

## On the Bounds for the Zeros of a Polynomial

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**Abstract.** In this paper we find bounds for the zeros of a complex polynomial when the coefficients of the polynomial are restricted to certain conditions.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

In connection with the bounds for the zeros of a polynomial with real coefficients, Gulzar [3] recently proved the following results.

**Theorem A.** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  such that for some positive numbers

$k_1, k_2, \rho$  and some integer  $\lambda$  with  $k_1 \geq 1, k_2 \geq 1, 0 < \rho \leq 1, 0 < \lambda \leq n-1$ ,

$$k_1 a_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq k_2 a_\lambda \geq a_{\lambda-1} \geq \dots \geq a_1 \geq \rho a_0.$$

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

$$|z + k_1 - 1| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \{k_1 a_n + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| - \rho(a_0 + |a_0|) + 2|a_0|\}.$$

**Theorem B.** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  such that for some positive numbers

$k_1, k_2, \rho$  and some integer  $\lambda$  with  $k_1 \geq 1, k_2 \geq 1, 0 < \rho \leq 1, 0 < \lambda \leq n-1$ ,

$$k_1 a_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq k_2 a_\lambda \geq a_{\lambda-1} \geq \dots \geq a_1 \geq \rho a_0.$$

Then for any  $R > 0$ , the number of zeros of  $P(z)$  in  $\frac{|a_0|}{M} \leq |z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1$  does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{K}{|P(0)|},$$

where

$$K = |a_n| R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R^n [ k_1 (|a_n| + a_n) - |a_n| + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + |a_0| - \rho(|a_0| + a_0) ],$$

$$M = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [ k_1 (|a_n| + a_n) - |a_n| + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + |a_0| - \rho(|a_0| + a_0) ]$$

for  $R \geq 1$  and

$$K = |a_n| R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R [ k_1 (|a_n| + a_n) - |a_n| + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + |a_0| - \rho(|a_0| + a_0) ],$$

$$M = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R [ k_1 (|a_n| + a_n) - |a_n| + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + |a_0| - \rho(|a_0| + a_0) ]$$

for  $R \leq 1$ .

## II. MAIN RESULTS

The aim of this paper is to consider the polynomial of Theorem A with complex coefficients and find bounds for its zeros and for the number of its zeros in a specific region. In fact, 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 complex coefficients such that for some

positive numbers  $k_1, k_2, \rho$  and some integer  $\lambda$  with  $k_1 \geq 1, k_2 \geq 1, 0 < \rho \leq 1, 0 < \lambda \leq n-1$ ,

$$k_1 |a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq k_2 |a_\lambda| \geq |a_{\lambda-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_1| \geq \rho |a_0|$$

and for some real numbers  $\alpha, \beta$ ,

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

Then  $P(z)$  has all its zeros in the closed disk

$$|z + k_1 - 1| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left\{ k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1) |a_\lambda| + 2|a_0| - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right\}.$$

**Remark 1.** Choosing  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 0$  and  $a_j \geq 0, \forall j$  in Theorem 1, we get Theorem A.

For different values of the parameters, we get many different results. For example taking  $k_2 = 1$  in Theorem 1, we get the following result.

**Corollary 1.** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with complex coefficients such that for some

positive numbers  $k_1, \rho$  and some integer  $\lambda$  with  $k_1 \geq 1, 0 < \rho \leq 1, 0 < \lambda \leq n-1$ ,

$$k_1 |a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_\lambda| \geq |a_{\lambda-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_1| \geq \rho |a_0|$$

and for some real numbers  $\alpha, \beta$ ,

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

Then  $P(z)$  has all its zeros in the closed disk

$$|z + k_1 - 1| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left\{ k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) + 2|a_0| - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right\}.$$

Taking  $\rho = 1$  in Theorem 1, we get the following result.

**Corollary 2.** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with complex coefficients such that for some

positive numbers  $k_1, k_2$  and some integer  $\lambda$  with  $k_1 \geq 1, k_2 \geq 1, 0 < \lambda \leq n-1$ ,

$$k_1 |a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq k_2 |a_\lambda| \geq |a_{\lambda-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_1| \geq |a_0|$$

and for some real numbers  $\alpha, \beta$ ,

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

Then  $P(z)$  has all its zeros in the closed disk

$$|z + k_1 - 1| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left\{ k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1) |a_\lambda| \right\}$$

$$-|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha - 1) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \}.$$

