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Generalization of certain well-known inequalities for rational functions

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Abstract. Let P_m be a class of all polynomials of degree at most m and let $R_{m,n} = R_{m,n}(d_1, \dots, d_n) = \{p(z)/w(z); p \in P_m, w(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n (z - d_j) \text{ where } |d_j| > 1, j = 1, \dots, n \text{ and } m \leq n\}$ denote the class of rational functions. It is proved that if the rational function $r(z)$ having all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, then for $|z| = 1$

$$|r'(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \{|B'(z)| - (n - m)\} |r(z)|.$$

The main purpose of this paper is to improve the above inequality for rational functions $r(z)$ having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k \leq 1$ with t -fold zeros at the origin and some other related inequalities. The obtained results sharpen some well-known estimates for the derivative and polar derivative of polynomials.

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1 Introduction and statement of results

Let $p(z)$ be a polynomial of degree at most n . We denote by U_- and U_+ the regions inside and out side the set $U := \{z : |z| = 1\}$, respectively.

In 1930, Bernstein [2] revisited his inequality and established the following comparative result by assuming that $p(z)$ and $q(z)$ are polynomials such as $p(z)$ has at most of degree n and $q(z)$ has exactly n zeros in $U \cup U_-$ and for $z \in U$

$$|p(z)| \leq |q(z)|,$$

then for $z \in U$

$$|p'(z)| \leq |q'(z)|. \tag{1.1}$$

Let $D_\alpha p(z)$ denote the polar derivative of the polynomial $p(z)$ of degree n with respect to the point α ; $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$, then

$$D_\alpha p(z) = np(z) + (\alpha - z)p'(z).$$

The polynomial $D_\alpha p(z)$ is of degree at most $n - 1$ and it generalizes the ordinary derivative in the sense that

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{D_\alpha p(z)}{\alpha} \right] = p'(z). \quad (1.2)$$

In the past few years many papers were published concerning the polar derivative of polynomials (for example see ([3], [8])). Aziz and Rather[1] proved that if all zeros of $p(z)$ lie in $|z| \leq k \leq 1$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq k$, we get

$$\max_{z \in U} |D_\alpha p(z)| \geq \frac{n}{1+k} (|\alpha| - k) \max_{z \in U} |p(z)|. \quad (1.3)$$

Let P_m be a class of all polynomials of degree at most m and d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n be n given points in U_+ . Consider the following space of rational functions with prescribed poles and with a finite limit at infinity:

$$R_{m,n} = R_{m,n}(d_1, \dots, d_n) = \left\{ \frac{p(z)}{w(z)} : p \in P_m \right\},$$

where

$$w(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n (z - d_j).$$

The inequalities of Bernstein and Erdős-Lax have been extended to the rational functions ([4], [7]) by replacing the polynomial $p(z)$ with a rational functions $r(z)$ and z^n with Blaschke product $B(z)$ defined by

$$B(z) = \frac{w^*(z)}{w(z)} = \frac{z^n \overline{w\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)}}{w(z)} = \prod_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{1 - \bar{d}_j z}{z - d_j} \right).$$

Li et al.([6], [7]) obtained Bernstein-type inequalities for rational function $r(z)$. They proved that if $r(z) \in R_{m,n}$ and all the zeros of $r(z)$ in $U \cup U_-$, then for $z \in U$

$$|r'(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \{ |B'(z)| - (n - m) \} |r(z)|. \quad (1.4)$$

Xin Li [6] extended the inequality (1.1) for rational functions by showing that, if $r(z), s(z) \in R_{n,n}$ such that $s(z)$ has all its n zeros in $U \cup U_-$ and for $z \in U$

$$|r(z)| \leq |s(z)|,$$

then for $z \in U$

$$|r'(z)| \leq |s'(z)|. \quad (1.5)$$

Recently, Hans and Tripathi [5] proved that, if $r(z), s(z) \in R_{n,n}$ such that $s(z)$ has all its n zeros in $U \cup U_-$ and $|r(z)| \leq |s(z)|$ for $z \in U$, then for every real or complex number β with $|\beta| \leq 1$ and $z \in U$

$$|zr'(z) + \frac{\beta}{2}|B'(z)|r(z)| \leq |zs'(z) + \frac{\beta}{2}|B'(z)|s(z)|. \quad (1.6)$$

Also, they obtained that if $r(z) \in R_{n,n}$, then for every real or complex number β with $|\beta| \leq 1$ and $z \in U$

$$|zr'(z) + \frac{\beta}{2}|B'(z)|r(z)| \leq |1 + \frac{\beta}{2}||B'(z)| \max_{z \in U} |r(z)|. \quad (1.7)$$

In this paper, we first prove the following theorem which not only leads to several conclusions about inequality for rational function, but also generalize inequality (1.4).

