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On the location of the zeros of a polynomial. (English summary)

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The authors generalize the classical Eneström-Keakeya theorem on the location of all zeros of a polynomial $p(z) = \sum a_\nu z^\nu$ of degree n in the closed unit disk, provided its coefficients are positive and form an increasing finite sequence. Theorem: Let $p(z) = \sum_{\nu=0}^n a_\nu z^\nu$ be a polynomial of degree n . If $\operatorname{Re} a_j = \alpha_j$, $\operatorname{Im} a_j = \beta_j$, $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$, and for some nonnegative integers k , r , and $t \geq 0$, $\alpha_0 \leq t\alpha_1 \leq t^2\alpha_2 \leq \dots \leq t^k\alpha_k \geq t^{k+1}\alpha_{k+1} \geq \dots \geq t^n\alpha_n$, and $\beta_0 \leq t\beta_1 \leq t^2\beta_2 \leq \dots \leq t^r\beta_r \geq t^{r+1}\beta_{r+1} \geq \dots \geq t^n\beta_n$, then $p(z)$ has all its zeros in the annulus $R_1 \leq |z| \leq R_2$, where

$$R_1 = \min \left\{ \frac{t|a_0|}{2(t^k\alpha_k + t^r\beta_r) - (\alpha_0 + \beta_0) - t^n(\alpha_n + \beta_n - |a_n|)}, t \right\},$$

$$R_2 = \max \left\{ |a_0|t^{n+1} - t^{n-1}(\alpha_0 + \beta_0) - t(\alpha_n + \beta_n) \right. \\
+ (t^2 + 1)(t^{n-k-1}\alpha_k + t^{n-r-1}\beta_r) \\
+ (t^2 - 1) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{k-1} t^{n-j-1}\alpha_j + \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} t^{n-j-1}\beta_j \right) \\
\left. + (1 - t^2) \left(\sum_{j=k+1}^{n-1} t^{n-j-1}\alpha_j + \sum_{j=r+1}^{n-1} t^{n-j-1}\beta_j \right) / |a_n|, \frac{1}{t} \right\}.$$

The authors state four corollaries corresponding to the particular cases when the finite sequences α_j and β_j are monotonic and of maximal length $n + 1$. *Z. Rubinstein*

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