

- (1) Let  $A$  be the following matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find a basis of the solution space for the system  $y' = Ay$  where  $y$  is a column vector.

- (2) Show that  $e^A$  is orthogonal if  $A$  is real and skew-symmetric.  
(3) Show that if  $e^{tA}e^{tB} = e^{tB}e^{tA}$  for any real  $t$  then  $AB = BA$ .

*Hint:* Differentiate!