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**CERTAIN COMPACT GENERALIZATIONS OF WELL-KNOWN POLYNOMIAL  
INEQUALITIES**

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, certain sharp compact generalizations of well-known Bernstein-type inequalities for polynomials, from which a variety of interesting results follow as special cases, are obtained.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF RESULTS

Let  $\mathcal{P}_n$  denote the space of all complex polynomials  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  of degree  $n$ . A famous result known as Bernstein's inequality (for reference, see [8, p.531], [10, p.508] or [11] states that if  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$ , then

$$(1.1) \quad \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \leq n \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)|,$$

whereas concerning the maximum modulus of  $P(z)$  on the circle  $|z| = R \geq 1$ , we have

$$(1.2) \quad \text{Max}_{|z|=R} |P(z)| \leq R^n \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \quad R \geq 1.$$

(for reference, see [8, p.442] or [9, vol.I, p.137]).

If we restrict ourselves to the class of polynomials  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  having no zero in  $|z| < 1$ , then inequalities (1.1) and (1.2) can be respectively replaced by

$$(1.3) \quad \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \leq \frac{n}{2} \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)|,$$

and

$$(1.4) \quad \text{Max}_{|z|=R} |P(z)| \leq \frac{R^n + 1}{2} \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \quad R \geq 1.$$

Inequality (1.3) was conjectured by Erdős and later verified by Lax [7], whereas inequality (1.4) is due to Ankey and Ravilin [1]. Aziz and Dawood [2] further improved inequalities (1.3) and (1.4) under the same hypothesis and proved that,

$$(1.5) \quad \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \leq \frac{n}{2} \left\{ \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \text{Min}_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right\},$$

$$(1.6) \quad \text{Max}_{|z|=R} |P(z)| \leq \frac{R^n + 1}{2} \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \frac{R^n - 1}{2} \text{Min}_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \quad R \geq 1.$$

Jain [5] generalized both the inequalities (1.3) and (1.4) and proved that if  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z) \neq 0$  in  $|z| < 1$ , then for every real or complex number  $\beta$  with  $|\beta| \leq 1$ ,  $|z| = 1$  and  $R \geq 1$ ,

$$(1.7) \quad \left| zP'(z) + \frac{n\beta}{2} P(z) \right| \leq \frac{n}{2} \left\{ \left| 1 + \frac{\beta}{2} \right| + \left| \frac{\beta}{2} \right| \right\} \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)|,$$

and

$$(1.8) \quad \left| P(Rz) + \beta \left( \frac{R+1}{2} \right)^n P(z) \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left| R^n + \beta \left( \frac{R+1}{2} \right)^n \right| + \left| 1 + \beta \left( \frac{R+1}{2} \right)^n \right| \right] \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)|.$$

Jain [6] obtained a result concerning minimum modulus of polynomials and proved the following result.

**Theorem 1.1.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  has all its zeros in  $|z| \leq 1$ , then for every real of complex  $\beta$  with  $|\beta| \leq 1$ ,*

$$(1.9) \quad \text{Min}_{|z|=1} \left| zP'(z) + \frac{n\beta}{2} P(z) \right| \geq n \left| 1 + \frac{\beta}{2} \right| \text{Min}_{|z|=1} |P(z)|.$$

As a refinement of inequalities (1.7) and (1.8), Jain [6] proved:

**Theorem 1.2.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  does not vanish in  $|z| < 1$ , then for every real of complex  $\beta$  with  $|\beta| \leq 1$  and  $R \geq 1$ ,*

$$(1.10) \quad \left| zP'(z) + \frac{n\beta}{2}P(z) \right| \leq \frac{n}{2} \left[ \left\{ \left| 1 + \frac{\beta}{2} \right| + \left| \frac{\beta}{2} \right| \right\} \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \left\{ \left| 1 + \frac{\beta}{2} \right| - \left| \frac{\beta}{2} \right| \right\} \text{Min}_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right]$$

and

$$(1.11) \quad \begin{aligned} & \text{Max}_{|z|=1} \left| P(Rz) + \beta \left( \frac{R+1}{2} \right)^n P(z) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left\{ \left| R^n + \beta \left( \frac{R+1}{2} \right)^n \right| + \left| 1 + \beta \left( \frac{R+1}{2} \right)^n \right| \right\} \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)| - \left\{ \left| R^n + \beta \left( \frac{R+1}{2} \right)^n \right| - \left| 1 + \beta \left( \frac{R+1}{2} \right)^n \right| \right\} \text{Min}_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Inequalities (1.9) and (1.10) have recently appeared in [4] also.

