

# Polynomial bounds of $3 \times 3$ matrices

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## Abstract

We exhibit a class of  $3 \times 3$  matrices with a polynomial bound different of the completely bounded norm.

## 1 Introduction

Let us consider an operator  $T$  on a Hilbert space  $(H, \|\cdot\|)$ . Its polynomial bound  $K(T)$  is defined by

$$K(T) = \sup\{\|p(T)\|; p \text{ polynomial, } |p(z)| \leq 1, \forall z \in \mathbb{D}\},$$

$\mathbb{D}$  being the closed unit disk of  $\mathbb{C}$ . If  $u_T$  denotes the homomorphism from polynomials to operators mapping  $p$  to  $p(T)$ , then  $K(T)$  is the bounded norm of  $u_T$ . The corresponding completely bounded norm  $M(T)$  has been characterized by Paulsen [6]

$$M(T) = \inf\{\|S\| \|S^{-1}\|; \|S^{-1}TS\| \leq 1\},$$

the infimum being considered onto all invertible operators, (or equivalently onto all self-adjoint positive definite operators). We use the convention  $K(T) = +\infty$  if no  $S$  realizes  $\|S^{-1}TS\| \leq 1$ . Clearly,  $M(T) = 1$  iff  $T$  is a contraction and, from the von Neumann inequality [8],  $K(T) = 1$  iff  $T$  is a contraction. Using this inequality together with the relation  $p(T) = Sp(S^{-1}TS)S^{-1}$  we deduce  $K(T) \leq M(T)$ .

A long-standing problem in operator theory is how  $K(T)$  differs from  $M(T)$ . In his famous article [3], Halmos included the following question

*Is every polynomially bounded operator similar to a contraction?*

The answer *no* has been given by Pisier [7], of course in infinite dimension. For finite dimension the answer is clearly *yes*, but then the relevant question is how  $K(T)$  controls  $M(T)$ ? For large dimension, the best result is due to Bourgain [1]

$$M(T) \leq C_0 K(T)^4 \log(\dim H),$$

where  $C_0$  is some universal constant. The case of low dimension has been studied by Holbrook. In a first paper [4], he has showed that  $K(T) = M(T)$  if  $\dim H = 2$  and that  $K(T) < M(T)$  occurs for some  $T$  if  $\dim H = 12$ . Eighteen years later [5], he has exhibited some class of  $T$  with  $K(T) < M(T)$  and  $\dim H = 4$ .

This paper is concerned by the case  $\dim H = 3$ . We show that, for the following class of matrices

$$T_\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ \varepsilon & 0 & \frac{1-\varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1-\varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad -1/2 \leq \varepsilon \leq 1/2,$$

there holds  $M(T_\varepsilon) > 2$ , if  $\varepsilon \neq 0$ , and  $K(T_\varepsilon) = 2$ , if  $\varepsilon$  is small enough. Note that, if  $|\varepsilon| > 2$ , then the spectral radius of  $T_\varepsilon$  is larger than 1, and thus  $K(T_\varepsilon) = +\infty$ .

After completion of this paper, John Holbrook mentioned to me that, with Frank Gilfeather, they have obtained existence's evidence of  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $T$  with  $K(T) < M(T)$  by numerical experiments; this was consigned in an HPCREC 2000-01 internal report.

## 2 The completely bounded norm is larger than 2

We first note that, for all  $\varepsilon$ , there holds  $2 \leq \|T_\varepsilon\| \leq K(T_\varepsilon) \leq M(T_\varepsilon)$ . If we introduce the matrix  $S = \text{diag}(2, 1, 1)$ , then

$$S^{-1}T_0S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix};$$

thus  $\|S^{-1}T_0S\| = 1$  and  $M(T_0) \leq \|S\| \|S^{-1}\| = 2$ . This shows that  $M(T_0) = K(T_0) = 2$ .

