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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The problem of finding the number and position of the real zeros of the Bernoulli polynomials has been considered by a number of authors over the past seventy five years (see e.g. [4], [5], [6], [8], [13], [14] and [17]). Let  $B_n(x)$ ,  $n \geq 0$ , denote Bernoulli polynomial of degree  $n$  and let  $B_n := B_n(0)$  be the  $n$ th Bernoulli number (see e.g. [1]). These polynomials can be defined by the generating function

$$\frac{te^{xt}}{e^t - 1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad |t| < 2\pi.$$

In order to discuss the work already done on this problem, and our contributions to it, we state here some well-known properties of the Bernoulli polynomials (see e.g. [15])

$$B_n(x) = \sum_{s=0}^n \binom{n}{s} 2^{-s} \left[x - \frac{1}{2}\right]^{n-s} D_s, \quad n \geq 0 \quad (1.1)$$

where

$$D_s = 2 \left[1 - 2^{s-1}\right] B_s, \quad s \geq 0. \quad (1.2)$$

Therefore, each  $B_n(x)$  is monic and has exact degree  $n$ ,

$$B_n(1+x) - B_n(x) = nx^{n-1}, \quad n \geq 0 \quad (1.3)$$

$$B_n(1-x) = (-1)^n B_n(x), \quad n \geq 0 \quad (1.4)$$

$$B'_n(x) = nB_{n-1}(x), \quad n \geq 1. \quad (1.5)$$

Now (1.3) and (1.4) imply that  $B_{2n+1}(0) = B_{2n+1}\left[\frac{1}{2}\right] = B_{2n+1}(1) = 0$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . Using (1.5), Rolle's Theorem on  $B_{2n+1}(x)$ , and (1.4), we see that  $B_{2n}(x)$  has one real zero in each of the intervals  $\left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right]$  and  $\left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right]$  which we call  $r_{2n}$  and  $s_{2n}$  where  $s_{2n} := 1 - r_{2n}$  and  $0 < r_{2n} < \frac{1}{2}$ .

Nörlund [15, p. 22] showed that  $0, \frac{1}{2}$  and  $1$  are the only zeros of  $B_{2n+1}(x)$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , in  $[0,1]$ . He also showed [16, p. 131] that for  $B_{2n}(x)$  and  $n \geq 1$ ,  $r_{2n}$  and  $s_{2n}$  satisfy  $\frac{1}{6} < r_{2n} < \frac{1}{4}$ , hence  $\frac{3}{4} < s_{2n} < \frac{5}{6}$ . (See also [13], p. 534). J. Lense [14] and A.M. Ostrowski [17] showed that the sequence  $\{r_{2n}\}$  is monotonically increasing to  $\frac{1}{4}$ . D.H. Lehmer [13] gave the more precise inequality  $\frac{1}{4} - 2^{-2n-1} \pi^{-1} < r_{2n} < \frac{1}{4}$ . K. Inkeri [8] showed that  $0, \frac{1}{2}$  and  $1$  are the only rational zeros of  $B_{2n+1}(x)$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . He also considered in some detail the number and position of the real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  outside the interval  $[0, 1]$ . Inkeri also gave an asymptotic estimate for the number of real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  and, in addition, gave upper and lower bounds for the real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  outside the interval  $[0,1]$ . These estimates are, as claimed by the author, valid for "large" values of  $n$ .

No extensive table of the real or complex zeros of the Bernoulli polynomials has been published to date, although D.H. Lehmer, in 1967, computed the real and complex zeros of  $B_n(x)$  up to  $n = 48$  using his circle method, and Leon J. Lander, in 1968, computed the zeros of  $B_n(x)$ , again up to  $n = 48$ , using a general purpose factorization routine (double precision) on a CDC 6400. These computations were remarkably accurate up to about  $n = 42$  although no special effort was made in either case to verify the zeros by high-accuracy methods ([2], [11]).

In this paper, we confine the discussion to the real zeros of  $B_n(x)$ . Since each  $B_n(x)$  is symmetric about the line  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  (cf. (1.4)), we consider only the nonnegative real zeros. The remaining real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  can then be obtained using (1.4).

Although the complex zeros are also of some interest, the results are of a different nature and therefore will be the subject of another paper. Some preliminary results in this direction have been obtained jointly with Professor R.S. Varga.

In §2 we give an empirical result for calculating the number of real zeros of  $B_n(x)$ , which is valid for  $1 \leq n \leq 200$ . In §3, we give some inequalities which provide upper and lower bounds for  $|E_{2n}|$  and  $|B_{2n}|$ , where  $E_{2n}$  and  $B_{2n}$  are the Euler and Bernoulli numbers, respectively. In §4, we give simple expressions for computing  $B_n(m+q)$  where  $m \geq 1$  is an integer and  $q = 0, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{6}$  or 1. These expressions, along with Newton's method and the method of false position provide, in most cases, simple lower and upper bounds for approximating the real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  outside the interval  $[0, 1]$ . We use the degree  $n$  of the Bernoulli polynomial to divide the study into four cases, namely  $n \equiv 0, 1, 2$  and  $3 \pmod{4}$ , and each case is discussed separately in §5 to §8. In §5 we give a new result which permits a precise count of the number of real zeros of  $B_{4n}(x)$ . We also investigate the irregular occurrence of a pair of real zeros of  $B_{4n}(x)$  in the interval  $(M + \frac{3}{4}, M + 1)$ . Here  $M$  is the largest positive integer such that  $B_{4n}(x)$  has real zeros in the interval  $(M, M+1)$ . In §7 we present the "crossover" phenomenon for the real zeros of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  in the intervals  $[m, m+1]$ ,  $m \geq 2$ . In §8, we present a theorem which improves Inkeri's upper and lower bounds for estimating certain zeros of  $B_{4n+3}(x)$ . In §9, we describe the method of computation of the zeros of  $B_n(x)$  and in Tables IV and V give a listing of the positive real zeros for  $3 \leq n \leq 117$ .

## 2. THE NUMBER OF REAL ZEROS OF $B_n(x)$

It is well known ([15], p. 19) that all the zeros of  $B_n(x)$ ,  $1 \leq n \leq 5$ , are real. Each

polynomial  $B_n(x)$ ,  $n \geq 6$ , has complex zeros which occur as "quartets" in the complex plane that are symmetric about the real axis and the line  $\operatorname{Re} z = \frac{1}{2}$ . That is, if  $z = s + it$  is a zero of  $B_n \left[ z + \frac{1}{2} \right]$  with  $s \geq 1$  then so are  $z = s - it$  and  $z = -s \pm it$ .

Inkeri ([8], p. 12) has shown that the number  $R_n$  of real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  has the asymptotic limit  $\frac{R_n}{n} \sim \frac{2}{\pi e}$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). Inkeri's proof involves a sign change argument and Stirling's formula and requires a separate study of each of the four cases  $n \equiv 0, 1, 2,$  and  $3 \pmod{4}$ . His analysis, however, does not provide a precise count for the number of real zeros of  $B_n(x)$ . H. Delange [5] gives a method of determining the exact number of real zeros of  $B_{4n}(x)$ , in most cases.

We give here, in Lemma 2.1, an empirical method for determining the exact number,  $R_n$ , of real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  up to  $n = 200$ . The increase in the number of real zeros is not monotonic (see Table I); however there is a nearly regular pattern to the increase in the number of real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  which is described later in this section. This pattern is abruptly broken at  $n = 116$  as can be verified from Table I. The pattern is again broken for  $n = 179$  which was verified using BERNSCAN (described below). These are the only exceptions for  $n \leq 200$ . Up to  $n = 117$ , the exact value can be verified directly from Tables IV and V. The method of computation of the real zeros given in Tables IV and V is described in §9.

One can count the number of real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  for values of  $n$  much larger than  $n = 117$  simply by using the Lemmas of §4 and noting the sign changes of  $B_n(x)$  on the intervals  $[m, m+1]$ ,  $m \geq 1$ . We have developed a FORTRAN program called BERNSCAN (described in more detail in §5) which computes (single precision) the value of  $B_n(x)$  for any specified value of  $x$  and for (at least)  $n \leq 1000$ . This can be done at equally spaced points on any interval containing real zeros of  $B_n(x)$ . Determining the sign changes in  $B_n(x)$  in this way will give an exact value for  $R_n$ , up to  $n = 1000$ . This process has been completed, and reported herein, up to  $n = 200$ .

We sought a pattern to determine the values of  $n$  for which the value of  $k$  increases by one. In other words, for which values of  $n$  does  $B_n(x)$  obtain an additional "quartet" of complex zeros? For  $n \leq 200$  these values are  $n = 6, 12, 17, 22, 27, 33, 38, 43, 48, 54, 59, 64, 69, 75, 80, 85, 90, 96, 101, 106, 111, 116, 122, 127, 132, 137, 143, 148, 153, 158, 164, 169, 174, 179, 184, 190, 195$  and  $200$ . Taking differences of successive values in the above sequence yields the pattern

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc} 6, & 5, 5, 5, 6, & 5, 5, 5, 6, & 5, 5, 5, 6, & 5, 5, 5, 6, & 5, 5, 5, 5, 6, & 5, 5, 5, 6, & \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ n=12 & n=33 & n=54 & n=75 & n=96 & n=122 & n=143 & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 5, 5, 5, 6, & 5, 5, 5, 5, 6, & 5, 5, & \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & & \\ n=164 & n=190 & & \end{array}$$

The pattern shown above can be verified directly from Tables IV and V for  $n \leq 117$ . For  $118 \leq n \leq 200$ , the sequence above and the entries of Table I have been verified numerically using BERNSCAN.

