



Some L^s Inequalities for Polynomials not Vanishing Inside a Circle

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Abstract : In this paper, we establish some L^s -inequalities for polynomials not vanishing inside a circle, from which a variety of interesting results follows as special cases.

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1 Introduction and Statement of Results

Let P_n be the class of all polynomials

$$p(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$$

of degree at most n and $p'(z)$ its derivative. For $p \in P_n$, define

$$\|p(z)\|_s := \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |p(e^{i\theta})|^s \right\}^{\frac{1}{s}}, \quad 1 \leq s < \infty,$$

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$$\|p(z)\|_{\infty} := \max_{|z|=1} |p(z)| \quad \text{and} \quad m = \min_{|z|=1} |p(z)|.$$

According to a famous result known as Bernstein's inequality [1], we have

$$\|p'(z)\|_{\infty} \leq n \|p(z)\|_{\infty}. \quad (1.1)$$

Also concerning the maximum modulus of $p(z)$ on $|z| = R > 1$, we have (for references see [2]),

$$\|p(Rz)\|_{\infty} \leq R^n \|p(z)\|_{\infty}. \quad (1.2)$$

Inequalities (1.1) and (1.2) can be obtained by letting $s \rightarrow \infty$ in the inequalities

$$\|p'(z)\|_s \leq n \|p(z)\|_s, \quad s \geq 1, \quad (1.3)$$

and

$$\|p(Rz)\|_s \leq R^n \|p(z)\|_s, \quad R > 1, \quad s > 0. \quad (1.4)$$

respectively. Inequality (1.3) was found by Zygmund [3] whereas inequality (1.4) is found in [4, Theorem 5.5].

Also, Arestov [5] proved that (1.3) remains true for $0 < s < 1$ as well. If we restrict ourselves to the class of polynomials having no zeros in $|z| < 1$, the inequalities (1.3) and (1.4) can be improved. In fact, it was shown by De-Bruijn [6] for $s \geq 1$ and Rahman and Schemisser [7] extended it for $0 < s < 1$ that if $p(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n having no zeros in $|z| < 1$, the inequality (1.3) can be replaced by

$$\|p'(z)\|_s \leq n \frac{\|p(z)\|_s}{\|1+z\|_s}, \quad s > 0. \quad (1.5)$$

Also Rahman and Schemisser [7] proved for $0 < s < 1$ that if $p(z)$ is a polynomial of degree n having no zeros in $|z| < 1$, then inequality (1.4) can be replaced by

$$\|p(Rz)\|_s \leq \frac{\|R^n z + 1\|_s}{\|1+z\|_s} \|p(z)\|_s, \quad R > 1. \quad (1.6)$$

Aziz and Rather [8] obtained generalizations of inequalities (1.3) and (1.5). In fact, they have shown that if $p \in P_n$, then for every $R > 1$ and $s > 0$,

$$\|p(Rz) - p(z)\|_s \leq (R^n - 1) \|p(z)\|_s, \quad (1.7)$$

whereas if $p(z) \neq 0$ in $|z| < 1$, then

$$\|p(Rz) - p(z)\|_s \leq \frac{(R^n - 1)}{\|1+z\|_s} \|p(z)\|_s. \quad (1.8)$$

Recently Aziz and Rather [9] considered the more general problem of investigating the dependence of

$$\|p(Rz) - \beta p(rz)\|_s \quad \text{on} \quad \|p(z)\|_s$$

for every $\beta \in C$ with $|\beta| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1, s > 0$ and proved the following:

Theorem A. [9] *If $p \in P_n$ and $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every $\beta \in C$ with $|\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > r \geq 1, s > 0$,*

$$\|p(Rz) - \beta p(rz)\|_s \leq \frac{\|(R^n - \beta r^n)z + (1 - \beta)\|_s}{\|1 + z\|_s} \|p(z)\|_s. \quad (1.9)$$

The result is best possible and equality holds in (1.9) for $p(z) = az^n + b$, $|a| = |b| = 1$.

In this paper, we first prove the following more general result which among other things includes Theorem A as a special case.

Theorem 1.1. *If $p \in P_n$ and $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every $\beta, \gamma \in C$ with $|\beta| \leq 1, |\gamma| \leq 1$ and $R > r \geq 1, s > 0$,*

$$\begin{aligned} \|p(Rz) - \beta p(rz) + \gamma \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m\|_s \\ \leq \frac{\|(R^n - \beta r^n)z + (1 - \beta)\|_s}{\|1 + z\|_s} \|p(z)\|_s. \end{aligned} \quad (1.10)$$

The result is best possible and equality in (1.10) holds for $p(z) = z^n + 1$.

