Assignment-5

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***Abstract*—This document contains the procedure to find unknown constant value such that the equation represents pair of straight lines.**

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1 Problem

Find the value of k so that following equation may represent pairs of straight lines,

$$kxy - 8x + 9y - 12 = 0 \tag{1.0.1}$$

2 Solution

The general equation of second degree is given by,

$$ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2 + 2dx + 2ey + f = 0 \tag{2.0.1}$$

In vector from the equation (2.0.1) canb be expressed as,

$$\mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{V}\mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^T\mathbf{x} + f = 0 \tag{2.0.2}$$

where,

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}^T = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.3}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.4}$$

Now, comparing equation (2.0.1) to (1.0.1) we get, a = c = 0, b = $\left(\frac{k}{2}\right)$, d = -4, e = $\left(\frac{9}{2}\right)$, f = -12. Hence, substituting these values in equation (2.0.3) and (2.0.4) we get,

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{k}{2} \\ \frac{k}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.5}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.6}$$

Now equation (1.0.1) represents pair of straight lines if,

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{u}^T & f \end{vmatrix} = 0 \tag{2.0.7}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & \frac{k}{2} & -4 \\ \frac{k}{2} & 0 & \frac{9}{2} \\ -4 & \frac{9}{2} & -12 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \tag{2.0.8}$$

$$\implies k = 0, k = 6 \tag{2.0.9}$$

Substitutong (2.0.9) in (1.0.1) we get,

$$6xy - 8x + 9y - 12 = 0 \tag{2.0.10}$$

$$-8x + 9y - 12 = 0 \tag{2.0.11}$$

Hence value of k = 6 represents pair of straight lines. Also it can be verified that the pair of lines intersect as,

$$\left|\mathbf{V}\right| = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} < 0 \tag{2.0.12}$$

Let the pair of straight lines is given by,

$$\mathbf{n_1}^T\mathbf{x} = c1 \tag{2.0.13}$$

$$\mathbf{n_2}^T\mathbf{x} = c2 \tag{2.0.14}$$

Now equating the product of equation (2.0.13) and (2.0.14) with (2.0.2) we get,

$$(\mathbf{n_1}^T\mathbf{x} - c1)(\mathbf{n_2}^T\mathbf{x} - c2) = \mathbf{x}^T\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\mathbf{x} + 2\begin{pmatrix} -4 & \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix}\mathbf{x} - 12 \tag{2.0.15}$$

$$\implies n_1 * n_2 = \{0, 6, 0\} \tag{2.0.16}$$

$$c_1n_1 + c_2n_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.17}$$

$$c_1 c_2 = -12. \tag{2.0.18}$$

Now the slopes of line is given by roots of polynomial,

$$cm^2 + 2bm + a = 0 \tag{2.0.19}$$

$$\implies 2bm = 0 \tag{2.0.20}$$

$$\implies m = 0 \tag{2.0.21}$$