

### ABSTRACT

In this paper we locate the regions containing all or some of the zeros of a certain class of polynomials subjected to certain coefficient conditions.

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### INTRODUCTION

The famous Theorem of Enestrom-Keakeya [9] states that all the zeros of a polynomial  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  satisfying  $a_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq a_1 \geq a_0 > 0$  lie in  $|z| \leq 1$ . In the literature there exist several generalizations and refinements of this theorem[1-11]. Very recently Gulzar et al [7] proved the following result:

**Theorem A:** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  such that for some  $\lambda, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n-1$  and for some  $k \geq 1, 0 < \tau \leq 1$ ,

$$ka_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \tau a_\lambda$$

and

$$L = |a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1}| + |a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2}| + \dots + |a_1 - a_0| + |a_0|.$$

Then all the zeros of P(z) lie in

$$|z + k - 1| \leq \frac{ka_n - \tau a_\lambda + (1 - \tau)|a_\lambda| + L}{|a_n|}.$$

**Theorem B:** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with  $\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j, \text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that for some  $\lambda, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n-1$  and for some  $k \geq 1, 0 < \tau \leq 1$ ,

$$k\alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_{\lambda+1} \geq \tau\alpha_\lambda$$

and

$$L = |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + |\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0|.$$

Then the number f zeros of P(z) in  $|z| \leq \delta, 0 < \delta < 1$  does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{\delta}} \log \frac{|a_n| + (k-1)|\alpha_n| + k\alpha_n - \tau\alpha_\lambda + L + (1-\tau)|\alpha_\lambda| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_0|}$$

## MAIN RESULTS

In this paper we prove the following results:

**Theorem 1:** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with

$\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j, \text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that for some  $\lambda, \mu, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n-1, 0 < \mu \leq 1$  and for some  $k_1, k_2 \geq 1; 0 < \tau_1, \tau_2 \leq 1,$

$$k_1 \alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \tau_1 \alpha_\lambda,$$

$$k_2 \beta_n \geq \beta_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \tau_2 \beta_\mu,$$

and

$$L = |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + |\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0|,$$

$$M = |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| + |\beta_{\mu-1} - \beta_{\mu-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0|.$$

Then all the zeros of  $P(z)$  lie in

$$\left| z + \frac{(k-1)\alpha_n + i(k_2-1)\beta_n}{a_n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(\alpha_\lambda + |\alpha_\lambda|) - \tau_2(\beta_\mu + |\beta_\mu|)]$$

**Remark 1:** If  $a_j$  is real i.e.  $\beta_j = 0, \forall j = 0, 1, \dots, n; k_1 = k, \tau_1 = \tau$ , Theorem 1 reduces to Theorem A.

Taking  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 = 1$ , Theorem 1 gives the following result:

**Corollary 1:** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with

$\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j, \text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that for some  $\lambda, \mu, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n-1, 0 < \mu \leq 1$  and for some  $k_1, k_2 \geq 1,$

$$k_1 \alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_\lambda,$$

$$k_2 \beta_n \geq \beta_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \beta_\mu,$$

and

$$L = |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + |\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0|,$$

$$M = |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| + |\beta_{\mu-1} - \beta_{\mu-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0|.$$

Then all the zeros of  $P(z)$  lie in

$$\left| z + \frac{(k-1)\alpha_n + i(k_2-1)\beta_n}{a_n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + L + M - \alpha_\lambda - \beta_\mu].$$

Taking  $k_1 = k_2 = \tau_1 = \tau_2 = 1$ , Theorem 1 gives the following result:

**Corollary 2:** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with

$\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j, \text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that for some  $\lambda, \mu, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n-1, 0 < \mu \leq 1$ ,

$$\alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_\lambda,$$

$$\beta_n \geq \beta_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \beta_\mu,$$

and

$$L = |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + |\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0|,$$

$$M = |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| + |\beta_{\mu-1} - \beta_{\mu-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0|.$$

