

# Zeros of Polar Derivative with Respect to A Real Number

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**Abstract:** In this paper we obtain the size of the disc in which the zeros of polar derivatives of polynomial of degree  $n$ , with real coefficients, with respect to a real  $\alpha$  lie.

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## 1. Introduction

To estimate the zeros of a polynomial is a long standing problem. It is an interesting area of research for many engineers as well as mathematicians and many results on the topic are available in the literature.

Let  $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$ . Then Polar Derivative of the polynomial  $P(z)$  with respect to  $\alpha$ , where  $\alpha$  can be real or complex number, is defined as  $D_\alpha P(z) = nP(z) + (\alpha - z)P'(z)$ .

It is a polynomial of degree at most  $n-1$ . The polynomial  $D_\alpha P(z)$  generalizes the ordinary derivative, in the sense that  $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} D_\alpha P(z) / \alpha = P'(z)$ .

In this paper we prove the following results.

**Theorem (1):** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with real coefficients such that for some  $k \geq 1$   $k a_n \leq a_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq a_0 < 0$  and  $|a_i| \leq (i-1)a_{i-1}$   $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ . Then the polar derivative of  $P(z)$  with respect to  $\alpha$  has at most  $(n-1)$  zeros and they lie in  $|z+k-1| \leq k$ .

**Theorem (2):** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with real coefficients such that for some  $k \geq 1$   $k a_n \leq a_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq a_0$  and  $|a_i| \leq (i-1)a_{i-1}$   $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ . Then the polar derivative of  $P(z)$  with respect to  $\alpha$  has at most  $(n-1)$  zeros and they lie in  $|z+k-1| \leq |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n|^{-1} \{ -k(a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n) + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$ .

**Corollary (1):** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with real coefficients such that  $a_n \leq a_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq a_0$  and  $|a_i| \leq (i-1)a_{i-1}$   $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ . Then the polar derivative of  $P(z)$  with respect to  $\alpha$  has at most  $(n-1)$  zeros and they lie in  $|z| \leq |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n|^{-1} \{ -(a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n) + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$ .

**Corollary (2):** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with real coefficients such that for some  $k \geq 1$   $k a_n \leq a_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq a_0$

and  $|a_i| \leq (i-1)a_{i-1}$   $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ . Then the polar derivative of  $P(z)$  with respect to  $\alpha \neq -a_{n-1}/na_n$

has exactly  $(n-1)$  zeros and they lie in  $|z+k-1| \leq |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n|^{-1} \{ -k(a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n) + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$ .

**Remark (1):** (1) By taking  $k=1$  in Theorem (2), it reduces to corollary (1). (2) As  $\alpha \neq -a_{n-1}/na_n$ ,  $D_\alpha P(z)$  is surely of  $(n-1)$ th degree so it has exactly  $(n-1)$  zeros.

**Theorem (3):** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with real coefficients such that for some  $k \geq 1$   $k a_m \leq a_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq a_0$  where  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $|a_i| \leq (i-1)a_{i-1}$   $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1$ . Then the polar derivative of  $P(z)$  with respect to  $\alpha$  such that  $\alpha = -a_{n-1}/na_n = -2a_{n-2}/(n-1)a_{n-1} = \dots = -(n-m-1)a_{m+1}/(m+2)a_{m+2}$

has exactly  $m$  roots and they lie in  $|z+k-1| \leq |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}|^{-1} \{ -k(n-m)a_m - k\alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$ .

**Corollary (3):** Let  $P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i z^i$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with real coefficients such that  $a_m \leq a_{m-1} \leq \dots \leq a_0$  where  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $|a_i| \leq (i-1)a_{i-1}$   $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1$ . Then the polar derivative of  $P(z)$  with respect to  $\alpha$  such that  $\alpha = -a_{n-1}/na_n = -2a_{n-2}/(n-1)a_{n-1} = \dots = -(n-m-1)a_{m+1}/(m+2)a_{m+2}$

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**Remark (2):** By taking  $k=1$  in Theorem (3), it reduces to corollary (3).