TABLE I.  
Table of Values of  $R_n$ ,  $1 \leq n \leq 200$

n	$R_n$	k	n	$R_n$	k	n	$R_n$	k	n	$R_n$	k
1	1	0	51	15	9	101	25	19	151	39	28
2	2	0	52	16	9	102	26	19	152	40	28
3	3	0	53	17	9	103	27	19	153	37	29
4	4	0	54	14	10	104	28	19	154	38	29
5	5	0	55	15	10	105	29	19	155	39	29
6	2	1	56	16	10	106	26	20	156	40	29
7	3	1	57	17	10	107	27	20	157	41	29
8	4	1	58	18	10	108	28	20	158	38	30
9	5	1	59	15	11	109	29	20	159	39	30
10	6	1	60	16	11	110	30	20	160	40	30
11	7	1	61	17	11	111	27	21	161	41	30
12	4	2	62	18	11	112	28	21	162	42	30
13	5	2	63	19	11	113	29	21	163	43	30
14	6	2	64	16	12	114	30	21	164	40	31
15	7	2	65	17	12	115	31	21	165	41	31
16	8	2	66	18	12	116	28	22	166	42	31
17	5	3	67	19	12	117	29	22	167	43	31
18	6	3	68	20	12	118	30	22	168	44	31
19	7	3	69	17	13	119	31	22	169	41	32
20	8	3	70	18	13	120	32	22	170	42	32
21	9	3	71	19	13	121	33	22	171	43	32
22	6	4	72	20	13	122	30	23	172	44	32
23	7	4	73	21	13	123	31	23	173	45	32
24	8	4	74	22	13	124	32	23	174	42	33
25	9	4	75	19	14	125	33	23	175	43	33
26	10	4	76	20	14	126	34	23	176	44	33
27	7	5	77	21	14	127	31	24	177	45	33
28	8	5	78	22	14	128	32	24	178	46	33
29	9	5	79	23	14	129	33	24	179	43	34
30	10	5	80	20	15	130	34	24	180	44	34
31	11	5	81	21	15	131	35	24	181	45	34
32	12	5	82	22	15	132	32	25	182	46	34
33	9	6	83	23	15	133	33	25	183	47	34
34	10	6	84	24	15	134	34	25	184	44	35
35	11	6	85	21	16	135	35	25	185	45	35
36	12	6	86	22	16	136	36	25	186	46	35
37	13	6	87	23	16	137	33	26	187	47	35
38	10	7	88	24	16	138	34	26	188	48	35
39	11	7	89	25	16	139	35	26	189	49	35
40	12	7	90	22	17	140	36	26	190	46	36
41	13	7	91	23	17	141	37	26	191	47	36
42	14	7	92	24	17	142	38	26	192	48	36
43	11	8	93	25	17	143	35	27	193	49	36
44	12	8	94	26	17	144	36	27	194	50	36
45	13	8	95	27	17	145	37	27	195	47	37
46	14	8	96	24	18	146	38	27	196	48	37
47	15	8	97	25	18	147	39	27	197	49	37
48	12	9	98	26	18	148	36	28	198	50	37
49	13	9	99	27	18	149	37	28	199	51	37
50	14	9	100	28	18	150	38	28	200	48	38

We observe that for  $n \leq 115$  the exact value of  $R_n = n - 4k$  can be calculated using

$$k = \left\lfloor \frac{n - 2 - \left\lfloor \frac{n-11}{21} \right\rfloor}{5} \right\rfloor$$

where  $\lfloor \cdot \rfloor$  indicates the greatest integer function.

### 3. SOME INEQUALITIES INVOLVING EULER AND BERNOULLI NUMBERS

C. Jordan [9] has given inequalities for the Bernoulli numbers  $B_{2n}$  and the Euler numbers  $E_{2n}$  which yield upper and lower bounds for  $|B_{2n}|$  and  $|E_{2n}|$ . Other estimates have been given by D. Knuth [10] and D. Leeming [12]. However, in this paper, we require more accurate estimates which are contained in the following apparently new result.

**LEMMA 3.1.** *We have*

$$(i) \quad 4\sqrt{\pi n} \left[ \frac{n}{\pi e} \right]^{2n} < |B_{2n}| < 5\sqrt{\pi n} \left[ \frac{n}{\pi e} \right]^{2n}, \quad n \geq 2 \quad (3.1)$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{8\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left[ \frac{4n}{\pi e} \right]^{2n} < |E_{2n}| < \frac{8\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left[ \frac{4n}{\pi e} \right]^{2n} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{12n} \right], \quad n \geq 2 \quad (3.2)$$

$$(iii) \quad 2^{2n+1} \sqrt{\pi n} \left[ \frac{n}{\pi e} \right]^{2n} < |D_{2n}| < 2^{2n+3} \sqrt{\pi n} \left[ \frac{n}{\pi e} \right]^{2n}, \quad n \geq 2 \quad (3.3)$$

$$(iv) \quad \frac{2n}{\pi e} < |D_{2n}|^{\frac{1}{2n}} < (1.705) \left[ \frac{2n}{\pi e} \right], \quad n \geq 2 \quad (3.4)$$

where  $D_n$  is given by (1.2).

**Proof:** Inequalities (i) and (ii) follow by applying Stirling's formula to the inequalities for  $|B_{2n}|$  and  $|E_{2n}|$  given in ([3], p. 805) after applying the inequalities (see e.g. [9], p. 111)

$$2\sqrt{\pi n} \left[ \frac{2n}{e} \right]^{2n} < (2n)! < 2\sqrt{\pi n} \left[ \frac{2n}{e} \right]^{2n} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{12n} \right]. \quad (3.5)$$

Inequality (iii) follows from (3.1) and (1.2), and (iv) can be obtained from (iii) by taking  $2n$ th roots to obtain

$$(4\pi n)^{\frac{1}{4n}} \left[ \frac{2n}{\pi e} \right] < |D_{2n}|^{\frac{1}{2n}} < 2^{\frac{1}{n}} (4\pi n)^{\frac{1}{4n}} \left[ \frac{2n}{\pi e} \right], \quad n \geq 2. \quad (3.6)$$

Now  $1 < (4\pi n)^{\frac{1}{4n}} < \frac{3}{2}$ ,  $n \geq 2$  and  $1 < 2^{\frac{1}{n}} (4\pi n)^{\frac{1}{4n}} < 1.705$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , and a direct computation shows that (3.4) is valid for  $n = 2$ . ■

#### 4. EVALUATION OF $B_n(q)$ , $q = m, m + \frac{1}{6}, m + \frac{1}{4}, m + \frac{1}{2}, m + \frac{3}{4}, m + \frac{5}{6}$ .

Let  $m \geq 1$  be an integer. Using (1.3) repeatedly with  $x$  replaced successively by  $x + 1, \dots, x + m$  we get

$$B_n(x+m) = B_n(x) + n \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} (x+k)^{n-1}. \quad (4.1)$$

We now state the following lemma, which is new and will be useful in subsequent sections (see also Inkeri ([8], p. 10)).

**LEMMA 4.1.** *Let  $m$  be a positive integer. If  $B_n(y) > 0$ ,  $0 \leq y \leq 1$ , then  $B_n(y+m) > 0$ .*

**Proof:** From (4.1),  $B_n(y+m) = B_n(y) + n \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (y+j)^{n-1}$ . Since  $B_n(y) > 0$ , the

result follows. ■

Now from Nörlund ([15], p. 22), (1.2) and (1.4) we have, for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$

$$B_{2n}\left[\frac{1}{6}\right] = B_{2n}\left[\frac{5}{6}\right] = \left[1 - \frac{1}{2^{2n-1}}\right] \left[1 - \frac{1}{3^{2n-1}}\right] \frac{B_{2n}}{2} \quad (4.2)$$

$$B_{2n}\left[\frac{1}{4}\right] = B_{2n}\left[\frac{3}{4}\right] = 2^{-4n} D_{2n} \quad (4.3)$$

$$B_{2n}\left[\frac{1}{2}\right] = 2^{-2n} D_{2n}. \quad (4.4)$$

Therefore,

$$B_{2n}\left[m + \frac{1}{6}\right] = \frac{B_{2n}}{2} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2^{2n-1}}\right] \left[1 - \frac{1}{3^{2n-1}}\right] + 2n \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left[j + \frac{1}{6}\right]^{2n-1}, \quad m \geq 1 \quad (4.5)$$

$$B_{2n}\left[m + \frac{1}{4}\right] = 2^{-4n-1} \left[ 2D_{2n} + n \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j+1)^{2n-1} \right], \quad m \geq 1. \quad (4.6)$$

Similarly (since  $B_{2n} := B_{2n}(0) = B_{2n}(1)$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ),

$$B_{2n}(m) = B_{2n} + 2n \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} j^{2n-1}, \quad m \geq 1 \quad (4.7)$$

$$B_{2n}\left[m + \frac{1}{2}\right] = 2^{-2n} \left[ D_{2n} + 4n \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (2j+1)^{2n-1} \right], \quad m \geq 1 \quad (4.8)$$

$$B_{2n}\left[m + \frac{3}{4}\right] = 2^{-4n} \left[ D_{2n} + 8n \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j+3)^{2n-1} \right], \quad m \geq 1 \quad (4.9)$$

$$B_{2n}\left[m + \frac{5}{6}\right] = \frac{B_{2n}}{2} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{2^{2n-1}} \right] \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{3^{2n-1}} \right] + 2n \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left[ j + \frac{5}{6} \right]^{2n-1}, \quad m \geq 1. \quad (4.10)$$

$$B_{2n+1}\left[\frac{1}{4}\right] = -(2n+1)2^{-4n-2} E_{2n} \quad (4.11)$$

$$B_{2n+1}\left[m + \frac{1}{4}\right] = (2n+1)2^{-4n-2} \left[ -E_{2n} + 4 \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j+1)^{2n} \right], \quad m \geq 1 \quad (4.12)$$

$$B_{2n+1}\left[m + \frac{1}{2}\right] = (2n+1)2^{-2n} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (2j+1)^{2n} > 0, \quad m \geq 1 \quad (4.13)$$

$$B_{2n+1}\left[m + \frac{3}{4}\right] = (2n+1)2^{-4n-2} \left[ E_{2n} + 4 \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j+3)^{2n} \right], \quad m \geq 1 \quad (4.14)$$

$$B_{2n+1}^{(m)} = (2n+1) \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} j^{2n} > 0, \quad m \geq 2. \quad (4.15)$$

There are no known simple closed expressions for  $B_{2n+1}\left[m+\frac{1}{6}\right]$  or  $B_{2n+1}\left[m+\frac{5}{6}\right]$ .

We now consider the problem of determining the sign of  $B_n(q)$  for certain prescribed values of  $n$  and  $q$ . These results are given in the following lemmas.

**LEMMA 4.2.** Let  $m$  be a positive integer. Then

$$(i) \quad B_{4n}\left[m+\frac{1}{4}\right] > 0, \quad n \geq 0 \quad (4.16)$$

$$(ii) \quad B_{4n+1}\left[m+\frac{1}{4}\right] < 0 \text{ iff } E_{4n} > 4 \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j+1)^{4n} \quad (4.17)$$

$$(iii) \quad B_{4n+2}\left[m+\frac{1}{4}\right] < 0 \text{ iff } |D_{4n+2}| > 4(4n+2) \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j+1)^{4n+1} \quad (4.18)$$

$$(iv) \quad B_{4n+3}\left[m+\frac{1}{4}\right] > 0, \quad n \geq 0 \quad (4.19)$$

$$(v) \quad B_{4n}\left[m+\frac{3}{4}\right] > 0, \quad n \geq 0 \quad (4.20)$$

$$(vi) \quad B_{4n+1}\left[m+\frac{3}{4}\right] > 0, \quad n \geq 0 \quad (4.21)$$

$$(vii) \quad B_{4n+2}\left[m+\frac{3}{4}\right] < 0, \text{ iff } |D_{4n+2}| > 4(4n+2) \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j+3)^{4n+1} \quad (4.22)$$

$$(viii) \quad B_{4n+3}\left[m+\frac{3}{4}\right] < 0 \text{ iff } |E_{4n+2}| > 4 \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j+3)^{4n+2}. \quad (4.23)$$

**Proof:** From Nörlund ([15], p. 23 and p. 26) and (1.2) we have  $(-1)^{n+1} B_{2n} > 0$ ,  $(-1)^n E_{2n} > 0$  and  $(-1)^n D_{2n} > 0$  for  $n \geq 1$  (in particular  $E_{4n} > 0$ ) so using (4.12) we get (4.17). The other inequalities are proved similarly. ■

**LEMMA 4.3.** *Let  $m$  be a positive integer. Then*

$$(i) \quad B_{4n}(m) < 0 \text{ iff } |B_{4n}| > 4n \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} j^{4n-1}, \quad m \geq 2 \quad (4.24)$$

$$(ii) \quad B_{4n+2}(m) > 0, \quad m \geq 1, \quad n \geq 0 \quad (4.25)$$

$$(iii) \quad B_{4n} \left[ m + \frac{1}{2} \right] > 0, \quad m \geq 1, \quad n \geq 0 \quad (4.26)$$

$$(iv) \quad B_{4n+2} \left[ m + \frac{1}{2} \right] < 0 \text{ iff } |D_{4n+2}| > (8n+4) \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (2j+1)^{4n+1}, \quad m \geq 1. \quad (4.27)$$

**Proof:** Inequalities (i)–(iv) follow immediately from (4.7) and (4.8) after observing that  $(-1)^{n+1} B_{2n} > 0$  and  $(-1)^n D_{2n} > 0$ . ■

Finally, we note that since  $B_n(x) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , inequalities (4.17), (4.23), (4.24) and (4.27) show that the largest real zero of  $B_n(x)$  increases without bound as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  (see also [8], p. 12).

