

Quadratic forms

1. Def: The $a_{11}x_1^2 + a_{22}x_2^2 + a_{33} + 2a_{12}x_1x_2 + 2a_{13}x_1 + 2a_{23}x_2 = 0$ equation is a quadratic form.

Alternative form: $\underline{x}^T \underline{A} \underline{x} + 2\underline{b}^T \underline{x} + c = 0$, where $\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ $\underline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{13} \\ a_{23} \end{bmatrix}$ $c = a_{33}$ and $\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$

Reminder: Homogeneous coordinates: $[\underline{x}] \sim \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Def: The homogeneous coordinates of a spatial point P is the equivalence class of the assigned point

e.g: $P(p) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \sim \tilde{p} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} \sim \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \right\}$

Q is ideal, if $Q \sim \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\forall R \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

a Homogeneous form of the quadratic form:

$$\tilde{\underline{x}}^T \begin{bmatrix} \underline{A} & \underline{b} \\ \underline{b}^T & c \end{bmatrix} \tilde{\underline{x}} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

1st question: where is the center of the conic (if it exists?)

2nd question: What are the axes?

Theorem: Let us be given a conic with its homogeneous quadratic form $\tilde{\underline{x}}^T \underline{A} \tilde{\underline{x}} = 0$. Then its center can be determined by the solution of the $\begin{cases} a_{11}x + a_{12}y + a_{13} = 0 \\ a_{12}x + a_{22}y + a_{23} = 0 \end{cases}$ equation system.

Proof: The $(x_1 - x) = x_1'$ and $(x_2 - y) = y_1'$ substitution will transform our quadratic equation to a centered quadratic form.

$$a_{11}(x_1' + x)^2 + a_{22}(x_2' + y)^2 + 2a_{12}(x_1' + x)(x_2' + y) + 2a_{13}(x_1' + x) + 2a_{23}(x_2' + y) + a_{33} = 0$$

where x and y are such that the coefficient of x_1' and x_2' is 0

$$x_1' + 2a_{11}x_1' + 2a_{12}y + 2a_{13} = 0 \quad \text{Solution?}$$

$$x_2' + 2a_{22}y + 2a_{12}x + 2a_{23} = 0 \quad \square \quad \text{Later!}$$

3 Lemma: Conic sections are quadratic forms.

Proof: All the canonical forms are quadratics.

4 Def: Consider the homogeneous form of the quadratic form.
It is called elliptic/parabolic/hyperbolic if the number of ideal points, satisfying the homogeneous form is 0/1/2 respectively.

5 Theorem: The quadratic form is elliptic/parabolic/hyperbolic if $A_{33} > 0 / = 0 / < 0$.

Proof: Q is ideal if $[x_1 \ x_2 \ 0]$. ~~Replacing the equation with~~

$$\Rightarrow a_{11}x_1^2 + 2a_{12}x_1x_2 + a_{22}x_2^2 = 0$$

$x_1, x_2 = 0$ is a good solution, but not accepted.

If $[x_1, x_2, 0]$ is a good solution, then $[\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2, 0]$ is also a good but considered to be the same solution (in hom. sense)

1) If $a_{11} = a_{22} = 0 \Rightarrow a_{12} \neq 0 \Rightarrow x_1x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow 2 \text{ solutions } [1, 0], [0, 1]$.
but then $A_{33} = -a_{12}^2 < 0 \checkmark$

2) If (e.g.) $a_{11} \neq 0 \Rightarrow x_2 \neq 0$ (replacing 0 to x_2 : $a_{11}x_1^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 0$ $[0, 1]$)
 $\Rightarrow a_{11}\left(\frac{x_1}{x_2}\right)^2 + 2a_{12}\left(\frac{x_1}{x_2}\right) + a_{22} = 0$

(*) $\Rightarrow$ Two solutions are different, if $\frac{x_1}{x_2}$ ($x_2 \neq 0$) ratio is different

$$\left(\frac{x_1}{x_2}\right)_{1,2} = \dots \quad D = 4a_{12}^2 - 4a_{11}a_{22} = 4A_{33}$$

$$D > 0 \Rightarrow A_{33} < 0, \quad 2 \text{ sol}$$

$$D = 0 \Rightarrow A_{33} = 0, \quad 1 \text{ sol}$$

$$D < 0 \Rightarrow A_{33} > 0, \quad 0 \text{ sol}$$

6 Def The $[x] = [x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3]$ point is conjugated to $y = [y_1 \ y_2 \ y_3]$ respected to the Q quadratic curve, if $[x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3] \overset{x \notin Q}{\underset{x \in Q}{Q}} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \sum a_{ij} x_i y_j = 0$.

7 Lemma: x is conjugated to x respected to Q if $x \in Q$.

8 Lemma: The locus of point y conjugated to x form a line or a plane.

Proof: $0 = \sum a_{ij} x_i y_j = (a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3)y_1 + (a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3)y_2 + (a_{31}x_1 + a_{32}x_2 + a_{33}x_3)y_3$

If all $u_i = 0 \Rightarrow y$ can be anything (plane) otherwise

$$u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2 + u_3 y_3 = 0 \text{ form a line.}$$

3 Def: If the conjugates form a line, then it is called the polar line of x . If x is conjugate to the whole plane then x is called singular. A quadratic curve is called singular if it has at least 1 singular point, otherwise it is called regular. $\textcircled{+}$

Lemma: A quadratic curve is singular iff $\det A = 0$.

