- 1. Provide an example of the following, or explain why no such example can exist:
  - (a) Vectors  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^2$  with  $u \cdot v = 3$  such that  $\{u, v\}$  is also a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
  - (b) Vectors  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^3$  with ||u + v|| > ||u|| + ||v||.
  - (c) Vectors  $u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $\{u, v, w\}$  is an orthogonal set.

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- 2. Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix with real coefficients.
  - (a) Show that A is not invertible if and only if 0 is an eigenvalue of A.
  - (b) Given that A has only one eigenvalue over  $\mathbb C$  (with multiplicity n) and is diagonalisable show that A is diagonal.
  - (c) Conclude that

$$B = \left(\begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}\right)$$

is not diagonalisable.

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3. (10 points) Find a basis for the orthogonal complement of the image of the linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{P}_3 \to \mathbb{R}^4$  defined as following:

$$T(a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3) = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 + a_1 + 2a_2 - a_3 \\ 2a_1 + 4a_2 - 2a_3 \\ -2a_0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- 4. Given a matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . Recall that the trace of A, denoted as tr(A), is the sum of all the matrix entries on the diagonal of the matrix. Complete the following tasks:
  - (a) Write out the characteristic polynomial of matrix A in terms of tr(A) and det(A).
  - (b) In order for the matrix A to have all-real eigenvalues, what must be true about Tr(A) and Det(A)? Justify your answer.

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- 5. Below all matrices are  $n \times n$  matrices with real coefficients. Mark the following as true or false.
  - (a) A must have an even number of non-real eigenvalues.
  - (b) If  $v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are eigenvectors of A with different eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ , then  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are linearly independent.
  - (c) If  $v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are eigenvectors of A with different eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ , then  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are orthogonal.
  - (d) The dimension of Nul(A) is the multiplicity of 0 as an eigenvalue of A.
  - (e) The eigenvalues of AB are the product of the eigenvalues of A and B.

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- 6. Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix with characteristic polynomial  $-\lambda(\lambda-1)^2$ . Explain whether or not the following can be true, and if it can, give an example:
  - (a)  $\operatorname{Rank}(A) = 0$
  - (b)  $\operatorname{Rank}(A) = 1$
  - (c)  $\operatorname{Rank}(A) = 2$
  - (d)  $\operatorname{Rank}(A) = 3$

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7. Let  $T: M_{2\times 2} \to M_{2\times 2}$  be the linear transformation given by

$$T(A) = A^T$$

where  $A^T$  is the transpose of A.

- (a) Is T an isomorphism? If so, describe  $T^{-1}$ .
- (b) Find the eigenvalues of T and the dimensions of the eigenspaces.
- (c) Is there a basis for  $M_{2\times 2}$  such that the matrix of T is diagonal with respect to this basis?