

**Q2**

Assume by contradiction that  $S^2 = T$ . Note also that  $T^3 = S^6 = 0$  and  $T^2 = S^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $S$  is necessarily nilpotent, since  $S^6 = 0$ ,  $\dim v = 3$ , and for all nilpotent operators  $N$ ,  $N^{\dim V} = 0$ . However,  $S^4 \neq 0$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore, no such operator  $S$  exists.