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Question

Find the equation of the line whose perpendicular distance from the origin is 4 units and the angle which the normal makes with positive direction of x-axis is 15°

Solution

Variable	Value
d	4
m	$-\cot 15^\circ$

Table: Variables Used

Solution

Let eq of line be

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c \quad (1)$$

where,

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 15^\circ \\ \sin 15^\circ \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

eq of line is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos 15^\circ & \sin 15^\circ \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = c \quad (3)$$

As distance from origin (d)=4 units

$$\frac{|c|}{\|n\|} = 4 \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{|c|}{1} = 4 \quad (5)$$

$$c = \pm 4 \quad (6)$$

Hence eq of line is

$$\left(\cos 15^\circ \quad \sin 15^\circ \right) \mathbf{x} = \pm 4 \quad (7)$$

Refer to Figure

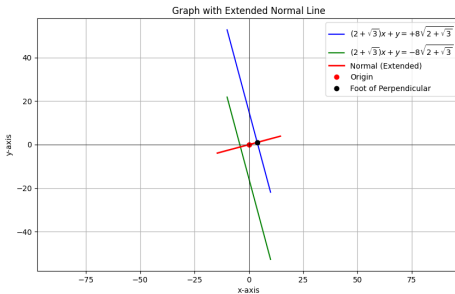


Figure:

Python Code

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

# Constants
sqrt3 = np.sqrt(3)
A = 2 + sqrt3
B = 1
C = 8 * np.sqrt(2 + sqrt3)

# Create x values
x = np.linspace(-10, 10, 400)

# Two lines: one for +C and one for -C
y1 = -A * x + C # Line 1
y2 = -A * x - C # Line 2

# Plotting
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(x, y1, label=r' $-(2+\sqrt{3})x + 8\sqrt{2+\sqrt{3}}$ ')
```

Python Code

```
# === Calculate the foot of the perpendicular from
      origin to line1 ===
x0, y0 = 0, 0
A_val = A
B_val = 1
C_val = -C # Rewrite as Ax + By + C = 0

denominator = A_val**2 + B_val**2
x_foot = (B_val * (B_val * x0 - A_val * y0) - A_val *
          C_val) / denominator
y_foot = (A_val * (A_val * y0 - B_val * x0) - B_val *
          C_val) / denominator

# === Draw extended solid normal line through origin
      and foot ===
# Direction vector of normal = (A, B)
```


Python Code

```
normal_length = 15 # increase to make longer
unit_normal = np.array([A_val, B_val]) / np.sqrt(
    denominator)
start_point = -normal_length * unit_normal
end_point = normal_length * unit_normal

plt.plot([start_point[0], end_point[0]], [start_point
    [1], end_point[1]],
    color='red', linewidth=2, label='Normal (
        Extended)')

# Plot origin and foot point
plt.plot(0, 0, 'ro', label='Origin')
plt.plot(x_foot, y_foot, 'ko', label='Foot of
    Perpendicular')

# Axes
plt.axhline(0, color='black', linewidth=0.5)
plt.axvline(0, color='black', linewidth=0.5)
```

```
# Formatting
plt.title('Graph with Extended Normal Line')
plt.xlabel('x-axis')
plt.ylabel('y-axis')
plt.grid(True)
plt.axis('equal')
plt.legend()

# Save and show plot
plt.savefig( graph7_with_extended_normal.png )
plt.show()
```

C Code

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

// Function to compute normal vector, magnitude, and
// constants
void compute_line_params(double m, double d, double* A
, double* B, double* C1, double* C2) {
    // Normal vector n = (-m, 1)
    *A = -m;
    *B = 1.0;

    // Norm of the vector
    double norm = sqrt((*A) * (*A) + (*B) * (*B));

    // |c| = d * ||n||
    double abs_c = d * norm;

    // c values
    *C1 = abs_c;
```

C Code

```
int main() {  
    double m = -2.0 - sqrt(3.0); // Given slope  
    double d = 4.0;              // Perpendicular  
        distance from origin  
  
    double A, B, C1, C2;  
  
    // Compute parameters  
    compute_line_params(m, d, &A, &B, &C1, &C2);  
  
    // Display the results  
    printf( Equation of the lines:\n );  
    printf( %.4fx + %.4fy = %.4f\n , A, B, C1);  
    printf( %.4fx + %.4fy = %.4f\n , A, B, C2);  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Python and C Code

```
import ctypes
from ctypes import c_double, POINTER

# Load the compiled shared object
lib = ctypes.CDLL( ./code.so )

# Define argument and return types for the function
lib.compute_line_params.argtypes = [c_double, c_double
                                     ,
                                     POINTER(c_double),
                                     POINTER(
                                         c_double),
                                     POINTER(c_double),
                                     POINTER(
                                         c_double)]

# Inputs
m = -2 - 3*0.5 # given slope
d = 4.0        # distance from origin
```

```
# Outputs
```

```
A = c_double()
```

```
B = c_double()
```

```
C1 = c_double()
```

```
C2 = c_double()
```

```
# Call the C function
```

```
lib.compute_line_params(m, d, ctypes.byref(A), ctypes.  
    byref(B), ctypes.byref(C1), ctypes.byref(C2))
```

```
# Print the result
```

```
print( Equation of the line(s): )
```

```
print(f {A.value:.4f}x + {B.value:.4f}y = {C1.value:.4  
    f} )
```

```
print(f {A.value:.4f}x + {B.value:.4f}y = {C2.value:.4  
    f} )
```