



OPERATORS PRESERVING INEQUALITIES BETWEEN THE POLYNOMIALS

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Abstract. In this paper, by combining the operators B and $D\alpha$, we investigate the dependence of $B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]$ on the maximum modulus of $P(z)$ on $|z| = 1$ for every real or complex numbers α and β with $|\alpha| \geq 1$, $|\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > 1$. Our results include not only some known polynomial inequalities as special case, but also the results recently proved by Bidkham and Mezerji as a particular case.

1. INTRODUCTION

If $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$ is a polynomial of degree at most n and $P'(z)$ is its derivatives, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \leq n \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad (1.1)$$

and

$$\max_{|z|=R>1} |P'(z)| \leq R^n \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \quad (1.2)$$

Inequality (1.1) is an immediate consequence of S. Bernstein's inequality on the derivative of a trigonometric polynomial (for reference see [6, 11]), where as inequality (1.2) is a simple deduction from the maximum modulus principle [12, p.346]. In both inequalities (1.1) and (1.2) equality holds only when $P(z)$ is a constant multiple of z^n .

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If, we restrict ourselves to a class of polynomials having no zero in $|z| < 1$, then the above inequality can be sharpened. In fact, Erdős conjectured and latter Lax [10] proved that if $P(z) \neq 0$ in $|z| \leq 1$, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \leq \frac{n}{2} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad (1.3)$$

and

$$\max_{|z|=R>1} \leq \frac{R^n + 1}{2} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \quad (1.4)$$

Turán [14] proved that, if $P(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \geq \frac{n}{2} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \quad (1.5)$$

Concerning the minimum modulus of a polynomial $P(z)$ and its derivative $P'(z)$, Aziz and Dawood [2] proved that, if $P(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, then

$$\min_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \geq n \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \quad (1.6)$$

Let α be any complex number, the polynomial $D_\alpha P(z) = nP(z) + (\alpha - z)P'(z)$ denote the polar derivative of the polynomial $P(z)$ of degree at most n with respect to α . The polynomial $D_\alpha P(z)$ is of degree at most $n - 1$ and it generalizes the ordinary derivative in the sense that

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \frac{D_\alpha P(z)}{\alpha} = P'(z).$$

Aziz [1] extended inequality (1.3) and (1.5) to the polar derivative of a polynomial and proved that if $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n which does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,

$$\max_{|z|=1} |D_\alpha P(z)| \leq \frac{n}{2} \{|\alpha z^{n-1}| + 1\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \text{ for } |z| \geq 1. \quad (1.7)$$

Rahman [11, p.538] introduced a class B_n of operators B that map $P \in P_n$ into itself. That is, the operator B carries $P \in P_n$ into

$$B[P(z)] = \lambda_0 P(z) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{nz}{2}\right) P'(z) + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{nz}{2}\right)^2 \frac{P''(z)}{2!},$$

where λ_0 , λ_1 , and λ_2 are real or complex numbers such that all the zeros of

$$u(z) := \lambda_0 + C(n, 1)\lambda_1 z + C(n, 2)\lambda_2 z^2, \quad C(n, r) = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}, \quad (1.8)$$

lie in the half plane

$$|z| \leq \left| z - \frac{n}{2} \right|.$$

Concerning this operator Shah and Liman [13] proved:

Theorem A. If $P(z) \in P_n$ and $P(z) \neq 0$ in $|z| > 1$, then for $|z| \geq 1$,

$$|B[P(z)]| \geq |B[z^n]| \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \tag{1.9}$$

Theorem B. If $P(z) \in P_n$ and $P(z) \neq 0$ in $|z| < 1$, then for $|z| \geq 1$,

$$|B[P(z)]| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\{ |B[z^n]| + |\lambda_o| \} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \{ |B[z^n]| - |\lambda_o| \} \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right]. \tag{1.10}$$

Concerning the dependence of $|P(Rz) - P(z)|$ on $|P(z)|$ Aziz and Rather [4] proved:

Theorem C. If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n , then for every real or complex number β with $|\beta| \leq 1$ and $R \geq 1$,

$$|P(Rz) - \beta P(z)| \leq |R^n - \beta| |z|^n \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1. \tag{1.11}$$

Theorem D. If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n which does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every real or complex number β with $|\beta| \leq 1$ and $R \geq 1$,

$$|P(Rz) - \beta P(z)| \leq \left\{ \frac{|R^n - \beta| |z^n| + |1 - \beta|}{2} \right\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1. \tag{1.12}$$

