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Happy Thanks giving. Let A be the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

- 1. Find the characteristic polynomial $\det(A \lambda I)$.
- 2. Find the eigenvalues of A.
- 3. Find the eigenvectors of A.
- 4. (Optional extra credit) Express A as BDB^{-1} where B is the matrix changing to the basis of eigenvectors, and D is a diagonal matrix.