

# Linear Algebra through Coordinate Geometry

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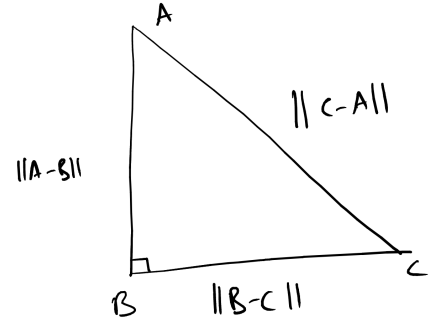


Fig. 1.1.7

3. The *length* of  $PQ$  is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Q}\| \quad (1.1.3)$$

4. The *direction vector* of the line  $PQ$  is defined as

$$\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 - q_1 \\ p_2 - q_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.1.4)$$

5. The point dividing  $PQ$  in the ratio  $k : 1$  is

$$\mathbf{R} = \frac{k\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{Q}}{k + 1} \quad (1.1.5)$$

6. The *area* of  $\triangle PQR$  is the *determinant*

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \mathbf{P} & \mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{R} \end{vmatrix} \quad (1.1.6)$$

7. *Orthogonality*: See Fig. 1.1.7. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AB \perp BC$ . Show that

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) = 0 \quad (1.1.7)$$

**Solution:** Using Baudhayana's theorem,

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\|^2 \quad (1.1.7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) + (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) \\ = (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})^T (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}) \\ \Rightarrow 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B} - 2\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B} + 2\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{C} - 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{C} = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (1.1.7)$$

which can be simplified to obtain (1.1.7).

8. Let  $\mathbf{x}$  be any point on  $AB$  in Fig. 1.1.7. Show

## 1 THE STRAIGHT LINE

### 1.1 Point

1. The *inner product* of  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$  is defined as

$$\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{Q} = p_1 q_1 + p_2 q_2 \quad (1.1.1)$$

2. The *norm* of a vector

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.1.2)$$

is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{P}\| = \sqrt{p_1^2 + p_2^2} \quad (1.1.2)$$

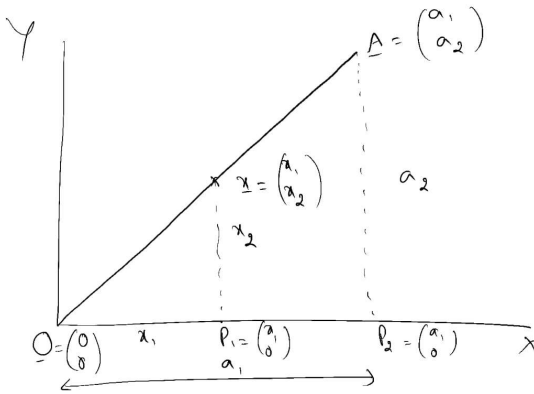


Fig. 1.2.1

that

$$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A})^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) = 0 \quad (1.1.8)$$

9. If  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$  are any two points on  $AB$ , show that

$$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) = 0 \quad (1.1.9)$$

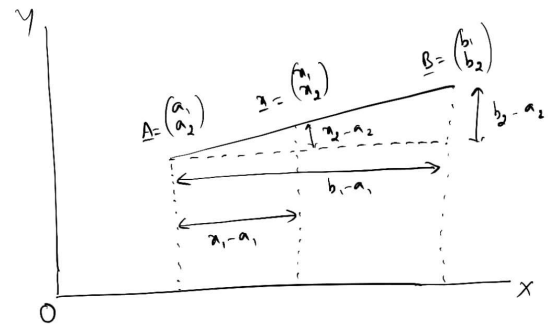


Fig. 1.2.2

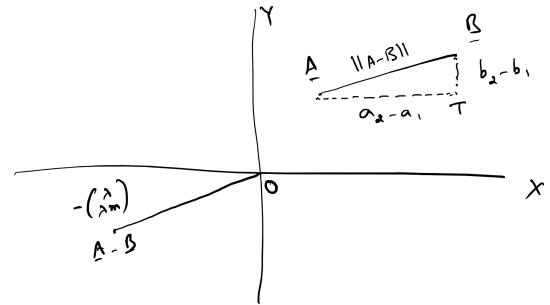


Fig. 1.2.5

## 1.2 Line

1. The points  $\mathbf{O} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}$  are as shown in Fig. 1.2.1. Find the equation of  $OA$ .

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$  be any point on  $OA$ . Then, using similar triangles,

$$\frac{x_2}{x_1} = \frac{a_2}{a_1} = m \quad (1.2.1.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = mx_1 \quad (1.2.1.2)$$

where  $m$  is known as the slope of the line. Thus, the equation of the line is

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ mx_1 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \mathbf{m} \quad (1.2.1.3)$$

In general, the above equation is written as

$$\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{m}, \quad (1.2.1.4)$$

where  $\mathbf{m}$  is the direction vector of the line.

2. Find the equation of  $AB$  in Fig. 1.2.2

**Solution:** From Fig. 1.2.2,

$$\frac{x_2 - a_2}{x_1 - a_1} = \frac{b_2 - a_2}{b_1 - a_1} = m \quad (1.2.2.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = mx_1 + a_2 - ma_1 \quad (1.2.2.2)$$

From (1.2.2.2),

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ mx_1 + a_2 - ma_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.2.3)$$

$$= \mathbf{A} + (x_1 - a_1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.2.4)$$

$$= \mathbf{A} + \lambda \mathbf{m} \quad (1.2.2.5)$$

3. **Translation:** If the line shifts from the origin by  $\mathbf{A}$ , (1.2.2.5) is obtained from (1.2.1.4) by adding  $\mathbf{A}$ .

4. Find the length of  $\mathbf{A}$  in Fig. 1.2.1

**Solution:** Using Baudhayana's theorem, the length of the vector  $\mathbf{A}$  is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{A}\| = OA = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2} = \sqrt{\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}}. \quad (1.2.4.1)$$

Also, from (1.2.1.4),

$$\|\mathbf{A}\| = \lambda \sqrt{1 + m^2} \quad (1.2.4.2)$$

Note that  $\lambda$  is the variable that determines the length of  $\mathbf{A}$ , since  $m$  is constant for all points on the line.

5. Find  $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$ .

**Solution:** See Fig. 1.2.5. From (1.2.2.5), for

some  $\lambda$ ,

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.5.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} = -\lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.2.5.2)$$

$\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$  is marked in Fig. 1.2.5.

6. Show that  $AB = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|$

7. Show that the equation of  $AB$  is

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} + \lambda (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) \quad (1.2.7.1)$$

8. The *normal* to the vector  $\mathbf{m}$  is defined as

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{m} = 0 \quad (1.2.8.1)$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} \quad (1.2.8.2)$$

9. From (1.2.7.1), the equation of a line can also be expressed as

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{A} + \lambda \mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) \quad (1.2.9.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{A} = c \quad (1.2.9.2)$$

10. The unit vectors on the  $x$  and  $y$  axis are defined as

$$\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.2.10.1)$$

$$\mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.10.2)$$

11. If  $a$  be the *intercept* of the line

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c \quad (1.2.11.1)$$

on the  $x$ -axis, then  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is a point on the line.

Thus,

$$\mathbf{n}^T \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = c \quad (1.2.11.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{c}{\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{e}_1} \quad (1.2.11.3)$$

12. The *rotation matrix* is defined as

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.12)$$

where  $\theta$  is anti-clockwise.

13.

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I} \quad (1.2.13)$$

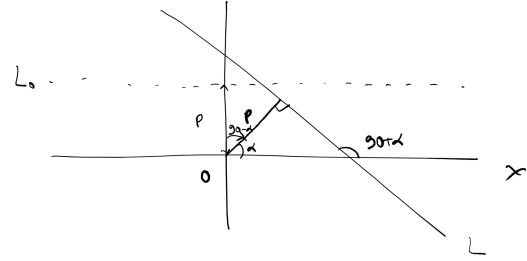


Fig. 1.2.14

where  $\mathbf{I}$  is the *identity matrix*. The rotation matrix  $\mathbf{Q}$  is also an *orthogonal matrix*.

14. Find the equation of line  $L$  in Fig. 1.2.14.

**Solution:** The equation of the  $x$ -axis is

$$\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{e}_1 \quad (1.2.14.1)$$

Translation by  $p$  units along the  $y$ -axis results in

$$L_0 : \mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{e}_1 + p \mathbf{e}_2 \quad (1.2.14.2)$$

Rotation by  $90^\circ - \alpha$  in the anti-clockwise direction yields

$$L : \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Q} \{ \lambda \mathbf{e}_1 + p \mathbf{e}_2 \} \quad (1.2.14.3)$$

$$= \lambda \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{e}_1 + p \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{e}_2 \quad (1.2.14.4)$$

where

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\alpha - 90) & -\sin(\alpha - 90) \\ \sin(\alpha - 90) & \cos(\alpha - 90) \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.14.5)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \\ -\cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.14.6)$$

From (1.2.14.4),

$$L : \mathbf{e}_2^T \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{e}_2^T \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{e}_1 + p \mathbf{e}_2^T \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{e}_2 \\ = \lambda \mathbf{e}_2^T \mathbf{e}_1 + p \mathbf{e}_2^T \mathbf{e}_2 \quad (1.2.14.7)$$

resulting in

$$L : (\cos \alpha \quad \sin \alpha) \mathbf{x} = p \quad (1.2.14.8)$$

15. Show that the distance from the origin to the line

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c \quad (1.2.15.1)$$

is

$$p = \frac{c}{\|n\|} \quad (1.2.15.2)$$

16. Show that the point of intersection of two lines

$$\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{x} = c_1 \quad (1.2.16.1)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{x} = c_2 \quad (1.2.16.2)$$

is given by

$$\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{N}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{c} \quad (1.2.16.3)$$

where

$$\mathbf{N} = (\mathbf{n}_1 \quad \mathbf{n}_2) \quad (1.2.16.4)$$

17. The *angle between two lines* is given by

$$\cos^{-1} \frac{\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{n}_2}{\|\mathbf{n}_1\| \|\mathbf{n}_2\|} \quad (1.2.17.1)$$

18. Show that the distance of a point  $\mathbf{x}_0$  from the line

$$L : \quad \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c \quad (1.2.18.1)$$

is

$$\frac{|\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x}_0 - c|}{\|\mathbf{n}\|} \quad (1.2.18.2)$$

**Solution:** Let the equation of the line be

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} + \lambda \mathbf{m} \quad (1.2.18.3)$$

where

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{A} = c, \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{m} = 0 \quad (1.2.18.4)$$

If  $\mathbf{x}_0$  is translated to the origin, the equation of the line  $L$  becomes

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{x}_0 + \lambda \mathbf{m} \quad (1.2.18.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c - \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x}_0 \quad (1.2.18.6)$$

From (1.2.15.2), (1.2.18.4) is obtained.

19. Show that

$$ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2 + 2dx + 2ey + f = 0 \quad (1.2.19.1)$$

can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \quad (1.2.19.2)$$

where

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}^T \quad (1.2.19.3)$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} d & e \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.19.4)$$

20. *Pair of straight lines:* (1.2.19.2) represents a pair of straight lines if

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{u}^T & f \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (1.2.20.1)$$

Two intersecting lines are obtained if

$$|\mathbf{V}| < 0 \quad (1.2.20.2)$$

21. In Fig. 1.2.21, let

$$\frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|}{\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|} = k. \quad (1.2.21.1)$$

Show that

$$\frac{\mathbf{A} + k\mathbf{C}}{k+1} = \mathbf{B}. \quad (1.2.21.2)$$

**Solution:** From (1.2.2.5),

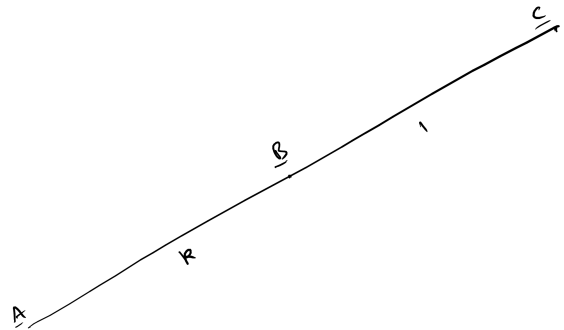


Fig. 1.2.21

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} + \lambda_1 \mathbf{m} \quad (1.2.21.3)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C} - \lambda_2 \mathbf{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|}{\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|} = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} = k \quad (1.2.21.4)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}}{\lambda_1} = \frac{\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{B}}{\lambda_2} = \mathbf{m}, \quad (1.2.21.5)$$

from (1.2.21.1). Using (1.2.21.4) and (1.2.21.5),

$$\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} = k(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) \quad (1.2.21.6)$$

resulting in (1.2.21.2)

22. If  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are linearly independent,

$$k_1 \mathbf{A} + k_2 \mathbf{B} = 0 \Rightarrow k_1 = k_2 = 0 \quad (1.2.22.1)$$

23. Show that  $\mathbf{D}$  lies inside  $\triangle ABC$  iff

$$\mathbf{D} = \lambda_1 \mathbf{A} + \lambda_2 \mathbf{B} + \lambda_3 \mathbf{C} \quad (1.2.23.1)$$

such that

$$0 \leq \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \leq 1, \quad (1.2.23.2)$$

$$0 \leq \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 \leq 1, \quad (1.2.23.3)$$

24. In  $\triangle ABC$ , Let  $\mathbf{P}$  be a point on  $BC$  such that  $AP \perp BC$ . Then  $AP$  is defined to be an *altitude* of  $\triangle ABC$ .