Let us now consider the case  $\varepsilon \neq 0$ . We want to show that  $M(T_\varepsilon) > 2$ ; to this end we argue *ab absurdo*. Otherwise, it would hold  $M(T_\varepsilon) = 2$ . Then, it would exist a self-adjoint positive matrix  $S$  with  $\|S\| = 2$ ,  $\|S^{-1}\| = 1$  and  $\|S^{-1}T_\varepsilon S\| \leq 1$ . Let  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  be the canonical basis of  $\mathbb{C}^3$ ; using the relation

$$2e_1 = T_\varepsilon e_2 = SS^{-1}T_\varepsilon SS^{-1}e_2 = Sy, \quad \text{with } y = S^{-1}T_\varepsilon SS^{-1}e_2,$$

we would get  $\|y\| \leq \|S^{-1}T_\varepsilon S\| \|S^{-1}\| \|e_2\| \leq 1$ ,  $2 = \|Sy\| \leq \|S\| \|y\| \leq 2$ . This would yield  $Sy = 2y = 2e_1$ , whence  $y = e_1$ . Now, we use

$$1 = \|y\| = \|(S^{-1}T_\varepsilon S)S^{-1}e_2\| \leq \|S^{-1}e_2\| \leq \|S^{-1}\| \|e_2\| \leq 1,$$

which yields  $S^{-1}e_2 = e_2$ , whence  $Se_2 = e_2$ . Combined with  $Se_1 = 2e_1$ ,  $S$  self-adjoint positive definite,  $\|S\| = 2$ , and  $\|S^{-1}\| = 1$ , this implies  $S = \text{diag}(2, 1, \lambda)$  with  $1 \leq \lambda \leq 2$ . Then, there holds

$$S^{-1}T_\varepsilon S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2\varepsilon & 0 & \frac{1-\varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}}\lambda \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1-\varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{whence}$$

$$\|S^{-1}T_\varepsilon S\| = \max\left(1, \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 2\varepsilon & \frac{1-\varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}}\lambda \\ 0 & \frac{1-\varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \right\| \right) \geq \max\left(1, \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 2\varepsilon & \frac{1-\varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & \frac{1-\varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \right\| \right) = \max(1, \sqrt{\mu_\varepsilon}),$$

where  $\mu_\varepsilon$  is the largest root of  $P_\varepsilon(\mu) := \mu^2 - (1+\varepsilon^2)^2\mu + 2\varepsilon^2(1-\varepsilon^2)^2$ . We note that  $P(1) = -5\varepsilon^4 + 2\varepsilon^6 < 0$ , whence  $\mu_\varepsilon > 1$ , which contradicts  $\|S^{-1}T_\varepsilon S\| \leq 1$ .

## 3 The polynomial bound is 2

From now on, we assume that  $|\varepsilon| < 1/2$ ; then the eigenvalues of  $T_\varepsilon$  have modulus  $< 1$ . In the definition

$$K(T_\varepsilon) = \sup\{\|p(T_\varepsilon)\|; p \text{ polynomial, } |p(z)| \leq 1, \forall z \in \mathbb{D}\},$$

we can replace  $p$  polynomial by  $p$  holomorphic in  $\mathbb{D}$ . Then, it is easily seen that  $K(T_\varepsilon)$  is attained, and that it is attained by a Blaschke product with (at most) two factors, i.e.,

$$K(T_\varepsilon) = \max\{\|M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon)\|; \zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \mathbb{D}\},$$

with  $M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon)$  defined by

$$M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon) := (T_\varepsilon - \zeta_1)(1 - \bar{\zeta}_1 T_\varepsilon)^{-1}(T_\varepsilon - \zeta_2)(1 - \bar{\zeta}_2 T_\varepsilon)^{-1}.$$

We now denote by  $\mu_1(M) \geq \mu_2(M) \geq \mu_3(M)$  the singular values of the matrix  $M$ . We have the following lemma

**Lemma 1.** *a) For all  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \mathbb{D}$ , there holds  $\mu_1(M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0)) \leq 2$ . Furthermore,  $\mu_1(M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0)) = 2$  if and only if  $\zeta_1 \zeta_2 = 0$  and either  $|\zeta_1 + \zeta_2| = 1$  or  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = 1/\sqrt{2}$ .*

*b) There exist  $c < 2$  and  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  such that*

$$\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \mathbb{D} \text{ and } |\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_0 \implies \mu_2(M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon)) \leq c.$$

*Proof.* In all the proof, we assume  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \mathbb{D}$ .

