Solving 2D geometric problems using matrices

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Geometric Problem

• A circle whose radius is 3 touches externally the circle C at point (2,2). The circle C is $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 2y - 4 = 0$.

Then find the length of intercept made by that Circle on X-axis.



Matrix Transformation

$$x^{\mathsf{T}}x + \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}x - 4 = 0 \tag{1}$$

intersects the circle at point $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ Then, find intercept made by circle on x-axis by using matrices.



Solution using matrices

Given point B =
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is midpoint of A = $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ and C = $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Where A,C are centers of circles and B is point of intersection of those circles.

So, from above conditions we get $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ Given radius of circle is 3, the equation of circle in matrix form is $C' = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$x^{\mathsf{T}}x + \begin{bmatrix} -10 & -4 \end{bmatrix}x + 20 = 0$$

(2)



Intercept on x-axis

To find intercept on x-axis ,y co-ordinate should be zero.so,we get a quadratic equation,

$$x^2 - 10x + 20 = 0 (3)$$

The roots of above equation are D = $\begin{bmatrix} 7.236 \\ 2.764 \end{bmatrix}$. Take a matrix M = $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Then, distance d is

$$d = DM$$

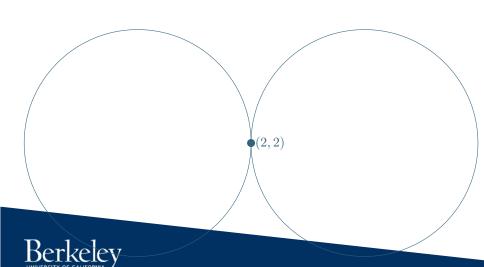
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Then, by matrix multiplication, distance

$$d = 4.472$$
 (5)



Figure of solution



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