Recently Bidkham and Mezerji [7] have generalised some of the above inequalities by combining B and D_α operators and proved the following results:

Theorem E. If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree at most n , having all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, then for every complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,

$$|B[D_\alpha P(z)]| \geq n|\alpha| |B[z^{n-1}]| \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1. \tag{1.13}$$

Theorem F. If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree at most n , having no zero in $|z| < 1$, then for every α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,

$$|B[D_\alpha P(z)]| \leq \frac{n}{2} \left\{ \{ |\alpha| |B[z^{n-1}]| + |\lambda_o| \} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \{ |\alpha| |B[z^{n-1}]| - |\lambda_o| \} \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right\} \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1. \tag{1.14}$$

In this paper we combine the different ideas and techniques used above and consider the operator B and D_α such that the operator B carries $D_\alpha P(z)$ into

$$B[D_\alpha P(z)] = \lambda_o D_\alpha P(z) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right) D_\alpha P'(z) + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right)^2 \frac{D_\alpha P''(z)}{2!},$$

where $0 \leq m \leq n - 1$ and $\lambda_o, \lambda_1,$ and λ_2 are real or complex numbers such that all zeros of

$$u(z) := \lambda_o + C(m, 1)\lambda_1 z + C(m, 2)\lambda_2 z^2, \quad C(m, r) = \frac{m!}{r!(m - r)!}, \quad (1.15)$$

lie in the half plane

$$|z| \leq \left| z - \frac{m}{2} \right|$$

and obtain compact generalizations of some well-known polynomial inequalities. We first prove the following:

Theorem 1.1. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n , then for every real or complex numbers α, β with $|\alpha| \geq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > 1$*

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \leq |\alpha|n|R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \quad (1.16)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$.

The result is sharp and equality holds in inequality (1.16) for $P(z) = az^n, a \neq 0$.

Substituting for $B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]$, we have for $|z| \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \lambda_o D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z)) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right) D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))' \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right)^2 \frac{D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))''}{2!} \right| \\ & \leq |\alpha|n|R^n - \beta| \left| \lambda_o z^{n-1} + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2} \right) (n-1)z^{n-2} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2} \right)^2 \frac{(n-1)(n-2)z^{n-3}}{2!} \right| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \end{aligned} \quad (1.17)$$

where $0 \leq m \leq n - 1$ and λ_o, λ_1 and λ_2 are such that all the zeros of $u(z)$ defined by inequality (1.15) lie in the half plane $Re z \leq \frac{m}{4}$.

If, we choose $\beta = 0$ and let $R \rightarrow 1$ in inequality (1.16) we get the following result:

Corollary 1.2. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n , then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,*

$$|B[D_\alpha P(z)]| \leq |\alpha|n|B[z^{n-1}]| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1.$$

The result is sharp and equality holds for the polynomial $P(z) = az^n, a \neq 0$.

Remark 1.3. If, we choose $\lambda_1 = 0 = \lambda_2$ with $\beta = 0$ and letting $R \rightarrow 1$ inequality (1.17) will reduce to

$$|D_\alpha P(z)| \leq |\alpha|n|z^{n-1}| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \text{ for } |z| \geq 1. \tag{1.18}$$

Dividing both side of inequality (1.18) by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, inequality (1.18) will reduce to inequality (1.1).

Choosing $\lambda_o = 0 = \lambda_2$ in inequality (1.17) will give the following result:

Corollary 1.4. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n , then for every real or complex numbers α, β with $|\alpha| \geq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > 1$,*

$$\left| \frac{m}{2} D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))' \right| \leq |\alpha|n|R^n - \beta| \left| \left(\frac{(n-1)^2}{2} \right) z^{n-2} \right| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \tag{1.19}$$

Dividing both side of inequality (1.19) by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, then $m = n - 1$ and for $\beta = 0$ and $R \rightarrow 1$, inequality (1.19) will reduce to,

$$|P''(z)| \leq n(n-1)|z^{n-2}| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \text{ for } |z| \geq 1. \tag{1.20}$$

The result is best possible and equality holds in inequality (1.20) for $P(z) = az^n$.

We now prove the theorem which gives the extension of [13, Lemma (2.3)] to the polar derivative.

