Matrix-Conic

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1 Problem Statement

To find the locus of mid point of $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{Q}$ where \mathbf{P} is (1,0) and \mathbf{Q} is a point on the locus $y^2 = 8x$.

$(2\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{V}2\mathbf{X} - 2\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{P}) + 2\mathbf{u}^{\top}2\mathbf{X} - 2\mathbf{u}^{\top}\mathbf{P} = 0$ (10)

2 Solution

Let ${\bf X}$ be any point on the Locus formed by the midpoint joining the point ${\bf P}$ and any point on the given locus say, point ${\bf Q}$

Where,
$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
, $\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

The given equation of parabola $y^2 = 8x$ can be written in the general quadratic form as

$$\mathbf{x}^{\top} \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2 \mathbf{u}^{\top} \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \tag{1}$$

where

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},\tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -4\\0 \end{pmatrix},\tag{3}$$

$$f = 0 (4)$$

$$4\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{X} + 4\mathbf{u}^{\top}\mathbf{X} - 2\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{P} - 2\mathbf{u}^{\top}\mathbf{P} = 0 \quad (11)$$

$$4\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{X} + 4\mathbf{u}^{\top}\mathbf{X} + 8 = 0 \tag{12}$$

$$\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{u}^{\top}\mathbf{X} + 2 = 0 \tag{13}$$

Therefore, required Locus equation of the mid point of given point \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{Q} is obtained as:

$$\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{X} + 2\mathbf{u'}^{\top}\mathbf{X} + f' = 0 \tag{14}$$

where

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},\tag{15}$$

$$\mathbf{u}' = \begin{pmatrix} -2\\0 \end{pmatrix},\tag{16}$$

$$f' = 2 \tag{17}$$

Substitute \mathbf{Q} and data in (1).

$$\mathbf{Q}^{\top}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{Q} + 2\mathbf{u}^{\top}\mathbf{Q} = 0 \tag{5}$$

By section formula mid point of line joining ${\bf P}$ and ${\bf Q}$ as ${\bf X}$ is:

$$\mathbf{X} = \frac{\mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{P}}{2} \tag{6}$$

2.1 verification

Comparing generate point on the obtained locus as X then,

The intersection of given (1) with a line along \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{X} . And find If (6) is satisfied or not

the point of intersection of the line with the conic section is considered as ${\bf Q}$

From the above considerations below vectors are taken

$$\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{X}, \ \mathbf{m} = (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{P}) \tag{18}$$

The points of intersection of the line,

$$L: \quad \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{q} + \mu \mathbf{m} \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R} \tag{19}$$

with the conic section,

$$\mathbf{x}^{\top}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^{\top}\mathbf{x} + f = 0 \tag{20}$$

are given by

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{q} + \mu_i \mathbf{m} \tag{21}$$

where

$$\begin{split} \mu_{\hat{t}} &= \frac{1}{\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{m}} \left(-\mathbf{m}^T \left(\mathbf{V} \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{u} \right) \right. \\ & \qquad \qquad \pm \left. \sqrt{\left[\mathbf{m}^T \left(\mathbf{V} \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{u} \right) \right]^2 - \left(\mathbf{q}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{q} + 2 \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{q} + f \right) \left(\mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{m} \right)} \right) \end{split} \tag{22}$$

On substituting \mathbf{V} , \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{q} , \mathbf{m} in the above equation, we get the values of μ . By substituting the values of μ in (21), we get the points of intersection of line with the given curve. i.e., $\mathbf{x1}$, $\mathbf{x2}$

we take only one of the suitable point in consideration to verify (6) in this way obtained locus is verified

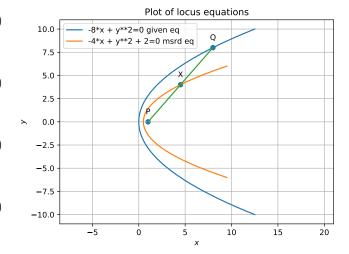


Figure 1: Found the locus equation

3 Software

Download the following code using,

svn co https://github.com/chanduputta/ FWC-Module1Assignments/blob/ main/conic/code/conic.py

and execute the code by using command

cmd1:Python3 conic.py
cmd2:Input y-coordinate to generate point on locus

Observe: the obtained locus is verified or not

4 Plotting

Symbol	Value	Description
P	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$	given point
Q	$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$	point on given locus
X	$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$	mid point of \mathbf{PQ}

Table 1: Parameters

5 Conclusion

We found the locus of mid point of $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{Q}$ where \mathbf{P} is (1,0) and \mathbf{Q} is a point on the locus $\mathbf{y^2} = \mathbf{8x}$ as $\mathbf{y^2} = \mathbf{4x} - \mathbf{2}$ and Verified.