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Some Enestrom- Kakeya Type Results

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Abstract: In this paper we prove some Enestrom-Kakeya type results on the location of zeros of a polynomial.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Enestrom and Kakeya proved independently a very important result on the location of zeros of a polynomial with real positive coefficients. It is known as Enestrom –Kakeya theorem and is stated as follows[2,3]:

A. *Theorem A*

Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that

$$a_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq a_1 \geq a_0 > 0.$$

Then all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in $|z| \leq 1$.

II. MAIN RESULTS

In this paper we change the condition on the coefficients of the polynomial and prove the following results:

A. *Theorem I*

Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n with real positive coefficients satisfying

$$a_n \leq a_{n-1} \geq a_{n-2} \leq a_{n-3} \geq \dots \leq a_1 \geq a_0$$

if n is odd and

$$a_n \leq a_{n-1} \geq a_{n-2} \leq a_{n-3} \geq \dots \leq a_1 \geq a_0$$

if n is even.

Then for odd n , all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L - M) - a_n}{a_n}$$

with $L - M > a_n$, where

$$L = a_{n-1} + a_{n-3} + \dots + a_0,$$

$$M = a_{n-2} + a_{n-4} + \dots + a_1.$$

And for even n , all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L' - M') - a_n}{a_n}$$

where

$$L' = a_{n-1} + a_{n-3} + \dots + a_1,$$

$$M' = a_{n-2} + a_{n-4} + \dots + a_2.$$

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with $L' - M' > a_n$.

1) *Remark 1:* If we consider the polynomial

$$P(z) = z^5 + 3z^4 + 3z^3 + 4z^2 + 4z + 5,$$

then Enestrom-akeya theorem is not applicable. The classical Cauchy's theorem gives the bound for all the zeros of P(z) as 6, whereas by Theorem 1, the bound is easily seen to be 3<6.

If the coefficients of the polynomial P(z) are complex, we prove the following result:

B. *Theorem2*

Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$ be a complex polynomial of degree n with $\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j$, $\text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j$, $j = 0,1,2,\dots,n$ and

$\alpha_j > 0, \forall j$ such that

$$\alpha_n \leq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \alpha_{n-2} \leq \alpha_{n-3} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_0$$

if n is odd and

$$\alpha_n \leq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \alpha_{n-2} \leq \alpha_{n-3} \geq \dots \leq \alpha_1 \geq \alpha_0$$

if n is even.

Then for odd n , all the zeros of P(z) lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L - M) - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_n|}$$

where

$$L = \alpha_{n-1} + \alpha_{n-3} + \dots + \alpha_0,$$

$$M = \alpha_{n-2} + \alpha_{n-4} + \dots + \alpha_1$$

with $2(L - M) - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| > |a_n|$.

And for even n , all the zeros of P(z) lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L' - M') - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_n|}$$

where

$$L' = \alpha_{n-1} + \alpha_{n-3} + \dots + \alpha_1,$$

$$M' = \alpha_{n-2} + \alpha_{n-4} + \dots + \alpha_2.$$

with $2(L' - M') - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| > |a_n|$.

1) *Remark 2:* Theorem 2 is a generalization of Theorem 1 and reduces to it by taking $\beta_j = 0, \forall j$.

Applying Theorem 2 to the polynomial $-iP(z)$, we get the following result:

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

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$\text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j, j = 0,1,2,\dots,n$ and $\beta_j > 0, \forall j$ such that

$$\beta_n \leq \beta_{n-1} \geq \beta_{n-2} \leq \beta_{n-3} \geq \dots \leq \beta_1 \geq \beta_0$$

if n is odd and

$$\beta_n \leq \beta_{n-1} \geq \beta_{n-2} \leq \beta_{n-3} \geq \dots \leq \beta_1 \geq \beta_0$$

if n is even.

Then for odd n , all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L_1 - M_1) - \beta_n + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\alpha_j|}{|a_n|}$$

where

$$L = \beta_{n-1} + \beta_{n-3} + \dots + \beta_0,$$

$$M = \beta_{n-2} + \beta_{n-4} + \dots + \beta_1$$

with $2(L_1 - M_1) - \beta_n + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\alpha_j| > |a_n|$.

And for even n , all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L'_1 - M'_1) - \beta_n + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\alpha_j|}{|a_n|}$$

where

$$L'_1 = \beta_{n-1} + \beta_{n-3} + \dots + \beta_1,$$

$$M'_1 = \beta_{n-2} + \beta_{n-4} + \dots + \beta_2.$$

with $2(L'_1 - M'_1) - \beta_n + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\alpha_j| > |a_n|$.

Next we prove the following result:

C. Theorem 3

Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$ be a complex polynomial of degree n such that for some real α, β ,

$$|\arg a_j - \beta| \leq \alpha \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, j = 0,1,2,\dots,n$$

and

$$|a_n| \leq |a_{n-1}| \geq |a_{n-2}| \leq |a_{n-3}| \geq \dots \leq |a_1| \geq |a_0|$$

if n is odd and

$$|a_n| \leq |a_{n-1}| \geq |a_{n-2}| \leq |a_{n-3}| \geq \dots \leq |a_1| \geq |a_0|$$

if n is even.

