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EE5609 Assignment 5

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Abstract—This document contains the solution of geometry through linear algebra.

Download latex and python codes from

https://github.com/abhishekt711/EE5609/tree/master/Assignment 5

1 Problem

Prove that the following equations represent two straight lines, find also their point of intersection and the angle between them.

$$6y^2 - xy - x^2 + 30y + 36 = 0.$$

2 Explanation

The given equation can be written as:

$$-x^2 - xy + 6y^2 + 30y + 36 = 0 (2.0.1)$$

 $\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{u}^T & f \end{vmatrix}$ of (2.0.1) becomes

$$\begin{vmatrix} -1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0\\ \frac{-1}{2} & 6 & 15\\ 0 & 15 & 36 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \tag{2.0.2}$$

Expanding equation (2.0.2), we get zero.

Hence given equation represents a pair of straight lines.

The general equation second degree is given by

$$ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2 + 2dx + 2ey + f = 0$$
 (2.0.3)

Let (α, β) be their point of intersection, then

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & h \\ h & b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -d \\ -e \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.0.4)

Given equation is

$$-x^2 - xy + 6y^2 + 30y + 36 = 0 (2.0.5)$$

Substituting in (2.0.4)

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & \frac{-1}{2} \\ \frac{-1}{2} & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -15 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.0.6)

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{30}{23} \\ \frac{-60}{23} \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.7}$$

From, Spectral decomposition,

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{P}^T \tag{2.0.8}$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \frac{-1}{2} \\ \frac{-1}{2} & 6 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.9}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 - 5\sqrt{2} & 7 + 5\sqrt{2} \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.10}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{5+5\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0\\ 0 & \frac{5-5\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.0.11)

P and D are also verified using python code from

codes/diagonalize1.py

Using, (2.0.7), (2.0.10) and (2.0.11) in,

$$u_1(x - \alpha) + u_2(y - \beta) = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}} (v_1(x - \alpha) + v_2(y - \beta))$$
(2.0.12)

$$\implies \left(7 - 5\sqrt{2}\right) \left(x - \frac{30}{23}\right) + \left(y + \frac{60}{23}\right)$$

$$= \pm \sqrt{-\frac{\frac{5 - 5\sqrt{2}}{2}}{\frac{5 + 5\sqrt{2}}{2}}} \left(\left(7 - 5\sqrt{2}\right) \left(x - \frac{30}{23}\right) + \left(y + \frac{60}{23}\right)\right)$$
(2.0.13)

simplifying 2.0.13, we get:

$$-x + 2y + 6 = 0$$
 and $x + 3y + 6 = 0$ (2.0.14)

$$\implies (-x + 2y + 6)(x + 3y + 6) = 0$$
 (2.0.15)

$$\therefore -x + 2y = -6$$
 , $x + 3y = -6$ (2.0.16)

The augmented matrix for the set of equations represented in (2.0.16) is

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.17}$$

Row reducing the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & -6 \\ 0 & 5 & -12 \end{pmatrix} \qquad (2.0.18)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - \frac{2}{5} \times R_2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & -\frac{6}{5} \\ 0 & 5 & -12 \end{pmatrix} \qquad (2.0.19)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow -1 \times R_1, R_2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{5} \times R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{6}{5} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{12}{5} \end{pmatrix} \qquad (2.0.20)$$

Hence, the intersection point is $\left(-\frac{\frac{6}{5}}{\frac{12}{5}}\right)$ Also, Verified using python code from

Angle between two lines, θ can be given by

$$n_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.21}$$

$$n_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -3\\1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.22}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{{\mathbf{n_1}}^T \mathbf{n_2}}{\|\mathbf{n_1}\| \|\mathbf{n_2}\|}$$
 (2.0.23)

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\left(-2 - 1\right) {\binom{-3}{1}}}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-1)^2} \times \sqrt{+(-3)^2 + 1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$
(2.0.24)

$$\implies \theta = 45^{\circ} \tag{2.0.25}$$

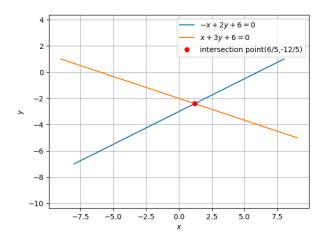


Fig. 0: plot showing intersection of lines.