Then all the zeros of  $P(z)$  lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [\alpha_n + \beta_n + L + M - \alpha_\lambda - \beta_\mu].$$

Next, we prove the following result:

**Theorem 2:** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with

$\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j, \text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that for some  $\lambda, \mu, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n-1, 0 < \mu \leq 1$  and for some  $k_1, k_2 \geq 1; 0 < \tau_1, \tau_2 \leq 1$ ,

$$k_1 \alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \tau_1 \alpha_\lambda,$$

$$k_2 \beta_n \geq \beta_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \tau_2 \beta_\mu,$$

and

$$L = |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + |\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0|,$$

$$M = |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| + |\beta_{\mu-1} - \beta_{\mu-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0|.$$

Then the number of zeros of  $P(z)$  in  $\frac{|a_0|}{K} \leq |z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1$  is less than or equal to

$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M}{|a_0|}$  for  $R \geq 1$  and the number of zeros of  $P(z)$  in  $\frac{|a_0|}{K'} \leq |z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1$  is less than or equal to

$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M'}{|a_0|}$  for  $R \leq 1$ , where

$$K = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \{ (k_1 - 1) |\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1) |\beta_n| + k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1 (|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2 (|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0| \},$$

$$K' = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R \{ (k_1 - 1) |\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1) |\beta_n| + k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1 (|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2 (|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0| \},$$

$$M = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [ (k_1 - 1) |\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1) |\beta_n| + k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1 (|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2 (|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) ],$$

$$M' = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R [ (k_1 - 1) |\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1) |\beta_n| + k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1 (|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2 (|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) ],$$

$$-\tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu)] + (1-R)(|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|).$$

Taking  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 = 1$ , Theorem 2 gives the following result:

**Corollary 3:** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with  $\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j, \text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that for some  $\lambda, \mu, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n-1, 0 < \mu \leq 1$  and for some  $k_1, k_2 \geq 1$ ,

$$k_1 \alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_\lambda,$$

$$k_2 \beta_n \geq \beta_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \beta_\mu,$$

and

$$L = |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + |\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0|,$$

$$M = |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| + |\beta_{\mu-1} - \beta_{\mu-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0|.$$

Then the number of zeros of  $P(z)$  in  $\frac{|a_0|}{K} \leq |z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1$  is less than or equal to

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M}{|a_0|} \text{ for } R \geq 1 \text{ and the number of zeros of } P(z) \text{ in } \frac{|a_0|}{K'} \leq |z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1 \text{ is less than or equal to}$$

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M'}{|a_0|} \text{ for } R \leq 1, \text{ where}$$

$$K = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \{(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + L + M - \alpha_\lambda - \beta_\mu - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|\},$$

$$K' = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R \{(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + L + M - \alpha_\lambda - \beta_\mu - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|\},$$

$$M = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + L + M - \alpha_\lambda - \beta_\mu]$$

$$M' = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R [(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + L + M - \alpha_\lambda - \beta_\mu] + (1-R)(|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|)$$

Taking  $k_1 = k_2 = \tau_1 = \tau_2 = 1$ , Theorem 2 gives the following result:

**Corollary 4:** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with

$\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j, \text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that for some  $\lambda, \mu, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n-1, 0 < \mu \leq 1$ ,

$$\alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_\lambda,$$

$$\beta_n \geq \beta_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \beta_\mu,$$

and

$$L = |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + |\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0|,$$

$$M = |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| + |\beta_{\mu-1} - \beta_{\mu-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0|.$$

Then the number of zeros of  $P(z)$  in  $\frac{|a_0|}{K} \leq |z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1$  is less than or equal to

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M}{|a_0|} \text{ for } R \geq 1 \text{ and the number of zeros of } P(z) \text{ in } \frac{|a_0|}{K'} \leq |z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1 \text{ is less than or equal to}$$