25. Find the intersection of  $AP$  and  $BQ$ .

**Solution:** The normal vector of  $AP$  is  $\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}$ .  
From and , the equation of  $AP$  and  $BQ$  are

$$(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A}) = 0 \quad (1.2.25.1)$$

$$(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (1.2.25.2)$$

which can be solved to obtain the intersection point using (1.2.16.3).

26. Show that the equation of the angle bisectors of the lines

$$\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{x} = c_1 \quad (1.2.26.1)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{x} = c_2 \quad (1.2.26.2)$$

is

$$\frac{\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{x} - c_1}{\|\mathbf{n}_1\|} = \pm \frac{\mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{x} - c_2}{\|\mathbf{n}_2\|} \quad (1.2.26.3)$$

27. Find the equation of a line passing through the intersection of the lines

$$\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{x} = c_1 \quad (1.2.27.1)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{x} = c_2 \quad (1.2.27.2)$$

and passing through the point  $\mathbf{p}$ .

**Solution:** The intersection of the lines is

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{N}^{-T} \mathbf{c} \quad (1.2.27.3)$$

where

$$\mathbf{N} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{n}_1 & \mathbf{n}_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.27.4)$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.27.5)$$

Thus, the equation of the desired line is

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{p} + \lambda (\mathbf{N}^{-T} \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{p}) \quad (1.2.27.6)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{p} + \lambda (\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{p}) \quad (1.2.27.7)$$

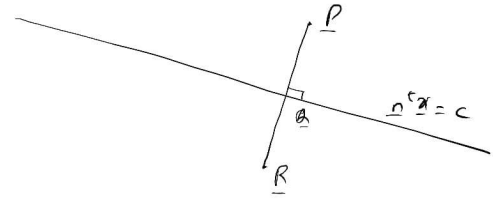


Fig. 1.2.28

resulting in

$$\begin{aligned} & (\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{p})^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{x} \\ & = (\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{p})^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{p} \end{aligned} \quad (1.2.27.8)$$

28. Find  $\mathbf{R}$ , the *reflection* of  $\mathbf{P}$  about the line

$$L: \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c \quad (1.2.28.1)$$

**Solution:** Since  $\mathbf{R}$  is the reflection of  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$  lies on  $L$ ,  $\mathbf{Q}$  bisects  $PR$ . This leads to the following equations Hence,

$$2\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{R} \quad (1.2.28.2)$$

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{Q} = c \quad (1.2.28.3)$$

$$\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{P} \quad (1.2.28.4)$$

where  $\mathbf{m}$  is the direction vector of  $L$ . From (1.2.28.2) and (1.2.28.3),

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{R} = 2c - \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{P} \quad (1.2.28.5)$$

From (1.2.28.5) and (1.2.28.4),

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} & \mathbf{n} \end{pmatrix}^T \mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} & -\mathbf{n} \end{pmatrix}^T \mathbf{P} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2c \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.28.6)$$

Letting

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} & \mathbf{n} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.28.7)$$

with the condition that  $\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{n}$  are orthonormal, i.e.

$$\mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I} \quad (1.2.28.8)$$

Noting that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} & -\mathbf{n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} & \mathbf{n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.2.28.9)$$

(1.2.28.6) can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{R} = \left[ \mathbf{V} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right]^T \mathbf{P} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2c \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.28.10)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{R} = \left[ \mathbf{V} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}^{-1} \right]^T \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{V} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2c \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.28.11)$$

$$= \mathbf{V} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{P} + 2c\mathbf{n} \quad (1.2.28.12)$$

29. Show that, for any  $\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{n}$ , the reflection is also given by

$$\frac{\mathbf{R}}{2} = \frac{\mathbf{m}\mathbf{m}^T - \mathbf{n}\mathbf{n}^T}{\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{m} + \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{n}} \mathbf{P} + c \frac{\mathbf{n}}{\|\mathbf{n}\|^2} \quad (1.2.29.1)$$

### 1.3 Example

1. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.1.1)$$

and the equations of the medians through  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$  are respectively

$$(1 \ 1)\mathbf{x} = 5 \quad (1.3.1.2)$$

$$(1 \ 0)\mathbf{x} = 4 \quad (1.3.1.3)$$

Find the area of  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Solution:** The centroid  $\mathbf{O}$  is the solution of (1.3.1.2), (1.3.1.3) and is obtained as the solution of the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.1.4)$$

which can be solved using the augmented matrix as follows.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.1.5)$$

Thus,

$$\mathbf{O} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.1.6)$$

Let  $AD$  be the median through  $\mathbf{A}$ . Then,

$$\frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}}{3} = \mathbf{O} \quad (1.3.1.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C} = 3\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.1.8)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 \ 1)\mathbf{B} + (1 \ 1)\mathbf{C} = (1 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.1.9)$$

From (1.3.1.3) and (1.3.1.9),

$$(1 \ 1)\mathbf{B} = 5 \quad (1.3.1.10)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 + (1 \ 1)\mathbf{C} = 12 \quad (1.3.1.11)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 \ 1)\mathbf{C} = 7 \quad (1.3.1.12)$$

From (1.3.1.12) and (1.3.1.3),  $\mathbf{C}$  can be obtained by solving

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.1.13)$$

using the augmented matrix as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.1.14)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.1.15)$$

From (1.3.1.8),

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.1.16)$$

Thus,

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{C} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 7 & 4 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 9 \quad (1.3.1.17)$$

2. Summarize all the above computations through a Python script and plot  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Solution:**

<https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/linalg/2D/manual/codes/triang.py>

### 1.4 Programming

1. Find the *orthocentre* of  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Solution:** The following code finds the required point using (1.2.25.1) and (1.2.25.2).

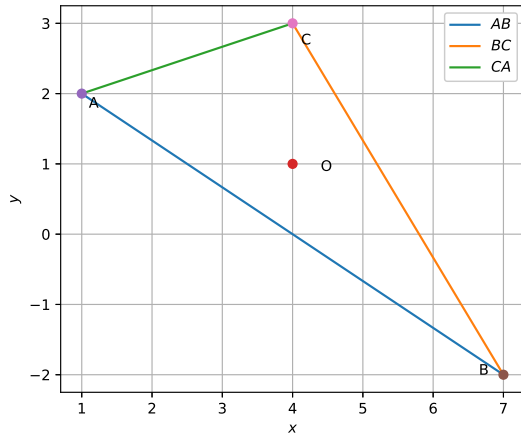


Fig. 1.3.2

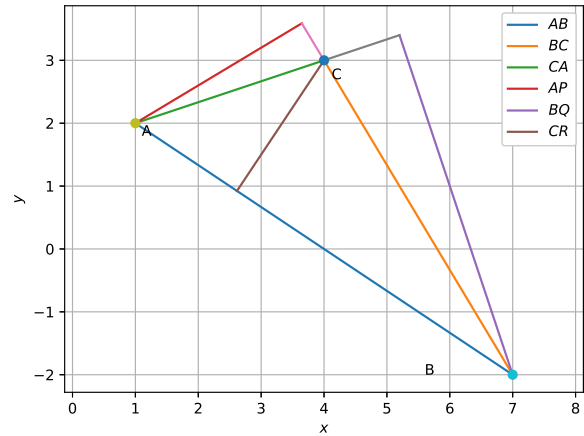


Fig. 1.4.4

<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gadepall/school/master/linalg/book/codes/orthocentre.py>

### 1.5 Exercises

2. Find **P**, the foot of the altitude from **A** upon **BC**.

**Solution:**

[https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gadepall/school/master/linalg/book/codes/alt\\_foot.py](https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gadepall/school/master/linalg/book/codes/alt_foot.py)

3. Find **Q** and **R**.  
4. Draw **AP**, **BQ** and **CR** and verify that they meet at a point **H**.

**Solution:** The following code plots the altitudes in Fig. 1.4.4

[https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gadepall/school/master/linalg/book/codes/alt\\_draw.py](https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gadepall/school/master/linalg/book/codes/alt_draw.py)

5. Find the coordinates of **D**, **E** and **F** of the mid points of **AB**, **BC** and **CA** respectively for  $\triangle ABC$ .  
6. Find the equations of **AD**, **BE** and **CF**.  
7. Find the point of intersection of **AD** and **CF**.  
8. Verify that **O** is the point of intersection of **BE**, **CF** as well.  
9. Graphically show that the medians of  $\triangle ABC$  meet at the centroid.

1. A straight line through the origin **O** meets the lines

$$(4 \ 3)\mathbf{x} = 10 \quad (1.5.1)$$

$$(8 \ 6)\mathbf{x} + 5 = 0 \quad (1.5.1)$$

at **A** and **B** respectively. Find the ratio in which **O** divides **AB**.

**Solution:** Let

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.1)$$

Then (1.5.1) can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = 10 \quad (1.5.1)$$

$$2\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = -5 \quad (1.5.1)$$

and since **A**, **B** satisfy (1.5.1) respectively,

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{A} = 10 \quad (1.5.1)$$

$$2\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{B} = -5 \quad (1.5.1)$$

Let **O** divide the segment **AB** in the ratio  $k : 1$ . Then

$$\mathbf{O} = \frac{k\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A}}{k + 1} \quad (1.5.1)$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{O} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (1.5.1)$$

$$\mathbf{A} = -k\mathbf{B} \quad (1.5.1)$$

Substituting in (1.5.1), and simplifying,

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{B} = \frac{10}{-k} \quad (1.5.1)$$

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{B} = \frac{-5}{2} \quad (1.5.1)$$

resulting in

$$\frac{10}{-k} = \frac{-5}{2} \implies k = 4 \quad (1.5.1)$$

2. The point

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.2)$$

is translated parallel to the line

$$L : (1 \ -1)\mathbf{x} = 4 \quad (1.5.2)$$

by  $d = 2\sqrt{3}$  units. If the new point  $\mathbf{Q}$  lies in the third quadrant, then find the equation of the line passing through  $\mathbf{Q}$  and perpendicular to  $L$ .

**Solution:** From (1.5.2), the direction vector of  $L$  is

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.2)$$

Thus,

$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{P} + \lambda \mathbf{m} \quad (1.5.2)$$

However,

$$PQ = d \quad (1.5.2)$$

$$\implies \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Q}\| = |\lambda| \|\mathbf{m}\| = d \quad (1.5.2)$$

$$\implies \lambda = \pm \frac{d}{\|\mathbf{m}\|} = \pm \sqrt{6} \quad (1.5.2)$$

$$\therefore \|\mathbf{m}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{m}} = \sqrt{2} \quad (1.5.2)$$

from (1.5.2). Since  $\mathbf{Q}$  lies in the third quadrant, from (1.5.2) and (1.5.2),

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \sqrt{6} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 - \sqrt{6} \\ 1 - \sqrt{6} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.2)$$

The equation of the desired line is then obtained as

$$\mathbf{m}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{Q}) = 0 \quad (1.5.2)$$

$$(1 \ 1)\mathbf{x} = 3 - 2\sqrt{6} \quad (1.5.2)$$

3. Two sides of a rhombus are along the lines

$$AB : (1 \ -1)\mathbf{x} + 1 = 0 \quad (1.5.3)$$

$$AD : (7 \ -1)\mathbf{x} - 5 = 0. \quad (1.5.3)$$

If its diagonals intersect at

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.5.3)$$

find its vertices.

**Solution:** From (1.5.3) and (1.5.3),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 7 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.3)$$

By row reducing the augmented matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 7 & -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 6 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \implies \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.5.3)$$

Since diagonals of a rhombus bisect each other,

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{C}}{2}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = 2\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.3)$$

$$\therefore AD \parallel BC,$$

$$BC : (7 \ -1)(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{C}) = 0 \\ \implies (7 \ -1)\mathbf{x} = -15 \quad (1.5.3)$$

From (1.5.3) and (1.5.3),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -15 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.3)$$

resulting in the augmented matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 & -1 & -15 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -1 & -15 \\ 0 & 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \implies \mathbf{B} = -\frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.3)$$

$$\therefore AB \parallel CD,$$

$$CD : (1 \ -1)(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{C}) = 0 \\ \implies (1 \ -1)\mathbf{x} = 3 \quad (1.5.3)$$



From (1.5.3) and (1.5.3),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.3)$$

resulting in the augmented matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 & -1 & 5 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -1 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \\ \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{D} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.3)$$

4. Let  $k$  be an integer such that the triangle with vertices

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} k \\ -3k \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ k \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} -k \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.4)$$

has area 28. Find the orthocentre of this triangle.

