

# Challenge Problem 1

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## 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

Let

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

Now,

$$\mathbf{V}^T = (t\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{nn}^T)^T \quad (2.0.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{V}^T = (t\mathbf{I})^T - (\mathbf{nn}^T)^T \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{V}^T = t(\mathbf{I}^T) - ((\mathbf{n}^T)^T \mathbf{n}^T) \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{V}^T = (t\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{nn}^T) \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{V}^T = \mathbf{V} \quad (2.0.6)$$

So, using (2.0.6),  $\mathbf{V}$  is a symmetric matrix .

**Theorem 2.1.** A matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is orthogonally diagonalizable if and only if  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric.

*Proof.* Let us assume that  $\mathbf{A}$  is orthogonally diagonalizable such that

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$\mathbf{P}^T = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \quad (2.0.8)$$

Now,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{P}^{-1} \quad (2.0.9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{P}^T \quad (2.0.10)$$

Now,

$$\mathbf{A}^T = (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{P}^T)^T \quad (2.0.11)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^T = (\mathbf{P}^T)^T \mathbf{D}^T \mathbf{P}^T \quad (2.0.12)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{P}^T \quad (2.0.13)$$

$\therefore$  From (2.0.10) and (2.0.13),

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^T \quad (2.0.14)$$

Hence,  $\mathbf{A}$  is orthogonally diagonalizable only when  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric.  $\square$

$\therefore$  Using (2.0.6) and theorem 2.1,  $\mathbf{V}$  is a diagonalizable matrix such that

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D} \quad (2.0.15)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.16)$$

Let rank of matrix be represented by  $\rho$ .

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

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) = \rho(\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}) = \rho(\mathbf{D}) \quad (2.0.17)$$

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

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} \quad (2.0.18)$$

Now,

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{D} = (\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^{-1})\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} \quad (2.0.19)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{B}\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{I}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} \quad (2.0.20)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{B}\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} \quad (2.0.21)$$

So,

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}) = \rho(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{D}) \quad (2.0.22)$$

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

So,

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}) = \rho(\mathbf{A}) \quad (2.0.23)$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{D}) = \rho(\mathbf{D}) \quad (2.0.24)$$

$\therefore$  Using (2.0.22), (2.0.23) and (2.0.24),

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) = \rho(\mathbf{D}) \quad (2.0.25)$$

$\square$

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

Now,in case of parabola,

$$\lambda_1 = 0 \quad (2.0.26)$$

$$\lambda_2 \neq 0 \quad (2.0.27)$$

And,in case of ellipse,hyperbola and circle,

$$\lambda_1 \neq 0 \quad (2.0.28)$$

$$\lambda_2 \neq 0 \quad (2.0.29)$$

$\therefore$  Using def.1,lemma 2.1 and values of  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  ,

For a parabola,

$$\rho(\mathbf{V}) = \rho(\mathbf{D}) = 1 \quad (2.0.30)$$

For ellipse,hyperbola and circle,

$$\rho(\mathbf{V}) = \rho(\mathbf{D}) = 2 \quad (2.0.31)$$