

# ASSIGNMENT 3

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## 1 QUESTION No 2.32

Find the shortest distance between lines

$$\mathbf{L}_1 : \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.1)$$

$$\mathbf{L}_2 : \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.2)$$

## 2 SOLUTION

$$\text{Let, } \mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{m}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$\mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{m}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.2)$$

The lines will intersect if

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.4)$$

The augmented matrix for the above equation is row reduced form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.6)$$

$\therefore$  The above matrix has rank=3. Hence the lines do not intersect. Given lines are not parallel but they lie on parallel planes. Such lines are known as skew lines.

$\therefore$  the distance between given two lines are

$$\frac{|\mathbf{n}^T(\mathbf{A}_2 - \mathbf{A}_1)|}{\|\mathbf{n}\|} = \frac{|(\mathbf{A}_2 - \mathbf{A}_1)^T(\mathbf{m}_1 \times \mathbf{m}_2)|}{\|\mathbf{m}_1 \times \mathbf{m}_2\|} \quad (2.0.7)$$

By using least square method .  
Therefore,

$$L_1 : 1 + \lambda_1, 2 - \lambda_1, 1 + \lambda_1 \quad (2.0.8)$$

$$L_2 : 2 + 2\lambda_2, -1 + \lambda_2, -1 + 2\lambda_2 \quad (2.0.9)$$

Square of distance between points in 3d ,

$$d = (-1 + \lambda_1 - 2\lambda_2)^2 + (3 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2)^2 + (2 + \lambda_1 - 2\lambda_2)^2 \quad (2.0.10)$$

$$d = 14 + 3\lambda_1^2 + 9\lambda_2^2 - 4\lambda_1 - 6\lambda_1\lambda_2 - 10\lambda_2 \quad (2.0.11)$$

$$\frac{\partial d}{\partial \lambda_1} = 6\lambda_1 - 6\lambda_2 - 4 = 0 \quad (2.0.12)$$

$$\frac{\partial d}{\partial \lambda_2} = 18\lambda_2 - 6\lambda_1 - 10 = 0 \quad (2.0.13)$$

From above two equations we get

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{7}{6} \quad (2.0.14)$$

substitute above value in (2.0.12) we get

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{11}{6} \quad (2.0.15)$$

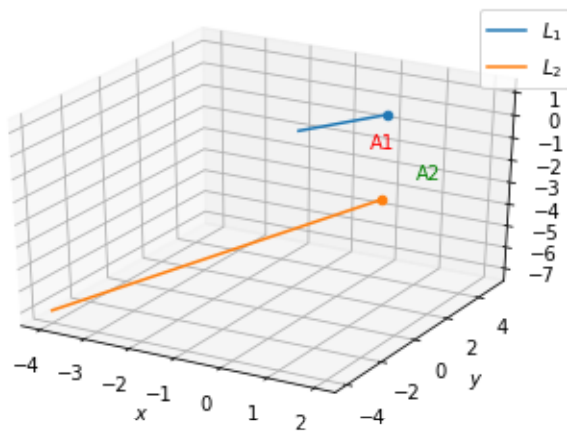


Fig. 0: Skew Lines