

On the Zeros of Polynomials with Complex Coefficients

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Abstract: In this paper we prove some extension of the Eneström-Keakeya theorem (Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $0 < a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_n$ then all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in $|z| \leq 1$) by relaxing the hypothesis in different ways we get various other results which in term generalizes.

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1. Introduction

To estimate the zeros of a polynomial is a long standing classical problem [4-12]. It is an interesting area of research for engineers as well as mathematicians and many results on the same topic are available in literature. The polynomials in various forms have recently come under extensive revision because of their applications in linear control systems, signal processing, electrical networks, coding theory and several areas of physical sciences, where among others, location of zeros and stability problems arise in a natural way. Existing results in the literature also show that there is a need to find bounds for special polynomials, for example, for those having restrictions on the coefficient, there is always need for refinement of results in this subject. The well known result Eneström-Keakeya theorem [3,9] in theory of the distribution of zeros of polynomials is the following:

Theorem (A₁). Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $0 < a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq a_n$ then all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in $|z| \leq 1$.

A. Joyal, G. Labelle and Q. I. Rahman [1] obtained the following generalization, by considering the coefficients to be real, instead of being only positive.

Theorem (A₂). Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq a_n$ then all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in $|z| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \{a_n - a_0 + |a_0|\}$.

In the literature some attempts have been made to extend and generalize the Eneström-Keakeya theorem. Aziz and Zargar [2] relaxed the hypothesis of Eneström-Keakeya theorem in a different way and proved the following results:

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Theorem (A₃). Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n such that for some $k \geq 1$, $0 < a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq ka_n$ then all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in $|z + k - 1| \leq k$.

Theorem (A₄). Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n such that for some $k \geq 1$, $a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq ka_n$ then all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in $|z + k - 1| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \{ka_n - a_0 + |a_0|\}$.

In this paper We want to prove the following results.

Theorem 1.1. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that for some $k \geq 1, k_1 \geq 1, l \geq 1, l_1 \geq 1, \delta \geq 0, \eta \geq 0, a_m \neq 0, b_m \neq 0$,

$$a_0 - \delta \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{m-1} \leq k_1 a_m \leq a_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq ka_n \quad \text{and}$$

$$b_0 - \eta \leq b_1 \leq \dots \leq b_{m-1} \leq l_1 b_m \leq b_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq b_{n-1} \leq lb_n$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} [k(a_n + |a_n|) + l(b_n + |b_n|) + |a_0| + |b_0| + 2(k_1 - 1)|a_m| + 2(l_1 - 1)|b_m| - (a_0 + b_0 + |a_n| + |b_n|) + 2\delta + 2\eta].$$

Corollary 1.2. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that for some $k \geq 1, k_1 \geq 1, \delta \geq 0, \eta \geq 0, a_m \neq 0, b_m \neq 0$,

$$a_0 - \delta \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{m-1} \leq k_1 a_m \leq a_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq ka_n \quad \text{and}$$

$$b_0 - \eta \leq b_1 \leq \dots \leq b_{m-1} \leq k_1 b_m \leq b_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq b_{n-1} \leq kb_n$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} [k(a_n + b_n + |a_n| + |b_n|) + |a_0| + |b_0| + 2k_1(|a_m| + |b_m|) - (a_0 + b_0 + |a_n| + |b_n|) + 2(\delta + \eta - |a_m| - |b_m|)].$$

Corollary 1.3. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that for some $k \geq 1, \delta \geq 0$,

$$a_0 - \delta \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{m-1} \leq a_m \leq a_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq ka_n \quad \text{and}$$

$$b_0 - \delta \leq b_1 \leq \dots \leq b_{m-1} \leq b_m \leq b_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq b_{n-1} \leq kb_n$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} [k(a_n + b_n + |a_n| + |b_n|) + |a_0| + |b_0| - (a_0 + b_0 + |a_n| + |b_n|) + 4\delta].$$

Corollary 1.4. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that for some $k \geq 1, k_1 \geq 1, \delta \geq 0, a_m \neq 0$

$$a_0 - \delta \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{m-1} \leq k_1 a_m \leq a_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq ka_n \quad \text{and}$$

$$b_0 \leq b_1 \leq \dots \leq b_{m-1} \leq b_m \leq b_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq b_{n-1} \leq b_n$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} [k(a_n + |a_n|) + b_n + |a_0| + |b_0| + 2(k_1 - 1)|a_m| - (a_0 + b_0 + |a_n|) + 2\delta].$$