## 2. Proof of Theorem 1

Let  $P(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots + a_n z^n$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$ .

Then the polar derivative of  $P(z)$  is given by  $D_\alpha P(z) = nP(z) + (\alpha - z)P'(z)$ . Then

$$D_\alpha P(z) = [na_0 + \alpha a_1] + [(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2]z + [(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3]z^2 + \dots$$

$$+ [(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m] z^{m-1} + [(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}] z^m + \dots + [2a_{n-2} + \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}] z^{n-2} + [a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n] z^{n-1}.$$

Now consider the polynomial  $Q(z) = (1-z) D_\alpha P(z)$  so that  $Q(z) = -[a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n] z^n + [a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}] z^{n-1} + \dots$

$$+ [(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}] z^{m+1} + [(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha a_m] z^m + [(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}] z^{m-1} + \dots + [(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2] z^2 + [(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1] z + [na_0 + \alpha a_1].$$

$$= -[a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n][z+k-1]z^{n-1} + [k(a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n) - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}]z^{n-1} + \dots + [(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}]z^{m+1} + [(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha a_m]z^m + [(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}]z^{m-1} + \dots + [(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2]z^2 + [(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1]z + [na_0 + \alpha a_1].$$

Now if  $|z| > 1$  then  $|z|^{i-n} < 1$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1$

Further

$$|Q(z)| \geq |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n| |z+k-1| |z|^{n-1} - \{ |k(a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n) - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}| |z|^{n-1} + \dots + |(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| |z|^{m+1} + |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha a_m| |z|^m + |(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}| |z|^{m-1} + \dots + |(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2| |z|^2 + |(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1| |z| + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}.$$

$$\geq |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n| |z|^{n-1} [|z+k-1| - |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n|^{-1} \{ |k(a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n) - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}| + |2a_{n-2} + \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1} - 3a_{n-3} - \alpha(n-2)a_{n-2}| |z|^{-1} + \dots + |(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| |z|^{-(n-m-2)} + |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha a_m| |z|^{-(n-m-1)} + |(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}| |z|^{-(n-m)} + \dots + |(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2| |z|^{-(n-3)} + |(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1| |z|^{-(n-2)} + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| |z|^{-(n-1)} \}].$$

$$\geq |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n| |z|^{n-1} [|z+k-1| - |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n|^{-1} \{ |k(a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n) - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}| + |2a_{n-2} + \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1} - 3a_{n-3} - \alpha(n-2)a_{n-2}| + \dots + |(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| + |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha a_m| + |(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}| + \dots + |(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2| + |(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1| \}].$$

$$\geq |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n| |z|^{n-1} [|z+k-1| - |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n|^{-1} \{ -k(a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n) + 2a_{n-2} + \dots$$

$$+ \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1} + 3a_{n-3} + \alpha(n-2)a_{n-2} + \dots - (n-m-1)a_{m+1} - \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} + (n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} + (n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha a_m + (n-m+2)a_{m-2} + \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1} + \dots - (n-2)a_2 - 3\alpha a_3 + (n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2 + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}].$$

$$\geq |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n| |z|^{n-1} [|z+k-1| - k].$$

$> 0$  if  $|z+k-1| > k$

This shows that if

$$|z+k-1| > k \text{ then } Q(z) > 0.$$

Hence all the zeros of  $Q(z)$  with  $|z| > 1$  lie in

$$|z+k-1| \leq k$$

But those zeros of  $Q(z)$  whose modulus is less than or equal to 1, already satisfy the above inequality since all the zeros of  $D_\alpha P(z)$  are also the zeros of  $Q(z)$  as they lie in the circle defined by the above inequality and this completes the proof.

### 3. Proof of Theorem 2

Let  $P(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots + a_n z^n$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$ .

