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Assignment 1

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1) If circles are drawn taking two sides of a triangle as diameters, prove that the point of intersection of these circles lie on the third side.

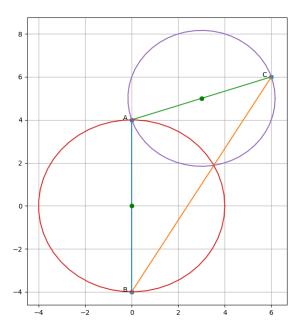


Fig. 1: Graph

Solution: Let the traingle be ABC, Points **A**, **B**, **C** are given by,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.1}$$

The equation of circle taking AB as diameter

is given by,

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + 2\mathbf{u_1}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} + f_1 = 0$$
 (0.0.2)

$$\mathbf{u_1} = -\left(\frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}}{2}\right) \tag{0.0.3}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.4}$$

$$r_1 = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\|}{2} \tag{0.0.5}$$

$$=4$$
 (0.0.6)

$$f_1 = ||\mathbf{u_1}||^2 - r_1^2 \qquad (0.0.7)$$

$$= -4$$
 (0.0.8)

$$||\mathbf{x}||^2 - 16 = 0 \tag{0.0.9}$$

The equation of circle taking **AC** as diameter is given by,

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + 2\mathbf{u_2}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} + f_2 = 0$$
 (0.0.10)

$$\mathbf{u_2} = -\left(\frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{C}}{2}\right) \quad (0.0.11)$$

$$= -\binom{3}{5} \tag{0.0.12}$$

$$r_2 = \frac{\|\mathbf{AC}\|}{2} \tag{0.0.13}$$

$$= \sqrt{10} \qquad (0.0.14)$$

$$f_2 = \|\mathbf{u_2}\|^2 - r_2^2 \quad (0.0.15)$$

$$= 24$$
 (0.0.16)

$$||\mathbf{x}||^2 - 2(3 \quad 5)\mathbf{x} + 24 = 0$$
 (0.0.17)

Let the other point of intersection of circles (0.0.9) and (0.0.17) be point **P**. The equation of the common chord of intersection of two circles, AP is given by,

$$2\mathbf{u_1}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{u_2}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} + f_1 - f_2 = 0$$
 (0.0.18)

$$2(3 \quad 5)\mathbf{x} - 16 - 24 = 0 \tag{0.0.19}$$

$$(3 \ 5) \mathbf{x} = 20 \ (0.0.20)$$

The equation (0.0.20) can be written in para-

metric form as,

$$\mathbf{h} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.21}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.22}$$

The parameter μ of the points of intersection of line (0.0.23) with the conic section (0.0.24)

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{h} + \mu \mathbf{m} \tag{0.0.23}$$

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2 \mathbf{u}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \qquad (0.0.24)$$

is given by the equation

$$\mu^{2}\mathbf{m}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{m} + 2\mu\mathbf{m}^{\mathsf{T}}(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{u}) + g(\mathbf{h}) = 0$$
(0.0.25)

The points of intersection of the circle (0.0.9) and line (0.0.20) are the points **A**, **P**. Here we have,

$$V = I$$
, $u = O$, $f = 16$ (0.0.26)

$$\mathbf{h} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.27}$$

$$\mathbf{m}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{m} = 34 \tag{0.0.28}$$

$$\mathbf{m}^{\mathsf{T}} \left(\mathbf{V} \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{u} \right) = 12 \tag{0.0.29}$$

$$g\left(\mathbf{h}\right) = 0\tag{0.0.30}$$

$$34\mu^2 + 24\mu = 0 \tag{0.0.31}$$

$$\mu = 0, -\frac{12}{17} \tag{0.0.32}$$

 $\mu = 0$ corresponds to point **A**.

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{12}{17} \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.33}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{60}{17} \\ \frac{32}{17} \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.34}$$

The equation of the line **BC** is given by,

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{B} \tag{0.0.35}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 6\\10 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.36}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.37}$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -5\\5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.38}$$

$$\mathbf{n}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{B} \tag{0.0.39}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \qquad (0.0.40)$$

$$(-5 \ 3)\mathbf{x} = -12$$
 (0.0.41)

$$\left(-5 \quad 3\right) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{60}{17} \\ \frac{32}{17} \end{pmatrix} = -12 \tag{0.0.42}$$

It is clear that the point **P** satisfies the equation of line **BC** (0.0.41). Hence, the point of intersection of the circles drawn by taking two sides of a triangle as diameters lies on the third side.

The parameters used in the construction are shown in the below table 1

Parameter	Description	Value
A	vertex of the triangle	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$
В	vertex of the triangle	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$
C	vertex of the triangle	$\left(6,6\right)$

TABLE 1