Then for odd n , all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [|a_n| (\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha) + 2(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) (|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_2|)]$$

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$$-2(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha)(|a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-4}| + \dots + |a_1|) + (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1)|a_0|$$

and for even n, all the zeros of P(z) lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [|a_n|(\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha) + 2(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha)(|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_1|) \\ - 2(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha)(|a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-4}| + \dots + |a_2|) + (\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha + 1)|a_0|]$$

1) Remark 3: If we take $\alpha = 0, \beta = 0, a_j > 0, \forall j$, Theorem 3 reduces to Theorem 1.

III. LEMMA

For the proofs of the above results, we need the following lemma:

A. Lemma 1

For any two complex numbers b_1, b_2 such that $|b_1| \geq |b_2|$ and $|\arg b_j - \beta| \leq \alpha \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, j = 1, 2$

for some real α, β ,

$$|b_1 - b_2| \leq (|b_1| - |b_2|)\cos \alpha + (|b_1| + |b_2|)\sin \alpha.$$

The above lemma is due to Govil and Rahman [1].

IV. PROOFS OF THEOREMS

A. Proof of Theorem 2

Consider the polynomial

$$F(z) = (1 - z)P(z) \\ = (1 - z)(a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 z + a_0) \\ = -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_{\lambda+1} - a_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} + (a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda \\ + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0 \\ = -a_n z^{n+1} + (\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})z^n + (\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_0)z + \alpha_0 \\ + i\{(\beta_n - \beta_{n-1})z^n + (\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (\beta_1 - \beta_0)z + \beta_0\}.$$

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

$$|F(z)| \geq |a_n||z|^{n+1} - [|\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}||z|^n + |\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2}||z|^{n-1} + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0||z| + |\alpha_0| \\ + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}||z|^n + |\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2}||z|^{n-1} + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0||z| + |\beta_0|] \\ = |z|^n [|a_n||z| - \{ |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + \frac{|\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2}|}{|z|} + \frac{|\alpha_{n-2} - \alpha_{n-3}|}{|z|^2} + \dots + \frac{|\alpha_1 - \alpha_0|}{|z|^{n-1}} + \frac{|\alpha_0|}{|z|^n} \\ + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}| + \frac{|\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2}|}{|z|} + \dots + \frac{|\beta_1 - \beta_0|}{|z|^{n-1}} + \frac{|\beta_0|}{|z|^n} \}] \\ > |z|^n [|a_n||z| - \{ |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2}| + |\alpha_{n-2} - \alpha_{n-3}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0| \\ + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}| + |\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0| \}]$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}| + |\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1 - \beta_0| + |\beta_0| \}] \\
 \geq & |z|^n [|a_n| |z| - \{ |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2}| + |\alpha_{n-2} - \alpha_{n-3}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0| \\
 & + |\beta_n| + |\beta_{n-1}| + |\beta_{n-1}| + |\beta_{n-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1| + |\beta_0| + |\beta_0| \}] \\
 \geq & |z|^n [|a_n| |z| - \{ \alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n + \alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2} + \alpha_{n-3} - \alpha_{n-2} + \dots + \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 + \alpha_0 - \alpha_1 \\
 & + \alpha_0 + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| \}] \\
 = & |z|^n [|a_n| |z| - \{ 2(\alpha_{n-1} + \alpha_{n-3} + \dots + \alpha_0) - 2(\alpha_{n-2} + \alpha_{n-4} + \dots + \alpha_1) - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| \}] \\
 = & |z|^n [|a_n| |z| - \{ 2L - 2M - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| \}] \\
 > & 0
 \end{aligned}$$

if

$$|z| > \frac{2L - 2M - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_n|}$$

provided $2L - 2M - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| > |a_n|$.

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L - M) - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_n|} .$$

Since $2L - 2M - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| > |a_n|$, it follows that those zeros of F(z) whose modulus is less than or equal to 1 already lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L - M) - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_n|} .$$

Since the zeros of P(z) are also the zeros of F(z), it follows that all the zeros of P(z) lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L - M) - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_n|}$$

in case n is odd.

If n is even, then for $|z| > 1$ so that $\frac{1}{|z|^j} < 1, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, we have, as in the above case, by using the hypothesis

$$|F(z)| \geq |z|^n [|a_n| |z| - \{ |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2}| + |\alpha_{n-2} - \alpha_{n-3}| + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \alpha_0| + |\alpha_0|$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & + |\beta_n| + |\beta_{n-1}| + |\beta_{n-1}| + |\beta_{n-2}| + \dots + |\beta_1| + |\beta_0| + |\beta_0| \}] \\
 \geq & |z|^n [|a_n| |z| - \{ \alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n + \alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2} + \alpha_{n-3} - \alpha_{n-2} \dots + \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_1 - \alpha_0 + \alpha_0 \\
 & + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| \}] \\
 = & |z|^n [|a_n| |z| - \{ 2(\alpha_{n-1} + \alpha_{n-3} + \dots + \alpha_1) - 2(\alpha_{n-2} + \alpha_{n-4} + \dots + \alpha_2) - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| \}] \\
 = & |z|^n [|a_n| |z| - \{ 2(L' - M') - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| \}] \\
 > & 0
 \end{aligned}$$

if

$$|z| > \frac{2(L' - M') - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_n|}$$

provided $2(L' - M') - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| > |a_n|$.

