dots,$$

then $\varphi(\cdot, t)$ is holomorphic in \mathbb{D} and $|\varphi(z, t)| \leq 1$ for a.e. $t \geq 0$. Then (2.1) follows by

$$\left| \frac{1}{2k} c_1(t) \right| = |\varphi(0, t)| \leq 1.$$

Furthermore, using Lemma 2.1 for $\varphi(z, t)$ at $z = 0$, we obtain

$$\left| \frac{1}{2k} c_2(t) - \frac{1}{4k} (c_1(t))^2 \right| = |\varphi'(0, t)| \leq 1 - |\varphi(0, t)|^2 = 1 - \frac{1}{4k^2} |c_1(t)|^2. \tag{2.4}$$

Taking the negative real part on the left-hand side of (2.4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 - \frac{1}{4k^2} [Rec_1(t)]^2 - \frac{1}{4k^2} [Imc_1(t)]^2 &= 1 - \frac{1}{4k^2} |c_1(t)|^2 \\
 &\geq \left| \frac{1}{2k} c_2(t) - \frac{1}{4k} (c_1(t))^2 \right| \\
 &\geq -Re \frac{1}{2k} c_2(t) + \frac{1}{4k} Re [c_1(t)]^2 \\
 &= -Re \frac{1}{2k} c_2(t) + \frac{1}{4k} [Rec_1(t)]^2 - \frac{1}{4k} [Imc_1(t)]^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$2k + Rec_2(t) \geq \frac{1+k}{2k} [Rec_1(t)]^2 + \frac{1-k}{2k} [Imc_1(t)]^2,$$

which implies (2.2) and (2.3). □

Lemma 2.3. *Let $f(z, t)$ be a Löwner chain with Herglotz function $p(z, t) = 1 + c_1(t)z + c_2(t)z^2 + \dots$ satisfy (1.3). Then*

$$|c_1(t)| \leq 2\alpha, \tag{2.5}$$

$$2\alpha + Rec_2(t) \geq \frac{1+\alpha}{2\alpha} (Rec_1(t))^2, \tag{2.6}$$

$$2\alpha + Rec_2(t) \geq \frac{1-\alpha}{2\alpha} (Imc_1(t))^2, \tag{2.7}$$

where $\alpha = \frac{2}{\pi} \arcsin k$.

Proof. In fact, the proof of Lemma 2.3 can be deduced step by step as the proof of Lemma 2.2 by define

$$\varphi(z, t) = \frac{1}{z} \frac{(p(z, t))^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - 1}{(p(z, t))^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} + 1} = \frac{1}{2\alpha} c_1(t) + \left(\frac{1}{2\alpha} c_2(t) - \frac{1}{4\alpha} (c_1(t))^2 \right) z + \dots$$

Here, we omit the details. □

By using (1.2), we obtain the relationships between the Taylor coefficients of $f \in S$ and the Taylor coefficients of Herglotz function $p(z, t)$. For details, we refer to [16, p.165] for the proof.

Lemma 2.4. ([16]) *Let $f(z, t)$ be a Löwner chain with Herglotz function $p(z, t) = 1 + c_1(t)z + c_2(t)z^2 + \dots$ and $f(z, 0) = f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + a_3z^3 + \dots \in S$. Then*

$$\begin{cases} a_2 = -\int_0^\infty e^{-t} c_1(t) dt; \\ a_3 = -\int_0^\infty e^{-2t} c_2(t) dt + \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} c_1(t) dt \right)^2. \end{cases}$$

3 Proofs of Theorems 1 and 2

In fact, to prove Theorems 1 and 2, we only need to consider $f \in S_k^B$ and $f \in S_k^{BT}$ such that $a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 \geq 0$ by the following lemmas.

Lemma 3.1. *Given $f(z) \in S_k^B$, then $e^{-i\theta} f(e^{i\theta} z) \in S_k^B$, for any $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$.*

Proof. By the definition of S_k^B , for $f(z) \in S_k^B$, there is a Löwner chain $f(z, t)$ with Herglotz function $p(z, t)$ satisfy (1.2) and $f(z, 0) = f(z)$.

