Assignment 15

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Abstract—This document explains the conditions to check for a vector space.

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1 Problem

Let V be an n-dimensional vector space over the field F and let T be a linear transformation from V into V such that the range and null space of T are identical. Prove that n is even. (Can you give an example of such a linear transformation T)?

2 EXPLANATION

Let V and W be vector spaces over the field F and let T be a linear transformation from V into W. Then,

$$rank(\mathbf{T}) + nullity(\mathbf{T}) = \dim \mathbf{V}$$
 (2.0.1)

It is given that range and null space of T are same, let us assume it to be m. Substituting in equation (2.0.1)

$$m + m = n \tag{2.0.2}$$

$$\implies n = 2m \tag{2.0.3}$$

From equation (2.0.3), we can say that n is even.

Example: Let us consider a vector space V, such that $V \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and let us consider a linear transformation $T : V \to V$ defined by T(x, y) = (y, 0) and is given by matrix M

$$\mathbf{T}(x, y) = (y, 0) \tag{2.0.4}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.5}$$

Let us consider basis of \mathbb{R}^2 {(1,0), (0,1)} and apply linear transformation on it.

$$\mathbf{T}(1,0) = (0,0) \tag{2.0.6}$$

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$$\mathbf{T}(0,1) = (1,0) \tag{2.0.7}$$

From equation (2.0.5),

$$rank(\mathbf{T}) = 1$$
 $nullity(\mathbf{T}) = 1$ (2.0.8)

$$\dim(\mathbf{V}) = 2 \tag{2.0.9}$$

From equation (2.0.8) and (2.0.9), the range and null space of **T** are equal, and n is even.

3 Solution

From equation (2.0.8) and (2.0.9), the range and null space of **T** are equal, and n is even.