

Linear Algebra
Assignment 10 **MATH 2318 (Fall 2022)**

Deadline: Saturday November 19th, 11:59pm.

Policy to turn in assignment:

- Assignment should be submitted via BlackBoard.
- Student needs to turn in their assignment as a single PDF file.
- No email or late submission will be accepted.

4 points

1. Show that

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

is a basis for $M_{2 \times 2}$. *Hint:* Recall that $\dim(M_{2 \times 2}) = 4$, and note that B contains four matrices.

9 points

2. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & -8 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$.

- a) Find the characteristic polynomial of A .
- b) Find the eigenvalues of A and state their algebraic multiplicity.
- c) Find a basis for each eigenspace of A .

4 points

3. Let A be an $n \times n$ invertible matrix. Show that if λ is an eigenvalue of A with associated eigenvector \vec{v} , then $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ is an eigenvalue of A^{-1} with associated eigenvector \vec{v} . *Hint:* Consider $A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$ and multiply by A^{-1} .

3 points

4. For each of the following, determine if the statement is true or false. Provide a short reasoning (one or two sentences).
- a) If \vec{v} is an eigenvector of a square matrix A with corresponding eigenvalue λ , then $2\vec{v}$ is also an eigenvector of a square matrix A with corresponding eigenvalue λ .
 - b) If the characteristic polynomial of a square matrix has a nonzero constant term, then the matrix is invertible.
 - c) If an eigenvalue of a square matrix has algebraic multiplicity 1, then the dimension of the associated eigenspace is 1.