## 5. THE REAL ZEROS OF $B_{4n}(x)$ OUTSIDE THE INTERVAL $[0, 1]$

Since  $B_{4n}(1) = B_{4n} < 0$ ,  $n \geq 1$  and since  $B_{4n}(x)$  is a monic polynomial, we let  $M$  be the largest positive integer such that  $B_{4n}(M) < 0$ , that is  $B_{4n}(m) < 0$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots, M$  and  $B_{4n}(M+1) > 0$ . Inkeri ([8], p. 12) shows that  $B_{4n}(x)$  may have either one or three zeros in the interval  $(M, M+1)$  and there are no real zeros of  $B_{4n}(x)$  greater than  $M + 1$ . The occurrence of three roots in the interval  $(M, M+1)$  is an irregular but persistent phenomenon as we see from Table II which lists all pairs of zeros of  $B_{4n}(x)$ ,  $4 \leq 4n \leq 500$  in the interval  $\left[M + \frac{3}{4}, M+1\right]$ . The computation of these zeros is described in §5.

The largest real zero of  $B_{4n}(x)$  will lie anywhere in either one of the intervals  $\left[M, M + \frac{1}{4}\right]$  or  $\left[M + \frac{3}{4}, M+1\right]$  which explains the irregular count of Inkeri. A more definitive result for the position of the real zeros of  $B_{4n}(x)$  is given in Lemma 5.3. First we need the following two lemmas.

**LEMMA 5.1.** *Let  $m$  and  $n$  be positive integers. Then  $B_{4n}(x) > 0$  for  $m + \frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq m + \frac{3}{4}$ .*

*Proof:* We know  $B_{4n}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) > 0$  and that the only real zeros of  $B_{4n}(x)$  in  $(0,1)$  are  $r_{4n}$  and  $s_{4n} = 1 - r_{4n}$  where  $\frac{1}{6} < r_{4n} < \frac{1}{4}$  (see e.g. [14]). Therefore,  $B_{4n}(x) > 0$ ,  $\frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{3}{4}$ . Using Lemma 4.1, the result follows. ■

**LEMMA 5.2.** *For each (fixed) integer  $m \geq 1$ , there exist positive integers  $j_m$  and  $k_m$  with  $j_m \leq k_m$  such that*

$$(i) \quad B_{4n}\left[m + \frac{1}{6}\right] > 0, \quad n < j_m; \quad B_{4n}\left[m + \frac{1}{6}\right] < 0, \quad n \geq j_m \quad (5.1)$$

$$(ii) \quad B_{4n}\left[m + \frac{5}{6}\right] > 0, \quad n < k_m; \quad B_{4n}\left[m + \frac{5}{6}\right] < 0, \quad n \geq k_m. \quad (5.2)$$

**Proof:** Since  $B_{4n} < 0$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , using (4.2) we observe that for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ,  $B_{4n}\left[\frac{1}{6}\right] = B_{4n}\left[\frac{5}{6}\right] < 0$ . A direct calculation using (4.5) and (4.10) shows that in the case  $n = 1$ ,  $B_4\left[m+\frac{1}{6}\right] > 0$  and  $B_4\left[m+\frac{5}{6}\right] > 0$ . Using (4.5) and (3.1), we see that, for fixed  $m \geq 1$ ,  $B_{4n}\left[m+\frac{1}{6}\right] < 0$  when  $n$  is sufficiently large, so (5.1) follows. A similar argument yields (5.2). Finally, from (4.5) and (4.10), we see that  $B_{4n}\left[m+\frac{5}{6}\right] > B_{4n}\left[m+\frac{1}{6}\right]$  for all  $m \geq 1$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , so  $j_m \leq k_m$ . ■

**LEMMA 5.3.** For  $n = 1, 2$  and  $3$ ,  $B_{4n}(x)$  has exactly one zero in the interval  $\left[\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}\right]$ . For  $n \geq 4$  and  $m$  a positive integer,  $B_{4n}(x)$  has either two zeros or none in the interval  $\left[m - \frac{1}{4}, m + \frac{1}{4}\right]$ .

**Proof:** We need to show that whenever  $B_{4n}(x)$ ,  $n \geq 4$  has one zero in the interval  $\left[m - \frac{1}{4}, m + \frac{1}{4}\right]$  it must have exactly one more zero in the same interval. Suppose, then, that  $B_{4n}(x)$  has a zero in  $\left[m - \frac{1}{4}, m\right]$ . From Inkeri [8, p. 15] we have  $B_{4n}''(x) = 4n(4n-1)B_{4n-2}(x) > 0$  for (at least)  $m - \frac{1}{4} - h_n \leq x \leq m + \frac{1}{4} + h_n$  where  $h_n = 2^{-4n-2}\pi^{-1}$ . Furthermore (see [8], p. 19),  $B_{4n}'(x) < 0$  on  $\left[m - \frac{1}{4}, m - \epsilon_n\right]$  and  $B_{4n}'(x) > 0$  on  $\left[m + \delta_n, m + \frac{1}{4}\right]$  where  $0 < \epsilon_n < \frac{1}{6}$ ,  $0 < \delta_n < \frac{1}{6}$  and  $\epsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\delta_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore,  $B_{4n}(m) < 0$  and since from (4.16) and (4.20), we have  $B_{4n}\left[m - \frac{1}{4}\right] > 0$  and  $B_{4n}\left[m + \frac{1}{4}\right] > 0$ , the result follows. ■

It should be noted that because of the "crossover" phenomenon described in §7, a similar lemma is not possible in the case of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$ . However, Lemma 7.2 gives the comparable result for that case.

Finding the pairs of zeros of  $B_{4n}(x)$  in  $\left[M + \frac{3}{4}, M+1\right]$  involves first determining the sign of  $B_{4n-1}\left[M + \frac{3}{4}\right]$  and using (1.5). If  $B_{4n-1}\left[M + \frac{3}{4}\right] < 0$ , there is no guarantee of a pair of real zeros in  $\left[M + \frac{3}{4}, M+1\right]$ , however, there is that possibility. For example,  $B_{99}(6.75) < 0$  and we find (see Table II) that  $B_{100}(x)$  has a pair of zeros in the interval

(6.75, 7). On the other hand,  $B_{115}(7.75) < 0$  yet from Table V we see that  $B_{116}(x)$  has no real zeros in the interval (7.75, 8).

The computations for Table II are done using BERNSCAN. This FORTRAN program uses (4.1) and the Fourier series expansion (see [3], p. 805).

$$B_n(y) = -\frac{2(n!)}{(2\pi)^n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \cos\left[2\pi ky - \frac{1}{2}\pi n\right], \quad 0 \leq y \leq 1, \quad n > 1. \quad (5.3)$$

The second term in (4.1) is merely the sum of integer powers. This enables us to compute, for large values of  $n$  (up to  $n = 1000$ ), sign changes in  $B_n(y+m)$  for fixed integer values of  $m$ ,  $m \geq 1$ , and  $0 \leq y \leq 1$ . Such determinations give only very approximate values of the real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  but these sign changes do enable us to accurately count the number of real zeros of  $B_n(x)$  for large values of  $n$ . For example, in the case  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  we can use BERNSCAN to determine the exact number of real zeros (up to  $n = 1000$ ) including the cases for which the Delange estimates are not exact (see [5], p. 541).

TABLE II

Real Zero Pairs of  $B_{4n}(x)$  in the interval  $\left[M + \frac{3}{4}, M+1\right]$ ,  $4 \leq 4n \leq 500$

$4n$	$M$	zeros	
16	1	1.76	1.94
32	2	2.76	2.89
84	5	5.76	5.97
100	6	6.76	6.91
152	9	9.75	9.97
168	10	10.76	10.90
220	13	13.76	13.96
236	14	14.76	14.89
288	17	17.76	17.95
356	21	21.76	21.94
372	22	22.78	22.85
408	24	24.75	24.99
440	26	26.80	26.81
476	28	28.75	28.98
492	29	29.76	29.90

## 6. THE REAL ZEROS OF $B_{4n+1}(x)$ OUTSIDE THE INTERVAL $[0,1]$

From Inkeri ([8], p. 11) we have

$$\begin{cases} B_{4n+1}(x) \geq 0, & \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1 \\ B_{4n+1}(x) > 0, & m + \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq m + 1, \quad m \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad (6.1)$$

and  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  is convex upward on  $\left[m, m + \frac{1}{2}\right]$ ,  $m \geq 1$ . Therefore, in the interval  $\left[m, m + \frac{1}{2}\right]$ ,  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  has either two zeros, or none. Normally, if  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  has a pair of zeros in the interval  $\left[m, m + \frac{1}{2}\right]$ , then  $B_{4n+1}\left[m + \frac{1}{4}\right] < 0$ . (There are exceptions, however, e.g.  $n = 5$ ,  $m = 2$ , with a pair of zeros of  $B_{21}(x)$  in the subinterval  $\left[2, \frac{9}{4}\right]$

and with  $B_{21}\left[\frac{9}{4}\right] > 0$ .) Thus, to ensure the existence of a pair of zeros of  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  in the interval  $\left[m, m + \frac{1}{2}\right]$ , it is sufficient to determine (for fixed  $m$ ) the values of  $n$  for which  $B_{4n+1}\left[m + \frac{1}{4}\right] < 0$ . These values can be computed using inequality (4.16).

