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ASSIGNMENT 3

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https://github.com/harithar1234/EE3900-Haritha/blob/main/assignment3/assignment3.py

QUESTION

Construction/Q 2.18

Draw a circle with centre B and radius 6. If C be a point 10 units away from its centre, construct the pair of tangents AC and CD to the circle.

SOLUTION

Let the center of the circle be

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.1}$$

and radius = 6 units.

Therefore the equation of the circle is given by

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 6 \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.0.2}$$

The tangent are drawn from a point $C \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ on the x-axis which intersect the circle at point **A** and **D**.

Since, point A lie on the circle,

$$\|\mathbf{AB}\| = 6$$
 (0.0.3)

$$\implies ||\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}|| = 6 \qquad (0.0.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad ||\mathbf{A}|| = 6 \qquad (0.0.5)$$

In any circle tangent is perpendicular to the radius. So in $\triangle ABC$, **BA** and **CA** are perpendicular

$$(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A})^{\top}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{C}) = 0$$

$$(0.0.6)$$

$$\implies (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})^{\top}(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}) = 0$$

$$(0.0.7)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{B}^{\top}\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}^{\top}\mathbf{C} - ||\mathbf{A}||^{2} + \mathbf{A}^{\top}\mathbf{C} = 0$$

$$(0.0.8)$$

since $\mathbf{B}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{A} = 0$ and $\mathbf{B}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{C} = 0$

$$-\|\mathbf{A}\|^2 + \mathbf{C}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{A} = 0 \tag{0.0.9}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \qquad \mathbf{C}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{A} = \|\mathbf{A}\|^2 \qquad (0.0.10)$$

$$\Longrightarrow \qquad \mathbf{C}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{A} = 36 \qquad (0.0.11)$$

Now, (0.0.11) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 10 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} = 36 \tag{0.0.12}$$

$$\implies (1 \quad 0)\mathbf{A} = 3.6 \tag{0.0.13}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3.6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.0.14)$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{q} + \lambda \mathbf{m} \qquad (0.0.15)$$

where,
$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{pmatrix} 3.6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Now, we know that

$$||\mathbf{A}||^{2} = 36$$

$$(0.0.16)$$

$$\Rightarrow ||\mathbf{q} + \lambda \mathbf{m}||^{2} = 36$$

$$(0.0.17)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{q} + \lambda \mathbf{m})^{\mathsf{T}} (\mathbf{q} + \lambda \mathbf{m}) = 36$$

$$(0.0.18)$$

$$\Rightarrow ||\mathbf{q}||^{2} + 2\mathbf{q}^{\mathsf{T}} \lambda \mathbf{m} + \lambda^{2} ||\mathbf{m}||^{2} = 36$$

$$(0.0.19)$$

Since,
$$\mathbf{q}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{m} = 0 \implies 2\mathbf{q}^{\mathsf{T}}\lambda\mathbf{m} = 0$$

$$\implies \qquad \lambda^2 = \frac{36 - ||\mathbf{q}||^2}{||\mathbf{m}||^2} \qquad (0.0.20)$$

$$\implies \lambda^2 = \frac{36 - (3.6)^2}{1} \qquad (0.0.21)$$

$$\implies \qquad \lambda = \pm 4.8 \tag{0.0.22}$$

Therefore,
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3.6 \\ 4.8 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 3.6 \\ -4.8 \end{pmatrix}$

