

### Problem Set 5

DUE: Thurs. Oct. 21, 2010. *Late papers will be accepted until 1:00 PM Friday.*

1. [Ratio Test] Let  $a_k$  be a sequence of complex numbers. Let  $s := \limsup \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right|$ . By comparison with a geometric series, show that the series  $\sum a_k$  converges absolutely if  $s < 1$ .
2. Let  $A$  be a square matrix.
  - a) Show that  $e^{(s+t)A} = e^{sA}e^{tA}$  for all real or complex  $s, t$ .
  - b) If  $AB = BA$ , the Hoffman text (p. 48) shows that  $e^{A+B} = e^Ae^B$ . Give an example showing this may be false if  $A$  and  $B$  don't commute.
  - c) If  $A$  is any square matrix, show that  $e^A$  is invertible.
  - d) If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  diagonal matrix, compute  $e^A$ .
  - e) If  $A$  and  $B$  are similar matrices (so  $A = S^{-1}BS$  for some invertible matrix  $S$ ), show that  $e^A = S^{-1}e^BS$ . [In particular, if  $A$  is similar to a diagonal matrix  $D$ , then by the previous part,  $e^A = S^{-1}e^DS$  is easy to compute.]
  - f) If  $A^2 = 0$ , compute  $e^A$ .

g) Compute  $e^A$  for the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

- h) If  $P$  is a projection (so  $P^2 = P$ ) and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , compute  $e^{tP}$ .
- i) If  $R$  is a reflection (so  $R^2 = I$ ) and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , compute  $e^{tR}$ .
- j) For real  $t$  show that

$$e^{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -t \\ t & 0 \end{pmatrix}} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix}.$$

(The matrix on the right is a rotation of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  through the angle  $t$ ).

- k) If a (square) matrix  $A$  satisfies  $A^2 = \alpha^2 I$ , show that

$$e^A = \cosh \alpha I + \frac{\sinh \alpha}{\alpha} A.$$

- l) If a square matrix  $A$  satisfies  $A^3 = \alpha^2 A$  for some real or complex  $\alpha$ , show that

$$e^A = I + \frac{\sinh \alpha}{\alpha} A + \frac{\cosh \alpha - 1}{\alpha^2} A^2.$$

[This formula generalizes the previous part.] What is the formula if  $A^3 = -\alpha^2 A$ ?

3. [Hoffman, p.55#4] Let  $\{x_k\}$  be a Cauchy sequence in an arbitrary metric space  $\mathcal{M}$ . If a subsequence converges to some element  $A \in \mathcal{M}$ , show that the original sequence also converges to  $A$ .
4. [Hoffman, p.55 #5] Let  $\{x_k\}$  be a bounded sequence of real numbers with the property that  $|x_{k+1} - x_k| = 1$  for each  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ . Show that this sequence has only a finite number of accumulation points.
5. [Hoffman, p.62 #1-2] The point of this problem is for you to prove with your bare hands that  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is connected. As usual, I suggest first trying the special case  $n = 1$ .
  - a) Show that the empty set and all of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are both open and closed sets.
  - b) Conversely, if a set  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is both open and closed, show it is either the empty set or all of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
6. [Hoffman, p.62 #4] Which of the following subsets of  $\mathbb{C}$  are open? Closed?
  - a) All  $z$  such that  $z = \bar{z}$ .
  - b) All  $z$  that satisfy  $z\bar{z} > 2$ .
  - c) All  $z \neq 0$  such that  $|z| \leq 1$ .
  - d) All  $z$  such that  $|z|$  is a rational number.
7. [Hoffman, p.62 #13] Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $B \subset \mathbb{R}^k$  be given sets. The *Cartesian product*  $A \times B$  is the set of all points  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+k}$  where  $x \in A$  and  $y \in B$ . Prove that
  - a) if both  $A$  and  $B$  are bounded, then so is  $A \times B$ .
  - b) if both  $A$  and  $B$  are open, then so is  $A \times B$ ;
  - c) if both  $A$  and  $B$  are closed, then so is  $A \times B$ ;
8. Show that the set of all  $n \times n$  real orthogonal matrices is both closed and bounded. [REMARK: There are many (equivalent) definitions for an orthogonal matrix. Use whichever you prefer.]

#### Bonus Problems (Due Oct 21)

- 1B. In class we defined the normed linear space  $\ell_2$  as the set of all real (or complex) sequences  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$  such that  $\|x\|_2 := [\sum |x_j|^2]^{1/2} < \infty$ . Prove this space is complete. SUGGESTION: As a model, see the example of  $\ell_1$  in <http://www.math.upenn.edu/~kazdan/508F08/completeness-1.1.pdf>

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