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EE5609: MATRIX THEORY Assignment 1

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Abstract—This documnet contains the solution to find value of h when two straight lines intersect at right angles using the concept directional vectors and inner product.

Git link for python code

https://github.com/ee19acmtech11009/EE5609/tree/master/Assignment1/Assignment1_method2/Codes

Git link for latex code

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1 Problem Statement

The line through the points $\binom{h}{3}$ and $\binom{4}{1}$ intersects the line (7 - 9)x=19 at right angle. Find the value of h.

2 Solution

Let the given points

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.1}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.2}$$

Directional vector of line passing through points A and B is

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A} \tag{2.0.3}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} h - 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.4}$$

Directional vector of the line $(a \ b)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$ is

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} b \\ -a \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.5}$$

From (2.0.5) direction vector of line $(7 -9)\mathbf{x} = 19$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} -9\\ -7 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.6}$$

If two straight lines intersects at right angles then inner product of their directional vectors is zero.

$$\mathbf{P}^{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{Q} = 0 \tag{2.0.7}$$

$$\binom{h-4}{2}^{\mathrm{T}} \binom{-9}{-7} = 0$$
 (2.0.8)

$$(h-4 2)\binom{-9}{-7} = 0 (2.0.9)$$

$$(h-4)(-9) + 2(-7) = 0 (2.0.10)$$

$$h = \frac{22}{9} \tag{2.0.11}$$