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Assignment-4

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1 Question No. 2.30

Find the equation of the parabola with focus $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and directrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = -2$.

2 Explanation

A parabola is a curve where any point is at an equal distance from: a fixed point (the focus \mathbf{F}), and. a fixed straight line (the directrix). Let \mathbf{x} lie on the parabola and \mathbf{P} lie on the line. Therefore:

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F}\|^2 = \frac{((\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{n})^2}{\|\mathbf{n}\|^2}$$
 (2.0.1)

Here **n** is normal vector of the directrix given by $\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Now,

$$||\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F}||^{2} = (\mathbf{P}^{T} \mathbf{n} - \mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{n})^{2} \quad (2.0.2)$$

$$||\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F}||^{2} = (-2 - \mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{n})^{2} \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F})^{T} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F}) = (-2 - \mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{n})^{2} \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{F}^{T} \mathbf{x} + ||\mathbf{F}||^{2} = 4 + (\mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{n})^{2} + 4\mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{n} \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{x} - (\mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{n})^{2} - 2\mathbf{F}^{T} \mathbf{x} - 4\mathbf{n}^{T} \mathbf{x} = ||\mathbf{F}||^{2} - 4 \quad (2.0.6)$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{x} - (\mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{n})^{2} - 2(2 \quad 0)\mathbf{x} - 4(1 \quad 0)\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{I} \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{T} \mathbf{n} \mathbf{n}^{T} \mathbf{x} + 2(-4 \quad 0)\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (2.0.8)$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{T} (\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} (1 \quad 0))\mathbf{x} + 2(-4 \quad 0)\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (2.0.9)$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{T} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 2(-4 \quad 0)\mathbf{x} + 0 = 0 \quad (2.0.10)$$

So,(2.0.10) is the equation of the parabola. Replacing \mathbf{x} by $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ will give us the general second degree equation as:

$$y^2 = 8x (2.0.11)$$

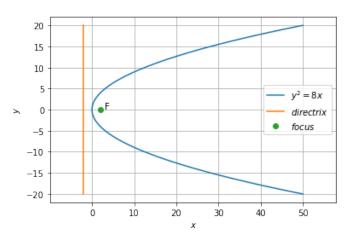


Fig. 2.1: Parabola $y^2 = 8x$