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{m}_1$  be the direction vector of  $BC$ . Then,

$$\mathbf{m}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 5+k \\ k-2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.5.4)$$

If  $AD$  be an altitude, its equation can be obtained as

$$\mathbf{m}_1^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A}) = 0 \quad (1.5.4)$$

Similarly, considering the side  $AC$  the equation of the altitude  $BE$  is

$$\mathbf{m}_2^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (1.5.4)$$

where

$$\mathbf{m}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2k \\ -2-3k \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.5.4)$$

The orthocentre is obtained by solving (1.5.4) and (1.5.4) using the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \mathbf{m}_2 \end{pmatrix}^T \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1^T \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{m}_2^T \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.4)$$

which can be expressed using (1.5.4), (1.5.4), (1.5.4) and (1.5.4) as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5+k & k-2 \\ 2k & -2-3k \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} k^2+5k+6k-3k^2 \\ 10k-2k-3k^2 \end{pmatrix} \\ = k \begin{pmatrix} 11-4k \\ 8-3k \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.4)$$

From (1.5.4), using the expression for the area

of triangle,

$$\begin{vmatrix} k & 5 & -k \\ -3k & k & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 56 \\ \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} k & 5-k & -2k \\ -3k & 4k & 2+3k \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 56 \quad (1.5.4)$$

resulting in

$$(5-k)(2+3k) + 8k^2 = 56 \quad (1.5.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5k^2 + 13k - 46 = 0 \quad (1.5.4)$$

$$\text{or, } k = 2, -\frac{23}{5} \quad (1.5.4)$$

Substituting the above in (1.5.4) and solving yields the orthocentre.

5. If an equilateral triangle, having centroid at the origin, has a side along the line

$$(1 \ 1) \mathbf{x} = 2, \quad (1.5.5)$$

then find the area of this triangle. Also draw the equilateral triangle and two medians to verify your results.

**Solution:** Let the vertices be  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}$ . From the given information,

$$\frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}}{3} = \mathbf{0} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{0} \quad (1.5.5)$$

If  $AB$  be the line in (1.5.5), the equation of  $CF$ , where

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}}{2} \quad (1.5.5)$$

is

$$(1 \ -1) \mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (1.5.5)$$

since  $CF$  passes through the origin and  $CF \perp AB$ . From (1.5.5) and (1.5.5),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{F} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.5)$$

Forming the augmented matrix,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{F} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.5)$$

From (1.5.5),

$$\mathbf{C} = -(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = -2\mathbf{F} = -2\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.5)$$

after substituting from (1.5.5). Thus,

$$CF = \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{F}\| = 3\sqrt{2} \quad (1.5.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = CF \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = 2\sqrt{6} \quad (1.5.5)$$

and the area of the triangle is

$$\frac{1}{2}AB \times CF = 6\sqrt{3} \quad (1.5.5)$$

6. A square, of each side 2, lies above the  $x$ -axis and has one vertex at the origin. If one of the sides passing through the origin makes an angle  $30^\circ$  with the positive direction of the  $x$ -axis, then find the sum of the  $x$ -coordinates of the vertices of the square.

**Solution:** Consider the square  $ABCD$  with  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0}$ ,  $AB = 2$  such that  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{D}$  lie on the  $x$  and  $y$ -axis respectively. Then

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{D} = 4\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.5.6)$$

Multiplying (1.5.6) with the rotation matrix

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.5.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{D}) &= 4 \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 4 \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta - \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta + \sin \theta \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (1.5.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (1 \ 0)\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{D}) \\ = 4(\cos \theta - \sin \theta) = 2(\sqrt{3} - 1) \end{aligned} \quad (1.5.6)$$

for  $\theta = 30^\circ$ . Draw the square with sides on the axis as well as the rotated square in the same graph to verify your result.

## 2 THE CIRCLE

### 2.1 Definitions

1. The equation of a circle is

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}\| = r \quad (2.1.1.1)$$

where  $\mathbf{c}$  is the centre and  $r$  is the radius.

2. By expanding (2.1.1.1), the equation of a circle can also be expressed as

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}\|^2 = r^2 \quad (2.1.2.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{c} - r^2 = 0 \quad (2.1.2.2)$$

3. Find the equation of the *circumcircle* of  $\triangle ABC$  in Fig. 2.1.4.

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{O}$  be the centre and  $R$  the radius. From (2.1.2.2),

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = R^2 \quad (2.1.3.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = 0 \quad (2.1.3.2)$$

which can be simplified to obtain

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^T \mathbf{O} = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{B}\|^2}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad (2.1.3.3)$$

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C})^T \mathbf{O} = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{C}\|^2}{2} \quad (2.1.3.4)$$

Solving the two yields  $\mathbf{O}$ , which can then be used to obtain  $R$ .

4. Given  $OD \perp BC$  as in Fig. 2.1.4. Show that

$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}}{2} \quad (2.1.4.1)$$

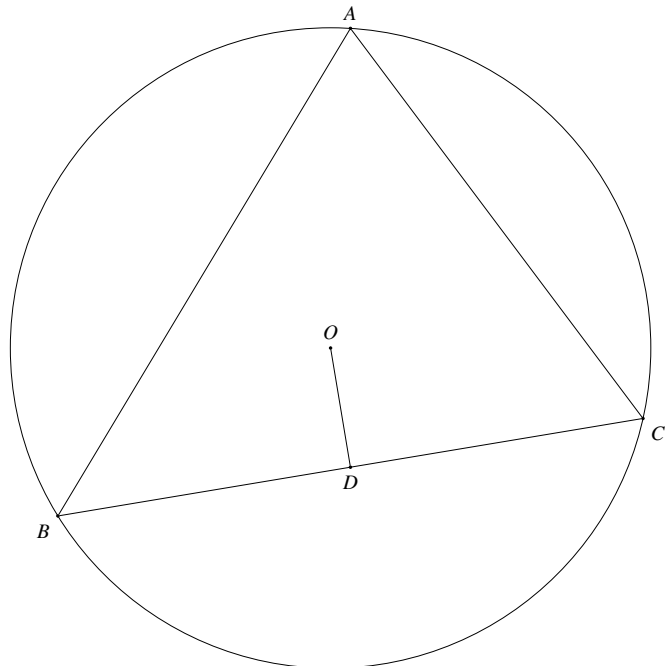


Fig. 2.1.4: Circumcircle.

**Solution:** From (2.1.1.1)

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = R^2 \quad (2.1.4.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{O})^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{O}) = (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{O})^T (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{O}) \quad (2.1.4.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})^T \left( \frac{\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}}{2} - \mathbf{O} \right) = 0 \quad (2.1.4.4)$$

after simplification. Since  $OD \perp BC$ ,

$$(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})^T (\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{O}) = 0 \quad (2.1.4.5)$$

Since  $D$  and  $\frac{\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}}{2}$  lie on  $BC$ , using (1.2.7.1),

$$\frac{\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}}{2} = \mathbf{B} + \lambda_1 (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) \quad (2.1.4.6)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{B} + \lambda_2 (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) \quad (2.1.4.7)$$

Multiplying (2.1.4.6) and (2.1.4.7) with  $(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})^T$  and subtracting,  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{D} = \frac{\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}}{2} \quad (2.1.4.8)$$

5. Let  $\mathbf{D}$  be the mid point of  $BC$ . Show that  $OD \perp BC$ .
6. The *incircle* with centre  $\mathbf{I}$  and radius  $r$  in Fig.2.1.6 is inside  $\triangle ABC$  and touches  $AB, BC$  and  $CA$  at  $\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{V}$  respectively.  $AB, BC$  and  $CA$  are known as *tangents* to the circle.

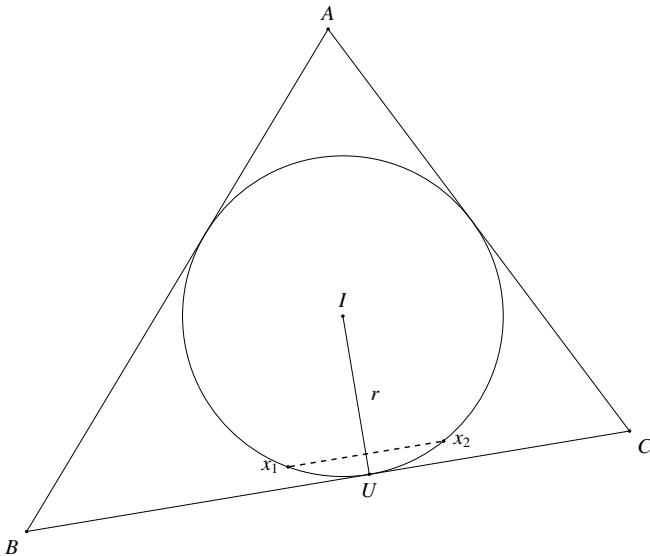


Fig. 2.1.6: Tangent and incircle.

7. Show that  $IU \perp BC$ .

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2$  be two points on the circle

such that  $x_1 x_2 \parallel BC$ . Then

$$\|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{I}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{I}\|^2 = 0 \quad (2.1.7.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2)^T \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2}{2} - \mathbf{I} \right) = 0 \quad (2.1.7.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})^T \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2}{2} - \mathbf{I} \right) = 0 \quad (2.1.7.3)$$

For  $\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{U}$ ,  $x_1 x_2$  merges into  $BC$  and the above equation becomes

$$(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})^T (\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{I}) = 0 \Rightarrow OD \perp BC \quad (2.1.7.4)$$

8. Give an alternative proof for the above.

**Solution:** Let

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{O} \quad (2.1.8.1)$$

$$\mathbf{U} = \lambda \mathbf{m} \quad (2.1.8.2)$$

Then

$$\|\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{I}\|^2 = r^2 \quad (2.1.8.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 \|\mathbf{m}\|^2 - 2\lambda \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{I} + \|\mathbf{I}\|^2 = r^2 \quad (2.1.8.4)$$

Since the above equation has a single root,

$$\lambda = \frac{\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{I}}{\|\mathbf{m}\|^2} \quad (2.1.8.5)$$

Thus,

$$(\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{B})^T (\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{I}) = (\lambda \mathbf{m})^T (\lambda \mathbf{m} - \mathbf{I}) \quad (2.1.8.6)$$

$$= \lambda^2 \|\mathbf{m}\|^2 - \lambda \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{I} \quad (2.1.8.7)$$

$$= \mathbf{O} \text{ (from 2.1.8.5).} \quad (2.1.8.8)$$

$$\Rightarrow OD \perp BC \quad (2.1.8.9)$$

9. Find the equation of the tangent at  $\mathbf{U}$ .

**Solution:** The equation of the tangent is given by

$$(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{U})^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{U}) = 0 \quad (2.1.9.1)$$

10. The direction vector of *normal to the circle* in (2.1.2.2) at point  $\mathbf{U}$  is

$$\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{U} - \mathbf{I} \quad (2.1.10.1)$$

11. Find an expression for  $r$  if  $\mathbf{I}$  is known.

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{n}$  be the normal vector of  $BC$ . The equation for  $BC$  is then given by

$$\mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (2.1.11.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (2.1.11.2)$$

since  $\mathbf{U}$  lies on  $BC$ . Since  $I\mathbf{U} \perp BC$ ,

$$\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{U} + \lambda \mathbf{n} \quad (2.1.11.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{U} = \lambda \mathbf{n} \quad (2.1.11.4)$$

$$\text{or } r = \|\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{U}\| = |\lambda| \|\mathbf{n}\| \quad (2.1.11.5)$$

From (2.1.11.2) and (2.1.11.3)

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{B} + \lambda \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{n} \quad (2.1.11.6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B}) = \lambda \|\mathbf{n}\|^2 \quad (2.1.11.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow r = |\lambda| \|\mathbf{n}\| = \frac{|\mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B})|}{\|\mathbf{n}\|} \quad (2.1.11.8)$$

from (2.1.11.5). Letting

$$\|\mathbf{n}_1\| = \frac{\mathbf{n}}{\|\mathbf{n}\|}, \quad (2.1.11.9)$$

$$r = |\mathbf{n}_1^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B})| \quad (2.1.11.10)$$

12. Find  $\mathbf{I}$ .

**Solution:** Since  $r = IU = IV = IW$ , from (2.1.11.10),

$$|\mathbf{n}_1^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B})| = |\mathbf{n}_2^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{C})| = |\mathbf{n}_3^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})| \quad (2.1.12.1)$$

where  $\mathbf{n}_2, \mathbf{n}_3$  are unit normals of  $CA, AB$  respectively. (2.1.12.1) can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{n}_1^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B}) = k_1 \mathbf{n}_2^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{C}) \quad (2.1.12.2)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{C}) = k_2 \mathbf{n}_3^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \quad (2.1.12.3)$$

where  $k_1, k_2 = \pm 1$ . The above equations can be expressed as the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{n}_1 - k_1 \mathbf{n}_2 & \mathbf{n}_2 - k_2 \mathbf{n}_3 \end{pmatrix}^T \mathbf{I} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{B} - k_1 \mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{C} \\ \mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{C} - k_2 \mathbf{n}_3^T \mathbf{A} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.1.12.4)$$

13. Show that  $\mathbf{I}$  lies inside  $\triangle ABC$  for  $k_1 = k_2 = 1$

14. Let  $a = BC, b = CA, c = AB, x = BU = BW, y = CU = CV, z = AV = AW$ . Find  $\mathbf{U}$ .

**Solution:** It is easy to verify that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.1.14.1)$$

which can be used to obtain  $x$  and  $y$ . Using the section formula,

$$\mathbf{U} = \frac{x\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A}}{x + y} \quad (2.1.14.2)$$

15. Show that the angle in a semi-circle is a right angle.

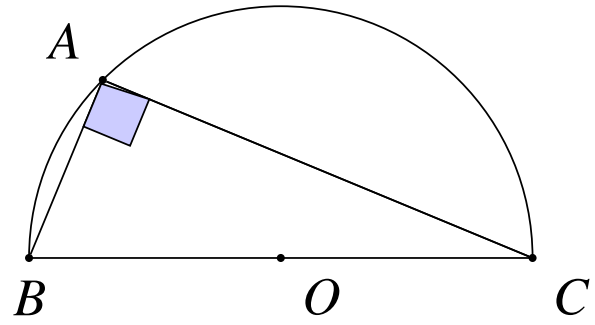


Fig. 2.1.15: Angle in a semi-circle.

