

CHAPTER I



COMPLEX ANALYTIC HOMOMORPHISMS

In this chapter, we shall prove that a complex analytic homomorphism of the multiplicative semigroup $M(n, \mathbb{C})$ to \mathbb{C} which take 0 to 0 is of the form $(\det A)^m$ for some $m \in \mathbb{N}$, for all $A \in M(n, \mathbb{C})$ or is identically zero.

We first find all analytic homomorphisms $\phi : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that $\phi(xy) = \phi(x)\phi(y)$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\phi(0) = 0$. Suppose that $\phi : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is such an analytic homomorphism then ϕ can be written as

$$\phi(x) = c_1x + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3 + \dots + c_nx^n + \dots$$

in some neighborhood of 0. It suffices to find c_i such that

$\phi(x)\phi(y) = \phi(xy)$. We have that

$$(1.1) \quad \phi(xy) = c_1xy + c_2x^2y^2 + c_3x^3y^3 + c_4x^4y^4 + \dots$$

and

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \phi(x)\phi(y) &= (c_1x + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3 + \dots)(c_1y + c_2y^2 + c_3y^3 + \dots) \\ &= c_1^2xy + c_1c_2xy^2 + c_2c_1x^2y + c_3c_1x^3y + c_2^2x^2y^2 + c_1c_3xy^3 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

If $c_i = 0 \forall i$, then $\phi \equiv 0$. Now assume that there exists k such that $c_k \neq 0$. Let n be the smallest natural number such that $c_n \neq 0$. We claim that $c_m = 0 \forall m \neq n$. We prove this by comparing the coefficient of the term $x^m y^n$ ($m \neq n$) in (1.1) and (1.2); respectively.

Then,

$$0 = c_m c_n.$$

But $c_n \neq 0$ implying that $c_m = 0$. Now, we consider the coefficient of the term $x^n y^n$ in (1.1) and (1.2); respectively. Then we get that

$$c_n = c_n^2$$

which implies that $c_n = 1$ since $c_n \neq 0$.

Hence the analytic homomorphisms $\phi : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ taking 0 to 0 are the functions $\phi(x) = x^n$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and the 0 function.

~~Before proving (this for) arbitrary matrix semigroups we need two lemma~~

Let S and S' be semigroups and $S \times S' = \{(s, s') \mid s \in S, s' \in S'\}$.

Define multiplication on $S \times S'$ by

$$(s, s')(s_1, s'_1) = (ss_1, s's'_1)$$

for all s, s_1 in S and s', s'_1 in S' . Then $S \times S'$ with this multiplication forms a semigroup.

Remark: If F is a field and $a \in F$ is such that $a^2 = a$, then $a = 0$ or 1 .

Lemma 1.1 Let $(S, 0, 1)$ and $(S', 0', 1')$ be semigroups having zero and multiplicative identity and let $(S^*, 0^*, 1^*)$ be a field. If $\psi : S \times S' \rightarrow S^*$ is a homomorphism such that $\psi((0, 0')) = 0^*$, then one of the following must be true :

(i) There exists a homomorphism $\alpha : S \rightarrow S^*$ such that $\alpha(s) = \psi((s, s'))$ for all s in S , s' in S' and $\alpha(0) = 0^*$.

(ii) There exists a homomorphism $\beta : S' \rightarrow S^*$ such that $\beta(s') = \psi((s, s'))$ for all s in S , s'' in S' and $\beta(0') = 0^*$.

(iii) There exist homomorphisms $\alpha : S \rightarrow S^*$ and $\beta : S' \rightarrow S^*$ such that $\psi((s,s')) = \alpha(s)\beta(s')$ for all $s \in S$, $s' \in S'$ and $\alpha(0) = 0^*$, $\beta(0') = 0^*$.

Furthermore, case (i) occurs if and only if $\psi(0,1') = 0^*$ and $\psi(1,0') = 1^*$, case (ii) occurs if and only if $\psi(0,1') = 1^*$ and $\psi(1,0') = 0^*$ and case (iii) occurs if and only if $\psi(0,1') = 0^*$ and $\psi(1,0') = 0^*$.