Theorem 1.1. If $r(z) \in R_{m,n}$ has a zero of order μ at z_0 with $|z_0| > k, k \leq 1$, and the remaining $m - \mu$ zeros are in $|z| \leq k$, then for $z \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{z \in U} |r'(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{1 - |z_0|}{1 + |z_0|} \right)^\mu \left(|B'(z)| + \frac{2(m - \mu)}{1 + k} - n \right) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{2\mu}{1 + |z_0|} \right\} \max_{z \in U} |r(z)|. \end{aligned} \quad (1.8)$$

For $\mu = 0$ in Theorem 1.1, we have the following generalization of the inequality (1.4).

Corollary 1.1. If $r(z) \in R_{m,n}$ has all its zeros in $|z| \leq k \leq 1$, then for $z \in U$

$$\max_{z \in U} |r'(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| + \frac{2m}{1 + k} - n \right\} \max_{z \in U} |r(z)|. \quad (1.9)$$

Furthermore, if we take $k = 1$ and $m = n$ in inequality (1.8), then we have the following result.

Corollary 1.2. If $r(z) \in R_{n,n}$ has a zero of order μ at z_0 with $|z_0| > 1$, and the remaining $n - \mu$ zeros are in $U \cup U_-$, then for $z \in U$

$$\max_{z \in U} |r'(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{1 - |z_0|}{1 + |z_0|} \right)^\mu (|B'(z)| - \mu) - \frac{2\mu}{1 + |z_0|} \right\} \max_{z \in U} |r(z)|.$$

Remark 1.1. If we consider $p(z)$ as a polynomial of degree m , then for rational function $r(z) = \frac{p(z)}{(z - \alpha)^n}$, we have

$$r'(z) = \left(\frac{p(z)}{(z - \alpha)^n} \right)' = - \left[\frac{(n - m)p(z) + D_\alpha p(z)}{(z - \alpha)^{n+1}} \right].$$

Also for $B(z) = \frac{w^*(z)}{w(z)}$, we have $B'(z) = \frac{n(|\alpha|^2 - 1)}{(z - \alpha)^2} \left(\frac{1 - \bar{\alpha}z}{z - \alpha} \right)^{n-1}$, hence for $z \in U$, $|B'(z)| = \frac{n(|\alpha|^2 - 1)}{|z - \alpha|^2}$. Now by taking $m = n$ and $d_j = \alpha$; $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ in Theorem 1.1 for $z \in U$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{z \in U} \frac{|D_\alpha p(z)|}{|z - \alpha|^{n+1}} &\geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{1 - |z_0|}{1 + |z_0|} \right)^\mu \left(\frac{n(|\alpha|^2 - 1)}{|z - \alpha|^2} - \mu \right) \right. \\ &\left. - \frac{2\mu}{1 + |z_0|} \right\} \max_{z \in U} \frac{|p(z)|}{|z - \alpha|^n}, \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{z \in U} |D_\alpha p(z)| &\geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{1 - |z_0|}{1 + |z_0|} \right)^\mu \left(\frac{n(|\alpha|^2 - 1)}{|z - \alpha|} - \mu|z - \alpha| \right) \right. \\ &\left. - \frac{2\mu|z - \alpha|}{1 + |z_0|} \right\} \max_{z \in U} |p(z)|, \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{z \in U} |D_\alpha p(z)| &\geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{1 - |z_0|}{1 + |z_0|} \right)^\mu \left(\frac{n(|\alpha|^2 - 1)}{1 + |\alpha|} - \mu(1 + |\alpha|) \right) \right. \\ &\left. - \frac{2\mu}{1 + |z_0|} (1 + |\alpha|) \right\} \max_{z \in U} |p(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we obtain the following result on the polar derivatives of a polynomial which is an improvement and generalization of the inequality (1.3).

