

- Question:

Suppose the equations AB , BC and CA are respectively given by

$$\mathbf{n}_i^\top \mathbf{x} = c_i \quad (1)$$

$$i = 1, 2, 3$$

The equations of the respective angle bisectors are then given by

$$\frac{\mathbf{n}_i^\top \mathbf{x} - c_i}{\|\mathbf{n}_i\|} = \pm \frac{\mathbf{n}_j^\top \mathbf{x} - c_j}{\|\mathbf{n}_j\|} \quad (2)$$

$$i \neq j$$

Substitute numerical values and find the equations of the angle bisectors of \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{C} .

- Solution:

Given $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$

The normal form of a line is

$$\mathbf{n}^\top (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A}) = 0 \quad (3)$$

where $\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{m}$ and $\mathbf{m} = (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})$, where \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} are two points on the line and \mathbf{m} is slope vector of the line.

From problem 1.1.5,

$$CA : (4 \quad -4) \mathbf{x} = 8 \quad (4)$$

Similarly;

$$AB : (7 \quad 5) \mathbf{x} = 2 \quad (5)$$

$$BC : (-11 \quad -1) \mathbf{x} = -10 \quad (6)$$

By comparing eq.1, eq.4, eq.5, eq.6 :

$$\mathbf{n}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -11 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{n}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}c_1 &= 2 \\c_2 &= -10 \\c_3 &= 8\end{aligned}$$

From eq 2, the equation of internal angle bisector is :

$$\frac{\mathbf{n}_i^\top \mathbf{x} - c_i}{\|\mathbf{n}_i\|} = \frac{\mathbf{n}_j^\top \mathbf{x} - c_j}{\|\mathbf{n}_j\|} \quad (7)$$

\Rightarrow Internal angle bisector of \mathbf{B} (i=1 , j=2) :

$$\frac{(7 \ 5) \mathbf{x} - 2}{\left\| \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right\|} = \frac{(-11 \ -1) \mathbf{x} - 10}{\left\| \begin{pmatrix} -11 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\|} \quad (8)$$

$$\therefore \left\| \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2} \quad (9)$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{(7 \ 5) \mathbf{x} - 2}{\sqrt{74}} = \frac{(11 \ -1) \mathbf{x} - 10}{\sqrt{122}} \quad (10)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(7 \ 5) \mathbf{x} - 2}{\sqrt{37}} = \frac{(11 \ -1) \mathbf{x} - 10}{\sqrt{61}} \quad (11)$$

\therefore Internal angle bisector of \mathbf{B} :

$$(7\sqrt{61} - 11\sqrt{37} \ 5\sqrt{61} + \sqrt{37}) \mathbf{x} = 2(\sqrt{61} - 5\sqrt{37}) \quad (12)$$

or

$$(-12.2386 \ 45.1304) \mathbf{x} = -45.2071 \quad (13)$$

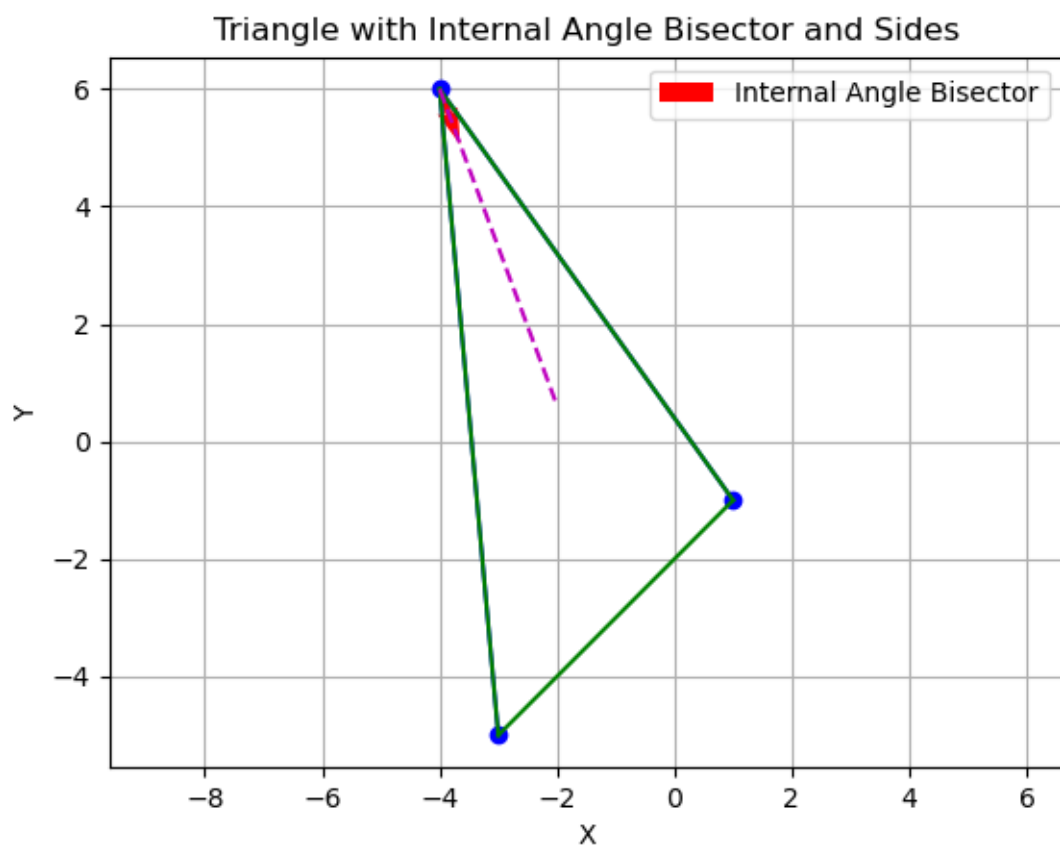


Figure 1: Angle bisector of B .