In this paper, we first present the following interesting result which yields a number of well-known polynomial inequalities as special cases.

**Theorem 1.3.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$ , then for  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1, k \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,*

$$(1.12) \quad \begin{aligned} & k^n \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ & \leq |z|^n \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \text{Max}_{|z|=k} |P(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

*The result is best possible and equality in (1.12) holds for  $P(z) = az^n, a \neq 0$ .*

If we choose  $\alpha = 0$  in Theorem 1.3, we get the following result.

**Corollary 1.4.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$ , then for  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\beta| \leq 1, k \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,*

$$(1.13) \quad k^n \left| P(Rz) + \beta \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n P(rz) \right| \leq |z|^n \left| R^n + \beta r^n \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n \right| \text{Max}_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$$

*Equality in (1.13) holds for  $P(z) = az^n, a \neq 0$ .*

Dividing the two sides of (1.12) by  $R - r$  with  $\alpha = 1$  and then letting  $R \rightarrow r$ , we get,

**Corollary 1.5.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$ , then for  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\beta| \leq 1, k \leq 1, R > 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,*

$$(1.14) \quad k^n \left| zP'(rz) + \frac{n\beta}{k+r}P(rz) \right| \leq nr^n |z|^n \left| \frac{1}{r} + \frac{\beta}{k+r} \right| \text{Max}_{|z|=k} |P(z)|.$$

*The result is best possible and equality in (1.14) holds for  $P(z) = az^n, a \neq 0$ .*

The following compact generalization of inequalities (1.1) and (1.2) immediately follows from Theorem 1.3, by taking  $k = 1$  and  $\beta = 0$  in (1.12).

**Corollary 1.6.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$ , then for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,*

$$(1.15) \quad |P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz)| \leq |z|^n |R^n - \alpha r^n| \text{Max}_{|z|=1} |P(z)|.$$

The result is best possible as shown by  $P(z) = az^n, a \neq 0$ .

**Remark 1.1.** For  $\alpha = 0$ , (1.15) reduces to (1.2). For  $\alpha = r = 1$ , if we divide the two sides of (1.15) by  $R - 1$  and make  $R \rightarrow 1$ , we get inequality (1.1).

Next, we present the following result which includes Theorem 1.1 as a special case.

**Theorem 1.7.** If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  has all its zeros in  $|z| \leq k$  where  $k \leq 1$ , then for  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ ,

$$(1.16) \quad \begin{aligned} \min_{|z|=1} \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| k^n \\ \geq \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

The result is best possible as shown by  $P(z) = az^n, a \neq 0$ .

If we divide the two sides of inequality (1.16) by  $R - r$ , with  $\alpha = 1$  and then making  $R \rightarrow r$  we get.

**Corollary 1.8.** If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  has all its zeros in  $|z| \leq k$  where  $k \leq 1$  then for  $|\beta| \leq 1$  and  $r \geq 1$ ,

$$(1.17) \quad \min_{|z|=1} \left| zP'(rz) + \frac{n\beta}{k+r} P(rz) \right| k^n \geq nr^n \left| \frac{1}{r} + \frac{\beta}{k+r} \right| \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$$

The result is sharp.

**Remark 1.2.** For  $k = r = 1$ , inequality (1.16) reduces to Theorem (1.1).

Setting  $\beta = 0$  in Theorem 1.7, we obtain:

**Corollary 1.9.** If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  has all its zeros in  $|z| \leq k$  where  $k \leq 1$ , then for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ ,

$$\min_{|z|=1} |P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz)| k^n \geq |R^n - \alpha r^n| \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|.$$

For polynomials  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  having no zero in  $|z| < k$ , we also establish the following result which leads to a compact generalization of inequalities (1.7) and (1.8).