Proof. Since ψ is a homomorphism, $\psi((0,1')) = \psi((0,1')(0,1')) = \psi((0,1'))\psi((0,1')) = (\psi((0,1')))^2$, so $\psi((0,1')) = 0^*$ or 1^* by the above remark. Similarly, $\psi((1,0')) = 0^*$ or 1^* . Now, we have 4 cases to consider.

Case 1. $\psi((1,0')) = 0^*$ and $\psi((0,1')) = 0^*$. Claim that (iii) must occur.

Let $\alpha : S \rightarrow S^*$ be defined by $\alpha(s) = \psi((s,1'))$ for all s in S , and $\beta : S' \rightarrow S^*$ be defined by $\beta(s') = \psi((1,s'))$ for all s' in S' . Then α, β are homomorphisms since $\alpha(s_1s_2) = \psi((s_1s_2,1')) = \psi((s_1,1')(s_2,1')) = \psi((s_1,1'))\psi((s_2,1')) = \alpha(s_1)\alpha(s_2)$ and $\beta(s'_1s'_2) = \psi((1,s'_1s'_2)) = \psi((1,s'_1)(1,s'_2)) = \psi((1,s'_1))\psi((1,s'_2)) = \beta(s'_1)\beta(s'_2)$. $\alpha(0) = \psi((0,1')) = 0^*$ and $\beta(0') = \psi((1,0')) = 0^*$. For all $s \in S$, $s' \in S'$ we have that $\psi((s,s')) = \psi((s,1')(1,s')) = \psi((s,1'))\psi((1,s')) = \alpha(s)\beta(s')$; i.e., $\psi((s,s')) = \alpha(s)\beta(s')$ for all $s \in S$, $s' \in S'$.

Case 2. $\psi((0,1')) = 1^*$ and $\psi((1,0')) = 1^*$.

Since $0^* = \psi((0,0')) = \psi((0,1')(1,0')) = \psi((0,1'))\psi((1,0')) = 1^* \cdot 1^* = 1^*$, this case is impossible.

Case 3. $\psi((0,1')) = 0^*$ and $\psi((1,0')) = 1^*$.

We have that $\psi((s,0')) = \psi((s,s')(1,0')) = \psi((s,s'))\psi((1,0'))$
 $= \psi((s,s'))1^* = \psi((s,s'))$ for all $s \in S$, $s' \in S'$, so $\psi((s,0')) = \psi((s,s'))$
 for all s' in S' . Define $\alpha(s) = \psi((s,0'))$ for all $s \in S$. Then $\psi((s,s'))$
 $= \psi((s,0')) = \alpha(s)$ and $\alpha(s_1s_2) = \psi((s_1s_2,0')) = \psi((s_1,0')(s_2,0'))$
 $= \psi((s_1,0'))\psi((s_2,0')) = \alpha(s_1)\alpha(s_2)$, $\alpha(0) = \psi((0,0')) = 0^*$. Therefore
 α satisfies (i).

Case 4. $\psi((0,1')) = 1^*$ and $\psi((1,0')) = 0^*$.

We also have that for each $s \in S$, $s' \in S'$, $\psi((0,s')) = \psi((s,s')(0,1'))$
 $= \psi((s,s'))\psi((0,1')) = \psi((s,s'))$. Therefore $\psi((0,s')) = \psi((s,s'))$ for all
 s in S , s' in S' . For each $s' \in S'$, define $\beta(s') = \psi((0,s'))$. Then $\beta(s')$
 $= \psi((0,s')) = \psi((s,s'))$, $\beta(s'_1s'_2) = \psi((0,s'_1s'_2)) = \psi((0,s'_1)(0,s'_2))$
 $= \psi((0,s'_1))\psi((0,s'_2)) = \beta(s'_1)\beta(s'_2)$ and $\beta(0') = \psi((0,0')) = 0^*$. Hence β is
 a homomorphism and $\beta(0') = 0^*$ and $\beta(s') = \psi((s,s'))$ for all s in S , s' in S' .
 So we have (ii). #

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Corollary. If S and S' are open subsets of $\mathbb{R}^n(\mathbb{C}^n)$ for some n and S^* is $\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{C})$ and if ψ is an analytic homomorphism, then α and β are also real (complex) analytic homomorphisms.

