

On an Inequality of Pual Turan Concerning Polynomials-II

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Abstract. Let $P(z)$ be a polynomial of degree n and for any complex number α , let $D_\alpha P(z) = nP(z) + (\alpha - z)P'(z)$ denote the polar derivative of the polynomial $P(z)$ with respect to α . In this paper, we obtain inequalities for the polar derivative of a polynomial having all zeros inside a circle. Our results shall generalize and sharpen some well-known results of Turan, Govil, Dewan et al. and others.

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1 Introduction and statement of results

Let $P(z)$ be a polynomial of degree n and $P'(z)$ be its derivative. Then according to the well-known Bernstein's inequality [4] on the derivative of a polynomial, we have

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

The equality holds in (1.1) if and only if $P(z)$ has all its zeros at the origin.

For the class of polynomials $P(z)$ having all zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, Turan [11] proved that

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \geq \frac{n}{2} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \quad (1.2)$$

The inequality (1.2) is best possible and becomes equality for $P(z) = \alpha z^n + \beta$ where $|\alpha| = |\beta|$.

In the literature, there already exists some refinements and generalizations of the inequality (1.2), for example see Aziz and Dawood [3], Govil [5], Dewan and Mir [6], Dewan, Singh and Mir [7], Mir, Dar and Dawood [10] etc.

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Inequality (1.2) was refined by Aziz and Dawood [3] and they proved under the same hypothesis that

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \geq \frac{n}{2} \left\{ \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| + \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right\}. \tag{1.3}$$

As an extension of (1.3), it was shown by Govil [5], that if $P(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$, $k \leq 1$, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \geq \frac{n}{1+k} \left\{ \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| + \frac{1}{k^{n-1}} \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right\}. \tag{1.4}$$

For the class of polynomials

$$P(z) = a_n z^n + \sum_{\nu=\mu}^n a_{n-\nu} z^{n-\nu}, \quad 1 \leq \mu \leq n,$$

of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$, $k \leq 1$, Aziz and Shah [2] proved

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \geq \frac{n}{1+k^\mu} \left\{ \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| + \frac{1}{k^{n-\mu}} \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right\}. \tag{1.5}$$

For $\mu = 1$, inequality (1.5) reduces to (1.4).

Let $D_\alpha P(z)$ denote the polar derivative of the polynomial $P(z)$ of degree n with respect to α , then

$$D_\alpha P(z) = nP(z) + (\alpha - z)P'(z).$$

Recently Dewan, Singh and Mir [7] besides proving some other results, also proved the following interesting generalization of (1.5).

Theorem 1.1. *If*

$$P(z) = a_n z^n + \sum_{\nu=\mu}^n a_{n-\nu} z^{n-\nu}, \quad 1 \leq \mu \leq n,$$

is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$, $k \leq 1$, and δ is any complex number with $|\delta| \leq 1$, then for $|z| = 1$,

$$|D_\delta P(z)| \leq n \left(\frac{k^\mu + |\delta|}{1+k^\mu} \right) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - n \left(\frac{1-|\delta|}{k^{n-\mu}(1+k^\mu)} \right) \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|. \tag{1.6}$$

In this paper, we shall first prove a result which gives certain generalizations of the inequality (1.4) by considering polynomials having all zeros in $|z| \leq k$, $k \leq 1$ with s -fold zeros at $z = 0$. We shall also present a refinement of Theorem 1.1. We first prove the following result.

Theorem 1.2. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k, k \leq 1$ with s -fold zeros at $z=0$, then for $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|\alpha| \geq k$, and $|\beta| \leq 1$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{|z|=1} \left| zD_\alpha P(z) + \frac{\beta(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} P(z) \right| \\ & \geq \frac{|z|^n}{k^n} \left| n\alpha + \frac{\beta(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} \right| \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| \geq 1. \end{aligned} \tag{1.7}$$

Remark 1.1. According to the Lemma 2.1, we have for $|z|=1$,

$$|zD_\alpha P(z)| \geq \frac{(|\alpha|-k)(n+sk)}{1+k} |P(z)|,$$

then for suitable argument of β , we have

$$\left| zD_\alpha P(z) + \frac{\beta(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} P(z) \right| = |zD_\alpha P(z)| - \frac{|\beta|(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} |P(z)|. \tag{1.8}$$