Remark 1.2. For $\gamma = 0$, Theorem 1.1 reduces to Theorem A. For $\gamma = 0$ and $r = \beta = 1$, Theorem 1.1 reduces to inequality (1.8). For $\beta = 0$ and $r = 1$, we get a result recently proved by Rather [10, Theorem 1.1].

A variety of interesting results can be easily deduced from Theorem 1.1. Here we mention a few of these. The following corollary immediately follows from Theorem 1.1 by taking $\beta = 1$.

Corollary 1.3. *If $p \in P_n$ and $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every $\gamma \in C$ with $|\gamma| \leq 1$ and $R > r \geq 1, s > 0$,*

$$\|p(Rz) - p(rz) + \frac{\gamma(R^n - r^n)m}{2}\|_s \leq \frac{(R^n - r^n)}{\|1 + z\|_s} \|p(z)\|_s. \quad (1.11)$$

If we divide the two sides of (1.11) by $R - r$ and let $R \rightarrow r$, we get

Corollary 1.4. *If $p \in P_n$ and $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every $\gamma \in C$ with $|\gamma| \leq 1$ and $r \geq 1, s > 0$,*

$$\|zp'(rz) + \frac{\gamma nmr^{n-1}}{2}\|_s \leq \frac{nr^{n-1}}{\|1 + z\|_s} \|p(z)\|_s. \quad (1.12)$$

Remark 1.5. If we let $s \rightarrow \infty$ in (1.12) and choose argument of γ with $|\gamma| = 1$ suitably, we get for $|z| = 1$,

$$|p'(rz)| \leq \frac{nr^{n-1}}{2} \left(\max_{|z|=1} |p(z)| - \min_{|z|=1} |p(z)| \right). \tag{1.13}$$

For $r = 1$, inequality (1.13) reduces to a result of Aziz and Dawood [11].

Next we mention the following compact generalization of a result of Aziz and Dawood [11, Theorem 2] which immediately follows from Theorem 1.1 by letting $s \rightarrow \infty$ and choosing argument of γ with $|\gamma| = 1$ in (1.10).

Corollary 1.6. *If $p \in P_n$ and $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every $\beta \in C$ with $|\beta| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$, and $|z| = 1$,*

$$|p(Rz) - \beta p(rz)| \leq \left\{ \frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| + |1 - \beta|}{2} \right\} \max_{|z|=1} |p(z)| - \left\{ \frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right\} \min_{|z|=1} |p(z)|. \tag{1.14}$$

If we take $\beta = 0$ in (1.14), we immediately get

$$\|p(Rz)\|_\infty \leq \left(\frac{R^n + 1}{2} \right) \max_{|z|=1} |p(z)| - \left(\frac{R^n - 1}{2} \right) \min_{|z|=1} |p(z)|, \quad R > 1.$$

The above inequality is due to Aziz and Dawood [11, Theorem 2].

Finally, as an application of Theorem 1.1, we prove the following generalization and refinement of (1.6) for $s \geq 1$.

Theorem 1.7. *If $p \in P_n$ and $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every $\beta, \gamma \in C$ with $|\beta| \leq 1, |\gamma| \leq 1$ and $R > r \geq 1, s \geq 1$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \|p(Rz) + \gamma \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m\|_s \\ & \leq \left\{ |\beta| r^n + \frac{\| (R^n - \beta r^n)z + (1 - \beta) \|_s}{\|1 + z\|_s} \right\} \|p(z)\|_s. \end{aligned} \tag{1.15}$$

Remark 1.8. For $\beta = \gamma = 0$, Theorem 1.7 reduces to (1.6).

The following corollary which is a compact generalization of a result of Aziz and Dawood [11, Theorem 2] to L^s norm is obtained from Theorem 1.7 by letting $\beta = r = 1$.

Corollary 1.9. *If $p \in P_n$ and $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every $\gamma \in C$ with $|\gamma| \leq 1, R > 1$ and $s \geq 1$,*

$$\|p(Rz) + \gamma \left(\frac{R^n - 1}{2} \right) m\|_s \leq \left\{ 1 + \frac{(R^n - 1)}{\|1 + z\|_s} \right\} \|p(z)\|_s. \tag{1.16}$$

2 Lemmas

Lemma 2.1. [9] *If $p \in P_n$ and $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every complex β with $|\beta| \leq 1$, $R > r \geq 1$ and $|z| = 1$,*

$$|p(Rz) - \beta p(rz)| \leq |q(Rz) - \beta q(rz)| \quad (2.1)$$

where $q(z) = z^n \overline{p(\frac{1}{\bar{z}})}$.