**Theorem 1.10.** If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  does not vanish in the disk  $|z| < k$  where  $k \leq 1$ , then for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$(1.18) \quad \begin{aligned} \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left| 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right| \right. \\ \left. + \frac{|z|^n}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \right] \max_{|z|=k} |P(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

**Remark 1.3.** If we take  $\alpha = k = r = 1$  in Theorem 1.10 and divide the two sides of inequality (1.18) by  $R - 1$  and then make  $R \rightarrow 1$ , we get inequality (1.7), whereas inequality (1.8) follows from Theorem 1.10 when  $\alpha = 0$  and  $k = 1$ .

For  $k = 1$ , Theorem 1.10 reduces to the result due to Aziz and Rather [3].

As a refinement of Theorem 1.10, we finally prove the following result, which provides a compact generalization of inequalities (1.7), (1.8) and (1.10) as well.

**Theorem 1.11.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  does not vanish in the disk  $|z| < k, k \leq 1$ , then for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Max}_{|z|=1} \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left\{ \frac{1}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. + \left| 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right| \right\} \text{Max}_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \left\{ \frac{1}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. - \left| 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right| \right\} \text{Min}_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{1.19}$$

If we take  $\alpha = 1$  and divide the two sides of inequality (1.19) by  $R - r$  then letting  $R \rightarrow r$ , we get:

**Corollary 1.12.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  does not vanish in  $|z| \leq k$  where  $k \leq 1$ , then for  $|\beta| \leq 1$  and  $r \geq 1$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Max}_{|z|=1} \left| zP'(rz) + \frac{n\beta}{k+r} P(rz) \right| \leq \frac{n}{2} \left[ \left\{ \frac{r^n}{k^n} \left| \frac{1}{r} + \frac{\beta}{k+r} \right| + \left| \frac{\beta}{k+r} \right| \right\} \text{Max}_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \left\{ \frac{r^n}{k^n} \left| \frac{1}{r} + \frac{\beta}{k+r} \right| - \left| \frac{\beta}{k+r} \right| \right\} \text{Min}_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{1.20}$$

**Remark 1.4.** For  $k = r = 1$ , inequality (1.20) reduces to Theorem 1.2.

For  $\alpha = 0$ , Theorem 1.11 reduces following result.

**Corollary 1.13.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  does not vanish in  $|z| < k, k \leq 1$  then for all  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\beta| \leq 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Max}_{|z|=1} \left| P(Rz) + \beta \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n P(rz) \right| \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left\{ \frac{1}{k^n} \left| R^n + \beta r^n \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n \right| + \left| 1 + \beta \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n \right| \right\} \text{Max}_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \left\{ \frac{1}{k^n} \left| R^n + \beta r^n \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n \right| - \left| 1 + \beta \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n \right| \right\} \text{Min}_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{1.21}$$

Corollary 1.13 leads to a refinement of inequality (1.11) for  $k = 1$ . The following result immediately follows from Theorem 1.11 by taking  $\beta = 0$  and  $k = 1$ .

**Corollary 1.14.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  does not vanish in  $|z| < 1$ , then for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ ,*

$$(1.22) \quad \begin{aligned} \max_{|z|=1} |P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz)| &\leq \left( \frac{|R^n - \alpha r^n| + |1 - \alpha|}{2} \right) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \\ &\quad - \left( \frac{|R^n - \alpha r^n| - |1 - \alpha|}{2} \right) \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

*The result is sharp and extremal polynomial is  $P(z) = az^n + b$ ,  $|a| = |b| \neq 0$ .*

**Remark 1.5.** For  $\alpha = 0$ , inequality (1.22) reduces to inequality (1.6). Also if we take  $r = 1$  and divide the two sides of inequality (1.22) by  $R - 1$  with  $\alpha = 1$  and let  $R \rightarrow 1$ , we get inequality (1.5).

