Math 244 Quiz 3

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1. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. What is the bottom right entry of A^{100} ?

2. Diagonalize $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$ where a, b are any numbers.

3. Let B(t) be the number of bugs living in the local dining establishment at time t (in years). Assume that B(t) satisfies the differential equation $B'(t) = kB(t)\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}t)$. Initially, there are 50 bugs. After one year, there are 100. How many are there after 3 years?

4. Show that the solutions to a linear n^{th} order homogeneous differential equation form a subspace.

5. Solve xy'' + y' = x.