**Solution:** Let

$$\mathbf{O} = 0 \quad (2.1.15.1)$$

From the given information,

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{B}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{C}\|^2 = r^2 \quad (2.1.15.2)$$

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 = (2r)^2 \quad (2.1.15.3)$$

$$\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C} = 0 \quad (2.1.15.4)$$

where  $r$  is the radius of the circle. Thus,

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 = 2\|\mathbf{A}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{C}\|^2 - 2\mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) \quad (2.1.15.5)$$

From (2.1.15.4) and (2.1.15.2),

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 = 4r^2 = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 \quad (2.1.15.6)$$

Thus, using Baudhayana's theorem,  $\triangle ABC$  is right angled.

16. Show that  $PA \cdot PB = PC^2$ , where  $PC$  is the tangent to the circle in Fig. 2.1.16.

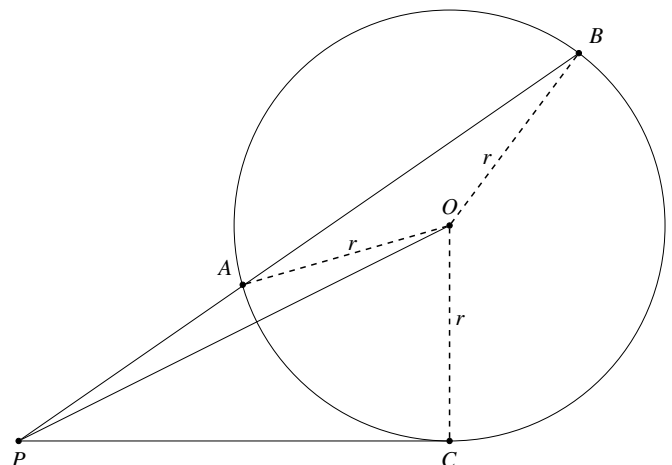


Fig. 2.1.16:  $PA \cdot PB = PC^2$ .

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{0}$ . Then, we have the following equations

$$PA.PB = \lambda \|\mathbf{A}\|^2 \quad \because (\mathbf{B} = \lambda\mathbf{A}) \quad (2.1.16.1)$$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = r^2 \quad (2.1.16.2)$$

$$\|\mathbf{O}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{C}\|^2 = r^2 \quad \triangle PCO \text{ is right angled} \quad (2.1.16.3)$$

$\therefore$

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = 0, \quad (2.1.16.4)$$

$$(\lambda^2 - 1)\|\mathbf{A}\|^2 - 2(\lambda - 1)\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{O} = 0 \quad (2.1.16.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow PA.PB = \lambda \|\mathbf{A}\|^2 = 2\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{O} - \|\mathbf{A}\|^2 \quad (2.1.16.6)$$

after substituting from (2.1.16.1) and simplifying. From (2.1.16.3),

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{O}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{C}\|^2 = r^2 \quad (2.1.16.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{O} - \|\mathbf{A}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{C}\|^2 = PC^2 \quad (2.1.16.8)$$

From (2.1.16.6) and (2.1.16.8),

$$PA.PB = PC^2 \quad (2.1.16.9)$$

17. In Fig. 2.1.17 show that  $PA.PB = PC.PD$ .

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{0}$ . We then have the following equations

$$\mathbf{B} = k_1\mathbf{A}, k_1 = \frac{PB}{PA} \quad (2.1.17.1)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = k_2\mathbf{C}, k_2 = \frac{PD}{PC}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 &= \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 \\ &= \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = r^2 \end{aligned} \quad (2.1.17.2)$$

where  $r$  is the radius of the circle and  $\mathbf{O}$  is the centre. From (2.1.17.2),

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 \quad (2.1.17.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = \|k\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 \quad (\text{from (2.1.17.1)}) \quad (2.1.17.4)$$

which can be simplified to obtain

$$k_1 \|\mathbf{A}\|^2 = 2\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{O} - \|\mathbf{A}\|^2 \quad (2.1.17.5)$$

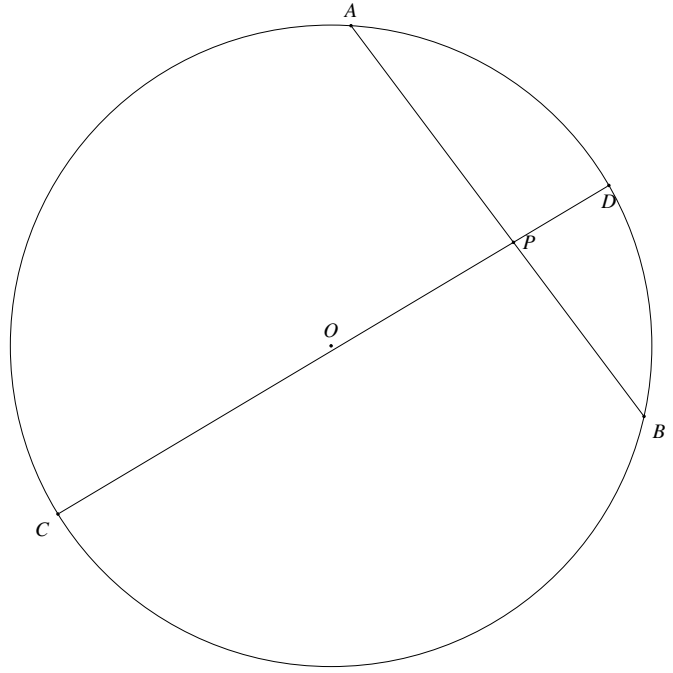


Fig. 2.1.17: Chords of a circle

Similarly,

$$k_2 \|\mathbf{C}\|^2 = 2\mathbf{C}^T\mathbf{O} - \|\mathbf{C}\|^2 \quad (2.1.17.6)$$

From (2.1.17.2), we also obtain

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 \quad (2.1.17.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{O} - \|\mathbf{A}\|^2 = 2\mathbf{C}^T\mathbf{O} - \|\mathbf{C}\|^2 \quad (2.1.17.8)$$

after simplification. Using this result in (2.1.17.5) and (2.1.17.6),

$$k_1 \|\mathbf{A}\|^2 = k_2 \|\mathbf{C}\|^2 \quad (2.1.17.9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{B}\| = \|\mathbf{C}\| \|\mathbf{D}\| \quad (2.1.17.10)$$

which completes the proof.

18. (Pole and Polar:) The polar of a point  $\mathbf{x}$  with respect to the curve

$$\mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{V}\mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^T\mathbf{x} + f = 0 \quad (2.1.18.1)$$

is the line

$$\mathbf{n}^T\mathbf{x} = c \quad (2.1.18.2)$$

where

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{n}^T \\ -c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{u}^T & f \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.1.18.3)$$

The pole of the line in (2.1.18.2) is obtained

as  $\frac{1}{x_3} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$ , where

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{u}^T & f \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{n}^T \\ -c \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.1.18.4)$$

19.  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$  are said to be conjugate points for (2.1.18.1) if  $\mathbf{x}_2$  lies on the polar of  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and vice-versa. A similar definition holds for conjugate lines as well.
20. Let  $\mathbf{p}$  be a point of intersection of two circles with centres  $\mathbf{c}_1$  and  $\mathbf{c}_2$ . The circles are said to be orthogonal if their tangents at  $\mathbf{p}$  are perpendicular to each other. Show that if  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  are their respective radii,

$$\|\mathbf{c}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2\|^2 = r_1^2 + r_2^2 \quad (2.1.20.1)$$

21. Show that the length of the tangent from a point  $\mathbf{p}$  to the circle

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \quad (2.1.21.1)$$

is

$$\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{p} - 2\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{p} + f \quad (2.1.21.2)$$

This length is also known as the *power* of the point  $\mathbf{p}$  with respect to the circle.

22. The *radical axis* of the circles

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{c}_1^T \mathbf{x} + f_1 = 0 \quad (2.1.22.1)$$

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{c}_2^T \mathbf{x} + f_2 = 0 \quad (2.1.22.2)$$

is the locus of the points from which lengths of the tangents to the circles are equal. From (2.1.25), this locus is

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{c}_1^T \mathbf{x} + f_1 - \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{c}_2^T \mathbf{x} + f_2 = 0 \quad (2.1.22.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(\mathbf{c}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2)^T \mathbf{x} + f_2 - f_1 = 0 \quad (2.1.22.4)$$

23. Show that the radical axis of the circles is perpendicular to the line joining their centres.
24. *Coaxal circles* have the same radical axis.
25. Obtain a family of coaxial circles from and find their *limit points*.

**Solution:** The family of circles is obtained as

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} - 2(\mathbf{c}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{c}_2)^T \mathbf{x} + f_1 + \lambda f_2 = 0 \quad (2.1.25.1)$$

The limit points are the centres of those cir-

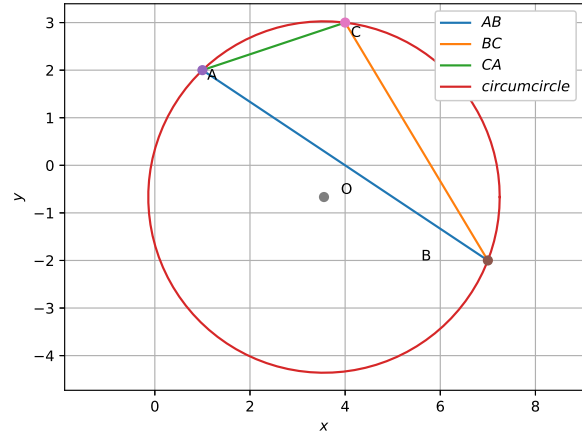


Fig. 2.2.2

cles whose radii are 0. From (2.1.25.1) and (2.1.2.2), this results in

$$f_1 + \lambda f_2 = (\mathbf{c}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{c}_2)^T (\mathbf{c}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{c}_2) \quad (2.1.25.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 \|\mathbf{c}_2\|^2 + \lambda (2\mathbf{c}_1^T \mathbf{c}_2 - f_2) + \|\mathbf{c}_1\|^2 - f_1 = 0 \quad (2.1.25.3)$$

Solving for  $\lambda$ , the limit points are given by

$$\mathbf{c}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{c}_2 \quad (2.1.25.4)$$

## 2.2 Programming

1. Find the circumcentre  $\mathbf{O}$  and radius  $R$  of  $\triangle ABC$  in Fig. 1.3.2

**Solution:**  $\mathbf{O}$  can be obtained from The following code computes  $\mathbf{O}$  using (2.1.3.3) and (2.1.3.4)

```
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gadepall/school/master/linalg/book/codes/circumcentre.py
```

2. Plot the circumcircle of  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Solution:** The following code plots Fig. 2.2.2

```
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gadepall/school/master/linalg/book/codes/circumcircle.py
```

3. Consider a circle with centre  $\mathbf{I}$  and radius  $r$  that lies within  $\triangle ABC$  and touches  $BC, CA$  and  $AB$  at  $\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V}$  and  $\mathbf{W}$  respectively.
4. Compute  $\mathbf{I}$  and  $r$ .

