

# Straight Lines



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# Problems



The number of points on x-axis which are at a distance  $c$  ( $c < 3$ ) from the point  $(2, 3)$  is

(A) 2

(B) 1

(C) infinite

(D) no point

x-axis A  $(x_1, 0)$

$$AB = c$$

$$\sqrt{(x_1 - 2)^2 + 3^2} = c$$

$$(x_1 - 2)^2 + 3^2 = c^2$$

$$(x_1 - 2)^2 = c^2 - 9$$

$$x_1 - 2 = \pm \sqrt{c^2 - 9}$$

$$x_1 = 2 \pm \sqrt{c^2 - 9}$$

$$c < 3$$

$$c^2 < 9$$

$$c^2 - 9 < 0$$

$x_1$  is imaginary

# Concepts

## **DISTANCE FORMULA:**

The distance between the points  $A(x_1, y_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2)$  is  $\sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$

## SECTION FORMULA :

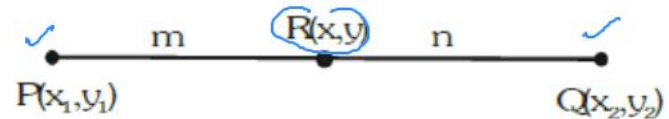


P divides  
AB in 2:1

The co-ordinates of a point dividing a line joining the <sup>2</sup> points  $P(x_1, y_1)$  and  $Q(x_2, y_2)$  in the ratio  $m:n$  is given by :

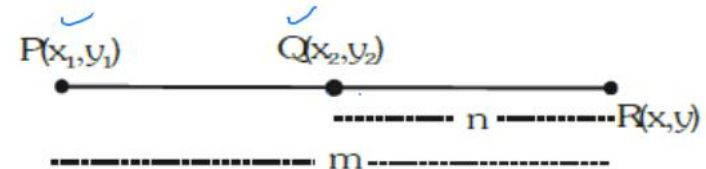
(a) For internal division :  $P - R - Q \Rightarrow R$  divides line segment  $PQ$ , internally.

$$(x, y) \equiv \left( \frac{mx_2 + nx_1}{m+n}, \frac{my_2 + ny_1}{m+n} \right)$$



(b) For external division :  $R - P - Q$  or  $P - Q - R \Rightarrow R$  divides line segment  $PQ$ , externally.

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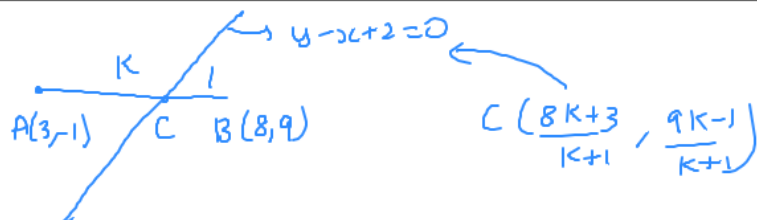
$\frac{(PR)}{(QR)} < 1 \Rightarrow R$  lies on the left of  $P$  &  $\frac{(PR)}{(QR)} > 1 \Rightarrow R$  lies on the right of  $Q$

**Note :** If  $P$  divides  $AB$  internally in the ratio  $m:n$  &  $Q$  divides  $AB$  externally in the ratio  $m:n$  then  $P$  &  $Q$  are said to be harmonic conjugate of each other w.r.t.  $AB$ .

# Problems



Determine the ratio in which  $y - x + 2 = 0$  divides the line joining  $(3, -1)$  and  $(8, 9)$ .



$$\frac{9K-1}{K+1} - \frac{8K+3}{K+1} + 2 = 0$$

$$9K-1-8K-3+2K+2=0$$

$$3K-2=0$$

$$K = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} : 1$$

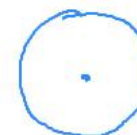
$$\boxed{2:3} \quad +ve$$

## CENTROID AND INCENTRE :

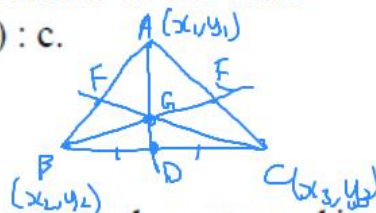
If  $A(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $B(x_2, y_2)$ ,  $C(x_3, y_3)$  are the vertices of triangle ABC, whose sides BC, CA, AB are of

lengths  $a, b, c$  respectively, then the coordinates of the centroid are :  $\left( \frac{x_1+x_2+x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1+y_2+y_3}{3} \right)$

& the coordinates of the incentre are :  $\left( \frac{ax_1+bx_2+cx_3}{a+b+c}, \frac{ay_1+by_2+cy_3}{a+b+c} \right)$



Note that incentre divides the angle bisectors in the ratio  $(b+c):a$  ;  $(c+a):b$  &  $(a+b):c$ .



Centroid  $\rightarrow$  Median  
Incentre  $\rightarrow$  Angle Bisector  
Circumcentre  $\rightarrow$   $\perp$  bisector  
Orthocentre  $\rightarrow$  altitudes  
Excentre  $\rightarrow$  one internal bisector / 2 external bis.