Proof. It follows immediately from the definitions of α and β . #

Now we shall begin to study real and complex analytic homomorphisms $\phi: M(n,F) \rightarrow F$ taking 0 to 0 where F is either \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} and $n > 1$. Since ϕ is real or complex analytic, we have that

$$\phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \right) = \sum_0^\infty \lambda_{m_{11} m_{12} \dots m_{1n} \dots m_{n1} \dots m_{nn}} x_{11}^{m_{11}} x_{12}^{m_{12}} \dots x_{1n}^{m_{1n}} \dots x_{n1}^{m_{n1}} \dots x_{nn}^{m_{nn}}$$

for all x_{11}, \dots, x_{nn} in some neighborhood U of $\bar{0}$, where the constant term is 0.

Since

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} & \dots & y_{1n} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} & \dots & y_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ y_{n1} & y_{n2} & \dots & y_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} & \dots & z_{1n} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} & \dots & z_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ z_{n1} & z_{n2} & \dots & z_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

where $z_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n x_{ik} y_{kj}$ and ϕ is a multiplicative homomorphism, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_0^\infty \lambda_{m_{11} m_{12} \dots m_{1n} \dots m_{n1} \dots m_{nn}} x_{11}^{m_{11}} x_{12}^{m_{12}} \dots x_{1n}^{m_{1n}} \dots x_{n1}^{m_{n1}} \dots x_{nn}^{m_{nn}} \right) \left(\sum_0^\infty \lambda_{m_{11} m_{12} \dots m_{1n} \dots m_{n1} \dots m_{nn}} y_{11}^{m_{11}} y_{12}^{m_{12}} \dots y_{1n}^{m_{1n}} \dots y_{n1}^{m_{n1}} \dots y_{nn}^{m_{nn}} \right) \\ &= \sum_0^\infty \lambda_{m_{11} m_{12} \dots m_{1n} \dots m_{n1} \dots m_{nn}} z_{11}^{m_{11}} z_{12}^{m_{12}} \dots z_{1n}^{m_{1n}} \dots z_{n1}^{m_{n1}} \dots z_{nn}^{m_{nn}} \quad \text{So,} \end{aligned}$$

(1.3)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_0^\infty \lambda_{m_{11} \dots m_{22} \dots m_{ii} \dots m_{nn}} \cdot \lambda_{k_{11} \dots k_{22} \dots k_{ii} \dots k_{nn}} x_{11}^{m_{11}} \dots x_{22}^{m_{22}} \dots x_{ii}^{m_{ii}} \dots \\ & \dots x_{nn}^{m_{nn}} y_{11}^{k_{11}} \dots y_{22}^{k_{22}} \dots y_{ii}^{k_{ii}} \dots y_{nn}^{k_{nn}} \\ &= \sum_0^\infty \lambda_{m_{11} \dots m_{22} \dots m_{ii} \dots m_{nn}} z_{11}^{m_{11}} \dots z_{22}^{m_{22}} \dots z_{ii}^{m_{ii}} \dots z_{nn}^{m_{nn}} \end{aligned}$$

$$(1.3)' = \sum_0^\infty \lambda_{\ell_{11} \dots \ell_{22} \dots \ell_{ii} \dots \ell_{nn}} (x_{11}y_{11} + x_{12}y_{21} + x_{13}y_{31} + \dots + x_{1n}y_{n1})^{\ell_{11}} \dots$$

$$\dots \dots \dots (x_{21}y_{12} + x_{22}y_{22} + x_{23}y_{32} + \dots + x_{2n}y_{n2})^{\ell_{22}} \dots$$

$$\dots \dots \dots$$

$$\dots \dots \dots (x_{n1}y_{1n} + x_{n2}y_{2n} + x_{n3}y_{3n} + \dots + x_{nn}y_{nn})^{\ell_{nn}} \dots$$

