Matgeo - 1-1.2-19

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Question: Find the slope of lines

- 1) Passing through the points (3, -2) and (-1, 4)
- 2) Passing through the points (3, -2) and (7, -2)
- 3) Passing through the points (3, -2) and (3, 4)
- 4) Making inclination of 60° with the positive direction of x-axis.

Solution:

1)

$$m = B - A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2}$$

$$=4\begin{pmatrix}1\\\frac{-3}{2}\end{pmatrix}\tag{1.3}$$

 $\therefore \text{ slope is } \frac{3}{2}$

$$m = B - A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -4\\0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2}$$

$$= -4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.3}$$

 \therefore slope is 0

3)

$$m = B - A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.2}$$

$$=6\begin{pmatrix} 0\\-1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.3}$$

 \therefore slope is $-\infty$

4)

$$m = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha \\ \sin \alpha \end{pmatrix} \tag{4.1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos 60^{\circ} \\ \sin 60^{\circ} \end{pmatrix} \tag{4.2}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \tag{4.3}$$

$$=\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)\tag{4.4}$$

: slope is $\sqrt{3}$

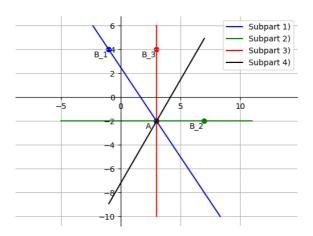


Fig. 4: A plot of all lines

Code for plotting points and vector arithmetic

Codes/linear.py