

Challenge Problem 1

K.A. Raja Babu

Download all python codes from

<https://github.com/ka-raja-babu/Matrix-Theory/tree/main/ChallengeProblem1/Codes>

and latex-tikz codes from

<https://github.com/ka-raja-babu/Matrix-Theory/tree/main/ChallengeProblem1>

Since \mathbf{B} is an invertible matrix and hence a full rank matrix.

So,

$$\rho(\mathbf{AB}) = \rho(\mathbf{A}) \quad (2.0.10)$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{BD}) = \rho(\mathbf{D}) \quad (2.0.11)$$

\therefore Using (2.0.9), (2.0.10) and (2.0.11),

$$\rho(\mathbf{D}) = \rho(\mathbf{A}) \quad (2.0.12)$$

□

Definition 1. Rank of a diagonal matrix is equal to the number of its non-zero eigen values.

Now, in case of parabola,

$$\lambda_1 = 0 \quad (2.0.13)$$

$$\lambda_2 \neq 0 \quad (2.0.14)$$

And, in case of ellipse, hyperbola and circle,

$$\lambda_1 \neq 0 \quad (2.0.15)$$

$$\lambda_2 \neq 0 \quad (2.0.16)$$

\therefore Using def.1, (2.0.9) and values of λ_1 and λ_2 ,

For a parabola,

$$\rho(\mathbf{V}) = \rho(\mathbf{D}) = 1 \quad (2.0.17)$$

For ellipse, hyperbola and circle,

$$\rho(\mathbf{V}) = \rho(\mathbf{D}) = 2 \quad (2.0.18)$$

1 CHALLENGE QUESTION 1

Show that the matrix $(t\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{nn}^T)$ in the given document is a rank 1 matrix for a parabola.

2 SOLUTION

Given :

$$\mathbf{V} = (t\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{nn}^T) \quad (2.0.1)$$

Let rank of a matrix \mathbf{A} be represented by $\rho(\mathbf{A})$.

Here, \mathbf{V} is a diagonalizable matrix such that

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{VP} = \mathbf{D} \quad (\text{Eigenvalue Decomposition}) \quad (2.0.2)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.3)$$

Lemma 2.1. Let \mathbf{A} be a $m \times n$ diagonalizable matrix. Then,

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) = \rho(\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{AB}) = \rho(\mathbf{D}) \quad (2.0.4)$$

Proof. Here, \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{D} are similar matrices such that

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{AB} \quad (2.0.5)$$

Now,

$$\mathbf{BD} = (\mathbf{BB}^{-1})\mathbf{AB} \quad (2.0.6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{BD} = \mathbf{IAB} \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{BD} = \mathbf{AB} \quad (2.0.8)$$

So,

$$\rho(\mathbf{AB}) = \rho(\mathbf{BD}) \quad (2.0.9)$$