## 2. LEMMAS

For the proof of these theorems, we need the following Lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  have all its zeros in  $|z| \leq k$  where  $k \leq 1$ , then for every  $R \geq r \geq 1$  and  $|z| = 1$ ,*

$$|P(Rz)| \geq \left( \frac{R+k}{r+k} \right)^n |P(rz)|.$$

*Proof.* Since all the zeros of  $P(z)$  lie in  $|z| \leq k$ ,  $k \leq 1$  we write

$$P(z) = C \prod_{j=1}^n (z - r_j e^{i\theta_j}),$$

where  $r_j \leq k \leq 1$ . Now for  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ ,  $R > r \geq 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{Re^{i\theta} - r_j e^{i\theta_j}}{re^{i\theta} - r_j e^{i\theta_j}} \right| &= \left\{ \frac{R^2 + r_j^2 - 2Rr_j \cos(\theta - \theta_j)}{r^2 + r_j^2 - 2rr_j \cos(\theta - \theta_j)} \right\}^{1/2}, \\ &\geq \left\{ \frac{R + r_j}{r + r_j} \right\}, \\ &\geq \left\{ \frac{R + k}{r + k} \right\}, \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{P(Re^{i\theta})}{P(re^{i\theta})} \right| &= \prod_{j=1}^n \left| \frac{Re^{i\theta} - r_j e^{i\theta_j}}{re^{i\theta} - r_j e^{i\theta_j}} \right|, \\ &\geq \prod_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{R+k}{r+k} \right), \\ &= \left( \frac{R+k}{r+k} \right)^n, \end{aligned}$$

for  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ . This implies for  $|z| = 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ ,

$$|P(Rz)| \geq \left( \frac{R+k}{r+k} \right)^n |P(rz)|,$$

which completes the proof of Lemma 2.1. ■

**Lemma 2.2.** *If  $F \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $F(z)$  has all its zeros in the disk  $|z| \leq k$  where  $k \leq 1$  and  $P(z)$  is a polynomial of degree at most  $n$  such that*

$$|P(z)| \leq |F(z)| \text{ for } |z| = k,$$

*then for arbitrary real or complex numbers  $\alpha, \beta$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1,$*

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ & \leq \left| F(Rz) - \alpha F(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} F(rz) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Since polynomial  $F(z)$  of degree  $n$  has all its zeros in  $|z| \leq k$  and  $P(z)$  is a polynomial of degree at most  $n$  such that

$$(2.2) \quad |P(z)| \leq |F(z)| \text{ for } |z| = k,$$

therefore, if  $F(z)$  has a zero of multiplicity  $s$  at  $z = ke^{i\theta_0}$ , then  $P(z)$  has a zero of multiplicity at least  $s$  at  $z = ke^{i\theta_0}$ . If  $P(z)/F(z)$  is a constant, then inequality (2.1) is obvious. We now assume that  $P(z)/F(z)$  is not a constant, so that by the maximum modulus principle, it follows that

$$|P(z)| < |F(z)| \text{ for } |z| > k.$$

Suppose  $F(z)$  has  $m$  zeros on  $|z| = k$  where  $0 \leq m < n$ , so that we can write

$$F(z) = F_1(z)F_2(z)$$

where  $F_1(z)$  is a polynomial of degree  $m$  whose all zeros lie on  $|z| = k$  and  $F_2(z)$  is a polynomial of degree exactly  $n - m$  having all its zeros in  $|z| < k$ . This implies with the help of inequality (2.2) that

$$P(z) = P_1(z)F_1(z)$$

where  $P_1(z)$  is a polynomial of degree at most  $n - m$ . Again, from inequality (2.2), we have

$$|P_1(z)| \leq |F_2(z)| \text{ for } |z| = k$$

where  $F_2(z) \neq 0$  for  $|z| = k$ . Therefore for every real or complex number  $\lambda$  with  $|\lambda| > 1$ , a direct application of Rouché's Theorem shows that the zeros of the polynomial  $P_1(z) - \lambda F_2(z)$  of degree  $n - m \geq 1$  lie in  $|z| < k$ . Hence the polynomial

$$G(z) = F_1(z) (P_1(z) - \lambda F_2(z)) = P(z) - \lambda F(z)$$

has all its zeros in  $|z| \leq k$  with at least one zero in  $|z| < k$ , so that we can write

