

4 - Linear Forms

EE1030:Matrix Theory

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Question:4.2.16

Find the direction and normal vectors of $2 + 3y = 7x$.

Solution:

Actual Name	Assigned Variable
direction vector	d
normal vector	n

Table 4.2.16.1 0: Assigning Variables

For a line equation $y = mx + c$, direction and normal vectors are given by

$$\mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.1)$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -m \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.2)$$

The above line equation can be written as $y = \frac{7}{3}x - \frac{2}{3}$

So $m = \frac{7}{3}$,

$$\mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{7}{3} \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.3)$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{7}{3} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.4)$$

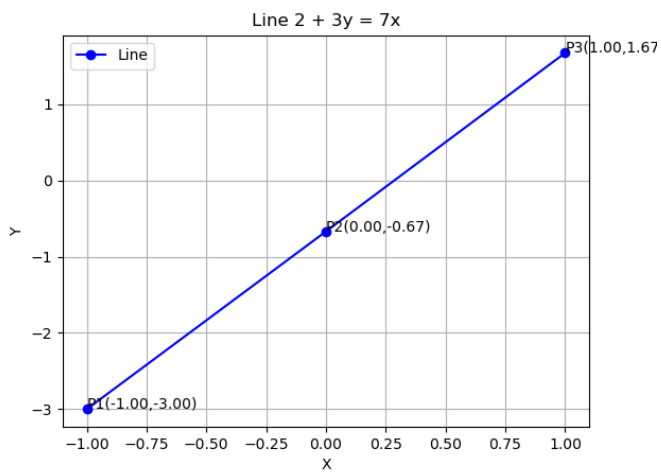


Fig. 0.1: Line $2 + 3y = 7x$