☛ For isosceles triangle centroid, circumcentre, orthocentre and incentre are collinear.

☛ For a triangle Orthocentre (O), Centroid (G), Circumcentre (C) are collinear and centroid divides orthocentre and circumcentre in the ratio 2 : 1 internally.

☛ For equilateral  $\Delta$ , centroid, circumcentre, orthocentre and incentre coincide.



# Problems



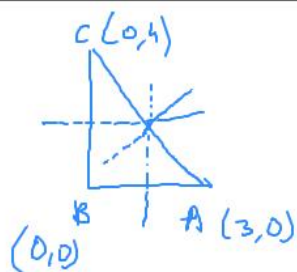
The circumcentre of the triangle with vertices  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(3, 0)$  and  $(0, 4)$  is -

(A)  $(1, 1)$

(B)  $(2, 3/2)$

(C)  $(3/2, 2)$

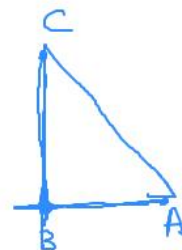
(D) none of these



For a right angle  $\Delta$ , circumcentre is the mid point of hypotenuse

$$\frac{3+0}{2}, \frac{0+4}{2}$$

$$\left(\frac{3}{2}, 2\right)$$



Orthocentre = ?

B is the orthocentre.

equilateral  $\Delta$



All centres coincide

## AREA OF A TRIANGLE :

The area of a triangle, whose vertices are  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$  is

$$\checkmark \quad \frac{1}{2} |x_1 (y_2 - y_3) + x_2 (y_3 - y_1) + x_3 (y_1 - y_2)| = \frac{1}{2} \left| \begin{array}{ccc} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{array} \right| \quad \checkmark$$

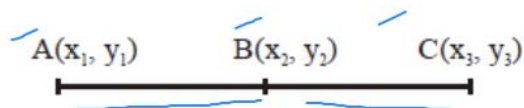


## COLLINEARITY OF THREE POINTS :

Different conditions for three points  $A(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $B(x_2, y_2)$  and  $C(x_3, y_3)$  to be collinear are as follows

(i)  $AB + BC = AC$ ,  $AC - AB = BC$

(ii)



$AB + BC = AC$  dist formula.

Slope of AB = Slope of BC

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{y_3 - y_2}{x_3 - x_2}$$

(iii) If the area of triangle ABC be zero then the three points will be collinear.

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Area of  $\Delta = 0$

# Problems

Find the value of  $x$  so that the points  $\overset{A}{(x, -1)}$ ,  $\overset{B}{(2, 1)}$  and  $\overset{C}{(4, 5)}$  are collinear.

$$\text{slope of } AB = \text{slope of } BC$$

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## LOCUS :

Locus of a point which is always at a fixed dist from a fixed point



The curve described by a point which moves under given condition or conditions is called its locus.

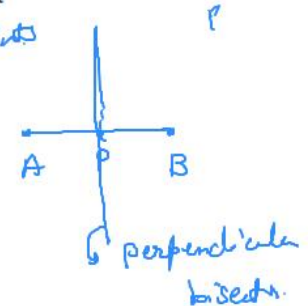


## EQUATION TO LOCUS OF A POINT :

The equation to the locus of a point is the relation which is satisfied by the coordinates of every point on the locus of the point.

Locus of a point  $\vee$  it is always at equal distance from 2 fixed points such that

Steps to find locus of a point.



**Step I :** Assume the coordinates of the point say  $(h, k)$  whose locus is to be determined.

**Step II :** Write the given condition in mathematical form involving  $h, k$ .

**Step III :** Eliminate the variable (s), if any.

**Step IV :** Replace  $h$  by  $x$  and  $k$  by  $y$  in the result obtained in step III.

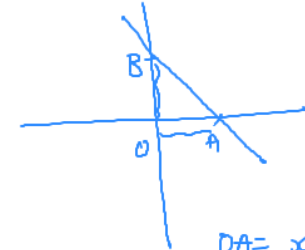
The equation so obtained is the locus of the point which moves under some condition(s).

## EQUATION OF A STRAIGHT LINE IN VARIOUS FORMS :

- (i) Slope - intercept form:  $y = mx + c$  is the equation of a straight line whose slope is  $m$  & which makes an intercept  $c$  on the  $y$ -axis.  $\rightarrow$   $y$ -intercept
- (ii) Slope one point form:  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$  is the equation of a straight line whose slope is  $m$  & which passes through the point  $(x_1, y_1)$ .

$$A(x_1, y_1) \quad m.$$

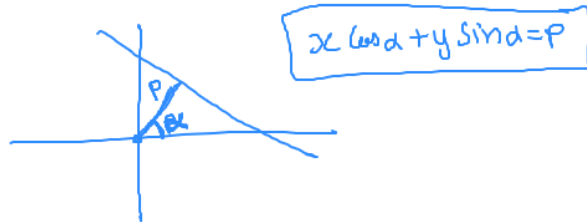
$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$



$$OA = x\text{-int. (+ve or -ve)}$$

$$OB = y\text{-int. (+ve or -ve)}$$

- (iv) **Two point form** :  $y - y_1 = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} (x - x_1)$  is the equation of a straight line which passes through the points  $(x_1, y_1)$  &  $(x_2, y_2)$ .  
 $A(x_1, y_1)$   $B(x_2, y_2) \Rightarrow y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$   
 $y - y_1 = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} (x - x_1)$
- (v) **Intercept form** :  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$  is the equation of a straight line which makes intercepts  $a$  &  $b$  on OX & OY respectively.
- (vi) **Perpendicular form** :  $x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p$  is the equation of the straight line where the length of the perpendicular from the origin O on the line is  $p$  and this perpendicular makes angle  $\alpha$  with positive side of x-axis.
- (vii) **General Form** :  $ax + by + c = 0$  is the equation of a straight line in the general form



