

**Math 1553 Worksheet §6.5, 6.6**

1. Can a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  can have a non-real complex eigenvalue with multiplicity 2? Justify your answer.

2. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find all eigenvalues of  $A$ . For each eigenvalue, find an associated eigenvector.

3. Johnny Zenith's video game offers participants the chance to play as one of three characters: Archer, Barbarian, or Cleric. The game has 72 million customers.

In 2018:

Archer is played by 22 million customers.

Barbarian is played by 36 million customers.

Cleric is played by 14 million customers.

One year later, in 2019:

- 50% of the people who started with the Archer still play with the Archer, while 30% have switched to Barbarian and 20% have switched to Cleric.
- 60% of the customers who started with the Barbarian still play with the Barbarian, while 10% have switched to Archer and 30% have switched to Cleric.
- 70% of the customers who started with the Cleric still play with the Cleric, while 10% have switched to Archer and 20% have switched to Barbarian.

- a) Write down the stochastic matrix  $A$  which represents the change in each character's popularity from 2018 to 2019, and use it to find the number of people who played with each character in 2019.

- b) Suppose the trend continues each year. In the distant future, what will be the most popular character?

You may use the fact that the 1-eigenspace of  $A$  is spanned by  $\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 13 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix}$ .