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Question:

Find the area bounded by the curves $y = |x - 1|$ and $y = 1$.

Solution

1. Representing Lines in Matrix Form

We express the three boundary lines in the vector form $\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c$, where \mathbf{n} is the normal vector and $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$.

$$\mathbf{n}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, c_1 = 1 \implies \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, c_1 = 1 \implies \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, c_1 = 1 \implies \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (3)$$

2. Finding Vertices with Augmented Matrices

The intersection of any two lines is the solution to a system of linear equations, which we solve using Augmented Matrices.

Vertex A (Intersection of L_1 and L_2):

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xleftrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1} \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad (4)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xleftrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} R_2} \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad (5)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xleftrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2} \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

Vertex B (Intersection of L_1 and L_3):

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xleftrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2} \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad (8)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (9)$$

Vertex C (Intersection of L_2 and L_3):

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array}\right) \xleftrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2} \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array}\right) \quad (10)$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (11)$$

The vertices are $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, and $\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

3. Calculating Area with Vector Determinant

We form two vectors representing two sides of the triangle, \mathbf{AB} and \mathbf{AC} .

$$\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (12)$$

$$\mathbf{AC} = \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

The area is half the absolute value of the determinant of the matrix formed by these two vectors.

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \left\| (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) \times \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A} \right\| \quad (14)$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\| \quad (15)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (1(1) - (-1)(1)) \quad (16)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (1 + 1) = \frac{1}{2} (2) = 1 \text{ square unit.} \quad (17)$$

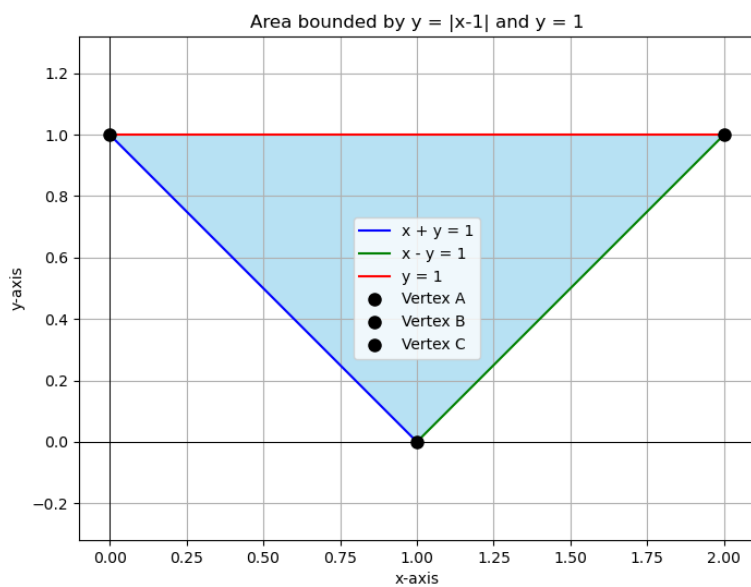


Fig. 1