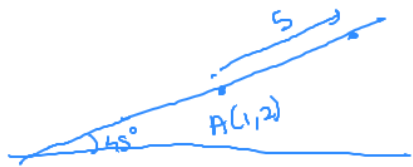
(iii) **Parametric form :** The equation of the line in parametric form is given by

$\frac{x-x_1}{\cos \theta} = \frac{y-y_1}{\sin \theta} = r$  (say). Where 'r' is the distance of any point (x, y) on the line from the fixed point  $(x_1, y_1)$  on the line. r is positive if the point (x, y) is on the right of  $(x_1, y_1)$  and negative if (x, y) lies on the left of  $(x_1, y_1)$ .

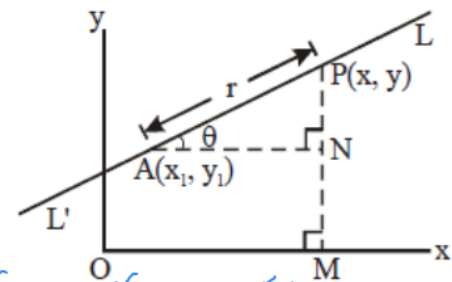
$$\frac{x-x_1}{\cos \theta} = \frac{y-y_1}{\sin \theta} = \pm r$$

where, r is the distance of any point on the line from the given point  $A(x_1, y_1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ y - y_1 &= \tan \theta (x - x_1) \\ y - y_1 &= \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} (x - x_1) \Rightarrow \frac{x - x_1}{\cos \theta} = \frac{y - y_1}{\sin \theta} \end{aligned}$$



$$\frac{x-1}{\cos 45^\circ} = \frac{y-2}{\sin 45^\circ} = r \Rightarrow \left( x = 1 + \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, y = 2 + \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \text{ } r \text{ is parameter}$$



$$m = \tan \theta$$

$$\left( 1 + \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, 2 + \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, 2 - \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

## Problems



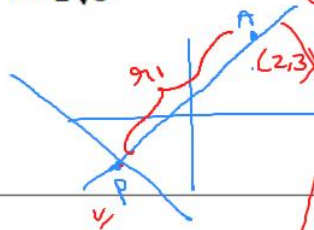
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(C)  $5\sqrt{2}$

(D)  $2\sqrt{5}$



$$y - 3 = \tan 45^\circ (x - 2)$$

$$y - 3 = x - 2$$

$$x - y + 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{17-2}{17-2}$$

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$$x + y + 1 = 0 \quad (P \text{ satisfies})$$

$$2 + \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} + 3 + \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2r}{\sqrt{2}} = -6 \Rightarrow r = \frac{-6 \times \sqrt{2}}{2} = -3\sqrt{2}$$

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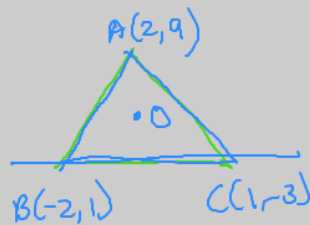
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# Problems

If  $(2, 9)$ ,  $(-2, 1)$  and  $(1, -3)$  are the vertices of a triangle, then prove that the origin lies inside the triangle.



Exact Figure (M-1)

A & O should lie on same side of BC	} AC AB
B & O " " " "	
C & O " " " "	

### LENGTH OF PERPENDICULAR FROM A POINT ON A LINE :

The length of perpendicular from  $P(x_1, y_1)$  on  $ax + by + c = 0$  is  $\frac{|ax_1 + by_1 + c|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$ .

**ANGLE BETWEEN TWO STRAIGHT LINES IN TERMS OF THEIR SLOPES :**

If  $m_1$  &  $m_2$  are the slopes of two intersecting straight lines ( $m_1 m_2 \neq -1$ ) &  $\theta$  is the acute angle

between them, then  $\tan \theta = \left| \frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} \right|$ .

$$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} \right|$$

Lines are parallel

$$m_1 = m_2$$

Lines are  $\perp$

$$m_1 m_2 = -1$$

# Problems



If the straight line  $3x + 4y + 5 - k(x + y + 3) = 0$  is parallel to y-axis, then the value of k is -

