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I M 1) Given the complex number $z = \frac{1-i}{1+i}$, write the complex number in goniometric form and calculate its cubic roots.

$$z = \frac{1-i}{1+i} = \frac{1-i}{1+i} \cdot \frac{1-i}{1-i} = \frac{1-2i+i^2}{1-i^2} = \frac{-2i}{2} = -i \quad (\text{remember that } i^2 = -1).$$

In goniometric form: $z = -i = \cos \frac{3}{2}\pi + i \sin \frac{3}{2}\pi$. For the cubic roots we apply the

classical formula: $\sqrt[3]{z} = \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{3}{2}\pi + i \sin \frac{3}{2}\pi} =$

$$\cos\left(\frac{\frac{3}{2}\pi + 2k\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\frac{3}{2}\pi + 2k\pi}{3}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{2}{3}k\pi\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{2}{3}k\pi\right)$$

$k = 0, 1, 2$. The three roots are:

$$k = 0 \rightarrow z_0 = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = i;$$

$$k = 1 \rightarrow z_1 = \cos\left(\frac{7}{6}\pi\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{7}{6}\pi\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i;$$

$$k = 2 \rightarrow z_2 = \cos\left(\frac{11}{6}\pi\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{11}{6}\pi\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i.$$

I M 2) Given the matrix $\mathbb{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, calculate its eigenvalues and study if the

matrix \mathbb{A} is diagonalizable or not.

At the first step we calculate the characteristic polynomial of matrix \mathbb{A} ;

$$P_{\mathbb{A}}(\lambda) = |\lambda \mathbb{I} - \mathbb{A}| = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda - 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & \lambda - 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 1 & -3 & 0 \\ -3 & \lambda - 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} =$$

$$\lambda^2 \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 1 & -3 \\ -3 & \lambda - 1 \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 ((\lambda - 1)^2 - 9) = \lambda^2 (\lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 8) = \lambda^2 (\lambda - 4)(\lambda + 2).$$

Putting $P_{\mathbb{A}}(\lambda) = 0$ we find the four eigenvalues of matrix \mathbb{A} ; if $\lambda^2 = 0$, we have the first two eigenvalues $\lambda_{1,2} = 0$; if $\lambda - 4 = 0$ it follows $\lambda_3 = 4$ and finally if $\lambda + 2 = 0$ it follows $\lambda_4 = -2$. The eigenvalue zero discloses algebraic multiplicity equal two, thus matrix \mathbb{A} is a diagonalizable one if and only if the geometric multiplicity of the eigenvalue zero is two. To calculate such geometric multiplicity, we calculate the rank

of the matrix $0 \cdot \mathbb{I} - \mathbb{A} = -\mathbb{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$; easily we can note that only

one two by two minor of the matrix, the $\begin{vmatrix} -1 & -3 \\ -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -8$ is different from zero, we

conclude that the geometric multiplicity of the eigenvalue zero is two (the difference between the order of the matrix \mathbb{A} , 4, and the rank of the matrix $0 \cdot \mathbb{I} - \mathbb{A}$, 2). Matrix \mathbb{A} is a diagonalizable one.

IM 3) Given the linear application $F: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, with

$$F(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_2, x_1 + x_2 + x_3, x_2 + x_3).$$

Find the matrix associated with the linear application, calculate the dimensions of both, kernel and image of F , and find a basis for the image.

If $F(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_2, x_1 + x_2 + x_3, x_2 + x_3)$, the matrix associated to the linear

application is $\mathbb{A}_F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. The determinant of matrix \mathbb{A}_F is $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} =$

$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 1 = -1 \neq 0$. Matrix \mathbb{A}_F has rank three and we can conclude

that the dimension of the Image of F is 3, while the dimension of the Kernel is $\dim(\mathbb{R}^3) - \dim(\text{Ima}(F)) = 3 - 3 = 0$. Because the codomain of the linear application is \mathbb{R}^3 and dimension of the Image is again 3, easily follows that

$\text{Ima}(F) = \mathbb{R}^3$ and a basis for the Image is the set

$$\mathcal{B}_{\text{Ima}(F)} = \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^3} = \{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}.$$

IM 4) Vector V has coordinates $(1, 1, 1)$ respect the basis $\mathcal{B} = \{(0, 0, 1), (0, 1, 1), (1, 1, 1)\}$; find the coordinates of vector V respect the basis $\mathcal{B}' = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0)\}$. Is the set $\mathcal{C} = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 0)\}$ a basis for the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 ?