a) Since  $K(T_0) = 2$ , there holds  $\mu_1(M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0)) = \|M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0)\| \leq 2$ . Now, if  $\|M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0)\| = 2$ , then there exists  $v$  such that  $\|v\| = 1$  and  $\|M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0)v\| = 2$ . Recall that, with  $S = \text{diag}(2, 1, 1)$  and  $M = M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0)$ , there holds  $\|S^{-1}T_0S\| \leq 1$ ; thus  $\|S^{-1}MS\| \leq 1$ . We set  $y = (S^{-1}MS)S^{-1}v$ ; then  $\|y\| \leq 1$  and  $2 = \|Mv\| = \|Sy\| \leq \|S\| \|y\| \leq 2$ . This yields  $y = e^{i\theta}e_1$  and  $Mv = 2y$ . Changing  $v$  in  $e^{-i\theta}$  if needed, we may assume that  $y = e_1$ . From  $1 = \|y\| \leq \|S^{-1}v\| \leq \|S^{-1}\| \|v\| \leq 1$  we infer  $v_1 = 0$ . From  $Mv = 2e_1$  we infer

$$(T_0^2 - (\zeta_1 + \zeta_2)T_0 + \zeta_1\zeta_2)v = 2(1 - (\bar{\zeta}_1 + \bar{\zeta}_2)T_0 + \overline{\zeta_1\zeta_2}T_0^2)e_1 = 2e_1,$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} -2(\zeta_1 + \zeta_2)v_2 + \sqrt{2}v_3 &= 2, \\ \zeta_1\zeta_2v_2 - (\zeta_1 + \zeta_2)\frac{v_3}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2}v_3 &= 0, \\ \zeta_1\zeta_2v_3 - (\zeta_1 + \zeta_2)\frac{v_3}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2}v_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

This implies  $\zeta_1\zeta_2(v_2 - v_3) = 0$ ; thus

- either  $\zeta_1\zeta_2 = 0$ , in which case  $v_3(\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 - 1/\sqrt{2}) = 0$ ; thus
  - either  $v_3 = 0$ ,  $|v_2| = 1$ ,  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = -\bar{v}_2$ ,
  - or  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ ,  $v_2 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ ,  $v_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ .
- or  $v_2 = v_3$ ; thus  $|v_2| = |v_3| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ ,  $\zeta_1\zeta_2 - (\zeta_1 + \zeta_2)\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2} = 0$ , i.e.,  $\zeta_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  or  $\zeta_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ . This yields  $2 = (\sqrt{2} - 2(\zeta_1 + \zeta_2))v_2 = -2\sqrt{2}\zeta_1\zeta_2v_2$ , which contradicts  $|\zeta_1\zeta_2| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  and  $|v_2| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ .

So, we have proved that  $\|M\| < 2$  except maybe if  $\zeta_1\zeta_2 = 0$  and either  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = e^{i\theta}$  or  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = 1/\sqrt{2}$ . It is easily verified that, if  $\zeta_1\zeta_2 = 0$  and  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = e^{i\theta}$ , then  $M = -e^{i\theta}T_0$  and  $\|M\| = 2$ ; in

the other case, if  $\zeta_1\zeta_2 = 0$  and  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = 1/\sqrt{2}$ , then  $M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\|M\| = 2$  still

holds.

b) In the two previous cases, there respectively holds  $\mu_2(M) = 1$  and  $\mu_2(M) = 0$ . For the other values of  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \mathbb{D}$ , there holds  $\mu_2(M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0)) \leq \mu_1(M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0)) < 2$ . The lemma then follows from the continuity of the function  $\mu_2(M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon))$  on the compact set  $\mathbb{D} \times \mathbb{D} \times [-1/3, 1/3]$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** *We set  $\Phi(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon) := \det(4I - M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon)M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon)^*)$ . Then, if  $|\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_0$ ,  $K(T_\varepsilon) \leq 2$  is equivalent to, for all  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \mathbb{D}$ ,  $\Phi(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon) \geq 0$ .*

*Proof.* Indeed,  $K(T_\varepsilon) \leq 2$  is equivalent to “the matrix  $4I - M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon)M(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon)^*$  is positive semi-definite for all  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \mathbb{D}$ ”. From the previous lemma b), we know that the two largest eigenvalues of this matrix are strictly positive, thus the third eigenvalue will be greater or equal to 0 iff the determinant will be greater or equal to 0.  $\square$

*Remark.* Clearly, there holds  $\Phi(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon) = \Phi(\zeta_2, \zeta_1, \varepsilon)$ .

