

# 4.7.56

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**Question:** Find the equation of the line whose perpendicular distance from the origin is 4 units and the angle which the normal makes with positive direction of x-axis is  $15^\circ$

**Solution 1:**

Variable	Value
$d$	4
$m$	$-2 - \sqrt{3}$

TABLE 0: Variables Used

Let eq of line be

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c \quad (0.1)$$

where,

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -m \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.2)$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 + \sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.3)$$

Hence eq of line is

$$(2 + \sqrt{3} \ 1) \mathbf{x} = c \quad (0.4)$$

$$(0.5)$$

As distance from origin=4 units

$$\frac{|c|}{\|\mathbf{n}\|} = 4 \quad (0.6)$$

$$\frac{|c|}{2\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}}} = 4 \quad (0.7)$$

$$c = \pm 8\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}} \quad (0.8)$$

Hence eq of line is

$$(2 + \sqrt{3} \ 1) \mathbf{x} = \pm 8\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}} \quad (0.9)$$

Refer to Figure

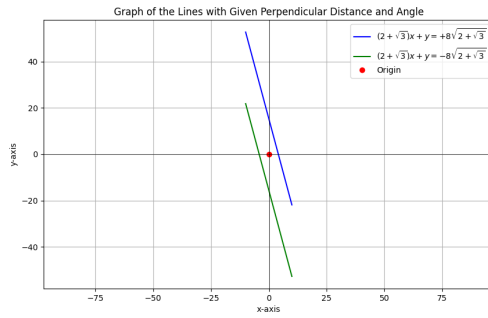


Fig. 0.1