**Solution:** The following code uses (2.1.12.4) and (2.1.11.10) to compute  $\mathbf{I}$  and  $r$  respectively.

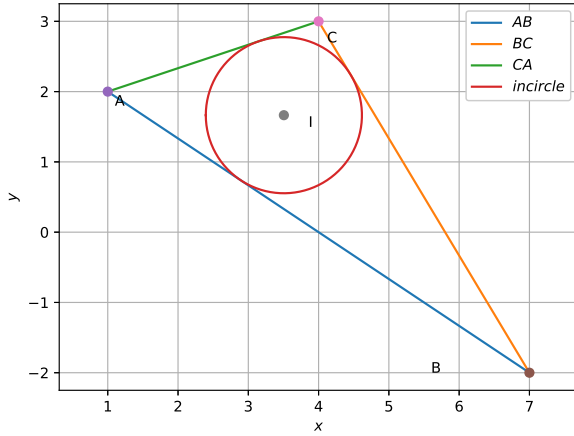


Fig. 2.2.5

<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gadepall/school/master/linalg/book/codes/incircle.py>

### 5. Plot the incircle of $\triangle ABC$

**Solution:** The following code plots the incircle in Fig. 2.2.5

<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gadepall/school/master/linalg/book/codes/incircle.py>

## 2.3 Example

### 1. Find the centre and radius of the circle

$$C_1 : \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} - (2 \ 0) \mathbf{x} - 1 = 0 \quad (2.3.1.1)$$

**Solution:** let  $\mathbf{c}$  be the centre of the circle. Then

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}\|^2 = r^2 \quad (2.3.1.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c})^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}) = r^2 \quad (2.3.1.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} = r^2 - \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{c} \quad (2.3.1.4)$$

Comparing with (2.3.1.1),

$$\mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.3.1.5)$$

$$r^2 - \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{c} = 1 \Rightarrow r = \sqrt{2} \quad (2.3.1.6)$$

### 2. Find the tangent to the circle $C_1$ at the point $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Solution:** From (3.1.6), the tangent  $T$  is given by

$$\left[ \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \mathbf{x} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \quad (2.3.2.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow T : \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = 3 \quad (2.3.2.2)$$

where

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.3.2.3)$$

### 3. The tangent $T$ in (2.3.2.2) cuts off a chord $AB$ from a circle $C_2$ whose centre is

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.3.3.1)$$

Find  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$ .

**Solution:** Let the radius of  $C_2$  be  $r$ . From the given information,

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C})^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}) = r^2 \quad (2.3.3.2)$$

$$(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) = r^2 \quad (2.3.3.3)$$

Subtracting (2.3.3.3) from (2.3.3.2),

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B} - 2\mathbf{C}^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (2.3.3.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) - 2\mathbf{C}^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} - 2\mathbf{C})^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (2.3.3.5)$$

$\therefore \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}$  lie on  $T$ , from (2.3.2.2),

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{B} = 3 \quad (2.3.3.6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) = 0, \quad (2.3.3.7)$$

From (2.3.3.5) and (2.3.3.7)

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} - 2\mathbf{C} = k\mathbf{n} \quad (2.3.3.8)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{B} - 2\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{C} = k\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{n} \quad (2.3.3.9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{B} - 2\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{C}}{\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{n}} = k \quad (2.3.3.10)$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 2 \quad (2.3.3.11)$$

using (2.3.3.6). Substituting in (2.3.3.8)

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = 2(\mathbf{n} + \mathbf{C}) \quad (2.3.3.12)$$

### 4. If $AB = 4$ , find $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B}$ .

**Solution:** From the given information,

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 = 4^2 \quad (2.3.4.1)$$

resulting in

$$\|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 = 4 \|\mathbf{n} + \mathbf{C}\|^2 - 4^2 \quad (2.3.4.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B} = \|\mathbf{n} + \mathbf{C}\|^2 - 4 = 17 \quad (2.3.4.3)$$

using (2.3.3.12) and simplifying.

5. Show that

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C})^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) = 8 - r^2 \quad (2.3.5.1)$$

**Solution:**

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 = 4^2 \quad (2.3.5.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) = 4^2 \quad (2.3.5.3)$$

From (2.3.5.3),

$$[(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}) - (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})]^T [(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}) - (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})] = 4^2 \quad (2.3.5.4)$$

which can be expressed as

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + 2(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C})^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) = 4^2 \quad (2.3.5.5)$$

Upon substituting from (2.3.3.3) and (2.3.3.2) and simplifying, (2.3.5.1) is obtained.

6. Find  $r$ .

**Solution:** (2.3.5.1) can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}^T (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) + \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C} = 8 - r^2 \quad (2.3.6.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 - \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}^T (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) - \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C} = r^2 \quad (2.3.6.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 - \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}^T (2\mathbf{n} + \mathbf{C}) = r^2 \quad (2.3.6.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \sqrt{6}. \quad (2.3.6.4)$$

