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Assignment 4

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Abstract—This document presents the tracing of conic sections.

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I. PROBLEM

Tracing of following equation

$$x^{2} + xy + y^{2} + x + y - 1 = 0 (1)$$

II. SOLUTION

The general equation of second degree is given by

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

and can be expressed as

$$\vec{x}^T V \vec{x} + 2\vec{u}^T \vec{x} + f = 0 \tag{3}$$

where

$$V = V^T = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} \tag{4}$$

$$\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \end{pmatrix} \tag{5}$$

Comparing equations 1 and 3 we get

$$V = V^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{6}$$

$$\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \tag{7}$$

$$f = -1 \tag{8}$$

Expanding the Determinant of V.

$$\Delta_V = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{vmatrix} > 0 \tag{9}$$

Hence from above result, given equation represents the Ellipse. The characteristic equation of V is obtained by evaluating the determinant

$$\mid V - \lambda I \mid = 0 \tag{10}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \tag{11}$$

$$(1 - \lambda)(1 - \lambda) - 1/4 = 0 \tag{12}$$

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \lambda_2 = \frac{3}{2} \tag{13}$$

The eigenvector \vec{p} is defined as

$$V\vec{p} = \lambda \vec{p} \tag{14}$$

$$\implies (V - \lambda I)\vec{p} = 0 \tag{15}$$

For $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}$,

$$(V - \lambda_1 I) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (16)

By row reduction,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow 2R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (17)

$$\stackrel{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - R_1}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{18}$$

Substituting equation 18 in an equation 15 we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{19}$$

Where, $\vec{p} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}$ Let $u_1 = t$

$$u_2 = -t \tag{20}$$

Eigen vector $\vec{p_1}$ is given by

$$\vec{p_1} = \begin{pmatrix} t \\ -t \end{pmatrix} \tag{21}$$

Let t = 1, we get

$$\vec{p_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{22}$$

For $\lambda_2 = \frac{3}{2}$,

$$(V - \lambda_2 I) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 - \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{-1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$
(23)

By row reduction,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{-1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{-1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow 2R_2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (24)

$$\stackrel{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1\\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{25}$$

Substituting equation 25 in an equation 15 we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{26}$$

Where, $\vec{p} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}$ Let $u_1 = t$

$$u_2 = t \tag{27}$$

Eigen vector $\vec{p_2}$ is given by

$$\vec{p_2} = \begin{pmatrix} t \\ t \end{pmatrix} \tag{28}$$

Let t = 1, we get

$$\vec{p_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{29}$$

By eigen decompostion V can be represented by

$$V = PDP^T (30)$$

where

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{p_1} & \vec{p_2} \end{pmatrix} \tag{31}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0\\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{32}$$

Substituting equations 22, 29 in equation 31 we get

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{33}$$

Substituting equation 13 in 32 we get

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0\\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \tag{34}$$

Centre of the ellipse is given by

$$\vec{C} = -V^{-1}\vec{u} \tag{35}$$

$$\implies \vec{C} = -\begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{3} & \frac{-2}{3} \\ \frac{-2}{3} & \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (36)

$$\implies \vec{C} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-1}{3} \\ \frac{-1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \tag{37}$$

Calculating the axes, we get

$$a = \sqrt{\frac{\vec{u}^T V^{-1} \vec{u} - f}{\lambda_1}} = 1.6329931618$$
 (38)

$$b = \sqrt{\frac{\vec{u}^T V^{-1} \vec{u} - f}{\lambda_2}} = 0.9428090416$$
 (39)

The following figure verifies the given equation 3 as ellipse with centre $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{-1}{3} \\ \frac{-1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$

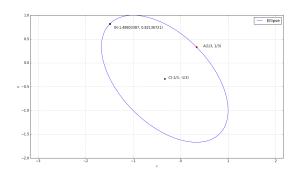


Fig. 1. Ellipse at $C(\frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-1}{3})$, and passing through point A and B