(A) 1

(B) 2

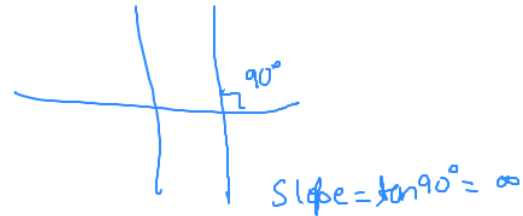
(C) 3

(D) 4

$$(3-k)x + (4-k)y + 5-3k = 0$$

$$m = -\frac{(3-k)}{4-k} = \frac{k-3}{4-k}$$

$$4-k=0$$
$$k=4$$

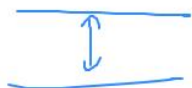


### PARALLEL LINES :

- (i) When two straight lines are parallel their slopes are equal. Thus any line parallel to  $ax + by + c = 0$  is of the type  $ax + by + k = 0$ . Where  $k$  is a parameter.
- (ii) The distance between two parallel lines with equations  $ax + by + c_1 = 0$  &  $ax + by + c_2 = 0$  is

$$\frac{|c_1 - c_2|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

Note that the coefficients of  $x$  &  $y$  in both the equations must be same.



$$ax + by + c = 0$$

$$ax + by + k = 0$$

$$3x - 4y + 8 = 0$$

$$3x - 4y + k = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

### PERPENDICULAR LINES :

- (i) When two lines of slopes  $m_1$  &  $m_2$  are at right angles, the product of their slopes is  $-1$ , i.e.  $m_1 m_2 = -1$ .  
 Thus any line perpendicular to  $ax + by + c = 0$  is of the form  $bx - ay + k = 0$ , where  $k$  is any parameter.
- (ii) Straight lines  $ax + by + c = 0$  &  $a'x + b'y + c' = 0$  are at right angles if & only if  $aa' + bb' = 0$ .



$$ax + by + c = 0$$

$$m_1 m_2 = -1$$



$$\boxed{bx - ay + k = 0} \text{ is } \perp \text{ to given line}$$

$$2x + 3y + 5 = 0$$

$$\perp \text{ line: } 3x - 2y + k = 0$$

## CONCURRENCY OF THREE LINES :

Three lines are said to be concurrent if they pass through a common point, i.e. they meet at a point.

Thus, if three line are concurrent the point of intersection of two lines lies on the third line. Let the three concurrent lines be

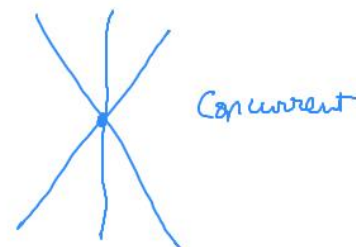
$$a_1x + b_1y + c_1 = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$a_2x + b_2y + c_2 = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$a_3x + b_3y + c_3 = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

This is the required condition of concurrency of three lines.





## Problems

Find the value of  $\lambda$ , if the lines  $3x - 4y - 13 = 0$ ,  $8x - 11y - 33 = 0$  and  $2x - 3y + \lambda = 0$  are concurrent.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -4 & -13 \\ 8 & -11 & -33 \\ 2 & -3 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{Solve \& find } \lambda$$

## FAMILY OF STRAIGHT LINES :

Let  $L_1 \equiv a_1x + b_1y + c_1 = 0$  and  $L_2 \equiv a_2x + b_2y + c_2 = 0$

Then, the general equation of any straight line passing through the point of intersection of lines  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  is given by  $L_1 + \lambda L_2 = 0$ , where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

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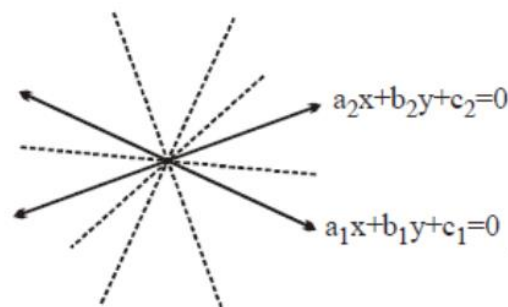
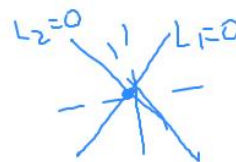
Also this general equation satisfies point of intersection of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  for any value of  $\lambda$ .

Conversely, if a variable line is expressed in the form of  $L_1 + \lambda L_2 = 0$  ( $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ) then it always passes through fixed point which is the point of intersection of  $L_1 = 0$  and  $L_2 = 0$ .

$$3x + 2y - 5 = 0, \quad x + y + 1 = 0$$

$$3x + 2y - 5 + \lambda(x + y + 1) = 0 \quad \boxed{(3+\lambda)x + (2+\lambda)y - 5 + \lambda = 0}$$

$\lambda$  is parameter  $\rightarrow$  slope = 5



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Find the equation of the line through the point of intersection of the lines  $3x - 4y + 1 = 0$  &  $5x + y - 1 = 0$  and perpendicular to the line  $2x - 3y = 10$ . — (2)

$$\rightarrow 3x - 4y + 1 + \lambda(5x + y - 1) = 0$$

$$(3+5\lambda)x + (\lambda-4)y + 1-\lambda = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$m = -\frac{(3+5\lambda)}{\lambda-4}$$