7. Summarize all the above computations through a Python script and plot the tangent and circle.

**Solution:** The following code generates Fig. 2.3.7.

```
wget
https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/
linalg/circle/codes/circ.py
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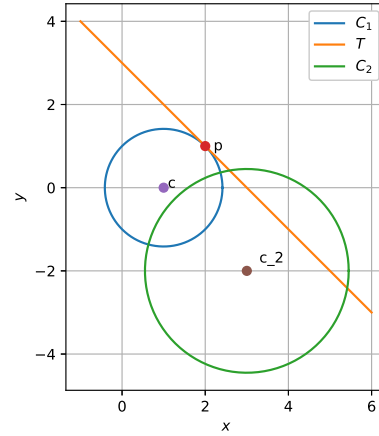


Fig. 2.3.7

## 2.4 Exercises

1. A circle passes through the points  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ . If its centre  $\mathbf{O}$  lies on the line

$$(-1 \ 4)\mathbf{x} - 3 = 0 \quad (2.4.1.1)$$

find its radius.

**Solution:** Let

$$\mathbf{C} = \frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}}{2} \Rightarrow \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.1.2)$$

The direction vector of  $AB$  is

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.1.3)$$

$$\because OC \perp AB,$$

$$OC : \mathbf{m}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{C}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 \ 1)\mathbf{x} = 7 \quad (2.4.1.4)$$

Thus,  $\mathbf{O}$  is the intersection of (2.4.1.1) and (2.4.1.4) and is the solution of the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.1.5)$$



From the augmented matrix,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 7 \\ -1 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{O} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.1.6)$$

Thus the radius of the circle

$$OA = \|\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{A}\| = \sqrt{10} \quad (2.4.1.7)$$

2. If a circle  $C_1$ , whose radius is 3, touches externally the circle

$$C_2 : \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} + (2 \ -4) \mathbf{x} = 4 \quad (2.4.2.1)$$

at the point  $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , then find the length of the intercept cut by this circle  $C$  on the  $x$ -axis.

**Solution:** From (2.4.2.1), the centre of  $C_2$  is

$$\mathbf{O}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.2.2)$$

The radius of the circle is given by

$$r_2^2 - \mathbf{O}_2^T \mathbf{O}_2 = 4 \Rightarrow r_2 = 3 \quad (2.4.2.3)$$

Since the radius of  $C_1$  is  $r_1 = r_2 = 3$  and  $\mathbf{O}_1, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{O}_2$  are collinear,

$$\frac{\mathbf{O}_1 + \mathbf{O}_2}{2} = \mathbf{P} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{O}_1 = 2\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{O}_2 \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{O}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.2.4)$$

The intercepts of  $C_1$  on the  $x$ -axis can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{m} \quad (2.4.2.5)$$

where

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.2.6)$$

Substituting in the equation for  $C_1$ ,

$$\|\lambda \mathbf{m} - \mathbf{O}_1\|^2 = r_1^2 \quad (2.4.2.7)$$

which can be expressed as

$$\lambda^2 \|\mathbf{m}\|^2 - 2\lambda \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{O}_1 + \|\mathbf{O}_1\|^2 - r_1^2 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 20 = 0 \quad (2.4.2.8)$$

resulting in

$$\lambda = 5 \pm \sqrt{5} \quad (2.4.2.9)$$

after substituting from (2.4.2.6) and (2.4.2.4).

3. A line drawn through the point

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.3.1)$$

cuts the circle

$$C : \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 9 \quad (2.4.3.2)$$

at the points  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ . Find  $PA.PB$ . Draw  $PAB$  for any two points  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}$  on the circle.

**Solution:** Since the points  $\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}$  are collinear, the line  $PAB$  can be expressed as

$$L : \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P} + \lambda \mathbf{m} \quad (2.4.3.3)$$

for  $\|\mathbf{m}\| = 1$ . The intersection of  $L$  and  $C$  yields

$$(\mathbf{P} + \lambda \mathbf{m})^T (\mathbf{P} + \lambda \mathbf{m}) = 9 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 2\lambda \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{P} + \|\mathbf{P}\|^2 - 9 = 0 \quad (2.4.3.4)$$

The product of the roots in (2.4.3.4) is

$$PA.PB = \|\mathbf{P}\|^2 - 9 = 56 \quad (2.4.3.5)$$

4. Find the equation of the circle  $C_2$ , which is the mirror image of the circle

$$C_1 : \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} - (2 \ 0) \mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (2.4.4.1)$$

in the line

$$L : (1 \ 1) \mathbf{x} = 3. \quad (2.4.4.2)$$

**Solution:** From (2.4.4.1), circle  $C_1$  has centre at

$$\mathbf{O}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.4.3)$$

and radius

$$r_1 = \mathbf{O}_1^T \mathbf{O}_1 = 1 \quad (2.4.4.4)$$

The centre of  $C_2$  is the reflection of  $\mathbf{O}_1$  about  $L$  and is obtained as

$$\frac{\mathbf{O}_2}{2} = \frac{\mathbf{m} \mathbf{m}^T - \mathbf{n} \mathbf{n}^T}{\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{m} + \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{n}} \mathbf{O}_1 + c \frac{\mathbf{n}}{\|\mathbf{n}\|^2} \quad (2.4.4.5)$$

where the relevant parameters are obtained from (2.4.4.2) as

$$\mathbf{n} = (1 \ 1), \mathbf{m} = (1 \ -1), c = 3. \quad (2.4.4.6)$$

Substituting the above in (2.4.4.5),

$$\frac{\mathbf{O}_2}{2} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}{4} \mathbf{O}_1 + c \frac{\mathbf{n}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{O}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.4.7)$$

Thus

$$C_2 : \left\| \mathbf{x} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = 1 \quad (2.4.4.8)$$

5. One of the diameters of the circle, given by

$$C : \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 12 \quad (2.4.5.1)$$

is a chord of a circle  $S$ , whose centre is at

$$\mathbf{O}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.4.5.2)$$

Find the radius of  $S$ .

**Solution:** From (2.4.5.1), the centre of  $C$  is

$$\mathbf{O}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.5.3)$$

and the radius is

$$r_1 = \sqrt{\mathbf{O}_1^T \mathbf{O}_1 - 12} = 5 \quad (2.4.5.4)$$

From (2.4.5.3) and (2.4.5.2),

$$O_1 O_2 = \|\mathbf{O}_1 - \mathbf{O}_2\| = 5\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow r_2 = \sqrt{O_1 O_2^2 - r_1^2} = 5 \quad (2.4.5.5)$$

6. A circle  $C$  passes through

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.6.1)$$

and touches the  $y$ -axis at

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.4.6.2)$$

Which one of the following equations can represent a diameter of this circle?

(i)  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 6$       (iii)  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 3$

(ii)  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 10 = 0$  (iv)  $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 4 = 0$

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{O}$  be the centre of  $C$ . Then the

equation of the normal,  $OQ$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{Q}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{O} = 2 \quad (2.4.6.3)$$

Also,

$$\|\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{P}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{Q}\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Q})^T \mathbf{O} = \|\mathbf{P}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{Q}\|^2$$

or,  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{O} = -4 \quad (2.4.6.4)$

(2.4.6.3) and (2.4.6.4) result in the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{O} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.6.5)$$

yielding the augmented matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{O} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.6.6)$$

Hence, option ii) is correct.

7. Find the equation of the tangent to the circle, at the point

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.4.7.1)$$

whose centre  $\mathbf{O}$  is the point of intersection of the straight lines

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 3 \quad (2.4.7.2)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (2.4.7.3)$$

**Solution:** From (2.4.7.2) and (2.4.7.3), we obtain the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{O} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.7.4)$$

yielding the augmented matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{O} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.7.5)$$

Thus, the equation of the desired tangent is

$$(\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{P})^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{P}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = -3 \quad (2.4.7.6)$$

8. The line

$$\Gamma : \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.8.1)$$

intersects the circle

$$\Omega : \left\| \mathbf{x} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = 5 \quad (2.4.8.2)$$

at points  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$  respectively. The mid point of  $PQ$  is  $\mathbf{R}$  such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} = -\frac{3}{5} \quad (2.4.8.3)$$

Find  $m$ .

**Solution:** Let

$$\mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{O} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.8.4)$$

The intersection of (2.4.8.1) and (2.4.8.2) is

$$\|\mathbf{c} + \lambda \mathbf{m} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 = 25 \quad (2.4.8.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \lambda^2 \|\mathbf{m}\|^2 + 2\lambda \mathbf{m}^T (\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{O}) \\ + \|\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 - 25 = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.4.8.6)$$

Since  $\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q}$  lie on  $\Gamma$ ,

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{c} + \lambda_1 \mathbf{m} \quad (2.4.8.7)$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{c} + \lambda_2 \mathbf{m} \quad (2.4.8.8)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{Q}}{2} = \mathbf{c} + \frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}{2} \mathbf{m} \quad (2.4.8.9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{Q}}{2} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ &+ \frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} \end{aligned} \quad (2.4.8.10)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{c} - \frac{\mathbf{m}^T (\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{O})}{\|\mathbf{m}\|^2} \quad (2.4.8.11)$$

using the sum of roots in (2.4.8.6). From (2.4.8.3) and (2.4.8.4),

$$-\begin{pmatrix} 1 & m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{3}{5} (1 + m^2) \quad (2.4.8.12)$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 5m + 6 = 0 \quad (2.4.8.13)$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 2 \text{ or } 3 \quad (2.4.8.14)$$

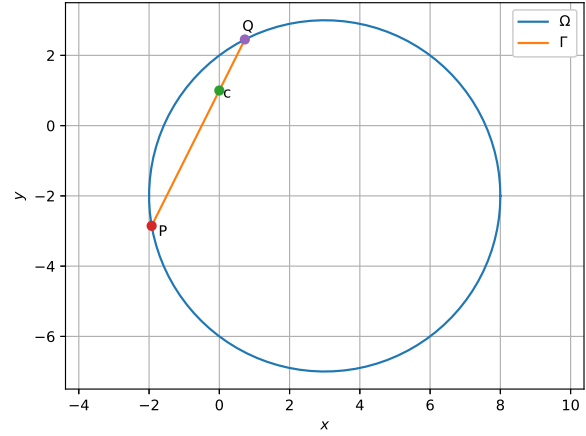


Fig. 2.4.8

From (2.4.8.6),

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= \frac{-\mathbf{m}^T (\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{O})}{\|\mathbf{m}\|^2} \\ &\pm \frac{\sqrt{(\mathbf{m}^T (\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{O}))^2 - \|\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{O}\|^2 + 25}}{\|\mathbf{m}\|^2} \end{aligned} \quad (2.4.8.15)$$

Fig. 2.4.8 summarizes the solution for  $m = 2$ .

### 3 CONICS

#### 3.1 Definitions

1. From (1.2.19.2), the equation of a conic section is

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \quad (3.1.1.1)$$

for

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{u}^T & f \end{vmatrix} \neq 0 \quad (3.1.1.2)$$

2. Show that

$$\frac{d(\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x})}{d\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{u} \quad (3.1.2.1)$$

3. Show that

$$\frac{d(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x})}{d\mathbf{x}} = 2\mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (3.1.3.1)$$

4. Show that

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dx_1} = \mathbf{m} \quad (3.1.4.1)$$

5. Find the *normal* vector to the curve in (1.2.19.2) at point  $\mathbf{p}$ .

**Solution:** Differentiating (1.2.19.2) with respect to  $x_1$ ,

$$\frac{d(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x})}{d\mathbf{x}} \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dx_1} + \frac{d(\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x})}{d\mathbf{x}} \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dx_1} = 0 \quad (3.1.5.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{m} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{m} = 0 \because \left( \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dx_1} = \mathbf{m} \right) \quad (3.1.5.2)$$

Substituting  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{p}$  and simplifying

$$(\mathbf{V} \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{u})^T \mathbf{m} = 0 \quad (3.1.5.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{u} \quad (3.1.5.4)$$

6. The *tangent* to the curve at  $\mathbf{p}$  is given by

$$\mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) = 0 \quad (3.1.6)$$

This results in

$$(\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{V} + \mathbf{u}^T) \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{u} + f = 0 \quad (3.1.6)$$

7. Let  $\mathbf{P}$  be a rotation matrix and  $\mathbf{c}$  be a vector. Then

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{c}. \quad (3.1.7)$$

is known as an *affine* transformation.

8. Classify the various conic sections based on (1.2.19.2).

**Solution:**

Curve	Property
Circle	$V = kI$
Parabola	$\det(V) = 0$
Ellipse	$\det(V) > 0$
Hyperbola	$\det(V) < 0$

TABLE 3.1.8

### 3.2 Parabola

1. Find the tangent at  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$  to the parabola

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 6 = 0 \quad (3.2.1.1)$$

**Solution:** Substituting

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.2.1.2)$$

in (3.1.6), the desired equation is

$$\left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right] \mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + 6 = 0 \quad (3.2.1.3)$$

resulting in

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = -5 \quad (3.2.1.4)$$

2. The line in (3.2.1.4) touches the circle

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} + 4 \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + c = 0 \quad (3.2.2.1)$$

Find  $c$ .

**Solution:** Comparing (1.2.19.2) and (3.2.2.1),

$$V = I, \quad \mathbf{u} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.2.2.2)$$

Comparing (3.1.6) and (3.2.1.4),

$$\mathbf{p} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.2.2.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{p} = -\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.2.2.4)$$

and

$$c + \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{u} = 5 \quad (3.2.2.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 5 + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.2.2.6)$$

$$= 95 \quad (3.2.2.7)$$

3. Summarize all the above computations through a Python script and plot the parabola, tangent and circle.

**Solution:** The following code generates Fig. 3.2.3.

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wget
https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/
linalg/book/codes/parab.py
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### 3.3 Affine Transformation

- In general, Fig. 3.2.3 was generated using an *affine transformation*.
- Express

$$y_2 = y_1^2 \quad (3.3.2.1)$$

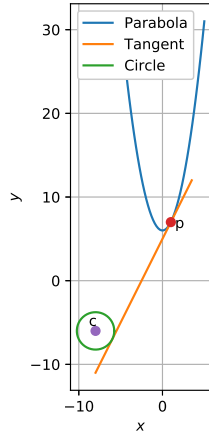


Fig. 3.2.3

as a matrix equation.

**Solution:** (3.3.2.1) can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{y} + 2\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{y} = 0 \quad (3.3.2.2)$$

where

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{g} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.3.2.3)$$

3. Given

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x} + F = 0, \quad (3.3.3.1)$$

where

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}^T, \det(\mathbf{V}) = 0, \quad (3.3.3.2)$$

and  $\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{c}$  such that

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{c}. \quad (3.3.3.3)$$

(3.3.3.3) is known as an affine transformation. Show that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D} &= \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{P} \\ \mathbf{g} &= \mathbf{P}^T (\mathbf{V} \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{u}) \end{aligned} \quad (3.3.3.4)$$

$$F + \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{c} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{c} = 0$$

**Solution:** Substituting (3.3.3.3) in (3.3.3.1),

$$(\mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{c})^T \mathbf{V} (\mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{c}) + 2\mathbf{u}^T (\mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{c}) + F = 0, \quad (3.3.3.5)$$

which can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} + 2(\mathbf{V} \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{u})^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} \\ + F + \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{c} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{c} = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.3.3.6)$$

Comparing (3.3.3.6) with (3.3.2.2) (3.3.3.4) is obtained.

4. Show that there exists a  $\mathbf{P}$  such that

$$\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{I} \quad (3.3.4.1)$$

Find  $\mathbf{P}$  using

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{P} \quad (3.3.4.2)$$

5. Find  $\mathbf{c}$  from (3.3.3.4).

**Solution:**

$$\because \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{P}^T (\mathbf{V} \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{u}), \quad (3.3.5.1)$$

$$\mathbf{V} \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{u} \quad (3.3.5.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{c}^T (\mathbf{P} \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{u}) = -F - 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{c} \quad (3.3.5.3)$$

resulting in the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V} \\ (\mathbf{P} \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{u})^T \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{u} \\ -F \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.3.5.4)$$

for computing  $\mathbf{c}$ .

### 3.4 Ellipse: Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

1. Express the following equation in the form given in (1.2.19.2)

$$E : 5x_1^2 - 6x_1x_2 + 5x_2^2 + 22x_1 - 26x_2 + 29 = 0 \quad (3.4.1.1)$$

**Solution:** (3.4.1.1) can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x} + 29 = 0 \quad (3.4.1.2)$$

where

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ -13 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.4.1.3)$$

2. Using the affine transformation in (3.3.3.3), show that (3.4.1.2) can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{y} = 1 \quad (3.4.2.1)$$

where

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{P} \quad (3.4.2.2)$$

$$\mathbf{c} = -\mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{u} \quad (3.4.2.3)$$

for

$$\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{I} \quad (3.4.2.4)$$

3. Find  $\mathbf{c}$

**Solution:**

$$\mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.4.3.1)$$

4. If

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.4.4.1)$$

$$P = (\mathbf{P}_1 \quad \mathbf{P}_2) \quad (3.4.4.2)$$

show that

$$V\mathbf{z} = \lambda\mathbf{z} \quad (3.4.4.3)$$

where  $\lambda \in \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2\}$ ,  $\mathbf{z} \in \{\mathbf{P}_1, \mathbf{P}_2\}$ .

5. Find  $\lambda$ .

**Solution:**  $\lambda$  is obtained by solving the following equation.

$$|\lambda I - V| = 0 \quad (3.4.5.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 5 & 3 \\ 3 & \lambda - 5 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (3.4.5.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 16 = 0 \quad (3.4.5.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2, 8 \quad (3.4.5.4)$$

6. Sketch 3.4.2.1.

7. Find  $\mathbf{P}_1$  and  $\mathbf{P}_2$ .

**Solution:** From (3.4.4.3)

$$V\mathbf{P}_1 = \lambda_1\mathbf{P}_1 \quad (3.4.7.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow (V - \lambda_1 I)\mathbf{y} = 0 \quad (3.4.7.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 = 0 \quad (3.4.7.3)$$

