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On the Eneström-Kakeya Theorem

O twierdzeniu Eneströma - Kakeya

O теореме Энестрёма-Какэя

The following result is well known in the theory of the distribution of zeros of polynomials.

Theorem A. (Eneström-Kakeya). *If $p(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k z^k \neq 0$ is a polynomial of degree n such that*

$$(1) \quad a_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq a_{n-2} \geq \dots \geq a_1 \geq a_0 > 0,$$

then $p(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| > 1$.

There already exist in literature ([1], [2, Theorem 1, 2, 3, 4], [3, Theorem 3], [4]) some extensions of Eneström-Kakeya theorem. Govil and Rahman [2, Theorem 2] proved the following generalization of Eneström-Kakeya theorem.

Theorem B. *Let $p(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k z^k \neq 0$ be a polynomial of degree n with complex coefficients such that*

$$|\arg a_k - \beta| \leq \alpha \leq \pi/2, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

for some real β , and

$$(2) \quad |a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq |a_{n-2}| \geq \dots \geq |a_0|,$$

then $p(z)$ has all its zeros on or inside the circle

$$(3) \quad |z| = \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + \frac{2 \sin \alpha}{|a_n|} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} |a_k|.$$

For $\alpha = \beta = 0$ this reduces to Eneström-Kakeya theorem.

Here we prove the following refinement of Theorem B.

Theorem 1. Let $p(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k z^k \neq 0$ be polynomial of degree n with complex coefficients such that

$$(4) \quad |\arg a_k - \beta| \leq \alpha \leq \pi/2, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

for some real β , and

$$(5) \quad |a_n| \geq |a_{n-1}| \geq |a_{n-2}| \geq \dots \geq |a_0|,$$

then $p(z)$ has all its zeros in the ring shaped region given by

$$(6) \quad \frac{1}{R^{n-1} \left[\frac{2R|a_n|}{|a_0|} - (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) \right]} \leq |z| \leq R,$$

where

$$(7) \quad R = \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + \frac{2 \sin \alpha}{|a_n|} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} |a_k|.$$

The example $p(z) = 1 + z + z^2 + \dots + z^n$ shows that the result is best possible.

We need the following lemma.

Lemma. If $|\arg a_k - \beta| \leq \alpha \leq \pi/2$; $|a_k| \geq |a_{k-1}|$, then

$$(8) \quad |a_k - a_{k-1}| \leq \{(|a_k| - |a_{k-1}|) \cos \alpha + (|a_k| + |a_{k-1}|) \sin \alpha\}.$$

The above lemma is due to Govil and Rahman [2, Inequality 6].

Proof of Theorem 1. We may plainly assume $\beta = 0$.

In view of Theorem B, it is sufficient to prove that $p(z) \neq 0$ if

$$(9) \quad |z| < R^{n-1} \frac{1}{\left[2R \frac{|a_n|}{|a_0|} - (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) \right]}.$$

Consider

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} g(z) &= (1-z)p(z) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n (a_k - a_{k-1})z^k - a_n z^{n+1} \\ &= a_0 + f(z), \text{ say.} \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$M(r) = \max_{|z|=r} |f(z)|.$$

Then $M(R) \geq a_0$ where R is defined in (7).

Clearly

$$|f(z)| \leq |a_n| |z|^{n+1} + \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k - a_{k-1}| |z|^k,$$

and $R \geq 1$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} M(R) &= \max_{|z|=R} |f(z)| \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k - a_{k-1}| R^k \\ &\leq |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k - a_{k-1}| \leq |a_n| R^{n+1} \\ &\quad + R^n \left[\sum_{k=1}^n (|a_k| - |a_{k-1}|) \cos \alpha + \sum_{k=1}^n (|a_k| + |a_{k-1}|) \sin \alpha \right], \end{aligned}$$

by the lemma

$$\begin{aligned} &= |a_n| R^{n+1} + R^n \left[|a_n| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) + 2 \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} |a_k| \sin \alpha - |a_0| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) \right] \\ &= |a_n| R^{n+1} + |a_n| R^n \left[R - \frac{|a_0|}{|a_n|} (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) \right] \\ (11) \quad &= |a_n| R^n \left[2R - \frac{|a_0|}{|a_n|} (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $f(0) = 0$, hence for $|z| \leq R$ we have by Schwarz's lemma,

$$(12) \quad |f(z)| \leq \frac{|z| M(R)}{R}.$$

Combining (10), (11) and (12) we get for $|z| \leq R$,

$$|g(z)| \geq |a_0| - |z| R^{n-1} [2R |a_n| - |a_0| (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha)] > 0$$

if

$$|z| < \frac{1}{R^{n-1} \left[2R \frac{|a_n|}{|a_0|} - (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) \right]}.$$

From this the theorem follows.