Then the polar derivative of  $P(z)$  is given by  $D_\alpha P(z) = nP(z) + (\alpha-z)P'(z)$ . Then

$$D_\alpha P(z) = [na_0 + \alpha a_1] + [(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2]z + [(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3]z^2 + \dots + [(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m] z^{m-1} + [(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}] z^m + [(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2}] z^{m+1} + \dots + [2a_{n-2} + \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}] z^{n-2} + [a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n] z^{n-1}.$$

Now consider the polynomial  $Q(z) = (1-z) D_\alpha P(z)$  so that  $Q(z) = -[a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n] z^n + [a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}] z^{n-1} + \dots$

$$+ [(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}] z^{m+1} + [(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha a_m] z^m + [(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}] z^{m-1} + \dots + [(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2] z^2 + [(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1] z + [na_0 + \alpha a_1].$$

$$= -[a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n][z+k-1]z^{n-1} + [k(a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n) - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}]z^{n-1} + \dots + [(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}]z^{m+1} + [(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha a_m]z^m + [(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}]z^{m-1} + \dots + [(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2]z^2 + [(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1]z + [na_0 + \alpha a_1].$$

Now if  $|z| > 1$  then  $|z|^{i-n} < 1$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1$

Further

$$|Q(z)| \geq |a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n| |z+k-1| |z|^{n-1} - \{ |k(a_{n-1} + \alpha a_n) - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}| |z|^{n-1} + \dots + |(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| |z|^{m+1} + |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha a_m| |z|^m + |(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha a_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}| |z|^{m-1} + \dots + |(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2| |z|^2 + |(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1| |z| + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}.$$

$$+|(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2| |z|^2 + |(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1| |z| + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}.$$

$$\geq |a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n| |z|^{n-1} [|z + k - 1| - |a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n|^{-1} \{ |k(a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n) - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}| + |2a_{n-2} + \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1} - 3a_{n-3} - \alpha(n-2)a_{n-2}| |z|^1 + \dots + |(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| |z|^{-(n-m-2)} + |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha ma_m| |z|^{-(n-m-1)} + |(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha ma_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}| |z|^{-(n-m)} + \dots + |(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2| |z|^{-(n-3)} + |(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1| |z|^{-(n-2)} + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| |z|^{-(n-1)} \}].$$

$$\geq |a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n| |z|^{n-1} [|z + k - 1| - |a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n|^{-1} \{ |k(a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n) - 2a_{n-2} - \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}| + |2a_{n-2} + \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1} - 3a_{n-3} - \alpha(n-2)a_{n-2}| + \dots + |(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2} - (n-m)a_m - \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| + |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha ma_m| + |(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha ma_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}| + \dots + |(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2| + |(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1| + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}].$$

$$\geq |a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n| |z|^{n-1} [|z + k - 1| - |a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n|^{-1} \{ -k(a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n) + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}].$$

$> 0$  if  $|z + k - 1| > |a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n|^{-1} \{ -k(a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n) + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$   
 This shows that if  $|z + k - 1| > |a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n|^{-1} \{ -k(a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n) + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$  then  $Q(z) > 0$ .  
 Hence all the zeros of  $Q(z)$  with  $|z| > 1$  lie in  $|z + k - 1| \leq |a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n|^{-1} \{ -k(a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n) + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$ .

But those zeros of  $Q(z)$  whose modulus is less than or equal to 1, already satisfy the above inequality since all the zeros of  $D_\alpha P(z)$  are also the zeros of  $Q(z)$  as they lie in the circle defined by the above inequality and this completes the proof.