The coefficient of $x_{12}^{m_{12}} x_{23}^{m_{23}} \dots x_{n-1,n}^{m_{n-1,n}} y_{21}^{k_{21}} y_{32}^{k_{32}} \dots y_{n,n-1}^{k_{n,n-1}}$ in (1.3) is

$$\lambda_{0m_{12} 0 \dots 0 m_{23} 0 \dots 0 m_{i,i+1} 0 \dots 0 m_{n-1,n} 0 \dots 0} \cdot \lambda_{0 \dots 0 k_{21} 0 \dots 0 k_{32} 0 \dots 0 k_{i+1,i} 0 \dots 0 k_{n,n-1} 0}.$$

If $m_{i,i+1} = k_{i+1,i} \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n-1$, and $\ell_{ii} = m_{i,i+1} \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n-1$, then the

coefficient of $x_{12}^{m_{12}} x_{23}^{m_{23}} \dots x_{n-1,n}^{m_{n-1,n}} y_{21}^{k_{21}} y_{32}^{k_{32}} \dots y_{n,n-1}^{k_{n,n-1}}$ in (1.3)' is

$$\lambda_{\ell_{11} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{22} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{ii} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{n-1,n-1} 0 \dots 0} \cdot \text{Therefore,}$$

$$(1.4) \quad \lambda_{\ell_{11} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{22} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{ii} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{n-1,n-1} 0 \dots 0} = \lambda_{0m_{12} 0 \dots 0 m_{23} 0 \dots 0 m_{i,i+1} 0 \dots 0 m_{n-1,n} 0 \dots 0} \cdot$$

$$\lambda_{0 \dots 0 k_{21} 0 \dots 0 k_{32} 0 \dots 0 k_{i+1,i} 0 \dots 0 k_{n,n-1} 0}$$

whenever $m_{i,i+1} = k_{i+1,i} = \ell_{ii} \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n-1$. Therefore, if we can show that

the RHS. of (1.4) equals zero for all $m_{i,i+1} \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, then

$\lambda_{\ell_{11} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{22} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{ii} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{n-1,n-1} 0 \dots 0}$ must be zero for all $\ell_{ii} \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$,

$1 \leq i \leq n-1$.

Let $m_{i,i+1} \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ for all i ($1 \leq i \leq n-1$). The coefficient of the term $x_{12}^{m_{12}} x_{23}^{m_{23}} \dots x_{n-1,n}^{m_{n-1,n}} y_{12}^{m_{12}} y_{23}^{m_{23}} \dots y_{n-1,n}^{m_{n-1,n}}$ in (1.3) is

$$\lambda_{0m_{12}^0 \dots 0m_{23}^0 \dots 0m_{i,i+1}^0 \dots 0m_{n-1,n}^0 \dots 0}^2$$

If $m_{12} \neq 0$, then the coefficient of the term $x_{12}^{m_{12}} x_{23}^{m_{23}} \dots x_{n-1,n}^{m_{n-1,n}} y_{12}^{m_{12}} y_{23}^{m_{23}} \dots y_{n-1,n}^{m_{n-1,n}}$ in (1.3)' is 0. Therefore,

$$(1.5) \quad \lambda_{0m_{12}^0 \dots 0m_{23}^0 \dots 0m_{i,i+1}^0 \dots 0m_{n-1,n}^0 \dots 0} = 0$$

for all $m_{i,i+1} \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, for all i ($2 \leq i \leq n-1$), for all $m_{12} \in \mathbb{N}$.