Ans.  $\boxed{3x - 4y + 1 - \frac{18}{7}(5x + y - 1) = 0}^{x^*}$

$$m = \frac{-2}{-3} = \frac{2}{3}$$



$$m = -\frac{\text{coeff of } x}{\text{coeff of } y}$$

① & ② are  $\perp$

$$m_1 \times m_2 = -1$$

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$$\frac{-(3 + 5\lambda)}{\lambda - 4} \times \frac{2}{3} = -1$$

$$6 + 10\lambda = 3\lambda - 12 \Rightarrow \lambda = -18$$

$$\lambda = -18/7$$

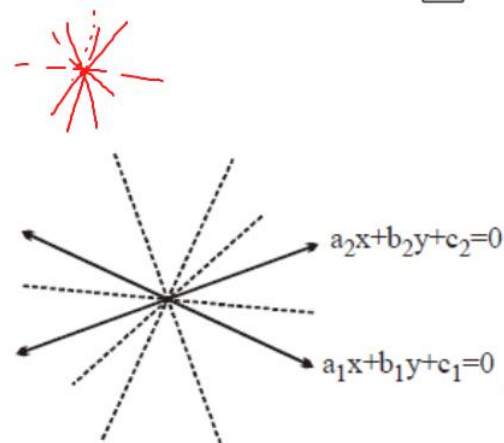
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$x+y-1=0$  &  $2x+3y+5=0$

& also passing through (1,1)

$x+y-1 + \lambda(2x+3y+5) = 0$

## Problems



The line  $(p + 2q)x + (p - 3q)y = p - q$  for different values of  $p$  and  $q$  passes through a fixed point whose coordinates are -

(A)  $\left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right)$

(B)  $\left(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}\right)$

(C)  $\left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}\right)$

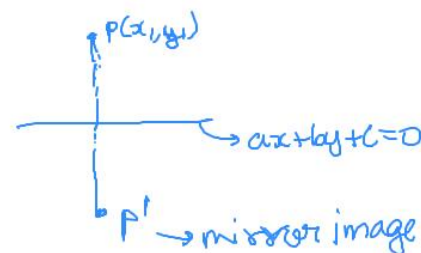
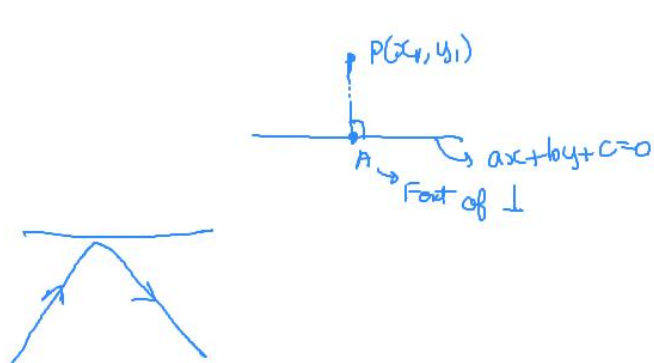
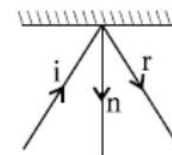
(D)  $\left(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{5}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &x + 2y - 1 = 0 \quad \& \quad x - y + 3 = 0 \\
 &\star \star \boxed{L_1 + \lambda L_2 = 0} \\
 &\quad \text{it will pass through} \\
 &\quad \text{p.o.i of } L_1 \& L_2 \\
 &x + y - 1 = 0 \quad \} \text{ p.o.i} \\
 &2x - 3y + 1 = 0 \\
 &\underline{2x + 2y - 2 = 0} \\
 &\quad \quad \quad -5y + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow y = \frac{3}{5}, x = \frac{2}{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &px + 2qy + p - 3q = p - q \\
 &p(x + y - 1) + q(2x - 3y + 1) = 0 \\
 &\quad \text{Divide by } p \\
 &(x + y - 1) + \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)(2x - 3y + 1) = 0 \\
 &\quad L_1 + \lambda L_2 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

## Optics Based Problem :

- (i) Image of a point in a line.
- (ii) A ray of light incident along the line  $lx + my + n = 0$  and strikes a line mirror. if the equation of normal on the line mirror at the point of incidence is  $px + qy + r = 0$  then find the equation of the reflected ray



## REFLECTION OF A POINT :

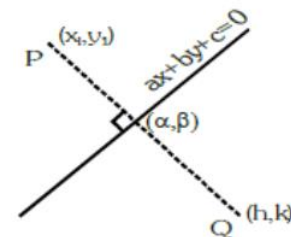
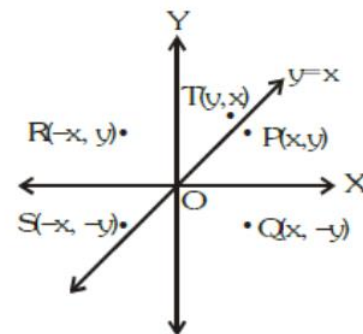
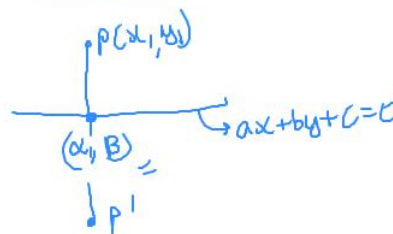
Let  $P(x, y)$  be any point, then its image with respect to

