Assignment 1

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PROBLEM II (2I)

Find the distance between points (7,6) and (4,5) with the axes at 60°

1 SOLUTION

Let the points be P_1 (7,6) and P_2 (4,5) and also the angle between axes is 60°

$$\mathbf{P_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} ; \ \mathbf{P_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \qquad (1.0.1)$$

The problem can be solved by transformation of the given coordinate system to the rectangular coordinate system.

In order to convert to rectangular coordinate system, the y-axis should be rotated by 30° in anti-clockwise and x-axis will remain unaltered.

The transformation matrix should be computed for transforming the given $\mathbf{P_1}, \mathbf{P_2}$ into the rectangular coordinate system.

The angle between the transformed x-axis and given x-axis be $\theta_{11} = 0°$

The angle between the transformed x-axis and given y-axis be $\theta_{12} = 60°$

Likewise, $\theta_{21} = 90°$; $\theta_{22} = 30°$

Transformed matrix $\mathbf{T}$ will be the cosines of the above the angles

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta_{11}) & \cos(\theta_{12}) \\ \cos(\theta_{21}) & \cos(\theta_{22}) \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos(0°) & \cos(60°) \\ \cos(90°) & \cos(30°) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \qquad (1.0.2)$$

From equations (1.0.1) and (1.0.2), the transformed vector corresponding to $\mathbf{P_1}$ be $\mathbf{P_{1T}} = (\mathbf{T})(\mathbf{P_1})$

Transformed vector corresponding to $\mathbf{P_2}$ be $\mathbf{P_{2T}} = (\mathbf{T})(\mathbf{P_2})$

$$\mathbf{P_{1T}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} ; \mathbf{P_{2T}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{P_{1T}} = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 3\sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix} ; \mathbf{P_{2T}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{13}{2} \\ \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Now, obtained points are in the rectangular coordinate system and the distance vector between points will be

$$\mathbf{P_{12T}} = \mathbf{P_{1T}} - \mathbf{P_{2T}} = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 3\sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \frac{13}{2} \\ \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{7}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

and the magnitude will be $\|\mathbf{P_{1T}} - \mathbf{P_{2T}}\|$

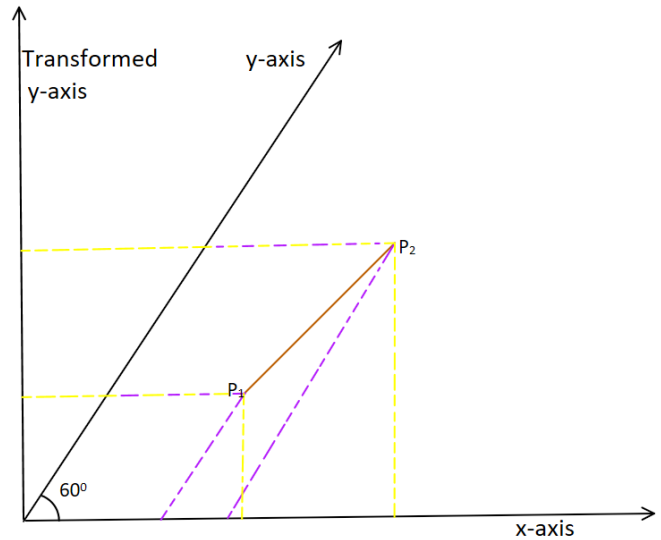Therefore, the distance between the points is equal to $\sqrt{13} \ units$

Fig1: Points defined on angular & rectangular axes

The above figure shown is not to the scale.

The blue dotted lines represents the projections of the points on the angular axes and the yellow dotted lines represents the projections of the points on the rectangular axes.
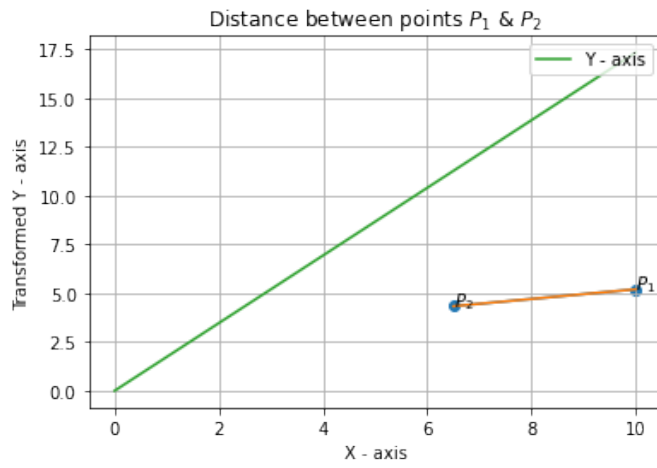
The same points are plotted in rectangular axes using python

Fig2: Points plotted in Python