

## Homework 21: Complex Eigenvalues

This homework is due on Wednesday, March 28, respectively on Thursday, March 29, 2018.

- 1** a) For  $z = 1 + 4i$ . Find  $z + z^2 + z^3$ .  
 b) The log of a nonzero complex number  $re^{i\theta} = r \cos(\theta) + ir \sin(\theta)$ , where  $r > 0$  and  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ , is defined as  $\log(re^{i\theta}) = \log r + i\theta$ . Find the logarithm of  $e \cdot i$ . ("Ei" is the product of  $e$  and  $i$ . It means "Egg" in German.)  
 c) Using logarithms we can define  $w^z = e^{z \log w}$ . What is  $i^i$ , the "eye for an eye" number?

- 2** a) First use the identity  $(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))^2 = (e^{i\theta})^2 = e^{i2\theta} = \cos(2\theta) + i \sin(2\theta)$  to get the double angle formulas for  $\cos(2\theta)$  and  $\sin(2\theta)$ .  
 b) Express  $\cos(4\theta)$  and  $\sin(4\theta)$  as polynomials in  $\cos(\theta), \sin(\theta)$ .

- 3** a) Find all the eigenvalues of the matrix  $A = 3Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  in the complex plane.  
 b) Verify that if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $Q$ , then  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda^3 \\ \lambda^2 \\ \lambda \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$ .

- 4** Find the eigenvalues/eigenvectors of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 4 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & 4 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 & 4 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Hint: write  $A = 7I_6 + 4Q + 2Q^2 + Q^{-1}$ ?

5 The matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 & 0.7 \\ 0.8 & 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0.5 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix}$  is called a Markov matrix: in every column the entries add up to 1, so each column can be interpreted as a probability distribution.

- a) Verify that  $A^T$  has the eigenvector  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  with eigenvalue 1.
- b) Why is 1 an other eigenvalue of  $A$ ? Find all eigenvalues.
- c) Find all eigenvectors of  $A$ .

## Complex eigenvalues

Complex numbers are of the form  $z = a + ib$ . Add and multiply as real numbers, keeping in mind  $i^2 = -1$ . Euler found  $e^{i\theta} = \cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta)$  which for  $\theta = \pi$  gives  $e^{i\pi} + 1 = 0$  (the most beautiful formula in whole of mathematics), as it combines  $e$ ,  $\pi$ ,  $i$ , 1 and 0. As  $e$  is part of analysis and  $\pi$  is part of geometry and 0 is the additive neutral element and 1 the multiplicative neutral element, this identity combines analysis, geometry and algebra. The Euler identity leads to **de Moivre formulas** like  $(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))^3 = (e^{i\theta})^3 = e^{i3\theta} = \cos(3\theta) + i \sin(3\theta)$ . So that  $\cos^3(\theta) - \cos(\theta) \sin^2(\theta) = \cos(3\theta)$  and  $\cos^2(\theta) \sin(\theta) - \sin^3(\theta) = \sin(3\theta)$ . Eigenvalues of matrices can become complex as the rotation-dilation matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$  shows which has the eigenvalues  $a \pm ib$ . The fundamental theorem of algebra assures that the sum of the algebraic multiplicities of all eigenvalues of a  $n \times n$  matrix is equal to  $n$ .