Suppose that $m_{12} = 0$. Let i be the smallest natural number such that

$m_{i,i+1} \neq 0$. The coefficient of the term $x_{i,i+1}^{m_{i,i+1}} x_{i+1,i+2}^{m_{i+1,i+2}} \dots x_{n-1,n}^{m_{n-1,n}} y_{i,i+1}^{m_{i,i+1}}$

$y_{i+1,i+2}^{m_{i+1,i+2}} \dots y_{n-1,n}^{m_{n-1,n}}$ in (1.3) is $\lambda_{0 \dots 0m_{i,i+1}^0 \dots 0m_{i+1,i+2}^0 \dots 0m_{n-1,n}^0 \dots 0}^2$

and is 0 in (1.3)'. Therefore,

$$(1.6) \quad \lambda_{0 \dots 0m_{i,i+1}^0 \dots 0m_{i+1,i+2}^0 \dots 0m_{n-1,n}^0 \dots 0} = 0$$

for all $m_{i,i+1}, m_{i+1,i+2}, \dots, m_{n-1,n} \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $m_{i,i+1} \neq 0$.

Since $\phi(0) = 0$, $\lambda_{0 \dots 0} = 0$. Hence by (1.5) and (1.6)

$$(1.7) \quad \lambda_{0m_{12}^0 \dots 0m_{23}^0 \dots 0m_{i,i+1}^0 \dots 0m_{n-1,n}^0 \dots 0} = 0$$

$\forall m_{i,i+1} \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $\forall i$ ($1 \leq i \leq n-1$). Consequently, the equation (1.4)

equals zero. So

$$(1.8) \quad \lambda_{\ell_{11} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{22} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{ii} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{n-1, n-1} 0 \dots 0} = 0$$

for all $\ell_{ii} \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, for all i ($1 \leq i \leq n-1$).

The coefficient of $x_{21}^{m_{21}} x_{32}^{m_{32}} \dots x_{n, n-1}^{m_{n, n-1}} y_{12}^{k_{12}} y_{23}^{k_{23}} \dots y_{n-1, n}^{k_{n-1, n}}$ in (1.3)

is

$$\lambda_{0 \dots 0 m_{21} 0 \dots 0 m_{32} 0 \dots 0 m_{i+1, i} 0 \dots 0 m_{n, n-1} 0} \cdot \lambda_{0 k_{12} 0 \dots 0 k_{23} 0 \dots 0 k_{i, i+1} 0 \dots 0 k_{n-1, n} 0 \dots 0}$$

If $m_{i, i-1} = k_{i-1, i} = \ell_{ii}$ for all i ($2 \leq i \leq n$), then the coefficient of

$x_{21}^{m_{21}} x_{32}^{m_{32}} \dots x_{n, n-1}^{m_{n, n-1}} y_{12}^{k_{12}} y_{23}^{k_{23}} \dots y_{n-1, n}^{k_{n-1, n}}$ in (1.3) is

$\lambda_{0 \dots 0 \ell_{22} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{33} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{ii} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{nn}}$. Therefore,

$$(1.9) \quad \lambda_{0 \dots 0 \ell_{22} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{33} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{ii} 0 \dots 0 \ell_{nn}} = \lambda_{0 \dots 0 m_{21} 0 \dots 0 m_{32} 0 \dots 0 m_{i+1, i} 0 \dots 0 m_{n, n-1} 0}$$

$$\lambda_{0 k_{12} 0 \dots 0 k_{23} 0 \dots 0 k_{i, i+1} 0 \dots 0 k_{n-1, n} 0 \dots 0}$$

whenever $m_{i, i-1} = k_{i-1, i} = \ell_{ii}$ for all i ($2 \leq i \leq n$). By (1.7) we then

have that (1.9) equals zero. Therefore,

$$(1.10) \quad \lambda_{0 \dots 0 2 2} \lambda_{0 \dots 0 3 3} \lambda_{0 \dots 0 i i} \lambda_{0 \dots 0 n n} = 0$$

for all $\lambda_{ii} \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, for all i ($2 \leq i \leq n$). Now we are ready to prove the following lemma. When we write F in the following lemma it will always stand for either \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} .