For this choice of β , we have from (1.7) and (1.8) that for $|z|=1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & |zD_\alpha P(z)| - \frac{|\beta|(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} |P(z)| \\ & = \left| zD_\alpha P(z) + \frac{\beta(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} P(z) \right| \\ & \geq \min_{|z|=1} \left| zD_\alpha P(z) + \frac{\beta(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} P(z) \right| \\ & \geq \frac{1}{k^n} \left| n\alpha + \frac{\beta(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} \right| \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \\ & \geq \frac{1}{k^n} \left\{ n|\alpha| - \frac{|\beta|(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} \right\} \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

Equivalently

$$|zD_\alpha P(z)| \geq \frac{|\beta|(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} |P(z)| + \frac{1}{k^n} \left\{ n|\alpha| - \frac{|\beta|(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} \right\} \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|, \tag{1.9}$$

for $|z|=1, |\beta| \leq 1$ and $|\alpha| \geq k$. Making $|\beta| \rightarrow 1$ in (1.9), we get the following

Corollary 1.1. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k, k \leq 1$, with s -fold zeros at $z=0$, then for every complex α with $|\alpha| \geq k$ and $|z|=1$,*

$$|D_\alpha P(z)| \geq \frac{(n+sk)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| + \frac{(n-s)|\alpha| + (n+sk)}{(1+k)k^{n-1}} \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|. \tag{1.10}$$

Remark 1.2. Dividing both sides of (1.10) by $|\alpha|$ and let $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$ and take $s=0$, we get (1.4). For $k=1$ and $s=0$, Theorem 1.2 reduces to a result of Liman, Mohapatra and Shah [8].

Finally, we prove the following refinement of Theorem 1.1.

Theorem 1.3. *If*

$$P(z) = a_n z^n + \sum_{v=\mu}^n a_{n-v} z^{n-v}, \quad 1 \leq \mu \leq n,$$

is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $0 < |z| \leq k, k \leq 1$ and γ is any complex number with $|\gamma| \leq 1$, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |D_\gamma P(z)| \leq \frac{n(A_\mu + |\gamma|)}{1 + A_\mu} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \frac{n(1 - |\gamma|)A_\mu}{(1 + A_\mu)k^n} m, \tag{1.11}$$

where

$$A_\mu = \frac{n(|a_n| - \frac{m}{k^n})k^{2\mu} + \mu|a_{n-\mu}|k^{\mu-1}}{n(|a_n| - \frac{m}{k^n})k^{\mu-1} + \mu|a_{n-\mu}|} \tag{1.12}$$

and $m = \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$.

Remark 1.3. Since by Lemma 2.4, we have $A_\mu \leq k^\mu, 1 \leq \mu \leq n$. Also when $P(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| \leq k, k \leq 1$, it is easy to verify, for example by the derivative test and Lemma 2.5, that for every α with $|\alpha| \leq 1$, the function

$$\frac{n(x + |\alpha|)}{1 + x} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \frac{n(1 - |\alpha|)x}{k^n(1 + x)} m$$

is a non-decreasing in x . Hence Theorem 1.3 is a refinement of Theorem 1.1.

Remark 1.4. If we take $\gamma=0$ in (1.11), we get for $|z|=1$,

$$|nP(z) - zP'(z)| \leq \frac{nA_\mu}{1 + A_\mu} \left\{ \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \frac{m}{k^n} \right\}. \tag{1.13}$$

If $\max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| = |P(e^{i\phi})|, 0 \leq \phi < 2\pi$, we get (1.13), that

$$|P'(e^{i\phi})| \geq \left(\frac{n}{1 + A_\mu} \right) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| + \frac{nA_\mu}{k^n(1 + A_\mu)} m. \tag{1.14}$$

Since $\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \geq |P'(e^{i\phi})|, 0 \leq \phi < 2\pi$, then from (1.14), we immediately get a result of Mir, Dar and Dawood [10].

2 Lemmas

We need the following lemmas to prove our theorems.