The convexity of  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  on  $\left[m, m + \frac{1}{2}\right]$ ,  $m \geq 1$ , enables us to obtain quite accurate upper and lower estimates for a pair of real zeros of  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  lying in the interval  $\left[m, m + \frac{1}{2}\right]$ ,  $m \geq 1$ , using Newton's method or the method of false position. We describe here, in some detail, the procedure for obtaining such a pair of real zeros of  $B_{4n+1}(x)$ . We note that similar estimates may be obtained in the other three cases.

We observe that the properties of these polynomials dictate that Newton's method will provide a better approximation to the zeros than will the method of false position.

However, for "large" values of  $n$ , the difference between the two estimates is extremely small and so give very accurate estimates for the real zeros of  $B_n(x)$ . When  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  has two zeros in the interval  $\left[m, m + \frac{1}{2}\right]$ , we can obtain simple upper and lower estimates for these zeros.

i) *Upper and lower estimates for the zero of  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  "near"  $x = m$ .*

We denote the real zero of  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  "near"  $x = m$  by  $a_{n,m}$ , the lower estimate by  $\delta_{n,m}$  and the upper estimate by  $\phi_{n,m}$ . Thus we have,  $\delta_{n,m} < a_{n,m} < \phi_{n,m}$  for each (fixed)  $m$ , and  $n$  sufficiently large.

Using one application of Newton's method with  $x = m$  as our initial value, we obtain a lower estimate

$$\delta_{n,m} = m - B_{4n+1}(m) / B'_{4n+1}(m). \quad (6.2)$$

Using (1.5), (4.7) and (4.15), (6.2) becomes

$$\delta_{n,m} = m - \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} j^{4n} / \left[ B_{4n} + 4n \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} j^{4n-1} \right], \quad m \geq 1. \quad (6.3)$$

We note here that  $\delta_{n,m}$  is indeed a lower estimate of  $a_{n,m}$  due to the convexity of  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  on  $\left[m, m+\frac{1}{2}\right]$ .

To obtain an upper estimate for  $a_{n,m}$  we use the method of false position on the interval  $\left[m, m+\frac{1}{4}\right]$ , which yields

$$\varphi_{n,m} = m - \frac{1}{4} B_{4n+1}(m) / \left[ B_{4n+1}\left[m+\frac{1}{4}\right] - B_{4n+1}(m) \right]. \quad (6.4)$$

Using (4.12) and (4.15) in (6.4) and simplifying, we get

$$\varphi_{n,m} = m - \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j)^{4n} / \left[ -E_{4n} + 4 \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j+1)^{4n} - \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j)^{4n} \right] \right], \quad m \geq 1. \quad (6.5)$$

Using (1.5), (4.8) and (4.13) similar upper and lower estimates can be obtained for the zero of  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  "near"  $x = m + \frac{1}{2}$ .

## 7. THE REAL ZEROS OF $B_{4n+2}(x)$ OUTSIDE THE INTERVAL $[0, 1]$

Inkeri [8] has pointed out that  $B_{4n+2}(x) > 0$ ,  $m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$  and  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  has at most one zero in the interval  $\left[m+\frac{1}{2}, m+1\right]$ , and either two zeros or none in the interval  $(m, m+1)$ . Furthermore, if  $B_{4n+2}\left[m+\frac{1}{2}\right] > 0$  for some value of  $m$ , then every real zero of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  is less than  $m+1$ . Thus if  $m = M$  is the largest integer such that  $B_{4n+2}\left[m+\frac{1}{2}\right] < 0$ , then there are no zeros of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  greater than  $M+2$ . In what follows we assume  $m$  is an integer such that  $1 \leq m \leq M$ .

The "crossover" phenomenon. It is well known (see e.g. [13]) that the pair of zeros of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  in the interval  $[0, 1]$  converge *monotonically* to  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . It is easily shown that this monotonic behavior is also exhibited by the pair of zeros of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  in the interval  $[1, 2]$ , which converge ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ) to  $\frac{5}{4}$  and  $\frac{7}{4}$ . The behavior of the pair of real zeros of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  in the intervals  $[m, m+1]$ ,  $m \geq 2$ , is not monotonic, however, as it was in the case  $m = 0$  and  $m = 1$ . We describe here this new concept for the interval  $[2, 3]$  and then give the general case in Lemma 7.1.

Let  $p_{n,2}$  denote the real zero of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  "near"  $x = 2.25$ . Table III shows that for  $n = 6, \dots, 10$ ,  $p_{n,2} > 2.25$  but for  $n \geq 11$ ,  $p_{n,2} < 2.25$ . Whereas Inkeri [8] shows that  $\{p_{n,2}\}$  is an increasing sequence for  $n \geq n_0$  (in this case,  $n_0 = 11$ ), the behavior of the sequence of zeros  $\{p_{n,2}\}$  for  $n \leq 10$  is *monotonic decreasing*. In addition, if we let  $q_{n,2}$  denote the real zero of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  "near"  $x = 2.75$ , we have for  $n \leq 13$ ,  $q_{n,2} < 2.75$  and  $\{q_{n,2}\}$  is *monotonic increasing*, while for  $n \geq 14$ ,  $q_{n,2} > 2.75$  and  $\{q_{n,2}\}$  is *monotonic decreasing*, as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , to 2.75.

Inkeri's work ([8], Theorem 1, p. 4) predicts the asymptotic behavior of the real zeros of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  on the interval  $[m, m+1]$  but he does not mention the crossover phenomenon for  $m \geq 2$  described above. We now formalize this description and give a more precise statement than that of Inkeri for the position of the real zeros of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$ .

**LEMMA 7.1.** *For each integer  $m \geq 2$ , there exist positive integers  $h_m$  and  $\ell_m$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & B_{4n+2}\left[m+\frac{1}{4}\right] > 0, \quad n < h_m; & B_{4n+2}\left[m+\frac{1}{4}\right] < 0, \quad n \geq h_m \\ \text{(ii)} \quad & B_{4n+2}\left[m+\frac{3}{4}\right] > 0, \quad n < \ell_m; & B_{4n+2}\left[m+\frac{3}{4}\right] < 0, \quad n \geq \ell_m. \end{aligned}$$

**Proof:** In the case  $m = 2$ , we have obtained directly by computation  $h_2 = 11$  and  $\ell_2 = 15$ . Setting  $n = 3$  in (4.6) and using (1.2) we have

$$B_6\left[m+\frac{1}{4}\right] = 2^{-13} \left[ -\frac{31}{21} + 3 \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (4j+1)^5 \right] > 0, \quad m \geq 2.$$

However, from (1.2) and (3.1) we have

$$D_{4n+2} = 2(1-2^{4n+1})B_{4n+2} < 0 \quad (7.1)$$

and

$$2^{4n+2}B_{4n+2} \sim 4\sqrt{(2n+1)\pi} \left[ \frac{4n+2}{2\pi e} \right]^{4n+2}, \quad (n \rightarrow \infty). \quad (7.2)$$

Therefore, in (4.6), the (negative) sign of  $D_{4n+2}$  will determine the sign of  $B_{4n+2}\left[m + \frac{1}{4}\right]$  for sufficiently large  $n$ , hence there exists a smallest integer  $h_m$  such that  $B_{4n+2}\left[m + \frac{1}{4}\right] < 0, n \geq h_m$ . The proof of (ii) is similar. ■

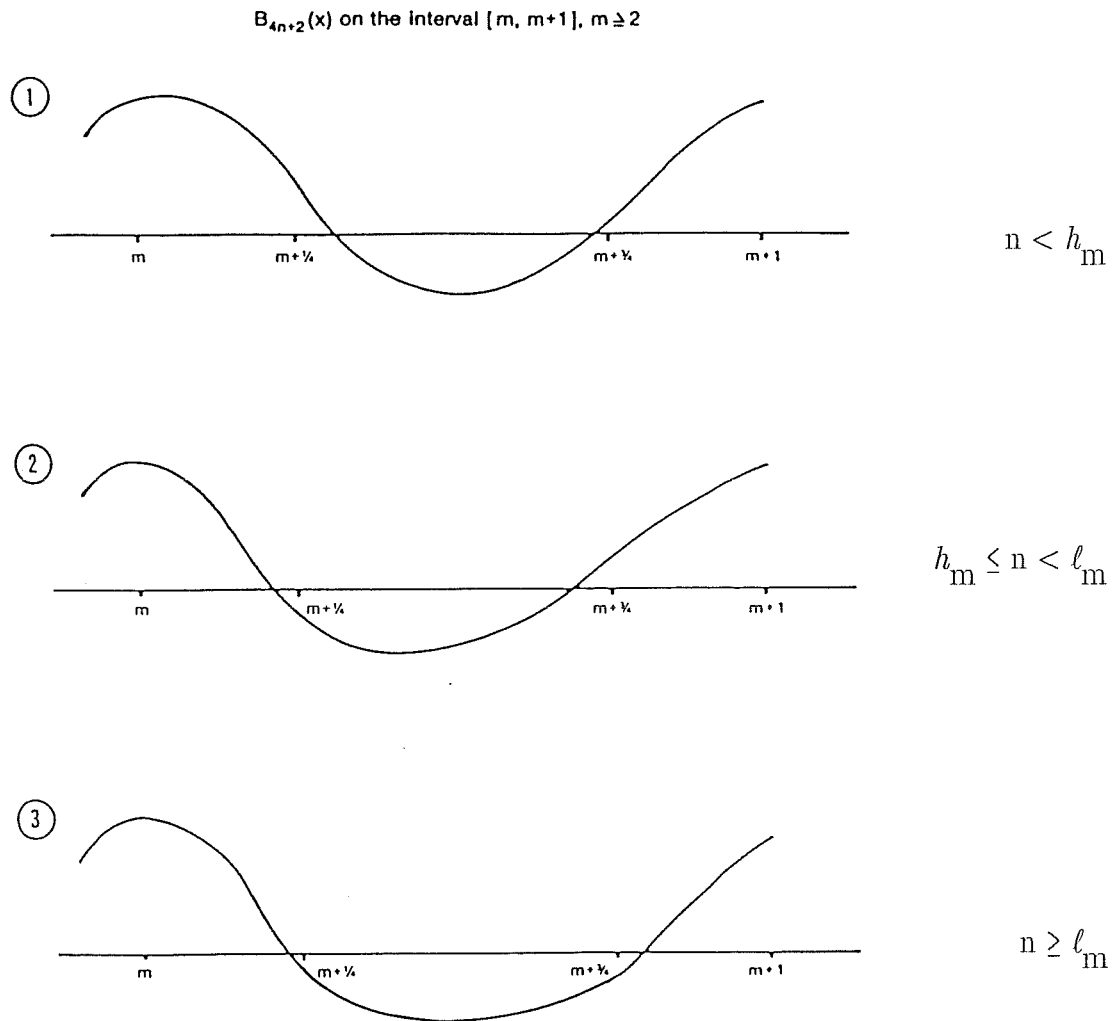
We observe from (4.6) and (4.9) that  $\ell_m \geq h_m$ . Some specific values of  $\ell_m$  and  $h_m$  are given below in Table III. We note from Table III that for  $2 \leq m \leq 10$ ,  $\ell_m = h_m + 4$  although it is not known whether or not this equality holds for larger values of  $m$ .