Theorem 1.5. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n , then for every real or complex numbers α, β with $|\alpha| \geq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > 1$,*

$$\begin{aligned} &|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| + |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]| \\ &\leq n(|\alpha||R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| + |1 - \beta||\lambda_o|) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \end{aligned} \tag{1.21}$$

for $|z| \geq 1$, where $Q(z) = z^n \overline{P(\frac{1}{z})}$.

The result is best possible and the equality holds in inequality (1.21) for $P(z) = z^n + 1$. Substituting for $B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]$ in inequality (1.21), we have for $|z| \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \lambda_o D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z)) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right) D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))' \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right)^2 \frac{D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))''}{2!} \right| + \left| \lambda_o D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z)) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right) D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))' + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right)^2 \frac{D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))''}{2!} \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq n \left\{ |\alpha| |R^n - \beta| \left| \lambda_o z^{n-1} + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2} \right) (n-1) z^{n-2} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2} \right)^2 \frac{(n-1)(n-2)z^{n-3}}{2!} \right| + |1 - \beta| |\lambda_o| \right\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \end{aligned} \quad (1.22)$$

where $0 \leq m \leq n-1$ and λ_o , λ_1 and λ_2 are such that all the zeros of $u(z)$ defined by inequality (1.15) lie in the half plane $Re z \leq \frac{m}{4}$.

If, we choose $\beta = 0$ and let $R \rightarrow 1$ in inequality (1.21), we get the following extension of [13, Lemma (2.3)] to polar derivatives.

Corollary 1.6. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n , then for every real or complex numbers α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$ and for $|z| \geq 1$*

$$|B[D_\alpha P(z)]| + |B[D_\alpha Q(z)]| \leq n(|\alpha| |B[z^{n-1}]| + |\lambda_o|) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|,$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned} &|B[nP(z) + (\alpha - z)P'(z)]| + |B[nQ(z) + (\alpha - z)Q'(z)]| \\ &\leq n(|B[\alpha z^{n-1}]| + |\lambda_o|) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \end{aligned}$$

taking $\alpha = z$ in the above inequality, we get [13, Lemma (2.3)] that is

$$|B[P(z)]| + |B[Q(z)]| \leq (|B[z^n]| + |\lambda_o|) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \text{ for } |z| \geq 1.$$

Taking $\lambda_1 = 0 = \lambda_2$ with $\beta = 0$ and letting $R \rightarrow 1$ in inequality (1.22), we get the following result:

Corollary 1.7. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n , then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,*

$$|D_\alpha P(z)| + |D_\alpha Q(z)| \leq n\{|\alpha| |z^{n-1}| + 1\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \text{ for } |z| \geq 1. \quad (1.23)$$

Dividing both sides by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, inequality (1.23) will reduce to,

$$|P'(z)| + |Q'(z)| \leq n|z^{n-1}| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \text{ for } |z| \geq 1. \quad (1.24)$$

The result is best possible and equality holds in inequality (1.24) for $P(z) = z^n + 1$. The above result is a special case of the result due to Govil and Rahman [8, Inequality (3.2)].

Taking $\lambda_o = 0 = \lambda_2$ with $\beta = 0$ and letting $R \rightarrow 1$ in inequality (1.22), we get the following result:

Corollary 1.8. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n , then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,*

$$m\{|D_\alpha P'(z)| + |D_\alpha Q'(z)|\} \leq n|\alpha|(n-1)^2|z^{n-2}| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \text{ for } |z| \geq 1. \quad (1.25)$$

Dividing both sides by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, then $m = n - 1$, inequality (1.25) will reduce to

$$|P''(z)| + |Q''(z)| \leq n(n-1)|z^{n-2}| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \text{ for } |z| \geq 1. \quad (1.26)$$

The result is best possible and equality holds in inequality (1.26) for $P(z) = z^n + 1$.

Next, we prove a result for the class of polynomials not vanishing in a unit disc and obtain compact generalization of inequalities (1.7). Infact we prove:

Theorem 1.9. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n which does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every real or complex numbers α, β with $|\alpha| \geq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > 1$,*

$$\begin{aligned} &|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \\ &\leq \frac{n}{2} \{|\alpha|R^n - \beta|B[z^{n-1}]| + |1 - \beta||\lambda_o|\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \end{aligned} \quad (1.27)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$.