Lemma 2.1. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k, k \leq 1$, with s -fold zeros at the origin, then for every complex α with $|\alpha| \geq k$, we have for $|z| = 1$,*

$$|D_\alpha P(z)| \geq \frac{(|\alpha| - k)(n + ks)}{1 + k} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \tag{2.1}$$

where $0 \leq s \leq n$.

The above lemma is due to Dewan and Mir [6].

Lemma 2.2. *If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n and α is any non-zero complex number and $Q(z) = z^n \overline{P(1/\bar{z})}$, then*

$$|D_\alpha Q(z)| = |n\bar{\alpha}P(z) + (1 - \bar{\alpha}z)P'(z)| = |\alpha| |D_{\frac{1}{\bar{\alpha}}} P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| = 1. \tag{2.2}$$

The above lemma is an implicit in Aziz [1]. The following three lemmas are due to Dewan, Singh and Mir [7].

Lemma 2.3. *If*

$$P(z) = a_0 + \sum_{v=1}^n a_v z^v, \quad 1 \leq t \leq n,$$

is a polynomial of degree n having no zeros in $|z| < k, k \geq 1$, then for every complex α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,

$$\max_{|z|=1} |D_\alpha P(z)| \leq \frac{n}{1 + s_0} \left\{ (|\alpha| + s_0) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - (|\alpha| - 1)m \right\}, \tag{2.3}$$

where

$$s_0 = k^{t+1} \left(\frac{\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) \frac{|a_t|}{|a_0| - m} k^{t-1} + 1}{\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) \frac{|a_t|}{|a_0| - m} k^{t+1} + 1} \right)$$

and $m = \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$.

Lemma 2.4. *If*

$$P(z) = a_n z^n + \sum_{v=\mu}^n a_{n-v} z^{n-v}, \quad 1 \leq \mu \leq n,$$

is a polynomial of degree n having all zeros in $|z| \leq k, k \leq 1$, then

$$A_\mu = \frac{n(|a_n| - \frac{m}{k^n})k^{2\mu} + \mu|a_{n-\mu}|k^{\mu-1}}{n(|a_n| - \frac{m}{k^n})k^{\mu-1} + \mu|a_{n-\mu}|} \leq k^\mu, \tag{2.4}$$

where $m = \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$.

Lemma 2.5. *If*

$$P(z) = \sum_{v=0}^n a_v z^v$$

is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k, k > 0$, then $|Q(z)| \geq m/k^n$ for $|z| \leq 1/k$, and in particular

$$|a_n| > \frac{m}{k^n},$$

where $m = \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$ and $Q(z) = z^n \overline{P(1/\bar{z})}$.

3 Proof of theorems

Proof of Theorem 1.2. If $P(z)$ has a zero on $|z| = k$, then the theorem is trivial. Therefore, assume that $P(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| < k, k \leq 1$. Let $m = \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$, then $m > 0$ and hence for every complex number γ with $|\gamma| < 1$, we have

$$\left| \frac{\gamma m z^n}{k^n} \right| < |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| = k.$$

It follows by Rouché's theorem, that the polynomial

$$G(z) = P(z) - \frac{\gamma m z^n}{k^n}$$

of degree n has all its zeros in $|z| < k, k \leq 1$. On applying Lemma 2.1 to $G(z)$, we have for every complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq k$ and $|z| = 1$,

$$|z D_\alpha G(z)| \geq \frac{(n+ks)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} |G(z)|.$$

Equivalently

$$\left| z D_\alpha P(z) - \frac{\alpha \gamma m z^n}{k^n} \right| \geq \frac{(n+ks)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} \left| P(z) - \frac{\gamma m z^n}{k^n} \right| \quad \text{for } |z| = 1. \tag{3.1}$$

Since by Laguerre's theorem (see [9, pp. 52]), the polynomial

$$D_\alpha G(z) = D_\alpha P(z) - \frac{\alpha \gamma m n z^{n-1}}{k^n},$$

has all zeros in $|z| < k, k \leq 1$, for every complex α with $|\alpha| \geq k$, therefore for every complex β with $|\beta| < 1$, the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} T(z) = & \left\{ z D_\alpha P(z) - \frac{\alpha \gamma m n z^{n-1}}{k^n} \right\} + \frac{\beta(n+ks)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} \left\{ P(z) - \frac{\gamma m z^n}{k^n} \right\} \\ & \left\{ z D_\alpha P(z) + \frac{\beta(n+ks)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} P(z) \right\} - \frac{\gamma m z^n}{k^n} \left\{ n\alpha + \frac{\beta(n+ks)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} \right\} \\ & \neq 0 \quad \text{for } |z| \geq k. \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

Since $k \leq 1$, we have $T(z) \neq 0$ for $|z| \geq 1$ as well.

