

On the Enestrom-Kakeya Theorem

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Abstract: In this paper we relax the hypotheses of some results concerning the Enestrom –Kakeya theorem and obtain results which considerably improve the bounds in certain cases.

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1. Introduction

A well-known result in the distribution of zeros of a polynomial is the following theorem known as the Enestrom –Kakeya theorem [3,4]:

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 $|z| \leq 1$.

If we apply this result to the polynomial $P(tz)$, $t > 0$, we get the following result:

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

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

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

Using Schwarz Lemma, Aziz and Mohammad [1] generalized Enestrom –Kakeya theorem in a different way and proved the following:

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

If $t_1 > t_2 \geq 0$ can be found such that

$$\alpha_j t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{j-2} \geq 0, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n, n+1 (a_{-1} = a_{n+1} = 0),$$

then all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in $|z| \leq t_1$.

Singh and Shah [5] gave a more general result by proving the following:

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

$a_j = \alpha_j + i\beta_j$, where $\alpha_j, \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ are real numbers. If $t_1 > t_2 \geq 0$ can be found such that for $j=2, 3, \dots, n$,

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_j t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{j-2} &\geq 0, \\ \beta_j t_1 t_2 + \beta_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{j-2} &\geq 0,\end{aligned}$$

and for $j=n+1$, there exist some $\lambda = \lambda_1 + i\lambda_2$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}(\lambda_1 + \alpha_n)(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{n-1} &\geq 0 \\ (\lambda_2 + \beta_n)(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{n-1} &\geq 0,\end{aligned}$$

then all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in $\left|z + \frac{\lambda(t_1 - t_2)}{a_n}\right| \leq R$, where

$$\begin{aligned}R = \frac{1}{|a_n|} &[\{(\lambda_1 + \alpha_n) + (\lambda_2 + \beta_n)\}(t_1 - t_2) + (\alpha_n + \beta_n)t_2 - \frac{(\alpha_1 + \beta_1)t_2}{t_1^{n-1}} - \frac{(\alpha_0 + \beta_0)}{t_1^{n-1}} \\ &+ \frac{|\alpha_1 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_0(t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{|\beta_1 t_1 t_2 + \beta_0(t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{(|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|)t_2}{t_1^n}].\end{aligned}$$

Gulzar [2] proved the following result:

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

$a_j = \alpha_j + i\beta_j$, where $\alpha_j, \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ are real numbers. If $t_1 > t_2 \geq 0$ can be found such that for some positive integer k

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_j t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{j-2} &\geq 0, j = 2, \dots, k, k+1, \\ \alpha_j t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{j-2} &\leq 0, j = k+2, k+3, \dots, n, \\ \beta_j t_1 t_2 + \beta_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{j-2} &\geq 0, j = 1, 2, \dots, k, k+1, \\ \beta_j t_1 t_2 + \beta_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{j-2} &\leq 0, j = k+2, k+3, \dots, n,\end{aligned}$$

where $\alpha_{-1} = \alpha_{-2} = 0 = \beta_{-1} = \beta_{-2}$, then all the zeros of $P(z)$ lie in

$$\left| z + \frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} - (t_1 - t_2) \right| \leq \frac{2}{|a_n| t_1^{n-k}} [t_2 (\alpha_k + \beta_k) + (\alpha_{k-1} + \beta_{k-1})] - \frac{1}{|a_n|} [t_2 (\alpha_n + \beta_n) + (\alpha_{n-1} + \beta_{n-1})].$$

2. Main Results

In this paper we prove the following result:

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

$a_j = \alpha_j + i\beta_j$, where $\alpha_j, \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ are real numbers. If $t_1 > t_2 \geq 0$ can be found such that for some positive integer k

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_j t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{j-2} &\geq 0, j = 2, \dots, k, k+1, \\ \alpha_j t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{j-2} &\leq 0, j = k+2, k+3, \dots, n, \\ \beta_j t_1 t_2 + \beta_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{j-2} &\geq 0, j = 1, 2, \dots, k, k+1, \\ \beta_j t_1 t_2 + \beta_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{j-2} &\leq 0, j = k+2, k+3, \dots, n,\end{aligned}$$

and for $j=n+1$, there exist some $\lambda_1 < 1, \lambda_2 < 1$ such that for $\lambda = \lambda_1 + i\lambda_2$,