We admit for a while the following technical results

**Lemma 3.** *We have the following estimates*

$$\Phi(\zeta, e^{i\theta}, \varepsilon) = |\zeta|^2(54 + O(|\zeta|) + O(|\varepsilon|)), \quad (1)$$

$$\Phi(0, re^{i\theta}, 0) = 96(1-r) + O((1-r)^2), \quad (2)$$

$$\Phi(\zeta_1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \zeta_2, \varepsilon) = 24|\sqrt{2}\varepsilon + \zeta_1|^2 + 48|\zeta_1 + \zeta_2|^2 + 48|\zeta_2|^2 + O(|\varepsilon|^3 + |\zeta_1|^3 + |\zeta_2|^3). \quad (3)$$

From (1), we deduce that there exists  $\varepsilon_1$  satisfying  $0 < \varepsilon_1 \leq \varepsilon_0$  such that

$$“\theta \in \mathbb{R}, |\zeta| \leq \varepsilon_1, \text{ and } |\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_1” \implies \Phi(\zeta, e^{i\theta}, \varepsilon) \geq 0.$$

From (2), we infer that  $\frac{\partial}{\partial r}\Phi(0, re^{i\theta}, 0)|_{r=1} = -96$ . Thus, since  $\Phi$  is a smooth real-valued function, there exists  $\varepsilon_2$  satisfying  $0 < \varepsilon_2 \leq \varepsilon_1$  such that

$$“\theta \in \mathbb{R}, |\zeta| \leq \varepsilon_2, 0 \leq 1-r \leq \varepsilon_2, \text{ and } |\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_2” \implies \frac{\partial}{\partial r}\Phi(\zeta, re^{i\theta}, \varepsilon) \leq 0.$$

Then, we conclude from  $\Phi(\zeta, re^{i\theta}, \varepsilon) = \Phi(\zeta, e^{i\theta}, \varepsilon) - \int_r^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial s}\Phi(\zeta, se^{i\theta}, \varepsilon) ds$  that

$$“|\zeta_1| \leq \varepsilon_2, 0 \leq 1-|\zeta_2| \leq \varepsilon_2, \text{ and } |\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_2” \implies \Phi(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon) \geq 0.$$

Now, we consider  $F(t) = F(t, \zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon) := \Phi(t\zeta_1, 1/\sqrt{2} + t\zeta_2, t\varepsilon)$ . We deduce from (3) that  $F(0) = F'(0) = 0$  and

$$F''(0) = 48|\sqrt{2}\varepsilon + \zeta_1|^2 + 96|\zeta_1 + \zeta_2|^2 + 96|\zeta_2|^2 \geq 24(|\varepsilon|^2 + |\zeta_1|^2 + |\zeta_2|^2).$$

From the continuity of  $F''(t)$  (considered as a quadratic form in  $\zeta_1, \bar{\zeta}_1, \zeta_2, \bar{\zeta}_2, \varepsilon$ ) we infer that there exists  $\varepsilon_3$  satisfying  $0 < \varepsilon_3 \leq \varepsilon_0$  such that

$$“t \in [0, 1], |\zeta_1| \leq \varepsilon_3, |\zeta_2| \leq \varepsilon_3, \text{ and } |\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_3” \implies F''(t) \geq 0.$$

Then, we infer from  $\Phi(\zeta_1, 1/\sqrt{2} + \zeta_2, \varepsilon) = \int_0^1 (1-t)F''(t) dt$  that

$$“|\zeta_1| \leq \varepsilon_3, |1/\sqrt{2} - \zeta_2| \leq \varepsilon_3, \text{ and } |\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_3” \implies \Phi(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon) \geq 0.$$

We have shown that  $\Phi(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon) \geq 0$  in a neighborhood of the sets  $E_1 = \{(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0); \zeta_1\zeta_2 = 0 \text{ and } |\zeta_1 + \zeta_2| = 1\}$  and  $E_2 = \{(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0); \zeta_1\zeta_2 = 0 \text{ and } \zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = 1/\sqrt{2}\}$ . We also know from Lemma 1 a) that, outside of these sets,  $\Phi(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, 0) > 0$ . Therefore, we can conclude from the uniform continuity of  $\Phi$  that there exists  $\varepsilon_4$  satisfying  $0 < \varepsilon_4 \leq \min(\varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3)$  such that  $\Phi(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \varepsilon) \geq 0$  for all  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \mathbb{D}$  and all  $\varepsilon$  with  $|\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_4$ . Summarizing, the next theorem will follow from Lemma 3.