#### 4. Proof of Theorem 3

Let  $P(z) = a_0 + a_1z + a_2z^2 + \dots + a_nz^n$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$ . Then the polar derivative of  $P(z)$  is given by  $D_\alpha P(z) = nP(z) + (\alpha - z)P'(z)$ . Then  $D_\alpha P(z) = [na_0 + \alpha a_1] + [(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2]z + [(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3]z^2 + \dots + [(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha ma_m]z^{m-1} + [(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}]z^m + [(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2}]z^{m+1} + \dots + [2a_{n-2} + \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}]z^{n-2} + [a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n]z^{n-1}$ .  
 As  $\alpha = -a_{n-1}/na_n = -2a_{n-2}/(n-1)a_{n-1} = \dots = -(n-m-1)a_{m+1}/(m+2)a_{m+2}$   
 $D_\alpha P(z) = [(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}]z^m + [(n-m-1)a_{m+1} + \alpha(m+2)a_{m+2}]z^{m+1} + \dots + [2a_{n-2} + \alpha(n-1)a_{n-1}]z^{n-2} + [a_{n-1} + \alpha na_n]z^{n-1}$ .

Now consider the polynomial  $Q(z) = (1-z)D_\alpha P(z)$  so that  $Q(z) = -[(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}]z^{m+1} + [(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha ma_m]z^m + [(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha ma_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}]z^{m-1} + \dots + [(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2]z^2 + [(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1]z + [na_0 + \alpha a_1]$ .  
 $= -[(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}]z^m + [k \{ (n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} \} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha ma_m]z^{m+1} + [(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha ma_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}]z^{m-1} + \dots + [(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2]z^2 + [(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1]z + [na_0 + \alpha a_1]$ .

Now if  $|z| > 1$  then  $|z|^{i-m} < 1$  for  $i = n-1, n-2, \dots, n-m$   
 Further,  
 $|Q(z)| \geq |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| |z+k-1| |z|^m - \{ |k \{ (n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} \} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha ma_m| |z|^{m+1} + |(n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha ma_m - (n-m+2)a_{m-2} - \alpha(m-1)a_{m-1}| |z|^{m-1} + \dots + |(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2| |z|^2 + |(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1| |z| + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$ .

$$\geq |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| |z|^m [|z+k-1| - |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}|^{-1} \{ |k \{ (n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} \} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha ma_m| + \dots + |(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2| |z|^{-(m-2)} + |(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1| |z|^{-(m-1)} + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| |z|^{-m} \}].$$

$$\geq |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| |z|^m [|z+k-1| - |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}|^{-1} \{ |k \{ (n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} \} - (n-m+1)a_{m-1} - \alpha ma_m| + \dots + |(n-2)a_2 + 3\alpha a_3 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2| + |(n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - na_0 - \alpha a_1| + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}].$$

$$\geq |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| |z|^m [|z+k-1| - |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}|^{-1} \{ -k \{ (n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} \} + (n-m+1)a_{m-1} + \alpha ma_m - \dots - (n-2)a_2 - 3\alpha a_3 + (n-1)a_1 + 2\alpha a_2 - (n-1)a_1 - 2\alpha a_2 + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}].$$

$$\geq |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}| |z|^m [|z+k-1| - |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}|^{-1} \{ -k \{ (n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} \} + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}].$$

$> 0$  if  $|z + k - 1| > |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}|^{-1} \{ -k \{ (n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} \} + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$ .

This shows that if  $|z + k - 1| > |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}|^{-1} \{ -k \{ (n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} \} + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$ , then  $Q(z) > 0$ .

Hence all the zeros of  $Q(z)$  with  $|z| > 1$  lie in  $|z + k - 1| \leq |(n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1}|^{-1} \{ -k \{ (n-m)a_m + \alpha(m+1)a_{m+1} \} + na_0 + \alpha a_1 + |na_0 + \alpha a_1| \}$ .

But those zeros of  $Q(z)$  whose modulus is less than or equal to 1, already satisfy the above inequality since all the zeros of  $D_\alpha P(z)$  are also the zeros of  $Q(z)$  as they lie in the circle defined by the above inequality and this completes the proof.

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