The result is best possible and equality in inequality (1.27) holds for $P(z) = z^n + 1$. Substituting for $B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]$ in inequality (1.27), we have for $|z| \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \lambda_o D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z)) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{mz}{2}\right) D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))' \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{mz}{2}\right)^2 \frac{D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))''}{2!} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{n}{2} \left\{ |\alpha|R^n - \beta \left| \lambda_o z^{n-1} + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2}\right) (n-1)z^{n-2} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2}\right)^2 \frac{(n-1)(n-2)z^{n-3}}{2!} \right| + |1 - \beta||\lambda_o| \right\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \end{aligned} \quad (1.28)$$

where $0 \leq m \leq n - 1$ and λ_o, λ_1 and λ_2 are such that all the zeros of $u(z)$ defined by inequality (1.15) lie in the half plane $Re z \leq \frac{m}{4}$.

Remark 1.10. If we take $\beta = 0$ and let $R \rightarrow 1$, inequality (1.27) will reduce to the following result due to Bidkham and Mezerji [7].

If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree at most n , having no zero in $|z| \leq 1$, then for every α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,

$$|B[D_\alpha P(z)]| \leq \frac{n}{2} \{|\alpha| |B[z^{n-1}]| + |\lambda_o|\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1.$$

Remark 1.11. If we take $\lambda_1 = 0 = \lambda_2$ with $\beta = 0$ and letting $R \rightarrow 1$, inequality (1.28) reduces to inequality (1.7) that is

$$|D_\alpha P(z)| \leq \frac{n}{2} \{|\alpha z^{n-1}| + 1\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1.$$

On dividing both sides of above inequality by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, we get inequality (1.3).

Choosing $\lambda_o = 0 = \lambda_2$ with $\beta = 0$ and letting $R \rightarrow 1$ in inequality (1.28), we get the following result:

Corollary 1.12. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n which does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$*

$$|mD_\alpha P'(z)| \leq \frac{n(n-1)^2}{2} |\alpha| |z^{n-2}| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1. \quad (1.29)$$

Dividing both sides of inequality (1.29) by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, then $m = n - 1$ and we have

$$|P''(z)| \leq \frac{n(n-1)}{2} |z^{n-2}| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1. \quad (1.30)$$

The result is best possible and equality in inequality (1.30) holds for $P(z) = z^n + 1$.

We now prove the following interesting result, which provides the compact generalisation of inequality (1.13).

Theorem 1.13. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, then for every real or complex numbers α, β with $|\alpha| \geq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > 1$*

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \geq |\alpha| n |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \quad (1.31)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$.

The result is sharp and equality holds in inequality (1.31) for $P(z) = az^n$. Substituting for $B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]$, we have for $|z| \geq 1$,

$$\left| \lambda_o D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z)) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right) D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))' \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right)^2 \frac{D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))''}{2!} \Big| \\
& \geq |\alpha|n|R^n - \beta| \left| \lambda_o z^{n-1} + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2} \right) \right| (n-1)z^{n-2} \quad (1.32) \\
& + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2} \right)^2 \frac{(n-1)(n-2)z^{n-3}}{2!} \Big| \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)|,
\end{aligned}$$

where $0 \leq m \leq n-1$ and λ_o , λ_1 and λ_2 are such that all the zeros of $u(z)$ defined by (1.15) lie in the half plane $Re z \leq \frac{m}{4}$.

Remark 1.14. If we take $\beta = 0$ and let $R \rightarrow 1$, inequality (1.31) will reduce to inequality (1.13).

Taking $\lambda_1 = 0 = \lambda_2$ with $\beta = 0$ and letting $R \rightarrow 1$ in inequality (1.32), we will get the following result from which result of Aziz and Dawood [2] follows as a special case.

Corollary 1.15. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree at most n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,*

$$|D_\alpha P(z)| \geq n|\alpha||z^{n-1}| \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1. \quad (1.33)$$

The result is best possible and equality holds in inequality (1.33) for $P(z) = az^n$. Dividing the inequality (1.33) both sides by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, then $m = n-1$, we obtain the inequality (1.5) as a special case.

Choosing $\lambda_o = 0 = \lambda_2$ with $\beta = 0$ and letting $R \rightarrow 1$ in inequality (1.32), we get the following result:

Corollary 1.16. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree at most n , having all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,*

$$|mD_\alpha P'(z)| \geq n(n-1)^2 |\alpha| |z^{n-2}| \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \quad (1.34)$$

Dividing both sides of the inequality (1.34) by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, then $m = n-1$ we obtain

$$|P''(z)| \geq n(n-1) |z^{n-2}| \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \quad (1.35)$$

The result is best possible and the equality holds in inequality (1.35) for $P(z) = az^n$.