Lemma 1.2 If $\phi : M(n, F) \rightarrow F$ is a (real or complex) analytic multiplicative homomorphism and $\phi(0) = 0$, then

$$\phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0.$$

Proof. Since

$$\phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \right) = \sum_0^{\infty} \lambda_{0 \dots 0 m_{11} m_{12} \dots m_{1n} \dots m_{n1} \dots m_{nn}} x_{11}^{m_{11}} x_{12}^{m_{12}} \dots x_{1n}^{m_{1n}} \dots x_{n1}^{m_{n1}} \dots x_{nn}^{m_{nn}}$$

in some neighborhood U of $\bar{0}$,

$$(1.11) \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & x_{22} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & x_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \right) = \sum_0^{\infty} \lambda_{0 \dots 0 m_{22} 0 \dots 0 m_{33} 0 \dots 0 m_{ii} 0 \dots 0 m_{nn}} x_{22}^{m_{22}} x_{33}^{m_{33}} \dots x_{nn}^{m_{nn}}$$

and

$$(1.12) \quad \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \sum_0^s \lambda_{m_{11}}^{m_{11}} x_{11}^{m_{11}}$$

in some neighborhood U of $\bar{0}$. By (1.10) we then have that equation (1.11) equals zero and (1.8) also implies that equation (1.12) equals zero in U . Therefore, there exist $x_1, \dots, x_n \neq 0$ sufficiently small so that

$$\phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0$$

and

$$\phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & x_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x_3 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & x_n \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$\phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{x_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{x_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= 0 \cdot \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{x_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0, \text{ and } |$$

$$\phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & x_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & x_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{x_2} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{x_n} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & x_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & x_n \end{bmatrix} \right) \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{x_2} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{x_n} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= 0 \cdot \phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{x_2} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{x_n} \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0.$$

Therefore, the lemma is completely proved. #

Again in what follows F shall stand for either \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} .

Given $n > 1$, let

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{nn} \end{bmatrix} ; x_{ij} \in F, \forall i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n \right\} .$$

Then, with respect to matrix multiplication, S is a semigroup.

Notice that for all natural numbers $n > 1$, $S \cong F \times M(n-1, F)$. If ϕ is a (real or complex) analytic homomorphism from $M(n, F)$ to F and $\phi(0) = 0$, then by lemma 1.2 $\phi((1, \bar{0})) = 0$ and $\phi((0, I)) = 0$ where I is the identity in $M(n-1, F)$ and $\bar{0}$ is the zero matrix in $M(n-1, F)$. Therefore, by case 1 of lemma 1.1 there are homomorphisms $\alpha : F \rightarrow F$ and $\beta : M(n-1, F) \rightarrow F$ such that $\phi((s, s')) = \alpha(s)\beta(s')$ for all $s \in F$, $s' \in M(n-1, F)$ and $\alpha(0) = 0$, $\beta(0) = 0$. Also, α and β are (real or complex) analytic by the corollary to lemma 1.1. Now we are ready for our main theorem.

Theorem 1.3 Let $\phi : M(n, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a complex analytic multiplicative homomorphism such that $\phi(0) = 0$. Then $\phi \equiv 0$ or there is a natural number m such that $\phi(A) = (\det A)^m$ for all $A \in M(n, \mathbb{C})$.

Proof. We shall prove this theorem by induction on n . For $n = 1$, we have already proven that $\phi \equiv 0$ or there exists an $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\phi(x) = x^m (= (\det x)^m)$ for all x in \mathbb{C} . Suppose that $n > 1$ and the assertion is true for $n-1$. We must show that it is true for n . Since ϕ is a homomorphism,

$\phi(I) = \phi(I^2) = (\phi(I))^2$ and so $\phi(I) = 0$ or 1 . If $\phi(I) = 0$, then $\phi(A) = \phi(AI) = \phi(A)\phi(I) = \phi(A) \cdot 0 = 0$ for all A in $M(n, \mathbb{C})$. Hence $\phi \equiv 0$. Suppose that $\phi(I) = 1$. Let $A \in M(n, \mathbb{C})$.

