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Question The equations to a pair of opposite sides of parallelogram are $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$ and $y^2 - 6y + 5 = 0$, the equations to its diagonals are

$$1) x + 4y = 13, y = 4x - 7$$

$$2) 4x + y = 13, y = 4x - 7$$

$$3) 4x + y = 13, 4y = x - 7$$

$$4) y - 4x = 13, y + 4x = 7$$

Solution Given details

Equation 1:

$$x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0 \quad (1)$$

This equation can be factored into: (2)

$$(x - 2)(x - 3) = 0 \quad (3)$$

This gives us two vertical lines: (4)

$$x = 2 \quad (5)$$

$$x = 3 \quad (6)$$

Equation 2:

$$y^2 - 6y + 5 = 0 \quad (7)$$

This equation can be factored into: (8)

$$(y - 1)(y - 5) = 0 \quad (9)$$

This gives us two horizontal lines: (10)

$$y = 1 \quad (11)$$

$$y = 5 \quad (12)$$

Through the intersection of these 4 lines we can find the 4 vertices of the parallelogram

Intersection of $x = 2$ and $y = 1$ is the point $(2, 1)$. Let vector $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (13)

Intersection of $x = 3$ and $y = 1$ is the point $(3, 1)$. Let vector $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (14)

Intersection of $x = 3$ and $y = 5$ is the point $(3, 5)$. Let vector $\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ (15)

Intersection of $x = 2$ and $y = 5$ is the point $(2, 5)$. Let vector $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ (16)

(17)

The direction vector of the diagonal AC is:

$$\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (18)$$

The normal vector to vector $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$ can be represented as $\begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a \end{pmatrix}$

Therefore the normal vector to the direction vector \mathbf{AC} is:

$$\mathbf{n}_{AC}^T = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (19)$$

Therefore the equation of diagonal can be represented as:

$$\mathbf{n}_{AC}^T (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_o) = 0 \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = 0 \quad (21)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x-2 \\ y-1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (22)$$

$$-4(x-2) + (y-1) = 0 \quad (23)$$

$$y = 4x - 7 \quad (24)$$

The direction vector of the diagonal \mathbf{BD} is:

$$\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (25)$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{n}_{BD}^T = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (26)$$

The equation of diagonal can be represented as:

$$\mathbf{n}_{BD}^T (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_o) = 0 \quad (27)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = 0 \quad (28)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x-3 \\ y-1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (29)$$

$$-4(x-3) - 1(y-1) = 0 \quad (30)$$

$$4x + y = 13 \quad (31)$$

Therefore the equations of both the diagonals are:

$$y = 4x - 7 \quad (32)$$

$$4x + y = 13 \quad (33)$$

Hence the answer is option 2

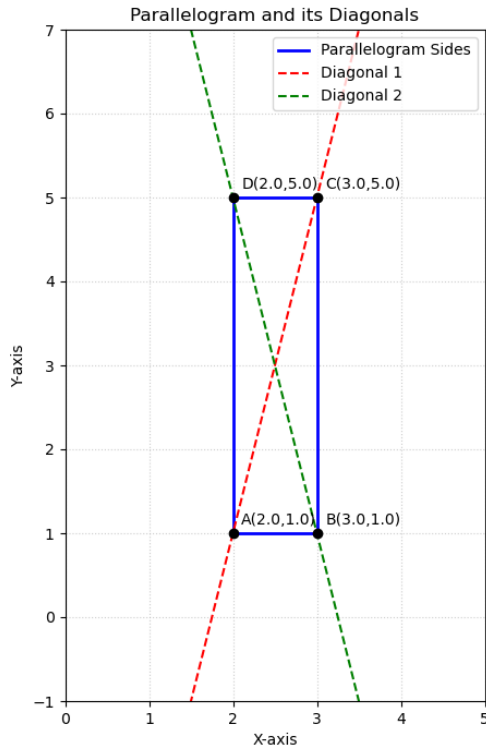


Fig. 4. diagonals