As an improvement of inequality (1.31) and generalisation of inequality (1.10), we prove the following result:

Theorem 1.17. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree at most n which does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every real or complex numbers α, β with $|\alpha| \geq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > 1$*

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \\ & \leq \frac{n}{2} \left[\{|\alpha|R^n - \beta\} |B[z^{n-1}]| + |\lambda_o| |1 - \beta| \right] \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \\ & \quad - \left\{ |\alpha|R^n - \beta \right\} |B[z^{n-1}]| - |\lambda_o| |1 - \beta| \left\} \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right] \text{ for } |z| \geq 1. \end{aligned} \quad (1.36)$$

The result is sharp and equality in inequality (1.36) holds for the polynomial having all the zeros on the unit disk. Substituting for $B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - P(z))]$ in inequality (1.36), we have for $|z| \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \lambda_o D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z)) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right) D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))' \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{mz}{2} \right)^2 \frac{D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))''}{2!} \right| \\ & \leq \frac{n}{2} \left[\left\{ |\alpha|R^n - \beta \right\} \left| \lambda_o z^{n-1} + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2} \right) (n-1)z^{n-2} \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2} \right)^2 \frac{(n-1)(n-2)z^{n-3}}{2!} \right| + |1 - \beta| |\lambda_o| \right] \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \\ & \quad - \left\{ |\alpha|R^n - \beta \right\} \left| \lambda_o z^{n-1} + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2} \right) (n-1)z^{n-2} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{(n-1)z}{2} \right)^2 \frac{(n-1)(n-2)z^{n-3}}{2!} \right| - |1 - \beta| |\lambda_o| \left\} \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right], \end{aligned} \quad (1.37)$$

where $0 \leq m \leq n-1$ and λ_o, λ_1 and λ_2 are such that all the zeros of $u(z)$ defined by (1.15) lie in the half plane $Re z \leq \frac{m}{4}$.

Remark 1.18. If we take $\beta = 0$ and letting $R \rightarrow 1$, inequality (1.36) will reduce to inequality (1.14).

Remark 1.19. Taking $\lambda_1 = 0 = \lambda_2$ with $\beta = 0$ and let $R \rightarrow 1$, inequality (1.37) will reduce to the following result due to Aziz and Shah [5].

If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n which does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,

$$\max_{|z|=1} |D_\alpha P(z)| \leq \frac{n}{2} \left\{ (|\alpha| + 1) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - (|\alpha| - 1) \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right\}.$$

Dividing both sides by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, in the above inequality, it follows that if $P(z) \neq 0$ in $|z| < 1$, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \leq \frac{n}{2} \left\{ \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right\}.$$

The above result is an interesting refinement of Erdős-Lax theorem (inequality (1.3)) and was proved by Aziz and Dawood [2].

If we take $\lambda_0 = 0 = \lambda_2$ with $\beta = 0$ and let $R \rightarrow 1$ in (1.37), we get the following result:

Corollary 1.20. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree at most n , having no zero in $|z| \leq 1$, then for every α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$ and $|z| \geq 1$,*

$$|mD_\alpha P(z)| \leq \frac{n(n-1)^2}{2} |\alpha| |z^{n-2}| \left\{ \max_{|z|=1} |p(z)| - \min_{|z|=1} |p(z)| \right\}. \tag{1.38}$$

The result is best possible and equality holds in inequality (1.38) for $P(z) = z^n + 1$. Dividing both sides of the inequality (1.38) by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, then $m = n - 1$ and we get

$$|P''(z)| \leq \frac{n(n-1)}{2} |z^{n-2}| \left\{ \max_{|z|=1} |p(z)| - \min_{|z|=1} |p(z)| \right\}. \tag{1.39}$$

2. LEMMAS

For the proof of above theorems we need the following lemmas. The first lemma follows from [9].

Lemma 2.1. *If all the zeros of polynomial $P(z)$ of degree n lie in $|z| \leq k$, where $k \leq 1$, then for $|\alpha| \geq k$, the polar derivative $D_\alpha[P(z)]$ of $P(z)$ at the point α also has all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$.*

The following lemma which we need is in fact implicit in [11, Lemma 14.5.7, p.540].