$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M'}{|a_0|}$  for  $R \leq 1$ , where

$$K = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \{ \alpha_n + \beta_n + L + M - \alpha_\lambda - \beta_\mu - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0| \},$$

$$K' = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \{ \alpha_n + \beta_n + L + M - \alpha_\lambda - \beta_\mu - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0| \},$$

$$M = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [ \alpha_n + \beta_n + L + M - \alpha_\lambda - \beta_\mu ]$$

$$M' = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [ \alpha_n + \beta_n + L + M - \alpha_\lambda - \beta_\mu ] + (1-R)(|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|).$$

Taking  $R=1$  and  $c = \frac{1}{\delta}$ ,  $0 < \delta < 1$  in Theorem 2, we get the following result:

**Corollary 5:** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with

$\operatorname{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j, \operatorname{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that for some  $\lambda, \mu, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n-1, 0 < \mu \leq 1$  and for some  $k_1, k_2 \geq 1; 0 < \tau_1, \tau_2 \leq 1$ ,

$$k_1 \alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \tau_1 \alpha_\lambda,$$

$$k_2 \beta_n \geq \beta_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \tau_2 \beta_\mu,$$

and

$$L = |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + |\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0|,$$

$$M = |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| + |\beta_{\mu-1} - \beta_{\mu-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0|.$$

Then the number of zeros of  $P(z)$  in  $\frac{|a_0|}{K} \leq |z| \leq \delta, 0 < \delta < 1$  is less than or equal to

$\frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{\delta}} \log \frac{M'}{|a_0|}$ , where

$$K = |a_n| + (k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1 (|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2 (|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|,$$

$$M = |a_n| + (k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1 (|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2 (|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu).$$

In particular for  $\delta = \frac{1}{2}$ , Cor.5 gives the following result:

**Corollary 6:** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with

$\operatorname{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j, \operatorname{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that for some  $\lambda, \mu, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n-1, 0 < \mu \leq 1$  and for some  $k_1, k_2 \geq 1; 0 < \tau_1, \tau_2 \leq 1$ ,

$$k_1 \alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \tau_1 \alpha_\lambda,$$

$$k_2 \beta_n \geq \beta_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \tau_2 \beta_\mu,$$

and

$$L = |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + |\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0|,$$

$$M = |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| + |\beta_{\mu-1} - \beta_{\mu-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0|.$$

Then the number of zeros of  $P(z)$  in  $\frac{|a_0|}{K} \leq |z| \leq \frac{1}{2}$  is less than or equal to

$$\frac{1}{\log 2} \log \frac{M}{|a_0|}, \text{ where}$$

$$K = |a_n| + (k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|,$$

$$M = |a_n| + (k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu).$$

For other different choices of the parameters, we get many other interesting results.

### Lemmas

For the proof of Theorem 2, we make use of the following lemmas:

**Lemma 1:** Let  $f(z)$  (not identically zero) be analytic for  $|z| \leq R$ ,  $f(0) \neq 0$  and  $f(a_k) = 0$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |f(Re^{i\theta})| d\theta - \log |f(0)| = \sum_{j=1}^n \log \frac{R}{|a_j|}.$$

Lemma 1 is the famous Jensen's Theorem (see page 208 of [1]).

**Lemma 2:** Let  $f(z)$  be analytic,  $f(0) \neq 0$  and  $|f(z)| \leq M$  for  $|z| \leq R$ . Then the number of zeros of  $f(z)$  in

$$|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1 \text{ is less than or equal to } \frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M}{|f(0)|}.$$

Lemma 2 is a simple deduction from Lemma 1.