**TABLE III**

$m$	$h_m$	$\ell_m$
2	11	15
3	19	23
4	28	32
5	36	40
6	45	49
7	53	57
8	62	66
9	70	74
10	79	83

From Table III we can determine three different forms, or stages for the position of the pair of real zeros of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$ ,  $n \geq n_m$ , in the interval  $[m, m+1]$ ,  $m \geq 2$ . These three

stages are shown in diagram 1 below.



In spite of the "crossover" phenomenon, it is still possible to obtain accurate estimates for the two zeros of  $B_{4n+2}(x)$  in the interval  $(m, m+1)$  using Newton's method. In this case, the advantage over Inkeri's results is that our estimates will follow the "crossover", and so are good for all values of  $n \geq h_m$  where  $h_m$  is as defined in Lemma 7.1. Furthermore, these estimates exhibit the same order of accuracy as Inkeri's estimates, namely  $O(2^{-4n})$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . This is easily shown using (4.3), (4.6), (4.9), (4.11), (1.5) and the estimates of §3.

## 8. THE REAL ZEROS OF $B_{4n+3}(x)$ OUTSIDE THE INTERVAL $[0, 1]$

In this case, Inkeri [8] shows that

$$\begin{cases} B_{4n+3}(x) \geq 0, & 1 \leq x \leq \frac{3}{2} \\ B_{4n+3}(x) > 0, & m \leq x \leq m + \frac{1}{2}, \quad m \geq 2 \end{cases} \quad (8.1)$$

and in the intervals  $\left[m + \frac{1}{2}, m+1\right]$ ,  $B_{4n+3}(x)$  has, at most, two zeros. Usually if  $B_{4n+3}(x)$  has a pair of zeros in the interval  $\left[m + \frac{1}{2}, m+1\right]$ , then  $B_{4n+3}\left[m + \frac{3}{4}\right] < 0$ . The case  $n = 2, m = 1$ , is an exception, however, with  $B_{11}\left[\frac{7}{4}\right] > 0$ . In a similar fashion to the  $B_{4n+1}(x)$  case, we can determine the smallest value of  $n$ , say  $n_m$ , such that  $B_{4n+3}\left[m + \frac{3}{4}\right] < 0$  for a fixed value of  $m$ . Then for  $n \geq n_m$ ,  $B_{4n+3}(x)$  will have exactly two zeros in the interval  $\left[m + \frac{1}{2}, m+1\right]$ , one in  $\left[m + \frac{1}{2}, m + \frac{3}{4}\right]$  and the other in  $\left[m + \frac{3}{4}, m+1\right]$ .

i) *Upper and lower estimates for the zeros of  $B_{4n+3}(x)$  "near"  $x = m + \frac{1}{2}$ .*

We denote the real zero of  $B_{4n+3}(x)$  "near"  $x = m + \frac{1}{2}$  by  $g_{n,m}$ , our lower estimate by  $\alpha_{n,m}$  and our upper estimate by  $\beta_{n,m}$ .

To obtain the lower estimate  $\alpha_{n,m}$  for  $g_{n,m}$  we use one application of Newton's method with initial value  $x = m + \frac{1}{2}$ , (4.8), (4.13) and (1.5) which yields

$$\alpha_{n,m} = \left[m + \frac{1}{2}\right] - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m (2j-1)^{4n+2}}{\left[ D_{4n+2} + (8n+4) \sum_{j=1}^m (2j-1)^{4n+1} \right]}, \quad m \geq 1. \quad (8.2)$$

To obtain the upper estimate  $\beta_{n,m}$  for  $g_{n,m}$  we use the method of false position on  $\left[m + \frac{1}{2}, m + \frac{3}{4}\right]$  and obtain

$$\beta_{n,m} = \left[m + \frac{1}{2}\right] - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m (4j-2)^{4n+2}}{\left[ E_{4n+2} + 4 \left[ \sum_{j=1}^m (4j-1)^{4n+2} - \sum_{j=1}^m (4j-2)^{4n+2} \right] \right]}. \quad (8.3)$$

ii) *Comparison of our estimates with Inkeri's estimates.*

Let  $m$  and  $n$  be positive integers with  $n$  sufficiently large so that  $B_{4n+3}(x)$  has a pair of zeros in the interval  $\left[m + \frac{1}{2}, m+1\right]$ . Let  $g_{n,m}$  denote the real zero of  $B_{4n+3}(x)$  "near"  $x = m + \frac{1}{2}$ , and let  $\eta_{n,m}$  and  $\mu_{n,m}$  be the lower and upper estimates respectively for  $g_{n,m}$  given by Inkeri ([8], p. 19). Let  $\alpha_{n,m}$  and  $\beta_{n,m}$  be as given in (8.2) and (8.3). Then we have the following theorem.

**THEOREM 8.1.** *For  $n$  sufficiently large,  $m = 1, 2, \dots$*

$$m + \frac{1}{2} < \eta_{n,m} < \alpha_{n,m} < g_{n,m} < \beta_{n,m} < \mu_{n,m} \quad (8.4)$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{n,m} = m + \frac{1}{2}. \quad (8.5)$$

**Proof:** Inkeri ([8], p. 18) has shown that

$$B_{4n+3}\left[m + \frac{1}{2} + H_{n,m}\right] = B_{4n+3}(\eta_{n,m}) < 0$$

$$B_{4n+3}\left[m + \frac{1}{2} + H_{n+1,m}\right] = B_{4n+3}(\mu_{n,m}) > 0$$

where

$$H_{n,m} = \frac{[(2m-1)\pi]^{4n+1}}{2(4n+1)!}. \quad (8.6)$$

From (8.2) and (8.3) we can define  $s_{n,m}$  and  $t_{n,m}$  by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \alpha_{n,m} &= m + \frac{1}{2} + s_{n,m} \\ \beta_{n,m} &= m + \frac{1}{2} + t_{n,m} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (8.7)$$

respectively. Using Stirling's formula and taking  $(4n+2)$ th roots, we find

$$|H_{n,m}|^{\frac{1}{4n+2}} \sim \frac{(2m-1)\pi e}{4n+1} \quad \text{and} \quad |H_{n+1,m}|^{\frac{1}{4n+2}} \sim \frac{(2m-1)\pi e}{4n+3} \quad (n \rightarrow \infty) \quad (8.8)$$

also

$$|s_{n,m}|^{\frac{1}{4n+2}} \sim \frac{(2m-1)\pi e}{4n+2} \quad \text{and} \quad |t_{n,m}|^{\frac{1}{4n+2}} \sim \frac{(2m-1)\pi e}{4n+2} \quad (n \rightarrow \infty). \quad (8.9)$$

Comparing the asymptotic estimates in (8.8) and (8.9) yields (8.4). To obtain (8.5), observe that  $\mu_{n,m} = m + \frac{1}{2} + H_{n+1,m}$  and, by (8.6)  $H_{n+1,m} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . ■

Theorem 8.1 shows that our upper and lower bounds for  $g_{n,m}$  are asymptotically better than those of Inkeri (see (8.4)). Numerical evidence shows that, for a given  $m \geq 1$ , our bounds are always better than those of Inkeri, even for "small" values of  $n$ . The estimates for the real zero of  $B_{4n+3}(x)$  "near"  $x = m$ ,  $m \geq 1$ , can be obtained in a similar way.

### 9. COMPUTATION OF THE REAL ZEROS OF $B_n(x)$ , $3 \leq n \leq 117$

The computations of the real and complex zeros of  $B_n(x)$ ,  $3 \leq n \leq 83$ , were done on an IBM 3083 at the University of Victoria using a NAG FORTRAN library routine CO2AEF. The routine, which we modified to allow computations in quadruple precision, finds the zeros of a real polynomial using a method of Grant and Hitchins [7]. Successive zeros are found to within limiting machine precision, in this case approximately 32 decimal places, using a FORTVS compiler. A composite deflation technique is used throughout.

A check of the computations of the real and complex zeros of  $B_n(x)$  up to  $n = 42$  was made using a listing of Leon Lander and D.H. Lehmer provided by John Brillhart [2]. For higher values of  $n$ , the lower and upper bounds provided by D.H. Lehmer [13] for  $m = 1$ , and by Inkeri [8] and our own estimates for  $m \geq 1$  were used to verify that the NAG FORTRAN CO2AEF computations fell within these bounds. This was done using the original printout of the zeros of  $B_n(x)$ ,  $3 \leq n \leq 83$ , to 32 decimal places.

A further check of all zeros is provided by the symmetry properties of both the real and complex zeros of  $B_n(x)$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $\frac{1+x}{2}$  in (1.4) yields

$$(-1)^n B_n\left[-\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\right] = B_n\left[\frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right]. \quad (9.1)$$

Therefore, for  $n$  even,  $B_n\left[\frac{1+x}{2}\right]$  is an even function and, for  $n$  odd,  $x^{-1} B_n\left[\frac{1+x}{2}\right]$  is an even function. To obtain Table V we merely replace  $x^2$  by  $y$  (after factoring out  $x$  if  $n$  is odd) to obtain a polynomial of degree  $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$ . This enabled us to obtain the zeros of  $B_n(x)$ ,  $84 \leq n \leq 117$ , to 16 decimal places (we report 12 places in Table V). This second method of obtaining the zeros of  $B_n(x)$  used an integration routine to obtain the coefficients of  $B_n^*(x) = 2^n B_n\left[\frac{1+x}{2}\right]$  since property (1.5) also holds for the polynomial set

$\{B_n^*(x)\}$ . This, along with the known symmetries of the real and complex zeros of  $B_n(x)$ , gave us another check on the accuracy of the zeros reported in Table IV.

We give here in Table IV a listing of the positive real zeros of  $B_n(x)$ ,  $3 \leq n \leq 83$ , to 15 decimal places. In Table V we list the positive real zeros of  $B_n(x)$ ,  $84 \leq n \leq 117$  to 12 decimal places. A table of the complex zeros will appear elsewhere. Tables IV and V are a direct but reformatted printout of the zeros of  $B_n(x)$  as generated by the modified CO2AEF routine. A copy of the original printouts is available from the author, upon request.

