

Assignment 5

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0.1 Problem

(Geolin 1.9) AB is a line-segment. P and Q are points on opposite sides of AB such that each of them is equidistant from the points A and B . Show that the line PQ is the perpendicular bisector of AB .

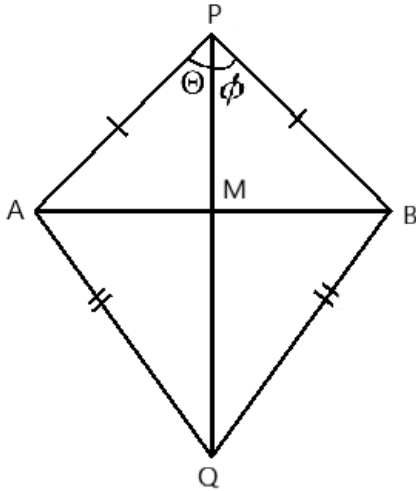


Fig. 0

0.2 Explanation

In order to prove that line PQ is the perpendicular bisector of AB , two conditions need to be met:

- 1) $AM=BM$
- 2) $PM \perp AB$

These conditions can be proved using cosine law in vector form and some vector theory. The solution is as follow:

0.3 Solution

It is given that the points P and Q are equidistant from the points A and B . Thus we can write:

$$\|PA\| = \|PB\| \quad (0.3.1)$$

$$\|QA\| = \|QB\| \quad (0.3.2)$$

Using the law of cosine, we can write:

$$\|AQ\|^2 = \|PA\|^2 + \|PQ\|^2 - 2 \|PA\| \|PQ\| \cos\Theta \quad (0.3.3)$$

$$\|BQ\|^2 = \|PB\|^2 + \|PQ\|^2 - 2 \|PB\| \|PQ\| \cos\phi \quad (0.3.4)$$

From equations 0.3.1 0.3.2 0.3.3 and 0.3.4, we can write:

$$\cos\Theta = \cos\phi \quad (0.3.5)$$

$$\therefore \Rightarrow \Theta = \phi \quad (0.3.6)$$

Again using the law of cosine, we can write:

$$\|AM\|^2 = \|PA\|^2 + \|PM\|^2 - 2 \|PA\| \|PM\| \cos\Theta \quad (0.3.7)$$

$$\|BM\|^2 = \|PB\|^2 + \|PM\|^2 - 2 \|PB\| \|PM\| \cos\phi \quad (0.3.8)$$

From equations 0.3.1 and 0.3.6, we can write:

$$\|BM\|^2 = \|PA\|^2 + \|PM\|^2 - 2 \|PA\| \|PM\| \cos\Theta \quad (0.3.9)$$

From equations 0.3.7 and 0.3.9, we can write:

$$\|AM\|^2 = \|BM\|^2 \quad (0.3.10)$$

$$\therefore \|AM\| = \|BM\| \quad (0.3.11)$$

Thus, Segment PQ bisects segment AB .

From the figure, the vector \mathbf{AB} can be written as:

$$\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{AP} + \mathbf{PB} \quad (0.3.12)$$

Also, the vector \mathbf{PM} can be written as:

$$\mathbf{PM} = \mathbf{PA} + \mathbf{AM} \quad (0.3.13)$$

The point M is the midpoint of the segment AB , therefore the vector \mathbf{AM} is :

$$\mathbf{AM} = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{AB} \quad (0.3.14)$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{PM} = \mathbf{PA} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{AB} \quad (0.3.15)$$

From equation 0.3.12:

$$\mathbf{PM} = \mathbf{PA} + \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{AP} + \mathbf{PB}) \quad (0.3.16)$$

$$\mathbf{PM} = \mathbf{PA} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{AP} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{PB} \quad (0.3.17)$$

$$\mathbf{PM} = \mathbf{PA} - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{PA} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{PB} \quad (0.3.18)$$

$$\mathbf{PM} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{PA} + \mathbf{PB}) \quad (0.3.19)$$

For $PM \perp AB$, The dot product of vectors \mathbf{AB} and \mathbf{PM} should be zero. Using equations 0.3.12 and 0.3.19:

$$\mathbf{AC}^T \mathbf{PM} = (\mathbf{AP} + \mathbf{PB})^T \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{PA} + \mathbf{PB}) \quad (0.3.20)$$

$$\mathbf{AC}^T \mathbf{PM} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{AP}^T + \mathbf{PB}^T)(\mathbf{PA} + \mathbf{PB}) \quad (0.3.21)$$

$$\mathbf{AC}^T \mathbf{PM} = \frac{1}{2}(-\mathbf{PA}^T + \mathbf{PB}^T)(\mathbf{PA} + \mathbf{PB}) \quad (0.3.22)$$

$$\mathbf{AC}^T \mathbf{PM} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{PB}^T \mathbf{PB} - \mathbf{PA}^T \mathbf{PA}) \quad (0.3.23)$$

$$\mathbf{AC}^T \mathbf{PM} = \frac{1}{2}(\|\mathbf{PB}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{PA}\|^2) \quad (0.3.24)$$

$$\mathbf{AC}^T \mathbf{PM} = 0 \quad (0.3.25)$$

Thus, Segment PQ is perpendicular bisector of segment AB .