

# Inequalities for a class of rational functions

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## Abstract

In this paper, we consider a more general class of rational functions  $r(s(z))$ , of degree  $mn$ , with  $s(z)$  being a polynomial of degree  $m$ . Our results not only generalize the results due to Wali and Shah [JOA, **25** (2017), no. 1, 43-53] but also improve the results obtained by Qasim and Liman [Indian J. Pure Appl. Math. **46** (2015), no. 3, 337-348] and Mir [Indian J. Pure Appl. Math. **50** (2019), no. 2, 315-331].

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## 1 Introduction

For a positive integer  $n$ , let  $\mathcal{P}_n$  be the linear space of all polynomials  $P(z) := \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  of degree at most  $n$  over the field  $\mathbb{C}$  of complex numbers and  $P'$  be its derivative. For any positive real number  $k$ , we denote

$$D_k^- = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < k\}$$

$$D_k^+ = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| > k\}$$

$$T_k = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = k\}.$$

Let

$$\mathcal{R}_n = \mathcal{R}_n(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) := \left\{ \frac{P(z)}{w(z)} : P \in \mathcal{P}_n \right\},$$

where

$$w(z) := \prod_{j=1}^n (z - z_j), \quad z_j \in D_k^+, j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Thus  $\mathcal{R}_n$  is the set of all rational functions with poles  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n$  and with finite limit at  $\infty$ . Throughout this paper, we shall assume that all poles  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n$  lie in  $D_k^+$ . We observe that the Blaschke product  $B(z) \in \mathcal{R}_n$ , where

$$B(z) := \prod_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{1 - \bar{z}_j z}{z - z_j} \right) = \frac{w^*(z)}{w(z)},$$

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with  $w^*(z) = z^n \overline{w(\frac{1}{\bar{z}})} = \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - \bar{z}_j z)$  and satisfying  $|B(z)| = 1$  for  $z \in T_1$ .

Li, Mohapatra and Rodriguez [10] obtained the following Bernstein-type inequalities for rational functions  $r \in \mathcal{R}_n$  with prescribed poles  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n$ .

**Theorem 1.1.** Suppose that  $r \in \mathcal{R}_n$  has exactly  $n$  zeros and all lie in  $T_1 \cup D_1^+$ . Then for  $z \in T_1$

$$|r'(z)| \leq \frac{|B'(z)|}{2} |r(z)|. \tag{1.1}$$

In the same paper they also proved the following.

**Theorem 1.2.** Suppose  $r \in \mathcal{R}_n$  has exactly  $n$  zeros and all lie in  $T_1 \cup D_1^-$ . Then for  $z \in T_1$

$$|r'(z)| \geq \frac{|B'(z)|}{2} |r(z)|. \tag{1.2}$$

Wali and Shah [9] improved Theorem 1.2 by proving the following result.

**Theorem 1.3.** If  $r \in \mathcal{R}_n$  and all zeros of  $r$  lie in  $T_1 \cup D_1^-$ , then for  $z \in T_1$

$$|r'(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |B'(z)| + \frac{|a_n| - |a_0|}{|a_n| + |a_0|} \right\} |r(z)|.$$

## 2 Composition of Rational Functions

Let  $r \in \mathcal{R}_n$  and  $s \in \mathcal{P}_m$ , then their composition  $r \circ s \in \mathcal{R}_{mn}$  is defined as  $(r \circ s)z = r(s(z))$ . Here

$$r(s(z)) = \frac{P(s(z))}{w(s(z))},$$

where  $P(s(z))$  denote the composition of polynomials  $P$  and  $s$ , and

$$w(s(z)) = \prod_{j=1}^{mn} (z - z_j).$$

Also the Blaschke product in this case is defined as

$$B(s(z)) = \frac{w^*(s(z))}{w(s(z))} = z^{mn} \frac{\overline{w(s(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}))}}{w(s(z))} = \prod_{j=1}^{mn} \frac{(1 - \bar{z}_j z)}{z - z_j}.$$