TABLE IV

The Positive Real Zeros of  $B_n(x)$   $3 \leq n \leq 83$

$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero
3	1	0.50000	14	1	0.24999	23	1	0.50000	30	1	0.24999
3	2	1.00000	14	2	0.75000	23	2	1.00000	30	2	0.75000
4	1	0.24033	14	3	1.24999	23	3	1.50000	30	3	1.24999
4	2	0.75966	14	4	1.72213	23	4	1.99993	30	4	1.75000
4	3	1.15770	15	1	0.50000	24	1	0.24999	30	5	2.25000
5	1	0.50000	15	2	1.00000	24	2	0.75000	30	6	2.70663
5	2	1.00000	15	3	1.50005	24	3	1.24999	31	1	0.50000
5	3	1.26376	15	4	1.86771	24	4	1.75000	31	2	1.00000
6	1	0.24754	16	1	0.24999	24	5	2.24338	31	3	1.50000
6	2	0.75245	16	2	0.75000	24	1	0.50000	31	4	1.99999
7	1	0.50000	16	3	1.24999	25	1	0.50000	31	5	2.50032
7	2	1.00000	16	4	1.75534	25	2	1.00000	31	6	2.83579
8	1	0.24938	16	5	1.94308	25	3	1.49999	32	1	0.24999
8	2	0.75061	17	1	0.50000	25	4	2.00001	32	2	0.75000
8	3	1.24721	17	2	1.00000	25	5	2.43305	32	3	1.24999
9	1	0.50000	17	3	1.49999	26	1	0.24999	32	4	1.75000
9	2	1.00000	17	4	1.74961	26	2	0.75000	32	5	2.24999
9	3	1.44910	18	1	0.24999	26	3	1.24999	32	6	2.76505
10	1	0.24984	18	2	0.75000	26	4	1.75000	32	7	2.88809
10	2	0.75015	18	3	1.24999	26	5	2.25078	33	1	0.50000
10	3	1.24992	18	4	1.74961	26	6	2.54476	33	2	1.00000
10	4	1.57397	18	5	1.98589	27	1	0.50000	33	3	1.50000
11	1	0.50000	19	1	0.50000	27	2	1.00000	33	4	2.00000
11	2	1.00000	19	2	1.00000	27	3	1.50000	33	5	2.49997
11	3	1.51868	19	3	1.50000	27	4	1.99999	34	1	0.24999
11	4	1.61803	19	4	1.98589	27	5	2.24999	34	2	0.75000
12	1	0.50000	20	1	0.24999	28	1	0.24999	34	3	1.24999
12	2	1.00000	20	2	0.75000	28	2	0.75000	34	4	1.75000
12	3	1.24995	20	3	1.24999	28	3	1.24999	34	5	2.25000
13	1	0.50000	20	4	1.75002	28	4	1.75000	34	6	2.74871
13	2	1.00000	20	5	2.15349	28	5	2.24993	35	1	0.50000
13	3	1.49905	20	1	0.50000	29	1	0.50000	35	2	1.00000
			21	1	0.50000	29	2	1.00000	35	3	1.50000
			21	2	1.00000	29	3	1.49999	35	4	1.99999
			21	3	1.49999	29	4	2.00000	35	5	2.50000
			21	4	2.00196	29	5	2.49704	35	6	2.97417
			21	5	2.24815	29	1	0.50000			
			22	1	0.24999	29	2	1.00000			
			22	2	0.75000	29	3	1.49999			
			22	3	1.24999	29	4	1.99999			
			22	4	1.74999	29	5	2.49704			
						29	1	0.50000			
						29	2	1.00000			
						29	3	1.49999			
						29	4	2.00000			
						29	5	2.49704			
						29	1	0.50000			
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						29	4	2.00000			
						29	5	2.49704			
						29	1	0.50000			
						29	2	1.00000			
						29	3	1.49999			
						29	4	2.00000			
						29	5	2.49704			
						29	1	0.50000			

The Positive Real Zeros of  $B_n(x)$   $3 \leq n \leq 83$

$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero
36	1	0.24999	99999	97683	42	1	0.24999	99999	99963	47	1	0.50000	00000	00000
36	2	0.75000	00000	02316	42	2	0.75000	00000	00036	47	2	1.00000	00000	00000
36	3	1.24999	99999	97683	42	3	1.24999	99999	99963	47	3	1.50000	00000	00000
36	4	1.75000	00000	02316	42	4	1.75000	00000	00036	47	4	2.00000	00000	00000
36	5	2.24999	99999	99988	42	5	2.25000	00000	00038	47	5	2.50000	00000	00059
36	6	2.75013	4411	46607	42	6	2.74999	99268	06128	47	6	2.99999	99667	29929
36	7	3.12222	64528	11225	42	7	3.25227	73355	86538	47	7	3.50097	20384	00345
37	1	0.50000	00000	00000	42	8	3.49808	18053	93144	47	8	3.79196	65329	69238
37	2	1.00000	00000	00000	43	1	0.50000	00000	00000	48	1	0.24999	99999	99999
37	3	1.50000	00000	00000	43	2	1.00000	00000	00000	48	2	0.75000	00000	00000
37	4	2.00000	00000	00072	43	3	1.50000	00000	00000	48	3	1.24999	99999	99999
37	5	2.49999	98407	08067	43	4	1.99999	99999	99999	48	4	1.75000	00000	00000
37	6	3.00553	73914	09667	43	5	2.50000	00000	29558	48	5	2.24999	99999	99999
37	7	3.19837	28261	11086	43	6	2.99999	47753	35253	48	6	2.75000	00000	16732
38	1	0.24999	99999	99420	44	7	3.24999	77441	29564	48	7	3.24999	77441	29564
38	2	0.75000	00000	00579	44	1	0.24999	99999	99990	49	1	0.50000	00000	00000
38	3	1.24999	99999	99420	44	2	0.75000	00000	00009	49	2	1.00000	00000	00000
38	4	1.75000	00000	00579	44	3	1.24999	99999	99990	49	3	1.50000	00000	00000
38	5	2.25000	00000	07125	44	4	1.75000	00000	00009	49	4	2.00000	00000	00000
38	6	2.74998	78329	77230	44	5	2.24999	99999	99988	49	5	2.49999	99999	99997
39	1	0.50000	00000	00000	44	6	2.75000	00048	99983	49	6	3.00000	00023	28813
39	2	1.00000	00000	00000	45	7	3.24975	93374	31681	49	7	3.49989	57811	43804
39	3	1.50000	00000	00009	45	1	0.50000	00000	00000	50	1	0.24999	99999	99999
39	4	1.99999	99999	99997	45	2	1.00000	00000	00000	50	2	0.75000	00000	00000
39	5	2.50000	00100	63579	45	3	1.50000	00000	00000	50	3	1.24999	99999	99999
39	6	2.99944	30339	09457	45	4	2.00000	00000	00000	50	4	1.75000	00000	00000
40	1	0.24999	99999	99855	45	5	2.49999	99999	98612	50	5	2.24999	99999	99999
40	2	0.75000	00000	00144	45	6	3.00000	04361	22849	50	6	2.74999	99999	99140
40	3	1.24999	99999	99855	46	7	3.49292	63499	47099	50	7	3.25000	01917	00782
40	4	1.75000	00000	00144	46	1	0.24999	99999	99997	50	8	3.74663	52008	84278
40	5	2.24999	99999	97869	46	2	0.75000	00000	00002	51	1	0.50000	00000	00000
40	6	2.75000	09928	72232	46	3	1.24999	99999	99997	51	2	1.00000	00000	00000
40	7	3.23594	19492	16971	46	4	1.75000	00000	00002	51	3	1.50000	00000	00000
41	1	0.50000	00000	00000	46	5	2.24999	99999	99997	51	4	2.00000	00000	00000
41	2	1.00000	00000	00000	46	6	2.74999	99997	00800	51	5	2.50000	00000	00000
41	3	1.50000	00000	00000	46	7	3.25002	44161	73988	51	6	2.99999	99998	49897
41	4	2.00000	00000	00000	46	8	3.68194	85793	23099	51	7	3.50001	05191	42819
41	5	2.49999	99994	26979	46	1	0.24999	99999	99999	51	8	3.95467	96201	45610
41	6	3.00005	70446	58283	46	2	0.75000	00000	00000	51	1	0.50000	00000	00000
41	7	3.40433	14518	78072	46	3	1.24999	99999	99999	51	2	1.00000	00000	00000
						4	1.75000	00000	00000	51	3	1.50000	00000	00000
						5	2.24999	99999	99999	51	4	2.00000	00000	00000
						6	2.74999	99997	00800	51	5	2.50000	00000	00000
						7	3.23594	19492	16971	51	6	2.99999	99999	99506
						8	3.68194	85793	23099	51	7	3.50000	00843	57972
						9	3.95467	96201	45610	51	8	3.99845	18466	60155



The Positive Real Zeros of  $B_n(x)$   $3 \leq n \leq 83$ 

$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero	$n$	$r$	zero
72	1	0.25000	75	1	0.50000	78	1	0.25000	81	1	0.50000	84	1	0.50000
72	2	0.75000	75	2	1.00000	78	2	0.75000	81	2	1.00000	84	2	1.00000
72	3	1.25000	75	3	1.50000	78	3	1.25000	81	3	1.50000	84	3	1.50000
72	4	1.75000	75	4	2.00000	78	4	1.75000	81	4	2.00000	84	4	2.00000
72	5	2.25000	75	5	2.50000	78	5	2.25000	81	5	2.50000	84	5	2.50000
72	6	2.75000	75	6	3.00000	78	6	2.75000	81	6	3.00000	84	6	3.00000
72	7	3.25000	75	7	3.50000	78	7	3.25000	81	7	3.50000	84	7	3.50000
72	8	3.75000	75	8	3.99999	78	8	3.74999	81	8	4.00000	84	8	4.00000
72	9	4.24999	75	9	4.50000	78	9	4.25000	81	9	4.49999	84	9	4.49999
72	10	4.75001	75	10	4.99993	78	10	4.74999	81	10	5.00000	84	10	5.00000
72	11	5.20006	75	11	5.24808	78	11	5.20024	81	11	5.49911	84	11	5.49911
72	12	5.63756	75	12	5.67597	78	12	5.60860	81	12	5.73159	84	12	5.73159
73	1	0.50000	76	1	0.25000	79	1	0.50000	82	1	0.25000	85	1	0.25000
73	2	1.00000	76	2	0.75000	79	2	1.00000	82	2	0.75000	85	2	0.75000
73	3	1.50000	76	3	1.25000	79	3	1.50000	82	3	1.25000	85	3	1.25000
73	4	2.00000	76	4	1.75000	79	4	2.00000	82	4	1.75000	85	4	1.75000
73	5	2.50000	76	5	2.25000	79	5	2.50000	82	5	2.25000	85	5	2.25000
73	6	3.00000	76	6	2.75000	79	6	3.00000	82	6	2.75000	85	6	2.75000
73	7	3.49999	76	7	3.25000	79	7	3.49999	82	7	3.25000	85	7	3.25000
73	8	3.99999	76	8	3.75000	79	8	3.99999	82	8	3.75000	85	8	3.75000
73	9	4.49999	76	9	4.24999	79	9	4.24999	82	9	4.24999	85	9	4.24999
73	10	4.99999	76	10	4.75000	79	10	4.75000	82	10	4.74999	85	10	4.74999
73	11	5.00054	76	11	5.24808	79	11	5.24808	82	11	5.25000	85	11	5.25000
73	12	5.32264	76	12	5.67597	79	12	5.67597	82	12	5.73159	85	12	5.73159
74	1	0.25000	77	1	0.50000	80	1	0.25000	83	1	0.50000	86	1	0.50000
74	2	0.75000	77	2	1.00000	80	2	0.75000	83	2	1.00000	86	2	1.00000
74	3	1.25000	77	3	1.50000	80	3	1.25000	83	3	1.50000	86	3	1.50000
74	4	1.75000	77	4	2.00000	80	4	1.75000	83	4	2.00000	86	4	2.00000
74	5	2.25000	77	5	2.50000	80	5	2.25000	83	5	2.50000	86	5	2.50000
74	6	2.75000	77	6	3.00000	80	6	2.75000	83	6	3.00000	86	6	3.00000
74	7	3.25000	77	7	3.50000	80	7	3.25000	83	7	3.50000	86	7	3.50000
74	8	3.74999	77	8	4.00000	80	8	3.74999	83	8	4.00000	86	8	4.00000
74	9	4.25000	77	9	4.49999	80	9	4.25000	83	9	4.50000	86	9	4.50000
74	10	4.74999	77	10	5.00000	80	10	4.74999	83	10	5.00000	86	10	5.00000
74	11	5.27291	77	11	5.46840	80	11	5.27291	83	11	5.50010	86	11	5.50010
74	12	5.36198	77	12	5.67597	80	12	5.36198	83	12	5.89096	86	12	5.89096

