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Question:

Find the equation of the plane through the line of intersection of

$$\mathbf{r}^T(\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}) + 6 = 0, \mathbf{r}^T(3\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}) = 0$$

which is at a unit distance from the origin.

Solution:

$$\pi_1 : \mathbf{n}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, c_1 = -6, \quad (1)$$

$$\pi_2 : \mathbf{n}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, c_2 = 0. \quad (2)$$

Family of planes:

$$(\mathbf{n}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{n}_2)^T \mathbf{x} = c_1 + \lambda c_2 \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c \quad (4)$$

Distance condition:

$$d = \frac{|\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} - c|}{\|\mathbf{n}\|} \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{|c_1 + \lambda c_2|}{\|\mathbf{n}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{n}_2\|} = 1 \implies (c_1 + \lambda c_2)^2 = (\mathbf{n}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{n}_2)^T (\mathbf{n}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{n}_2) \quad (7)$$

$$36 = \mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{n}_1 + 2\lambda \mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{n}_2 + \lambda^2 \mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{n}_2 \quad (8)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{n}_1 = 1^2 + 3^2 = 10, \quad (9)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_1^T \mathbf{n}_2 = 1.3 + 3.(-1) + 0.(-4) = 0, \quad (10)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2^T \mathbf{n}_2 = 3^2 + (-1)^2 + (-4)^2 = 26 \quad (11)$$

Hence:

$$36 = 10 + 26\lambda^2 \implies 26\lambda^2 = 26 \implies \lambda = \pm 1 \quad (12)$$

For $\lambda = 1$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (13)$$

For $\lambda = -1$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (14)$$

Planes through intersection at unit distance from origin

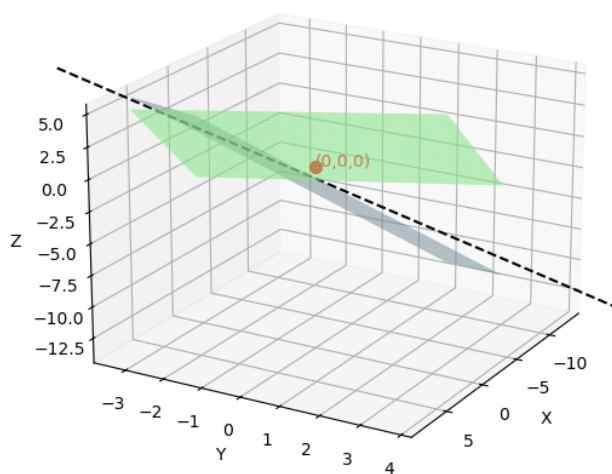


Figure 1