

Presentation - Matgeo

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Problem Statement

Problem 7.3.5

If a circle passes through the points $(0, 0)$, $(a, 0)$ and $(0, b)$, then find the coordinates of its centre.

Description of Variables used

Variable	Description
$\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$	First point on circle
$\mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$	Second point on circle
$\mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b \end{pmatrix}$	Third point on circle

Theoretical Solution

From (7.1.3.1), for three points $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3$ on a circle:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2\mathbf{x}_1 & 2\mathbf{x}_2 & 2\mathbf{x}_3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^\top \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ f \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \|\mathbf{x}_1\|^2 \\ \|\mathbf{x}_2\|^2 \\ \|\mathbf{x}_3\|^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{c} = -\mathbf{u}. \quad (2.1)$$

Substituting the given points:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2b \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^\top \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ f \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ a^2 \\ b^2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.2)$$

Theoretical Solution

This expands to:

$$f = 0, \quad (2.3)$$

$$2au_1 + a^2 = 0, \quad (2.4)$$

$$2bu_2 + b^2 = 0. \quad (2.5)$$

Solving:

$$u_1 = -\frac{a}{2}, \quad u_2 = -\frac{b}{2}, \quad f = 0. \quad (2.6)$$

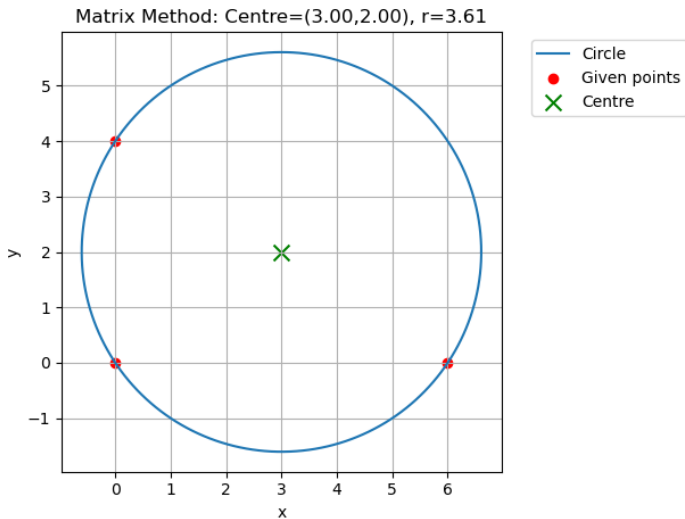
Hence, the centre of the circle is

$$\mathbf{c} = -\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a}{2} \\ \frac{b}{2} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.7)$$

Centre of the circle is $\left(\frac{a}{2}, \frac{b}{2}\right)$

(2.8)

Plot



Figure

Code - C

```
#include <math.h>

// Circle through (0,0), (a,0), (0,b) using direct expansion of matrix
// equations
void circle_center_matrix(double a, double b,
                          double *cx, double *cy, double *r)
{
    // From equations:
    //  $f = 0$ 
    //  $2a u1 + f = -a^2 \rightarrow u1 = -a/2$ 
    //  $2b u2 + f = -b^2 \rightarrow u2 = -b/2$ 
    double u1 = -a/2.0;
    double u2 = -b/2.0;

    *cx = -u1; // = a/2
    *cy = -u2; // = b/2
```

Code - C

```
if (r) {  
    *r = sqrt((*cx)*(*cx) + (*cy)*(*cy));  
}  
}
```


Code - Python(with shared C code)

The code to obtain the required plot is

```
import ctypes as ct
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Load library
lib = ct.CDLL("./libcircle.so")

lib.circle_center_matrix.argtypes = [ct.c_double, ct.c_double,
                                     ct.POINTER(ct.c_double),
                                     ct.POINTER(ct.c_double),
                                     ct.POINTER(ct.c_double)]

lib.circle_center_matrix.restype = None

# Inputs
a, b = 6.0, 4.0
cx, cy, r = ct.c_double(), ct.c_double(), ct.c_double()
```

Code - Python(with shared C code)

```
lib.circle_center_matrix(a, b, ct.byref(cx), ct.byref(cy), ct.byref(r))
print(f' Centre=({cx.value},{cy.value}), Radius={r.value}')
# Plot
theta = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, 400)
X = cx.value + r.value*np.cos(theta)
Y = cy.value + r.value*np.sin(theta)

plt.plot(X, Y, label=" Circle")
plt.scatter([0,a,0], [0,0,b], color=" red", label=" Given-points")
plt.scatter([cx.value], [cy.value], color=" green", marker=" x", s=100, label
            =" Centre")
plt.gca().set_aspect(" equal", adjustable=" box")
plt.title(f' Direct-Matrix-Expansion:-Centre=({cx.value:.2f},{cy.value:.2f}),
          r={r.value:.2f}')
plt.legend(); plt.grid(True)
plt.savefig(" circle.png")
plt.show()
```

Code - Python only

```
# Circle through (0,0), (a,0), (0,b) using the matrix method
# Equation:  $\|x\|^2 + 2u^T x + f = 0$ 
# Centre =  $-u$ 

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# ---- Input values ----
a = 6.0
b = 4.0

# ---- Build the 3x3 system  $A [u_1, u_2, f]^T = b\_vec$  ----
A = np.array([
    [0.0, 0.0, 1.0],
    [2.0*a, 0.0, 1.0],
    [0.0, 2.0*b, 1.0]
], dtype=float)
```

Code - Python only

```
b_vec = np.array([0.0, -a*a, -b*b], dtype=float)
```

```
# ---- Solve for (u1, u2, f) ----
```

```
u1, u2, f = np.linalg.solve(A, b_vec)
```

```
# ---- Centre and radius ----
```

```
cx, cy = -u1, -u2
```

```
r = np.hypot(cx, cy)
```

```
print(f"u=({u1},{u2}),f={f}")
```

```
print(f"Centre=({cx},{cy})")
```

```
print(f"Radius={r}")
```

```
# ---- Plot the circle and points ----
```

```
theta = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, 400)
```

```
X = cx + r*np.cos(theta)
```

```
Y = cy + r*np.sin(theta)
```

Code - Python only

```
plt.figure()
plt.plot(X, Y, label="Circle")
plt.scatter([0, a, 0], [0, 0, b], color="red", label="Given-points")
plt.scatter([cx], [cy], color="green", marker="x", s=100, label="Centre")
plt.gca().set_aspect("equal", adjustable="box")
plt.title(f"Matrix-Method:-Centre=({cx:.2f},{cy:.2f}),r={r:.2f}")
plt.xlabel("x"); plt.ylabel("y")
plt.grid(True)

# Place legend outside (right side)
plt.legend(loc="upper-left", bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1.0))
plt.tight_layout()
plt.savefig("newcentre.png")
plt.show()
```