Recently, Qasim and Liman [5] considered this class of rational functions and proved several Bernstein type inequalities for rational functions. Among other things they proved.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $r \circ s \in \mathcal{R}_{mn}$  and if  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n$  are zeros of  $B(s(z)) + \lambda$  and  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n$  are zeros of  $B(s(z)) - \lambda, \lambda \in T_1$ , then for  $z \in T_1$

$$|r'(s(z))| \leq \frac{1}{2mm'} |(B(s(z)))'| \left[ \left( \max_{1 \leq k \leq mn} |r(s(t_k))| \right) + \left( \max_{1 \leq k \leq mn} |r(s(\mu_k))| \right) \right],$$

where  $m' = \min_{z \in T_1} |s(z)|$ .

If  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  and  $s(z) = \sum_{j=0}^m b_j z^j$ , then  $P \circ s \in \mathcal{P}_{mn}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} (P \circ s)(z) &= P(s(z)) \\ &= a_n (b_m z^m + b_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \dots + b_0)^n + \\ & a_{n-1} (b_m z^m + b_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \dots + b_0)^{n-1} + \dots + a_0 \\ &= a_n \left[ \binom{n}{0} b_m^n z^{mn} + \binom{n}{1} b_m^{n-1} b_{m-1} z^{mn-1} + \dots + b_0^n \right] + \dots + a_1 b_0 + a_0 \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{mn} c_j z^j, \quad \text{where } c_0 = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j, \dots, c_{mn} = a_n b_m^n. \end{aligned}$$

### 3 Lemmas and Proofs of Lemmas

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $f : D \rightarrow D$  be holomorphic. Suppose  $f(0) = 0$  and also assume there exists  $b \in \delta D$ , such that  $f$  extends continuously to  $b, |f(b)| = 1$  and  $f'(b)$  exists, then

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

The above lemma is due to Osserman [6].

**Lemma 3.2.** Let  $r \circ s \in \mathcal{R}_{mn}$  be such that all the zeros of  $r(s(z))$  lie in  $T_1 \cup D_1^-$ , then for some  $z \in T_1$

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right\} \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |(B(s(z)))'| + \frac{|a_n b_m^n| - \left| \sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j \right|}{|a_n b_m^n| + \left| \sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j \right|} \right\}.$$

**Proof .** Since all zeros of  $r(s(z))$  lie in  $T_1 \cup D_1^-$ , and

$$r(s(z)) = \frac{P(s(z))}{w(s(z))}.$$

Therefore we have

$$\frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} = \frac{z(P(s(z)))'}{P(s(z))} - \frac{z(w(s(z)))'}{w(s(z))}.$$

Equivalently

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right) = \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{z(P(s(z)))'}{P(s(z))} \right) - \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{z(w(s(z)))'}{w(s(z))} \right). \tag{3.1}$$

If  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{mn}$  are the zeros of  $P(s(z))$ , then

$$P(s(z)) = c_{mn} \prod_{j=1}^{mn} (z - z_j), \quad z_j \in D_1^-,$$

where  $c_{mn} = a_n b_m^n$ .

Therefore,  $Q(s(z)) = z^{mn} P\left(s\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)\right)$ , has all zeros in  $D_1^+$ .

Hence,

$$G(s(z)) = \frac{zP(s(z))}{Q(s(z))} = z \frac{c_{mn}}{c_{mn}} \prod_{j=1}^{mn} \left( \frac{z - z_j}{1 - \bar{z}_j z} \right)$$

is analytic in  $T_1 \cup D_1^-$ , with  $G(s(0)) = 0, |G(s(z))| = 1$  for  $z \in T_1$ . Therefore applying Lemma 3.1 to  $G(s(z))$ , we have

$$|(G(s(z)))'| \geq \frac{2}{1 + |(G(s(0)))'|}. \tag{3.2}$$

Now

$$G(s(z)) = \frac{zP(s(z))}{Q(s(z))} = \frac{zP(s(z))}{z^{mn}P(s(\frac{1}{z}))} = \frac{z^{-(mn-1)}P(s(z))}{P(s(\frac{1}{z}))}.$$

