

On The Zeros of a Polynomial in a Given Circle

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Abstract:- In this paper we discuss the problem of finding the number of zeros of a polynomial in a given circle when the coefficients of the polynomial or their real or imaginary parts are restricted to certain conditions. Our results in this direction generalize some well-known results in the theory of the distribution of zeros of polynomials.

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I. INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF RESULTS

In the literature many results have been proved on the number of zeros of a polynomial in a given circle. In this direction Q. G. Mohammad [6] has proved the following result:

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

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

Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ does not exceed

$$1 + \frac{1}{\log 2} \log \frac{a_n}{a_0}.$$

K. K. Dewan [2] generalized Theorem A to polynomials with complex coefficients and proved the following results:

Theorem B: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $\operatorname{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j$, $\operatorname{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j$ and

$$\alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_1 \geq \alpha_0 > 0.$$

Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ does not exceed

$$1 + \frac{1}{\log 2} \log \frac{\alpha_n + \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_0|}.$$

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

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

and

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

Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log 2} \log \frac{|a_n|(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} |a_j|}{|a_0|}.$$

The above results were further generalized by researchers in various ways. M. H. Gulzar[4,5,6] proved the following results:

Theorem D: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $\operatorname{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j$, $\operatorname{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j$ and

$$\alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_\lambda, k\alpha_\lambda \geq \alpha_{\lambda-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_1 \geq \tau\alpha_0,$$

for $k \geq 1, 0 < \tau \leq 1, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n$. Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \delta, 0 < \delta < 1$ does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{\delta}} \log \frac{|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n + (k-1)(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) + 2|\alpha_0| - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_0|}.$$

Theorem E: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $\operatorname{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j$, $\operatorname{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j$ and

$$\rho + \alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_1 \geq \tau\alpha_0,$$

for some $\rho \geq 0, 0 < \tau \leq 1$, then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \delta, 0 < \delta < 1$, does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{\delta}} \log \frac{2\rho + |\alpha_n| + \alpha_n - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2|\alpha_0| + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|}{|a_0|}.$$

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

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

and

$$|\rho + a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_1| \geq \tau|a_0|,$$

for some $\rho \geq 0$, then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \delta, 0 < \delta < 1$, does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{\delta}} \log \frac{(\rho + |a_n|)(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) + 2 \sin \alpha \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |a_j| - |a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha - 1)}{|a_0|}.$$

The aim of this paper is to find a bound for the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in a circle of radius not necessarily less than 1. In fact, we are going to prove the following results:

Theorem 1: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $\operatorname{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j$, $\operatorname{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j$ and

$$\alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_\lambda, k\alpha_\lambda \geq \alpha_{\lambda-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_1 \geq \tau\alpha_0,$$

for $k \geq 1, 0 < \tau \leq 1, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n$. Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 1$) does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{R^{n+1} [|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n + (k-1)(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) + 2|\alpha_0| - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{|a_0| + R[|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n + (k-1)(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + |\alpha_0| + |\beta_0| + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \leq 1$.

Remark 1: Taking $R=1$ and $c = \frac{1}{\delta}$ in Theorem 1, it reduces to Theorem D.

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

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

$$a_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq a_\lambda, k a_\lambda \geq a_{\lambda-1} \geq \dots \geq a_1 \geq a_0,$$

for $k \geq 1, 0 < \tau \leq 1, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n$. Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 1$) does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{R^{n+1} [a_n + a_n + (k-1)(a_\lambda + a_\lambda) + 2a_0 - \tau(a_0 + a_0)]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{|a_0| + R[a_n + a_n + (k-1)(a_\lambda + a_\lambda) + a_0 - \tau(a_0 + a_0)]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \leq 1$.