If vector V has coordinates $(1, 1, 1)$ respect the basis \mathcal{B} and coordinates (α, β, χ)

respect the basis \mathcal{B}' , $V = 1 \cdot (0, 0, 1) + 1 \cdot (0, 1, 1) + 1 \cdot (1, 1, 1) =$

$$(1, 2, 3) \text{ and at the same time } V = \alpha \cdot (1, 1, 1) + \beta \cdot (1, 1, 0) + \chi \cdot (1, 0, 0) =$$

$$(\alpha + \beta + \chi, \alpha + \beta, \alpha). \text{ Putting } (1, 2, 3) = (\alpha + \beta + \chi, \alpha + \beta, \alpha) \text{ it easily follows}$$

$\alpha = 3$ and $\beta = \chi = -1$. For the second part of the exercise, note that

$(1, 0, 1) + (0, 1, 0) = (1, 1, 1)$, thus the set \mathcal{C} is a set of three linear dependent vectors belonging to \mathbb{R}^3 and easily we conclude that \mathcal{C} isn't a basis for the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 .

II M 1) Given the equation $x \cdot e^{x+y-z^2} - z^2 \cdot e^{x+y+z} = 0$ satisfied at the point

$P(1, 0, -1)$; verify that with it an implicit function $(x, y) \mapsto z(x, y)$ can be defined and then calculate, for this implicit function, the partial derivatives z'_x and z'_y .

Consider the function $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $f(x, y, z) = x \cdot e^{x+y-z^2} - z^2 \cdot e^{x+y+z}$.

$f(P) = 1 \cdot e^0 - 1 \cdot e^0 = 0$, the partial derivative of f respect the variable z is

$$f'_z = x \cdot e^{x+y-z^2} \cdot (-2z) - 2z \cdot e^{x+y+z} - z^2 \cdot e^{x+y+z} =$$

$$-z \left(2x \cdot e^{x+y-z^2} + (2+z)e^{x+y+z} \right); \text{ on point } P(1, 0, -1) \text{ the partial derivative has}$$

value $f'_z(P) = 1 \cdot (2 \cdot e^0 + 1 \cdot e^0) = 3 \neq 0$; the proposed equation defines in a

neighbourhood of point P an implicit function $(x, y) \mapsto z(x, y)$. To calculate the

partial derivatives z'_x and z'_y we must firstly calculate the two partial derivatives f'_x and

f'_y :

$$f'_x = 1 \cdot e^{x+y-z^2} + x \cdot e^{x+y-z^2} - z^2 \cdot e^{x+y+z} = (1+x) \cdot e^{x+y-z^2} - z^2 \cdot e^{x+y+z};$$

$$f'_y = x \cdot e^{x+y-z^2} - z^2 \cdot e^{x+y+z} = f(x, y, z);$$

with $f'_x(P) = 2 \cdot e^0 - 1 \cdot e^0 = 1$ and $f'_y(P) = f(P) = 0$. The two partial derivatives of function z are $z'_x(1,0) = -\frac{f'_x(P)}{f'_z(P)} = -\frac{1}{3}$ and $z'_y(1,0) = -\frac{f'_y(P)}{f'_z(P)} = -\frac{0}{3} = 0$.

II M 2) Solve the problem $\begin{cases} \text{Max/min } f(x, y) = x + y \\ \text{u.c.: } 4x^2 + y^2 \leq 4 \end{cases}$.

The function f is a polynomial, continuous function, the admissible region is an ellipse with center $(0, 0)$ and axes of lengths equal to 2 and 4, a bounded and closed set, therefore f presents absolute maximum and minimum in the admissible region. The Lagrangian function is

$$\mathcal{L}(x, y, \lambda) = x + y - \lambda(4x^2 + y^2 - 4) \text{ with}$$

$$\nabla \mathcal{L} = (1 - 8\lambda x, 1 - 2\lambda y, -(4x^2 + y^2 - 4)).$$

I° CASE (free optimization):

$$\begin{cases} \lambda = 0 \\ 1 = 0 \\ 1 = 0 \\ 4x^2 + y^2 \leq 4 \end{cases} \text{ . System impossible.}$$

