

## SPECTRAL PROPERTIES AND CHARACTERIZATION OF QUASI- $n$ -HYPONORMAL OPERATORS

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**Abstract.** In this paper the class of quasi- $n$ -hyponormal operators is introduced. The representation and characterization of the operators on a Hilbert space are established. Using these results, we obtain some spectral properties of the quasi- $n$ -hyponormal operators. Finally we show that the class of  $n$ -hyponormal operators is properly contained in the class of quasi- $n$ -hyponormal operators.

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