$$\tilde{f}(z, t) = e^{-i\theta} f(e^{i\theta} z, t),$$

it is easily to know $\tilde{f}(z, t)$ is a Löwner chain and $\tilde{f}(z, 0) = e^{-i\theta} f(e^{i\theta} z)$, then we denote its corresponding Herglotz function by $\tilde{p}(z, t)$. By using (1.1), we obtain

$$\tilde{p}(z, t) = \frac{\partial \tilde{f}(z, t)}{\partial t} / \left(z \frac{\partial \tilde{f}(z, t)}{\partial z} \right) = e^{-i\theta} \frac{\partial f(e^{i\theta} z, t)}{\partial t} / \left(z \frac{\partial f(e^{i\theta} z, t)}{\partial z} \right) = p(e^{i\theta} z, t),$$

which implies $\tilde{p}(z, t)$ satisfy (1.2). It follows that $e^{-i\theta} f(e^{i\theta} z) = z + a_2 e^{i\theta} z^2 + a_3 e^{2i\theta} z^3 + \dots \in S_k^B$. \square

Lemma 3.2. *Given $f(z) \in S_k^{BT}$, then $e^{-i\theta} f(e^{i\theta} z) \in S_k^{BT}$, for any $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$.*

Proof. The proof of Lemma 3.2 can be deduced step by step as the proof of Lemma 3.1, thus we omit the proof. \square

Following Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2, for simplicity, we can assume $a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 \geq 0$ for $f \in S_k^B$ or $f \in S_k^{BT}$. From Lemma 2.4, we obtain

$$a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 = - \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} \operatorname{Rec}_2(t) dt + (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} \operatorname{Rec}_1(t) dt \right)^2 - (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} \operatorname{Imc}_1(t) dt \right)^2, \quad (3.1)$$

we denote $\operatorname{Rec}_1(t) = u(t)$ and $\operatorname{Imc}_1(t) = v(t)$.

In the following, we will give the proof of Theorems 1 and 2. By using the properties of the Herglotz function in Section 2, we will obtain the upper bound for the Fekete-Szegő problem, and by taking the appropriate Herglotz functions and using Theorem B, we can find the extreme functions for the Fekete-Szegő problem.

Proof of Theorem 1. Given $f(z) \in S_k^B$, we divide $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ into four cases and prove the Fekete-Szegő problem in these cases respectively.

Case I: For $\lambda < \frac{2k-1}{2k}$, we prove $|a_3 - \lambda a_2^2| \leq k^2 (3 - 4\lambda)$ and then we find a function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^B$ such that equality holds.

By using (2.1), (2.2) and (3.1), we get the following estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 &\leq - \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} \operatorname{Re} c_2(t) dt + (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} u(t) dt \right)^2 \\
 &\leq \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} [2k - \frac{k+1}{2k} u^2(t)] dt + (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} u(t) dt \right)^2 \\
 &= k - \int_0^\infty \frac{k+1}{2k} e^{-2t} u^2(t) dt + (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} \frac{u(t)}{e^{-\frac{t}{2}}} e^{-\frac{t}{2}} dt \right)^2 \\
 &\leq k - \int_0^\infty \frac{k+1}{2k} e^{-2t} u^2(t) dt + (1 - \lambda) \int_0^\infty e^{-t} u^2(t) dt \\
 &= k + \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} u^2(t) \left\{ (1 - \lambda) e^t - \frac{k+1}{2k} \right\} dt \\
 &\leq k + 4k^2 \int_0^\infty (1 - \lambda) e^{-t} - \frac{k+1}{2k} e^{-2t} dt \\
 &= k + 4k^2 (1 - \lambda) - k(k+1) \\
 &= k^2 (3 - 4\lambda).
 \end{aligned}$$

The first inequality can be obtained directly from (3.1), the second inequality can be obtained from (2.2), the third inequality holds since Schwarz’s inequality and the last inequality holds since $|u(t)| \leq 2k$ and $\lambda < \frac{k-1}{2k}$.

Next, we show for every λ the equality is possible. We Let

$$p(z, t) = \frac{1 - kz}{1 + kz} = 1 - 2kz + 2k^2 z^2 + \dots, \quad t \geq 0.$$

It is easily know $p(z, t)$ satisfy (1.2). By using Theorem B, we can find a Löwner chain $f(z, t)$, furthermore $\tilde{f}(z) = f(z, 0) \in S_k^B$. We denote $\tilde{f}(z) = z + \tilde{a}_2 z^2 + \tilde{a}_3 z^3 + \dots$ and use (3.1), then it follows that

$$\tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2 = - \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} 2k^2 dt + (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} 2k dt \right)^2 = k^2 (3 - 4\lambda).$$

Which implies $\tilde{f}(z)$ is the extreme function for the Fekete-Szegö problem on S_k^B , for $\lambda < \frac{k-1}{2k}$.

