

Matrix theory Assignment 1

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Abstract—This document contains the procedure to get a equation of a line that is equidistant from the two parallel lines.

Download the python code from the below link. Go through the README file in the repository.

https://github.com/Sreekanth/EE5609/Assignment_1/code.py

1 PROBLEM

Find the equation of the line which is equidistant from two parallel lines.

$$(9 \ 7)\mathbf{x} = 7 \quad (1.0.1)$$

$$(3 \ 2)\mathbf{x} = -6 \quad (1.0.2)$$

I think there is a typo in the problem , I think they are non parallel lines, However the procedure is similar.

Assume that an arbitrary point $(x' \ y')$ is on the resultant line. Then the Idea of computing the line that is equidistant from two other lines is compute the distant between an arbitrary point $(x' \ y')$ to both lines and equate then with opposite signs.

the distance from arbitrary point $(x' \ y')$ to line L1 is same as L2 with opposite sign. Let's $ax+by+c = 0$ and $dx + ey + f = 0$ be the two given lines then

$$\frac{ax' + by' + c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} = -\frac{dx' + ey' + f}{\sqrt{d^2 + e^2}} \quad (1.0.3)$$

When we reformulate the above equation to the general form of linear equation we will get.

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(x' \ y') \left(\begin{pmatrix} \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} + \frac{d}{\sqrt{d^2+e^2}} \\ \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} + \frac{e}{\sqrt{d^2+e^2}} \end{pmatrix} \right) = - \left(\frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} + \frac{f}{\sqrt{d^2+e^2}} \right) \quad (1.0.4)$$

So the coefficients of the results line $(g \ h)\mathbf{x}' = -i$ are

$$\begin{pmatrix} g \\ h \\ i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} + \frac{d}{\sqrt{d^2+e^2}} \\ \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} + \frac{e}{\sqrt{d^2+e^2}} \\ \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} + \frac{f}{\sqrt{d^2+e^2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

(1.0.5)

When we substitute the given data in the above equations we will get the answer. given data is $a = 9, b = 7, c = -7$ and $d = 3, e = 2, f = 6$ so the answer is

$$\begin{pmatrix} g \\ h \\ i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.62 \\ 1.168 \\ 1.05 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.6)$$

I also took parallel lines and then compute the line which is equidistant from the two parallel lines

$$(2 \ 4)\mathbf{x} = 8 \quad (1.0.7)$$

$$(2 \ 4)\mathbf{x} = 16 \quad (1.0.8)$$

Now the coefficient of the line $gx+hy+i=0$ as mentioned by the above procedure is.

$$\begin{pmatrix} g \\ h \\ i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ 1.78 \\ -5.36 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.9)$$

You can see the slopes of all the three lines in the above examples are similar (-0.5).

2 ONE MORE METHOD FOR PARALLEL LINES

Let two lines

$$ax + by + c_1 = 0 \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$ax + by + c_2 = 0 \quad (2.0.2)$$

Then the distance between two lines is

$$d = \frac{|c_1 - c_2|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \quad (2.0.3)$$

Let the equation of the line which is parallel to both the equation is

$$ax + by + k = 0 \quad (2.0.4)$$

As the line is equidistant from the two lines

$$\frac{|k - c_1|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} = \frac{|k - c_2|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$|k - c_1| = \pm |k - c_2| \quad (2.0.6)$$

By solving the above equation we can get the k value and corresponding equation.

2.1 Example

$$(2 - 4)x = 8 \quad (2.1.1)$$

$$(2 - 4)x = 16 \quad (2.1.2)$$

So $c_1 = -8$ and $c_2 = -16$ then k value from the above procedure is

$$k + 8 = \pm k + 16 \quad (2.1.3)$$

$$k + 8 = -k - 16 \quad (2.1.4)$$

$$2k = -24 \quad (2.1.5)$$

$$k = -12 \quad (2.1.6)$$

So the line which is equidistant from the above two lines is

$$(2 - 4)x = 12 \quad (2.1.7)$$