

JEE matrix problem through Python

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Problem Statement

Find the locus of the point of intersection of the lines:

$$\left(\sqrt{2} \quad -1 \right) \mathbf{x} + 4 \sqrt{2} k = 0$$

$$\left(\sqrt{2} k \quad k \right) \mathbf{x} - 4 \sqrt{2} = 0$$

Figure 1

The figure for the above problem from plotting is as follows.

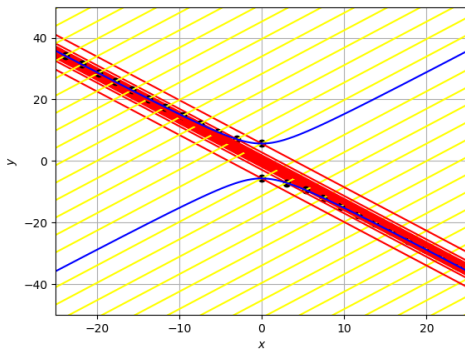


Figure 2

The family of first equation of lines.

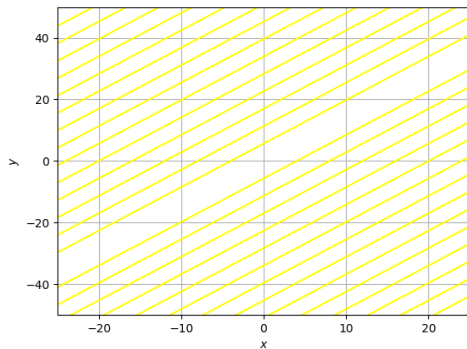


Figure 3

The family of second equation of lines.

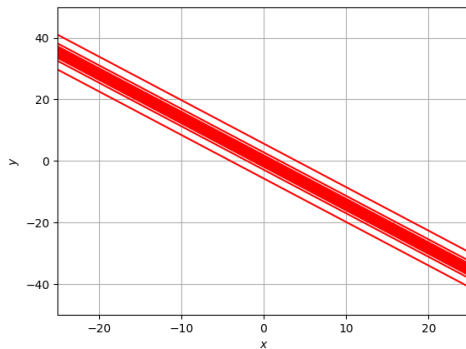


Figure 4

Their intersection points.

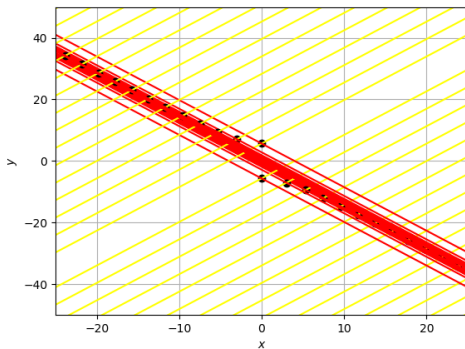
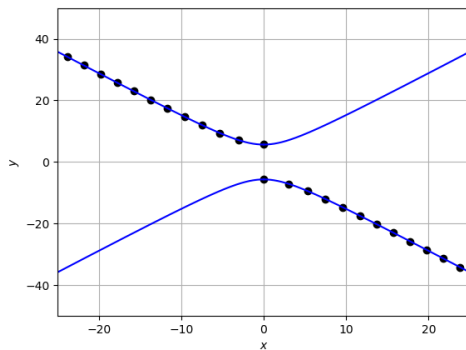


Figure 5

Final locus.



Steps to solve

Find value of k from first equation

Find transpose of k and use it in second equation.

Simplify the equation

Check the condition for conic.

Solution

Find value of k from first equation

The given lines are:

$$\left(\sqrt{2} \quad -1 \right) \mathbf{x} + 4 \sqrt{2} k = 0$$

$$\left(\sqrt{2} k \quad k \right) \mathbf{x} - 4 \sqrt{2} = 0$$

So from first line:

$$k = - \left(\sqrt{2} \quad -1 \right) \mathbf{x} / 4 \sqrt{2}$$

So,

$$k^T = -x^T \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} / 4\sqrt{2}$$

And Second equation can be written as

$$k \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 4\sqrt{2}$$

Since k is a scalar, so

$$k^T = k$$

So putting value of k in second equation we get:

$$x^T \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} x = -32$$

$$x^T \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \sqrt{2} \\ -\sqrt{2} & -1 \end{pmatrix} x + 32 = 0$$

This can be written as:

$$x^T \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} x + x^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{2} \\ -\sqrt{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} x + 32 = 0$$

And

$$x^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{2} \\ -\sqrt{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} x = 0$$

So

$$x^T \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} x + 32 = 0$$

General equation of conic section:

$$x^T V x + 2 u^T x + F = 0$$

Final Conclusion

On comparing our equation with general equation

We get $\det(V)$ as -2 which is less than 0 .

So the conic is a hyperbola

So the locus of the intersection point is a hyperbola.

Code

The link of the code can be found here - Matrix code