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 complex coefficients such that for some positive numbers  $k_1, k_2, \rho$  and some integer  $\lambda$  with  $k_1 \geq 1, k_2 \geq 1, 0 < \rho \leq 1, 0 < \lambda \leq n-1$ ,

$$k_1 |a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq k_2 |a_\lambda| \geq |a_{\lambda-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_1| \geq \rho |a_0|$$

and for some real numbers  $\alpha, \beta$ ,

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

Then  $P(z)$  has no zeros in the open disk  $|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{M}$ ,

where

$$\begin{aligned} M &= |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \left[ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1) |a_\lambda| \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right] \\ &\quad \text{for } R \geq 1 \\ &= |a_n| R^{n+1} + R \left[ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1) |a_\lambda| \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right] \\ &\quad \text{for } R \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

For different values of the parameters, we get many different results. For example taking  $k_2 = 1$  in Theorem 2, we get the following result.

**Corollary 3.** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with complex coefficients such that for some positive numbers  $k_1, \rho$  and some integer  $\lambda$  with  $k_1 \geq 1, 0 < \rho \leq 1, 0 < \lambda \leq n-1$ ,

$$k_1 |a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_\lambda| \geq |a_{\lambda-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_1| \geq \rho |a_0|$$

and for some real numbers  $\alpha, \beta$ ,

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

Then  $P(z)$  has no zeros in the open disk  $|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{M}$ ,

where

$$\begin{aligned} M &= |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \left[ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |a_j| \right] \\ &\quad \text{for } R \geq 1 \\ &= |a_n| R^{n+1} + R \left[ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |a_j| \right] \\ &\quad \text{for } R \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$- \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |a_j| \quad ]$$

for  $R \leq 1$ .

Taking  $\rho = 1$  in Theorem 2, we get the following result.

**Corollary 4.** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with complex coefficients such that for some

positive numbers  $k_1, k_2$  and some integer  $\lambda$  with  $k_1 \geq 1, k_2 \geq 1, 0 < \lambda \leq n-1$ ,

$$k_1 |a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq k_2 |a_\lambda| \geq |a_{\lambda-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_1| \geq |a_0|$$

and for some real numbers  $\alpha, \beta$ ,

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

Then  $P(z)$  has no zeros in the open disk  $|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{M}$ ,

where

$$M = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \left[ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1) |a_\lambda| - |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right]$$

for  $R \geq 1$

$$= |a_n| R^{n+1} + R \left[ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1) |a_\lambda| - |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right]$$

for  $R \leq 1$ .

Next we prove

**Theorem 3.** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with complex coefficients such that for some

positive numbers  $k_1, k_2, \rho$  and some integer  $\lambda$  with  $k_1 \geq 1, k_2 \geq 1, 0 < \rho \leq 1, 0 < \lambda \leq n-1$ ,

$$k_1 |a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq k_2 |a_\lambda| \geq |a_{\lambda-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_1| \geq \rho |a_0|$$

and for some real numbers  $\alpha, \beta$ ,

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

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

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{K}{|a_0|},$$

where

$$M = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \left[ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1) |a_\lambda| - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right]$$

for  $R \geq 1$

$$= |a_n|R^{n+1} + R \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| - \rho|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right]$$

for  $R \leq 1$ ,

$$K = |a_n|R^{n+1} + R^n \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| - \rho|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right]$$

for  $R \geq 1$

$$= |a_n|R^{n+1} + R \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| - \rho|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right]$$

for  $R \leq 1$ .

For different values of the parameters, we get many different results. For example taking  $\rho = 1$  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 complex coefficients such that for some

positive numbers  $k_1, k_2$  and some integer  $\lambda$  with  $k_1 \geq 1, k_2 \geq 1, 0 < \lambda \leq n - 1$ ,

$$k_1|a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq k_2|a_\lambda| \geq |a_{\lambda-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_1| \geq |a_0|$$

and for some real numbers  $\alpha, \beta$ ,

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

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

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{K}{|a_0|},$$

where

$$M = |a_n|R^{n+1} + R^n \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| - |a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right]$$

for  $R \geq 1$

$$= |a_n|R^{n+1} + R \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| - |a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right]$$

for  $R \leq 1$ ,

$$K = |a_n|R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R^n \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| - |a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{for } R \geq 1 \\
 & = |a_n|R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - |a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right] \\
 & \text{for } R \leq 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

### III. LEMMAS

For the proofs of the above results, we need 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 for  $|z| \leq R$ ,  $f(0) \neq 0$  and  $|f(z)| \leq M$  for  $|z| \leq R$ . Then the number of zeros

of  $f(z)$  in  $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ,  $c > 1$  does not exceed  $\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M}{|f(0)|}$ .

