

Matrix-Lines

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1 Problem Statement

A line perpendicular to the line segment joining the points (1,0) and (2,3) divides it in the ratio 1:n . find the equation of the line?
(note: we are taking n as user Input) .

Symbol	Value	Description
P	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$	given point
Q	$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$	given point
R	$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{2+n}{1+n} \\ \frac{3}{1+n} \end{pmatrix}$	intersecting point

Table 1: Parameters

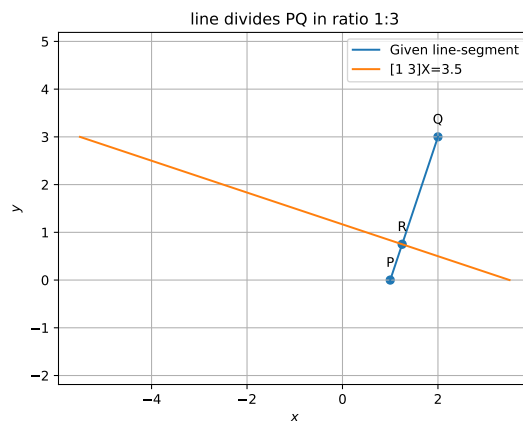


Figure 1: Equation of the required Straight Line

2 Solution

Given that resultant will divide the equation of line in the ratio 1:n and the line is perpendicular to line segment joining the points (1,0) and (2,3))

Let $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

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

We know if 2 points of the line segment is given then,

Direction vector of line joining two points \mathbf{P} \mathbf{Q} is given by

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{Q} - \mathbf{P} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

We know, that position or directional vector of points \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{Q} line segment used as the normal vector

The general equation of the required perpendicular line is $\mathbf{M}^T \mathbf{X} = c$.

The perpendicular line cutting a line segment \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{Q} in ratio 1:n is passes through the point \mathbf{R} .

$$\mathbf{R} = \frac{\mathbf{Q} + n\mathbf{P}}{1 + n} \quad (4)$$

Equation of line passing through \mathbf{R} is

$$\mathbf{M}^T (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{R}) = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{M}^T \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{M}^T \mathbf{R} = 0 \quad (6)$$

From eq4, eq6 and eq3 we can find the required Perpendicular line equation.

$$(1 \ 3) \mathbf{X} = (1 \ 3) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2+n}{1+n} \\ \frac{3}{1+n} \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

Therefore the equation of a line perpendicular to the given line segment divides it in the ratio 1:n is:

$$(1 \ 3) \mathbf{X} = \frac{11 + n}{1 + n} \quad (8)$$

3 Software

Download the following code using,

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svn co https://github.com/chanduputta/
FWC-Module1Assignments/blob/
main/assignment4/line/lines3.py
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and execute the code by using command

cmd: Python3 lines3.py

Then, input your required n value

4 Conclusion

We found the equation of a line perpendicular to the line segment joining the points (1,0) and (2,3) divides it in the ratio 1:n .