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_1 \alpha_n (t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{n-1} &\leq 0 \\ \lambda_2 \beta_n (t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{n-1} &\leq 0,\end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}|z - (1-\lambda)(t_1 - t_2)| &\leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left[\frac{2(\alpha_k + \beta_k)}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + \frac{2(\alpha_{k+1} + \beta_{k+1})t_2}{t_1^{n-k-1}} - (\lambda_1 \alpha_n + \lambda_2 \beta_n)(t_1 - t_2) - \frac{(\alpha_0 + \beta_0)}{t_1^{n-1}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{|\alpha_1 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_0 (t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{|\beta_1 t_1 t_2 + \beta_0 (t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{(|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|)t_2}{t_1^n} \right].\end{aligned}$$

Taking $t_1 = t, t_2 = 0$ 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 such that

$a_j = \alpha_j + i\beta_j$, where $\alpha_j, \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ are real numbers. If $t_1 > t_2 \geq 0$ can be found such that for some positive integer k

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_1 t^n \alpha_n &\leq t^{n-1} \alpha_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq t^{n-k+1} \alpha_{k+1} \leq t^{n-k} \alpha_k \geq t^{n-k-1} \alpha_{k-1} \geq \dots \geq t \alpha_1 \geq \alpha_0, \\ \lambda_2 t^n \beta_n &\leq t^{n-1} \beta_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq t^{n-k+1} \beta_{k+1} \leq t^{n-k} \beta_k \geq t^{n-k-1} \beta_{k-1} \geq \dots \geq t \beta_1 \geq \beta_0,\end{aligned}$$

then all the zeros of P(z) lie in

$$|z - (1-\lambda)t| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left[\frac{2(\alpha_k + \beta_k)}{t^{n-k-1}} - (\lambda_1 \alpha_n + \lambda_2 \beta_n)t - \frac{(\alpha_0 + \beta_0)}{t^{n-1}} + \frac{|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|}{t^{n-1}} \right].$$

Taking $t=1$ in Cor.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 such that

$a_j = \alpha_j + i\beta_j$, where $\alpha_j, \beta_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ are real numbers. If for some positive integer k

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_1 \alpha_n &\leq \alpha_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq \alpha_{k+1} \leq \alpha_k \geq \alpha_{k-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_1 \geq \alpha_0, \\ \lambda_2 \beta_n &\leq \beta_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq \beta_{k+1} \leq \beta_k \geq \beta_{k-1} \geq \dots \geq \beta_1 \geq \beta_0,\end{aligned}$$

then all the zeros of P(z) lie in

$$|z - (1-\lambda)t| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} [2(\alpha_k + \beta_k) + (\lambda_1 \alpha_n + \lambda_2 \beta_n) - (\alpha_0 + \beta_0) + |\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|].$$

If a_j is real i.e. $\beta_j = 0, \forall j$, we get the following result from Theorem 1:

Corollary 3: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n with real coefficients. If

$t_1 > t_2 \geq 0$ can be found such that for some positive integer k

$$\begin{aligned}a_j t_1 t_2 + a_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - a_{j-2} &\geq 0, j = 2, \dots, k, k+1, \\ a_j t_1 t_2 + a_{j-1} (t_1 - t_2) - a_{j-2} &\leq 0, j = k+2, k+3, \dots, n,\end{aligned}$$

and for $j=n+1$, there exists some real number $\lambda < 1$ such that

$$\lambda a_n (t_1 - t_2) - a_{n-1} \leq 0,$$

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

$$|z - (1-\lambda)(t_1 - t_2)| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left[\frac{2a_k}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + \frac{2a_{k+1}t_2}{t_1^{n-k-1}} - \lambda a_n(t_1 - t_2) - \frac{a_0}{t_1^{n-1}} + \frac{|a_1t_1t_2 + a_0(t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{|a_0|t_2}{t_1^n} \right].$$

If the coefficients of $P(z)$ in Cor. 3 are positive, we have the following result:

Corollary 4: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n with real and positive coefficients. If $t_1 > t_2 \geq 0$ can be found such that for some positive integer k

$$\begin{aligned} a_j t_1 t_2 + a_{j-1}(t_1 - t_2) - a_{j-2} &\geq 0, \quad j = 2, \dots, k, k+1, \\ a_j t_1 t_2 + a_{j-1}(t_1 - t_2) - a_{j-2} &\leq 0, \quad j = k+2, k+3, \dots, n, \end{aligned}$$

and for $j=n+1$, there exists some real number $\lambda < 1$ such that

$$\lambda a_n(t_1 - t_2) - a_{n-1} \leq 0,$$

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

$$|z - (1-\lambda)(t_1 - t_2)| \leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left[\frac{2a_k}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + \frac{2a_{k+1}t_2}{t_1^{n-k-1}} - \lambda a_n(t_1 - t_2) + \frac{a_1 t_2}{t_1^n} \right].$$

Many other known results and generalizations similarly follow from Theorem 1 by suitable choices of the parameters .

2. Proof of Theorem 1

Consider the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= (t_2 + z)(t_1 - z)P(z) \\ &= \{t_1 t_2 + (t_1 - t_2)z - z^2\} \{a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 z + a_0\} \\ &= -a_n z^{n+2} + \{a_n(t_1 - t_2) - a_{n-1}\} z^{n+1} + \{a_n t_1 t_2 + a_{n-1}(t_1 - t_2) - a_{n-2}\} z^n + \dots \\ &\quad + \{a_{k+2} t_1 t_2 + a_{k+1}(t_1 - t_2) - a_k\} z^{k+2} + \{a_{k+1} t_1 t_2 + a_k(t_1 - t_2) - a_{k-1}\} z^{k+1} \\ &\quad + \{a_k t_1 t_2 + a_{k-1}(t_1 - t_2) - a_{k-2}\} z^k + \dots + \{a_2 t_1 t_2 + a_1(t_1 - t_2) - a_0\} z^2 \\ &\quad + \{a_1 t_1 t_2 + a_0(t_1 - t_2)\} z + a_0 t_1 t_2 \\ &= -a_n z^{n+2} + (1-\lambda)a_n(t_1 - t_2)z^{n+1} + \{\lambda a_n(t_1 - t_2) - a_{n-1}\} z^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \{a_n t_1 t_2 + a_{n-1}(t_1 - t_2) - a_{n-2}\} z^n + \dots \{a_{k+2} t_1 t_2 + a_{k+1}(t_1 - t_2) - a_k\} z^{k+2} \\
 & + \{a_{k+1} t_1 t_2 + a_k(t_1 - t_2) - a_{k-1}\} z^{k+1} + \{a_k t_1 t_2 + a_{k-1}(t_1 - t_2) - a_{k-2}\} z^k \\
 & + \dots + \{a_2 t_1 t_2 + a_1(t_1 - t_2) - a_0\} z^2 + \{a_1 t_1 t_2 + a_0(t_1 - t_2)\} z + a_0 t_1 t_2 \\
 = & -a_n z^{n+2} + (1-\lambda)a_n(t_1 - t_2)z^{n+1} + \{\lambda_1 \alpha_n(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{n-1}\} z^{n+1} \\
 & + \{\alpha_n t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{n-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{n-2}\} z^n + \dots \{\alpha_{k+2} t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{k+1}(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_k\} z^{k+2} \\
 & + \{\alpha_{k+1} t_1 t_2 + \alpha_k(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{k-1}\} z^{k+1} + \{\alpha_k t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{k-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{k-2}\} z^k \\
 & + \dots + \{\alpha_2 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_1(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_0\} z^2 + \{\alpha_1 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_0(t_1 - t_2)\} z + \alpha_0 t_1 t_2 \\
 & + i\{(\lambda_2 \beta_n(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{n-1}) z^{n+1} + (\beta_n t_1 t_2 + \beta_{n-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{n-2}) z^n \\
 & + \dots + (\beta_{k+2} t_1 t_2 + \beta_{k+1}(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_k) z^{k+2} + (\beta_{k+1} t_1 t_2 + \beta_k(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{k-1}) z^{k+1} \\
 & + (\beta_k t_1 t_2 + \beta_{k-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{k-2}) z^k + \dots + (\beta_2 t_1 t_2 + \beta_1(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_0) z^2 \\
 & + (\beta_1 t_1 t_2 + \beta_0(t_1 - t_2)) z + \beta_0 t_1 t_2\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for $|z| > t_1$, we have by using the hypothesis