Applying Theorem 1 to the polynomial $-iP(z)$, we get the following result:

Theorem 2: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j, \text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j$ and

$$\beta_n \geq \beta_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \beta_\lambda, k \beta_\lambda \geq \beta_{\lambda-1} \geq \dots \geq \beta_1 \geq \beta_0,$$

for $k \geq 1, 0 < \tau \leq 1, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n$. Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 1$) does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{R^{n+1} [|\beta_n| + \beta_n + (k-1)(|\beta_\lambda| + \beta_\lambda) + 2|\beta_0| - \tau(|\beta_0| + \beta_0) + 2 \sum_{j=0}^n |\alpha_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{|a_0| + R[|\beta_n| + \beta_n + (k-1)(|\beta_\lambda| + \beta_\lambda) + |\beta_0| + |\alpha_0| - \tau(|\beta_0| + \beta_0) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n |\alpha_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \leq 1$.

Taking $\lambda = n$ in Theorem 1, we get the following result :

Corollary 2: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j$, $\text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j$ and

$$k\alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_1 \geq \tau\alpha_0,$$

for $k \geq 1, 0 < \tau \leq 1, 0 \leq \lambda \leq n$. Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 1$) does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{R^{n+1} [k(|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n) + 2|\alpha_0| - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{|a_0| + R[k(|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n) + |\alpha_0| - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \leq 1$.

Theorem 3: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j$, $\text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j$ and

$$\rho + \alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_1 \geq \tau\alpha_0,$$

for some $\rho, 0 < \tau \leq 1$, then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 1$), does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{R^{n+1} [|\rho| + \rho + |\alpha_n| + \alpha_n - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2|\alpha_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{|a_0| + R[|\rho| + \rho + |\alpha_n| + \alpha_n - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + |\alpha_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \leq 1$.

Remark 2: Taking $R=1$ and $c = \frac{1}{\delta}$ in Theorem 3, it reduces to Theorem E.

If the coefficients a_j are real i.e. $\beta_j = 0, \forall j$, then we get the following result from Theorem 3:

Corollary 3: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that

$$\rho + a_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq a_1 \geq \tau a_0,$$

for some $\rho, 0 < \tau \leq 1$. Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 1$), does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{R^{n+1} [|\rho| + \rho + |a_n| + a_n - \tau(|a_0| + a_0) + 2|a_0|]}{|a_0|} \quad \text{for } R \geq 1$$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{|a_0| + R[|\rho| + \rho + |a_n| + a_n - \tau(|a_0| + a_0) + |a_0|]}{|a_0|}$$

Applying Theorem 3 to the polynomial $-iP(z)$, we get the following result:

Theorem 4: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j$, $\text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j$ and $\rho + \beta_n \geq \beta_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \beta_1 \geq \tau\beta_0$,

for some $\rho \geq 0, 0 < \tau \leq 1$. Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 1$), does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{R^{n+1} [|\rho| + \rho + |\beta_n| + \beta_n - \tau(|\beta_0| + \beta_0) + 2|\beta_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\alpha_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{|a_0| + R[|\rho| + \rho + |\beta_n| + \beta_n - \tau(|\beta_0| + \beta_0) + |\beta_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\alpha_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \leq 1$.

Taking $\rho = (k-1)\alpha_n, k \geq 1$ in Corollary 3, we get the following result:

Corollary 4: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that $\text{Re}(a_j) = \alpha_j$, $\text{Im}(a_j) = \beta_j$ and $k\alpha_n \geq \alpha_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \alpha_1 \geq \tau\alpha_0$,

for some $\rho, 0 < \tau \leq 1$. Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 1$), does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{R^{n+1} [k(|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n) - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2|\alpha_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{|a_0| + R[k(|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n) - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + |\alpha_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \leq 1$.

Theorem 5: Let $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j$ be a polynomial of degree n such that

$$|\rho + a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq |a_1| \geq \tau|a_0|$$

for some $\rho, 0 < \tau \leq 1$. Then the number of zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 1$), does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{1}{|a_0|} [R^{n+1} \{ (|\rho| + |a_n|)(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - \tau|\alpha_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + 2|\alpha_0| \}]$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{1}{|a_0|} [|a_0| + R\{(|\rho| + |a_n|)(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - \tau|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0|\}]$$

for $R \leq 1$.

