

Deriving the equation of Circle with given parameters Using Matrices

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1 Problem statement

Intercept on the line $y=x$ by the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 2x = 0$ is AB. Equation of the circle on AB as a diameter is.

2 Considerations

The input parameters are the lengths r , c and angle θ .

| Symbol | Description |
|---|---------------------------------|
| $x^2 + y^2 - 2x = 0$ | Given circle |
| $y=x$ | Diameter of the required Circle |
| $\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ | Center of the required Circle |

3 Plotting the Circle with center and radius

Plot of the Circle with center $\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$ and radius $r=0.707$ is shown in figure 1, .

4 Solution

As per given data, equations of diameter line and circle are

$$y = x \quad (4.0.1)$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 2x = 0 \quad (4.0.2)$$

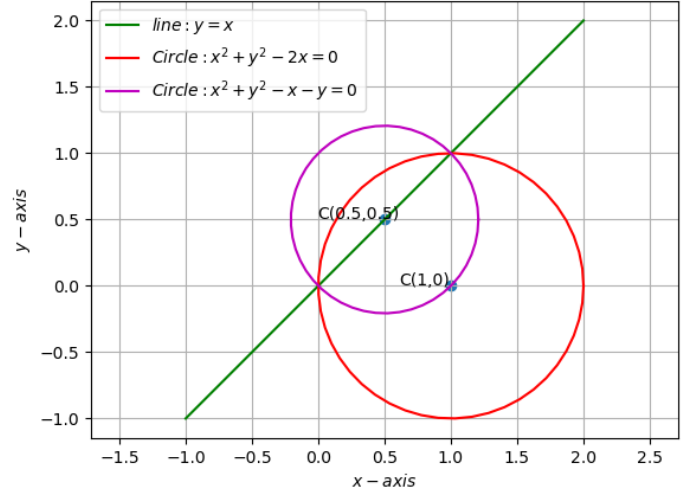


Figure 1: Circle with radius $r=0.707$ and center $C(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$

The above equations can be written in matrix form as,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (4.0.3)$$

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (4.0.4)$$

On solving above equations, we get two end points of diameter,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.0.5)$$

4.1 Calculation of center of the Circle

From Point A and B, we can find the center of the required circle as,

$$\mathbf{C} = \frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1.1)$$

4.2 Calculation of radius of the Circle

As per the given data, $y=x$ is the diameter of the required circle and it is also calculated that the Points A and B are end points of the diameter,

Let r be the radius of circle,

$$r = \frac{\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = 0.707 \quad (4.2.1)$$

4.3 Deriving equation for Circle in matrix form

The equation of circle in matrix form is,

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \quad (4.3.1)$$

where,

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, f = ||\mathbf{u}||^2 - r^2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{I} \mathbf{x} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (4.3.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (4.3.3)$$

Therefore, the circle equation can be written as

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (4.3.4)$$

5 Conclusion

1. At first, end points of diameter (**A** and **B**) have been found from the given data.
2. Radius of the center has been calculated from **A** and **B**.
3. Matrix equation for **V**, **u**, **u^T** and *f* has been derived.
4. Finally, the Circle equation has been derived as,

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0$$