II° CASE (constrained optimization):

$$\begin{cases} \lambda \neq 0 \\ 1 - 8\lambda x = 0 \\ 1 - 2\lambda y = 0 \\ 4x^2 + y^2 = 4 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda \neq 0 \\ x = \frac{1}{8\lambda} \\ y = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \\ 4\left(\frac{1}{8\lambda}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2\lambda}\right)^2 = 4 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda \neq 0 \\ x = \frac{1}{8\lambda} \\ y = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \\ \frac{1}{16\lambda^2} + \frac{1}{4\lambda^2} = 4 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} \lambda \neq 0 \\ x = \frac{1}{8\lambda} \\ y = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \\ \frac{5}{16\lambda^2} = 4 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda \neq 0 \\ x = \frac{1}{8\lambda} \\ y = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \\ \lambda^2 = \frac{5}{64} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda \neq 0 \\ x = \pm \frac{1}{5}\sqrt{5} \\ y = \pm \frac{4}{5}\sqrt{5} \\ \lambda = \pm \frac{1}{8}\sqrt{5} \end{cases}; \text{ two constrained critical points}$$

$P_1\left(\frac{1}{5}\sqrt{5}, \frac{4}{5}\sqrt{5}\right)$, $P_2\left(-\frac{1}{5}\sqrt{5}, -\frac{4}{5}\sqrt{5}\right)$. The first point presents $\lambda > 0$, point of

maximum, the second presents $\lambda < 0$, point of minimum. We get the maximum

$$f\left(\frac{1}{5}\sqrt{5}, \frac{4}{5}\sqrt{5}\right) = \sqrt{5} \text{ and the minimum } f\left(-\frac{1}{5}\sqrt{5}, -\frac{4}{5}\sqrt{5}\right) = -\sqrt{5}.$$

II M 3) Check if the function $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{(xy)^3}{x^2+y^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$ is differentiable at point $(0, 0)$.

$$f'_x(0, 0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(h \cdot 0)^3}{h^2+0^2} - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0}{h} = 0;$$

$$f'_y(0, 0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0, h) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(0 \cdot h)^3}{0^2+h^2} - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0}{h} = 0.$$

Function f is differentiable at point $(0, 0)$ if

$$\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{f(x, y) - f(0, 0) - (f'_x(0, 0) \cdot x + f'_y(0, 0) \cdot y)}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = 0, \text{ but}$$

$$\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{f(x, y) - f(0, 0) - (f'_x(0, 0) \cdot x + f'_y(0, 0) \cdot y)}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} =$$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{f(x,y)}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\frac{(xy)^3}{x^2+y^2}}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \left(\frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \right)^3,$$

writing the limit in polar coordinates, it can be rewritten as:

$$\lim_{\rho \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\rho \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \rho \cdot \sin \theta}{\sqrt{(\rho \cdot \cos \theta)^2 + (\rho \cdot \sin \theta)^2}} \right)^3 = \lim_{\rho \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\rho^2 \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \sin \theta}{\rho \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta}} \right)^3 =$$

$\lim_{\rho \rightarrow 0} \rho^3 (\cos \theta \cdot \sin \theta)^3 = 0$. The convergence is uniformly because

$$|\rho^3 (\cos \theta \cdot \sin \theta)^3| = \rho^3 |\cos \theta \cdot \sin \theta|^3 \leq \rho^3 (1/2)^3 = \rho^3/8; \text{ put}$$

$$\rho^3/8 < \epsilon \Leftrightarrow \rho^3 < 8\epsilon \Leftrightarrow \rho < 2 \sqrt[3]{\epsilon}.$$

II M 4) Function $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$ has directional derivatives $\mathcal{D}_v f(x_P, y_P) = 0$ and

$\mathcal{D}_w f(x_P, y_P) = 0$, where v is the unit vector $\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)$ and w is the unit vector

$\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)$. Find the point (x_P, y_P) and calculate the directional derivative

$\mathcal{D}_{v,w}^{(2)} f(x_P, y_P)$.

Function f is differentiable for any point (x, y) with gradient $\nabla f(x, y) = (2x, -2y)$,

$$\mathcal{D}_v f(x_P, y_P) = (2x_P, -2y_P) \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) = \sqrt{2}x_P - \sqrt{2}y_P = (x_P - y_P)\sqrt{2}$$

and

$$\mathcal{D}_w f(x_P, y_P) = (2x_P, -2y_P) \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) = \sqrt{2}x_P + \sqrt{2}y_P = (x_P + y_P)\sqrt{2}.$$

Putting $(x_P - y_P)\sqrt{2} = 0$ and $(x_P + y_P)\sqrt{2} = 0$ it easily follows $x_P = y_P = 0$.

Remember that $\mathcal{D}_{v,w}^{(2)} f(x_P, y_P) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \cdot \mathcal{H}f(x_P, y_P) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix}$ and

$$\mathcal{H}f(x_P, y_P) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}; \text{ we get}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{v,w}^{(2)} f(x_P, y_P) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \cdot (\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}) = 2.$$