TABLE V

The Positive Real Zeros of  $B_n(x)$   $84 \leq n \leq 117$

$n$	$r$	root	$n$	$r$	root	$n$	$r$	root	$n$	$r$	root
84	1	0.75000	88	1	0.75000	91	1	0.50000	94	1	0.75000
84	2	0.25000	88	2	0.25000	91	2	1.00000	94	2	0.25000
84	3	1.25000	88	3	1.50000	91	3	1.50000	94	3	1.25000
84	4	1.75000	88	4	1.75000	91	4	2.00000	94	4	1.75000
84	5	2.25000	88	5	2.25000	91	5	2.50000	94	5	2.25000
84	6	2.75000	88	6	2.75000	91	6	3.00000	94	6	2.75000
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84	8	3.75000	88	8	3.75000	91	8	4.00000	94	8	3.75000
84	9	4.25000	88	9	4.25000	91	9	4.50000	94	9	4.25000
84	10	4.75000	88	10	4.75000	91	10	5.00000	94	10	4.75000
84	11	5.24999	88	11	5.24999	91	11	5.50000	94	11	5.25000
84	12	5.75349	88	12	5.75004	91	12	5.99981	94	12	5.74999
84	13	5.97658	88	13	6.16952	91	13	6.24499	94	13	6.25070
85	1	0.50000	89	1	0.50000	92	1	0.75000	95	1	0.50000
85	2	1.00000	89	2	1.00000	92	2	0.25000	95	2	1.00000
85	3	1.50000	89	3	1.50000	92	3	1.25000	95	3	1.50000
85	4	2.00000	89	4	2.00000	92	4	1.75000	95	4	2.00000
85	5	2.50000	89	5	2.50000	92	5	2.25000	95	5	2.50000
85	6	3.00000	89	6	3.00000	92	6	2.75000	95	6	3.00000
85	7	3.50000	89	7	3.50000	92	7	3.25000	95	7	3.50000
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85	9	4.50000	89	9	4.50000	92	9	4.25000	95	9	4.50000
85	10	5.00000	89	10	5.00000	92	10	4.75000	95	10	5.00000
85	11	5.49998	89	11	5.49999	92	11	5.24999	95	11	5.50000
85	12	5.99998	89	12	6.00155	92	12	5.75000	95	12	5.99999
86	1	0.75000	89	13	6.27112	92	13	6.24499	95	13	6.53585
86	2	0.25000	90	1	0.75000	93	1	0.50000	95	14	6.58383
86	3	1.25000	90	2	0.25000	93	2	1.00000	96	1	0.75000
86	4	1.75000	90	3	1.25000	93	3	1.50000	96	2	0.25000
86	5	2.25000	90	4	1.75000	93	4	2.00000	96	3	1.25000
86	6	2.75000	90	5	2.25000	93	5	2.50000	96	4	1.75000
86	7	3.25000	90	6	2.75000	93	6	3.00000	96	5	2.25000
86	8	3.75000	90	7	3.25000	93	7	3.50000	96	6	2.75000
86	9	4.25000	90	8	3.75000	93	8	4.00000	96	7	3.25000
86	10	4.74999	90	9	4.25000	93	9	4.50000	96	8	3.75000
86	11	5.25000	90	10	4.75000	93	10	5.00000	96	9	4.25000
86	12	5.74959	90	11	5.25000	93	11	5.49999	96	10	4.75000
87	1	0.50000	90	12	5.74999	93	12	6.00002	96	11	5.25000
87	2	1.00000	90	13	6.24499	93	13	6.44386	96	12	5.75000
87	3	1.50000	90	14	6.44386	93	14	6.88773	96	13	6.24991
87	4	2.00000	90	15	6.88773	93	15	7.33160	96	14	6.74991
87	5	2.50000	90	16	7.33160	93	16	7.77547	96	15	6.24991
87	6	3.00000	90	17	7.77547	93	17	8.21934	96	16	5.74991
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87	8	4.00000	90	19	8.66321	93	19	9.10708	96	18	4.74991
87	9	4.50000	90	20	9.10708	93	20	9.55095	96	19	4.24991
87	10	4.99999	90	21	9.55095	93	21	9.99482	96	20	3.74991
87	11	5.50000	90	22	9.99482	93	22	10.43869	96	21	3.24991
87	12	5.99909	90	23	10.43869	93	23	10.88256	96	22	2.74991
87	13	6.49818	90	24	10.88256	93	24	11.32643	96	23	2.24991
87	14	6.99727	90	25	11.32643	93	25	11.77030	96	24	1.74991
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87	17	8.49454	90	28	12.65804	93	28	13.10191	96	27	0.24991
87	18	8.99363	90	29	13.10191	93	29	13.54578	96	28	0.75000
87	19	9.49272	90	30	13.54578	93	30	13.98965	96	29	0.25000
87	20	9.99181	90	31	13.98965	93	31	14.43352	96	30	0.75000
87	21	10.49090	90	32	14.43352	93	32	14.87739	96	31	0.25000
87	22	10.99000	90	33	14.87739	93	33	15.32126	96	32	0.75000
87	23	11.48909	90	34	15.32126	93	34	15.76513	96	33	0.25000
87	24	11.98818	90	35	15.76513	93	35	16.20900	96	34	0.75000
87	25	12.48727	90	36	16.20900	93	36	16.65287	96	35	0.25000
87	26	12.98636	90	37	16.65287	93	37	17.09674	96	36	0.75000
87	27	13.48545	90	38	17.09674	93	38	17.54061	96	37	0.25000
87	28	13.98454	90	39	17.54061	93	39	17.98448	96	38	0.75000
87	29	14.48363	90	40	17.98448	93	40	18.42835	96	39	0.25000
87	30	14.98272	90	41	18.42835	93	41	18.87222	96	40	0.75000
87	31	15.48181	90	42	18.87222	93	42	19.31609	96	41	0.25000
87	32	15.98090	90	43	19.31609	93	43	19.75996	96	42	0.75000
87	33	16.48000	90	44	19.75996	93	44	20.20383	96	43	0.25000
87	34	16.97909	90	45	20.20383	93	45	20.64770	96	44	0.75000
87	35	17.47818	90	46	20.64770	93	46	21.09157	96	45	0.25000
87	36	17.97727	90	47	21.09157	93	47	21.53544	96	46	0.75000
87	37	18.47636	90	48	21.53544	93	48	21.97931	96	47	0.25000
87	38	18.97545	90	49	21.97931	93	49	22.42318	96	48	0.75000
87	39	19.47454	90	50	22.42318	93	50	22.86705	96	49	0.25000
87	40	19.97363	90	51	22.86705	93	51	23.31092	96	50	0.75000
87	41	20.47272	90	52	23.31092	93	52	23.75479	96	51	0.25000
87	42	20.97181	90	53	23.75479	93	53	24.19866	96	52	0.75000
87	43	21.47090	90	54	24.19866	93	54	24.64253	96	53	0.25000
87	44	21.97000	90	55	24.64253	93	55	25.08640	96	54	0.75000
87	45	22.46909	90	56	25.08640	93	56	25.53027	96	55	0.25000
87	46	22.96818	90	57	25.53027	93	57	25.97414	96	56	0.75000
87	47	23.46727	90	58	25.97414	93	58	26.41801	96	57	0.25000
87	48	23.96636	90	59	26.41801	93	59	26.86188	96	58	0.75000
87	49	24.46545	90	60	26.86188	93	60	27.30575	96	59	0.25000
87	50	24.96454	90	61	27.30575	93	61	27.74962	96	60	0.75000
87	51	25.46363	90	62	27.74962	93	62	28.19349	96	61	0.25000
87	52	25.96272	90	63	28.19349	93	63	28.63736	96	62	0.75000
87	53	26.46181	90	64	28.63736	93	64	29.08123	96	63	0.25000
87	54	26.96090	90	65	29.08123	93	65	29.52510	96	64	0.75000
87	55	27.46000	90	66	29.52510	93	66	29.96897	96	65	0.25000
87	56	27.95909	90	67	29.96897	93	67	30.41284	96	66	0.75000
87	57	28.45818	90	68	30.41284	93	68	30.85671	96	67	0.25000
87	58	28.95727	90	69	30.85671	93	69	31.30058	96	68	0.75000
87	59	29.45636	90	70	31.30058	93	70	31.74445	96	69	0.25000
87	60	29.95545	90	71	31.74445	93	71	32.18832	96	70	0.75000
87	61	30.45454	90	72	32.18832	93	72	32.63219	96	71	0.25000
87	62	30.95363	90	73	32.63219	93	73	33.07606	96	72	0.75000
87	63	31.45272	90	74	33.07606	93	74	33.51993	96	73	0.25000
87	64	31.95181	90	75	33.51993	93	75	33.96380	96	74	0.75000
87	65	32.45090	90	76	33.96380	93	76	34.40767	96	75	0.25000
87	66	32.95000	90	77	34.40767	93	77	34.85154	96	76	0.75000
87	67	33.44909	90	78	34.85154	93	78	35.29541	96	77	0.25000
87	68	33.94818	90	79	35.29541	93	79	35.73928	96	78	0.75000
87	69	34.44727	90	80	35.73928	93	80	36.18315	96	79	0.25000
87	70	34.94636	90	81	36.18315	93	81	36.62702	96	80	0.75000
87	71	35.44545	90	82	36.62702	93	82	37.07089	96	81	0.25000
87	72	35.94454	90	83	37.07089	93	83	37.51476	96	82	0.75000
87	73	36.44363	90	84	37.51476	93	84	37.95863	96	83	0.25000
87	74	36.9427									