$$f(z) = (z - te^{i\delta})H(z)$$

where  $t < k$  and  $H(z)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n - 1$  having all its zeros in  $|z| \leq k$ . Applying Lemma 2.1 to the polynomial  $H(z)$ , we obtain for every  $R > r \geq 1$  and  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |G(Re^{i\theta})| &= |Re^{i\theta} - te^{i\delta}| |H(Re^{i\theta})| \\ &\geq |Re^{i\theta} - te^{i\delta}| \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^{n-1} |H(re^{i\theta})|, \\ &= \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^{n-1} \frac{|Re^{i\theta} - te^{i\delta}|}{|re^{i\theta} - te^{i\delta}|} |(re^{i\theta} - te^{i\delta})H(re^{i\theta})|, \\ &\geq \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^{n-1} \left( \frac{R+t}{r+t} \right) |G(re^{i\theta})|. \end{aligned}$$

This implies for  $R > r \geq 1$  and  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ ,

$$(2.3) \quad \left(\frac{r+t}{R+t}\right) |G(Re^{i\theta})| \geq \left(\frac{R+k}{k+r}\right)^{n-1} |G(re^{i\theta})|.$$

Since  $R > r \geq 1 > t$  so that  $G(Re^{i\theta}) \neq 0$  for  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$  and  $\frac{r+k}{k+R} > \frac{r+t}{R+t}$ , from inequality (2.3), we obtain

$$(2.4) \quad |G(Re^{i\theta})| > \left(\frac{R+k}{k+r}\right)^n |G(re^{i\theta})|, \quad R > 1 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

Equivalently,

$$|G(Rz)| > \left(\frac{R+k}{k+r}\right)^n |G(rz)|$$

for  $|z| = 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ . Hence for every real or complex number  $\alpha$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ , we have

$$(2.5) \quad |G(Rz) - \alpha G(rz)| \geq |G(Rz)| - |\alpha| |G(rz)| \\ > \left\{ \left(\frac{R+k}{k+r}\right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} |G(rz)|, \quad \text{for } |z| = 1.$$

Also, inequality (2.4) can be written in the form

$$(2.6) \quad |G(re^{i\theta})| < \left(\frac{k+r}{R+k}\right)^n |G(Re^{i\theta})|$$

for every  $R > r \geq 1$  and  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ . Since  $G(Re^{i\theta}) \neq 0$  and  $\left(\frac{k+r}{R+k}\right)^n < 1$ , from inequality (2.6), we obtain for  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ ,

$$|G(re^{i\theta})| < |G(Re^{i\theta})|.$$

That is,

$$|G(rz)| < |G(Rz)| \quad \text{for } |z| = 1.$$

Since all the zeros of  $G(Rz)$  lie in  $|z| \leq (k/R) < 1$ , a direct application of Rouché's Theorem shows that the polynomial  $G(Rz) - \alpha G(rz)$  has all its zeros in  $|z| < 1$  for every real or complex number  $\alpha$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$ . Applying Rouché's Theorem again, it follows from (2.5) that for arbitrary real or complex numbers  $\alpha, \beta$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ , all the zeros of the polynomial

$$T(z) = G(Rz) - \alpha G(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left(\frac{R+k}{k+r}\right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} G(rz) \\ = \left[ P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left(\frac{R+k}{k+r}\right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right] \\ - \lambda \left[ F(Rz) - \alpha F(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left(\frac{R+k}{k+r}\right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} F(rz) \right]$$

lie in  $|z| < 1$ . This implies

$$(2.7) \quad \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left(\frac{R+k}{k+r}\right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ \leq \left| F(Rz) - \alpha F(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left(\frac{R+k}{k+r}\right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} F(rz) \right|$$



for  $|z| \geq 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ . If inequality (2.7) is not true, then there a point  $z = z_0$  with  $|z_0| \geq 1$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| P(Rz_0) - \alpha P(rz_0) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz_0) \right| \\ & > \left| F(Rz_0) - \alpha F(rz_0) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} F(rz_0) \right| \end{aligned}$$