$$\text{or, } \mathbf{P}_1 = k_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.4.7.4)$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_2 = 0 \quad (3.4.7.5)$$

$$\text{or, } \mathbf{P}_2 = k_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.4.7.6)$$

8. Find  $\mathbf{P}$ .

**Solution:** From (3.4.2.4) and (3.4.4.2),

$$k_1 = \frac{1}{\left\| \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (3.4.8.1)$$

$$k_2 = \frac{1}{\left\| \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (3.4.8.2)$$

Thus,

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.4.8.3)$$

9. Find the equation of the major axis for  $E$ .

**Solution:** The major axis for (3.4.2.1) is the line

$$\mathbf{y} = \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.4.9.1)$$

Using the affine transformation in (3.3.3.3)

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{c} \quad (3.4.9.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c} = \lambda_1 \mathbf{P}_1 \quad (3.4.9.3)$$

$$\text{or, } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.4.9.4)$$

$$= -3 \quad (3.4.9.5)$$

since

$$P \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{P}_1 \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 = 0 \quad (3.4.9.6)$$

which is the major axis of the ellipse  $E$ .

10. Find the minor axis of  $E$ .

11. Let  $\mathbf{F}_1, \mathbf{F}_2$  be such that

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F}_1\| + \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F}_2\| = 2k \quad (3.4.11.1)$$

Find  $\mathbf{F}_1, \mathbf{F}_2$  and  $k$ .

12. Summarize all the above computations through a Python script and plot the ellipses in (3.4.1.1) and (3.4.2.1).

**Solution:** The following script plots Fig. 3.4.12 using the principles of an affine transformation.

<https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/linalg/book/codes/ellipse.py>

### 3.5 Hyperbola

1. Tangents are drawn to the hyperbola

$$\mathbf{x}^T V \mathbf{x} = 36 \quad (3.5.1.1)$$

where

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.5.1.2)$$

at points  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$ . If these tangents intersect at

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.5.1.3)$$

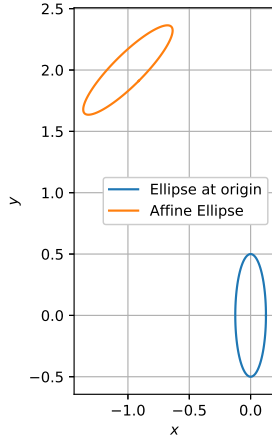


Fig. 3.4.12

find the equation of  $PQ$ .

**Solution:** The equations of the two tangents are obtained using (3.1.6) as

$$\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} = 36 \quad (3.5.1.4)$$

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} = 36. \quad (3.5.1.5)$$

Since both pass through  $\mathbf{T}$

$$\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{T} = 36 \implies \mathbf{P}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = 36 \quad (3.5.1.6)$$

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{T} = 36 \implies \mathbf{Q}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = 36 \quad (3.5.1.7)$$

Thus,  $\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q}$  satisfy

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = -36 \quad (3.5.1.8)$$

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = -12 \quad (3.5.1.9)$$

which is the equation of  $PQ$ .

2. In  $\triangle PTQ$ , find the equation of the altitude  $TD \perp PQ$ .

**Solution:** Since

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (3.5.2.1)$$

using (1.2.25) and (3.5.1.9), the equation of  $TD$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{T}) = 0 \quad (3.5.2.2)$$

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (3.5.2.3)$$

3. Find  $D$ .

**Solution:** From (3.5.1.9) and (3.5.2.3),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.5.3.1)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.5.3.2)$$

4. Show that the equation of  $PQ$  can also be expressed as

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{D} + \lambda \mathbf{m} \quad (3.5.4.1)$$

where

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.5.4.2)$$

5. Show that for  $\mathbf{V}^T = \mathbf{V}$ ,

$$(\mathbf{D} + \lambda \mathbf{m})^T \mathbf{V} (\mathbf{D} + \lambda \mathbf{m}) + F = 0 \quad (3.5.5.1)$$

can be expressed as

$$\lambda^2 \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{m} + 2\lambda \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{D} + \mathbf{D}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{D} + F = 0 \quad (3.5.5.2)$$

6. Find  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$ .

**Solution:** From (3.5.4.1) and (3.5.1.1) (3.5.5.2) is obtained. Substituting from (3.5.4.2), (3.5.1.2) and (3.5.3.2)

$$\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 4 \quad (3.5.6.1)$$

$$\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (3.5.6.2)$$

$$\mathbf{D}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -12 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} = -144 \quad (3.5.6.3)$$

Substituting in (3.5.5.2)

$$4\lambda^2 - 144 = 36 \quad (3.5.6.4)$$

$$\implies \lambda = \pm 3\sqrt{5} \quad (3.5.6.5)$$

Substituting in (3.5.4.1),

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D} + 3\sqrt{5}\mathbf{m} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{5} \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.5.6.6)$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{D} - 3\sqrt{5}\mathbf{m} = -3 \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{5} \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.5.6.7)$$

7. Find the area of  $\triangle PTQ$ .

**Solution:** Since

$$PQ = \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Q}\| = 6\sqrt{5} \quad (3.5.7.1)$$

$$TD = \|\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{D}\| = 15, \quad (3.5.7.2)$$

the desired area is

$$\frac{1}{2}PQ \times TD = 45\sqrt{5} \quad (3.5.7.3)$$

8. Repeat the previous exercise using determinants.
9. Summarize all the above computations through a Python script and plot the hyperbola.

### 3.6 Exercises

1. Two parabolas with a common vertex and with axes along  $x$ -axis and  $y$ -axis, respectively, intersect each other in the first quadrant. If the length of the latus rectum of each parabola is 3, find the equation of the common tangent to the two parabolas.

**Solution:** The equation of a conic is given by

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x} + F = 0 \quad (3.6.1.1)$$

For the standard parabola,

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.1.2)$$

$$\mathbf{u} = -2a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.1.3)$$

$$F = 0 \quad (3.6.1.4)$$

The focus

$$\mathbf{F} = a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.1.5)$$

The Latus rectum is the line passing through  $\mathbf{F}$  with direction vector

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.1.6)$$

Thus, the equation of the Latus rectum is

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{F} + \lambda \mathbf{m} \quad (3.6.1.7)$$

The intersection of the latus rectum and the parabola is obtained from (3.6.1.4), (3.6.1.7) and (3.6.1.1) as

$$(\mathbf{F} + \lambda \mathbf{m})^T \mathbf{V} (\mathbf{F} + \lambda \mathbf{m}) + 2\mathbf{u}^T (\mathbf{F} + \lambda \mathbf{m}) = 0 \quad (3.6.1.8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies (\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{m}) \lambda^2 + 2(\mathbf{V} \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{u})^T \mathbf{m} \lambda \\ + (\mathbf{V} \mathbf{F} + 2\mathbf{u})^T \mathbf{F} = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.6.1.9)$$

From (3.6.1.2), (3.6.1.3), (3.6.1.5) and (3.6.1.6),

$$\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{m} = 1 \quad (3.6.1.10)$$

$$(\mathbf{V} \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{u})^T \mathbf{m} = 0 \quad (3.6.1.11)$$

$$(\mathbf{V} \mathbf{F} + 2\mathbf{u})^T \mathbf{F} = -4a^2 \quad (3.6.1.12)$$

Substituting from (3.6.1.10), (3.6.1.11) and (3.6.1.12) in (3.6.1.9),

$$\lambda^2 - 4a^2 = 0 \quad (3.6.1.13)$$

$$\implies \lambda_1 = 2a, \lambda_2 = -2a \quad (3.6.1.14)$$

Thus, from (3.6.1.6), (3.6.1.7) and (3.6.1.14), the length of the latus rectum is

$$(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) \|\mathbf{m}\| = 4a \quad (3.6.1.15)$$

From the given information, the two parabolas  $P_1, P_2$  have parameters

$$\mathbf{V}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_1 = -2a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, F_1 = 0 \quad (3.6.1.16)$$

$$\mathbf{V}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = -2a \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, F_2 = 0 \quad (3.6.1.17)$$

$$4a = 3 \quad (3.6.1.18)$$

Let  $L$  be the common tangent for  $P_1, P_2$  with  $\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}$  being the respective points of contact. The respective normal vectors are

$$\mathbf{n}_1 = \mathbf{V}_1 \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{u}_1 = -2a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\frac{c_2}{2a} \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.1.19)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2 = \mathbf{V}_2 \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{u}_2 = d_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\frac{2a}{d_1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.1.20)$$

From the above equations, since both normals have the same direction vector,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\frac{c_2}{2a} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\frac{2a}{d_1} \end{pmatrix} \implies c_2 d_1 = 4a^2 \quad (3.6.1.21)$$

2. Find the product of the perpendiculars drawn from the foci of the ellipse

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 25 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 225 \quad (3.6.2.1)$$

upon the tangent to it at the point

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5\sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.2.2)$$



**Solution:** For the ellipse in (3.6.2.1),

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{9} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{25} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u} = 0, F = -1 \quad (3.6.2.3)$$

The equation of the desired tangent is

$$(\mathbf{VP})^T \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (3.6.2.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{1}{3} \quad \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5} \right) \mathbf{x} = 2 \quad (3.6.2.5)$$

The foci of the ellipse are located at

$$\mathbf{F}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{F}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.2.6)$$

The product of the perpendiculars is

$$\frac{\left| \left( \frac{1}{3} \quad \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \right| \left| \left( \frac{1}{3} \quad \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \right|}{\left\| \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5} \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2} = 9 \quad (3.6.2.7)$$

3. Consider an ellipse, whose centre is at the origin and its major axis is along the  $x$ -axis. If its eccentricity is  $\frac{3}{5}$  and the distance between its foci is 6, then find the area of the quadrilateral inscribed in the ellipse, with the vertices as the vertices of the ellipse.

**Solution:** If  $a$  and  $b$  be the semi-major and minor-axis respectively, the foci of the ellipse are

$$\mathbf{F}_1 = ae \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{F}_2 = -ae \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.3.1)$$

From the given information,

$$e = \frac{3}{5}, 2ae = 6 \quad (3.6.3.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 5, b = a \sqrt{1 - e^2} = 4 \quad (3.6.3.3)$$

Thus, the vertices of the ellipse are

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -b \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.3.4)$$

and the area of the quadrilateral is

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & -a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & b \end{vmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & -a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -b \end{vmatrix} = 2ab = 40 \quad (3.6.3.5)$$

4. Let  $a$  and  $b$  respectively be the semi-transverse and semi-conjugate axes of a hyperbola whose

eccentricity satisfies the equation

$$9e^2 - 18e + 5 = 0 \quad (3.6.4.1)$$

If

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.4.2)$$

is a focus and

$$(5 \ 0) \mathbf{x} = 9 \quad (3.6.4.3)$$

is the corresponding directrix of this hyperbola, then find  $a^2 - b^2$ .

**Solution:** From (3.6.4.1),

$$(3e - 1)(3e - 5) = 0 \quad (3.6.4.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow e = \frac{5}{3}, \because e > 1 \quad (3.6.4.5)$$

for a hyperbola. Let  $\mathbf{x}$  be a point on the hyperbola. From (3.6.4.3), its distance from the directrix is

$$\frac{|(5 \ 0) \mathbf{x} - 9|}{5} \quad (3.6.4.6)$$

and from the focus is

$$\left\| \mathbf{x} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\| \quad (3.6.4.7)$$

From the definition of a hyperbola, the eccentricity is the ratio of these distances and (3.6.4.5), (3.6.4.6) and (3.6.4.7),

$$\frac{5 \left\| \mathbf{x} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\|}{|(5 \ 0) \mathbf{x} - 9|} = \frac{5}{3} \quad (3.6.4.8)$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 \{(x_1 - 5)^2 + x_2^2\} = (5x_1 - 9)^2 \quad (3.6.4.9)$$

$$\text{or, } \mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 16 & 0 \\ 0 & -9 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 225 \quad (3.6.4.10)$$

which is the equation of the hyperbola. Thus,

$$a^2 = \frac{225}{16}, b^2 = \frac{225}{9} \quad (3.6.4.11)$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - b^2 = -\frac{175}{16} \quad (3.6.4.12)$$

5. A variable line drawn through the intersection

of the lines

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 12 \quad (3.6.5.1)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 12 \quad (3.6.5.2)$$

meets the coordinate axes at  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ , then find the locus of the midpoint of  $AB$ .

**Solution:** The intersection of the lines in (3.6.5.1) is obtained through the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.5.3)$$

by forming the augmented matrix and row reduction as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 12 \\ 3 & 4 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 12 \\ 0 & 7 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 28 & 0 & 48 \\ 0 & 7 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \\ \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 7 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.5.4)$$

resulting in

$$\mathbf{C} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.6.5.5)$$

Let the  $\mathbf{R}$  be the mid point of  $AB$ . Then,

$$\mathbf{A} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \quad (3.6.5.6)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \quad (3.6.5.7)$$

Let the equation of  $AB$  be

$$\mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{C}) = 0 \quad (3.6.5.8)$$

Since  $\mathbf{R}$  lies on  $AB$ ,

$$\mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{C}) = 0 \quad (3.6.5.9)$$

Also,

$$\mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (3.6.5.10)$$

Substituting from (3.6.5.6) in (3.6.5.10),

$$\mathbf{n}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} = 0 \quad (3.6.5.11)$$

From (3.6.5.9) and (3.6.5.11),

$$(\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{C}) = k \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \quad (3.6.5.12)$$

for some constant  $k$ . Multiplying both sides of

(3.6.5.12) by

$$\mathbf{R}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.6.5.13)$$

$$\mathbf{R}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{C}) = k \mathbf{R}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ = k \mathbf{R}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} = 0 \quad (3.6.5.14)$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{R}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} = 0 \quad (3.6.5.15)$$

which can be easily verified for any  $\mathbf{R}$ . from (3.6.5.14),

$$\mathbf{R}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{C}) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{R}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{C} = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{R}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} - \mathbf{C}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} = 0 \quad (3.6.5.16)$$

which is the desired locus.

### 3.7 Miscellaneous

1. What does the equation

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - (4 \ 6) \mathbf{x} - 6 = 0 \quad (3.7.1.1)$$

become when the origin is moved to the point  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

2. To what point must the origin be moved in order that the equation

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -\frac{3}{2} \\ -\frac{3}{2} & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + (10 \ -19) \mathbf{x} + 23 = 0 \quad (3.7.2.1)$$

may become

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -\frac{3}{2} \\ -\frac{3}{2} & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (3.7.2.2)$$

3. Show that the equation

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = a^2 \quad (3.7.3.1)$$

remains unaltered by any rotation of the axes.

4. What does the equation

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \sqrt{3} \\ \sqrt{3} & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 2a^2 \quad (3.7.4.1)$$

become when the axes are turned through  $30^\circ$ ?

5. What does the equation

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - 4\sqrt{2}a(1 \ 1)\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (3.7.5.1)$$

become when the axes are turned through  $45^\circ$ ?

6. To what point must the origin be moved in order that the equation

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + (10 \ -4)\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (3.7.6.1)$$

may become

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (3.7.6.2)$$

and through what angle must the axes be turned in order to obtain

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & q \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (3.7.6.3)$$

7. Through what angle must the axes be turned to reduce the equation

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (3.7.7.1)$$

to the form

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = c \quad (3.7.7.2)$$

where  $c$  is a constant.

8. Show that, by changing the origin, the equation

$$2\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} + (7 \ 5)\mathbf{x} - 13 = 0 \quad (3.7.8.1)$$

can be transformed to

$$8\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 89 \quad (3.7.8.2)$$

9. Show that, by rotating the axes, the equation

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 3 & \frac{7}{2} \\ \frac{7}{2} & -3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (3.7.9.1)$$

can be reduced to

$$\sqrt{85}\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 2 \quad (3.7.9.2)$$

10. Show that, by rotating the axes, the equation

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 41 & 12 \\ 12 & 34 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 75 \quad (3.7.10.1)$$

can be reduced to

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 3 \quad (3.7.10.2)$$

11. Show that, by a change of origin and the directions of the coordinate axes, the equation

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - (14 \ 22)\mathbf{x} + 27 = 0 \quad (3.7.11.1)$$

can be transformed to

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (3.7.11.2)$$

or

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (3.7.11.3)$$

## 4 SOLID GEOMETRY

### 4.1 Lines and Planes

1.  $L_1$  is the intersection of planes

$$\begin{aligned} (2 \ -2 \ 3)\mathbf{x} &= 2 \\ (1 \ -1 \ 1)\mathbf{x} &= -1 \end{aligned} \quad (4.1.1.1)$$

Find its equation.

**Solution:** (4.1.1.1) can be written in matrix form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4.1.1.2)$$

and solved using the augmented matrix as follows

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1.1.3)$$

$$\leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1.1.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 - 5 \\ x_2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1.1.5)$$

which is the desired equation.

2. Summarize all the above computations through a Python script and plot  $L_1$ .

**Solution:** The following code generates Fig. 4.1.2.

