

Inequalities Concerning The Maximum Modulus of Polynomials

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Abstract. Let $P(z)$ be a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$, $k \leq 1$, then for every real or complex number β , with $|\beta| \leq 1$ and $R \geq 1$, it was shown by A.Zireh et al. [7] that for $|z| = 1$,

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

In this paper, we shall present a refinement of the above inequality. Besides, we shall also generalize some well-known results.

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1 Introduction and statement of results

If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n then concerning the estimate of $|P(z)|$ on the disk $|z| = R$, $R > 0$, we have the following inequalities

$$\max_{|z|=R} |P(z)| \leq R^n \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \tag{1.1}$$

and

$$\max_{|z|=r < 1} |P(z)| \geq r^n \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \tag{1.2}$$

Inequality (1.1) is a simple consequence of Maximum Modulus Principle [5] where as inequality (1.2) is due to Zarantonillo and Verga [6]. Both the inequalities are sharp and equality holds for $P(z) = \lambda z^n$, $|\lambda| = 1$.

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For polynomials having no zero in $|z| < 1$, an inequality analogous to (1.1) due to Ankeny and Rivlin [1] is the following:

$$\max_{|z|=R} |P(z)| \leq \frac{R^n + 1}{2} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \quad R \geq 1. \quad (1.3)$$

The inequality is sharp and equality holds for the polynomial $P(z) = \alpha z^n + \beta$, where $|\alpha| = |\beta|$.

As a refinement of inequality (1.3) Aziz and Dawood [3] have found that

If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n which does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for $R \geq 1$,

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

The result is sharp and equality holds for the polynomial $P(z) = \alpha z^n + \beta$ with $|\alpha| = |\beta|$.

Recently, A. Zireh et al. [7] have generalised inequality (1.4) and some results due to Dewan and Hans [4]. In fact they have considered the zeros of largest moduli and proved the following results.

Theorem 1.1. Let $P(z)$ be a polynomial of degree n , having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$, $k \leq 1$, then for every real or complex number β with $|\beta| \leq 1$, $R \geq 1$ and $|z| = 1$.

$$\min_{|z|=1} \left| P(Rz) + \beta \left(\frac{R+k}{1+k} \right)^n P(z) \right| \geq k^{-n} \left| R^{-n} + \beta \left(\frac{R+k}{1+k} \right)^n \right| \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|. \quad (1.5)$$

The result is best possible and equality holds for the polynomial $P(z) = \alpha \left(\frac{z}{k} \right)^n$.

Theorem 1.2. If $P(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n having no zeros in $|z| < k$, $k \leq 1$, then for every real or complex number β with $|\beta| \leq 1$, $R \geq 1$ and $|z| = 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| P(Rz) + \beta \left(\frac{R+k}{1+k} \right)^n P(z) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left(k^{-n} |R^n + \beta \left(\frac{R+k}{1+k} \right)^n| + \left| 1 + \beta \left(\frac{R+k}{1+k} \right)^n \right| \right) \max_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left(k^{-n} |R^n + \beta \left(\frac{R+k}{1+k} \right)^n| - \left| 1 + \beta \left(\frac{R+k}{1+k} \right)^n \right| \right) \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right\}. \quad (1.6) \end{aligned}$$

The inequality (1.6) is sharp and equality holds for the polynomial $P(z) = \alpha z^n + \beta k^n$, with $|\alpha| = |\beta|$.

In this paper, we consider the moduli of all the zeros of a polynomial and present some interesting results which provide refinements of Theorems A and B. we shall also generalize some well known results.

First, we shall prove the following refinement of Theorem 1.1.