

# Ptolemy's Theorem

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## Abstract

This entry provides an analytic proof to Ptolemy's Theorem using polar form transformation and trigonometric identities. In this formalization, we use ideas from John Harrison's HOL Light formalization [1] and the proof sketch on the Wikipedia entry of Ptolemy's Theorem [3]. This theorem is the 95th theorem of the Top 100 Theorems list [2].

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## 1 Ptolemy's Theorem

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theory Ptolemys-Theorem
imports
  HOL-Analysis.Multivariate-Analysis
begin
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### 1.1 Preliminaries

#### 1.1.1 Additions to Rat theory

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hide-const (open) normalize
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### 1.1.2 Additions to Transcendental theory

Lemmas about *arcsin* and *arccos* commonly involve to show that their argument is in the domain of those partial functions, i.e., the argument  $y$  is between  $-1$  and  $1$ . As the argumentation for  $-1 \leq y$  and  $y \leq 1$  is often very similar, we prefer to prove  $|y| \leq 1$  to the two goals above.

The lemma for rewriting the term  $\cos (\arccos y)$  is already provided in the Isabelle distribution with name *cos-arccos-abs*. Here, we further provide the analogue on *arcsin* for rewriting  $\sin (\arcsin y)$ .

**lemma** *sin-arcsin-abs*:  $|y| \leq 1 \implies \sin (\arcsin y) = y$   
*<proof>*

The further lemmas are the required variants from existing lemmas *arccos-lbound* and *arccos-ubound*.

**lemma** *arccos-lbound-abs* [*simp*]:  
 $|y| \leq 1 \implies 0 \leq \arccos y$   
*<proof>*

**lemma** *arccos-ubound-abs* [*simp*]:  
 $|y| \leq 1 \implies \arccos y \leq \pi$   
*<proof>*

As we choose angles to be between  $0$  between  $2 * \pi$ , we need some lemmas to reason about the sign of  $\sin x$  for angles  $x$ .

**lemma** *sin-ge-zero-iff*:  
**assumes**  $0 \leq x < 2 * \pi$   
**shows**  $0 \leq \sin x \iff x \leq \pi$   
*<proof>*

**lemma** *sin-less-zero-iff*:  
**assumes**  $0 \leq x < 2 * \pi$   
**shows**  $\sin x < 0 \iff \pi < x$   
*<proof>*

### 1.1.3 Addition to Finite-Cartesian-Product theory

Here follow generally useful additions and specialised equations for two-dimensional real-valued vectors.

**lemma** *axis-nth-eq-0* [*simp*]:  
**assumes**  $i \neq j$   
**shows**  $\text{axis } i \ x \ \$ \ j = 0$   
*<proof>*

**lemma** *norm-axis*:  
**fixes**  $x :: \text{real}$   
**shows**  $\text{norm } (\text{axis } i \ x) = \text{abs } x$   
*<proof>*

**lemma** *norm-eq-on-real-2-vec*:  
**fixes**  $x :: \text{real}^2$   
**shows**  $\text{norm } x = \text{sqrt } ((x \$ 1)^2 + (x \$ 2)^2)$   
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

**lemma** *dist-eq-on-real-2-vec*:  
**fixes**  $a b :: \text{real}^2$   
**shows**  $\text{dist } a b = \text{sqrt } ((a \$ 1 - b \$ 1)^2 + (a \$ 2 - b \$ 2)^2)$   
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

## 1.2 Polar Form of Two-Dimensional Real-Valued Vectors

### 1.2.1 Definitions to Transfer to Polar Form and Back

**definition** *of-radiant*  $:: \text{real} \Rightarrow \text{real}^2$   
**where**  
*of-radiant*  $\omega = \text{axis } 1 (\cos \omega) + \text{axis } 2 (\sin \omega)$

**definition** *normalize*  $:: \text{real}^2 \Rightarrow \text{real}^2$   
**where**  
*normalize*  $p = (\text{if } p = 0 \text{ then } \text{axis } 1 1 \text{ else } (1 / \text{norm } p) *_{\mathbb{R}} p)$

**definition** *radiant-of*  $:: \text{real}^2 \Rightarrow \text{real}$   
**where**  
*radiant-of*  $p = (\text{THE } \omega. 0 \leq \omega \wedge \omega < 2 * \pi \wedge \text{of-radiant } \omega = \text{normalize } p)$

The vector *of-radiant*  $\omega$  is the vector with length 1 and angle  $\omega$  to the first axis. We normalize vectors to length 1 keeping their orientation with the *normalize* function. Conversely, *radiant-of*  $p$  is the angle of vector  $p$  to the first axis, where we choose *radiant-of* to return angles between 0 and  $2 * \pi$ , following the usual high-school convention. With these definitions, we can express the main result  $\text{norm } p *_{\mathbb{R}} \text{of-radiant } (\text{radiant-of } p) = p$ . Note that the main result holds for any definition of *radiant-of* 0. So, we choose to define *normalize* 0 and *radiant-of* 0, such that *radiant-of* 0 = 0.

