Math 1553 Supplement §5.1, 5.2

Supplemental Problems

For those who want additional practice problems after completing the worksheet, here are some extra practice problems.

- **1.** Find a basis \mathcal{B} for the (-1)-eigenspace of $Z = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$
- **2.** Suppose *A* is an $n \times n$ matrix satisfying $A^2 = 0$. Find all eigenvalues of *A*. Justify your answer.
- **3.** Give an example of matrices *A* and *B* which have the same eigenvalues and the same algebraic multiplicities for each eigenvalue, but which are *not* similar. Justify why they are not similar.
- **4.** Using facts about determinants, justify the following fact: if *A* is an $n \times n$ matrix, then *A* and A^T have the same characteristic polynomial.
- **5.** Play tic-tac-toe for determinants! Instead of X against O, we have 1 against 0. The 1-player wins if the final matrix has nonzero determinant, while the 0-player wins if the determinant is zero. You can change who goes first, and you can also modify the size of the matrix.

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