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there exists an invertible matrix B such that

$$B^{-1}AB = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{C} & & \\ & & (n-1) \times (n-1) & \\ 0 & & & \end{bmatrix}$$

$\phi(B^{-1}AB) = \phi(B^{-1})\phi(A)\phi(B) = \phi(B^{-1})\phi(B)\phi(A) = \phi(B^{-1}B)\phi(A) = \phi(I)\phi(A) = \phi(A)$, i.e., $\phi(A) = \phi(B^{-1}AB)$. By the previous remark we have that there are complex analytic homomorphisms $\alpha: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $\beta: M(n-1, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that $\phi((s, s')) = \alpha(s)\beta(s')$ for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$, $s' \in M(n-1, \mathbb{C})$ and $\alpha(0) = 0$, $\beta(0) = 0$. Then by the induction hypothesis either $\beta \equiv 0$ or $\beta(C) = (\det C)^t$ for some $t \in \mathbb{N}$, for all $C \in M(n-1, \mathbb{C})$ and, either $\alpha \equiv 0$ or $\alpha(\lambda) = \lambda^m$ for some $m \in \mathbb{N}$, for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. Since $1 = \phi(I) = \phi((1, I_{(n-1)})) = \alpha(1)\beta(I_{(n-1)})$, $\alpha \not\equiv 0$ and $\beta \not\equiv 0$. Therefore $\phi(A) = \phi(B^{-1}AB) = \lambda^m (\det C)^t$. Claim that $m = t$. Suppose that $m \neq t$. Choose $D \in M(n, \mathbb{C})$ such that no eigenvalues of D is zero and λ_1, λ_2 are eigenvalues of D of order 1 such that $\lambda_1^{m-t} \neq \lambda_2^{m-t}$. From chapter 0 p. 6 there is an invertible matrix $E \in M(n, \mathbb{C})$ such that

$$E^{-1}DE = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{F} & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & (n-2) \times (n-2) & \\ 0 & 0 & & & \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore } \phi(D) &= \phi(E^{-1}DE) = \lambda_1^m \left(\det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{F_{(n-2) \times (n-2)}} \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & & & \end{bmatrix} \right)^t \\ &= \lambda_1^m \lambda_2^t \left(\det \left[F_{(n-2) \times (n-2)} \right] \right)^t. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, there exists an invertible matrix $G \in M(n, \mathbb{C})$ such that

$$G^{-1}DG = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{F_{(n-2) \times (n-2)}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & \\ 0 & 0 & & & \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } \phi(D) &= \phi(G^{-1}DG) = \lambda_2^m \left(\det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{F_{(n-2) \times (n-2)}} \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & & & \end{bmatrix} \right)^t \\ &= \lambda_2^m \lambda_1^t \left(\det \left[F_{(n-2) \times (n-2)} \right] \right)^t. \end{aligned}$$

So $\lambda_1^m \lambda_2^t \left(\det \left[F_{(n-2) \times (n-2)} \right] \right)^t = \lambda_2^m \lambda_1^t \left(\det \left[F_{(n-2) \times (n-2)} \right] \right)^t$, and hence

$\lambda_1^{m-t} = \lambda_2^{m-t}$. This contradicts the fact that $\lambda_1^{m-t} \neq \lambda_2^{m-t}$. Therefore

$m = t$. This shows that $\phi(A) = \lambda^m (\det [C_{(n-1) \times (n-1)}])^m = (\det(B^{-1}AB))^m =$

$((\det B^{-1}) (\det A) (\det B))^m = ((\det B^{-1})(\det B)(\det A))^m = ((\det B^{-1}B)$

$(\det A))^m = (\det(I) \cdot \det A)^m = (\det A)^m$, i.e. $\phi(A) = (\det A)^m$.

Then the distinct eigenvalues of γ_n are $\lambda_1 + d'_n, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m$ and $\lambda_1 + d'_n$ has order 1. As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\gamma_n \rightarrow \gamma$. Since $\gamma = B^{-1}AB$, $A = B\gamma B^{-1}$.

Let $A_n = B\gamma_n B^{-1}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Therefore $\lambda_1 + d'_n$ is an eigenvalue of A_n of order 1 and $A_n \rightarrow B\gamma B^{-1} = A$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, i.e., $A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$. Thus we have the claim. Hence $\phi(A) = \phi(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\det A_n)^m = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\det A_n))^m = (\det(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n))^m = (\det A)^m$. #



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