

# Linear Algebra: Assessed Questions 4

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## 1 Assessed questions

A total of 10 marks is available.

**Exercise 1.1.** Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix

5 marks

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

What are the dimensions of the eigenspaces?

1 marks

**Exercise 1.2.** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  denote the set of 4-by-4 matrices whose characteristic polynomial is  $(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 3)^2$ .

(a) Find an  $A \in \mathcal{M}$  such that all of the eigenspaces of  $A$  are 1-dimensional.

1 marks

(b) Find a  $B \in \mathcal{M}$  such that at least one eigenspace of  $B$  is 2-dimensional.

1 marks

(c) Is it true that  $C \in \mathcal{M}$  implies  $C$  is invertible?

1 marks

(d) Is it true that, for any  $D \in \mathcal{M}$ , no positive power of  $D$  equals the identity?

1 marks