Assignment 1

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1) Point $\mathbf{R}(h,k)$ divides a line segment between the axes in the ratio 1: 2. Find equation of the line.

Solution: Let the line segment between the axes be AB, with point **A** on X-axis, **B** on Yaxis. Let the points A, B be

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.1}$$

Given that $\frac{AR}{RB} = \frac{1}{2}$. By using section formula, we get

$$\mathbf{R} = \frac{2\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}}{3} \tag{0.0.2}$$

$$\binom{h}{k} = \frac{1}{3} \binom{2\alpha}{\beta} \tag{0.0.3}$$

$$h = \frac{2\alpha}{3}$$
 (0.0.4)
$$k = \frac{\beta}{3}$$
 (0.0.5)

$$k = \frac{\beta}{3} \tag{0.0.5}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3h}{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3k \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.6}$$

The direction vector of the line is given by,

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{R} - \mathbf{B} \tag{0.0.7}$$

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ -2k \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.8}$$

The normal vector to the line is given by,

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 2k \\ h \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.9}$$

The equation of line is given by,

$$\mathbf{n}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{B} \tag{0.0.10}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2k & h \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2k & h \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3k \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.11}$$

$$(2k \quad h)\mathbf{x} = 3hk \tag{0.0.12}$$

The equation of the line is given by,

$$(2k \quad h) \mathbf{x} = 3hk \qquad (0.0.13)$$