Corollary 1.3. If $p(z) \in P_n$ has a zero of order μ at z_0 with $|z_0| > 1$, and the remaining $n - \mu$ zeros are in $U \cup U_-$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$ and $z \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{z \in U} |D_\alpha p(z)| &\geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ n \left(\frac{1 - |z_0|}{1 + |z_0|} \right)^\mu (|\alpha| - 1) \right. \\ &\left. - \left[\mu \left(\frac{1 - |z_0|}{1 + |z_0|} \right)^\mu + \frac{2\mu}{1 + |z_0|} \right] (|\alpha| + 1) \right\} \max_{z \in U} |p(z)|. \end{aligned} \tag{1.10}$$

Dividing two sides of inequality (1.10) by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, we have the following extension of a result which is proved by Turán[10].

Corollary 1.4. If $p(z) \in P_n$ has a zero of order μ at z_0 with $|z_0| > 1$, and the remaining $n - \mu$ zeros are in $U \cup U_-$, then for $z \in U$

$$\max_{z \in U} |p'(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ (n - \mu) \left(\frac{1 - |z_0|}{1 + |z_0|} \right)^\mu - \frac{2\mu}{1 + |z_0|} \right\} \max_{z \in U} |p(z)|.$$

Next, we obtain the following generalization of inequality (1.6) as follows:

Theorem 1.2. Let $r(z), s(z) \in R_{m,n}$ and assume $s(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| \leq k \leq 1$. If $r(z)$ and $s(z)$ have zeros of order t at origin and for $z \in U$

$$|r(z)| \leq |s(z)|,$$

then for every real or complex number ρ with $|\rho| \leq \frac{1}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| zr'(z) + \rho \left(|B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t - n) + (2m - n)}{1 + k} \right) r(z) \right| \\ & \leq \left| zs'(z) + \rho \left(|B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t - n) + (2m - n)}{1 + k} \right) s(z) \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (1.11)$$

If we take $t = 0$, $k = 1$ and $s(z) = B(z) \max_{z \in U} |r(z)|$ in inequality (1.11), then we have the following generalization of inequality (1.7).

Corollary 1.5. If $r(z) \in R_{m,n}$, then for every real or complex ρ with $|\rho| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and for $z \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} & |zr'(z) + \rho \{ |B'(z)| - (n - m)r(z) \}| \leq \\ & \{ |1 + \rho| |B'(z)| + (n - m)|\rho| \} \max_{z \in U} |r(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, by involving the coefficients c_0 and c_{m-t} of $p(z)$, we give a refinement of Corollary 1.1 by proving the following theorem.

Theorem 1.3. If $r(z) \in R_{m,n}$ has all its zeros in $U \cup U_-$ with t -fold zeros at the origin then for $z \in U$

$$Re \left\{ \frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| - (n - m - t) + \frac{|c_{m-t}| - |c_0|}{|c_{m-t}| + |c_0|} \right\}.$$

We can immediately get from Theorem 1.3 the following result.

Corollary 1.6. If $r(z) \in R_{m,n}$ has all its zeros in $U \cup U_-$ with t -fold zeros at the origin, then for $z \in U$

$$|r'(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| - (n - m - t) + \frac{|c_{m-t}| - |c_0|}{|c_{m-t}| + |c_0|} \right\} |r(z)|. \quad (1.12)$$

Since all the zeros of $r(z)$ and therefore the zeros of $p(z) := \sum_{j=0}^{m-t} c_j z^j$ are in $U \cup U_-$, therefore $|c_{m-t}| \geq |c_0|$. Hence inequality (1.12) is an improvement of Corollary 1.1.

If we assume that $r(z)$ has a pole of order n at $z = \alpha$, $|\alpha| \geq 1$, then $r'(z) = -\frac{D_\alpha p(z)}{(z - \alpha)^{n+1}}$, where $D_\alpha p(z)$ is the polar derivative of $p(z)$.