For different values of the parameters k, ρ, τ in the above results, we get many other interesting results.

II. LEMMAS

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

Lemma 1: If $f(z)$ is analytic in $|z| \leq R$, but not identically zero, $f(0) \neq 0$ 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: If $f(z)$ is analytic and $|f(z)| \leq M(r)$ in $|z| \leq r$, then the number of zeros of $f(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{r}{c}, c > 1$

does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{M(r)}{|f(0)|}.$$

Lemma 2 is a simple deduction from Lemma 1.

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

real $\alpha, \beta, |\arg a_j - \beta| \leq \alpha \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, 0 \leq j \leq n$, and $|a_j| \geq |a_{j-1}|, 0 \leq j \leq n$, then any $t > 0$,

$$|ta_j - a_{j-1}| \leq (t|a_j| - |a_{j-1}|) \cos \alpha + (t|a_j| + |a_{j-1}|) \sin \alpha.$$

Lemma 3 is due to Govil and Rahman [4].

III. PROOFS OF THEOREMS

Proof of Theorem 1: Consider the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= (1-z)P(z) \\ &= (1-z)(a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 z + a_0) \\ &= -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0 \\ &= -a_n z^{n+1} + a_0 + (\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \alpha_\lambda)z^{\lambda+1} \\ &\quad + [(k\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}) - (k-1)\alpha_\lambda]z^\lambda + (\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2})z^{\lambda-1} + \dots \\ &\quad + [(\alpha_1 - \tau\alpha_0) + (\tau\alpha_0 - \alpha_0)]z + i \sum_{j=0}^n (\beta_j - \beta_{j-1})z^j \end{aligned}$$

For $|z| \leq R$, we have by using the hypothesis

$$\begin{aligned} |F(z)| &\leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + |a_0| + |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| R^n + \dots + |\alpha_{\lambda+1} - \alpha_\lambda| R^{\lambda+1} + |k\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1}| R^\lambda \\ &\quad + (k-1)|\alpha_\lambda| R^\lambda + |\alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2}| R^{\lambda-1} + \dots + |\alpha_1 - \tau\alpha_0| R + (1-\tau)|\alpha_0| R \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^n (|\beta_j| + |\beta_{j-1}|) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq |a_n|R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R^n[\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_{\lambda+1} - \alpha_\lambda + k\alpha_\lambda - \alpha_{\lambda-1} + (k-1)|\alpha_\lambda| \\ &\quad + \alpha_{\lambda-1} - \alpha_{\lambda-2} + \dots + \alpha_1 - \tau\alpha_0 + (1-\tau)|\alpha_0| + |\beta_0| + |\beta_n| + 2\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |\beta_j|] \\ &= |a_n|R^{n+1} + |a_0| + R^n[\alpha_n + (k-1)(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + |\alpha_0| + |\beta_0| + |\beta_n| \\ &\quad + 2\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |\beta_j|] \\ &\leq R^{n+1}[|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n + (k-1)(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2|\alpha_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|] \quad \text{for } R \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|F(z)| \leq |a_0| + R[|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n + (k-1)(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + |\alpha_0| + |\beta_0| + 2\sum_{j=1}^n |\beta_j|]$$

for $R \leq 1$.

Therefore, by Lemma 3, it follows that the number of zeros of $F(z)$ and hence

$P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 0$) does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{R^{n+1}[|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n + (k-1)(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) + 2|\alpha_0| - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{|a_0| + R[|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n + (k-1)(|\alpha_\lambda| + \alpha_\lambda) - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + |\alpha_0| + |\beta_0| + 2\sum_{j=1}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \leq 1$.

That proves Theorem 1.