**Theorem 4.** *For all  $\varepsilon$  with  $|\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_4$ , there holds  $K(T_\varepsilon) = 2$ .*

## 4 Proof of Lemma 3

### 4.1 Proof of (1)

We first note that  $M(\zeta, e^{i\theta}, \varepsilon) = -e^{i\theta} N_\varepsilon$ , with  $N_\varepsilon := (T_\varepsilon - \zeta)(1 - \bar{\zeta} T_\varepsilon)^{-1}$ . Therefore,  $\Phi(\zeta, e^{i\theta}, \varepsilon) = \det(4 - N_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon^*)$ . Using the expansion  $N_\varepsilon(\zeta) = T_\varepsilon - \zeta + \bar{\zeta} T_\varepsilon^2 + \bar{\zeta}^2 T_\varepsilon^3 - |\zeta|^2 T_\varepsilon + O(|\zeta|^3)$ , we get

$$N_\varepsilon(\zeta) = \begin{pmatrix} -\zeta + 2\varepsilon\bar{\zeta} & 2(1 - |\zeta|^2) & n_{13} \\ \varepsilon & -\zeta + 2\varepsilon\bar{\zeta} & n_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & n_{33} \end{pmatrix} + (|\zeta| + |\varepsilon|)O(|\zeta|^2), \quad (4)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} n_{13} &= \sqrt{2}(1 - \varepsilon^2)\bar{\zeta} + (1 - \varepsilon^2)^2\bar{\zeta}^2 = \sqrt{2}(1 - \varepsilon^2)\bar{\zeta} + O(|\zeta|^2), \\ n_{23} &= \frac{1 - \varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}}(1 - |\zeta|^2 + (\bar{\zeta} + 2\varepsilon\bar{\zeta}^2)\frac{1 - \varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} + \bar{\zeta}^2\frac{(1 - \varepsilon^2)^2}{2}) = \frac{1 - \varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} + O(|\zeta|), \\ n_{33} &= -\zeta + \frac{1 - \varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}}(1 - |\zeta|^2 + \bar{\zeta}\frac{1 - \varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} + \bar{\zeta}^2\frac{(1 - \varepsilon^2)^2}{2}) = \frac{1 - \varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} + O(|\zeta|). \end{aligned}$$

This yields

$$4 - N_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon^* = \begin{pmatrix} 5|\zeta|^2 & \bar{\zeta} & -\bar{\zeta} \\ \zeta & 7/2 & -1/2 \\ -\zeta & -1/2 & 7/2 \end{pmatrix} + (|\zeta| + |\varepsilon|) \begin{pmatrix} O(|\zeta|^2) & O(\zeta) & O(\zeta) \\ O(\zeta) & O(1) & O(1) \\ O(\zeta) & O(1) & O(1) \end{pmatrix},$$

whence  $\Phi(\zeta, e^{i\theta}, \varepsilon) = \det(4 - N_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon^*) = 54|\zeta|^2 + |\zeta|^2 O(|\zeta| + |\varepsilon|)$ .

### 4.2 Proof of (2)

A simple calculation gives

$$M(0, re^{i\theta}, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2re^\theta & \frac{2-2r^2}{\sqrt{2-re^{-i\theta}}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1-\sqrt{2}e^{i\tau}}{\sqrt{2-re^{-i\theta}}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1-\sqrt{2}e^{i\tau}}{\sqrt{2-re^{-i\theta}}} \end{pmatrix},$$

whence

$$4 - M(0, re^{i\theta}, 0)M(0, re^{i\theta}, 0)^* = \begin{pmatrix} 4(1-r^2) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7/2 & -1/2 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 7/2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} O((1-r)^2) & O(1-r) & O(1-r) \\ O(1-r) & O(1-r) & O(1-r) \\ O(1-r) & O(1-r) & O(1-r) \end{pmatrix},$$

which yields  $\Phi(0, re^{i\theta}, 0) = 96(1-r) + O((1-r)^2)$ .