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

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Since $2(L' - M') - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j| > |a_n|$, it follows that those zeros of F(z) whose modulus is less than or equal to 1 already lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L' - M') - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_n|}$$

Since the zeros of P(z) are also the zeros of F(z), it follows that all the zeros of P(z) lie in

$$|z| \leq \frac{2(L' - M') - \alpha_n + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_n|}$$

in case n is even.

That completes the proof of Theorem 2.

B. Proof of Theorem 3

Consider the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(z) &= (1 - z)P(z) \\
 &= -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + (a_{n-1} - a_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0
 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} |F(z)| &\geq |z|^n [|a_n||z| - \{|a_n - a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-2} - a_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_1 - a_0| + |a_0| \\ &\geq |z|^n [|a_n||z| - \{(|a_{n-1}| - |a_n|)\cos\alpha + (|a_{n-1}| + |a_n|)\sin\alpha + (|a_{n-1}| - |a_{n-2}|)\cos\alpha \\ &\quad + (|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-2}|)\sin\alpha + (|a_{n-3}| - |a_{n-2}|)\cos\alpha + (|a_{n-3}| + |a_{n-2}|)\sin\alpha \\ &\quad + \dots + (|a_2| - |a_1|)\cos\alpha + (|a_2| + |a_1|)\sin\alpha + (|a_0| - |a_1|)\cos\alpha \\ &\quad + (|a_0| + |a_1|)\sin\alpha + |a_0\}|] \\ &= |z|^n [|a_n||z| - \{|a_n|(\sin\alpha - \cos\alpha) + 2(\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha)(|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_2|) \\ &\quad - 2(\cos\alpha - \sin\alpha)(|a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-4}| + \dots + |a_1|) + (\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha + 1)|a_0\}|] \\ &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

if

$$\begin{aligned} |z| > \frac{1}{|a_n|} [&|a_n|(\sin\alpha - \cos\alpha) + 2(\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha)(|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_2|) \\ &- 2(\cos\alpha - \sin\alpha)(|a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-4}| + \dots + |a_1|) + (\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha + 1)|a_0\}]. \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} |z| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [&|a_n|(\sin\alpha - \cos\alpha) + 2(\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha)(|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_2|) \\ &- 2(\cos\alpha - \sin\alpha)(|a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-4}| + \dots + |a_1|) + (\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha + 1)|a_0\}]. \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} |z| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [&|a_n|(\sin\alpha - \cos\alpha) + 2(\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha)(|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_2|) \\ &- 2(\cos\alpha - \sin\alpha)(|a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-4}| + \dots + |a_1|) + (\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha + 1)|a_0\}]. \end{aligned}$$

in case n is odd.

If n is even, we have as in the above case, for $|z| > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} |F(z)| &\geq |z|^n [|a_n||z| - \{(|a_{n-1}| - |a_n|)\cos\alpha + (|a_{n-1}| + |a_n|)\sin\alpha + (|a_{n-1}| - |a_{n-2}|)\cos\alpha \\ &\quad + (|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-2}|)\sin\alpha + (|a_{n-3}| - |a_{n-2}|)\cos\alpha + (|a_{n-3}| + |a_{n-2}|)\sin\alpha \\ &\quad + \dots + (|a_1| - |a_2|)\cos\alpha + (|a_1| + |a_2|)\sin\alpha + (|a_1| - |a_0|)\cos\alpha \\ &\quad + (|a_1| + |a_0|)\sin\alpha + |a_0\}|] \\ &= |z|^n [|a_n||z| - \{|a_n|(\sin\alpha - \cos\alpha) + 2(\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha)(|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_1|) \\ &\quad - 2(\cos\alpha - \sin\alpha)(|a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-4}| + \dots + |a_2|) + (\sin\alpha - \cos\alpha + 1)|a_0\}|] \\ &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

if

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$$|z| > \frac{1}{|a_n|} [|a_n| (\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha) + 2(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) (|a_{n-1}| + |v_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_1|) \\ - 2(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) (|a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-4}| + \dots + |a_2|) + (\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha + 1) |a_0|].$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [|a_n| (\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha) + 2(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) (|a_{n-1}| + |v_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_1|) \\ - 2(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) (|a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-4}| + \dots + |a_2|) + (\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha + 1) |a_0|].$$

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

$$|z| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [|a_n| (\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha) + 2(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) (|a_{n-1}| + |v_{n-3}| + \dots + |a_1|) \\ - 2(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) (|a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-4}| + \dots + |a_2|) + (\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha + 1) |a_0|].$$

in case n is even.

That completes the proof of Theorem 3.

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