



EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BERNSTEIN-TYPE INEQUALITIES TO RATIONAL FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we shall use a parameter β and obtain Bernstein-type inequality for rational functions with prescribed poles. The result shall generalize as well as refine some already proved results in this direction.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Let P_n denote the class of all complex polynomials of degree at most n . If $P \in P_n$ then concerning the estimate of $|P'(z)|$ on $|z|=1$, we have

$$|P'(z)| \leq \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Inequality (1) is a famous result due to Bernstein [2], who proved it in 1912.

It is worth to mention that equality holds in (1) if and only if $|P(z)|$ has all its zeros at the origin, so it is natural to seek improvements under appropriate assumption on the zeros of $|P(z)|$. If we restrict ourselves to the class of polynomials $|P(z)|$ having no zeros in $|z| < 1$, then (1) can be replaced by

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

Where as if $|P(z)|$ has no zeros in $|z| > 1$, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \geq \frac{n}{2} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Inequality (2) was conjectured by Erdős and later verified by Lax [3], whereas inequality (3) is due to Tura'n [4].

Li, Mohapatra and Rodriguez [5] gave a new perspective to the above inequalities (1), (2), (3) and extended them to rational functions with prescribed poles. Essentially, in the inequalities referred to, they replaced the polynomial $P(z)$ by a rational function $r(z)$ with prescribed poles a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n and z^n by a Blashke product $B(z)$. Before proceeding towards their results, let us introduce the set of rational functions involved.

For $a_j \in C$ with $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, let



$$W(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n (z - a_j)$$

And let

$$B(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{(1 - \bar{a}_j z)}{(z - a_j)}, \quad R_n = R_n(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = \left\{ \frac{P(z)}{W(z)}, P \in P_n \right\}.$$

Then R_n is the set of rational functions with poles a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n at most n and with finite limit at ∞ . We shall always assume that these poles lie in $|z| > 1$.

Note that $B(z) \in R_n$ and $B(z) = 1$ for $|z| = 1$. For $r(z) = \frac{P(z)}{W(z)} \in R_n$, the conjugate transpose $r^*(z)$

of r is defined by $r^*(z) = \overline{B(z)r\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}\right)}$.

As an extension of (2) to rational functions, Li, Mohapatra and Rodriguez [5] showed that if $r \in R_n$, and $r(z) \neq 0$ in $|z| < 1$, then

$$|r'(z)| \leq \frac{|B'(z)|}{2} \sup_{|z|=1} |r(z)|. \quad \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

II MAIN RESULTS

In this paper, we establish Bernstein-type inequality for rational functions with prescribed poles which improves the result of Li, Mohapatra and Rodriguez [5]. More precisely, we prove

Theorem 1. Suppose $r \in R_n$ and all the n zeros of r lie in $|z| \geq 1$. If $r(z) = \frac{P(z)}{W(z)}$, where

$$P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j z^j, \text{ then for } |z| = 1,$$

$$|r'(z)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| + \left(\frac{|c_n| - |c_0|}{|c_n| + |c_0|} \right) \left(\frac{|r(z)|^2}{\|r(z)\|^2} \right) \right\} \|r(z)\|, \quad \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

Where $\|r(z)\| = \max_{|z|=1} |r(z)|$.

The result is best possible and equality in (5) holds for $r(z) = B(z) + \lambda, |\lambda| = 1$.

Remark 1. Since all the zeros of $r(z) = \frac{P(z)}{W(z)}$ and hence of $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j z^j$ lie in $|z| \geq 1$, therefore,

$|c_0| \geq |c_n|$, which shows that Theorem 1 is an improvement of (4).



III.LEMMAS

For the proofs of these theorems, we shall make use of the following lemmas.

Lemma 1. If $r \in R_n$ and $r^*(z) = B(z)\overline{r(1/\bar{z})}$, then for $|z|=1$, we have

$$|r'(z)| + |(r^*(z))'| \leq |B'(z)| \max_{|z|=1} |r(z)|.$$

The above lemma is due to Li, Mohapatra and Rodrigues[5].

Lemma 2. Suppose $r \in R_n$ be such that $r(z) = \frac{P(z)}{W(z)}$ where $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j z^j$ and all the zeros

of r lie in $|z| > 1$. Then for $|z|=1$, we have

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2} \{|B'(z)|\}.$$

The above lemma is due to Aziz and Shah [1].

IV PROOF OF THEOREM 1

Since $r(z) = \frac{P(z)}{W(z)}$ where $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j z^j$ and $r(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| \geq 1$. Since

$r^*(z) = B(z)\overline{r(1/\bar{z})}$, we have

$$z(r^*(z))' = zB'(z)\overline{r(1/\bar{z})} - \frac{B(z)}{2}\overline{r'(1/\bar{z})},$$

and therefore for $|z|=1$ (so that $z = \frac{1}{\bar{z}}$), we get

$$\begin{aligned} |(r^*(z))'| &= |zB'(z)\overline{r(z)} - B(z)\overline{zr'(z)}|, \\ &= |B(z)| \left| \frac{zB'(z)}{B(z)}\overline{r(z)} - \overline{zr'(z)} \right|. \end{aligned} \dots\dots\dots (6)$$

Also

$$\frac{zB'(z)}{B(z)} = |B'(z)| > 0$$

we get from (6) for $|z|=1$ with $r(z) \neq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{z(r^*(z))'}{r(z)} \right|^2 &= \left| B'(z) - \frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right|^2 \\ &= |B'(z)|^2 + \left| \frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right|^2 - 2|B'(z)| \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right), \end{aligned}$$

which gives by using Lemma 2 for $|z|=1$ with $r(z) \neq 0$, that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{z(r^*(z))'}{r(z)} \right|^2 &= |B'(z)|^2 + \left| \frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right|^2 - 2|B'(z)| \left\{ |B'(z)| - \frac{|c_0| - |c_n|}{|c_0| + |c_n|} \right\} \\ &= \left| \frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right|^2 + \left(\frac{|c_0| - |c_n|}{|c_0| + |c_n|} \right) |B'(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

Which implies for $|z|=1$, that

$$|r'(z)|^2 + \left(\frac{|c_0| - |c_n|}{|c_0| + |c_n|} \right) |B'(z)| \|r(z)\|^2 \leq (r^*(z))' |^2.$$

Combining this with Lemma 1, we get for $|z|=1$, that

$$\begin{aligned} |r'(z)| + \left\{ |r'(z)|^2 + \left(\frac{|c_0| - |c_n|}{|c_0| + |c_n|} \right) |B'(z)| \|r(z)\|^2 \leq (r^*(z))' |^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \leq |r'(z)| + |(r^*(z))'| \\ \leq |B'(z)| \|r(z)\|, \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently

$$|r'(z)|^2 + \left(\frac{|c_0| - |c_n|}{|c_0| + |c_n|} \right) |B'(z)| \|r(z)\|^2 \leq (r^*(z))' |^2 \leq |B'(z)|^2 \|r(z)\|^2 - 2|B'(z)| |r'(z)| \|r(z)\| + |r'(z)|^2,$$

which on using the fact that $|B'(z)| \neq 0$ and after a simplification gives for $|z|=1$, that

$$|r'(z)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| + \left(\frac{|c_n| - |c_0|}{|c_n| + |c_0|} \right) \left(\frac{|r(z)|^2}{\|r(z)\|^2} \right) \right\} \|r(z)\|,$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

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