Therefore, for  $z \in T_1$

$$\frac{z(G(s(z)))'}{G(s(z))} = -(mn - 1) + 2Re\left(\frac{z(P(s(z)))'}{P(s(z))}\right). \tag{3.3}$$

Also

$$G(s(z)) = \frac{zP(s(z))}{Q(s(z))} = z \frac{c_{mn}}{c_{mn}} \prod_{j=1}^{mn} \left(\frac{z - z_j}{1 - \bar{z}_j z}\right).$$

This gives

$$\frac{z(G(s(z)))'}{G(s(z))} = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{mn} \frac{1 - |z_j|^2}{|z - z_j|^2} \geq 0.$$

Therefore for  $z \in T_1$

$$\left| \frac{z(G(s(z)))'}{G(s(z))} \right| = |(G(s(z)))'|. \tag{3.4}$$

Also by vieta's formula

$$|(G(s(0)))'| = \left| \prod_{j=1}^{mn} z_j \right| = \frac{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}{|a_n b_m^n|}. \tag{3.5}$$

On combining 3.2, 3.3, 3.4 and 3.5, and noting  $P(s(z)) \neq 0$  for  $z \in T_1$ , we get

$$-(mn - 1) + 2Re\left(\frac{z(P(s(z)))'}{P(s(z))}\right) \geq \frac{2|a_n b_m^n|}{|a_n b_m^n| + |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}.$$

Hence for  $z \in T_1$ ,

$$Re\left(\frac{z(P(s(z)))'}{P(s(z))}\right) \geq \frac{mn - 1}{2} + \frac{|a_n b_m^n|}{|a_n b_m^n| + |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}. \tag{3.6}$$

Again since

$$B(s(z)) = \frac{w^*(s(z))}{w(s(z))},$$

therefore

$$\frac{z(B(s(z)))'}{B(s(z))} = \frac{z(w^*(s(z)))'}{w(s(z))} - \frac{z(w(s(z)))'}{w(s(z))}.$$

Now using the fact that for  $z \in T_1$

$$\frac{z(B(s(z)))'}{B(s(z))} = |(B(s(z)))'|,$$

we get

$$Re\left(\frac{z(w^*(s(z)))'}{w^*(s(z))}\right) - Re\left(\frac{z(w(s(z)))'}{w(s(z))}\right) = |(B(s(z)))'|. \tag{3.7}$$

Also

$$(w^*(s(z)))' = mnz^{mn-1} \overline{w(s(\frac{1}{z}))} - z^{mn-2} \overline{(w(s(\frac{1}{z})))}'.$$

Therefore it can be easily be verified that for  $z \in T_1$

$$Re\left(\frac{z(w^*(s(z)))'}{w^*(s(z))}\right) = nm - Re\left(\frac{z(w(s(z)))'}{w(s(z))}\right). \tag{3.8}$$

From 3.7 and 3.8 ,we get

$$Re\left(\frac{z(w(s(z)))'}{w(s(z))}\right) = \frac{nm - |(B(s(z)))'|}{2}. \tag{3.9}$$

Using 3.8 and 3.9 in 3.1, we get

$$Re\left(\frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))}\right) \geq \frac{mn - 1}{2} + \frac{|a_n b_m^n|}{|a_n b_m^n| + |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|} - \frac{nm - |(B(s(z)))'|}{2}.$$

Equivalently

$$Re\left\{\frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))}\right\} \geq \frac{1}{2}\left\{|(B(s(z)))'| + \frac{|a_n b_m^n| - |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}{|a_n b_m^n| + |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}\right\}.$$