Lemma 2.2. *If $p \in P_n$ and $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, $m = \min_{|z|=1} |p(z)|$, then for every complex β with $|\beta| \leq 1$, $R > r \geq 1$ and $|z| = 1$,*

$$|p(Rz) - \beta p(rz)| \leq |q(Rz) - \beta q(rz)| - \left\{ |R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta| \right\} m, \quad (2.2)$$

where $q(z) = z^n \overline{p(\frac{1}{\bar{z}})}$.

Proof. Since $m \leq |p(z)|$ for $|z| = 1$, it follows by Rouché's theorem that for $m > 0$ and for every complex number α with $|\alpha| < 1$, the polynomial $h(z) = p(z) + \alpha m z^n$ has no zeros in $|z| < 1$.

Applying Lemma 2.1 to the polynomial $h(z)$, we get for every complex number α with $|\alpha| < 1$,

$$|p(Rz) - \beta p(rz) + \alpha m(R^n - \beta r^n)z^n| \leq |q(Rz) - \beta q(rz) + \bar{\alpha} m(1 - \beta)|,$$

for $|z| = 1$ and for every β with $|\beta| \leq 1$ and $R > r \geq 1$.

If we now choose the argument of α in the left hand side of inequality (2.3) such that

$$\begin{aligned} & |p(Rz) - \beta p(rz) + \alpha m(R^n - \beta r^n)z^n| \\ &= |p(Rz) - \beta p(rz)| + m|\alpha| |R^n - \beta r^n| |z|^n, \end{aligned}$$

we get for $|z| = 1$ and $R > r \geq 1$,

$$|p(Rz) - \beta p(rz)| + m|\alpha| |R^n - \beta r^n| \leq |q(Rz) - \beta q(rz)| + m|\alpha| |1 - \beta|.$$

Now, if in (2.4), we make $|\alpha| \rightarrow 1$, we get for $|z| = 1$,

$$|p(Rz) - \beta p(rz)| \leq |q(Rz) - \beta q(rz)| - \left\{ |R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta| \right\} m,$$

with $R > r \geq 1$ and for every β with $|\beta| \leq 1$. \square

Lemma 2.3. [9] *If $p \in P_n$ and $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$, then for every complex β with $|\beta| \leq 1$, $R > r \geq 1$, $s > 0$ and α real,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \left(p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta}) \right) + e^{i\alpha} \left(R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right) \right) \right|^s d\theta \\ & \leq \left| (R^n - \beta r^n) + e^{i\alpha} (1 - \bar{\beta}) \right|^s \int_0^{2\pi} |p(e^{i\theta})|^s d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2.4. [12] *If A, B and C are non-negative real numbers such that $B + C \leq A$, then for every real number α ,*

$$\left| (A - C)e^{i\alpha} + (B + C) \right| \leq \left| Ae^{i\alpha} + B \right|.$$

3 Proof of Theorems

Proof of Theorem 1.1. Since $p(z) \neq 0$ in $|z| < 1$, it follows by Lemma 2.2, for each $\theta, 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi, R > r \geq 1$ and for every complex number β with $|\beta| \leq 1$,

$$\left| p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta}) \right| \leq \left| R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right) \right| - \left\{ |R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta| \right\} m,$$

which implies,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta}) \right| + \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m \\ & \leq \left| R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right) \right| - \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m. \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

Taking $A = \left| R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right) \right|, B = |p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta})|$ and $C = \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m$ in Lemma 2.4, we see with the help of (3.1) that

$$B + C \leq A - C \leq A,$$

we get for every real α ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left\{ \left| R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right) \right| - \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m \right\} e^{i\alpha} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left\{ |p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta})| + \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m \right\} \right| \\ & \leq \left| \left| R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right) \right| e^{i\alpha} + |p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta})| \right|. \end{aligned}$$

This implies for each $s > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{2\pi} \left| F(\theta) + e^{i\alpha} G(\theta) \right|^s d\theta \\ & \leq \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \left| R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right) \right| e^{i\alpha} + |p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta})| \right|^s d\theta, \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

where $F(\theta) = |p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta})| + \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2}\right)m$

and $G(\theta) = \left|R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right)\right| - \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2}\right)m$.