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F(z)| \geq & |z|^{n+1} [|a_n| |z - (1-\lambda)(t_1 - t_2)| - |\lambda_1 \alpha_n(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\alpha_n t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{n-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{n-2}| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|}] \\
 & + \dots + |\alpha_{k+2} t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{k+1}(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_k| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-k-1}} + |\alpha_{k+1} t_1 t_2 + \alpha_k(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{k-1}| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-k}} \\
 & + |\alpha_k t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{k-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{k-2}| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-k+1}} + \dots + |\alpha_2 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_1(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_0| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-1}} \\
 & + |\alpha_1 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_0(t_1 - t_2)| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^n} + |\alpha_0 t_1 t_2| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n+1}} \\
 & + |\lambda_2 \beta_n(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{n-1}| + |\beta_n t_1 t_2 + \beta_{n-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{n-2}| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|} \\
 & + \dots + |\beta_{k+2} t_1 t_2 + \beta_{k+1}(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_k| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-k-1}} + |\beta_{k+1} t_1 t_2 + \beta_k(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{k-1}| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-k}} \\
 & + |\beta_k t_1 t_2 + \beta_{k-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{k-2}| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-k+1}} + \dots + |\beta_2 t_1 t_2 + \beta_1(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_0| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n-1}} \\
 & + |\beta_1 t_1 t_2 + \beta_0(t_1 - t_2)| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^n} + |\beta_0 t_1 t_2| \cdot \frac{1}{|z|^{n+1}}].
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 > |z|^{n+1} [& |a_n| |z - (1-\lambda)(t_1 - t_2)| - |\lambda_1 \alpha_n(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\alpha_n t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{n-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{n-2}| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1} \\
 & + \dots + |\alpha_{k+2} t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{k+1}(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_k| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + |\alpha_{k+1} t_1 t_2 + \alpha_k(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{k-1}| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k}} \\
 & + |\alpha_k t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{k-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{k-2}| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k+1}} + \dots + |\alpha_2 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_1(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_0| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-1}} \\
 & + |\alpha_1 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_0(t_1 - t_2)| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^n} + |\alpha_0 t_1 t_2| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n+1}} \\
 & + |\lambda_2 \beta_n(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{n-1}| + |\beta_n t_1 t_2 + \beta_{n-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{n-2}| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1} \\
 & + \dots + |\beta_{k+2} t_1 t_2 + \beta_{k+1}(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_k| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + |\beta_{k+1} t_1 t_2 + \beta_k(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{k-1}| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k}} \\
 & + |\beta_k t_1 t_2 + \beta_{k-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{k-2}| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k+1}} + \dots + |\beta_2 t_1 t_2 + \beta_1(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_0| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-1}} \\
 & + |\beta_1 t_1 t_2 + \beta_0(t_1 - t_2)| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^n} + |\beta_0 t_1 t_2| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n+1}}] \\
 \\
 > |z|^{n+1} [& |a_n| |z - (1-\lambda)(t_1 - t_2)| - \{ \alpha_{n-1} - \lambda_1 \alpha_n(t_1 - t_2) + (\alpha_{n-2} - \alpha_n t_1 t_2 - \alpha_{n-1}(t_1 - t_2)) \cdot \frac{1}{t_1} \\
 & + \dots + (\alpha_k - \alpha_{k+2} t_1 t_2 - \alpha_{k+1}(t_1 - t_2)) \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + (\alpha_{k+1} t_1 t_2 + \alpha_k(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{k-1}) \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k}} \\
 & + (\alpha_k t_1 t_2 + \alpha_{k-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_{k-2}) \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k+1}} + \dots + (\alpha_2 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_1(t_1 - t_2) - \alpha_0) \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-1}} \\
 & + |\alpha_1 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_0(t_1 - t_2)| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^n} + |\alpha_0 t_1 t_2| \cdot \frac{t_2}{t_1^n} \\
 & + \beta_{n-1} - \lambda_2 \beta_n(t_1 - t_2) + |\beta_{n-2} - \beta_n t_1 t_2 - \beta_{n-1}(t_1 - t_2)| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1} \\
 & + \dots + (\beta_k - \beta_{k+2} t_1 t_2 + \beta_{k+1}(t_1 - t_2)) \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + (\beta_{k+1} t_1 t_2 + \beta_k(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{k-1}) \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k}} \\
 & + (\beta_k t_1 t_2 + \beta_{k-1}(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_{k-2}) \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-k+1}} + \dots + (\beta_2 t_1 t_2 + \beta_1(t_1 - t_2) - \beta_0) \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-1}} \\
 & + |\beta_1 t_1 t_2 + \beta_0(t_1 - t_2)| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^n} + |\beta_0 t_1 t_2| \cdot \frac{t_2}{t_1^n} \}]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= |z|^{n+1} |a_n| |z - (1-\lambda)(t_1 - t_2)| - \left\{ \frac{2(\alpha_k + \beta_k)}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + \frac{2(\alpha_{k+1} + \beta_{k+1})}{t_1^{n-k-1}} - (\lambda_1 \alpha_n + \lambda_2 \beta_n)(t_1 - t_2) \right. \\
 &\quad - (\alpha_0 + \beta_0) \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^{n-1}} + |\alpha_1 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_0(t_1 - t_2)| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^n} + |\alpha_0| \cdot \frac{t_2}{t_1^n} \\
 &\quad \left. + |\beta_1 t_1 t_2 + \beta_0(t_1 - t_2)| \cdot \frac{1}{t_1^n} + |\beta_0| \cdot \frac{t_2}{t_1^n} \right\} \\
 &> 0
 \end{aligned}$$

