Books, watches, notes or cell phones are not allowed. The only calculators allowed are the Sharp EL-531\*\*. You must show all your work, the correct answer is worth 1 mark the remaining marks are given for the work.

Question 1. (5 marks) Prove that if  $\{\vec{v}1, \vec{v}_2\}$  is linearly independent and  $\vec{v}_3$  does not lie in span $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$ , then  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$  is linearly independent.

Question 2. Consider the subspace  $H = \left\{ A \mid A \in \mathcal{M}_{2 \times 2} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} A = A \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$ 

- a. (1 marks) Is  $\mathbf{0}$  (the  $2 \times 2$  zero matrix) in H?
- b. (1 marks) Is I (the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix) in H?
- c. (1 mark) For what a is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & a \end{bmatrix}$  in H?
- d. (4 marks) Find a basis for H.
- e. (2 marks) Express the matrix you found in part c. relative to the basis found in part d., if possible.