### PROOFS OF THEOREMS

**Proof of Theorem 1:** Consider the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= (1-z)P(z) \\ &= (1-z)(a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 z + a_0) \\ &= -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_{\lambda+1} - a_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} + (a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda \\ &\quad + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0 \\ &= -a_n z^{n+1} - (k_1 - 1)\alpha_n z^n + (k_1\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})z^n + (\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2})z^{n-1} \dots + (\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \tau_1\alpha_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} \\ &\quad + (\tau_1 - 1)\alpha_\lambda z^{\lambda+1} + (\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda + \dots + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_0)z + \alpha_0 + i\{(k_2\beta_n - \beta_{n-1})z^n \\ &\quad - (k_2 - 1)\beta_n z^n + (\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (\beta_{\mu+1} - \tau_2\beta_\mu)z^{\mu+1} + (\tau_2 - 1)\beta_\mu z^{\mu+1} \\ &\quad + (\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1})z^\mu + \dots + (\beta_1 - \beta_0)z + \beta_0\} \end{aligned}$$

For  $|z| > 1$  so that  $\frac{1}{|z|^j} < 1, \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we have, by using the hypothesis

$$|F(z)| \geq |a_n z + (k_1 - 1)\alpha_n + i(k_2 - 1)\beta_n| |z|^n - [|k_1\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| |z|^n + |\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2}| |z|^{n-1} \dots + |\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \tau_1\alpha_\lambda| |z|^{\lambda+1}]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + |\tau_1 - 1| |\alpha_\lambda| |z|^{\lambda+1} + |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| |z|^\lambda + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| |z| + |\alpha_0| + \{ |k_2 \beta_n - \beta_{n-1}| |z|^n \\
 & + |\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2}| |z|^{n-1} + \dots + |\beta_{\mu+1} - \tau_2 \beta_\mu| |z|^{\mu+1} + |\beta_{\mu-1} - \beta_{\mu-2}| |z|^\mu + \dots \\
 & + (|\beta_1 - \beta_0| |z| + |\beta_0|) \} \\
 = & |z|^n [ |a_n z + (k_1 - 1) \alpha_n + i(k_2 - 1) \beta_n| - \{ |k_1 \alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + \frac{|\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2}|}{|z|} + \dots \\
 & + \frac{|\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \tau_1 \alpha_\lambda|}{|z|^{n-\lambda-1}} + \frac{(1 - \tau_1) |\alpha_\lambda|}{|z|^{n-\lambda-1}} + \frac{|\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}|}{|z|^{n-\lambda}} + \dots + \frac{|\alpha_1 - \alpha_0|}{|z|^{n-1}} + \frac{|\alpha_0|}{|z|^n} \\
 & + |k_2 \beta_n - \tau_2 \beta_{n-1}| + \frac{|\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2}|}{|z|} + \dots + \frac{|\beta_{\mu+1} - \tau_2 \beta_\mu|}{|z|^{n-\mu-1}} + \frac{|\beta_\mu - \tau_2 \beta_{\mu-1}|}{|z|^{n-\mu}} \\
 & + \dots + \frac{|\beta_1 - \beta_0|}{|z|^{n-1}} + \frac{|\beta_0|}{|z|^n} \} ] \\
 > & |z|^n [ |a_n z + (k_1 - 1) \alpha_n + i(k_2 - 1) \beta_n| - \{ |k_1 \alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2}| + \dots \\
 & + |\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \tau_1 \alpha_\lambda| + (1 - \tau_1) |\alpha_\lambda| + |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0| \\
 & + |k_2 \beta_n - \beta_{n-1}| + |\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2}| + \dots + |\beta_{\mu+1} - \tau_2 \beta_\mu| + (1 - \tau_2) |\beta_\mu| + |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| \\
 & + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0| \} ] \\
 = & |z|^n [ |a_n z + (k_1 - 1) \alpha_n| - \{ |k_1 \alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \tau_1 \alpha_\lambda \\
 & + (1 - \tau_1) |\alpha_\lambda| + |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0| + |k_2 \beta_n - \beta_{n-1}| + |\beta_{n-1} \\
 & - \beta_{n-2}| + \dots + |\beta_{\mu+1} - \tau_2 \beta_\mu| + (1 - \tau_2) |\beta_\mu| + |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0| \} \\
 \geq & |z|^n [ |a_n z + (k_1 - 1) \alpha_n + i(k_2 - 1) \beta_n| - \{ |k_1 \alpha_n| + |\alpha_\lambda| + L - \tau_1 (|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) \\
 & + |k_2 \beta_n| + |\beta_\mu| + M - \tau_2 (|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) \} ] \\
 > & 0
 \end{aligned}$$

