Assignment 3

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Abstract—This document proves that a given equation represents two straight lines and finds the point of intersection and angle between them

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$$\delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \frac{-5}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{-5}{2} & 4 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$
 (2.1.7)
= 0 (2.1.8)

Hence, proved that given equation represents two straight lines.

1 Problem

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

$$x^2 - 5xy + 4y^2 + x + 2y - 2 = 0$$

2 Solution

2.1 Proving that given equation represents two straight lines

The given equation is

$$x^{2} - 5xy + 4y^{2} + x + 2y - 2 = 0 (2.1.1)$$

Comparing this to the standard equation,

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{-5}{2} \\ \frac{-5}{2} & 4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.1.2}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.1.3}$$

$$f = -2 (2.1.4)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{-5}{2} \\ \frac{-5}{2} & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - 2 = 0 \quad (2.1.5)$$

Equation (2.1.1) represents a pair of straight lines if

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{u}^T & f \end{vmatrix} = 0 \tag{2.1.6}$$

2.2 Finding point of intersection between the straight lines

$$\det V = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \frac{-5}{2} \\ \frac{-5}{2} & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{-9}{4} < 0 \tag{2.2.1}$$

Thus, the two straight lines intersect. Let the equation of the straight lines be given as

$$\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{x} = c_1 \tag{2.2.2}$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{x} = c_2 \tag{2.2.3}$$

with their slopes as \mathbf{m}_1 and \mathbf{m}_2 respectively.

Then the equation of the pair of straight lines is

$$(\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{x} - c_1)(\mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{x} - c_2) = 0$$
 (2.2.4)

(2.1.3) Using (2.1.5) and (2.2.4),

(2.1.4)
$$(\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{x} - c_1)(\mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{x} - c_2) = \mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{5}{2} \\ -\frac{5}{2} & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - 2$$

Comparing both sides,

$$c_2 \mathbf{n}_1 + c_1 \mathbf{n}_2 = -2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.2.6)

$$c_1 c_2 = -2 \tag{2.2.7}$$

Slopes of the lines are roots of the equation

$$cm^2 + 2bm + a = 0 (2.2.8)$$

$$\implies m_i = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{-|\mathbf{V}|}}{c} \tag{2.2.9}$$

$$\mathbf{n}_i = k_i \begin{pmatrix} -m_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.10}$$

Substituting (2.1.1) in (2.2.8),

$$4m^2 - 5m + 1 = 0 (2.2.11)$$

$$\implies m_i = \frac{\frac{5}{2} \pm \frac{3}{2}}{4} \tag{2.2.12}$$

$$\implies m_1 = 1, m_2 = \frac{1}{4} \tag{2.2.13}$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbf{n}_1 = k_1 \begin{pmatrix} -1\\1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.14}$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2 = k_2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-1}{4} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.15}$$

We know that

$$\mathbf{n}_1 * \mathbf{n}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 2b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.16}$$

$$k_1 \begin{pmatrix} -1\\1 \end{pmatrix} * k_2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-1}{4}\\1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\-5\\4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.17}$$

$$\implies k_1 k_2 = 4 \tag{2.2.18}$$

Taking $k_1 = 1$, $k_2 = 4$, we get

$$\mathbf{n}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1\\1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1\\4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.19}$$

For verifying values of \mathbf{n}_1 and \mathbf{n}_2 , we compute the convolution by representing \mathbf{n}_1 as Toeplitz matrix,

$$\mathbf{n}_1 * \mathbf{n}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.2.20)

Now, obtaining c_1 and c_2 using (2.2.19) and (2.2.6)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{n}_1 & \mathbf{n}_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_2 \\ c_1 \end{pmatrix} = -2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.2.21)

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_2 \\ c_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.22}$$

Row reducing the augmented matrix,

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow -R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.23}$$

$$\stackrel{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - R_1}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \qquad (2.2.24)$$

$$\stackrel{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad (2.2.25)$$

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_2 \\ c_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_1 = -1 \tag{2.2.26}$$

$$c_2 = 2$$
 (2.2.27)

Thus, equation of lines can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = -1 \tag{2.2.28}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 2 \tag{2.2.29}$$

Augmented matrix for these set of equations is

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow -R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} (2.2.30)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow \frac{R_2}{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} (2.2.31)$$

$$\stackrel{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.2.32)$$

Thus, the point of intersection is $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

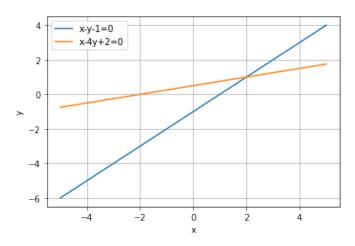


Fig. 1: Intersection of pair of straight lines

Using (2.2.19) and (2.2.27) in (2.2.4), equation of the pair of straight lines is

$$(x - y - 1)(x - 4y + 2) = 0 (2.2.33)$$

2.3 Angle between lines

Angle between pair of lines is,

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{n}_2}{\|\mathbf{n}_1\| \|\mathbf{n}_2\|}\right) \tag{2.3.1}$$

$$\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{n}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 5 \tag{2.3.2}$$

$$\|\mathbf{n}_1\| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$$
 (2.3.3)

$$\|\mathbf{n}_2\| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{17}$$
 (2.3.4)

Substituting these values (2.3.1)

$$\theta = 30.9^{\circ} \tag{2.3.5}$$

Hence, angle between the given pair of straight lines is 30.9°