Proof of Theorem 3: Consider the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= (1-z)P(z) \\ &= (1-z)(a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 z + a_0) \\ &= -a_n z^{n+1} + (a_n - a_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (a_1 - a_0)z + a_0 \\ &= -a_n z^{n+1} + a_0 - \rho z^n + (\rho + \alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})z^n + \dots + (\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)z^2 \\ &\quad + [(\alpha_1 - \tau\alpha_0) + (\tau\alpha_0 - \alpha_0)]z + i\sum_{j=0}^n (\beta_j - \beta_{j-1})z^j. \end{aligned}$$

For $|z| \leq R$, we have by using the hypothesis

$$\begin{aligned} |F(z)| &\leq |a_n|R^{n+1} + |a_0| + |\rho|R^n + |\rho + \alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}|R^n + \dots + |\alpha_2 - \alpha_1|R^2 + |\alpha_1 - \tau\alpha_0|R \\ &\quad + (1-\tau)|\alpha_0|R + \sum_{j=0}^n (|\beta_j| + |\beta_{j-1}|)R^j \\ &\leq R^{n+1}[|\alpha_n| + |\alpha_0| + |\rho| + \rho + \alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 + \alpha_1 - \tau\alpha_0 \\ &\quad + (1-\tau)|\alpha_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|] \end{aligned}$$

$$= R^{n+1} [|\alpha_n| + \alpha_n + |\rho| + \rho - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2|\alpha_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|] \quad \text{for } R \geq 1$$

and

$$|F(z)| \leq |a_0| + R[|\rho| + \rho + |\alpha_n| + \alpha_n - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + |\alpha_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|] \quad \text{for } R \leq 1.$$

Therefore, by Lemma 2, it follows that the number of zeros of $F(z)$ and hence

$P(z)$ in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 0$) does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{R^{n+1} [|\rho| + \rho + |\alpha_n| + \alpha_n - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + 2|\alpha_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{|a_0| + R[|\rho| + \rho + |\alpha_n| + \alpha_n - \tau(|\alpha_0| + \alpha_0) + |\alpha_0| + 2\sum_{j=0}^n |\beta_j|]}{|a_0|}$$

for $R \leq 1$.

That proves Theorem 3.

Proof of Theorem 5: Consider the polynomial

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} |F(z)| &\leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + |a_0| + |\rho| R^n + |\rho + a_n - a_{n-1}| R^n + \dots + |a_2 - a_1| R^2 + |a_1 - \tau a_0| R \\ &\quad + (1-\tau)|\alpha_0| R \\ &\leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + |a_0| + |\rho| R^n + [(|\rho + a_n| - |a_{n-1}|) \cos \alpha + (|\rho + a_n| + |a_{n-1}|) \sin \alpha] R^n \\ &\quad + \dots + [(|a_2| - |a_1|) \cos \alpha + (|a_2| + |a_1|) \sin \alpha] R^2 + (1-\tau)|a_0| R^2 \\ &\quad + [(|a_1| - \tau|a_0|) \cos \alpha + (|a_1| + \tau|a_0|) \sin \alpha] R \\ &\leq R^{n+1} [(|\rho| + |a_n|)(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - \tau|\alpha_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + 2|a_0|] \end{aligned}$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\leq |a_0| + R[(|\rho| + |a_n|)(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - \tau|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0|]$$

for $R \leq 1$.

Hence, by Lemma 2, it follows that the number of zeros of $F(z)$ and therefore $P(z)$

in $|z| \leq \frac{R}{c}$ ($R > 0, c > 0$) does not exceed

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{1}{|a_0|} [R^{n+1} \{ (|\rho| + |a_n|)(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - \tau|\alpha_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + 2|a_0| \}]$$

for $R \geq 1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\log c} \log \frac{1}{|a_0|} [|a_0| + R\{(|\rho| + |a_n|)(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + 1) - \tau|a_0|(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha + 1) + |a_0|\}]$$

for $R \leq 1$.

That completes the proof of Theorem 5.

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