Case II: For $\frac{2k-1}{2k} \leq \lambda < 1$, we prove $|a_3 - \lambda a_2^2| < k + k(1+k) e^{-\frac{1-k+2k\lambda}{k(1-\lambda)}}$ and then we find a function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^B$ such that equality holds.

By using (2.2) and (3.1), we obtain

$$a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 \leq \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} [2k - \frac{k+1}{2k} u^2(t)] dt + (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} u(t) dt \right)^2.$$

We estimate the second integral by Schwarz’s inequality. For every positive continuous function $H(t)$ we obtain

$$a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 \leq k + \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} u^2(t) \left[-\frac{1+k}{2k} + \frac{(1-\lambda)b}{H(t)} \right] dt, \tag{3.2}$$

where $b = \int_0^\infty H(t) dt$, then the best estimate is obtained if the integral vanish on some initial rang $[0, \tau]$, and we choose

$$H(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{2k}{1+k}(1-\lambda)b, & 0 \leq t \leq \tau; \\ \frac{2k}{1+k}(1-\lambda)be^{\tau-t}, & \tau \leq t < \infty. \end{cases}$$

By the definition of b , we can obtain $b = \frac{2k}{k+1}(1-\lambda)b(\tau+1)$ and therefore $\tau = \frac{\frac{1-k}{2k}+\lambda}{1-\lambda} > 0$. By using (2.1), we conclude from (3.2)

$$a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 \leq k + 2k(1+k) \int_\tau^\infty e^{-2t}(e^{t-\tau} - 1) dt = k + (k+1)e^{-\frac{1-k+2k\lambda}{(1-\lambda)k}}.$$

Next we show for every λ the equality is possible. Let $\tau = \frac{\frac{1-k}{2k}+\lambda}{1-\lambda}$ and consider function

$$p(z, t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1-kz^2+(1-k)e^{t-\tau}z}{1+kz^2+(1+k)e^{t-\tau}z} = 1 - 2ke^{t-\tau}z + \{2k(k+1)e^{2t-2\tau} - 2k\}z^2 + \dots, & 0 \leq t < \tau; \\ \frac{1-kz}{1+kz} = 1 - 2kz + 2k^2z^2 + \dots, & \tau \leq t < \infty. \end{cases}$$

For $0 \leq t < \tau$, since

$$\left| \frac{p(z, t) - 1}{p(z, t) + 1} \right| = \left| \frac{z^2 + e^{t-\tau}z}{1 + e^{t-\tau}z} \right| k \leq k,$$

then $p(z, t)$ satisfy (1.2). By using Theorem B, we can find a Löwner chain $f(z, t)$, then $\tilde{f}(z) = f(z, 0) \in S_k^B$. Denoting $\tilde{f}(z) = z + \tilde{a}_2z^2 + \tilde{a}_3z^3 + \dots$ and using (3.1), we immediately obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2 &= - \int_0^\tau e^{-2t} \{2k(k+1)e^{2t-2\tau} - 2k\} dt - \int_\tau^\infty e^{-2t} 2k^2 dt \\ &\quad + (1-\lambda) \left(\int_0^\tau -2ke^{t-\tau}e^{-t} dt + \int_\tau^\infty -2ke^{-t} dt \right)^2 \\ &= k + \{-2k(k+1)\tau - k - k^2 + (1-\lambda)4k^2(\tau+1)^2\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= k + \left\{ \frac{k^2 - 1 - 2k(k+1)\lambda}{1-\lambda} + \frac{(1+k)^2}{1-\lambda} - k - k^2 \right\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= k + \left\{ \frac{2k(1+k) - 2k(1+k)\lambda}{1-\lambda} - k - k^2 \right\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= k + k(k+1)e^{-2\tau} = k + k(k+1)e^{-\frac{1-k+2k\lambda}{k(1-\lambda)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Which shows $\tilde{f}(z)$ is the extreme function for the Fekete-Szegö problem, for $\frac{k-1}{2k} \leq \lambda < 1$.

Case III: For $1 \leq \lambda < \frac{k+1}{2k}$, we prove $|a_3 - \lambda a_2^2| < k + k(1-k)e^{-\frac{1+k-2k\lambda}{k(\lambda-1)}}$ and then we find a function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^B$ such that equality holds.

