CHAPTER-9 TRIANGLES

1 Exercise 11.2

Question(4). Construct a triangle XYZ in which $\angle Y=30^\circ, \angle Z=90^\circ$ and XY + YZ + ZX = 11cm.

Solution:

Let \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} and \mathbf{Z} are the vertices of the triangle with coordinates. Given XY + YZ + ZX = 8cm. So the coordinate of the vertice \mathbf{X} is:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

Also given $\angle Y = 30^{\circ}$ and $\angle Z = 90^{\circ}$ so by finding the length of sides we can form a required triangle.

The input parameters for this construction are

Symbol	Value	Description
c+a+b	11	XY + YZ + ZX
$\angle Y$	30°	$\angle Y$ in $\triangle ABC$
$\angle Z$	90°	$\angle Z$ in $\triangle XYZ$
\mathbf{e}_1	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$	Basis vector

Table 1: Parameters

From the given information

$$a + b + c = k \tag{2}$$

$$b\cos Z + c\cos Y - a = 0 \tag{3}$$

$$b\sin Z - c\sin Y = 0 \tag{4}$$

Resulting in the matrix equations:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & \cos Z & \cos Y \\ 0 & \sin Z & -\sin Y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = k\mathbf{e}_1 \tag{5}$$

Substituting the values of $k, \mathbf{e}_1, \angle Y, \angle Z$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & \cos 90^{\circ} & \cos 30^{\circ} \\ 0 & \sin 90^{\circ} & -\sin 30^{\circ} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = 11 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (6)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & \sqrt{3}/2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (7)

Using row reduction methods to bring the values of a,b,c into row-reduced echelon form using augumented matrix,

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 1 & 1 & | & 11 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1 & | & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{-1}{2} & | & 0
\end{pmatrix}$$
(8)

$$\stackrel{R_2 \to R_2 + R_1}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 11 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1 & 11 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(9)

$$\stackrel{R_1 \to R_1 - R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1 & 11\\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{10}$$

$$\stackrel{R_3 \to R_3 - R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1 & 11 \\
0 & 0 & -\frac{\sqrt{3} - 3}{2} & -11
\end{pmatrix}$$
(11)

$$\stackrel{R_3 \to \frac{2}{-\sqrt{3}-3}R_3}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1 & 11\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{22}{21+\sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix}$$
(12)

$$\stackrel{R_1 \to R_1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{11\sqrt{3}}{3+\sqrt{3}} \\
0 & 1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1 & 11 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{22}{3+\sqrt{3}}
\end{pmatrix}$$
(13)

$$\stackrel{R_2 \to R_2 - \frac{(\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1)R_3}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{11\sqrt{3}}{3 + \sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 11(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3} + 2}{\sqrt{3} + 3}) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{22}{3 + \sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix}$$
(14)

After reduction the values of a,b,c are:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{11\sqrt{3}}{3+\sqrt{3}} \\ 11(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}+2}{\sqrt{3}+3}) \\ \frac{22}{3+\sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix}$$
(15)

Therefore the coordinates of the vertices are:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{16}$$

$$\mathbf{Z} = \begin{pmatrix} b \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 11(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3} + 2}{\sqrt{3} + 3}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{17}$$

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$$\mathbf{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} b \\ a \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 11(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3} + 2}{\sqrt{3} + 3}) \\ \frac{11\sqrt{3}}{3 + \sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix} \tag{18}$$

Construction:

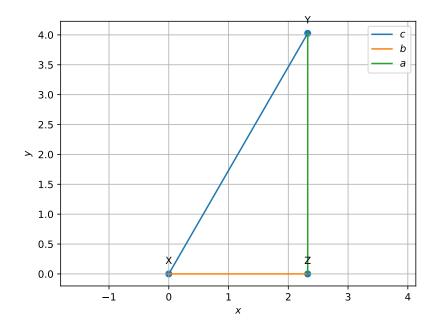


Figure 1: Triangle XYZ