Corollary 1.5. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that

$$a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{m-1} \leq a_m \leq a_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq a_n \quad \text{and}$$

$$b_0 \leq b_1 \leq \dots \leq b_{m-1} \leq b_m \leq b_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq b_{n-1} \leq b_n$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} [a_n + b_n + |a_0| + |b_0| - (a_0 + b_0)].$$

Corollary 1.6. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i > 0$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i > 0$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that for some $k \geq 1, k_1 \geq 1, \delta \geq 0, \eta \geq 0, a_m \neq 0, b_m \neq 0,$

$$a_0 - \delta \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{m-1} \leq k_1 a_m \leq a_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq k a_n \quad \text{and}$$

$$b_0 - \eta \leq b_1 \leq \dots \leq b_{m-1} \leq k_1 b_m \leq b_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq b_{n-1} \leq k b_n$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} [(2k - 1)(a_n + b_n) + (2k_1 - 1)(a_m + b_m) + 2\delta + 2\eta].$$

Remark 1.7.

- (1). By taking $b_i = 0$ in Corollary 4, then it reduces to Theorem A₂.
- (2). By taking $b_i = 0$ and $a_i > 0$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ in Corollary 4, then it reduces to Theorem A₁.
- (3). By taking $k = l, k_1 = l_1$ in Theorem 1, then it is reduces to Corollary 1.
- (4). By taking $l = k, l_1 = k_1 = 1$ and $\delta = \eta$ in Theorem 1, then it is reduces to Corollary 2.
- (5). By taking $l = l_1 = 1$ and $\eta = 0$ in Theorem 1, then it is reduces to Corollary 3.
- (6). By taking $l = k_1 = l_1 = k = 1$ and $\delta = \eta = 0$ in Theorem 1, then it is reduces to Corollary 4.
- (7). By taking $b_i > 0$ and $a_i > 0$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ in Corollary 1, then it reduces to Corollary 5.

Theorem 1.8. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that for some $0 < r \leq 1, 0 < s \leq 1, 0 < x \leq 1, 0 < y \leq 1, \delta \geq 0, \eta \geq 0, a_m \neq 0, b_m \neq 0,$

$$r a_n \leq a_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq a_{m+1} \leq s a_m \leq a_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq a_1 \leq a_0 + \delta \quad \text{and}$$

$$x b_n \leq b_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq b_{m+1} \leq y b_m \leq b_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq b_1 \leq b_0 + \eta$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[a_0 + b_0 + |a_0| + |b_0| + |a_n| + |b_n| - r(a_n + |a_n|) - x(b_n + |b_n|) + 2[|a_m| + |b_m| - s|a_m| - y|b_m| + \delta + \eta] \right].$$

Corollary 1.9. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that for some $0 < r \leq 1, 0 < s \leq 1, \delta \geq 0, \eta \geq 0, a_m \neq 0, b_m \neq 0$,

$$ra_n \leq a_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq a_{m+1} \leq sa_m \leq a_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq a_1 \leq a_0 + \delta \quad \text{and}$$

$$rb_n \leq b_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq b_{m+1} \leq sb_m \leq b_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq b_1 \leq b_0 + \eta$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[a_0 + b_0 + |a_0| + |b_0| + |a_n| + |b_n| - r(a_n + |a_n| + b_n + |b_n|) + 2[|a_m| + |b_m| - s(|a_m| + |b_m|) + \delta + \eta] \right].$$

Corollary 1.10. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that for some $0 < r \leq 1, \delta \geq 0$,

$$ra_n \leq a_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq a_{m+1} \leq a_m \leq a_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq a_1 \leq a_0 + \delta \quad \text{and}$$

$$rb_n \leq b_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq b_{m+1} \leq b_m \leq b_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq b_1 \leq b_0 + \delta$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[a_0 + b_0 + |a_0| + |b_0| + |a_n| + |b_n| - r(a_n + b_n + |a_n| + |b_n|) + 4\delta \right].$$

Corollary 1.11. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that for some $0 < r \leq 1, 0 < s \leq 1, \delta \geq 0, a_m \neq 0$,

$$ra_n \leq a_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq a_{m+1} \leq sa_m \leq a_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq a_1 \leq a_0 + \delta \quad \text{and}$$

$$b_n \leq b_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq b_{m+1} \leq b_m \leq b_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq b_1 \leq b_0$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[a_0 + b_0 + |a_0| + |b_0| + |a_n| + |b_n| - r(a_n + |a_n|) - b_n + 2[|a_m| - s|a_m| + \delta] \right].$$