### 4.3 Proof of (3)

We write  $M(\zeta_1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \zeta_2, \varepsilon) = M_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon$ , with  $M_\varepsilon = (T_\varepsilon - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \zeta_2)(1 - (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \bar{\zeta}_2)T_\varepsilon)^{-1}$  and  $N_\varepsilon = N_\varepsilon(\zeta_1)$  described in (4). Tedious calculations give, with the notation  $|\zeta| = |\zeta_1| + |\zeta_2| + |\varepsilon|$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} m_{11} &= m_{22} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{2}} - \zeta_2 + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} - \varepsilon \zeta_2 + O(|\zeta|^3), \\ m_{21} &= \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} - \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{2}} (\zeta_2 + \bar{\zeta}_2) + O(|\zeta|^3), \\ m_{12} &= 1 + \varepsilon - \sqrt{2}(\zeta_2 + \bar{\zeta}_2) + \varepsilon^2 - 2|\zeta_2|^2 - \sqrt{2}\varepsilon(\zeta_2 - \bar{\zeta}_2) + O(|\zeta|^3), \\ m_{13} &= 1 + \varepsilon - \sqrt{2}(\zeta_2 - \bar{\zeta}_2) - \varepsilon^2 - 6|\zeta_2|^2 - \sqrt{2}\varepsilon(\zeta_2 - 3\bar{\zeta}_2) + O(|\zeta|^3), \\ m_{23} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{2}} - \zeta_2 - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{\sqrt{2}} - \varepsilon(\zeta_2 - \bar{\zeta}_2) - 2\sqrt{2}|\zeta_2|^2 + O(|\zeta|^3), \\ m_{33} &= -2\zeta_2 - \sqrt{2}\varepsilon^2 - 2\sqrt{2}|\zeta_2|^2 + O(|\zeta|^3), \\ m_{31} &= m_{32} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$M_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\zeta_1}{\sqrt{2}} + \varepsilon & mn_{12} & mn_{13} \\ -\frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{2}} & \varepsilon + \frac{\zeta_1}{\sqrt{2}} & \varepsilon - \sqrt{2}\zeta_2 - \frac{\zeta_1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & 0 & -\sqrt{2}\zeta_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} O(|\zeta|^2) & O(|\zeta|^3) & O(|\zeta|^3) \\ O(|\zeta|^2) & O(|\zeta|^2) & O(|\zeta|^2) \\ 0 & 0 & O(|\zeta|^2) \end{pmatrix}.$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} mn_{12} &= -\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}\varepsilon - \zeta_1 - 2\zeta_2 + \sqrt{2}\varepsilon^2 - \varepsilon\zeta_1 + 2\varepsilon\bar{\zeta}_1 - 2\varepsilon\zeta_2 + \sqrt{2}(|\zeta_1|^2 + \zeta_1\zeta_2 + \zeta_1\bar{\zeta}_2), \\ mn_{13} &= \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}\varepsilon - \zeta_1 - 2\zeta_2 + -\sqrt{2}\varepsilon^2 - \varepsilon\zeta_1 + 2\varepsilon\bar{\zeta}_1 - 2\varepsilon\zeta_2 + 4\varepsilon\bar{\zeta}_2 \\ &\quad - \sqrt{2}(|\zeta_1|^2 + 4|\zeta_2|^2 - \zeta_1\zeta_2 + \zeta_1\bar{\zeta}_2 + 2\bar{\zeta}_1\zeta_2). \end{aligned}$$

$$4 - (M_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon)(M_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon)^* = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & 2(\bar{\zeta}_1 + \bar{\zeta}_2) & 2\bar{\zeta}_2 \\ 2(\zeta_1 + \zeta_2) & 4 & 0 \\ 2\zeta_2 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} O(|\zeta|^3) & O(|\zeta|^2) & O(|\zeta|^2) \\ O(|\zeta|^2) & O(|\zeta|^2) & O(|\zeta|^2) \\ O(|\zeta|^2) & O(|\zeta|^2) & O(|\zeta|^2) \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$x_{11} = 3\varepsilon^2 + \frac{11}{2}|\zeta_1|^2 + 8|\zeta_2|^2 + \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\varepsilon(\zeta_1 + \bar{\zeta}_1) + 4(\zeta_1\bar{\zeta}_2 + \bar{\zeta}_1\zeta_2).$$

This shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\zeta_1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \zeta_2, \varepsilon) &= 48\varepsilon^2 + 72|\zeta_1|^2 + 96|\zeta_2|^2 + 24\sqrt{2}\varepsilon(\zeta_1 + \bar{\zeta}_1) + 48(\zeta_1\bar{\zeta}_2 + \bar{\zeta}_1\zeta_2) + O(|\zeta|^3) \\ &= 24|\sqrt{2}\varepsilon + \zeta_1|^2 + 48|\zeta_1 + \zeta_2|^2 + 48|\zeta_2|^2 + O(|\varepsilon|^3 + |\zeta_1|^3 + |\zeta_2|^3). \end{aligned}$$

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