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Assignment 4

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Geometry

Abstract—This documnet contains the solution to prove angles of a equilateral triangles are 60 degrees through Linear Algebra .

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https://github.com/shivangi-975/EE5609-Matrix_Theory/tree/master/Assignment4/ Codes

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1 Problem

To prove angles of equilateral triangles are 60° each.

2 Solution

Considering A,B and C as the vertices of triangle: $A = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} B = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} C = \begin{pmatrix} x_3 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} Expressing each side in terms of norm we have:$

$$||A|| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + y_1^2}$$
 (2.0.1)

$$||B|| = \sqrt{x_2^2 + y_2^2} \tag{2.0.2}$$

$$||C|| = \sqrt{x_3^2 + y_3^2} \tag{2.0.3}$$

we know for equilateral triangle all sides are equal, Hence we have:

$$||A|| = ||B|| = ||C|| \tag{2.0.4}$$

Now taking inner product we have:

$$\mathbf{A}^{T}\mathbf{B} = (\sqrt{x_1^2 + y_1^2} \sqrt{x_2^2 + y_2^2}) \cos \theta = (x_1^2 + y_1^2) \cos \theta$$
(2.0.5)

$$\mathbf{B}^{T}\mathbf{C} = (\sqrt{x_2^2 + y_2^2} \sqrt{x_3^2 + y_3^2}) \cos \theta = (x_1^2 + y_1^2) \cos \theta$$
(2.0.6)

$$\mathbf{C}^{T}\mathbf{A} = (\sqrt{x_3^2 + y_3^2} \sqrt{x_1^2 + y_1^2})\cos\theta = (x_1^2 + y_1^2)\cos\theta$$
(2.0.7)

From 2.0.5 2.0.6 and 2.0.7 we have

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{A} \tag{2.0.8}$$