Corollary 1.12. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that

$$a_n \leq a_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq a_{m+1} \leq a_m \leq a_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq a_1 \leq a_0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$b_n \leq b_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq b_{m+1} \leq b_m \leq b_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq b_1 \leq b_0$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[a_0 + b_0 + |a_0| + |b_0| - a_n - b_n \right].$$

Corollary 1.13. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n with $Re(\alpha_i) = a_i > 0$ and $Im(\alpha_i) = b_i > 0$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ such that for some $0 < r \leq 1, 0 < s \leq 1, 0 < x \leq 1, 0 < y \leq 1, \delta \geq 0, \eta \geq 0, a_m \neq 0, b_m \neq 0$,

$$ra_n \leq a_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq a_{m+1} \leq sa_m \leq a_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq a_1 \leq a_0 + \delta \quad \text{and}$$

$$xb_n \leq b_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq b_{m+1} \leq yb_m \leq b_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq b_1 \leq b_0 + \eta$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[a_0 + b_0 + |a_0| + |b_0| + (1 - 2r)a_n + (1 - 2x)b_n + 2[(1 - s)a_m + (1 - y)b_m + \delta + \eta] \right].$$

Remark 1.14.

- (1). By taking $r = x, s = y$ in Theorem 2, then it is reduces to Corollary 6.
- (2). By taking $x = r, s = y = 1$ and $\delta = \eta$ in Theorem 2, then it is reduces to Corollary 7.
- (3). By taking $x = y = 1$ and $\eta = 0$ in Theorem 2, then it is reduces to Corollary 8.
- (4). By taking $r = s = x = y = 1$ and $\delta = \eta = 0$ in Theorem 2, then it is reduces to Corollary 9.
- (5). By taking $b_i > 0$ and $a_i > 0$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ in Theorem 2, then it reduces to Corollary 10.

2. Proof of the Theorems

Proof of Theorem 1.1. Let $P(z) = \alpha_n z^n + \alpha_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \alpha_m z^m + \alpha_{m+1} z^{m+1} + \dots + \alpha_1 z + \alpha_0$ be a polynomial of degree n . Then consider the polynomial $Q(z) = (1 - z)P(z)$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} Q(z) &= -\alpha_n z^{n+1} + (\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (\alpha_{m+1} - \alpha_m)z^{m+1} + (\alpha_m - \alpha_{m-1})z^m + \dots + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_0)z + \alpha_0. \\ &= -\alpha_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_{m+1} - a_m)z^{m+1} + (a_m - a_{m-1})z^m + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0 + \\ &\quad + i\{(b_n - b_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (b_{m+1} - b_m)z^{m+1} + (b_m - b_{m-1})z^m + \dots + (b_1 - b_0)z + b_0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Also if $|z| > 1$ then $\frac{1}{|z|^{n-i}} < 1$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} |Q(z)| &\geq |\alpha_n| |z|^{n+1} - \left\{ (|a_n - a_{n-1}| |z|^n + \dots + |a_{m+1} - a_m| |z|^{m+1} + |a_m - a_{m-1}| |z|^m + \dots + |a_1 - a_0| |z| + a_0) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (|b_n - b_{n-1}| |z|^n + \dots + |b_{m+1} - b_m| |z|^{m+1} + |b_m - b_{m-1}| |z|^m + \dots + |b_1 - b_0| |z| + b_0) \right\} \\ &\geq |\alpha_n| |z|^n \left[|z| - \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left\{ (|a_n - a_{n-1}| + \frac{|a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}|}{|z|} + \dots + \frac{|a_{m+1} - a_m|}{|z|^{n-m-1}} + \frac{|a_m - a_{m-1}|}{|z|^{n-m}} + \dots + \frac{|a_1 - a_0|}{|z|^{n-1}} + \frac{|a_0|}{|z|^n}) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + (|b_n - b_{n-1}| + \frac{|b_{n-1} - b_{n-2}|}{|z|} + \dots + \frac{|b_{m+1} - b_m|}{|z|^{n-m-1}} + \frac{|b_m - b_{m-1}|}{|z|^{n-m}} + \dots + \frac{|b_1 - b_0|}{|z|^{n-1}} + \frac{|b_0|}{|z|^n}) \right\} \right] \\ &\geq |\alpha_n| |z|^n \left[|z| - \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left\{ (|ka_n - a_{n-1} - ka_n + a_n| + |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| + \dots + |a_{m+1} - k_1 a_m + k_1 a_m - a_m| \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + |a_m - k_1 a_m + k_1 a_m - a_{m-1}| + \dots + |a_1 + \delta - a_0 - \delta| + |a_0|) + (|lb_n - b_{n-1} - lb_n + b_n| + |b_{n-1} - b_{n-2}| \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \dots + |b_{m+1} - l_1 b_m + l_1 b_m - b_m| + |b_m - l_1 b_m + l_1 b_m - b_{m-1}| + \dots + |b_1 + \eta - b_0 - \eta| + |b_0|) \right\} \right] \\ &\geq |\alpha_n| |z|^n \left[|z| - \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left\{ [(ka_n - a_{n-1}) + (k - 1)|a_n| + (a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}) + \dots + (a_{m+1} - k_1 a_m) + (k_1 - 1)|a_m| \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + (k_1 a_m - a_{m-1}) + (k_1 - 1)|a_m| + \dots + (a_1 + \delta - a_0) + \delta + |a_0|] + [(lb_n - b_{n-1}) + (l - 1)|b_n| + (b_{n-1} - b_{n-2}) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \dots + (b_{m+1} - l_1 b_m) + (l_1 - 1)|b_m| + (l_1 b_m - b_{m-1}) + (l_1 - 1)|b_m| + \dots + (b_1 + \eta - b_0) + \eta + |b_0|] \right\} \right] \\ &= |\alpha_n| |z|^n \left[|z| - \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left\{ k(a_n + |a_n|) + l(b_n + |b_n|) + |a_0| + |b_0| + 2(k_1 - 1)|a_m| + 2(l_1 - 1)|b_m| \right. \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$- (a_0 + b_0 + |a_n| + |b_n|) + 2\delta + 2\eta \Big\} \Big] > 0$$

