Eneström - Kakeya Theorem and Zero-free Regions of Polynomials

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Abstract: In the literature, some extensions and generalizations of Eneström-Kakeya theorem are available. In this paper we refine some known results and accordingly obtain the zero –free regions of polynomials.

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Introduction and Statement of Results

In the theory of distribution of zeros of polynomials, the Eneström-Kakeya theorem [4] given below in theorem A is a well known result.

Theorem A. Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n such that

 $a_n \ge a_{n-1} \ge \dots \ge a_1 \ge a_0 > 0$ Then all the zeros of P(z) lie in the disk $|z| \le 1$.

Many attempts have been made to extend and generalize the Eneström-Kakeyatheorem . A. Joyal et al [3] extended the Eneström-Kakeya theorem to the polynomials with general monotonic coefficients by proving that if $a_n \ge a_{n-1} \ge \ldots \ge a_1 \ge a_0$ Then P(z) has all its zeros in the disk

$$|z| \le \frac{a_n - a_0 + |a_0|}{|a_n|}$$

Further Aziz and Zargar [1] generalized the result of A.Joyal et al [3] and the Eneström-Kakeya theorem as given below in theorem B.

Theorem B. Suppose $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n such that For some $\lambda \ge 1$, $\lambda a_n \ge a_{n-1} \ge \dots \ge a_1 \ge a_0$ then all the zeros of $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i z^i$, lie in the disk

$$|z + (\lambda - 1)| \le \frac{\lambda a_n - a_0 + |a_0|}{|a_n|}$$

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Theorem C. Suppose $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n such that either $a_n \ge a_{n-2} \ge \dots \ge a_2 \ge a_0 > 0$ and $a_{n-1} \ge a_{n-3} \ge \dots \ge a_3 \ge a_1 > 0$ if n is even Or $a_n \ge a_{n-2} \ge \dots \ge a_3 \ge a_1 > 0$ and $a_{n-1} \ge a_{n-3} \ge \dots \ge a_2 \ge a_0 > 0$ if n is odd, then all the zeros of P(z) lie in the disk $\left| z + \frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} \right| \le 1 + \frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n}$ But Govil and Rahman [2] proved that if, P(z) = $\sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i z^i$ is a complex polynomial of degree n with $|arg.a_i - \beta| \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$, (i= 0,1,2,...,n) for some β real and $|a_n| \ge |a_{n-1}| \ge \dots \ge |a_1| \ge |a_0|$, then P(z) has all its zeros in the disk $|z| \le \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + \frac{2 \sin \alpha}{|a_n|} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} |a_i|$ Again Shah and Liman [5] generalized theorem B and the result of Govil and Rahman[2] and proved theorems D and Eas stated below.

Theorem D. Suppose $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i z^i$ be a complex polynomial of degree n with $\operatorname{Re}(a_i) = \alpha_i$ and $\operatorname{Im}(a_i) = \beta_i$, i=0,1,2,....,n. If for some $\lambda \ge 1$

 $\lambda \alpha_n \ge \alpha_{n-1} \ge \dots \ge \alpha_1 \ge \alpha_0$, $\beta_n \ge \beta_{n-1} \ge \dots \ge \beta_1 \ge \beta_0 > 0$ Then P (z) has all its zeros in the disk

$$\left|z + \frac{(\lambda - 1)\alpha_n}{a_n}\right| \le \frac{\lambda \alpha_n - \alpha_0 + |\alpha_0| + \beta_n}{|a_n|}$$

Theorem E. Suppose $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i z^i$ be a complex polynomial of degree n such that $|arg.a_i - \beta| \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$, (i = 0, 1, 2, ..., n) for some β real and for some $\lambda \ge 1$ $\lambda_1 |a_n| \ge |a_{n-2}| \ge ..., \ge |a_2| \ge |a_0|$ Then P(z) has all its zeros in the disk

$$|z + (\lambda - 1)| \le \frac{1}{|a_n|} \{ (\lambda |a_n| - |a_0|) (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) + |a_0| + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} |a_i| \}$$

The main purpose of this paper is to refine some results mentioned above and define the zero -free regions of polynomials in theorems C, D and E.

Theorems and Proofs

Theorem 1 Suppose $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i z^i$ be a polynomial of degree n such that either

 $a_n \ge a_{n-2} \ge \dots \ge a_2 \ge a_0$ and $a_{n-1} \ge a_{n-3} \ge \dots \ge a_3 \ge a_1$ if n is even Or, $a_n \ge a_{n-2} \ge \dots \ge a_3 \ge a_1$ and $a_{n-1} \ge a_{n-3} \ge \dots \ge a_2 \ge a_0$ if n is odd Then P(z) does not vanish in the disk

$$|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{|a_n| + a_n + |a_{n-1}| + a_{n-1} + |a_1| - a_1 - a_0}$$

