

# JEE problem

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A circle  $C$  of radius 1 is inscribed in an equilateral triangle  $PQR$ . The points of contact of  $C$  with the sides  $PQ$ ,  $QR$ ,  $RP$  are  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$ , respectively. The line  $PQ$  is given by the equation  $\sqrt{3}x + y - 6 = 0$   
the point  $D$  is  $(3\sqrt{3}/2, 3/2)$   
Further, it is given that the origin and the centre of  $C$  are on the same side of the line  $PQ$ .  
Q.18. The equation of circle  $C$  is?

# Matrix form of the Question

A circle C of radius 1 is inscribed in an equilateral triangle PQR. The points of contact of C with the sides PQ, QR, RP are D, E, F, respectively. The line PQ is given by the equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 6$$

the point  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 3\sqrt{3}/2 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix}$

Further, it is given that the origin and the centre of C are on the same side of the line PQ.

Q.18. The equation of circle C is?

# Solution

$PQ = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$  is direction vector of PQ

$$\text{omat} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

direction of normal to PQ is

$$N1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

centre C lies on  $C = D + K \times N1$

here  $\text{norm}(C-D)=1$

K is obtained as  $-1/\text{norm}(N1)$  i.e  $K = -1/2$

so C is  $\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

equation of circle is obtained as  $(\text{norm}(X-C))^2 = 1$

$$(X-C)(X-C)^T = 1$$

Where  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$

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Solution-

$$P = D + K \times PQ$$

is the equation of line PQ

$$\text{norm}(P-D) = \sqrt{3}$$

$$K = \sqrt{3} / \text{norm}(PQ) = \sqrt{3} / 2$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 2\sqrt{3} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

since D is mid point of PQ

$$Q = 2D - P$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(i) & -\sin(i) \\ \sin(i) & \cos(i) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$i = \pi/3$$

Multiply M with PQ to obtain Direction of RQ

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(i) & -\sin(i) \\ \sin(i) & \cos(i) \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ +\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\therefore RQ = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \text{ is direction of } RQ$$

$$R-Q=K \times RQ$$

is the equation of line RQ

$$\text{norm}(R-Q)=2\sqrt{3}$$

$$K=-2\sqrt{3}/\text{norm}(RQ) = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$R=\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E=(Q+R)/2, F=(R+P)/2$$

$$E=\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$F=\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

