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Question:

Slope of a line passing through $\mathbf{P}(2, 3)$ and intersecting the line $x + y = 7$ at a distance of 4 units from \mathbf{P} , is

Solution: Given

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Equation of a line through \mathbf{P} and having slope m is

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{p} + t\mathbf{b} \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$x + y = 7 \implies \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 7 \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{p} + t\mathbf{b}) = 7 \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{b} = 7 \quad (6)$$

$$t \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{b} = 7 - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \quad (7)$$

$$t = \frac{7 - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}}{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{b}} \quad (8)$$

\mathbf{Q} be the point of intersection

$$\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{p} + t\mathbf{b} \quad (9)$$

$$\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{p} = t\mathbf{b} \quad (10)$$

$$\|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{p}\| = |t| \|\mathbf{b}\| \implies |t| = \frac{\|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{p}\|}{\|\mathbf{b}\|} \quad (11)$$

$$\left| \frac{7 - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}}{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{b}} \right| = \frac{\|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{p}\|}{\|\mathbf{b}\|} \quad (12)$$

Given the point is at a distance of 4 units from point \mathbf{P}

$$\left| \frac{7 - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}}{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix}} \right| = \frac{4}{\sqrt{1 + m^2}} \quad (13)$$

$$\left| \frac{7-5}{1+m} \right| = \frac{4}{\sqrt{1+m^2}} \quad (14)$$

$$\left(\frac{7-5}{1+m} \right)^2 = \frac{16}{1+m^2} \implies \frac{4}{(1+m)^2} = \frac{16}{1+m^2} \quad (15)$$

$$4(1+m)^2 = 1+m^2 \quad (16)$$

$$4(m^2 + 2m + 1) = 1 + m^2 \quad (17)$$

$$4m^2 + 8m + 4 = 1 + m^2 \implies 3m^2 + 8m + 3 = 0 \quad (18)$$

$$m^2 + \frac{8m}{3} + 1 = 0 \quad (19)$$

$$m^2 + \frac{8m}{3} + 1 + \left(\frac{4}{3} \right)^2 = \frac{16}{9} \quad (20)$$

$$\left(m + \frac{4}{3} \right)^2 = \frac{16-9}{9} = \frac{7}{9} \quad (21)$$

$$m + \frac{4}{3} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{7}}{3} \quad (22)$$

$$m = \frac{-4 - \sqrt{7}}{3} \quad (\text{or}) \quad \frac{-4 + \sqrt{7}}{3} \quad (23)$$

According to options

$$m = \frac{-4 + \sqrt{7}}{3} = \frac{8 - 2\sqrt{7}}{-6} = \frac{(1 - \sqrt{7})^2}{(1 + \sqrt{7})(1 - \sqrt{7})} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{7}}{1 + \sqrt{7}} \quad (24)$$

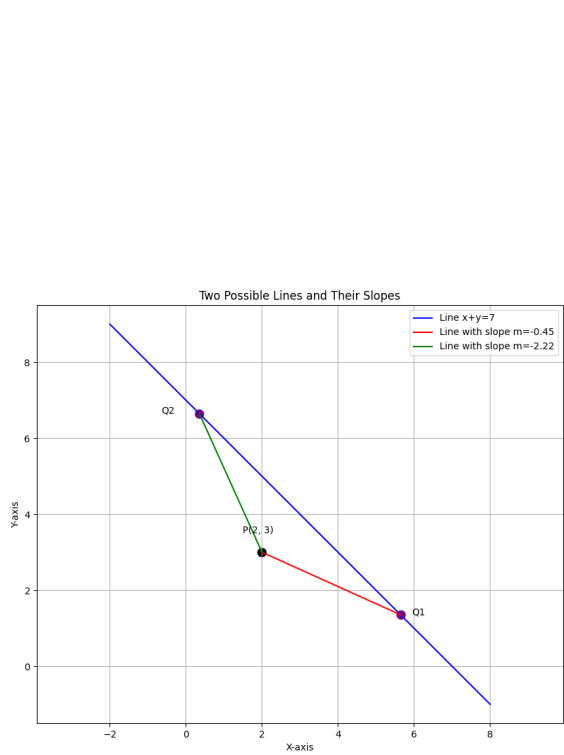


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