- (a) x-axis is  $Q(x, -y)$
- (b) y-axis is  $R(-x, y)$
- (c) origin is  $S(-x, -y)$
- (d) line  $y = x$  is  $T(y, x)$
- (e) Reflection of a point about any arbitrary line : The image  $(h, k)$  of a point  $P(x_1, y_1)$  about the line  $ax + by + c = 0$  is given by following formula.

$$\frac{h - x_1}{a} = \frac{k - y_1}{b} = \frac{-2(ax_1 + by_1 + c)}{a^2 + b^2}$$

and the foot of perpendicular  $(\alpha, \beta)$  from a point  $(x_1, y_1)$  on the line  $ax + by + c = 0$  is given by following formula.

$$\frac{\alpha - x_1}{a} = \frac{\beta - y_1}{b} = \frac{-ax_1 - by_1 - c}{a^2 + b^2}$$

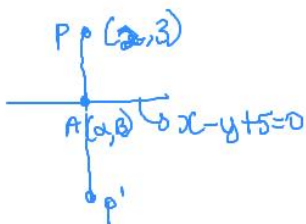




## Problems



A ray of light is sent along the line  $x - 2y - 3 = 0$ . Upon reaching the line mirror  $3x - 2y - 5 = 0$ , the ray is reflected from it. Find the equation of the line containing the reflected ray.



$$\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-3}{-1} = \frac{-2(2-3+5)}{1^2+(-1)^2}$$

$$\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-3}{-1} = -2 \times 2$$

$$x=0, y=5$$

(0, 5) Foot of  $\perp$

$$x = -2$$

$$y = 7$$

(-2, 7)  $\rightarrow$  mirror image.

$$\frac{x-2}{a} = \frac{y-3}{b} = \frac{-2(ax+by+c)}{a^2+b^2}$$

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Diagram illustrating the reflection of a ray of light from a line mirror. The incident ray is along the line  $x - 2y - 3 = 0$ , which passes through the point  $(3, 0)$ . The mirror line is  $3x - 2y - 5 = 0$ , which passes through the point  $(1, 1)$ . The reflected ray is shown as a dashed line passing through  $(1, 1)$ . The diagram also shows the perpendicular distance from the point  $(3, 0)$  to the mirror line, and the perpendicular distance from the point  $(1, 1)$  to the incident ray, indicating that the distances are equal, confirming the reflection.

Handwritten calculations:

$$\frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} = \frac{m - m_2}{1 + m m_2}$$

$$\frac{x - 3}{3} = \frac{y - 0}{-2} = \frac{-2(9 - 5)}{3^2 + 2^2}$$

$$\frac{x - 3}{3} = \frac{y}{-2} = \frac{-8}{13} \Rightarrow x = 3 - \frac{24}{13}, y = \frac{16}{13}$$

$$x = \frac{15}{13}, y = \frac{16}{13}$$

We got 2 points on reflected ray  $(1, 1)$  &  $(\frac{15}{13}, \frac{16}{13})$

## BISECTORS OF THE ANGLES BETWEEN TWO LINES : $L_1=0$

Equations of the bisectors of angles between the lines  $ax+by+c=0$  &

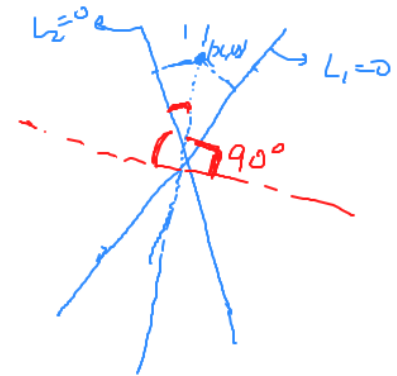
$a'x+b'y+c'=0$  ( $ab' \neq a'b$ ) are :  $\frac{ax+by+c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} = \pm \frac{a'x+b'y+c'}{\sqrt{a'^2+b'^2}}$

$$\left| \frac{ax+by+c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} \right| = \left| \frac{a'x+b'y+c'}{\sqrt{a'^2+b'^2}} \right|$$

$x-y+2=0$  &  $3x+2y+6=0$

$$\frac{x-y+2}{\sqrt{2}} = \pm \frac{3x+2y+6}{\sqrt{13}}$$

Find acute angle bisector  
obtuse angle bisector



Angle bisector is equidistant from both lines

Any two lines have 2 bisectors which are  $\perp$  to each other

## To discriminate between the acute angle bisector & the obtuse angle bisector

To discriminate between acute angle bisector & obtuse angle bisector proceed as follows Write  $ax + by + c = 0$  &  $a'x + b'y + c' = 0$  such that constant terms are positive.