By using (2.3) and (3.1) and get the following estimate

$$a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 \leq \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} \left[2k - \frac{1-k}{2k}v^2(t) \right] dt - (1-\lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t}v(t) dt \right)^2.$$

We estimate the second integral by Schwarz’s inequality, for every positive continuous function $H(t)$ we obtain

$$a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 \leq k + \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} v^2(t) \left[-\frac{1-k}{2k} + \frac{(\lambda-1)b}{H(t)} \right] dt, \tag{3.3}$$

where $b = \int_0^\infty H(t) dt$. Then we choose

$$H(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{2k}{1-k} (\lambda-1)b, & 0 \leq t \leq \tau; \\ \frac{2k}{1-k} (\lambda-1)b e^{\tau-t}, & \tau \leq t < \infty, \end{cases}$$

by the definition of b we can obtain $b = \frac{2k}{1-k} (\lambda-1)b (\tau+1)$ and therefore $\tau = \frac{\frac{1+k}{2k} - \lambda}{\lambda-1} > 0$. Since $|v(t)| = |Imc_1(t)| \leq 2k$, we conclude from (3.3)

$$a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 \leq k + 2k(1-k) \int_\tau^\infty e^{-2t} (e^{t-\tau} - 1) dt = k + k(1-k) e^{-\frac{1+k-2k\lambda}{k(\lambda-1)}}.$$

Next we show for every λ the equality is possible. Let $\tau = \frac{\frac{1+k}{2k} - \lambda}{\lambda-1}$ and consider function

$$p(z, t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1-kz^2+(1+k)e^{t-\tau}iz}{1+kz^2+(1-k)e^{t-\tau}iz} = 1 + 2ke^{t-\tau}iz + \{2k(1-k)e^{2t-2\tau} - 2k\} z^2 + \dots, & 0 \leq t < \tau; \\ \frac{1+ikz}{1-ikz} = 1 + 2kiz - 2k^2z^2 + \dots, & \tau \leq t < \infty. \end{cases}$$

For $0 \leq t < \tau$, since

$$\left| \frac{p(z, t) - 1}{p(z, t) + 1} \right| = \left| \frac{-z^2 + e^{t-\tau}iz}{1 + e^{t-\tau}iz} \right| k = \left| \frac{(iz)^2 + e^{t-\tau}iz}{1 + e^{t-\tau}iz} \right| k \leq k,$$

it follows that $p(z, t)$ satisfy (1.2). By using Theorem B, we can find a extreme function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^B$ for the Fekete-Szegő problem. We denote $\tilde{f}(z) = z + \tilde{a}_2 z^2 + \tilde{a}_3 z^3 + \dots$ and use (3.1), then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2 &= - \int_0^\tau e^{-2t} \{2k(1-k)e^{2t-2\tau} - 2k\} dt + \int_\tau^\infty e^{-2t} 2k^2 dt \\ &\quad + (\lambda-1) \left(\int_0^\tau 2ke^{t-\tau} e^{-t} dt + \int_\tau^\infty 2ke^{-t} dt \right)^2 \\ &= k + \{-2k(1-k)\tau - k + k^2 + (\lambda-1)4k^2(\tau+1)^2\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= k + \left\{ \frac{k^2 - 1 + 2k(1-k)\lambda}{\lambda-1} + \frac{(1-k)^2}{\lambda-1} - k + k^2 \right\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= k + \left\{ \frac{-2k(1-k) + 2k(1-k)\lambda}{\lambda-1} - k + k^2 \right\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= k + k(1-k) e^{-\frac{1+k-2k\lambda}{k(\lambda-1)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Case IV: For $\lambda \geq \frac{2k+1}{2k}$, we prove $|a_3 - \lambda a_2^2| \leq k^2(4\lambda - 3)$ and then we find a function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^B$ such that equality holds.

By using (2.1), (2.3) and (3.1), we obtain the following estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_3 - \lambda a_2^2 &\leq - \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} \operatorname{Re} c_2(t) dt - (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} v(t) dt \right)^2 \\
 &\leq \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} \left[2k - \frac{1-k}{2k} v^2(t) \right] dt - (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} v(t) dt \right)^2 \\
 &= k - \int_0^\infty \frac{1-k}{2k} e^{-2t} v^2(t) dt - (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} \frac{v(t)}{e^{-\frac{t}{2}}} e^{-\frac{t}{2}} dt \right)^2 \\
 &\leq k - \int_0^\infty \frac{1-k}{2k} e^{-2t} v^2(t) dt - (1 - \lambda) \int_0^\infty e^{-t} v^2(t) dt \\
 &= k + \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} v^2(t) \left\{ (\lambda - 1) e^t - \frac{1-k}{2k} \right\} dt \\
 &\leq k + 4k^2 \int_0^\infty e^{-t} (\lambda - 1) - \frac{1-k}{2k} e^{-2t} dt \\
 &= k + 4k^2 (\lambda - 1) - k(1 - k) \\
 &= k^2 (4\lambda - 3).
 \end{aligned}$$

