

# Advanced Linear Algebra (Math 424/524)

## Assignment No. 5

Due December 11, 2002

1. Let  $F$  be a field. For  $P$  a polynomial in  $F[t]$  let  $V_P$  denote the quotient  $F[t]/PF[t]$ . Given  $P$  and  $Q$  in  $F[t]$  one defines a linear map

$$\phi : V_{PQ} \longrightarrow V_P \times V_Q$$

by

$$\phi(h \bmod PQ) = (h \bmod P, h \bmod Q).$$

What is the dimension of the kernel of  $\phi$ ?

2. For each of the following *rational* matrices find the minimal and characteristic polynomials and find a direct sum of companion matrices that is similar to the given matrix:

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (c) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(d) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (e) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & -3 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. Let  $M$  be the matrix of polynomials in  $F[t]$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} t^3 + t^2 - 2t & t^3 - 2t + 1 \\ t^3 - 1 & t^3 - t^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find a diagonal matrix of successively divisible polynomials that can be obtained from  $M$  by (restricted) row and column operations.  
 (b) What is the dimension of the quotient space

$$F[t]^2/MF[t]^2?$$

4. Let  $M$  be the matrix of polynomials from the previous problem.

- (a) Is there a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  for which  $t \cdot 1 - A$  is (restricted) row and column equivalent to  $M$ ?  
 (b) Find an  $N \times N$  matrix  $A$  for some  $N$  in the field  $F$  for which the endomorphism “multiplication by  $t$ ” of the quotient space in part (b) of the previous problem is isomorphic to the endomorphism of  $F^N$  given by  $A$ .

5. For given  $\lambda$  in the field  $F$  let  $J = J(\lambda)$  be the  $r \times r$  matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 1 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & & 0 \\ & & & & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find a basis for the vector space  $F[t]/(t - \lambda)^r F[t]$  in which the matrix  $J$  represents the endomorphism “multiplication by  $t$ ”.