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Question

Find the equation of the line passing through (1, 2) and making angle 30° with y-axis.

Solution:

Given point,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.1)$$

and the line makes an angle of 30° with the y-axis.

The slope of the line is reciprocal of $\tan 30^\circ$:

$$m = \frac{1}{\tan 30^\circ} \quad (0.2)$$

Evaluating, we get:

$$m = \sqrt{3} \quad (0.3)$$

The direction vector of the line is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix}$, hence the normal vector is:

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3} \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.4)$$

Equation of the line is given by :

$$\mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{A} \quad (0.5)$$

Substituting the values of \mathbf{n} and \mathbf{A} :

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3} & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3} & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.6)$$

Evaluating the RHS gives:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3} & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \sqrt{3} - 2 \quad (0.7)$$

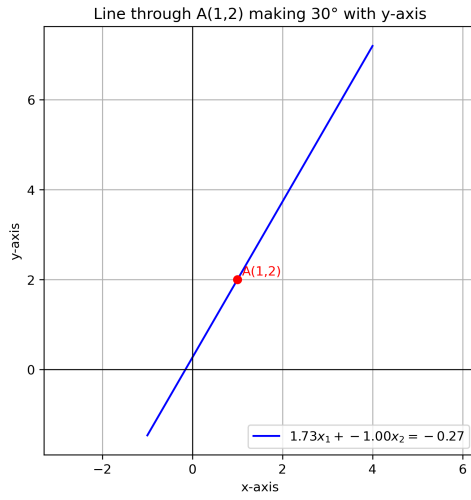


Fig. 0.1