This completely proves the Lemma.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $r \circ s \in \mathcal{R}_{mn}$ . if  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n$  are zeros of  $B(s(z)) + \lambda$  and  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n$  are zeros of  $B(s(z)) - \lambda, \lambda \in T_1$ , then for  $z \in T_1$

$$|(r(s(z)))'|^2 + |(r^*(s(z)))'|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}|(B(s(z)))'|^2 \left[ \left(\max_{1 \leq k \leq mn} |r(s(t_k))|\right)^2 + \left(\max_{1 \leq k \leq mn} |r(s(\mu_k))|\right)^2 \right].$$

The above lemma is due to Mir [1].

**Lemma 3.4.** If  $P(z)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$ , having all zeros in  $T_1 \cup D_1^-$ , then

$$\min_{z \in T_1} |P'(z)| \geq n \min_{z \in T_1} |P(z)|.$$

The inequality is sharp and equality holds for the polynomials having all zeros at origin.

The above Lemma is due to Aziz and Dawood [3].

### 4 Main Results

In this paper, we first prove the following.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $r \circ s \in \mathcal{R}_{mn}$ . If all the zeros of  $r(s(z))$  lie in  $T_1 \cup D_1^-$ , then for any  $z \in T_1$

$$|r'(s(z))| \geq \frac{1}{2mM'} \left\{ |(B(s(z)))'| + \frac{|a_n b_m^n| - |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}{|a_n b_m^n| + |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|} \right\} |r(s(z))|,$$

where  $m$  denote the degree of  $s(z)$  and  $M' = \max_{z \in T_1} |s(z)|$ .

The result is sharp and equality holds for  $r(s(z)) = \alpha B(s(z)) + \beta$ , where  $s(z) = z$  with  $\alpha, \beta \in T_1$ .

**Proof .** Since for  $z \in T_1$ , we have

$$\left| \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right| \geq Re\left\{ \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right\}.$$

Therefore, we get by using Lemma 3.2, for  $z \in T_1$

$$|(r(s(z)))'| \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |(B(s(z)))'| + \frac{|a_n b_m^n| - \left| \sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j \right|}{|a_n b_m^n| + \left| \sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j \right|} \right\} |r(s(z))|. \tag{4.1}$$

Now

$$|(r(s(z)))'| = |r'(s(z))s'(z)| \leq |r'(s(z))| \max_{z \in T_1} |s'(z)|.$$

This gives by using Bernstein's inequality [4],

$$|(r(s(z)))'| \leq |r'(s(z))| m \max_{z \in T_1} |s(z)|.$$

Equivalently

$$|(r(s(z)))'| \leq mM'|r'(s(z))|.$$

Therefore from 4.1, we get

$$|r'(s(z))| \geq \frac{1}{2mM'} \left\{ |(B(s(z)))'| + \frac{|a_n b_m^n| - \left| \sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j \right|}{|a_n b_m^n| + \left| \sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j \right|} \right\} |r(s(z))|.$$

□

**Remark 4.2.** Since all the zeros of  $r(s(z))$  lie in  $T_1 \cup D_1^-$ , we have  $|a_n b_m^n| \geq \left| \sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j \right|$ , showing that Theorem 4.1 improves the result due to Qasim and Liman [5].

**Remark 4.3.** For  $s(z) = z$ , Theorem 4.1 reduces to a result due to Wali and Shah [9].

We next prove the following.