Proof To prove the theorem , we consider a polynomial F(z) defined by $F(z) = (1 - z^2) P(z) = (1 - z^2) (a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + a_n z^n) = -a_n z^{n+2} - a_{n-1} z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-2}) z^n + (a_{n-1} - a_{n-3}) z^{n-1} + \dots + (a_3 - a_1) z^3 + (a_2 - a_0) z^2 + a_1 z + a_0 = g(z) + a_0, \text{ where } g(z) = -a_n z^{n+2} - a_{n-1} z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-2}) z^n + (a_{n-1} - a_{n-3}) z^{n-1} + \dots + (a_3 - a_1) z^3 + (a_2 - a_0) z^2 + a_1 z \text{ If } |z| < 1 \text{ then } |g(z)| \le |a_n| + |a_{n-1}| + (a_n - a_{n-2}) + (a_{n-1} - a_{n-3}) + \dots + (a_3 - a_1) + (a_2 - a_0) + |a_1| \text{ since by hypothesis} a_n \ge a_{n-2} \ge \dots \ge a_2 \ge a_0$ and $a_{n-1} \ge a_{n-3} \ge \dots \ge a_3 \ge a_1$.On simplification, we have $|g(z)| \le |a_n| + |a_{n-1}| + a_n + a_{n-1} - a_1 - a_0 + |a_1|$

Also we have, g(0) = 0, therefore by Schwarz lemma, it follows that $|g(z)| \le M|z|$ for |z| < 1 where $M = |a_n| + |a_{n-1}| + a_n + a_{n-1} - a_1 - a_0 + |a_1|$ Again for |z| < 1, we have $|F(z)| = |g(z) + a_0| = |a_0 + g(z)| \ge |a_0| - |g(z)| \ge |a_0| - M|z| > 0$

if $|a_0| > M|z|$ I.e. if $|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{M}$ Also we can show that $M \ge |a_0|$ as |z| < 1 and hence the desired result follows.

Theorem 2 Let $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i z^i$ be a complex polynomial of degree n with $Re(a_i) = \alpha_i$ and $Im(a_i) = \beta_i$, i = 0, 1, 2, ..., n. Let for some $\lambda \ge 1$, $\lambda \alpha_n \ge \alpha_{n-1} \ge \ge \alpha_1 \ge \alpha_0$, $\beta_n \ge \beta_{n-1} \ge \ge \beta_1 \ge \beta_0$, then P(z) does not vanish in the disk

$$|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{|a_n| + (\lambda - 1)|\alpha_n| + \lambda \alpha_n - \alpha_o + \beta_n - \beta_0}$$

Proof To prove the theorem, we consider a polynomial F(z) defined by $F(z) = (1 - z) P(z) = (1 - z) \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i z^i = (1 - z)(a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + a_n z^n)$ On simplification, we have $F(z) = -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0$ $= g(z) + a_0, \text{ where } g(z) = -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z$ Using hypothesis, we can write g(z) as $g(z) = -a_n z^{n+1} + (\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})z^n + (\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_0)z + a_0$

$$i \{ (\beta_n - \beta_{n-1})z^n + (\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (\beta_1 - \beta_0)z \}$$

= $-a_n z^{n+1} - (\lambda - 1)\alpha_n z^n + (\lambda \alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})z^n + (\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_0)z + i \{ (\beta_n - \beta_{n-1})z^n + (\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n-2})z^{n-1} + \dots + (\beta_1 - \beta_0)z \}$
Now if $|z| < 1$, then on simplification, we have

$$|g(z)| \le |a_n| + (\lambda - 1)|\alpha_n| + \lambda \alpha_n - \alpha_o + \beta_n - \beta_0$$

From above, g(0) = 0, therefore by Schwarz lemma ,it follows that $|g(z)| \le M|z|$ for|z| < 1, where $M = |a_n| + (\lambda - 1)|\alpha_n| + \lambda \alpha_n - \alpha_o + \beta_n - \beta_0$ Again for|z| < 1, $|F(z)| = |g(z) + a_0| \ge |a_0| - |g(z)| \ge |a_0| - M|z| > 0$, if $|a_0| > M|z|$ i.e., if $|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{M}$ where $M = |a_n| + (\lambda - 1)|\alpha_n| + \lambda \alpha_n - \alpha_o + \beta_n - \beta_0$ Also we can show that $M \ge |a_0|$ as |z| < 1 Hence the desired result follows. **Theorem 3..** Suppose $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$ be a complex polynomial of degree n such that $|arg.a_i - \beta| \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$, (i=0,1,2,.....n) for some β real and for some $\lambda \ge 1$ $\lambda |a_n| \ge |a_{n-1}| \ge \dots \ge |a_1| \ge |a_0|$ Then P(z) does not vanish in the disk

$$\frac{|a_0|}{\lambda|a_n| + (\lambda|a_n| - |a_0|)\cos\alpha + (\lambda|a_n| + |a_0|)\sin\alpha + 2\sin\alpha\sum_{i=0}^{n-1}|a_i|}$$

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Again we have, g(0) = 0, therefore by Schwarz lemma we obtain $|g(z)| \le M|z|$ for|z| < 1, where $M = \lambda |a_n| + (\lambda |a_n| - |a_0|) \cos \alpha + (\lambda |a_n| + |a_0|) \sin \alpha + 2\sin \alpha \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} |a_i|$ Therefore for |z| < 1, we have $|F(z)| = |g(z) + a_0| \ge |a_0| - |g(z)| \ge |a_0| - M|z| > 0$, if $|a_0| > M|z|$

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i.e, if $|z| < \frac{|a_0|}{M}$, where $M = \lambda |a_n| + (\lambda |a_n| - |a_0|) \cos \alpha + (\lambda |a_n| + |a_0|) \sin \alpha + 2\sin \alpha \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} |a_i|$ Also we can show that $M \ge |a_0|$ as |z| < 1 Hence the desired result follows.

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