Math 54 Worksheet 18 GSI: Lionel Levine 3/16/05

- 1. (a) Write down five different  $2 \times 2$  matrices A satisfying  $A^2 = I$  (It might help to think about this geometrically.)
  - (b) Prove that if v is an eigenvector of a matrix A with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , then v is also an eigenvector of  $A^2$ , with eigenvalue  $\lambda^2$ .
  - (c) What are the eigenvalues of the identity matrix I?
  - (d) If  $A^2 = I$ , what can you say about the eigenvalues of A?
- 2. Let D be the linear transformation on C[0, 1] defined by

$$D(f) = f'.$$

- (a) Find an eigenvector of D with eigenvalue 1.
- (b) What is the dimension of the eigenspace  $W_1$ ?
- (c) For which real numbers  $\lambda$  does D have an eigenvector with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ ?
- 3. Let D be the linear transformation on C[0, 1] defined by

$$D(f) = f''.$$

- (a) Find an eigenvector of D with eigenvalue -1.
- (b) What is the dimension of the eigenspace  $W_{-1}$ ?
- (c) Find an eigenvector of D with eigenvalue 1.
- (d) What is the dimension of the eigenspace  $W_1$ ?