

ECE661 HW1

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In [1]: `import numpy as np`

- 1) What are all the points in the representational space \mathbb{R}^3 that are the homogenous coordinates of the origin in the physical space \mathbb{R}^2 ?

Origin in physical space \mathbb{R}^2 is $(0,0)'$, its homogeneous coordinates will be $(0,0,1)'$. Also, we know that any point \vec{x} in representational space is equivalent to $k * \vec{x} \forall k \neq 0$. Therefore all the points $(0,0,k)' \forall k \neq 0$ will represent the origin in the representational space.

- 2) Are all the points at infinity in the physical plane \mathbb{R}^2 the same? Justify your answer.

Any point at infinity in the physical space can be represented as an Ideal point $(a,b,0)$ in the representational space. While the point is located at infinity, it certainly has a direction associated to it, $a\vec{i} + b\vec{j}$, and thus, all points at infinity are **not** the same as they can have different directions.

- 3) Argue that the matrix rank of a degenerate conic can never exceed 2.

Any degenerate Conic C can be written as $C = \vec{l}\vec{m}^T + \vec{m}\vec{l}^T$.

Now \vec{l} can be written as $\begin{bmatrix} l_1 \\ l_2 \\ l_3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{m} = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \\ m_3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\vec{l}\vec{m}^T = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \\ l_2 \\ l_3 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} m_1 & m_2 & m_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 m_1 & l_1 m_2 & l_1 m_3 \\ l_2 m_1 & l_2 m_2 & l_2 m_3 \\ l_3 m_1 & l_3 m_2 & l_3 m_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can note that the second column of $\vec{l}\vec{m}^T$ can be written as $\frac{m_2}{m_1} * \text{first column}$.

Similarly, The third column of $\vec{l}\vec{m}^T$ can be written as $\frac{m_3}{m_1} * \text{first column}$.

Therefore the column space of $\vec{l}\vec{m}^T$ is of $\text{dim} = 1 \Rightarrow \vec{l}\vec{m}^T$ is of Rank 1

Similarly, $\vec{m}\vec{l}^T$ is also Rank=1

Now using triangle inequality, $\text{Rank}(A + B) \leq \text{Rank}(A) + \text{Rank}(B)$

We get: $\text{Rank}(C) = \text{Rank}(\vec{l}\vec{m}^T + \vec{m}\vec{l}^T) \leq \text{Rank}(\vec{l}\vec{m}^T) + \text{Rank}(\vec{m}\vec{l}^T) = 1 + 1 = 2$

$\Rightarrow \text{Rank}(C) \leq 2$

- 4) Derive in just 3 steps the intersection of two lines l_1 and l_2 with l_1 passing through the points $(0,0)$ and $(2,6)$, and with l_2 passing through the points $(-6,8)$ and $(-3,2)$. How many steps would take you if the second line passed through $(-10,-3)$ and $(10,3)$?

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In [2]: x1=[0,0,1];x2=[2,6,1]
        l1=np.cross(x1,x2) # step 1
        x3 = [-6,8,1];x4=[-3,2,1]
        l2 =np.cross(x3,x4) #step 2
        x5 = np.cross(l1,l2) #step 3
        print('point of intersection of l1 and l2 is '+str(x5))
        x5 = x5/x5[-1]; x5 = x5[:-1]
        print('point of intersection of l1 and l2 in 2D space is '+str(x5))
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point of intersection of l1 and l2 is [ 24  72 -30]
point of intersection of l1 and l2 in 2D space is [-0.8 -2.4]
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now second line is changed

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In [3]: x3 = [-10,-3,1];x4=[10,3,1]
        l2 =np.cross(x3,x4) #step 1
        x5 = np.cross(l1,l2) #step 2
        print('new point of intersection of l1 and l2 is '+str(x5))
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new point of intersection of l1 and l2 is [  0   0 -108]
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we were able to find the new point of intersection in 2 steps. However analytically we can note that the points $(-10,-3)$ and $(10,3)$ are symmetric about the origin, and line joining these two points will pass through $(0,0)$ which is one of the point on line l_1 . Therefore, analytically we can deduce the new point of intersection in just one step (for this case only).

- 5) Consider that there are two lines. The first line is passing through points $(0,0)$ and $(2,-2)$. The second line is passing through points $(-3,0)$ and $(0,-3)$. Find the intersection between these two lines. Comment on your answer.

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In [4]: x1 = [0,0,1]; x2=[2,-2,1]
        l1 = np.cross(x1,x2)
        x3=[-3,0,1];x4=[0,-3,1]
        l2 = np.cross(x3,x4)
        x5 = np.cross(l1,l2) #intersection
        print('point of intersection of l1 and l2 is '+str(x5))
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point of intersection of l1 and l2 is [ 18 -18  0]
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The above point is an Ideal Point which means the lines l_1 and l_2 were parallel lines, let us check that:

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In [5]: print('l1 is' + str(l1))
        print('l2 is ' + str(l2))
        print('slope of l1 is ' + str(l1[1]/l1[0]) + ' and slope of l2 is '\
              +str(l2[1]/l2[0])) #slope is b/a
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l1 is [2 2 0]
l2 is [3 3 9]
slope of l1 is 1.0 and slope of l2 is 1.0

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As the computed slope of the two lines l_1 and l_2 is identical, therefore they are indeed parallel

- 6) As you know, when a point x is on a conic, the tangent to the conic at that point is given by $l = Cx$. That raises the question of what the Cx corresponds to when x is, say, outside of a conic. As you'll see later in class, when x is outside the conic, Cx is the line that joins the two points of contact if you draw tangents to C from the point x . This line is referred to as the polar line. Now consider for our conic a circle of radius 1 that is centered at the coordinates (5,5) and let x be the origin of \mathbb{R}^2 physical plane. Where does the polar line intersect the x and y axes in this case?

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In [11]: x = np.array([0,0,1]);
          #equation of circle is (x-5)**2 + (y-5)**2=1
          a=1.0; c=1.0; d=-10.0; e=-10.0; f=49.0; b=0.0;
          C=np.array([[a,b/2,d/2],[b/2,c,e/2],[d/2,e/2,f]])
          L=np.dot(C,x)
          print('The polar line is '+str(L))

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The polar line is [-5. -5. 49.]

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In [12]: xpt=np.cross(L,np.array([0,1,0]))
          xpt = xpt/xpt[-1]
          print('intersection of polar line with x axes is at' +str(xpt))
          ypt=np.cross(L,np.array([1,0,0]))
          ypt = ypt/ypt[-1]
          print('intersection of polar line with y axes is at' +str(ypt))

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intersection of polar line with x axes is at [ 9.8 -0.  1. ]
intersection of polar line with y axes is at [-0.  9.8  1. ]

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In [13]: print('In the physical space the points will be')
          print('x axes intersection at ' + str(xpt[:-1]) \
                + 'and y axes intersection at '+str(ypt[:-1]))

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In the physical space the points will be
x axes intersection at [9.8 -0.] and y axes intersection at [-0. 9.8]

- 7) Find the intersection of two lines whose equations are given by $x=1$ and $y=1$

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In [9]: l1=[1,0,-1];l2=[0,1,-1]
          x=np.cross(l1,l2)
          print('The point of intersection of the two lines is at '+str(x))

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The point of intersection of the two lines is at [1 1 1]

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In [10]: x2d = x/x[-1]; x2d = x2d[:-1]
         print('The intersection point in the physical space is '+str(x2d))
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The intersection point in the physical space is [1. 1.]