

1. Is  $\lambda = 2$  an eigenvalue of  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ ? Why or why not?
2. Is  $\lambda = -3$  an eigenvalue of  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$ ? Why or why not?
3. Is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  an eigenvector of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ ? If so, find the eigenvalue.

In Exercises 9–16, find a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to each listed eigenvalue.

9.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda = 1, 3$

Find the eigenvalues of the matrices in Exercises 17 and 18.

17. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

18. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

In Exercises 21 and 22,  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix. Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer

21. a. If  $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$  for some vector  $\mathbf{x}$ , then  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .
- b. A matrix  $A$  is not invertible if and only if 0 is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .
- c. A number  $c$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  if and only if the equation  $(A - cI)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has a nontrivial solution.
- d. Finding an eigenvector of  $A$  may be difficult, but checking whether a given vector is in fact an eigenvector is easy.
- e. To find the eigenvalues of  $A$ , reduce  $A$  to echelon form.
24. Construct an example of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix with only one distinct eigenvalue.
25. Let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of an invertible matrix  $A$ . Show that  $\lambda^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ . [Hint: Suppose a nonzero  $\mathbf{x}$  satisfies  $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$ .]
26. Show that if  $A^2$  is the zero matrix, then the only eigenvalue of  $A$  is 0.
27. Show that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  if and only if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^T$ . [Hint: Find out how  $A - \lambda I$  and  $A^T - \lambda I$  are related.]