Lemma 2 is a simple deduction from Lemma 1.

**Lemma 3.** For any two complex numbers  $z_1, z_2$  such that  $|z_1| \geq |z_2|$  and for some real  $\alpha, \beta$ ,  $|\arg z_j - \beta| \leq \alpha \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ , we have

$$|z_1 - z_2| \leq (|z_1| - |z_2|) \cos \alpha + (|z_1| + |z_2|) \sin \alpha.$$

Lemma 3 is due to Govil and Rahman [2].

### IV, PROOFS OF THEOREMS

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(z) &= (1-z)P(z) \\
 &= -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_{\lambda+1} - a_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} + (a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0 \\
 &= -a_n z^{n+1} + (k_1 a_n - a_{n-1})z^n - (k_1 - 1)a_n z^n + (a_{n-1} - a_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (a_{\lambda+1} - k_2 a_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} \\
 & \quad + (k_2 - 1)a_\lambda z^{\lambda+1} + (k_2 a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda - (k_2 - 1)a_\lambda z^\lambda + (a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2})z^{\lambda-1} + \dots \\
 & \quad + (a_2 - a_1)z^2 + (a_1 - \rho a_0)z + (\rho - 1)a_0 z + a_0
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $|z| > 1$  so that  $\frac{1}{|z|^j} < 1$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we have by using the hypothesis and Lemma 3,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F(z)| &\geq |a_n|z^n \left[ |z + k_1 - 1| - \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left\{ |k_1 a_n - a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|} + \dots + |a_{\lambda+1} - k_2 a_\lambda| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-\lambda-1}} \right. \right. \\
 & \quad + (k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-\lambda-1}} + |k_2 a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1}| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-\lambda}} + (k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-\lambda}} \\
 & \quad + |a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2}| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-\lambda+1}} + \dots + |a_2 - a_1| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-1}} + |a_1 - \rho a_0| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-1}} + (1 - \rho)|a_0| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-1}} \\
 & \quad \left. \left. + |a_0| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^n} \right\} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &> |a_n|z^n \left[ |z+k_1-1| - \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left\{ |k_1 a_n - a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| + \dots + |a_{\lambda+1} - k_2 a_\lambda| \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + (k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + |k_2 a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1}| + (k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + |a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2}| + \dots \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + |a_2 - a_1| + |a_1 - \rho a_0| + (1 - \rho)|a_0| + |a_0| \right\} \right] \\
 &\geq |a_n|z^n \left[ |z+k_1-1| - \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left\{ (k_1|a_n| - |a_{n-1}|)\cos\alpha + (k_1|a_n| + |a_{n-1}|)\sin\alpha \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + (|a_{n-1}| - |a_{n-2}|)\cos\alpha + (|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-2}|)\sin\alpha + \dots \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + (|a_{\lambda+1}| - k_2|a_\lambda|)\cos\alpha + (|a_{\lambda+1}| + k_2|a_\lambda|)\sin\alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + (k_2|a_\lambda| - |a_{\lambda-1}|)\cos\alpha + (k_2|a_\lambda| + |a_{\lambda-1}|)\sin\alpha + (|a_{\lambda-1}| - |a_{\lambda-2}|)\cos\alpha \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + (|a_{\lambda-1}| + |a_{\lambda-2}|)\sin\alpha + \dots + (|a_2| - |a_1|)\cos\alpha + (|a_2| + |a_1|)\sin\alpha \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + (|a_1| - \rho|a_0|)\cos\alpha + (|a_1| + \rho|a_0|)\sin\alpha + (1 - \rho)|a_0| + |a_0| \right\} \right] \\
 &\geq |a_n||z|^n \left[ |z+k_1-1| - \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left\{ k_1|a_n|(\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha) + 2k_2|a_\lambda|\sin\alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + 2|a_0| - \rho|a_0|(\cos\alpha - \sin\alpha + 1) + 2\sin\alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right\} \right] \\
 &> 0
 \end{aligned}$$

if

$$\begin{aligned}
 |z+k_1-1| &> \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left\{ k_1|a_n|(\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha) + 2k_2|a_\lambda|\sin\alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2|a_0| - \rho|a_0|(\cos\alpha - \sin\alpha + 1) + 2\sin\alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 |z+k_1-1| &\leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left\{ k_1|a_n|(\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha) + 2k_2|a_\lambda|\sin\alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2|a_0| - \rho|a_0|(\cos\alpha - \sin\alpha + 1) + 2\sin\alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since the 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 the closed disk

$$\begin{aligned}
 |z+k_1-1| &\leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left\{ k_1|a_n|(\cos\alpha + \sin\alpha) + 2k_2|a_\lambda|\sin\alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2|a_0| - \rho|a_0|(\cos\alpha - \sin\alpha + 1) + 2\sin\alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right\},
 \end{aligned}$$

thereby proving Theorem 1.