But all the zeros of  $F(Rz)$  lie in  $|z| < (k/R) < 1$ , therefore, it follows (as in case of  $G(z)$ ) that all the zeros of  $F(Rz) - \alpha F(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} F(rz)$  lie in  $|z| < 1$ . Hence

$$F(Rz_0) - \alpha F(rz_0) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} F(rz_0) \neq 0$$

with  $|z_0| \geq 1$ . We take

$$\lambda = \frac{P(Rz_0) - \alpha P(rz_0) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz_0)}{F(Rz_0) - \alpha F(rz_0) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} F(rz_0)},$$

then  $\lambda$  is a well defined real or complex number with  $|\lambda| > 1$  and with this choice of  $\lambda$ , we obtain  $T(z_0) = 0$  where  $|z_0| \geq 1$ . This contradicts the fact that all the zeros of  $T(z)$  lie in  $|z| < 1$ . Thus (2.7) holds for  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1, |z| \geq 1$ , and  $R > r \geq 1$ . ■

**Lemma 2.3.** *If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $P(z)$  have no zero in  $|z| < k, k \leq 1$ , then for  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ (2.8) \quad & \leq k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right| \end{aligned}$$

where  $Q(z) = z^n \overline{P(1/\bar{z})}$ .

*Proof.* By hypothesis, the polynomial  $P(z) \neq 0$  in  $|z| < k$ , where  $k \leq 1$ . Therefore, all the zeros of polynomial  $Q(z/k^2)$  lie in  $|z| < k \leq 1$ . As

$$|k^n Q(z/k^2)| = |P(z)| \quad \text{for } |z| = k,$$

Applying Lemma 2.2 with  $F(z)$  replaced by  $k^n Q(z/k^2)$ , we get for arbitrary real or complex numbers  $\alpha, \beta$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ & \leq k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right| \end{aligned}$$

This proves the Lemma 2.3. ■

**Lemma 2.4.** If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $Q(z) = z^n \overline{P(1/\bar{z})}$  then for  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ , with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1, k \leq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\
 & \quad + k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right| \\
 & \leq \left[ \frac{|z|^n}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \right. \\
 (2.9) \quad & \quad \left. + \left| 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right| \right] \underset{|z|=k}{\text{Max}} |P(z)|.
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $M = \text{Max}_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$ , then by Rouché's Theorem, the polynomial  $F(z) = P(z) - \mu M$  does not vanish in  $|z| < k$  for every  $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\mu| > 1$ . Applying Lemma 2.3 to polynomial  $F(z)$ , we get for  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| F(Rz) - \alpha F(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} F(rz) \right| \\
 & \leq k^n \left| H(Rz/k^2) - \alpha H(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} H(rz/k^2) \right|
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $H(z) = z^n \overline{F(1/\bar{z})} = z^n \overline{P(1/\bar{z})} - \bar{\mu} M z^n$ . Replacing  $F(z)$  by  $P(z) - \mu M$  and  $H(z)$  by  $Q(z) - \bar{\mu} M z^n$ , we have for  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \mu \left\{ 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right\} M \right| \\
 & \leq k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right. \\
 (2.10) \quad & \quad \left. - \frac{\bar{\mu}}{k^{2n}} \left[ R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right] M z^n \right|,
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $Q(z) = z^n \overline{P(1/\bar{z})}$ . Choosing argument of  $\lambda$  in the right hand side of inequality (2.10) such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \frac{\bar{\mu}}{k^{2n}} \left[ R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right] M z^n \right| \\
 & = \frac{|\bar{\mu} z^n| M}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \\
 (2.11) \quad & \quad - k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right|,
 \end{aligned}$$

which is possible by applying Theorem 1.3 to the polynomial  $Q(z/k^2)$  and using the fact that  $\text{Max}_{|z|=k} |Q(z/k^2)| = M/k^n$ , we get for  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ & \quad - |\mu| \left| \left\{ 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right\} M \right| \\ & \leq \frac{|\bar{\mu}z^n| M}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \\ & \quad - k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Equivalently for  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ & \quad + k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(z/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right| \\ & \leq |\mu| \left[ \frac{|z|^n}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right| \right] M. \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $|\mu| \rightarrow 1$ , we get the conclusion of Lemma 2.4 and this completes proof of Lemma 2.4. ■