provided

$$|z| > \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[k(a_n + |a_n|) + l(b_n + |b_n|) + |a_0| + |b_0| + 2(k_1 - 1)|a_m| + 2(l_1 - 1)|b_m| - (a_0 + b_0 + |a_n| + |b_n|) + 2\delta + 2\eta \right].$$

This shows that $Q(z) > 0$ provided

$$|z| > \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[k(a_n + |a_n|) + l(b_n + |b_n|) + |a_0| + |b_0| + 2(k_1 - 1)|a_m| + 2(l_1 - 1)|b_m| - (a_0 + b_0 + |a_n| + |b_n|) + 2\delta + 2\eta \right].$$

Hence all the zeros of $Q(z)$ with $|z| > 1$ lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[k(a_n + |a_n|) + l(b_n + |b_n|) + |a_0| + |b_0| + 2(k_1 - 1)|a_m| + 2(l_1 - 1)|b_m| - (a_0 + b_0 + |a_n| + |b_n|) + 2\delta + 2\eta \right].$$

But those zeros of $Q(z)$ whose modulus is less than or equal to 1 already satisfy the above inequality. Since all the zeros of $P(z)$ are also the zeros of $Q(z)$ lie in the circle defined by the above inequality and this completes the proof of the Theorem 1.1. \square