### 1.2.2 Lemmas on *of-radiant*

**lemma** *nth-of-radiant-1* [*simp*]:  
*of-radiant*  $\omega \$ 1 = \cos \omega$   
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

**lemma** *nth-of-radiant-2* [*simp*]:  
*of-radiant*  $\omega \$ 2 = \sin \omega$   
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

**lemma** *norm-of-radiant*:  
 $\text{norm } (\text{of-radiant } \omega) = 1$   
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

**lemma** *of-radiant-plus-2pi*:  
of-radiant  $(\omega + 2 * \pi)$  = of-radiant  $\omega$   
(proof)

**lemma** *of-radiant-minus-2pi*:  
of-radiant  $(\omega - 2 * \pi)$  = of-radiant  $\omega$   
(proof)

### 1.2.3 Lemmas on *normalize*

**lemma** *normalize-eq*:  
 $\text{norm } p *_R \text{ normalize } p = p$   
(proof)

**lemma** *norm-normalize*:  
 $\text{norm } (\text{normalize } p) = 1$   
(proof)

**lemma** *nth-normalize [simp]*:  
 $|\text{normalize } p \$ i| \leq 1$   
(proof)

**lemma** *normalize-square*:  
 $(\text{normalize } p \$ 1)^2 + (\text{normalize } p \$ 2)^2 = 1$   
(proof)

**lemma** *nth-normalize-ge-zero-iff*:  
 $0 \leq \text{normalize } p \$ i \iff 0 \leq p \$ i$   
(proof)

**lemma** *nth-normalize-less-zero-iff*:  
 $\text{normalize } p \$ i < 0 \iff p \$ i < 0$   
(proof)

**lemma** *normalize-boundary-iff*:  
 $|\text{normalize } p \$ 1| = 1 \iff p \$ 2 = 0$   
(proof)

**lemma** *between-normalize-if-distant-from-0*:  
**assumes**  $\text{norm } p \geq 1$   
**shows** *between*  $(0, p)$   $(\text{normalize } p)$   
(proof)

**lemma** *between-normalize-if-near-0*:  
**assumes**  $\text{norm } p \leq 1$   
**shows** *between*  $(0, \text{normalize } p)$   $p$   
(proof)

### 1.2.4 Lemmas on *radiant-of*

**lemma** *radiant-of*:

$0 \leq \text{radiant-of } p \wedge \text{radiant-of } p < 2 * \pi \wedge \text{of-radiant } (\text{radiant-of } p) = \text{normalize } p$   
(proof)

**lemma** *radiant-of-bounds* [simp]:

$0 \leq \text{radiant-of } p \text{ radiant-of } p < 2 * \pi$   
(proof)

**lemma** *radiant-of-weak-ubound* [simp]:

$\text{radiant-of } p \leq 2 * \pi$   
(proof)

### 1.2.5 Main Equations for Transforming to Polar Form

**lemma** *polar-form-eq*:

$\text{norm } p *_R \text{of-radiant } (\text{radiant-of } p) = p$   
(proof)

**lemma** *relative-polar-form-eq*:

$Q + \text{dist } P Q *_R \text{of-radiant } (\text{radiant-of } (P - Q)) = P$   
(proof)

## 1.3 Ptolemy's Theorem

**lemma** *dist-circle-segment*:

**assumes**  $0 \leq \text{radius } 0 \leq \alpha \alpha \leq \beta \beta \leq 2 * \pi$   
**shows**  $\text{dist } (\text{center} + \text{radius} *_R \text{of-radiant } \alpha) (\text{center} + \text{radius} *_R \text{of-radiant } \beta)$   
 $= 2 * \text{radius} * \sin ((\beta - \alpha) / 2)$   
(is ?lhs = ?rhs)  
(proof)

**theorem** *ptolemy-trigonometric*:

**fixes**  $\omega_1 \omega_2 \omega_3 :: \text{real}$   
**shows**  $\sin (\omega_1 + \omega_2) * \sin (\omega_2 + \omega_3) = \sin \omega_1 * \sin \omega_3 + \sin \omega_2 * \sin (\omega_1 + \omega_2 + \omega_3)$   
(proof)

**theorem** *ptolemy*:

**fixes**  $A B C D \text{ center} :: \text{real} ^ 2$   
**assumes**  $\text{dist center } A = \text{radius}$  **and**  $\text{dist center } B = \text{radius}$   
**assumes**  $\text{dist center } C = \text{radius}$  **and**  $\text{dist center } D = \text{radius}$   
**assumes** *ordering-of-points*:  
 $\text{radiant-of } (A - \text{center}) \leq \text{radiant-of } (B - \text{center})$   
 $\text{radiant-of } (B - \text{center}) \leq \text{radiant-of } (C - \text{center})$   
 $\text{radiant-of } (C - \text{center}) \leq \text{radiant-of } (D - \text{center})$   
**shows**  $\text{dist } A C * \text{dist } B D = \text{dist } A B * \text{dist } C D + \text{dist } A D * \text{dist } B C$   
(proof)

end

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