### 3. PROOFS OF THE THEOREMS

**Proof of Theorem 1.3.** Let  $M = \text{Max}_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$ . Then the polynomial  $F(z) = Mz^n/k^n$  has all its zeros in  $|z| \leq k$  where  $k \leq 1$  and,

$$|P(z)| \leq |F(z)| \text{ for } |z| = k,$$

therefore by Lemma 2.2, for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ & \leq \left| F(Rz) - \alpha F(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} F(rz) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $F(z)$  by  $Mz^n/k^n$ , we get the conclusion of Theorem 1.3. ■

**Proof of Theorem 1.7.** Let  $m = \text{Min}_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$ . If  $P(z)$  has zeros on  $|z| = k, k \leq 1$ , then the result is trivially true. Assume that all the zeros of  $P(z)$  lie in  $|z| < k, k \leq 1$ , so that  $m > 0$ . An application of Rouché's Theorem shows that the polynomial  $f(z) = k^n P(z) - \lambda m z^n$  has all its zeros in lie  $|z| < k, k \leq 1$ , for every  $\lambda$  with  $|\lambda| < 1$ . Applying Lemma 2.1 to  $f(z)$ , we have

$$|f(Rz)| \geq \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n |f(rz)| \text{ for } |z| = 1, R > r \geq 1,$$

which implies,

$$|f(Rz)| > |f(rz)| \quad \text{for } R > r \geq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad |z| = 1.$$

Thus by Rouché's Theorem for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$ , all the zeros of  $F(z) = f(Rz) - \alpha f(rz)$  lie in  $|z| < 1$  and we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(Rz) - \alpha f(rz)| &\geq |f(Rz)| - |\alpha f(rz)| \\ &\geq \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} |f(rz)| \end{aligned}$$

for  $|z| = 1$  and  $R > r \geq 1$ . Again by Rouché's Theorem, it follows that all the zeros of the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} g(z) &= f(Rz) - \alpha f(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} f(rz) \\ &= k^n \left[ P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right] \\ &\quad - \lambda m z^n \left[ R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right] \end{aligned}$$

lie in  $|z| < 1$  for  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\beta| < 1$ . This implies for every  $\lambda$  with  $|\lambda| < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1) \quad k^n \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ \geq |z|^n \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| m \end{aligned}$$

for  $|z| \geq 1$ . If inequality (3.1) is not true, then there exists a point  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|z_0| \geq 1$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} k^n \left| P(Rz_0) - \alpha P(rz_0) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz_0) \right| \\ < |z_0|^n \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| m \end{aligned}$$

We take

$$\lambda = \frac{k^n [P(Rz_0) - \alpha P(rz_0) + \beta \{ (\frac{R+k}{k+r})^n - |\alpha| \} P(rz_0)]}{m |z_0|^n [R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \{ (\frac{R+k}{k+r})^n - |\alpha| \} r^n]},$$

then  $|\lambda| < 1$  and with this choice of  $\lambda$ , we have  $g(z_0) = 0$  with  $|z_0| \geq 1$ , which is a contradiction, since all the zeros of  $g(z)$  lie in  $|z| < 1$ . Hence for  $R > r \geq 1$ ,  $|\alpha| \leq 1$ ,  $|\beta| < 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (3.2) \quad k^n \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ \geq |z|^n \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

For  $\beta$  with  $|\beta| = 1$ , (3.2) follows from continuity. Hence inequality (3.2) immediately leads to inequality (1.16) and this completes the proof of Theorem 1.7. ■

