

MatGeo Assignment 4.4.3

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Question

Equation of the line passing through the origin and making 30° , 60° , and 90° with the X , Y , Z axes respectively is.

Solution

The equation of a line passing through the origin and making angles α, β, γ with the X, Y, Z axes respectively is given by

$$\frac{x}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{y}{\cos \beta} = \frac{z}{\cos \gamma}.$$

Here, $\alpha = 30^\circ, \beta = 60^\circ, \gamma = 90^\circ$.

Direction Cosines,

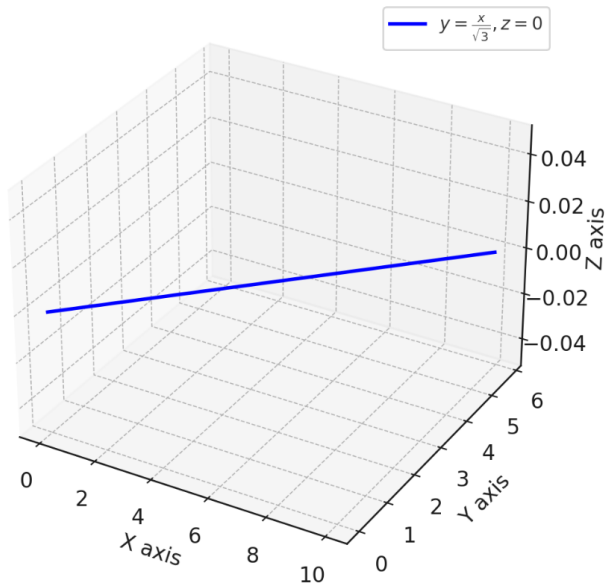
$$\cos 30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \quad \cos 60^\circ = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \cos 90^\circ = 0.$$

$$\frac{x}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \frac{y}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{z}{0}.$$

Final equation of the line ,

$$y = \frac{x}{\sqrt{3}}, \quad z = 0.$$

Plot



```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>

int main() {
    // Angles in degrees
    double alpha = 30.0, beta = 60.0, gamma = 90.0;

    // Direction cosines
    double lx = cos(alpha * M_PI / 180.0);
    double ly = cos(beta * M_PI / 180.0);
    double lz = cos(gamma * M_PI / 180.0);

    printf("Direction cosines:\n");
    printf("cos(30) = %.3f\n", lx);
    printf("cos(60) = %.3f\n", ly);
    printf("cos(90) = %.3f\n", lz);
}
```

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// Equation of line through origin:  $(x/lx) = (y/ly) = (z/lz)$ 
printf("\nEquation of line:\n");
printf("y = x / sqrt(3), z = 0\n");

// Verify with some values of x
printf("\nSample points on the line:\n");
for (int x = 0; x <= 6; x += 2) {
    double y = x / sqrt(3);
    double z = 0;
    printf("(%.2f, %.2f, %.2f)\n", (double)x, y, z);
}

return 0;
}
```

Python Code

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Angles in degrees
alpha, beta, gamma = 30, 60, 90

# Direction cosines
lx = np.cos(np.radians(alpha))
ly = np.cos(np.radians(beta))
lz = np.cos(np.radians(gamma))

print("Direction cosines:")
print(f"cos(30°) = {lx:.3f}")
print(f"cos(60°) = {ly:.3f}")
print(f"cos(90°) = {lz:.3f}")

print("\nEquation of the line:")
print("y = x / sqrt(3), z = 0")
```

Python Code

```
x_vals = np.linspace(0, 10, 6)
y_vals = x_vals / np.sqrt(3)
z_vals = np.zeros_like(x_vals)
print("\nSample points on the line:")
for x, y, z in zip(x_vals, y_vals, z_vals):
    print(f"({x:.2f}, {y:.2f}, {z:.2f})")
# Plot the line in 3D
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
ax = fig.add_subplot(111, projection='3d')
ax.plot(x_vals, y_vals, z_vals, label=r'$y = \frac{x}{\sqrt{3}}, z=0$', color='blue', linewidth=2)

ax.set_xlabel('X axis')
ax.set_ylabel('Y axis')
ax.set_zlabel('Z axis')
ax.set_title('Line through origin making 30°, 60°, 90° with X, Y, Z axes')
ax.legend()
plt.show()
```