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Question: Find the equation of the line which passes through the point (-2, 4, -5) and is parallel to the line

$$\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-4}{5} = \frac{z+8}{6}.$$

Solution:

Let the equation of line passing through the given point be

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2\\4\\-5 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \mathbf{d}$$

where **d** is the direction vector of the line.

The direction vector of the line

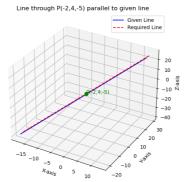
$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -3\\4\\-8 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -2\\4\\-5 \end{pmatrix}$$

is

$$\mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{1}$$

Thus, the required equation of the line is

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2\\4\\-5 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 3\\5\\6 \end{pmatrix}.$$



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Fig. 0.1