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$$f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

$$f(x) = Ax$$

$$A = [f(e_1) \quad f(e_2) \quad f(e_3)]$$

$$f(e_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(e_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(e_3) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Trace. ~~Trace~~ = Sum of elements on diagonal

$$= 1 + 1 + 0 = \boxed{2}$$