**Proof of Theorem 2.** For the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(z) &= (1-z)P(z) \\
 &= -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_{\lambda+1} - a_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} + (a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0 \\
 &= -a_n z^{n+1} + (k_1 a_n - a_{n-1})z^n - (k_1 - 1)a_n z^n + (a_{n-1} - a_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (a_{\lambda+1} - k_2 a_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + (k_2 - 1)a_\lambda z^{\lambda+1} + (k_2 a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda - (k_2 - 1)a_\lambda z^\lambda + (a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2})z^{\lambda-1} + \dots \\
 & + (a_2 - a_1)z^2 + (a_1 - \rho a_0)z + (\rho - 1)a_0 z + a_0 \\
 & = a_0 + G(z)
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(z) & = -a_n z^{n+1} + (k_1 a_n - a_{n-1})z^n - (k_1 - 1)a_n z^n + (a_{n-1} - a_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (a_{\lambda+1} - k_2 a_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} \\
 & + (k_2 - 1)a_\lambda z^{\lambda+1} + (k_2 a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda - (k_2 - 1)a_\lambda z^\lambda + (a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2})z^{\lambda-1} + \dots \\
 & + (a_2 - a_1)z^2 + (a_1 - \rho a_0)z + (\rho - 1)a_0 z.
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $|z| \leq R$ , we have by using the hypothesis and Lemma 3,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |G(z)| & \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + |(k_1 - 1)a_n| R^n + |k_1 a_n - a_{n-1}| R^n + |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| R^{n-1} + \dots + |a_{\lambda+1} - k_2 a_\lambda| R^{\lambda+1} \\
 & + |(k_2 - 1)a_\lambda| R^{\lambda+1} + |k_2 a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1}| R^\lambda + |(k_2 - 1)a_\lambda| R^\lambda \\
 & + |a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2}| R^{\lambda-1} + \dots + |a_2 - a_1| R^2 + |a_1 - \rho a_0| R + |(\rho - 1)a_0| R \\
 & \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [ (k_1 - 1)|a_n| + |k_1 a_n - a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| + \dots + |a_{\lambda+1} - k_2 a_\lambda| \\
 & + (k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + |k_2 a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1}| + (k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + |a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2}| + \dots \\
 & + |a_2 - a_1| + |a_1 - \rho a_0| + (1 - \rho)|a_0| ] \\
 & \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [ (k_1 - 1)|a_n| + (k_1 |a_n| - |a_{n-1}|) \cos \alpha + (|k_1 a_n| + |a_{n-1}|) \sin \alpha \\
 & + (|a_{n-1}| - |a_{n-2}|) \cos \alpha + (|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-2}|) \sin \alpha + \dots \\
 & + (|a_{\lambda+1}| - k_2 |a_\lambda|) \cos \alpha + (|a_{\lambda+1}| + k_2 |a_\lambda|) \sin \alpha \\
 & + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + (k_2 |a_\lambda| - |a_{\lambda-1}|) \cos \alpha + (k_2 |a_\lambda| + |a_{\lambda-1}|) \sin \alpha \\
 & + (|a_{\lambda-1}| - |a_{\lambda-2}|) \cos \alpha + (|a_{\lambda-1}| + |a_{\lambda-2}|) \sin \alpha + \dots \\
 & + (|a_2| - |a_1|) \cos \alpha + (|a_2| + |a_1|) \sin \alpha + (|a_1| - \rho |a_0|) \cos \alpha \\
 & + (|a_1| + \rho |a_0|) \sin \alpha + (1 - \rho)|a_0| ] \\
 & = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \\
 & - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| ]
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $R \geq 1$ .

For  $R \leq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |G(z)| & \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + R [ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \\
 & - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| ].
 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 |G(z)| & \leq M |z| \text{ in } |z| \leq R, \text{ where} \\
 M & = |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n [ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \\
 & - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| ]
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $R \geq 1$ .



$$= |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \left[ (k_1 |a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2 |a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1) |a_\lambda| \right. \\ \left. - \rho |a_0| (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right] \\ \text{for } R \leq 1.$$

Hence ,

$$|F(z)| = |a_0 + G(z)| \\ \geq |a_0| - |G(z)| \\ \geq |a_0| - M |z| \\ > 0$$

if  $|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{M}$  .

