

## 7.2.12

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# Question

If the lines  $2x - 3y = 5$  and  $3x - 4y = 7$  are the diameters of a circle of area 154 square units, then obtain the equation of the circle.

# Theoretical Solution

## Solution:

Let :

$$\mathbf{r}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{k} = 5 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{r}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{k} = 7 \quad (2)$$

The augmented matrix of the above equations is given by,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 & 5 \\ 3 & -4 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow 2R_2 - 3R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + 3R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

# Theoretical Solution

$$2x = 2 \quad x = 1 \quad (5)$$

$$y = -1 \quad (6)$$

Point of intersection of diameters of circle is the center of circle  $\mathbf{k} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Given

$$\text{Area of circle} = \pi r^2 = 154 \text{ sq. units}$$

$$\text{Using } \pi = \frac{22}{7} \quad r=7 \text{ units}$$

$$\text{Equation of circle is } ||\mathbf{x}||^2 + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$\mathbf{u} = -\mathbf{k} \quad f = ||\mathbf{u}||^2 - r^2 \quad (8)$$

# Theoretical Solution

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad f = (\sqrt{2})^2 - 7^2 = -47 \quad (9)$$

$$\text{Equation of circle is } \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - 47 = 0 \quad (10)$$

# C Code

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>

int main() {
    // Define the coefficient matrix A and the constant vector B
    // Corresponding to the system:
    // 2x - 3y = 5
    // 3x - 4y = 7
    double A[2][2] = {{2.0, -3.0}, {3.0, -4.0}};
    double B[2] = {5.0, 7.0};

    // Calculate the determinant of the coefficient matrix A
    double determinant = A[0][0] * A[1][1] - A[0][1] * A[1][0];

    // Check if a unique solution exists
    if (determinant == 0) {
        printf("The lines are parallel or coincident; no unique\nsolution exists.\n");
    }
    return 1;
}
```

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// Solve for x and y using Cramer's Rule
// Determinant for x (replace first column with B)
double det_x = B[0] * A[1][1] - B[1] * A[0][1];

// Determinant for y (replace second column with B)
double det_y = A[0][0] * B[1] - A[1][0] * B[0];

double center_x = det_x / determinant;
double center_y = det_y / determinant;

// --- Part 2: Calculate radius and find the circle's
// equation ---

// Given area of the circle
double area = 154.0;
const double PI = 22.0 / 7.0;
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// Calculate the radius squared from the area formula: Area = PI
    * r^2
double r_squared = area / PI;

// The equation of a circle can be expressed as:  $x^2 + y^2 - 2hx - 2ky + h^2 + k^2 - r^2 = 0$ 
// where (h, k) is the center of the circle.

// The general form parameters (as used in the provided
    solution) are:
//  $2gx = -2hx \Rightarrow g = -h$ 
//  $2fy = -2ky \Rightarrow f = -k$ 
//  $c = h^2 + k^2 - r^2$ 

double h = center_x;
double k = center_y;
double c = h * h + k * k - r_squared;
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// Print the final equation
printf("The equation of the circle is:\n");
printf("x^2 + y^2 - %.0fx - %.0fy + %.0f = 0\n", 2*h, 2*k, c)
    ;

return 0;
}
```

# Python Code

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import math

def plot_circle_solution():
    """
    Plots the two diameter lines and the resulting circle,
    highlighting the center.
    """

    ## 1. Solve for the center of the circle (intersection of the
    diameters)
    # The system of equations is:
    #  $2x - 3y = 5$ 
    #  $3x - 4y = 7$ 
    # Use Cramer's Rule to solve for x and y
```

# Python Code

```
A = np.array([[2, -3], [3, -4]])
B = np.array([5, 7])

det_A = np.linalg.det(A)

if det_A == 0:
    print("The lines are parallel or coincident; no unique
          solution exists.")
    return

det_x = np.linalg.det(np.array([[5, -3], [7, -4]]))
det_y = np.linalg.det(np.array([[2, 5], [3, 7]]))

center_x = det_x / det_A
center_y = det_y / det_A
```

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print(f"The center of the circle is at ({center_x:.2f}, {center_y:.2f})")

## 2. Calculate the radius from the area
area = 154.0
r_squared = area / math.pi
radius = math.sqrt(r_squared)

print(f"The radius of the circle is: {radius:.2f}")

## 3. Plot the solution
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8, 8))

# Plot the diameter lines
x_vals = np.linspace(center_x - 5, center_x + 5, 400)
y_line1 = (2 * x_vals - 5) / 3
y_line2 = (3 * x_vals - 7) / 4
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ax.plot(x_vals, y_line1, label='$2x - 3y = 5$')
ax.plot(x_vals, y_line2, label='$3x - 4y = 7$')


# Plot the circle
circle = plt.Circle((center_x, center_y), radius, color='
    green', fill=False, linewidth=2, label='Circle')
ax.add_patch(circle)

# Plot the center point
ax.plot(center_x, center_y, 'o', color='red', markersize=8,
    label='Center')
ax.annotate(f'({center_x:.2f}, {center_y:.2f})', (center_x,
    center_y),
    textcoords="offset points", xytext=(0,10), ha='
        center')
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# Add labels, title, and legend
ax.set_title('Equation of a Circle from its Diameters')
ax.set_xlabel('x')
ax.set_ylabel('y')
ax.set_aspect('equal', adjustable='box')
ax.grid(True, linestyle='--', alpha=0.6)
ax.legend()

plt.show()

# Run the plotting function
plot_circle_solution()
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Figure: