

# Matrix-Lines

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**Abstract**—This document shows how to find equation of a line passing through a point (2,2) and cutting off intercepts on the axes whose sum is 9 using python.

## I. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Find equation of a line passing through a point (2,2) and cutting off intercepts on the axes whose sum is 9.

## II. CONSTRUCTION

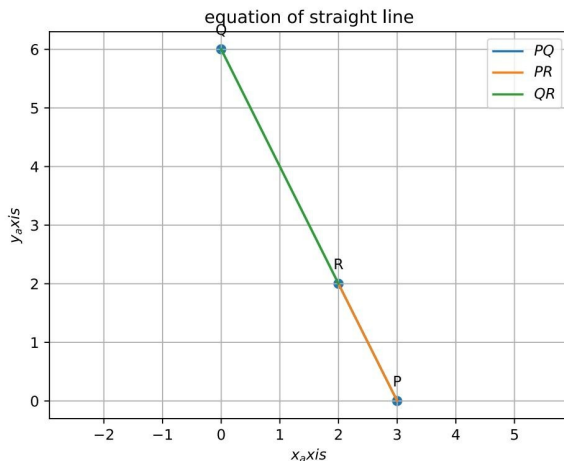


Fig. 1. Equation of the Straight Line

Symbol	Value	Description
P	$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$	Point on X-axis
Q	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b \end{pmatrix}$	Point on Y-axis
R	$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$	Given Point
a + b	9	Given Condition

TABLE I  
PARAMETERS

## III. SOLUTION

Given that resultant line passes through point(2,2) and intercepts on axes whose sum is 9 (let x intercept is a and y intercept is b therefore, a + b = 9 )

so, b = 9 - a

Let  $P = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 9 - a \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $R = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Equation of line is  $n^T \mathbf{X} = c$ .

Now we have 3 points which lie on same line so,

The Equation of line through P is

$$n^T \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = c \quad (1)$$

Equation of line passing through Q is

$$n^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 9 - a \end{pmatrix} = c \quad (2)$$

Now eq1 + eq2,

$$n^T \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 9 - a \end{pmatrix} = 2c \quad (3)$$

Equation of line passing through R is

$$n^T \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = c \quad (4)$$

From eq3 and eq4 we can find normal vector n,

$$n^T \begin{pmatrix} a & 9-a \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = c \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

Therefore,

$$n^T = \begin{pmatrix} a & 9-a \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot c \quad (6)$$

$$n^T = \begin{pmatrix} 3a-9 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{c}{4a-18} \quad (7)$$

Now eq4 can be expressed as,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3a-9 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{c}{4a-18} = c \quad (8)$$

Thus, we get **a = 2, thus b = 9-a = 7**

by substituting a in eq6, finally

$$n^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 \\ 0.2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot c \quad (9)$$

The Resultant Equation of line is  $n^T \mathbf{X} = c$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.3 \\ 0.2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot X \cdot c = c \quad (10)$$

i.e,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot X = 10 \quad (11)$$

**Therefore equation of the line is,**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot X = 10 \quad (12)$$

$$3x + 2y = 10$$

#### IV. SOFTWARE

Download the following code using,  
and execute the code by using command

**Python3 Assignment4.py**

svn co [https://github.com/mygit-sampath-govardhan/fwc-iith-assignments/blob/5b65abbf8e5e3c803b1bff8cf4a95092e100de75/Assignment-4\(Matrices-line\)/codes/Assignment4.py](https://github.com/mygit-sampath-govardhan/fwc-iith-assignments/blob/5b65abbf8e5e3c803b1bff8cf4a95092e100de75/Assignment-4(Matrices-line)/codes/Assignment4.py)

#### V. CONCLUSION

We found the equation of a line passing through a point (2,2) and cutting off intercepts on the axes whose sum is 9.