

# 4.4.2.11

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**Question:** Find the direction vector and the normal vector for the line  $y = 3x$

Variable	Description
<b>m</b>	Direction vector
<b>n</b>	Normal vector
<b>x</b>	Vector which represents points on the line

TABLE 0: Input Parameters

**Solution:**

$$y = 3x \quad (0.1)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (0.2)$$

$$\mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{x} = c \quad (0.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.4)$$

$$\mathbf{m}^\top \mathbf{n} = 0 \quad (0.5)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (0.6)$$

$$-3 + m = 0 \quad (0.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 3 \quad (0.8)$$

the normal vector and the direction vector of the line  $y = 3x$  can be represented as **n** and **m**

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.9)$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.10)$$

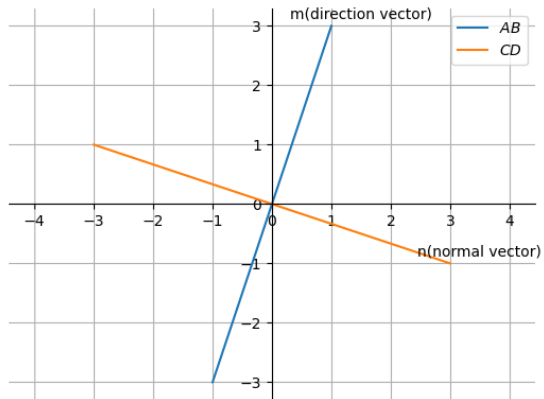


Fig. 0.1: Plot of normal vector and direction vector