

MATH 102 – HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT 4
Due Friday, October 27th, 2017 before the lecture.
Handwritten submissions only.

Exercise 1 (1+1+1+1 points).

Bring the following complex numbers into the form $z = a + bi$.

$$z_1 = \frac{2i}{3+4i} + \frac{i}{3-4i}, \quad z_2 = \overline{\left(\frac{5+3i}{1+4i}\right) + 2i - 7},$$
$$z_3 = \overline{2i \cdot 2i \cdot 2i} \quad z_4 = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i}$$

Exercise 2 (4 points).

Let $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$.

- (1) Show that $(a + bi)^2 = c + di$ if and only if $a^2 - b^2 = c$ and $2ab = d$.
- (2) Next, suppose that c and d are given; what are the possible values of a and b then?

Exercise 3 (1+3 points).

Suppose we have $n + 1$ different real numbers $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$. The $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$ matrix

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} x_0^0 & x_0^1 & \dots & x_0^n \\ x_1^0 & x_1^1 & \dots & x_1^n \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_n^0 & x_n^1 & \dots & x_n^n \end{pmatrix}$$

is called *Vandermonde matrix*.

- (1) Write down the Vandermonde matrix for the triple of numbers $x_0 = 1$, $x_1 = 2$, and $x_2 = 3$.
- (2) Let $c, y \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$. Show that $Vc = y$ implies that the polynomial

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1x^1 + \dots + c_nx^n$$

satisfies $p(x_i) = y_i$ for $0 \leq i \leq n$.

Exercise 4 (4 points).

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Describe how the following expressions depend on k :

$$A_k := i + i^2 + \dots + i^k,$$
$$B_k := i - i^2 + i^3 - i^4 + i^5 + \dots + i^k,$$
$$C_k := i + i^2 - i^3 - i^4 + i^5 + \dots + i^k,$$
$$D_k := \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i\right)^k$$