

ASSIGNMENT 5

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1 QUESTION No 2.56

Find the equation of the plane which contains the line of intersection of the planes

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 4 \quad (1.0.1)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = -5 \quad (1.0.2)$$

and which is perpendicular to the plane

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = -8 \quad (1.0.3)$$

2 SOLUTION

Equation of plane containing line of intersection of given planes (1.0.1) and (1.0.2) is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 4 - 5\lambda \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 + 2\lambda & 2 + \lambda & 3 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 4 - 5\lambda \quad (2.0.2)$$

But (2.0.2) is perpendicular to (1.0.3) so, angle between planes is 90° .

$$\cos 90^\circ = \frac{a^T b}{\|a\| \|b\|} \Rightarrow a^T b = 0 \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 + 2\lambda \\ 2 + \lambda \\ 3 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5(1 + 2\lambda) + 3(2 + \lambda) - 6(3 - \lambda) = 0 \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow 19\lambda - 7 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{7}{19} \quad (2.0.6)$$

\therefore By substituting λ value in (2.0.2) we get required plane equation as,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 33 & 45 & 50 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 41 \quad (2.0.7)$$