**Proof of Theorem 1.10.** Since  $P(z)$  does not vanish in  $|z| < k$ ,  $k \leq 1$ , by Lemma 2.3, we have for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$ ,  $|\beta| \leq 1$ ,  $R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$(3.3) \quad \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \leq k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right|$$

where  $Q(z) = z^n \overline{P(1/\bar{z})}$ . Inequality (3.3) in conjunction with Lemma 2.4 gives for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$ ,  $|\beta| \leq 1$ ,  $R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ & \leq \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\ & \quad + k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right| \\ & \leq \left[ \frac{|z|^n}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right| \right] \text{Max}_{|z|=k} |P(z)|, \end{aligned}$$

this completes the proof of Theorem 1.10. ■

**Proof of Theorem 1.11.** Let  $m = \text{Min}_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$ . If  $P(z)$  has a zero on  $|z| = k$ , then the result follows from Theorem 1.10. We assume that  $P(z)$  has all its zeros in  $|z| < k$  where  $k \leq 1$  so that  $m > 0$ . Now for every  $\lambda$  with  $|\lambda| < 1$ , it follows by Rouché's Theorem  $h(z) = P(z) - \lambda m$  does not vanish in  $|z| < k$ . Applying Lemma 2.2 to the polynomial  $h(z)$ , we get for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$ ,  $|\beta| \leq 1$ ,  $R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| \geq 1$

$$\left| h(Rz) - \alpha h(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} h(rz) \right| \leq k^n \left| Q_1(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q_1(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q_1(rz/k^2) \right|$$

where  $Q_1(z) = z^n \overline{h(1/\bar{z})} = z^n \overline{P(1/\bar{z})} - \bar{\lambda} m z^n$ . Equivalently,

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \lambda \left\{ 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right\} m \right| \\ & \leq k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \bar{\lambda} \left\{ R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right\} \frac{m}{k^{2n}} \right| \text{ for } |z| = 1. \end{aligned}$$

where  $Q(z) = z^n P(1/\bar{z})$ . Since all the zeros of  $Q(z/k^2)$  lie in  $|z| \leq k$ ,  $k \leq 1$ , by Theorem 1.7 applied to  $Q(z/k^2)$ , we have for  $R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right| \\
 & \geq \frac{1}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \operatorname{Min}_{|z|=k} |Q(z/k^2)| \\
 & = \frac{1}{k^{2n}} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \operatorname{Min}_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \\
 (3.5) \quad & = \frac{1}{k^{2n}} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| m.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, choosing the argument of  $\lambda$  on the right hand side of inequality (3.4) such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \bar{\lambda} \left\{ R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right\} \frac{m}{k^{2n}} \right| \\
 & = k^n \left[ \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right| \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - |\bar{\lambda}| \left| \left\{ R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right\} \frac{m}{k^{2n}} \right| \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $|z| = 1$ , which is possible by inequality (3.5). We get for  $|z| = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\
 & \quad - |\lambda| \left| \left\{ 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right\} m \right| \\
 & \leq k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right| \\
 & \quad - \frac{|\lambda|}{k^n} \left| \left\{ R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right\} m \right|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Equivalently for  $|z| = 1$ ,  $R > r \geq 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\
 & \quad - k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right| \\
 & \leq |\lambda| \left[ \left| 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right| \right. \\
 (3.6) \quad & \quad \left. - \frac{1}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \right] m.
 \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $|\lambda| \rightarrow 1$  in inequality (3.6), we obtain for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\
 & \quad - k^n \left| Q(Rz/k^2) - \alpha Q(rz/k^2) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} Q(rz/k^2) \right| \\
 & \leq \left[ \left| 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right| \right. \\
 (3.7) \quad & \left. - \frac{1}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \right] m.
 \end{aligned}$$

Inequality (3.7) in conjunction with Lemma 2.3 gives for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1, |\beta| \leq 1, R > r \geq 1$  and  $|z| = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2 \left| P(Rz) - \alpha P(rz) + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} P(rz) \right| \\
 & \leq \left[ \left\{ \frac{1}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. + \left| 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right| \right\} \text{Max}_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \left\{ \frac{1}{k^n} \left| R^n - \alpha r^n + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} r^n \right| \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. - \left| 1 - \alpha + \beta \left\{ \left( \frac{R+k}{k+r} \right)^n - |\alpha| \right\} \right| \right\} \text{Min}_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to inequality (1.19) and thus completes the proof of Theorem 1.11. ■

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