We may apply Theorem 1 to $z^n p\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$ to obtain the following

Corollary 1. Let $p(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k z^k \neq 0$ be a polynomial of degree n with complex coefficients such that

$$|\arg a_k - \beta| \leq \alpha \leq \pi/2, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

for some real β , and

$$|a_0| \geq |a_1| \geq |a_2| \geq \dots \geq |a_n|$$

then $p(z)$ has all its zeros in the ring

$$\frac{1}{R_1} \leq |z| \leq R_1^{n-1} \left[2R_1 \frac{|a_0|}{|a_n|} - (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) \right]$$

where R_1 is given by

$$(13) \quad R_1 = \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha + \frac{2 \sin \alpha}{|a_0|} \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k|.$$

We shall briefly indicate how we can prove

Theorem 2. Let $p(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k z^k \neq 0$ be a polynomial of degree n . If $\operatorname{Re} a_k = \alpha_k$, $\operatorname{Im} a_k = \beta_k$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$ and

$$a_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq a_{n-2} \geq \dots \geq a_0 \geq 0, \quad a_n > 0$$

then $p(z)$ has all its zeros in the ring

$$(14) \quad \frac{|a_0|}{R_1^{n-1} [R_1(2a_n + |\beta_n|) - (a_0 + |\beta_0| + |\beta_n|)]} \leq |z| \leq R_1$$

where

$$(15) \quad R_1 = 1 + \frac{2}{a_n} \sum_{k=0}^n |\beta_k|.$$

Proof of Theorem 2.

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} g(z) &= (1-z)p(z) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n (a_k - a_{k-1})z^k - a_n z^{n+1} \\ &= a_0 + f^*(z), \text{ say.} \end{aligned}$$

Obviously $R_1 \geq 1$, hence on $|z| = R_1$,

$$\begin{aligned} |f^*(z)| &\leq |a_n| R_1^{n+1} + \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k - a_{k-1}| R_1^k \\ &\leq |a_n| R_1^{n+1} + R_1^n \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k - a_{k-1}| \\ &\leq |a_n| R_1^{n+1} + R_1^n \left[\sum_{k=1}^n (a_k - a_{k-1}) + \sum_{k=1}^n (|\beta_k| + |\beta_{k-1}|) \right] \\ &\leq (|a_n| + |\beta_n|) R_1^{n+1} + R_1^n \left[a_n - a_0 + 2 \sum_{k=0}^n |\beta_k| - |\beta_0| - |\beta_n| \right] \\ &= R_1^n [2a_n R_1 + |\beta_n| R_1 - (a_0 + |\beta_0|) - |\beta_n|] \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$(16) \quad M(R_1) = \max_{|z|=R_1} |f^*(z)| \leq R_1^n [2a_n R_1 + (R_1 - 1)|\beta_n| - (a_0 + |\beta_0|)].$$

Since $f^*(0) = 0$ hence by Schwarz's lemma

$$(17) \quad |f^*(z)| \leq \frac{M(R_1)|z|}{R_1} \leq R_1^{n-1}|z|[2a_n R_1 + (R_1 - 1)|\beta_n| - (a_0 + |\beta_0|)]$$

or $|z| \leq R_1$. Consequently for $|z| \leq R_1$,

$$\begin{aligned} |g(z)| &\geq |a_0| - |f^*(z)| \\ &\geq |a_0| - R_1^{n-1}|z|[2a_n R_1 + (R_1 - 1)|\beta_n| - (a_0 + |\beta_0|)], \end{aligned}$$

by (17) if

$$(18) \quad |z| \leq \frac{|a_0|}{R_1^{n-1}[2a_n R_1 + (R_1 - 1)|\beta_n| - (a_0 + |\beta_0|)]}.$$

Combining (18) with [2, Theorem 4] the conclusion follows immediately.

In particular, when the coefficients are non-negative, monotonic non-decreasing, we get

Theorem 3. If $p(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k z^k \neq 0$ is a polynomial of degree n such that

$$a_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq a_0 \geq 0,$$

then $p(z)$ has all its zeros in the ring-shaped region given by

$$(19) \quad \frac{a_0}{(2a_n - a_0)} \leq |z| \leq 1.$$

This is clearly a refinement of Eneström-Kakeya theorem.

The example $p(z) = z^n + z^{n-1} + \dots + z + 1$ shows that the above result is the best possible.

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STRESZCZENIE

Jeśli $p(z) = a_0 + a_1z + \dots + a_nz^n$ jest wielomianem o współczynnikach rzeczywistych i dodatnich, tworzących ciąg rosnący, to jak wiadomo, wszystkie zera $p(z)$ leżą w kole jednostkowym. Ten klasyczny rezultat Eneströma i Kakeyi został uogólniony przez autorów którzy wyznaczają pierścień zawierający wszystkie zera wielomianu $p(z)$ ze współczynnikami zespolonymi a_k w następujących przypadkach: (i) moduły a_k tworzą ciąg rosnący a ponadto

$$|\arg a_k - \beta| \leq \alpha \leq \pi/2, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n,$$

(ii) części rzeczywiste współczynników a_k tworzą ciąg rosnący.

РЕЗЮМЕ

Если $p(z) = a_0 + a_1z + \dots + a_nz^n$ является полином с положительным и действительным коэффициентами, образующими возрастающую последовательность, то как известно, все нули $p(z)$ лежат в единичном круге. Это классическое утверждение Энeströма-Кекэя было обобщено авторами, которые дают кольцо, внутри которого лежат все нули полинома $p(z)$ с комплексными коэффициентами a_k в следующих случаях:

(i) модуля a является возрастающей последовательностью; кроме того

$$|\arg a_k - \beta| \leq \alpha \leq \pi/2, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n,$$

(ii) действительные части коэффициентов a_k , образующие возрастающую прогрессию.