In other words, no zero of F(z) lies in  $|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{M}$  .

Since the zeros of P(z) are also the zeros of F(z), it follows no zero of F(z) lies in  $|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{M}$  . That completes the proof of Theorem 2.

**Proof of Theorem 3.** For the polynomial

$$F(z) = (1-z)P(z) \\ = -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_{\lambda+1} - a_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} + (a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0 \\ = -a_n z^{n+1} + (k_1 a_n - a_{n-1})z^n - (k_1 - 1)a_n z^n + (a_{n-1} - a_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (a_{\lambda+1} - k_2 a_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} \\ + (k_2 - 1)a_\lambda z^{\lambda+1} + (k_2 a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1})z^\lambda - (k_2 - 1)a_\lambda z^\lambda + (a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2})z^{\lambda-1} + \dots \\ + (a_2 - a_1)z^2 + (a_1 - \rho a_0)z + (\rho - 1)a_0 z + a_0,$$

for  $|z| \leq R$ , we have by using the hypothesis and Lemma 3,

$$|F(z)| \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + |(k_1 - 1)a_n| R^n + |k_1 a_n - a_{n-1}| R^n + |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| R^{n-1} + \dots + |a_{\lambda+1} - k_2 a_\lambda| R^{\lambda+1} \\ + |(k_2 - 1)a_\lambda| R^{\lambda+1} + |k_2 a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1}| R^\lambda + |(k_2 - 1)a_\lambda| R^\lambda \\ + |a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2}| R^{\lambda-1} + \dots + |a_2 - a_1| R^2 + |a_1 - \rho a_0| R + |(\rho - 1)a_0| R + |a_0| \\ \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R^n \left[ (k_1 - 1)|a_n| + |k_1 a_n - a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| + \dots + |a_{\lambda+1} - k_2 a_\lambda| \right. \\ \left. + (k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + |k_2 a_\lambda - a_{\lambda-1}| + (k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + |a_{\lambda-1} - a_{\lambda-2}| + \dots \right. \\ \left. + |a_2 - a_1| + |a_1 - \rho a_0| + (1 - \rho)|a_0| \right] \\ \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R^n \left[ (k_1 - 1)|a_n| + (k_1 |a_n| - |a_{n-1}|) \cos \alpha + (|k_1 a_n| + |a_{n-1}|) \sin \alpha \right. \\ \left. + (|a_{n-1}| - |a_{n-2}|) \cos \alpha + (|a_{n-1}| + |a_{n-2}|) \sin \alpha + \dots \right. \\ \left. + (|a_{\lambda+1}| - k_2 |a_\lambda|) \cos \alpha + (|a_{\lambda+1}| + k_2 |a_\lambda|) \sin \alpha \right. \\ \left. + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| + (k_2 |a_\lambda| - |a_{\lambda-1}|) \cos \alpha + (k_2 |a_\lambda| + |a_{\lambda-1}|) \sin \alpha \right. \\ \left. + (|a_{\lambda-1}| - |a_{\lambda-2}|) \cos \alpha + (|a_{\lambda-1}| + |a_{\lambda-2}|) \sin \alpha + \dots \right. \\ \left. + (|a_2| - |a_1|) \cos \alpha + (|a_2| + |a_1|) \sin \alpha + (|a_1| - \rho |a_0|) \cos \alpha \right. \\ \left. + (|a_1| + \rho |a_0|) \sin \alpha + (1 - \rho)|a_0| \right]$$

$$= |a_n|R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R^n \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \right. \\ \left. - \rho|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right]$$

for  $R \geq 1$ .

For  $R \leq 1$ ,

$$|F(z)| \leq |a_n|R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \right. \\ \left. - \rho|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right].$$

Hence, by Lemma 2, the number of zeros of  $F(z)$  and hence  $P(z)$  in  $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}, c > 1$  is less than or equal to

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{K}{|a_0|},$$

where

$$K = |a_n|R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R^n \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \right. \\ \left. - \rho|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right] \\ \text{for } R \geq 1 \\ = |a_n|R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R \left[ (k_1|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - |a_n| + 2k_2|a_\lambda| \sin \alpha + 2(k_2 - 1)|a_\lambda| \right. \\ \left. - \rho|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1, j \neq \lambda}^{n-1} |a_j| \right] \\ \text{for } R \leq 1.$$

By using Theorem 2, the result then follows.

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