Now choosing the argument of γ in (3.2) suitably and letting $|\gamma| \rightarrow 1$, we get for $|z| \geq 1$ and $|\beta| < 1$,

$$\left| zD_\alpha P(z) + \frac{\beta(n+ks)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} P(z) \right| \geq \left| \frac{mz^n}{k^n} \left\{ n\alpha + \frac{\beta(n+ks)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} \right\} \right|,$$

or

$$\left| zD_\alpha P(z) + \frac{\beta(n+ks)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} P(z) \right| \geq \frac{|z|^n}{k^n} \left| n\alpha + \frac{\beta(n+ks)(|\alpha|-k)}{1+k} \right| \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|.$$

For β with $|\beta| = 1$, the above inequality holds by continuity. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.2. □

Proof of Theorem 1.3. Since

$$P(z) = a_n z^n + \sum_{v=\mu}^n a_{n-v} z^{n-v}, \quad 1 \leq \mu \leq n,$$

has all its zeros in $0 < |z| \leq k, k \leq 1$, therefore the polynomial $Q(z) = z^n \overline{P(1/\bar{z})}$ has no zeros in $|z| < 1/k, 1/k \geq 1$. On applying Lemma 2.3 to $Q(z)$, we get for every complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$ and $|z| = 1$,

$$|D_\alpha Q(z)| \leq \frac{n}{1+\psi_0} \left\{ (|\alpha| + \psi_0) \max_{|z|=1} |Q(z)| - (|\alpha| - 1)m' \right\}, \tag{3.3}$$

where

$$m' = \min_{|z|=1/k} |Q(z)| = \frac{m}{k^n}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_0 &= \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^{\mu+1} \left\{ \frac{\left(\frac{\mu}{n}\right) \left(\frac{|a_{n-\mu}|}{|a_n| - m'}\right) \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^{\mu-1} + 1}{\left(\frac{\mu}{n}\right) \left(\frac{|a_{n-\mu}|}{|a_n| - m'}\right) \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^{\mu+1} + 1} \right\} \\ &= \frac{\mu|a_{n-\mu}| + n\left(|a_n| - \frac{m}{k^n}\right)k^{\mu-1}}{n\left(|a_n| - \frac{m}{k^n}\right)k^{2\mu} + \mu|a_{n-\mu}|k^{\mu-1}} \\ &= \frac{1}{A_\mu}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence from (3.3) it follows that for every α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$ and $|z| = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} |D_\alpha Q(z)| &\leq \frac{n}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{A_\mu}\right)} \left\{ \left(|\alpha| + \frac{1}{A_\mu} \right) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - (|\alpha| - 1) \frac{m}{k^n} \right\} \\ &= \left(\frac{nA_\mu}{1 + A_\mu} \right) \left\{ \frac{(|\alpha|A_\mu + 1)}{A_\mu} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - (|\alpha| - 1) \frac{m}{k^n} \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

Using (2.2) of Lemma 2.2 in (3.4), we get for $|\alpha| \geq 1$ and $|z| = 1$,

$$|\alpha| |D_{\frac{1}{\alpha}} P(z)| \leq \frac{n(|\alpha|A_\mu + 1)}{1 + A_\mu} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \frac{nA_\mu(|\alpha| - 1)m}{k^n(1 + A_\mu)}. \quad (3.5)$$

Replacing $1/\bar{\alpha}$ by γ , we obtain for $|\gamma| \leq 1$ and $|z| = 1$,

$$|D_\gamma P(z)| \leq \frac{n(A_\mu + |\gamma|)}{1 + A_\mu} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \frac{nA_\mu(1 - |\gamma|)m}{k^n(1 + A_\mu)},$$

which is (1.11) and this completes the proof of Theorem 1.3. \square

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