EE5600 Assignment 2

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Abstract—This document contains the solution to a Equation of the lines problem.

Download all python and latex codes from

https://github.com/venky-p/EE5600/Assignment 2

1 Problem

Problem Set: Vector2, Example V, Problem 8

1.1. Find the equations to the straight lines which pass through the point $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ and cut off equal distances from the two axes.

2 SOLUTION

Given: Line passes through

$$x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.1.1}$$

Line 1:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = a \tag{2.1.2}$$

We know that, Line passes through (2.1.1),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = a \tag{2.1.3}$$

$$\implies a = -1$$
 (2.1.4)

By Substituting (2.1.4) in (2.1.2), We get the Line 1 equation

$$(2.1.5)$$

Line 2:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = a \tag{2.1.6}$$

We know that, Line passes through (2.1.1),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = a \tag{2.1.7}$$

$$\implies a = 3$$
 (2.1.8)

By Substituting (2.1.8) in (2.1.6), We get the Line 2 equation

$$\left| \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 3 \right| \tag{2.1.9}$$

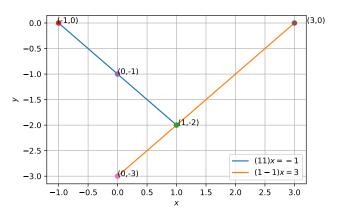


Fig. 2.1: Plot obtained from Python code