Lemma 2.2. *If all the zeros of the polynomial $P(z)$ of degree n lie in a circle $|z| \leq 1$, then all the zeros of the polynomial $B[P(z)]$ also lie in $|z| \leq 1$.*

As an application of Lemmas 2.1 and 2.2 we have the following lemma.

Lemma 2.3. *If all the zeros of polynomial $P(z)$ of degree n lie in $|z| \leq 1$, then for $|\alpha| \geq 1$, all the zeros of the polynomial $B[D_\alpha P(z)]$ also lie in $|z| \leq 1$.*

Proof. From Lemma 2.1 for $k = 1$, all the zeros of the polynomial $D_\alpha P(z)$ lie in $|z| \leq 1$ and so from Lemma 2.2 the polynomial $B[D_\alpha P(z)]$ has all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$. □

The next lemma is due to Aziz and Rather [3].

Lemma 2.4. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree at most n having all its zeros in $|z| < k$, where $k \leq 1$, then $|P(Rz)| > |P(z)|$, for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$.*

Lemma 2.5. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n which does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every real or complex numbers α, β with $|\alpha| \geq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$ and $R \geq 1$.*

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \leq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]|, \quad (2.1)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$, where $Q(z) = z^n p(\frac{1}{z})$.

Proof. For $R = 1$, the result reduces to Bidkham and Mezerji [7, Lemma 4, p.597]. Now we will prove the result for $R > 1$. Since all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in $|z| \geq 1$ and for every real or complex number λ with $|\lambda| > 1$, the polynomial $G(z) = P(z) - \lambda Q(z)$, where $Q(z) = z^n p(\frac{1}{z})$ has all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$. Applying lemma 4 to the polynomial $G(z)$ with $k = 1$, we get

$$|G(z)| < |G(Rz)| \text{ for } |z| = 1 \text{ and } R > 1.$$

Since all the zeros $G(Rz)$ lie in $|z| \leq \frac{1}{R} < 1$, therefore for any real or complex number β with $|\beta| \leq 1$, the polynomial $H(z) = G(Rz) - \beta G(z)$, has all its zeros in $|z| < 1$, for every λ with $|\lambda| > 1$ and $R > 1$, by Lemma 2.3 all the zeros of $B[D_\alpha H(z)]$ lie in $|z| < 1$. This implies

$$\begin{aligned} & B[D_\alpha(G(Rz) - \beta G(z))] \\ &= B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))] - \lambda B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))], \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Inequality (2.2) implies

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \leq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]|, \quad (2.3)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. For if it is not true, then there is a point $z = z_o$ with $|z_o| \geq 1$, such that

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz_o) - \beta P(z_o))]| \geq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz_o) - \beta Q(z_o))]|, \quad (2.4)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Since all the zeros of $Q(z)$ lie in $|z| \leq 1$, therefore it follows that all the zeros of $Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z)$, lie in $|z| \leq 1$ for every β with $|\beta| \leq 1$. Hence $Q(Rz_o) - \beta Q(z_o) \neq 0$, for $|z_o| \geq 1$. Which implies

$$B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz_o) - \beta Q(z_o))] \neq 0 \text{ for } |z| \geq 1 \text{ and } R > 1.$$

We take

$$\lambda = \frac{B[D_\alpha(P(Rz_o) - P(z_o))]}{B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz_o) - Q(z_o))]},$$

so that $|\lambda| > 1$. Which shows that $B[D_\alpha H(z)]$ has a zero in $|z| \geq 1$. Which is contradiction to the fact that all the zeros of $B[D_\alpha H(z)]$ lie in $|z| < 1$. Thus

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \leq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]|,$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R \geq 1$. □

3. PROOF OF THEOREMS

Proof of Theorem 1.1. Let $M = \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|$, then $|P(z)| \leq M$ for $|z| = 1$. Therefore, by Rouché's Theorem we have all the zeros of the polynomial $G(z) = P(z) + \lambda z^n M$, lie in $|z| < 1$ for every λ with $|\lambda| > 1$. Now from Lemma 2.4, we have

$$|G(z)| < |G(Rz)| \text{ for } |z| = 1 \text{ and } R > 1.$$

Since all the zeros of $G(Rz)$ lie in $|z| < \frac{1}{R} < 1$, therefore if β is any real or complex number with $|\beta| \leq 1$, we have all the zeros of the polynomial