if

$$\begin{aligned}
 |a_n z + (k_1 - 1) \alpha_n + i(k_2 - 1) \beta_n| & > |k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1 (|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) \\
 & - \tau_2 (|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu)
 \end{aligned}$$

i.e. if

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| z + \frac{(k_1 - 1) \alpha_n + i(k_2 - 1) \beta_n}{a_n} \right| & > \frac{1}{|a_n|} [ |k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1 (|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) \\
 & - \tau_2 (|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) ].
 \end{aligned}$$

This shows that those zeros of F(z) whose modulus is greater than 1 lie in

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| z + \frac{(k_1 - 1) \alpha_n + i(k_2 - 1) \beta_n}{a_n} \right| & \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [ |k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1 (|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) \\
 & - \tau_2 (|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) ].
 \end{aligned}$$

Since the zeros of  $F(z)$  whose modulus is less than or equal to 1 already satisfy the above inequality and since the zeros of  $P(z)$  are also the zeros of  $F(z)$ , it follows that all the zeros of  $P(z)$  lie in

$$\left| z + \frac{(k_1 - 1)\alpha_n + i(k_2 - 1)\beta_n}{a_n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu)].$$

That proves Theorem 1.

**Proof of Theorem 2:** Consider the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= (1 - z)P(z) \\ &= (1 - z)(a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 z + a_0) \\ &= -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_{\lambda+1} - a_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} + (a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda \\ &\quad + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0 \\ &= -a_n z^{n+1} - (k_1 - 1)\alpha_n z^n + (k_1\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})z^n + (\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2})z^{n-1} \dots + (\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \tau_1\alpha_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} \\ &\quad + (\tau_1 - 1)\alpha_\lambda z^{\lambda+1} + (\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda + \dots + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_0)z + i\{(k_2\beta_n - \beta_{n-1})z^n \\ &\quad - (k_2 - 1)\beta_n z^n + (\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (\beta_{\mu+1} - \tau_2\beta_\mu)z^{\mu+1} + (\tau_2 - 1)\beta_\mu z^{\mu+1} \\ &\quad + (\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1})z^\mu + \dots + (\beta_1 - \beta_0)z\} + a_0 \\ &= G(z) + a_0, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} G(z) &= -a_n z^{n+1} - (k_1 - 1)\alpha_n z^n + (k_1\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})z^n + (\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2})z^{n-1} \dots + (\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \tau_1\alpha_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} \\ &\quad + (\tau_1 - 1)\alpha_\lambda z^{\lambda+1} + (\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda + \dots + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_0)z + i\{(k_2\beta_n - \beta_{n-1})z^n \\ &\quad - (k_2 - 1)\beta_n z^n + (\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (\beta_{\mu+1} - \tau_2\beta_\mu)z^{\mu+1} + (\tau_2 - 1)\beta_\mu z^{\mu+1} \\ &\quad + (\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1})z^\mu + \dots + (\beta_1 - \beta_0)z\}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $|z| = R$ , we have, by using the hypothesis