Also for $z \in U$, $|B'(z)| = \frac{n(|\alpha|^2 - 1)}{|z - \alpha|^2}$.

Now by taking $m = n$ and $d_j = \alpha$; $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ in inequality (1.12) for $z \in U$, we get

$$|D_\alpha p(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{n(|\alpha|^2 - 1)}{1 + |\alpha|} + \left(t + \frac{|c_{n-t}| - |c_0|}{|c_{n-t}| + |c_0|} \right) (|\alpha| - 1) \right\} |p(z)|.$$

Therefore, we obtain the following result on $D_\alpha p(z)$, which is an improvement and generalization of the inequality (1.3) in particular case.

Corollary 1.7. If $p(z) \in P_n$ has all its zeros in $U \cup U_-$, with t -fold zeros at the origin, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$ and for $z \in U$

$$|D_\alpha p(z)| \geq \frac{|\alpha| - 1}{2} \left\{ n + t + \frac{|c_{n-t}| - |c_0|}{|c_{n-t}| + |c_0|} \right\} |p(z)|. \quad (1.13)$$

Dividing two sides of inequality (1.13) by $|\alpha|$ and letting $|\alpha| \rightarrow \infty$, we get the following generalization of the result due to Turán [10].

Corollary 1.8. If $p(z) \in P_n$ has all its zeros in $U \cup U_-$, with t -fold zeros at the origin, then for $z \in U$

$$|p'(z)| \geq \left\{ \frac{n+t}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{|c_{n-t}| - |c_0|}{|c_{n-t}| + |c_0|} \right\} |p(z)|.$$

2 Lemmas

For the proofs of these theorems, we need the following lemmas.

Lemma 2.1. If $z \in U$, then

$$(i) \frac{zB'(z)}{B(z)} = |B'(z)|.$$

$$(ii) \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)} \right\} = \frac{n - |B'(z)|}{2}.$$

Proof.

(i). It is proved by Li [7].

(ii). Since $B(z) = \frac{w^*(z)}{w(z)}$, then $\frac{zB'(z)}{B(z)} = \frac{z(w^*(z))'}{w^*(z)} - \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)}$.

Hence by (i) for $z \in U$

$$|B'(z)| = \frac{z(w^*(z))'}{w^*(z)} - \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)}$$

which gives

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z(w^*(z))'}{w^*(z)} \right\} - \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)} \right\} = |B'(z)|. \quad (2.1)$$

For $w^*(z) = z^n \overline{w\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}\right)}$, we have

$$z(w^*(z))' = nz^n \overline{w\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}\right)'} - z^{n-1} \overline{w'\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}\right)},$$

and one can easily verify that for $z \in U$

$$\frac{z(w^*(z))'}{w^*(z)} = n - \overline{\left(\frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)}\right)},$$

therefore

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z(w^*(z))'}{w^*(z)} \right\} + \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)} \right\} = n. \quad (2.2)$$

Using (2.1) in (2.2), we get for $z \in U$

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)} \right\} = \frac{n - |B'(z)|}{2},$$

which is the required result.

Lemma 2.2. Let $r(z) \in R_{m,n}$ has all its zeros in $|z| \leq k \leq 1$, with t -fold zeros at the origin and $m \leq n$, then for $z \in U$

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t - n) + (2m - n)}{1 + k} \right\}.$$

Proof. By the hypothesis of Lemma 2.2

$$r(z) = \frac{z^t p(z)}{w(z)} = \frac{z^t \prod_{i=1}^{m-t} (z - b_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (z - d_j)},$$

where $b_i, |b_i| \leq k \leq 1, i = 1, \dots, m-t$, are the zeros of $r(z)$. Hence

$$\frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} = t + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} - \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)} = t + \left(\sum_{i=1}^{m-t} \frac{z}{z - b_i} \right) - \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)}.$$

Now by (ii) of Lemma 2.1, for $z \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right\} &= t + \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{m-t} \frac{z}{z - b_i} \right) - \frac{n - |B'(z)|}{2} \geq \\ t + \frac{m-t}{1+k} - \frac{n - |B'(z)|}{2} &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t-n) + (2m-n)}{1+k} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

which proves lemma 2.2 completely.

We need the following lemmas due to Li [6] and Osserman [9] respectively.

