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Assignment 20

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Abstract—This document explains the representation of transformations by matrix.

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1 Problem

Let N_1 and N_2 be 6×6 nilpotent matrices over the field F. Suppose that N_1 and N_2 have the same minimal polynomial and the same nullity. Prove that N_1 and N_2 are similar. Show that this is not true for 7×7 nilpotent matrices.

2 EXPLANATION

Refer Table 0.

3 Solution

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Given	Derivation
Given	N_1 and N_2 be 6×6 nilpotent matrices. N_1 and N_2 have the same minimal polynomial and the same nullity. To prove N_1 and N_2 are similar.
From given statement	Two matrices are similar if they have the same Jordan Canonical form. 1. As N_1 and N_2 are nilpotent matrices, 0 is the only eigen value. 2. As minimal polynomial is same, $pN_1 = pN_2$, the two matrices should have the same maximum block size. 3. As they have same nullity, they will have same total number of blocks. Let us consider all the possibilities for the dimensions of the block matrices for both Jordan forms.
Matrix size - 6 Jordan size - 6	If Jordan form J_1 consists of one block of dimension 6, then by (3) above J_2 also has one block of dimension 6.
Matrix size - 6 Jordan size - 5 + 1	If Jordan form J_1 consists of one block of dimension 5 and other 1, then by (2), J_2 also has same maximum block of dimension 5 and by (3) have other block of size 1.
Matrix size - 6 Jordan size - 4+2 Jordan size - 4+1+1	Although there are two different possibilities for Jordan blocks, with first block matrix of dimension 4, both J_1 and J_2 will be same because of (3).
Matrix size - 6 Jordan size - 3+3 Jordan size - 3+2+1 Jordan size - 3+1+1+1	Although there are three different possibilities for Jordan blocks, with first block matrix of dimension 3, both J_1 and J_2 will be same because of (3).
Matrix size - 6 Jordan size - 2+2+2 Jordan size - 2+2+1+1 Jordan size - 2+1+1+1+1	Although there are three different possibilities for Jordan blocks, with first block matrix of dimension 2, both J_1 and J_2 will be same because of (3), where, the total number of blocks will be same.
Matrix size - 6 Jordan size-1+1+1+1+1	J_1 and J_2 will be same because of (3).
7×7 Nielpotent matrix	As J ₁ and J ₂ are same, N ₁ and N ₂ are similar. Let us take a counter example, Matrix size - 7, Jordan block size - 3+3+1 or 3+2+2
	$\mathbf{J_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0$
	From above, J_1 and J_2 are not same.

TABLE 0: Explanation