The first inequality holds since $1 - \lambda \leq 0$, the second inequality can be obtained from (2.3), the third inequality holds since Schwarz's inequality and the last inequality holds since $|v(t)| \leq 2k$ and $\lambda < \frac{k-1}{2k}$.

Next we show for every λ the equality is possible. We let

$$p(z, t) = \frac{1 - ikz}{1 + ikz} = 1 - 2ikz - 2k^2 z^2 + \dots, \quad t \geq 0.$$

It is easily to check $p(z, t)$ satisfy (1.6). Then, by using Theorem B, we can find a function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^B$. Then directly calculate from (3.1) we obtain

$$\tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2 = \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} 2k^2 dt - (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} 2k dt \right)^2 = k^2 + (\lambda - 1) 4k^2 = k^2 (4\lambda - 3).$$

where \tilde{a}_2, \tilde{a}_3 are Taylor coefficients of $\tilde{f}(z)$. □

In fact, using Lemma 2.3 and (3.1), the upper bound of the Fekete-Szegő problem on S_k^{BT} can be deduced step by step as the proof of Theorem 1, thus we omit the details. Here, we only show when equality holds.

Proof of Theorem 2. Given $f \in S_k^{BT}$, we divide $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ into four cases and prove the Fekete-Szegő problem in these cases respectively.

Case I: For $\lambda < \frac{2\alpha-1}{2\alpha}$, we find a extreme function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^{BT}$ such that $|\tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2| = \alpha^2 (3 - 4\lambda)$.

Let Herglotz function be

$$p(z, t) = \left(\frac{1-z}{1+z}\right)^\alpha = 1 - 2\alpha z + 2\alpha^2 z^2 + \dots, \quad t \geq 0.$$

It is easily know that $p(z, t)$ satisfy (1.3). Using Theorem B, we can find a extreme function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^{BT}$. Then by (3.1) we obtain

$$\tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2 = - \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} 2\alpha^2 dt + (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} 2\alpha dt\right)^2 = \alpha^2 (3 - 4\lambda).$$

Case II: For $\frac{\alpha-1}{2\alpha} \leq \lambda < 1$, we find a extreme function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^{BT}$ such that $|\tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2| = \alpha + \alpha(1 + \alpha) e^{-\frac{1-\alpha+2\alpha\lambda}{\alpha(1-\lambda)}}$.

We let Herglotz function be

$$p(z, t) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1-z^2}{1+z^2+2e^{t-\tau}z}\right)^\alpha = 1 - 2\alpha e^{t-\tau}z + \{2\alpha(\alpha+1)e^{2t-2\tau} - 2\alpha\}z^2 + \dots, & 0 \leq t < \tau; \\ \left(\frac{1-z}{1+z}\right)^\alpha = 1 - 2\alpha z + 2\alpha^2 z^2 + \dots, & t \geq \tau, \end{cases}$$

where $\tau = \frac{1-\alpha+\lambda}{\frac{2\alpha}{1-\lambda}}$. For $0 \leq t < \tau$, since

$$Re \frac{1+z^2+2e^{t-\tau}z}{1-z^2} = Re \left\{ \frac{1+z^2}{1-z^2} + 2e^{t-\tau} \frac{z}{1-z^2} \right\} \geq 0,$$

it follows that $Re \frac{1-z^2}{1+z^2+2e^{t-\tau}z} > 0$ and $p(z, t)$ satisfy (1.3).