Lemma 2.3. Let A and B be any two complex numbers. Then

(i) If $|A| \geq |B|$ and $B \neq 0$, then $A \neq \delta B$ for all complex numbers δ satisfying $|\delta| < 1$.

(ii) Conversely, if $A \neq \delta B$ for all complex numbers δ satisfying $|\delta| < 1$, then $|A| \geq |B|$.

Lemma 2.4. Let $f : D \rightarrow D$ be holomorphic. Assume that $f(0) = 0$. Further assume that there is $b \in \partial D$, so that f extends continuously to b , $|f(b)| = 1$ and $f'(b)$ exists, then

$$|f'(b)| \geq \frac{2}{1 + |f'(0)|}.$$

3 Proof of theorems

Proof of Theorem 1.1. Let $r(z) = (z - z_0)^\mu s(z) \in R_{m,n}$, where $s(z) \in R_{m-\mu,n}$ having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k \leq 1$. Then

$$r'(z) = (z - z_0)^\mu s'(z) + \mu(z - z_0)^{\mu-1} s(z)$$

or

$$|r'(z)| = |(z - z_0)^\mu s'(z) + \mu(z - z_0)^{\mu-1} s(z)|$$

$$\geq |(z - z_0)^\mu s'(z)| - \mu |(z - z_0)^{\mu-1} s(z)|,$$

which implies

$$\max_{z \in U} |r'(z)| \geq \max_{z \in U} |(z - z_0)^\mu s'(z)| - \mu \max_{z \in U} |(z - z_0)^{\mu-1} s(z)|.$$

or

$$\max_{z \in U} |r'(z)| \geq |1 - |z_0||^\mu \max_{z \in U} |s'(z)| - \mu(1 + |z_0|)^{\mu-1} \max_{z \in U} |s(z)|. \quad (3.1)$$

By lemma 2.2, for $z \in U$

$$\max_{z \in U} |s'(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| + \frac{2(m - \mu)}{1 + k} - n \right\} \max_{z \in U} |s(z)|.$$

By applying this inequality in (3.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{z \in U} |r'(z)| &\geq \frac{1}{2} \{ |1 - |z_0||^\mu \left(|B'(z)| + \frac{2(m - \mu)}{1 + k} - n \right) \\ &\quad - 2\mu(1 + |z_0|)^{\mu-1} \} \max_{z \in U} |s(z)|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

For $z \in U$, we obtain

$$|s(z)| = \frac{1}{|z - z_0|^\mu} |r(z)| \geq \frac{1}{(|1 + |z_0||)^\mu} |r(z)|$$

or

$$\max_{z \in U} |s(z)| \geq \frac{1}{(|1 + |z_0||)^\mu} \max_{z \in U} |r(z)|. \quad (3.3)$$

Using (3.3) in (3.2), we get (1.8). This completes the proof of Theorem 1.1.

Proof of Theorem 1.2. First supposing that $s(z) \neq 0$ for $z \in U$, then for every complex number α with $|\alpha| < 1$, it follows by Rouché's Theorem that $\alpha r(z) + s(z)$ has all zeros in $|z| \leq k < 1$ with t -fold zeros in origin. Now $\alpha r(z) + s(z) \neq 0$ in $U \cup U_+$, hence by Lemma 2.2 for $z \in U$, we get

$$\left| \frac{z[\alpha r(z) + s(z)]'}{\alpha r(z) + s(z)} \right| \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t - n) + (2m - n)}{1 + k} \right\},$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} &|z(\alpha r'(z) + s'(z))| \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t - n) + (2m - n)}{1 + k} \right\} |\alpha r(z) + s(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

Since $|B'(z)| \neq 0$ (see formula 14 in [7]), it follows by using (i) of Lemma 2.3 for every real or complex β with $|\beta| < 1$,

$$z\{\alpha r'(z) + s'(z)\} + \frac{\beta}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t-n) + (2m-n)}{1+k} \right\} \{\alpha r(z) + s(z)\} \neq 0$$

in $U \cup U_+$. This implies that

$$\alpha \left\{ zr'(z) + \frac{\beta}{2} \left(|B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t-n) + (2m-n)}{1+k} \right) r(z) \right\} \neq - \left\{ zs'(z) + \frac{\beta}{2} \left(|B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t-n) + (2m-n)}{1+k} \right) s(z) \right\}.$$

