

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

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

where,

$$t = \frac{\|\mathbf{n}\|^2}{e^2} \quad (2.0.2)$$

Let rank of matrix be represented by ρ and trace of matrix be represented by tr

Now,

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

$$\implies tr(\mathbf{V}) = tr(t\mathbf{I}) - tr(\mathbf{nn}^T) \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$\implies tr(\mathbf{V}) = 2t - \|\mathbf{n}\|^2 \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$\implies tr(\mathbf{V}) = \frac{\|\mathbf{n}\|^2 (2 - e^2)}{e^2} \quad (2.0.6)$$

Now,

$$\mathbf{V}^T = (t\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{nn}^T)^T \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{V}^T = (t\mathbf{I})^T - (\mathbf{nn}^T)^T \quad (2.0.8)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{V}^T = t(\mathbf{I}^T) - ((\mathbf{n}^T)^T \mathbf{n}^T) \quad (2.0.9)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{V}^T = (t\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{nn}^T) \quad (2.0.10)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{V}^T = \mathbf{V} \quad (2.0.11)$$

So,using (2.0.11), \mathbf{V} is a symmetric matrix .

Theorem 2.1. Rank of a 2x2 symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} is given by

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) = \frac{(tr(\mathbf{A}))^2}{tr(\mathbf{A}^2)} \quad (2.0.12)$$

Theorem 2.2. For a 2x2 matrix \mathbf{A}

$$tr(\mathbf{A}^2) = (tr(\mathbf{A}))^2 - 2|\mathbf{A}| \quad (2.0.13)$$

Using theorem 2.2

$$tr(\mathbf{V}^2) = \left(\frac{\|\mathbf{n}\|^2 (2 - e^2)}{e^2}\right)^2 - 2|\mathbf{V}| \quad (2.0.14)$$

Using theorem 2.1

$$\rho(\mathbf{V}) = \frac{\left(\frac{\|\mathbf{n}\|^2 (2 - e^2)}{e^2}\right)^2}{\left(\frac{\|\mathbf{n}\|^2 (2 - e^2)}{e^2}\right)^2 - 2|\mathbf{V}|} \quad (2.0.15)$$

For a parabola where $e=1$ and $|\mathbf{V}|=0$,

$$\rho(\mathbf{V}) = \frac{\|\mathbf{n}\|^4}{\|\mathbf{n}\|^4} \quad (2.0.16)$$

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