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EE5609: Matrix Theory Assignment-3

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Abstract—This document contains a solution for showing that line AP bisects

Download the python codes from latex-tikz codes from

https://github.com/pavanmanesh/EE5609/tree/master/Assignment3

1 PROBLEM

P is a point equidistant from two lines 1 and m intersecting at point A. Show that the line AP bisects the angle between them.

2 SOLUTION

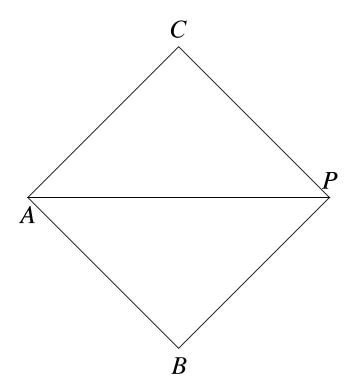


Fig. 0: figure

1) Here, the following information is given:

$$\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B}\| = \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C}\|$$
 (2.0.1)

2) The lines PB is the perpendicular to line AB and PC is the perpendicular to line AC:

$$(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B})^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) = 0 \implies \cos \angle PBA = 0$$
(2.0.2)

$$(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C})^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}) = 0 \implies \cos \angle PCA = 0$$
(2.0.3)

We know that

$$\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\|^2 = (\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A})^T (\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A})$$
 (2.0.4)

$$(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A})^{T}(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}) = (\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})^{T}(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})$$
(2.0.5)

$$\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|^2 + 2\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P}\|\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|\cos \angle PBA$$
 (2.0.6)

using (2.0.2)

$$\implies \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|^2$$
 (2.0.7)

Similarly

$$(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A})^{T}(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}) = (\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})^{T}(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})$$
(2.0.8)

$$\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\|^{2} = \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C}\|^{2} + \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\|^{2} + 2\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P}\|\|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\|\cos \angle PCA$$
(2.0.9)

using (2.0.3)

$$\implies \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\|^2 \quad (2.0.10)$$

From (2.0.7) and (2.0.10) and substituting (2.0.1)

$$\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|^2$$
(2.0.11)

$$\implies \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|^2 \implies \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\| = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|$$
(2.0.12)

We know that

$$\cos \angle BAP = \frac{(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A})^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})}{\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|}$$
(2.0.13)

$$= \frac{(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})^{T} (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})}{\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|}$$
(2.0.14)

$$= \frac{(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B})^{T} (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) - \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|^{2}}{\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|}$$
(2.0.15)

Using (2.0.2)

$$\cos \angle BAP = \frac{\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|}{\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\|}$$
 (2.0.16)

Similarly,

$$\cos \angle CAP = \frac{(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A})^T (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C})}{\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|}$$
(2.0.17)

$$= \frac{(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})^{T} (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C})}{\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|}$$
(2.0.18)

$$= \frac{(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C})^{T} (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}) - \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\|^{2}}{\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|}$$
(2.0.19)

Using (2.0.3)

$$\cos \angle CAP = \frac{\|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\|}{\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A}\|}$$
 (2.0.20)

Using (2.0.12) in (2.0.16) and (2.0.20),

$$\cos \angle BAP = \cos \angle CAP \qquad (2.0.21)$$

$$\implies \angle BAP = \angle CAP$$
 (2.0.22)

The line AP bisects the angle between them.