Integrating both sides of (3.2) with respect to α from 0 to 2π , we get with the help of Lemma 2.3, for each $s > 0$, $R > r \geq 1$ and α real,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left|F(\theta) + e^{i\alpha} G(\theta)\right|^s d\theta d\alpha \\
& \leq \int_0^{2\pi} \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} \left| R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right) \right| e^{i\alpha} + \left| p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta}) \right| \right|^s d\alpha \right\} d\theta \\
& = \int_0^{2\pi} \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} \left(R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right) \right) e^{i\alpha} + \left(p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta}) \right) \right|^s d\alpha \right\} d\theta \\
& = \int_0^{2\pi} \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} \left(R^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{R}\right) - \bar{\beta} r^n p\left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right) \right) e^{i\alpha} + \left(p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta}) \right) \right|^s d\theta \right\} d\alpha \\
& \leq \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} \left| (R^n - \beta r^n) + e^{i\alpha} (1 - \bar{\beta}) \right|^s d\alpha \right\} \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} \left| p(e^{i\theta}) \right|^s d\theta \right\}. \tag{3.3}
\end{aligned}$$

Now for every real α , $t \geq 1$ and $s > 0$, we have

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \left| t + e^{i\alpha} \right|^s d\alpha \geq \int_0^{2\pi} \left| 1 + e^{i\alpha} \right|^s d\alpha.$$

If $F(\theta) \neq 0$, we take $t = \left| \frac{G(\theta)}{F(\theta)} \right|$, then by (3.1), $t \geq 1$ and we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^{2\pi} \left| F(\theta) + e^{i\alpha} G(\theta) \right|^s d\alpha = |F(\theta)|^s \int_0^{2\pi} \left| 1 + \frac{G(\theta)}{F(\theta)} e^{i\alpha} \right|^s d\alpha \\
& = |F(\theta)|^s \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \frac{G(\theta)}{F(\theta)} + e^{i\alpha} \right|^s d\alpha = |F(\theta)|^s \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \left| \frac{G(\theta)}{F(\theta)} \right| + e^{i\alpha} \right|^s d\alpha \\
& \geq |F(\theta)|^s \int_0^{2\pi} \left| 1 + e^{i\alpha} \right|^s d\alpha \\
& = \left\{ |p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta})| + \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m \right\}^s \int_0^{2\pi} \left| 1 + e^{i\alpha} \right|^s d\alpha.
\end{aligned}$$

If $F(\theta) = 0$, this inequality is trivially true. Using this in (3.3), we conclude that for every complex β with $|\beta| \leq 1$, $R > r \geq 1$ and α real,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |1 + e^{i\alpha}|^s d\alpha \int_0^{2\pi} \left\{ |p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta})| + \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m \right\}^s d\theta \leq \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} |(R^n - \beta r^n) + e^{i\alpha}(1 - \bar{\beta})|^s d\alpha \right\} \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} |p(e^{i\theta})|^s d\theta \right\}. \tag{3.4}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} |(R^n - \beta r^n) + e^{i\alpha}(1 - \bar{\beta})|^s d\alpha &= \int_0^{2\pi} |R^n - \beta r^n + e^{i\alpha}|1 - \bar{\beta}||^s d\alpha \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} |R^n - \beta r^n + e^{i\alpha}|1 - \beta||^s d\alpha \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} |R^n - \beta r^n|e^{i\alpha} + |1 - \beta||^s d\alpha \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} |(R^n - \beta r^n)e^{i\alpha} + (1 - \beta)|^s d\alpha, \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

and for every complex γ with $|\gamma| \leq 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta}) + \gamma m \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) \right| \\ &\leq |p(Re^{i\theta}) - \beta p(re^{i\theta})| + m \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right), \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

the desired result follows by using (3.5) and (3.6) in (3.4). This completes the proof of Theorem 1.1. \square

Proof of Theorem 1.7. We have by Minkowski’s inequality, for every $s \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} &\| p(Rz) + \gamma \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m \|_s \\ &= \| p(Rz) - \beta p(rz) + \gamma \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m + \beta p(rz) \|_s \\ &\leq \| p(Rz) - \beta p(rz) + \gamma \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m \|_s + \| \beta p(rz) \|_s. \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

Using inequalities (1.4) and (1.10) in (28), we get for every $\beta, \gamma \in C$ with $|\beta| \leq 1$, $|\gamma| \leq 1$ and $R > r \geq 1$, $s \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \| p(Rz) + \gamma \left(\frac{|R^n - \beta r^n| - |1 - \beta|}{2} \right) m \|_s \\ & \leq \frac{\| (R^n - \beta r^n)z + (1 - \beta) \|_s}{\| 1 + z \|_s} \| p(z) \|_s + |\beta| r^n \| p(z) \|_s \\ & = \left\{ |\beta| r^n + \frac{\| (R^n - \beta r^n)z + (1 - \beta) \|_s}{\| 1 + z \|_s} \right\} \| p(z) \|_s, \end{aligned}$$

which is inequality (1.16) and Theorem 1.7 is completely proved. \square

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