Proof: According to the previous proof:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 &= u_1 = 0 \\ a_{12}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 &= u_2 = 0 \\ a_{13}x_1 + a_{23}x_2 + a_{33}x_3 &= u_3 = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ has a nontrivial solution for } x \Leftrightarrow \det A = 0$$

Theorem: A singular quadratic curve is either a single point or a single line or an intersecting double line.

Proof (sketch):

Lemma: If $x, y \in Q$ are conjugate to each other, then the whole line, determined by x, y belongs to Q .

$$\underline{x}^T A \underline{y} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda \underline{x} + (1-\lambda) \underline{y} \in Q \quad (\lambda \underline{x} + (1-\lambda) \underline{y})^T A (\lambda \underline{x} + (1-\lambda) \underline{y}) = \lambda^2 \underline{x}^T A \underline{x} + 2\lambda(1-\lambda) \underline{x}^T A \underline{y} + (1-\lambda)^2 \underline{y}^T A \underline{y} = 0 \quad \square$$

- 1) If S is singular $\Rightarrow S$ is conjugate to the whole plane $\Rightarrow S$ is conjugate to $S \Rightarrow S \in Q \Rightarrow Q$ is not empty.
- 2) If $S \neq A \in Q \Rightarrow S$ is conjugate to $A \xRightarrow{\text{Lemma}} SA \in Q \Rightarrow Q$ consists of lines through S .
- 3) Any line, not containing S cannot have more than 2 intersections with Q . Otherwise $\exists \lambda, \mu, x_1, x_2, x_3 \in Q \Rightarrow \exists \lambda, \mu, x_3 = \lambda x_1 + (1-\lambda)x_2 \Rightarrow 0 = x_3^T A x_3 = \lambda^2 x_1^T A x_1 + (1-\lambda)^2 x_2^T A x_2 + 2\lambda(1-\lambda) x_1^T A x_2 \Rightarrow x_1$ is conjugate to $x_2 \Rightarrow x_1 x_2$ line is in $Q \Rightarrow$ any point on this line with S is on $Q \Rightarrow Q$ is the whole plane $\square$.

If there is exactly one point that is conjugate to all the points of a line then this point is called the pole of the line.

Polarity to ^{regular} conic sections

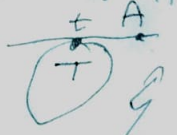
Theorem: For a regular conic every ¹⁾ point has a polar and every line ²⁾ has a pole.

Proof: ~~Q~~ Memory: Q is regular $\Rightarrow$ not singular $\Rightarrow \nexists x$ conjugate to the whole plane $\Rightarrow$ every point is conjugate to all points of a line.

2) For ~~all~~ the previous line is conjugate to that point, it is only necessary to prove that this point is unique. But

^{pole}
^{for} This polarity is related to the $(a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13})y_1 + (a_{12}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3)y_2 + (a_{13}x_1 + a_{23}x_2 + a_{33}x_3)y_3 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + \dots &= u_1 \\ a_{12}x_1 + \dots &= u_2 \\ a_{13}x_1 + \dots &= u_3 \end{aligned} \right\}$ equation. But this has unique solution. $\square$

Theorem: The pole of a tangent to regular conic is their common point, and the polar of any point of a regular conic is its tangent.

Proof: a)  T is conjugate to T $T \sim T$
if A lies on the conic, then $A \sim A \Rightarrow$
TA lies on the conic $\Rightarrow Q$ is singular $\nexists$

Theorem: If a polar of a point has two common points with a conic, then ~~it is the~~ they are the tangent points drawn to the conic from the given point.

Theorem: Considering any line through an other point P respected to a conic such that their number of the common points is 2 then the intersection of the tangents, drawn to these points lie on the polar of P.

 Def: A point is a center to the conic if its polar is ideal.

Theorem: A conic has center iff $A_{33} \neq 0$

Proof: $[x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3] \sim [y_1 \ y_2 \ 0] \Leftrightarrow \begin{aligned} y_1(a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3) &= 0 \\ y_2(a_{12}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3) &= 0 \end{aligned}$ $x_1 : x_2 : x_3 = A_{31} : A_{32} : A_{33}$
 $x_3 = 0 \Leftrightarrow A_{33} = 0$

18 Cor The center of a centered conic is $(0,0)$ iff $a_{13} = a_{23} = 0$.
 Def: The diameter of a regular conic are the lines of which pole is ideal.

Cor The diameters of a centered conic are the lines through the center, the diameters of the parabola are the lines,

Def: parallel to its axis (orthogonal lines to the directrix).

