

## 4.4.31

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### QUESTION

Find the equation of the line joining  $\mathbf{A}(1,3)$  and  $\mathbf{B}(0,0)$ . Also, find  $k$  if  $\mathbf{D}(k,0)$  is a point such that the area of  $\triangle ABD$  is 3 square units.

### solution

as mentioned in the problem the position vector of the points is :

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} k \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

the equation of the line passing through  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  is of the form

$$\mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{x} = 0.$$

because it is passing through origin .

$$\mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{A} = 0.$$

$$\mathbf{n}^\top \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

so the equation of the line is :

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0.$$

area of  $\triangle ABD$  :

$$\frac{1}{2} \|(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) \times (\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{B})\| = 3$$

### VECTOR PRODUCT

let  $\mathbf{N}$  be a vector :

$$\mathbf{N} = \begin{pmatrix} n_1 \\ n_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

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let  $\mathbf{M}$  be a vector :

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

the vector product of two vectors  $\mathbf{N}$  and  $\mathbf{M}$  is

$$\mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ n_1 m_2 - m_1 n_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

area of  $\triangle ABD$  is :

$$\frac{1}{2} \|(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) \times (\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{B})\| = \frac{1}{2} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} K \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3K \end{pmatrix}^\top \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3K \end{pmatrix}} = 3$$

$$k = +2, -2$$

$$n_1=1, n_2=3, m_1=k, m_2=0$$

so the position vector of  $\mathbf{D}$  :

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



