

Matrix Project On Coordinate Geometry

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P and **Q** are two distinct points on the parabola

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0$$

with parameters t and t_1 respectively. If the normal at **P** passes through **Q**, then find the minimum value of t_1^2 .

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- Given equation:

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0$$

- Since, 3 entries of the 2x2 matrix is 0, the parabola is of the standard form (i.e.)

$$y^2 = 4ax$$

- Coefficient of $x = 4a$
- $a = 1$

Solution Contd..

- Parametric form of points of parabola:

$$\begin{bmatrix} t^2 \\ 2t \end{bmatrix}$$

- Differentiate the equation and substitute $\frac{dy}{dx} = m$ (the slope of the tangent)
- $\frac{dx}{dx} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & m \end{bmatrix}^T$

Solution Contd..

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}^T \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

- Now, use the parametric form of \mathbf{x} (i.e.)

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} t^2 \\ 2t \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2t \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} t^2 & 2t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ m \end{bmatrix} + 4 = 0$$

- $2mt + 2mt + 4 = 0$

- $4mt + 4 = 0$

- $m = -\frac{1}{t}$

Solution Contd..

- We know that, Two lines are perpendicular if the product of their slopes is -1.
- Slope of normal at point **p**: $m_N = t$
- We calculate the equation of the line through P with slope = m_N

Solution Contd..

- Note: $\mathbf{p} = (x_1, y_1) = (t^2, 2t)$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} -m & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -m & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} -t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t^2 \\ 2t \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} -t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = -t^3 + 2t$$

Solution Contd..

- Now, Let Q: $(t_1^2, 2t_1)$
- Then, We have,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t_1^2 \\ 2t_1 \end{bmatrix} = -t^3 + 2t$$

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$$2t_1 + tt_1^2 = t^3 + 2t$$

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$$-2(t - t_1) = t(t_1 + t)(t - t_1)$$

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$$t_1 = -t - \frac{2}{t}$$

Solution Contd..

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$$t_1^2 = t^2 + \frac{4}{t^2} + 4$$

- To solve above equation we use the property:
Arithmetic Mean \geq Geometric Mean on $t^2 + \frac{4}{t^2}$
- A.M \geq G.M. $\implies t^2 + \frac{4}{t^2} \geq 2\sqrt{4} = 4$
- $t_1^2 \geq 4 + 4 = 8$
- \therefore The Minimum possible value of t_1^2 is 8.

The End