

ERRATA TO EXAM 2 A–D SOLUTIONS

- Exam A, Q3 It might be helpful to note that if A is an $n \times n$ -matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$, then the characteristic equation is $p(t) = \det(A - tI_n) = \det(A) + \dots + (-1)^n t^n$ and has roots $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ so $p(t) = (\lambda_1 - t) \cdots (\lambda_n - t)$ and $\det(A) = \lambda_1 \cdots \lambda_n$.
- Exam A, Q5 Should read “The eigenspace for $4 - 3i$ is the null space of $\begin{bmatrix} 3i & -3 \\ 3 & 3i \end{bmatrix}$ and an eigenvector is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$.”
- Exam B, Q8 The matrix A is diagonalizable since it has three distinct eigenvalues and A is of size 3×3 .
- Exam B, Q11 The adjunct is another term for the adjugate.
- Exam D, Q6 The third row of the final matrix (in echelon form) should be $[0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 2 \ 2]$ but the solution is otherwise correct.
- Exam D, Q10 \mathcal{E} denotes the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^2 .