Now using (ii) of Lemma 2.3, we get for α with $|\alpha| < 1$ and $z \in U$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| zs'(z) + \frac{\beta}{2} \left(|B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t-n) + (2m-n)}{1+k} \right) s(z) \right| \\ & \geq \left| zr'(z) + \frac{\beta}{2} \left(|B'(z)| + \frac{k(2t-n) + (2m-n)}{1+k} \right) r(z) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Taking $\rho := \frac{\beta}{2}$ gives us the desired inequality when $|\rho| < \frac{1}{2}$.

Finally, by continuity, the same must hold for those zeros of $s(z)$ lie on U and for $|\rho| \leq \frac{1}{2}$. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.2.

Proof of Theorem 1.3. Let

$$r(z) = \frac{z^t p(z)}{w(z)},$$

where $p(z) = c_{m-t} \prod_{i=1}^{m-t} (z - b_i)$, $b_i \in U_-$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, m-t$.

Therefore, we have

$$Re \left\{ \frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right\} = t + Re \left\{ \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right\} - Re \left\{ \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)} \right\},$$

hence by (ii) of Lemma 2.1

$$Re \left\{ \frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right\} = t + Re \left\{ \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right\} - \frac{n - |B'(z)|}{2}. \quad (3.4)$$

Now we calculate $Re \left\{ \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right\}$.

Since $p(z)$ is a polynomial of degree $m-t$, which has all its zeros in U_- , therefore

the polynomial $p^*(z) = z^{m-t} \overline{p\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}\right)} \neq 0$ in U_- .

Hence

$$H(z) = \frac{zp(z)}{p^*(z)} = z \frac{c_{m-t}}{\bar{c}_{m-t}} \prod_{i=1}^{m-t} \left(\frac{z - b_i}{1 - \bar{b}_i z} \right) \quad (3.5)$$

is analytic function in $U \cup U_-$ with $H(0) = 0$ and $|H(z)| = 1$ for $z \in U$. Applying Lemma 2.4 to $H(z)$, we conclude for $z \in U$

$$|H'(z)| \geq \frac{2}{1 + |H'(0)|}. \quad (3.6)$$

Also,

$$z \frac{H'(z)}{H(z)} = 1 + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} - \frac{zp^*(z)}{p^*(z)}, \quad (3.7)$$

and for $z \in U$

$$p^*(z) = (m-t)z^{m-t-1} \overline{p\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}\right)} - z^{m-t-2} \overline{p'\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}\right)}.$$

Therefore for $z \in U$

$$\frac{zp^*(z)}{p^*(z)} = (m-t) - \overline{\left(\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right)}. \quad (3.8)$$

From (3.7) and (3.8), we get for $z \in U$

$$z \frac{H'(z)}{H(z)} = -(m-t-1) + 2\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right\}.$$

Also,

$$z \frac{H'(z)}{H(z)} = \left| z \frac{H'(z)}{H(z)} \right| = |H'(z)|,$$

therefore

$$|H'(z)| = -(m-t-1) + 2\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right\}. \quad (3.9)$$

Using (3.5), we obtain for $z \in U$

$$|H'(0)| = \prod_{i=1}^{m-t} |b_i| = \frac{|c_0|}{|c_{m-t}|}. \quad (3.10)$$

Since $p(z) \neq 0$ for $z \in U$, hence by (3.9), (3.10) and (3.6), we get

$$-(m-t-1) + 2\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{2|c_{m-t}|}{|c_0| + |c_{m-t}|},$$

or

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{m-t-1}{2} + \frac{|c_{m-t}|}{|c_0| + |c_{m-t}|}.$$

Using this inequality and (3.4), we get for $z \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zr'(z)}{r(z)} \right\} &\geq t + \frac{m-t-1}{2} + \frac{|c_{m-t}|}{|c_0| + |c_{m-t}|} - \frac{n - |B'(z)|}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| - (n - m - t) + \frac{|c_{m-t}| - |c_0|}{|c_{m-t}| + |c_0|} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

which is the required result.

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