If  $aa' + bb' < 0$ , then the angle between the lines that contains the origin is acute and the equation of the

bisector of this acute angle is  $\frac{ax + by + c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} = + \frac{a'x + b'y + c'}{\sqrt{a'^2 + b'^2}}$

$$\frac{-x + y + 2}{\sqrt{2}} = + \frac{2x + 3y + 5}{\sqrt{13}}$$

$aa' + bb' > 0$   
 $+ \rightarrow$  obtuse  $-$  (acute)

$$x - y - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow -x + y + 2 = 0$$

$$2x + 3y + 5 = 0$$

$$(aa' + bb') = (-1)(2) + (1)(3) = +1 > 0$$

If, however,  $aa' + bb' > 0$ , then the angle between the lines that contains the origin is obtuse & the equation of the bisector of this obtuse angle is:

$$\frac{ax + by + c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} = + \frac{a'x + b'y + c'}{\sqrt{a'^2 + b'^2}} ; \text{ therefore } \frac{ax + by + c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} = - \frac{a'x + b'y + c'}{\sqrt{a'^2 + b'^2}}$$

is the equation of other bisector.

$\downarrow$   
 obtuse  
 bisector

If  $(aa' + bb') > 0$  then  $+$  gives obtuse &  $-$  gives acute  
 $aa' + bb' < 0$  then  $-$  gives obtuse &  $+$  gives acute

## Pair of Straight Lines

### A PAIR OF STRAIGHT LINES THROUGH ORIGIN :

A homogeneous equation of degree two of the type  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$  always represents a pair of straight lines passing through the origin & if :

- (a)  $h^2 > ab \Rightarrow$  lines are real & distinct .
- (b)  $h^2 = ab \Rightarrow$  lines are coincident .
- (c)  $h^2 < ab \Rightarrow$  lines are imaginary with real point of intersection i.e. (0, 0)

If  $y = m_1x$  &  $y = m_2x$  be the two equations represented by  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ , then:

$$m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{2h}{b} \quad \& \quad m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{b} .$$

~~2nd~~ 2<sup>nd</sup> degree eqn in  $x$  &  $y$

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$$

pair of st lines  
circle  
parabola  
ellipse  
hyperbola

depends on  
coefficients

$$a, h, b, g, f, c$$

$x+y+5=0$   
 $2x+3y-1=0$

$(x+y+5)(2x+3y-1)=0$

2<sup>nd</sup> degree eqn.

### GENERAL EQUATION OF SECOND DEGREE REPRESENTING A PAIR OF STRAIGHT LINES:

$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$  represents a pair of straight lines if:

$abc + 2fgh - af^2 - bg^2 - ch^2 = 0$ , i.e. if

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & h & g \\ h & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

*pair of straight lines*

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & h & g \\ h & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

The angle  $\theta$  between the two lines representing by a general equation is the same as that between the two lines represented by its homogeneous part only.

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c$$

## Problems



If  $\lambda x^2 - 10xy + 12y^2 + 5x - 16y - 3 = 0$  represents a pair of straight lines, then  $\lambda$  is equal to -

(A) 4

(B) 3

☒ (C) 2

(D) 1

$$a=\lambda, h=-5, b=12, g=\frac{5}{2}, f=-8, c=-3$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & h & g \\ h & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -5 & 5/2 \\ -5 & 12 & -8 \\ 5/2 & -8 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

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$$m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{2h}{b} \quad \& \quad m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{b}.$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & h & c \\ h & b & 0 \\ c & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$$

$\rightarrow$  Homogeneous eqn of 2<sup>nd</sup> degree

$$\boxed{ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0} \quad ** \quad g=0, f=0, c=0$$

$\rightarrow$  will always represent pair of st/line

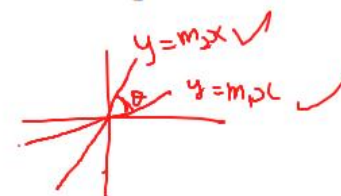


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$(m_1x - y)(m_2x - y) = 0$



$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} \right| = \frac{\sqrt{(m_1 + m_2)^2 - 4m_1 m_2}}{1 + m_1 m_2} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{4h^2}{b^2} - \frac{4a}{b}}}{1 + \frac{a}{b}} = \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a + b}$

If  $y = m_1x$  &  $y = m_2x$  be the two equations represented by  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ , then:

$m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{2h}{b}$  &  $m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{b}$ .

$bm^2 + 2hm + a = 0$   $\begin{matrix} \rightarrow m_1 \\ \rightarrow m_2 \end{matrix}$

$\begin{cases} m_1 + m_2 = -2h/b \\ m_1 m_2 = a/b \end{cases}$

$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2$   
 $\swarrow \quad \searrow$   
 $y = m_1x \quad y = m_2x$

$\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = m_1 \quad \left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = m_2$

Divide by  $x^2$

$a + 2h\frac{xy}{x^2} + b\frac{y^2}{x^2} = 0$

$\frac{y}{x} = m$

$b\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2 + 2h\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + a = 0$

If  $\theta$  is the acute angle between the pair of straight lines represented by,

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0, \text{ then; } \tan \theta = \left| \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a + b} \right|.$$

if  $h^2 = ab \Rightarrow \tan \theta = 0 \Rightarrow$  lines are coincident



The condition that these lines are:

- (a) At right angles to each other is  $a + b = 0$ , i.e. co-efficient of  $x^2$  + coefficient of  $y^2 = 0$ .
- (b) Coincident is  $h^2 = ab$ .
- (c) Equally inclined to the axis of  $x$  is  $h = 0$ , i.e. coeff. of  $xy = 0$ .