Lemma: The tangents drawn to the common points of a ^{central} conic to any of its diameter are parallel (their intersections are on the pole that is ideal)

Def $\Rightarrow$ conjugated direction
 Theorem: If this conjugated direction is orthogonal to the diameter, then it is the axis of the conic.

Theorem: The ~~axis of a conic~~ ^{axis of a conic} direction of an axis of a conic is $[x_1, x_2]$ if and only if

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 = \lambda x_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 = \lambda x_2 \end{cases}$$

Proof: The polar of $[x_1, x_2, 0]$ ideal point:

$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 : a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 : a_{31}x_1 + a_{32}x_2$. This line is common iff ~~not all~~ ^{at least one} of the first 2 ~~con~~ value is 0 and

Then its normal is $n = (a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2, a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2)$ ^{it is} is an axis

if it is orthogonal to (x_1, x_2) .

$$n \parallel (x_1, x_2) \Rightarrow \square.$$

Theorem: If $A = A^T$ then it has either 2 orthogonal eigendirections or all direction is an eigendirection.

Proof: $\det(A - \lambda I)$ is a quadratic to λ $D = (a_{11} + a_{22})^2 - 4(a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}^2)$

$$= (a_{11} - a_{22})^2 + 4a_{12}^2 \geq 0$$

$$1) D = 0 \Leftrightarrow a_{12} = 0 \wedge a_{11} = a_{22} : A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} x' = ax \\ y' = ay \end{matrix} \quad \forall (x, y) \text{ /circle/}$$

$$2) D > 0 \quad \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2 \dots$$

$\square$

Theorem: Every quadratic curve can be transformed to one of the following form:

a) $\frac{\xi^2}{a^2} + \frac{\eta^2}{b^2} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{ellipse or circle (a=b)} \\ -1 & \text{empty curve (ideal ellipse or circle)} \\ 0 & \text{point} \end{cases}$ elliptic

b) $\frac{\xi^2}{a^2} - \frac{\eta^2}{b^2} = \begin{cases} \pm 1 & \text{hyperbola} \\ 0 & \text{intersecting lines} \end{cases}$ hyperbolic

c) $\eta^2 = 2p\xi$ parabola parabolic

$\frac{\xi^2}{a^2} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{parallel lines} \\ 0 & \text{(double) line} \\ -1 & \text{empty curve (ideal double line)} \end{cases}$

Proof: If 1) $A_{33} \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2, \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ A ~~centered~~ ^{central} conic
First we apply the $x' = x + c_x, y' = y + c_y$ substitution to eliminate a_{13} and a_{23} coefficients. Then the new quadratic will be $a_{11}x'^2 + 2a_{12}x'y' + a_{22}y'^2 + a_{33} = 0$

The eigenvectors of λ_1 and λ_2 are $s = \begin{pmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $t = \begin{pmatrix} t_1 \\ t_2 \end{pmatrix}$.
(Then the ~~substitution~~ $\xi = s_1 x' + t_1 y', \eta = s_2 x' + t_2 y'$ substitution.)
 $a_{11}x'^2 + 2a_{12}x'y' + a_{22}y'^2 = (a_{11}x'_1 + a_{12}x'_2)x_1 + (a_{21}x'_1 + a_{22}x'_2)x_2 =$

Then $\xi = s_1 x'_1 + s_2 x'_2 \Leftrightarrow x'_1 = s_1 \xi + t_1 \eta$
 $\eta = t_1 x'_1 + t_2 x'_2 \Leftrightarrow x'_2 = s_2 \xi + t_2 \eta \Rightarrow \lambda_1 \xi^2 + \lambda_2 \eta^2 + a_{33} = 0$

a) $0 < A_{33} = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \Rightarrow \text{sign } \lambda_1 = \text{sign } \lambda_2 \Rightarrow \frac{\xi^2}{a^2} + \frac{\eta^2}{b^2} = \pm 1$
If $a_{33} < 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 \xi^2 + \lambda_2 \eta^2 = 0 \quad \because \lambda_1 \lambda_2 > 0$

b) $0 > A_{33} = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \Rightarrow \text{sign } \lambda_1 = -\text{sign } \lambda_2 \Rightarrow \frac{\xi^2}{a^2} - \frac{\eta^2}{b^2} = \pm 1$

2) $A_{33} = 0 = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 \neq 0$
 $x'_1 = s_1 x + t_1 y$
 $x'_2 = s_2 x + t_2 y$
 $Q \leadsto \lambda_2 y'^2 + 2a_{13}'x' + 2a_{23}'y' + a_{33}' = 0 \rightarrow \eta = y + \frac{a_{23}}{\lambda_2} \leadsto \lambda_2 \eta^2 + 2a_{13}'\xi = 0$
 $\lambda_2 \eta^2 + 2a_{13}'x + d = 0 \leadsto \xi = x + \frac{d}{2a_{13}} \quad \text{if } a_{13} \neq 0$
 $\eta^2 = -\frac{2a_{13}}{\lambda_2} \xi$
 $a_{13} = 0 \Rightarrow \eta^2 = \frac{d}{\lambda_2}$
 $\frac{\eta^2}{a^2} = \pm 1/0$