$$G(Rz) - \beta G(z) = (P(Rz) - \beta P(z)) + \lambda(R^n - \beta)z^n M,$$

also lie in $|z| < 1$ for every $R > 1$ and $|\lambda| > 1$. Therefore by Lemma 2.3, all the zeros of $B[D_\alpha(G(Rz) - \beta G(z))]$, lie in $|z| < 1$ for every $R > 1$ and $|\lambda| > 1$. Which implies

$$\begin{aligned} & B[D_\alpha(G(Rz) - \beta G(z))] \\ &= B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))] + \lambda \alpha n (R^n - \beta) M B[z^{n-1}], \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

for $|z| < 1$ and $R > 1$. Inequality (3.1) implies

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \\ & \leq |\alpha| n |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| M \text{ for } |z| \geq 1 \text{ and } R > 1, \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

for if this is not true, then there is a point $z = z_o$ with $|z_o| \geq 1$ such that

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz_o) - \beta P(z_o))]| > |\alpha| n |R^n - \beta| |B[z_o^{n-1}]| M.$$

We take

$$\lambda = -\frac{B[D_\alpha(P(Rz_o) - \beta P(z_o))]}{\alpha n (R^n - \beta) B[z_o^{n-1}]},$$

so that $|\lambda| > 1$, for this choice of $|\lambda|$, we have $B[D_\alpha(G(Rz_o) - \beta G(z_o))] = 0$ for $|z_o| \geq 1$. Which is a contradiction to the fact that all the zeros of $B[D_\alpha(G(Rz) - \beta G(z))]$ lie in $|z| < 1$. Thus

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \leq \alpha n |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|,$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. □

Proof of Theorem 1.5. Let $M = \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|$, then $|P(z)| \leq M$ for $|z| = 1$. Now for every real or complex number γ with $|\gamma| > 1$, it follows from Rouché's Theorem, the polynomial $G(z) = P(z) + \gamma M$ does not vanish

in $|z| < 1$. Now applying Lemma 2.4 and 2.5 to the polynomial $G(z)$, we have for every real or complex number β with $|\beta| \leq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z) + \gamma(1 - \beta)M)]| \\ & \leq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z) + \bar{\gamma}(R^n - \beta)z^n M)]|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$, where $Q(z) = z^n \overline{p(\frac{1}{z})}$. Inequality (3.3) implies

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))] + n\gamma(1 - \beta)M\lambda_o| \\ & \leq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))] + \alpha n \bar{\gamma}(R^n - \beta)B[z^{n-1}]M|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$.

Now choosing the argument of $\bar{\gamma}$ on the R.H.S of inequality (3.4), such that

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))] + \alpha n \bar{\gamma}(R^n - \beta)B[z^{n-1}]M| \\ & = |\alpha n |\gamma| |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]M - |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Therefore we get from inequality (3.4),

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))] - |n\gamma(1 - \beta)\lambda_o M| \\ & \leq |\alpha n |\gamma| |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]M - |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Therefore, inequality (3.6) implies

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| + |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]| \\ & \leq |\alpha n |\gamma| |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]M + n|\gamma||1 - \beta||\lambda_o| M, \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Letting $|\gamma| \rightarrow 1$, in inequality (3.7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| + |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]| \\ & \leq n(|\alpha| |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| + |1 - \beta| |\lambda_o|) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \end{aligned}$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Which proves the theorem. \square

Proof of Theorem 1.9. We have from Lemma 2.5,

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \leq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]|,$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R \geq 1$, where $Q(z) = z^n \overline{p(\frac{1}{z})}$. Also from Theorem 1.5, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| + |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]| \\ & \leq n(|\alpha| |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| + |1 - \beta| |\lambda_o|) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \end{aligned}$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$, where $Q(z) = z^n \overline{p(\frac{1}{z})}$. Combining the above two inequalities, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \\ &\leq \frac{n}{2} \{|\alpha| |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| + |1 - \beta| |\lambda_o|\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \end{aligned}$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Which proves the theorem. □