Proof of Theorem 1.8. Let $P(z) = \alpha_n z^n + \alpha_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \alpha_m z^m + \alpha_{m+1} z^{m+1} + \dots + \alpha_1 z + \alpha_0$ be a polynomial of degree n . Then consider the polynomial $Q(z) = (1 - z)P(z)$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} Q(z) &= -\alpha_n z^{n+1} + (\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (\alpha_{m+1} - \alpha_m)z^{m+1} + (\alpha_m - \alpha_{m-1})z^m + \dots + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_0)z + \alpha_0. \\ &= -\alpha_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_{m+1} - a_m)z^{m+1} + (a_m - a_{m-1})z^m + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0 + \\ &\quad + i\{(b_n - b_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (b_{m+1} - b_m)z^{m+1} + (b_m - b_{m-1})z^m + \dots + (b_1 - b_0)z + b_0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Also if $|z| > 1$ then $\frac{1}{|z|^{n-i}} < 1$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} |Q(z)| &\geq |\alpha_n| |z|^{n+1} - \left\{ (|a_n - a_{n-1}| |z|^n + \dots + |a_{m+1} - a_m| |z|^{m+1} + |a_m - a_{m-1}| |z|^m + \dots + |a_1 - a_0| |z| + a_0) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (|b_n - b_{n-1}| |z|^n + \dots + |b_{m+1} - b_m| |z|^{m+1} + |b_m - b_{m-1}| |z|^m + \dots + |b_1 - b_0| |z| + b_0) \right\} \\ &\geq |a_n| |z|^n \left[|z| - \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left\{ \left(|a_n - a_{n-1}| + \frac{|a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}|}{|z|} + \dots + \frac{|a_{m+1} - a_m|}{|z|^{n-m-1}} + \frac{|a_m - a_{m-1}|}{|z|^{n-m}} + \dots + \frac{|a_1 - a_0|}{|z|^{n-1}} + \frac{|a_0|}{|z|^n} \right) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \left(|b_n - b_{n-1}| + \frac{|b_{n-1} - b_{n-2}|}{|z|} + \dots + \frac{|b_{m+1} - b_m|}{|z|^{n-m-1}} + \frac{|b_m - b_{m-1}|}{|z|^{n-m}} + \dots + \frac{|b_1 - b_0|}{|z|^{n-1}} + \frac{|b_0|}{|z|^n} \right) \right\} \right] \\ &\geq |a_n| |z|^n \left[|z| - \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left\{ (|ra_n - a_{n-1} - ra_n + a_n| + |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| + \dots + |a_{m+1} - sa_m + sa_m - a_m| \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + |a_m - sa_m + sa_m - a_{m-1}| + \dots + |a_1 + \delta - a_0 - \delta| + |a_0|) (|xb_n - b_{n-1} - xb_n + b_n| + |b_{n-1} - b_{n-2}| \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \dots + |b_{m+1} - yb_m + yb_m - b_m| + |b_m - yb_m + yb_m - b_{m-1}| + \dots + |b_1 + \eta - b_0 - \eta| + |b_0|) \right\} \right] \\ &\geq |a_n| |z|^n \left[|z| - \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left\{ [(a_{n-1} - ra_n) + (1-r)|a_n| + (a_{n-2} - a_{n-1}) + \dots + (sa_m - a_{m+1}) + (1-s)|a_m| \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + (a_{m-1} - sa_m) + (1-s)|a_m| + \dots + (a_0 + \delta - a_1) + \delta + |a_0|] + [(b_{n-1} - xb_n) + (1-x)|b_n| + (b_{n-2} - b_{n-1}) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \dots + (yb_m - b_{m+1}) + (1-y)|b_m| + (b_{m-1} - yb_m) + (1-y)|b_m| + \dots + (b_0 + \eta - b_1) + \eta + |b_0|] \right\} \right] \\ &= |a_n| |z|^n \left[|z| - \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left\{ a_0 + b_0 + |a_0| + |b_0| + |a_n| + |b_n| - r(a_n + |a_n|) - x(b_n + |b_n|) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + 2[|a_m| + |b_m| - s|a_m| - y|b_m| + \delta + \eta] \right\} \right] > 0 \end{aligned}$$

provided

$$|z| > \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[a_0 + b_0 + |a_0| + |b_0| + |a_n| + |b_n| - r(a_n + |a_n|) - x(b_n + |b_n|) + 2[|a_m| + |b_m| - s|a_m| - y|b_m| + \delta + \eta] \right].$$

This shows that $Q(z) > 0$ provided

$$|z| > \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[a_0 + b_0 + |a_0| + |b_0| + |a_n| + |b_n| - r(a_n + |a_n|) - x(b_n + |b_n|) + 2[|a_m| + |b_m| - s|a_m| - y|b_m| + \delta + \eta] \right].$$

Hence all the zeros of $Q(z)$ with $|z| > 1$ lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|\alpha_n|} \left[a_0 + b_0 + |a_0| + |b_0| + |a_n| + |b_n| - r(a_n + |a_n|) - x(b_n + |b_n|) + 2[|a_m| + |b_m| - s|a_m| - y|b_m| + \delta + \eta] \right].$$

But those zeros of $Q(z)$ whose modulus is less than or equal to 1 already satisfy the above inequality. Since all the zeros of $P(z)$ are also the zeros of $Q(z)$ lie in the circle defined by the above inequality and this completes the proof of the Theorem 1.8. □

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