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Question:

The distance between the parallel planes

$$2x + y - 2z - 6 = 0 \quad (0.1)$$

$$4x + 2y - 4z = 0 \quad (0.2)$$

Solution:

The 2 given planes are parallel since their normal vectors are the same

The normal vector of the planes \mathbf{n}

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.3)$$

The distance between the planes is given by this formula

$$\text{Distance} = \frac{|d_1 - d_2|}{\|\mathbf{n}\|} \quad (0.4)$$

Where $d_1 = 6$ and $d_2 = 0$

$$\|\mathbf{n}\| = \left(\sqrt{(2)^2 + (1)^2 + (-2)^2} \right) = 3 \quad (0.5)$$

Substituting these values in the distance formula, we get

$$\therefore \text{Distance} = \frac{|6 - 0|}{3} \quad (0.6)$$

$$\text{Distance} = 2 \quad (0.7)$$

Therefore, the distance between the planes is 2

Two Parallel Planes
Distance = 2.0

