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University of Tokyo, Komaba 3-8-1, Meguro-ku, TOKYO 170-0011, Japan. *Jordan types of certain  
nilpotent matrices.*

Let  $G = (V = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, E)$  be a simple acyclic oriented graph,  $\sigma$  a fixed-point-free arrow-reversing involution defined on a subset  $Z \subset V$ , and  $Z = Z^+ \amalg Z^-$  a partition of  $Z$  such that  $\sigma(Z^\pm) = Z^\mp$ . If  $a \in Z$ , write  $\varepsilon(a) = \pm 1$  according to  $a \in Z^\pm$ . Define two linear spaces  $\mathcal{N}_*(G, \sigma)$ ,  $*$  =  $\mathfrak{p}$  and  $\mathfrak{k}$ , consisting of nilpotent matrices, by

$$\mathcal{N}_*(G, \sigma) = \{ X = (x_{ab}) \in M(n, \mathbb{C}) \mid x_{ab} = 0 \text{ unless } (a, b) \in E, x_{\sigma(b)\sigma(a)} = \varepsilon_* \varepsilon(a) \varepsilon(b) x_{ab} \text{ if } a, b \in Z \}$$

( $\varepsilon_* = 1$  if  $*$  =  $\mathfrak{p}$ ,  $\varepsilon_* = -1$  if  $*$  =  $\mathfrak{k}$ ).

We describe the “generic Jordan type” for (= the Jordan type common to most elements of) each of these two subspaces, extending Gansner and Saks’ results for the case  $Z = \emptyset$ . The problem was motivated by certain special cases related to the (complexified) symmetric space  $GL_{2n}/Sp_{2n}$ . (Received September 07, 2009)