By using Theorem B, we can find a extreme function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^{BT}$, let \tilde{a}_2, \tilde{a}_3 be the Taylor coefficients of $\tilde{f}(z)$. Then directly calculate from (3.1) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2 &= - \int_0^\tau e^{-2t} \{2\alpha(\alpha+1)e^{2t-2\tau} - 2\alpha\} dt - \int_\tau^\infty e^{-2t} 2\alpha^2 dt \\ &\quad + (1 - \lambda) \left(\int_0^\tau -2\alpha e^{t-\tau} e^{-t} dt + \int_\tau^\infty -2\alpha e^{-t} dt\right)^2 \\ &= \alpha + \{-2\alpha(\alpha+1)\tau - \alpha - \alpha^2 + (1-\lambda)4\alpha^2(\tau+1)^2\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= \alpha + \left\{ \frac{\alpha^2 - 1 - 2\alpha(\alpha+1)\lambda}{1-\lambda} + \frac{(1+\alpha)^2}{1-\lambda} - \alpha - \alpha^2 \right\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= \alpha + \left\{ \frac{2\alpha(1+\alpha) - 2\alpha(1+\alpha)\lambda}{1-\lambda} - \alpha - \alpha^2 \right\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= \alpha + \alpha(\alpha+1)e^{-2\tau} = \alpha + \alpha(\alpha+1)e^{-\frac{1-\alpha+2\alpha\lambda}{\alpha(1-\lambda)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Case III: For $1 \leq \lambda < \frac{\alpha+1}{2\alpha}$, we find a extreme function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^{BT}$ such that $|\tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2| = \alpha + \alpha(1 - \alpha) e^{-\frac{1+\alpha-2\alpha\lambda}{\alpha(\lambda-1)}}$.

We let Herglotz function be

$$p(z, t) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1-z^2+2e^{t-\tau}iz}{1+z^2} \right)^\alpha = 1 + 2\alpha e^{t-\tau}iz + \{2\alpha(1-\alpha)e^{2t-2\tau} - 2\alpha\}z^2 + \dots, & 0 \leq t < \tau; \\ \left(\frac{1+iz}{1-iz} \right)^\alpha = 1 + 2\alpha iz - 2\alpha^2 z^2 + \dots, & t \geq \tau, \end{cases}$$

where $\tau = \frac{1+\alpha-\lambda}{2\alpha}$. For $0 \leq t < \tau$, since

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{1-z^2+2e^{t-\tau}iz}{1+z^2} = \operatorname{Re} \frac{1-z^2}{1+z^2} + 2e^{t-\tau} \operatorname{Re} \frac{iz}{1-(iz)^2} > 0,$$

which implies $p(z, t)$ satisfies (1.3). By using Theorem B, we can find a extreme function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^{BT}$, let \tilde{a}_2, \tilde{a}_3 be the Taylor coefficients of $\tilde{f}(z)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2 &= - \int_0^\tau e^{-2t} \{2\alpha(1-\alpha)e^{2t-2\tau} - 2\alpha\} dt + \int_\tau^\infty e^{-2t} 2\alpha^2 dt \\ &\quad + (\lambda - 1) \left(\int_0^\tau 2\alpha e^{t-\tau} e^{-t} dt + \int_\tau^\infty 2\alpha e^{-t} dt \right)^2 \\ &= \alpha + \{-2\alpha(1-\alpha)\tau - \alpha + \alpha^2 + (\lambda - 1)4\alpha^2(\tau + 1)\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= \alpha + \left\{ \frac{\alpha^2 - 1 + 2\alpha(1-\alpha)\lambda}{\lambda - 1} + \frac{(1-\alpha)^2}{\lambda - 1} - \alpha + \alpha^2 \right\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= \alpha + \left\{ \frac{-2\alpha(1-\alpha) + 2\alpha(1-\alpha)\lambda}{\lambda - 1} - \alpha + \alpha^2 \right\} e^{-2\tau} \\ &= \alpha + \alpha(1-\alpha) e^{-\frac{1+\alpha-2\alpha\lambda}{\alpha(\lambda-1)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Case IV: For $\lambda \geq \frac{2\alpha+1}{2\alpha}$, we find a extreme function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^{BT}$ such that $|a_3 - \lambda a_2^2| = \alpha^2(4\lambda - 3)$

Let Herglotz function be

$$p(z, t) = \left(\frac{1-iz}{1+iz} \right)^\alpha = 1 - 2i\alpha z - 2\alpha^2 z^2 + \dots, \quad t \geq 0,$$

It is obviously that $p(z, t)$ satisfies (1.3). Then we can find a extreme function $\tilde{f}(z) \in S_k^{BT}$, by using Theorem B. Let \tilde{a}_2, \tilde{a}_3 be the Taylor coefficients of $\tilde{f}(z)$. Then

$$\tilde{a}_3 - \lambda \tilde{a}_2^2 = \int_0^\infty e^{-2t} 2\alpha^2 dt + (\lambda - 1) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-t} 2\alpha dt \right)^2 = \alpha^2(4\lambda - 3).$$

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