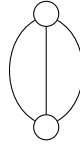


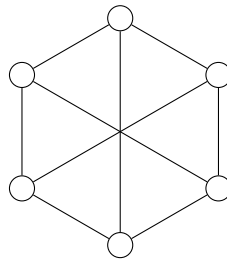
**Tutorial 3** (Counting graph colorings)

Consider the following problem: given a 3-regular graph (i.e., a graph where each vertex has three connected edges), how many edge colorings using three colors exist, such that the edges at each vertex have distinct colors?

- (a) Explicitly enumerate the allowed edge colorings for the following graph:



- (b) Interpreting a 3-regular graph as tensor network, with each vertex a tensor of degree 3, how can we define these tensors such that contracting the tensor network yields the number of edge colorings?
- (c) Compute how many ways one can color the following graph:



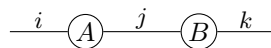
As a remark, it turns out that if the vertices are described by the *Levi-Civita symbol*  $\epsilon$  defined as

$$\epsilon_{ijk} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } (i, j, k) \text{ is an even permutation of } (1, 2, 3) \\ -1 & \text{if } (i, j, k) \text{ is an odd permutation of } (1, 2, 3) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

the contraction will count the colorings for planar graphs, but yield 0 for non-planar ones.<sup>1</sup> You can test this statement for the graph above. (As voluntary homework puzzle, try to prove this statement in general.)

**Exercise 3.1** (Tensor diagrams)

- (a) Recall that the matrix product  $AB$  with entries  $(AB)_{ik} = \sum_j a_{ij} b_{jk}$  translates to the following diagram:

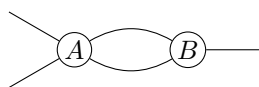


Connect the legs of  $\text{---} \textcircled{A} \text{---}$  and  $\text{---} \textcircled{B} \text{---}$  accordingly to represent  $AB^T$ ,  $B^T A^T$  and  $\text{tr}[AB]$  graphically.

- (b) Given a matrix  $A$ , a tensor  $B$  of degree 3, and a vector  $C$ , express the following tensor contraction in graphical form:

$$m_{ik} = \sum_{j, \ell} a_{ij} b_{k j \ell} c_{\ell}.$$

- (c) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be tensors of degree  $d_A$  and  $d_B$ , respectively, such that each individual dimension is equal to some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . (In other words,  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times \dots \times n}$  where  $n$  appears  $d_A$  times, and likewise for  $B$ .) Now  $A$  and  $B$  are contracted along  $c$  of these dimensions, as illustrated for  $d_A = 4$ ,  $d_B = 3$  and  $c = 2$  in the following diagram:



What is the asymptotic computational cost of this contraction (in the form  $\mathcal{O}(n^\ell)$  with to-be determined exponent  $\ell$ ) based on a literal implementation of the summation formulation?

Hint: Determine the required number of nested for-loops from 1 to  $n$  to compute the entries of the resulting tensor.

<sup>1</sup>See Roger Penrose: *Applications of negative dimensional tensors*. Combinatorial Mathematics and its Applications (1971)

### Exercise 3.2 (Matrix functions)

- (a) Compute  $e^{-\beta X}$ , with  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  the Pauli- $X$  matrix.

Hint: Find the spectral decomposition of  $X$  first. To simplify the final expression, the relations  $\frac{1}{2}(e^\beta + e^{-\beta}) = \cosh(\beta)$  and  $\frac{1}{2}(e^\beta - e^{-\beta}) = \sinh(\beta)$  might be helpful.

- (b) Now insert  $\beta = 0.4$  into your solution of (a); it should agree with the result of the following Python code:

```
import numpy as np
from scipy.linalg import expm

# Pauli-X matrix
X = np.array([[0., 1.], [1., 0.]])

# evaluate matrix exponential numerically
beta = 0.4
expm(-beta * X)
```

Hint: You can compute  $\cosh(\beta)$  and  $\sinh(\beta)$  numerically via `np.cosh(beta)` and `np.sinh(beta)`.

- (c) Cauchy's integral formula for a holomorphic (complex differentiable) function  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  states that, for any  $a \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$f(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z-a} dz, \quad (1)$$

where the integration contour  $\gamma$  can be chosen as circle in the complex plane which encloses  $a$ . When parametrizing  $z = re^{2\pi i t}$  with  $r$  the radius of this circle and  $t \in [0, 1]$ , and using that  $\frac{dz}{dt} = 2\pi i r e^{2\pi i t}$  for a change of variables, the contour integral becomes

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z-a} dz = \int_0^1 \frac{f(re^{2\pi i t})}{re^{2\pi i t} - a} re^{2\pi i t} dt.$$

The following Python code is a demonstration for  $f(z) = e^{-\beta z}$  (recall that the imaginary unit is denoted `j` in Python):

```
import numpy as np
from numpy import exp
import scipy.integrate as integrate

beta = 0.4
def f(z):
    return exp(-beta*z)

a = 0.3 + 0.2j

r = 2.0 # circle radius
integrand = lambda t: f(r*exp(2j*np.pi*t)) / (r*exp(2j*np.pi*t) - a) * r*exp(2j*np.pi*t)
# perform integration of real and imaginary parts separately
( integrate.quad(lambda t: np.real(integrand(t)), 0, 1)[0] +
  1j*integrate.quad(lambda t: np.imag(integrand(t)), 0, 1)[0])
```

This gives  $0.884 - 0.0708i$  (for the leading digits) and agrees with  $f(a)$ , as it should be according to (1).

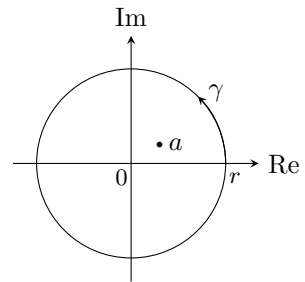
It turns out that we can use Cauchy's integral formula<sup>2</sup> to evaluate matrix functions as well. Namely, for normal  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ ,

$$f(A) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} f(z)(zI - A)^{-1} dz, \quad (2)$$

where  $I$  denotes the identity matrix. The contour  $\gamma$  now has to enclose all eigenvalues of  $A$ . As advantage for numerical calculations, this formulation bypasses an explicit spectral decomposition of  $A$ , but instead requires to compute the so-called *resolvent*  $(zI - A)^{-1}$ , that is, the inverse matrix of  $zI - A$ .

Modify the above Python code such that it computes the matrix-valued Cauchy integral in Eq. (2) for  $A = X$ , and evaluate the integral for  $f(z) = e^{-\beta z}$  with  $\beta = 0.4$ . The result should agree with (a) and (b).

Hint: Replace `quad` by `quad_vec`, and use the relation  $(zI - X)^{-1} = \frac{1}{z^2 - 1}(zI + X)$ .



<sup>2</sup>Complex analysis only appears in this exercise and is not relevant for the final exam.