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$n$	$r$	root	$n$	$r$	root	$n$	$r$	root	$n$	$r$	root
97	1	0.50000 00000 00	100	1	0.75000 00000 00	103	1	0.50000 00000 00	106	1	0.75000 00000 00
97	2	1.00000 00000 00	100	2	0.75000 00000 00	103	2	1.00000 00000 00	106	2	0.25000 00000 00
97	3	1.50000 00000 00	100	3	1.25000 00000 00	103	3	1.50000 00000 00	106	3	1.25000 00000 00
97	4	2.00000 00000 00	100	4	1.75000 00000 00	103	4	2.00000 00000 00	106	4	1.75000 00000 00
97	5	2.50000 00000 00	100	5	2.25000 00000 00	103	5	2.50000 00000 00	106	5	2.25000 00000 00
97	6	3.00000 00000 00	100	6	2.75000 00000 00	103	6	3.00000 00000 00	106	6	2.75000 00000 00
97	7	3.50000 00000 00	100	7	3.25000 00000 00	103	7	3.50000 00000 00	106	7	3.25000 00000 00
97	8	4.00000 00000 00	100	8	3.75000 00000 00	103	8	4.00000 00000 00	106	8	3.75000 00000 00
97	9	4.50000 00000 00	100	9	4.25000 00000 00	103	9	4.50000 00000 00	106	9	4.25000 00000 00
97	10	5.00000 00000 00	100	10	4.75000 00000 00	103	10	5.00000 00000 00	106	10	4.75000 00000 00
97	11	5.49999 99999 89	100	11	5.25000 00000 00	103	11	5.00000 00000 00	106	11	5.25000 00000 00
97	12	6.00000 02685 28	100	12	5.75000 00000 55	103	12	5.99999 99997 34	106	12	5.75000 00000 00
97	13	6.49757 71237 33	100	13	6.24999 88920 11	103	13	6.50000 44403 94	106	13	6.25000 00012 32
98	1	0.75000 00000 00	100	14	6.76090 71105 71	103	14	6.97807 18648 15	106	14	6.74998 26676 54
98	2	0.25000 00000 00	100	15	6.90862 45808 81	104	1	0.75000 00000 00	107	1	0.50000 00000 00
98	3	1.25000 00000 00	101	1	0.50000 00000 00	104	2	0.25000 00000 00	107	2	1.00000 00000 00
98	4	2.25000 00000 00	101	2	1.00000 00000 00	104	3	1.25000 00000 00	107	3	1.50000 00000 00
98	5	2.75000 00000 00	101	3	1.50000 00000 00	104	4	1.75000 00000 00	107	4	2.00000 00000 00
98	6	2.75000 00000 00	101	4	2.00000 00000 00	104	5	2.25000 00000 00	107	5	2.50000 00000 00
98	7	3.25000 00000 00	101	5	2.50000 00000 00	104	6	2.75000 00000 00	107	6	3.00000 00000 00
98	8	3.75000 00000 00	101	6	3.00000 00000 00	104	7	3.25000 00000 00	107	7	3.50000 00000 00
98	9	4.25000 00000 00	101	7	3.50000 00000 00	104	8	3.75000 00000 00	107	8	4.00000 00000 00
98	10	4.75000 00000 00	101	8	4.00000 00000 00	104	9	4.25000 00000 00	107	9	4.50000 00000 00
98	11	5.25000 00000 00	101	9	4.50000 00000 00	104	10	4.75000 00000 00	107	10	5.00000 00000 00
98	12	5.74999 99993 99	101	10	5.00000 00000 00	104	11	5.25000 00000 00	107	11	5.50000 00000 98
98	13	6.25000 98811 29	101	11	5.50000 00000 00	104	12	5.75000 00000 00	107	12	6.00000 00531 12
98	14	6.71348 36237 59	101	12	6.00000 00027 79	104	13	6.24999 99876 36	107	13	6.50000 00531 12
99	1	0.50000 00000 00	102	13	6.49996 17245 85	104	14	6.75014 54298 13	107	14	6.99946 70466 57
99	2	1.00000 00000 00	102	1	0.75000 00000 00	105	1	0.50000 00000 00	108	1	0.75000 00000 00
99	3	1.50000 00000 00	102	2	0.25000 00000 00	105	2	1.00000 00000 00	108	2	0.25000 00000 00
99	4	2.00000 00000 00	102	3	1.25000 00000 00	105	3	1.50000 00000 00	108	3	1.25000 00000 00
99	5	2.50000 00000 00	102	4	1.75000 00000 00	105	4	2.00000 00000 00	108	4	1.75000 00000 00
99	6	3.00000 00000 00	102	5	2.25000 00000 00	105	5	2.50000 00000 00	108	5	2.25000 00000 00
99	7	3.50000 00000 00	102	6	2.75000 00000 00	105	6	3.00000 00000 00	108	6	2.75000 00000 00
99	8	4.00000 00000 00	102	7	3.25000 00000 00	105	7	3.50000 00000 00	108	7	3.25000 00000 00
99	9	4.50000 00000 00	102	8	3.75000 00000 00	105	8	4.00000 00000 00	108	8	3.75000 00000 00
99	10	5.00000 00000 01	102	9	4.25000 00000 00	105	9	4.50000 00000 00	108	9	4.25000 00000 00
99	11	5.99999 99721 20	102	10	4.75000 00000 00	105	10	5.00000 00000 00	108	10	4.75000 00000 00
99	12	6.50031 93328 08	102	11	5.25000 00000 00	105	11	5.50000 00000 00	108	11	5.25000 00000 00
99	13	6.84808 04058 58	102	12	5.74999 99999 95	105	12	6.00000 00000 25	108	12	5.75000 00000 00
99	14		102	13	6.25000 01193 72	105	13	6.49999 95050 10	108	13	6.24999 99998 82
			102	14	6.74885 57059 30	105	14	7.00456 02140 24	108	14	6.75000 19953 39
						105	15	7.21145 02842 00	108	15	7.23784 71228 09

The Positive Real Zeros of  $B_n(x)$   $84 \leq n \leq 117$ 

$n$	$r$	root	$n$	$r$	root	$n$	$r$	root	$n$	$r$	root
109	1	0.50000 00000 00	112	1	0.75000 00000 00	115	1	0.50000 00000 00			
109	2	1.00000 00000 00	112	2	0.25000 00000 00	115	2	1.00000 00000 00			
109	3	1.50000 00000 00	112	3	1.25000 00000 00	115	3	1.50000 00000 00			
109	4	2.00000 00000 00	112	4	1.75000 00000 00	115	4	2.00000 00000 00			
109	5	2.50000 00000 00	112	5	2.25000 00000 00	115	5	2.50000 00000 00			
109	6	3.00000 00000 00	112	6	2.75000 00000 00	115	6	3.00000 00000 00			
109	7	3.50000 00000 00	112	7	3.25000 00000 00	115	7	3.50000 00000 00			
109	8	4.00000 00000 00	112	8	3.75000 00000 00	115	8	4.00000 00000 00			
109	9	4.50000 00000 00	112	9	4.25000 00000 00	115	9	4.50000 00000 00			
109	10	5.00000 00000 00	112	10	4.75000 00000 00	115	10	5.00000 00000 00			
109	11	5.50000 00000 00	112	11	5.25000 00000 00	115	11	5.50000 00000 00			
109	12	6.00000 00000 00	112	12	5.75000 00000 00	115	12	6.00000 00000 00			
109	13	6.49999 99945 11	112	13	6.24999 99999 99	115	13	6.50000 00000 05			
109	14	7.00006 62445 62	112	14	6.75000 00236 50	115	14	6.99999 99010 82			
109	15	7.41084 86459 30	112	15	7.24975 36928 34	115	15	7.50092 29704 24			
110	1	0.75000 00000 00	113	1	0.50000 00000 00	115	16	7.79852 56035 97			
110	2	0.25000 00000 00	113	2	1.00000 00000 00	116	1	0.75000 00000 00			
110	3	1.25000 00000 00	113	3	1.50000 00000 00	116	2	0.25000 00000 00			
110	4	1.75000 00000 00	113	4	2.00000 00000 00	116	3	1.25000 00000 00			
110	5	2.25000 00000 00	113	5	2.50000 00000 00	116	4	1.75000 00000 00			
110	6	2.75000 00000 00	113	6	3.00000 00000 00	116	5	2.25000 00000 00			
110	7	3.25000 00000 00	113	7	3.50000 00000 00	116	6	2.75000 00000 00			
110	8	3.75000 00000 00	113	8	4.00000 00000 00	116	7	3.25000 00000 00			
110	9	4.25000 00000 00	113	9	4.50000 00000 00	116	8	3.75000 00000 00			
110	10	4.75000 00000 00	113	10	5.00000 00000 00	116	9	4.25000 00000 00			
110	11	5.25000 00000 00	113	11	5.50000 00000 00	116	10	4.75000 00000 00			
110	12	5.75000 00000 00	113	12	6.00000 00000 00	116	11	5.25000 00000 00			
110	13	6.25000 00000 11	113	13	6.49999 99999 47	116	12	5.75000 00000 00			
110	14	6.74999 97787 70	113	14	7.00000 08966 11	116	13	6.25000 00000 00			
110	15	7.25202 93277 03	113	15	7.49370 57806 09	116	14	6.75000 00002 43			
110	16	7.50724 89240 82	113	15	7.49370 57806 09	116	15	7.24999 64544 08			
111	1	0.50000 00000 00	114	1	0.75000 00000 00	117	1	0.50000 00000 00			
111	2	1.00000 00000 00	114	2	0.25000 00000 00	117	2	1.00000 00000 00			
111	3	1.50000 00000 00	114	3	1.25000 00000 00	117	3	1.50000 00000 00			
111	4	2.00000 00000 00	114	4	1.75000 00000 00	117	4	2.00000 00000 00			
111	5	2.50000 00000 00	114	5	2.25000 00000 00	117	5	2.50000 00000 00			
111	6	3.00000 00000 00	114	6	2.75000 00000 00	117	6	3.00000 00000 00			
111	7	3.50000 00000 00	114	7	3.25000 00000 00	117	7	3.50000 00000 00			
111	8	4.00000 00000 00	114	8	3.75000 00000 00	117	8	4.00000 00000 00			
111	9	4.50000 00000 00	114	9	4.25000 00000 00	117	9	4.50000 00000 00			
111	10	5.00000 00000 00	114	10	4.75000 00000 00	117	10	5.00000 00000 00			
111	11	5.50000 00000 00	114	11	5.25000 00000 00	117	11	5.50000 00000 00			
111	12	6.00000 00000 00	114	12	5.75000 00000 00	117	12	6.00000 00000 00			
111	13	6.50000 00000 00	114	13	6.25000 00000 00	117	13	6.50000 00000 00			
111	14	6.99999 21582 50	114	14	6.74999 99975 61	117	14	7.00000 00105 39			
111	15	7.50000 00005 47	114	15	7.25003 01603 81	117	15	7.49988 66796 06			
111	16	8.00000 00000 00	114	16	7.74999 99999 99	117	15	7.49988 66796 06			

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