Proof of Theorem 1.13. If $P(z)$ has a zero on $|z| = 1$, then the result is trivial. So we suppose that $P(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| < 1$. If $m = \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)|$, then $m > 0$ and $m \leq |P(z)|$ for $|z| = 1$. Therefore, if γ is any complex number with $|\gamma| < 1$, we have the polynomial $G(z) = P(z) - \gamma m z^n$ of degree n has all its zeros in $|z| < 1$. Now from Lemma 2.4, we have

$$|G(z)| < |G(Rz)| \text{ for } |z| = 1 \text{ and } R > 1.$$

Since all the zeros of $G(Rz)$ lie in $|z| < \frac{1}{R} < 1$, therefore for any real or complex number β with $|\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > 1$, it follows from Rouché's Theorem, the polynomial $H(z) = G(Rz) - \beta G(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| < 1$. Therefore from Lemma 2.3, all the zeros of $B[D_\alpha H(z)]$ lie in $|z| < 1$. This implies

$$\begin{aligned} &B[D_\alpha(G(Rz) - \beta G(z))] \\ &= B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))] - \alpha n \gamma (R^n - \beta) B[z^{n-1}] m, \end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Inequality (3.8) implies for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$,

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \geq |\alpha| n |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| m. \tag{3.9}$$

If inequality (3.9) is not true, then there is a point $z = z_o$ with $|z_o| \geq 1$ such that

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz_o) - \beta P(z_o))]| < |\alpha| n |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| m.$$

We take

$$\gamma = \frac{B[D_\alpha(P(Rz_o) - \beta P(z_o))]}{\alpha n (R^n - \beta) |B[z_o^{n-1}]| m},$$

so that $|\gamma| < 1$. For this choice of $|\gamma|$, we have $B[D_\alpha H(z)] = 0$, for $|z| \geq 1$. Which is a contradiction to the fact that all the zeros of $B[D_\alpha H(z)]$ lie in $|z| < 1$. Thus we have

$$|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \geq |\alpha| n |R^n - \beta| |B[z^{n-1}]| \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)|.$$

Hence the theorem follows. □

Proof of Theorem 1.17. Since the polynomial $P(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, therefore if $m = \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)|$, then $m \leq |P(z)|$ for $|z| \leq 1$. Now for any real or complex number λ with $|\lambda| \leq 1$, the polynomial $G(z) = P(z) + \lambda m z^n$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$. For if this is not true, then there is a point $z = z_o$,

with $|z_o| < 1$, such that $G(z_o) = P(z_o) + \lambda m z_o^n = 0$. Which implies $|P(z_o)| = |m \lambda z_o^n| \leq m |z_o|^n < m$, contradicting the fact that $m \leq |P(z)|$ for $|z| \leq 1$. Thus $G(z)$ has no zero in $|z| < 1$ for every λ with $|\lambda| \leq 1$. Applying Lemma 2.5 to the polynomial $G(z)$, we have for $|\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z) + (R^n - \beta)\lambda m z^n)]| \\ & \leq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z) + (1 - \beta)\bar{\lambda}m)]|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$, where $Q(z) = z^n \overline{p(\frac{1}{z})}$. Inequality (3.10) implies

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))] + \alpha(R^n - \beta)\lambda m n B[z^{n-1}]| \\ & \leq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))] + n \lambda_o (1 - \beta)\bar{\lambda}m|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Choosing λ in inequality (3.11) such that

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))] + \alpha n \lambda (R^n - \beta) B[z^{n-1}]m| \\ & = |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))] + |\alpha|n|\lambda||R^n - \beta||B[z^{n-1}]|m|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Inequality (3.12) implies

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))] + |\alpha|n|\lambda||R^n - \beta||B[z^{n-1}]|m| \\ & \leq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))] + n|\lambda_o||1 - \beta||\lambda|m|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Inequality (3.13) implies

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \\ & \leq |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]| \\ & \quad + n|\lambda_o||1 - \beta||\lambda|m - |\alpha|n|\lambda||R^n - \beta||B[z^{n-1}]|m, \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Letting $|\lambda| \rightarrow 1$, we have for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2|B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \\ & \leq |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| + |B[D_\alpha(Q(Rz) - \beta Q(z))]| \\ & \quad + n|\lambda_o||1 - \beta||m - |\alpha|n||R^n - \beta||B[z^{n-1}]|m, \end{aligned} \quad (3.15)$$

for $|z| \geq 1$ and $R > 1$. Applying Theorem 1.5, we get from inequality (3.15)

$$\begin{aligned} & |B[D_\alpha(P(Rz) - \beta P(z))]| \\ & \leq \frac{n}{2} \left[\{|\alpha||R^n - \beta||B[z^{n-1}]| + |\lambda_o||1 - \beta|\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \{|\alpha||R^n - \beta||B[z^{n-1}]| - |\lambda_o||1 - \beta|\} \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right] \text{ for } |z| \geq 1. \end{aligned} \quad (1.36)$$

Hence the Theorem follows. \square

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