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Characteristic polynomials, eigenvalues and eigenvectors

TOTAL POINTS 10

Given a matrix $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$, recall that one can calculate its eigenvalues by solving the characteristic polynomial $\lambda^2 - (a+d)\lambda + (ad-bc) = 0$. In this quiz, you will practice calculating and solving the characteristic polynomial to find the eigenvalues of simple matrices.

1/1 point

For the matrix $A=\begin{bmatrix}1&0\\0&2\end{bmatrix}$, what is the characteristic polynomial, and the solutions to the characteristic polynomial?

$$\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1=-1, \lambda_2=-2$$

$$\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 2 = 0$$