**Theorem 4.4.** Let  $r \circ s \in \mathcal{R}_{mn}$ , be such that all the zeros of  $r(s(z))$  lie in  $T_1 \cup D_1^+$ , then for any  $z \in T_1$

$$Re \left\{ \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right\} \leq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ |(B(s(z)))'| - \frac{\left| \sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j \right| - |a_n b_m^n|}{|a_n b_m^n| + \left| \sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j \right|} \right\}.$$

**Proof .** Since all zeros of  $r(s(z))$  lie in  $T_1 \cup D_1^+$ , and

$$r(s(z)) = \frac{P(s(z))}{w(s(z))},$$

therefore,

$$Re \left( \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right) = Re \left( \frac{z(P(s(z)))'}{P(s(z))} \right) - Re \left( \frac{z(w(s(z)))'}{w(s(z))} \right). \tag{4.2}$$

If  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{mn}$  are the zeros of  $P(s(z))$ , then

$$P(s(z)) = c_{mn} \prod_{j=1}^{mn} (z - z_j), z_j \in D_1^+,$$

where  $c_{mn} = a_n b_m^n$ .

Therefore,  $Q(s(z)) = z^{mn} P\left(s\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)\right)$  has all zeros in  $D_1^-$ .

Hence,

$$H(s(z)) = \frac{zQ(s(z))}{P(s(z))} = z \frac{\overline{c_{mn}}}{c_{mn}} \prod_{j=1}^{mn} \left( \frac{1 - \overline{z_j} z}{z - z_j} \right)$$

is analytic in  $T_1 \cup D_1^-$ , with  $H(s(0)) = 0, |H(s(z))| = 1$  for  $z \in T_1$ . Thus applying Lemma 3.1 for  $H(s(z))$ , we have for  $z \in T_1$

$$|(H(s(z)))'| \geq \frac{2}{1 + |(H(s(0)))'|}. \tag{4.3}$$

Now

$$H(s(z)) = \frac{zQ(s(z))}{P(s(z))} = \frac{z^{mn+1} \overline{P(s(\frac{1}{z}))}}{P(s(z))}.$$

Therefore, for  $z \in T_1$

$$\frac{z(H(s(z)))'}{H(s(z))} = (mn + 1) - 2Re\left(\frac{z(P(s(z)))'}{P(s(z))}\right). \tag{4.4}$$

Also for  $z \in D_1^+$ ,

$$H(s(z)) = \frac{zQ(s(z))}{P(s(z))} = z \frac{\overline{c_{mn}}}{c_{mn}} \prod_{j=1}^{mn} \left(\frac{1 - \overline{z_j}z}{z - z_j}\right).$$

Therefore, it can easily be verified that for  $z \in T_1$

$$\left|\frac{z(H(s(z)))'}{H(s(z))}\right| = |(H(s(z)))'|. \tag{4.5}$$

Also by vieta's formula

$$|(H(s(0)))'| = \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^{mn} z_j} = \frac{|a_n b_m^n|}{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}. \tag{4.6}$$

On combining 4.4, 4.5 and 4.6 and noting  $P(s(z)) \neq 0$ , for  $z \in T_1$ , we get

$$(mn + 1) - 2Re\left(\frac{z(P(s(z)))'}{P(s(z))}\right) \geq \frac{2|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}{|a_n b_m^n| + |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}.$$

Hence for  $z \in T_1$ ,

$$Re\left(\frac{z(P(s(z)))'}{P(s(z))}\right) \leq \frac{mn + 1}{2} - \frac{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}{|a_n b_m^n| + |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}. \tag{4.7}$$

Also by 3.9, we have

$$Re\left(\frac{z(w(s(z)))'}{w(s(z))}\right) = \frac{nm - |(B(s(z)))'|}{2}. \tag{4.8}$$

Using 4.7 and 4.8 in 4.2, we get

$$Re\left\{\frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))}\right\} \leq \frac{1}{2}\left\{|(B(s(z)))'| + \frac{|a_n b_m^n| - |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}{|a_n b_m^n| + |\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j|}\right\}.$$

□

**Remark 4.5.** For  $s(z) = z$ , Theorem 4.4 reduces a result due to Wali and Shah [9].

We also prove the following improvement of a result due to Qasim and Liman [5] and hence a generalization of the result due to Wali and Shah [9].

