Assignment 16

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***Abstract*—This document solves a problem involving ordered basis of linear transformation.**

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1 Problem

Let V be an n-dimensional vector space over the field F, and let $\mathcal{B} = \{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n\}$ be an ordered basis for V then there is a unique linear operator T on V such that

$$T\alpha_j = \alpha_{j+1}, j = 1, \ldots, n-1$$
$$T\alpha_n = 0.$$

What is the matrix A of T in the ordered basis $\mathcal{B}$?

2 Solution

Given that,

$$T : V \to V \tag{2.0.1}$$
$$[T(\alpha)]_{\mathcal{B}} = A[\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}} \tag{2.0.2}$$
$$T\alpha_j = \alpha_{j+1} \tag{2.0.3}$$
$$T\alpha_n = 0 \tag{2.0.4}$$

where $j = 1, \ldots, n-1$. The matrix A of T in the ordered basis $\mathcal{B}$ is given by,

$$\implies A = \begin{pmatrix} [T\alpha_1]_{\mathcal{B}} & \cdots & [T\alpha_n]_{\mathcal{B}} \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.5}$$

For $j = 1, \ldots, n-1$ we have,

$$T\alpha_j = \alpha_{j+1} \tag{2.0.6}$$

we can write,

$$T\alpha_j = 0\alpha_1 + \ldots + 0\alpha_j + 1\alpha_{j+1} + \ldots + 0\alpha_n \tag{2.0.7}$$
$$\implies [T\alpha_j]_{\mathcal{B}} = (0, \ldots, 0, 1, 0, \ldots, 0)^T \tag{2.0.8}$$

where 1 is in $(j+1)$th position. Now,

$$T\alpha_n = 0 \tag{2.0.9}$$
$$\implies [T\alpha_n]_{\mathcal{B}} = 0 \tag{2.0.10}$$

Thus from (2.0.5), (2.0.8) and (2.0.10) we get matrix A of T in the ordered basis $\mathcal{B}$ as,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.11}$$