```
wget
https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/
linalg/book/3d/codes/1.1.py
```

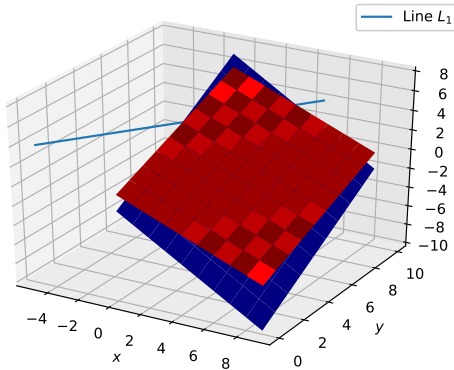


Fig. 4.1.2

3.  $L_2$  is the intersection of the planes

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 3 \quad (4.1.3.1)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (4.1.3.2)$$

Show that its equation is

$$\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1.3.3)$$

4. Plot  $L_2$ .

**Solution:** The following code generates Fig. 4.1.4.

```
wget
https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/
linalg/book/3d/codes/1.2.py
```

5. Do  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  intersect? If so, find their point of intersection  $P$ .

**Solution:** From (4.1.1.5), (4.1.3.3), the point of

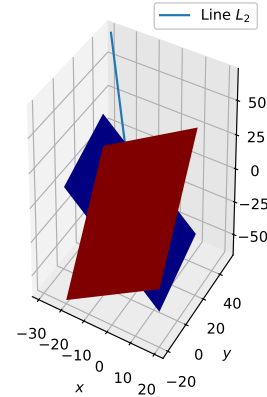


Fig. 4.1.4

intersection is given by

$$\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1.5.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \\ 0 & -7 \end{pmatrix} \Lambda = \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} 40 \\ 8 \\ -28 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1.5.2)$$

This matrix equation can be solved as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & \frac{40}{7} \\ 1 & -5 & \frac{8}{7} \\ 0 & -7 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 0 & \frac{224}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{4}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{4}{7} \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1.5.3)$$

$$\leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{4}{7} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ \frac{4}{7} \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1.5.4)$$

Substituting  $\lambda_1 = 4$  in (4.1.5.1)

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1.5.5)$$

6. Plot  $P$ .

**Solution:** The following code generates Fig. 4.1.6.

```
wget
https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/
linalg/book/3d/codes/1.3.py
```

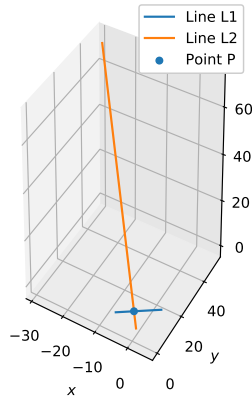


Fig. 4.1.6

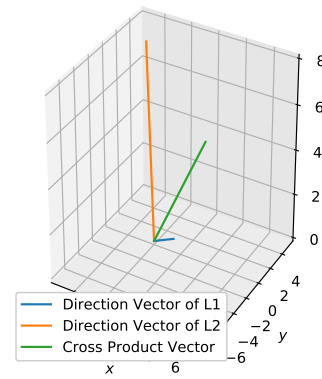


Fig. 4.2.2

## 4.2 Normal to a Plane

1. The cross product of  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  is defined as

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -a_3 & a_2 \\ a_3 & 0 & -a_1 \\ -a_2 & a_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.2.1.1)$$

From (4.1.1.5), (4.1.3.3), the direction vectors of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.2.1.2)$$

respectively. Find the direction vector of the normal to the plane spanned by  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ .

**Solution:** The desired vector is obtained as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{n} \quad (4.2.1.3)$$

2. Summarize all the above computations through a plot

**Solution:** The following code generates Fig. 4.2.2.

```
wget
https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/
linalg/book/3d/codes/2.1.py
```

3. Find the equation of the plane spanned by  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ .

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{x}_0$  be the intersection of  $L_1$  and

$L_2$ . Then the equation of the plane is

$$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)^T \mathbf{n} = 0 \quad (4.2.3.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{x}_0^T \mathbf{n} \quad (4.2.3.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = -3 \quad (4.2.3.3)$$

4. Summarize the above through a plot.

**Solution:** The following code generates Fig. 4.2.4.

```
wget
https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/
linalg/book/3d/codes/2.2.py
```

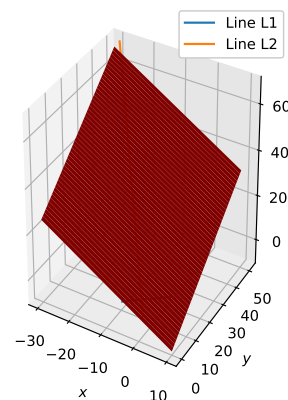


Fig. 4.2.4

5. Find the distance of the origin from the plane containing the lines  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ .

**Solution:** The distance from the origin to the plane is given by

$$\frac{|\mathbf{x}_0^T \mathbf{n}|}{\|\mathbf{n}\|} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \quad (4.2.5.1)$$

### 4.3 Projection on a Plane

1. Find the equation of the line  $L$  joining the points

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}^T \quad (4.3.1.1)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^T \quad (4.3.1.2)$$

**Solution:** The desired equation is

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{B} + \lambda(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) \quad (4.3.1.3)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.3.1.4)$$

2. Plot the above line.

**Solution:** The following code generates Fig. 4.3.2.

```
wget
https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/
linalg/book/3d/codes/3.1.py
```

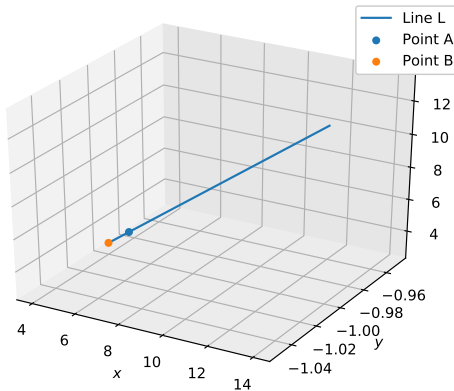


Fig. 4.3.2

3. Find the intersection of  $L$  and the plane  $P$  given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 7 \quad (4.3.3.1)$$

**Solution:** From (4.3.1.4) and (4.3.3.1),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 7 \quad (4.3.3.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 + 2\lambda = 7 \quad (4.3.3.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \quad (4.3.3.4)$$

Substituting in (4.3.1.4),

$$\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -1 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.3.3.5)$$

4. Sketch the line, plane and the point of intersection.

**Solution:** The following code generates Fig. 4.3.4.

```
wget
https://github.com/gadepall/school/raw/master/
linalg/book/3d/codes/3.2.py
```

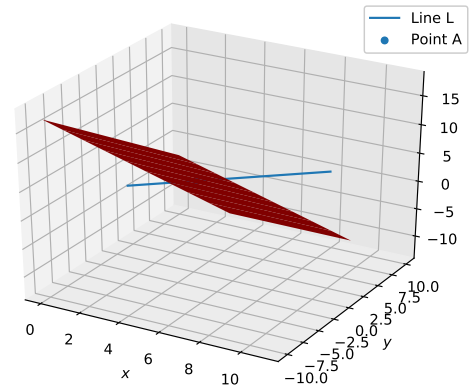


Fig. 4.3.4

5. Find  $\mathbf{C} \in P$  such that  $AC \perp P$ .

**Solution:** From (4.3.3.1), the direction vector of  $AC$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T$ . Hence, the equation of  $AC$  is

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.3.5.1)$$

Substituting in (4.3.3.1)

$$(1 \ 1 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda (1 \ 1 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 7 \quad (4.3.5.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + 3\lambda_1 = 7 \quad (4.3.5.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -\frac{1}{3} \quad (4.3.5.4)$$

Thus,

$$\mathbf{C} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ -4 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.3.5.5)$$

6. Show that if  $BD \perp P$  such that  $\mathbf{D} \in P$ ,

$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 13 \\ -2 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.3.6.1)$$

7. Find the projection of  $AB$  on the plane  $P$ .

**Solution:** The projection is given by

$$CD = \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{D}\| = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \quad (4.3.7.1)$$

8. Show that the projection of  $\mathbf{x}$  on  $\mathbf{y}$  is

$$\frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2} \mathbf{y} \quad (4.3.8.1)$$

#### 4.4 Coplanar vectors

1. If  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}$  are coplanar, show that

$$\mathbf{u}^T (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (4.4.1.1)$$

2. Find  $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$  given

$$\mathbf{A} = (2 \ 3 \ -1)^T \quad (4.4.2.1)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = (0 \ 1 \ 1)^T \quad (4.4.2.2)$$

**Solution:** From (4.2.1.1),

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 \\ -3 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.4.2.3)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.4.2.4)$$

3. Let  $\mathbf{u}$  be coplanar with  $\mathbf{A}$  such that  $\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{A}$  and

$$\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{B} = 24. \quad (4.4.3.1)$$

Find  $\|\mathbf{u}\|^2$ .

**Solution:** From (4.4.2.4) and the given information,

$$\mathbf{u}^T (4 \ -2 \ 2) = 0 \quad (4.4.3.2)$$

$$\mathbf{u}^T (2 \ 3 \ -1) = 0 \quad (4.4.3.3)$$

$$\mathbf{u}^T (0 \ 1 \ 1) = 24 \quad (4.4.3.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.4.3.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{u} = 4 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.4.3.6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 = 336 \quad (4.4.3.7)$$

#### 4.5 Least Squares

1. Find the equation of the plane  $P$  containing the vectors

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.5.1.1)$$

2. Show that the vector

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.5.2.1)$$

lies outside  $P$ .

3. Find the point  $\mathbf{w} \in P$  closest to  $\mathbf{y}$ .

4. Show that

$$\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \quad (4.5.4.1)$$

$$- \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} \quad (4.5.4.2)$$

5. Assuming  $2 \times 2$  matrices and  $2 \times 1$  vectors, show that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{X} \quad (4.5.5.1)$$

6. Show that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} = 2\mathbf{w}^T (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}) \quad (4.5.6.1)$$

7. Show that

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \min_{\mathbf{w}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|^2 \quad (4.5.7.1)$$

$$= (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \quad (4.5.7.2)$$

8. Let

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1 \quad \mathbf{x}_2). \quad (4.5.8.1)$$

from (4.5.1.1). Verify (4.5.7.2).

#### 4.6 Orthogonality

1. Let

$$L_1 : \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.6.1.1)$$

$$L_2 : \quad \mathbf{x} = \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.6.1.2)$$

Given that  $L_3 \perp L_1, L_3 \perp L_2$ , find  $L_3$ .

**Solution:** Let

$$L_3 : \quad \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c} + \lambda \mathbf{m}_3 \quad (4.6.1.3)$$

Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{m}_3 = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.6.1.4)$$

Row reducing the coefficient matrix,

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.6.1.5)$$

$$\leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{m}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.6.1.6)$$

Also,  $L_1 \perp L_2$ , but  $L_1 \cup L_2 = \phi$ . The given information can be summarized as

$$L_1 : \quad \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}_1 + \lambda_1 \mathbf{m}_1 \quad (4.6.1.7)$$

$$L_2 : \quad \mathbf{x} = \lambda_2 \mathbf{m}_2 \quad (4.6.1.8)$$

$$L_3 : \quad \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}_3 + \lambda \mathbf{m}_3 \quad (4.6.1.9)$$

where

$$\mathbf{c}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{m}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{m}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.6.1.10)$$

The objective is to find  $\mathbf{c}_3$ . Since  $L_1 \cup L_3 \neq \phi, L_2 \cup L_3 \neq \phi$ , from (4.6.1.7)-(4.6.1.9),

$$\mathbf{c}_1 + \lambda_1 \mathbf{m}_1 = \mathbf{c}_3 + \lambda_3 \mathbf{m}_3 \quad (4.6.1.11)$$

$$\lambda_2 \mathbf{m}_2 = \mathbf{c}_3 + \lambda_4 \mathbf{m}_3 \quad (4.6.1.12)$$

Using the fact that  $L_1 \perp L_2 \perp L_3$ , (4.6.1.11)-(4.6.1.12) can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{m}_1^T \mathbf{c}_1 + \lambda_1 \|\mathbf{m}_1\|^2 = \mathbf{m}_1^T \mathbf{c}_3 \quad (4.6.1.13)$$

$$\mathbf{m}_2^T \mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{m}_2^T \mathbf{c}_3 \quad (4.6.1.14)$$

$$\mathbf{m}_3^T \mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{m}_3^T \mathbf{c}_3 + \lambda_3 \|\mathbf{m}_3\|^2 \quad (4.6.1.15)$$

$$0 = \mathbf{m}_1^T \mathbf{c}_3 \quad (4.6.1.16)$$

$$\lambda_2 \|\mathbf{m}_2\|^2 = \mathbf{m}_2^T \mathbf{c}_3 \quad (4.6.1.17)$$

$$0 = \mathbf{m}_3^T \mathbf{c}_3 + \lambda_4 \|\mathbf{m}_3\|^2 \quad (4.6.1.18)$$

Simplifying the above,

$$\lambda_1 = -\frac{\mathbf{m}_1^T \mathbf{c}_1}{\|\mathbf{m}_1\|^2} = \frac{1}{9} \quad (4.6.1.19)$$

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{\mathbf{m}_2^T \mathbf{c}_1}{\|\mathbf{m}_2\|^2} = \frac{2}{9} \quad (4.6.1.20)$$

Substituting in (4.6.1.11) and (4.6.1.12),

$$L_3 : \quad \mathbf{x} = \frac{2}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \quad (4.6.1.21)$$

$$L_3 : \quad \mathbf{x} = \frac{2}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.6.1.22)$$

The key concept in this question is that orthogonality of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  doesnot mean that they intersect. They are skew lines.