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- For each of the following matrices, find the characteristic polynomial, eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenspace (find a spanning set of the eigenspace). Also determine the algebraic/geometric multiplicities of each eigenvalue.

a.  $\begin{pmatrix} 10 & -9 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

b.  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

- Show that matrix  $A$  is invertible iff  $0$  is not an eigenvalue of  $A$ . This should also be added to the invertibility theorem.
- Let  $V$  be vector space of smooth infinitely differentiable functions. Consider differentiating map  $T : V \rightarrow V$  defined as  $p(x) \mapsto p'(x)$ . Determine an eigenvector of this map.
- Let  $A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  that are similar. You can use these results in the future.
  - Show that they have the same determinant.
  - Show that they have the same characteristic polynomial.

We have not gone over diagonalization theorem. They will have to use the determinant might make it a little simpler.

- Show that  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is not similar to any diagonal matrix.

For trace I think you can use cofactor expansion for this and carefully contribute to the  $n-1$  term's coefficient. Det is given by setting  $\lambda$

- Consider the characteristic polynomial  $p_A(\lambda)$  of  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ . Show that  $p_A(\lambda)$  is of the form

$$(-1)^n \lambda^n + (-1)^{n-1} \text{tr}(A) \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + \det(A).$$

In other words, its constant term is always  $\det(A)$ , and its  $\lambda^{n-1}$  has coefficient  $\pm \text{tr}(A)$

Write down the formula when  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix. You can use this result in the future.

No.  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $I_2$

- If two matrices have the same det, trace and rank, are they necessarily similar?
  - If two matrices have the same char poly, are they necessarily similar?