if

$$\begin{aligned}
 |z - (1-\lambda)(t_1 - t_2)| &> \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left[\frac{2(\alpha_k + \beta_k)}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + \frac{2(\alpha_{k+1} + \beta_{k+1})t_2}{t_1^{n-k-1}} - (\lambda_1 \alpha_n + \lambda_2 \beta_n)(t_1 - t_2) - \frac{(\alpha_0 + \beta_0)}{t_1^{n-1}} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{|\alpha_1 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_0(t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{|\beta_1 t_1 t_2 + \beta_0(t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{(|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|)t_2}{t_1^n} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

This shows that those zeros of $F(z)$ whose modulus is greater than t_1 lie in

$$\begin{aligned}
 |z - (1-\lambda)(t_1 - t_2)| &\leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left[\frac{2(\alpha_k + \beta_k)}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + \frac{2(\alpha_{k+1} + \beta_{k+1})t_2}{t_1^{n-k-1}} - (\lambda_1 \alpha_n + \lambda_2 \beta_n)(t_1 - t_2) - \frac{(\alpha_0 + \beta_0)}{t_1^{n-1}} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{|\alpha_1 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_0(t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{|\beta_1 t_1 t_2 + \beta_0(t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{(|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|)t_2}{t_1^n} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

But the zeros of $F(z)$ whose modulus is less than or equal to t_1 already satisfy the above inequality. Hence it follows that all the zeros of $F(z)$ lie in

$$\begin{aligned}
 |z - (1-\lambda)(t_1 - t_2)| &\leq \frac{1}{|a_n|} \left[\frac{2(\alpha_k + \beta_k)}{t_1^{n-k-1}} + \frac{2(\alpha_{k+1} + \beta_{k+1})t_2}{t_1^{n-k-1}} - (\lambda_1 \alpha_n + \lambda_2 \beta_n)(t_1 - t_2) - \frac{(\alpha_0 + \beta_0)}{t_1^{n-1}} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{|\alpha_1 t_1 t_2 + \alpha_0(t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{|\beta_1 t_1 t_2 + \beta_0(t_1 - t_2)|}{t_1^n} + \frac{(|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0|)t_2}{t_1^n} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Since the zeros of $P(z)$ are also the zeros of $F(z)$, the result follows.

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