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $r \circ s \in \mathcal{R}_{mn}$  be such that all the zeros of  $r(s(z))$  lie in  $T_1 \cup D_1^+$ . If  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n$  are zeros of  $B(s(z)) + \lambda$  and  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n$  are zeros of  $B(s(z)) - \lambda, \lambda \in T_1$ , then for  $z \in T_1$

$$|r'(s(z))| \leq \frac{1}{2mm'} |(B(s(z)))'| \left[ \left( \max_{1 \leq k \leq mn} |r(s(t_k))| \right)^2 + \left( \max_{1 \leq k \leq mn} |r(s(\mu_k))| \right)^2 - 2 \frac{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| - |a_n b_m^n|}{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| + |a_n b_m^n|} \frac{|r(s(z))|^2}{|(B(s(z)))'|} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

where  $m' = \min_{z \in T_1} |s(z)|$ .

The result is sharp and equality holds for  $r(s(z)) = B(s(z)) + \lambda, \lambda \in T_1$ , where  $s(z) = z$ .

**Proof .** We assume  $r(s(z)) \neq 0$  for  $z \in T_1$ . Now for  $z \in T_1$ , it can be verified that if

$$(r^*(s(z))) = B(s(z)) \overline{r\left(\frac{1}{\overline{s(z)}}\right)},$$

then

$$|(r^*(s(z)))'| = \left| (B(s(z)))' |r(s(z)) - z(r(s(z)))'| \right|.$$

Hence for  $z \in T_1$ , with  $r(s(z)) \neq 0$ , we get by using Theorem 4.4.

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{z(r^*(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right|^2 &= \left| (B(s(z)))' - \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right|^2 \\ &= |(B(s(z)))'|^2 + \left| \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right|^2 - 2|(B(s(z)))'| \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right\} \\ &\geq |(B(s(z)))'|^2 + \left| \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right|^2 - |(B(s(z)))'| \left\{ |(B(s(z)))'| - \frac{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| - |a_n b_m^n|}{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| + |a_n b_m^n|} \right\} \\ &= \left| \frac{z(r(s(z)))'}{r(s(z))} \right|^2 + \frac{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| - |a_n b_m^n|}{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| + |a_n b_m^n|} |(B(s(z)))'|. \end{aligned}$$

Equivalently for  $z \in T_1$ , we get

$$|(r(s(z)))'|^2 + \frac{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| - |a_n b_m^n|}{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| + |a_n b_m^n|} |(B(s(z)))'| |(r(s(z)))|^2 \leq |(r^*(s(z)))'|^2.$$

Using Lemma 3.3 in the above inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 2|(r(s(z)))'|^2 &\leq |(r(s(z)))'|^2 + |(r^*(s(z)))'|^2 - \frac{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| - |a_n b_m^n|}{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| + |a_n b_m^n|} |(B(s(z)))'| |(r(s(z)))|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} |(B(s(z)))'|^2 \left[ \left( \max_{1 \leq k \leq mn} |r(s(t_k))| \right)^2 + \left( \max_{1 \leq k \leq mn} |r(s(\mu_k))| \right)^2 \right] \\ &\quad - \frac{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| - |a_n b_m^n|}{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| + |a_n b_m^n|} |(B(s(z)))'| |(r(s(z)))|^2. \end{aligned}$$



Equivalently, we get by using Lemma 3.4

$$|r'(s(z))| \leq \frac{1}{2mm'} |(B(s(z)))'| \left[ \left( \max_{1 \leq k \leq mn} |r(s(t_k))| \right)^2 + \left( \max_{1 \leq k \leq mn} |r(s(\mu_k))| \right)^2 - 2 \frac{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| - |a_n b_m^n|}{|\sum_{j=0}^n a_j b_0^j| + |a_n b_m^n|} \frac{|r(s(z))|^2}{|(B(s(z)))'|} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

□

**Remark 4.7.** A result due to Wali and Shah [[9], Theorem 1] is a special case of Theorem 4.6, where  $s(z) = z$ .

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