

## LINEAR ALGEBRA HOMEWORK 6

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**Exercise 0.1.** *Decide if  $A = [e_3, e_1 + e_2, e_2] \in M_3$  is invertible. If so, compute  $A^{-1}$ .*

**Exercise 0.2.** *You will prove that there is a bijection between the set of conjugation classes of  $n \times n$   $F$ -matrices, and the set of isomorphism classes of  $F[t]$ -spaces  $V$  of  $\dim_F V = n$ . To each matrix  $x$ , define the  $F[t]$ -space by the  $F$ -algebra homomorphism*

$$\varphi_x : F[t] \rightarrow \text{End } F^n \cong M_{n \times n}, \quad t \mapsto x.$$

*Argue if  $h \in \text{Aut}_n$ , then  $\varphi_{h^{-1}xh}$  defines an isomorphic  $F[t]$ -space. Verify that the correspondence  $[x] \mapsto [\varphi_x]$  is a bijection from conjugation classes of matrices to isomorphism classes of  $F[t]$ -spaces.*

**Exercise 0.3.** *WRITE UP* For  $X \in M_n$ , put  $k(X) := \dim \ker X$ . Assume  $X^2 = 0$ .

(a) *Show that  $k(X) \geq n/2$ .*

*In less than 1 page, show that the following:*

(a) *A conjugation class  $[X]$  in  $\text{sol}(X^2 = 0)$  in  $M_n$  is uniquely determined by  $k(X)$ .*

(b) *Given any integer  $k \geq n/2$ , there is a unique conjugation class  $[X]$  of such solutions such that  $k(X) = k$ .*

*After doing this right, you will be quite close to solving Project 3, Problems 1 and 2.*

**Exercise 0.4.** *WRITE UP* Let  $C_\bullet$  be a complex of  $F$ -spaces with  $C_0 = F^2$ ,  $C_1 = F^3$ , and  $C_j = 0$  for all  $j \neq 0, 1$ . Decide which of the following homology of  $C_\bullet$  is possible:

(a)  $H_0 = F$ ,  $H_1 = F^2$ .

(b)  $H_0 = F^2$ ,  $H_1 = F^3$ .

(c)  $H_0 = F$ ,  $H_1 = F$ .

(d)  $H_0 = 0$ ,  $H_1 = F^2$ .