$$\begin{aligned} |G(z)| &\leq |a_n|R^{n+1} + (k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n|R^n + (k_1\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})R^n + (\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2})R^{n-1} + \dots + (\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \tau_1\alpha_\lambda)R^{\lambda+1} \\ &\quad + (1 - \tau_1)|\alpha_\lambda|R^{\lambda+1} + |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}|R^\lambda + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0|R + (k_2\beta_n - \beta_{n-1})R^n + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n|R^n \\ &\quad + (\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2})R^{n-1} + \dots + |\beta_{\mu+1} - \tau_2\beta_\mu|R^{\mu+1} + (1 - \tau_2)|\beta_\mu|R^{\mu+1} + (\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1})R^\mu \\ &\quad + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0|R \\ &\leq |a_n|R^{n+1} + R^n [(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1} + \alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2} + \dots + (\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \tau_1\alpha_\lambda) \\ &\quad + (1 - \tau_1)|\alpha_\lambda| + |\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0| - |\alpha_0| + k_2\beta_n - \beta_{n-1} + \beta_{n-1} \\ &\quad - \beta_{n-1} + \dots + \beta_{\mu+1} - \tau_2\beta_\mu + |\beta_\mu - \beta_{\mu-1}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0| - |\beta_0|] \\ &= |a_n|R^{n+1} + R^n [(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M \\ &\quad - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|] \end{aligned}$$

for  $R \geq 1$

and for  $R \leq 1$



$$|G(z)| \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + R[(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|].$$

Since  $G(z)$  is analytic for  $|z| \leq R$ ,  $G(0) = 0$ , it ,therefore, follows by Schwarz Lemma that

$$|G(z)| \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|]$$

for  $R \geq 1$   
and

$$|G(z)| \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|]$$

for  $R \leq 1$ .

Therefore , for  $|z| \leq R$

$$|G(z)| \leq [|a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \{(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|\}] |z|$$

for  $R \geq 1$   
and

$$|G(z)| \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \{(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|\} |z|$$

for  $R \leq 1$ .

Hence , for  $|z| \leq R$

$$|F(z)| = |a_0 + G(z)|$$

$$\geq |a_0| - |G(z)|$$

$$\geq |a_0| - [|a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \{(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M$$

$$- \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|\}] |z|$$

$> 0$

if  $|z| > \frac{|a_0|}{K}$ , where

$$K = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \{(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + \beta_\mu) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0|\}$$

for  $R \geq 1$   
and

$$|F(z)| > 0$$

if  $|z| > \frac{|a_0|}{K'}$  where

$$K' = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \{ (k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + |\alpha_\lambda|) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + |\beta_\mu|) - |\alpha_0| - |\beta_0| \}$$

for  $R \leq 1$ .

This shows that  $F(z)$  and hence  $P(z)$  has all its zeros in  $\frac{|a_0|}{K} \leq |z|$  for  $R \geq 1$  and in  $\frac{|a_0|}{K'} \leq |z|$  for  $R \leq 1$ .

Again, for  $|z| \leq R$ , it is easy to see that

$$|F(z)| \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + |\alpha_\lambda|) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + |\beta_\mu|)]$$

$$= M$$

for  $R \geq 1$

and

$$|F(z)| \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + R[(k_1 - 1)|\alpha_n| + (k_2 - 1)|\beta_n| + k_1\alpha_n + k_2\beta_n + |\alpha_\lambda| + |\beta_\mu| + L + M - \tau_1(|\alpha_\lambda| + |\alpha_\lambda|) - \tau_2(|\beta_\mu| + |\beta_\mu|)] + (1 - R)(|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|)$$

$$= M'$$

for  $R \leq 1$ .

Therefore, it follows, by using Lemma 2, that the number of zeros of  $F(z)$  and hence  $P(z)$  in

$$\frac{|a_0|}{K} \leq |z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1 \text{ is less than or equal to } \frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M}{|a_0|} \text{ for } R \geq 1$$

and the number of zeros of  $F(z)$  and hence  $P(z)$  in  $\frac{|a_0|}{K'} \leq |z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1$  is less than or equal to

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M'}{|a_0|} \text{ for } R \leq 1.$$

That completes the proof of Theorem 2.

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