

MAT 104 ASSIGNMENT

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Question

Examine whether or not these pair of lines are perpendicular to each other.

(1) $y - 3x - 2 = 0$ and $3y + x + 9 = 0$

Solution.

For two lines to be perpendicular to each other, $M_1 M_2 = -1$

$$y - 3x - 2 = 0$$

$$y = 3x + 2$$

By Comparing with $y = mx + c$

$$M_1 = 3.$$

Also, $3y + x + 9 = 0$

$$3y = -x + 9$$

$$y = \frac{-x}{3} + 3$$

$$M_2 = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$M_1 M_2 = 3 \cdot -\frac{1}{3} = -1$$

Since $M_1 M_2 = -1$, the pair of lines $y - 3x - 2 = 0$ and $3y + x + 9 = 0$ are said to be perpendicular to each other.

(2) $3y - 4 = 2x + 3$ and $y - 5 = x + 6$.

Solution.

$$3y = 2x + 3 + 4$$

$$3y = 2x + 7$$

$$y = \frac{2x}{3} + \frac{7}{3}$$

$$M_1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$y - 5 = x + 6$$

$$y = x + 6 + 5$$

$$y = x + 11 \quad (y = (m)x + c)$$

$$M_2 = 1$$

For the two lines to be perpendicular to each other, $M_1 M_2 = -1$

$$\frac{2}{3} \cdot 1 = \frac{2}{3} (\neq -1)$$

Since $M_1 M_2$ is not equal -1 , The pair of lines are not perpendicular to each other.

3. $x^2 + y^2 + 3xy - 11 = 0$ at the point $x=1, y=2$

Solution.

$$2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} + 3 \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cdot 1 \right) - 0 = 0$$

$$2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} + 3x \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = 0$$

$$2x + \frac{dy}{dx} (2y + 3x) + 3y = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \frac{(2y + 3x)}{2y + 3x} = \frac{-2x - 3y}{2y + 3x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x - 3y}{2y + 3x}$$

$$m = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2(1) - 3(2)}{2(2) - 3(1)} = \frac{-8}{7}$$

$$M_1 = \frac{-8}{7}$$

For Equation of tangent, $M_1 = M_2$

$$y - y_1 = M_1 (x - x_1)$$

$$y - 2 = \frac{-8}{7} (x - 1)$$

$$7y - 14 = -8x + 8$$

$$7y + 8x - 14 - 8 = 0$$

$$7y + 8x - 22 = 0 \rightarrow \text{Equation of the tangent.}$$

For Equation of normal $M_2 = \frac{-1}{M_1}$

$$y - y_1 = \frac{-1}{M_1} (x - x_1)$$

$$y-2 = \frac{-1}{\frac{-8}{7}} (x-1)$$

$$y-2 = \frac{7}{8} (x-1)$$

$$8y - 16 = 7x - 7$$

$$8y - 7x - 16 + 7 = 0$$

$$8y - 7x - 9 = 0$$

\therefore The Equation of the normal is $8y - 7x - 9 = 0$