$x^2 + 7xy - y^2 = 0$   
 $a = 1$   
 $b = -1$   
 $a + b = 0$

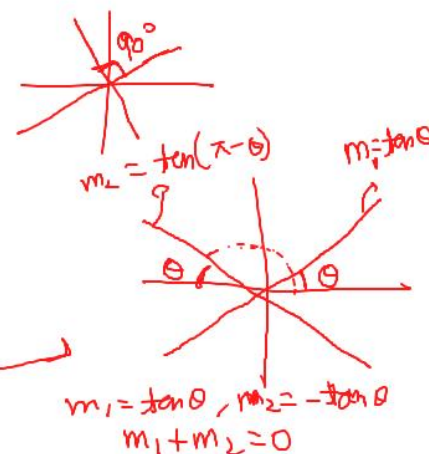
$\tan \theta = \tan 90^\circ = \text{N.D.}$

$\downarrow$   
 $\frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a + b}$

$\boxed{a + b = 0}$

$\hookrightarrow$  lines to be  $\perp$

$m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{2h}{b} = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{h = 0}$



# Problems

Prove that the equation  $x^2 - 5xy + 4y^2 = 0$  represents two lines passing through the origin. Also find their equations.

$$\Delta = 0$$

$$x^2 - 5xy + 4y^2 = 0$$

Divide by  $x^2$

$$1 - 5\frac{y}{x} + 4\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{y}{x} = m$$

$$y = mx$$

$$1 - 5m + 4m^2 = 0$$

$$m_1 = \frac{1}{4}, m_2 = 1$$

$$4m^2 - 5m + 1 = 0$$

$$y = m_1 x$$

$$y = m_2 x$$

$$4m^2 - 4m - m + 1 = 0$$

$$(4m-1)(m-1) = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{4}x, y = 1x$$

$$m = \frac{1}{4}, 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{x}{4}, y = x$$

The equation to the straight lines bisecting the angle between the straight lines,

$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$  is  $\frac{x^2 - y^2}{a - b} = \frac{xy}{h}$ .

$y = mx$   
 $y = m_2x$



$\frac{x^2 - y^2}{a - b} = \frac{xy}{h}$

The product of the perpendiculars, dropped from  $(x_1, y_1)$  to the pair of lines represented by the

equation,  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$  is  $\frac{ax_1^2 + 2hx_1y_1 + by_1^2}{\sqrt{(a-b)^2 + 4h^2}}$ .

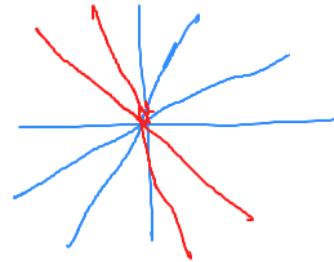
Pair of straight lines perpendicular to the lines  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$  and through origin are given by  $bx^2 - 2hxy + ay^2 = 0$ .

$3x + 4y + 5 = 0$

$4x - 3y + \lambda = 0$

$3x^2 - 2xy + 5y^2 = 0$

$5x^2 + 2xy + 3y^2 = 0$



## Problems



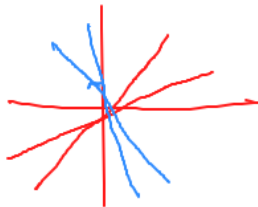
Equation of the pair of straight lines through origin and perpendicular to the pair of straight lines

$5x^2 - 7xy - 3y^2 = 0$  is -

- (A)  $3x^2 - 7xy - 5y^2 = 0$     (B)  $3x^2 + 7xy + 5y^2 = 0$     (C)  $3x^2 - 7xy + 5y^2 = 0$     (D)  $3x^2 + 7xy - 5y^2 = 0$

$$-bx^2 + 7xy + 5y^2 = 0 \Rightarrow 3x^2 - 7xy - 5y^2 = 0$$

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$$



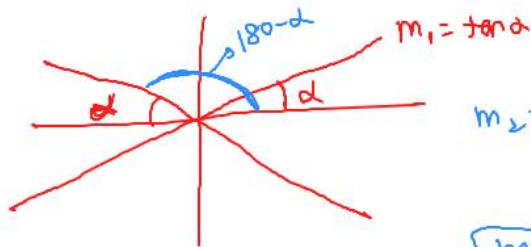
⊥ lines:  $bx^2 - 2hxy + ay^2 = 0$

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The condition that these lines are:

- (a) At right angles to each other is  $a + b = 0$ . i.e. co-efficient of  $x^2$  + coefficient of  $y^2 = 0$ .
- (b) Coincident is  $h^2 = ab$ .
- (c) Equally inclined to the axis of x is  $h = 0$ . i.e. coeff. of  $xy = 0$ .



$$m_2 = \tan(180^\circ - \alpha) = -\tan \alpha$$

$$m_1 + m_2 = 0$$

$$-\frac{2h}{b} = 0 \Rightarrow h = 0$$

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$$

Divide by  $x^2$

$$a + 2h \frac{y}{x} + b \left( \frac{y}{x} \right)^2 = 0$$

$y = m_1 x$   
 $y = m_2 x$

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$m_1$   
 $m_2$

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