

## 4 Week 4

### 4.1 Analytic conditions of parallelism and nonparallelism

#### 4.1.1 The parallelism between a line and a plane

**Proposition 4.1.** *The equation of the director subspace  $\vec{\pi}$ , of the plane  $\pi : Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$  is  $AX + BY + CZ = 0$ .*

*Proof.* We first recall that

$$\vec{\pi} = \{ \overrightarrow{A_0M} \mid M \in \pi \}, \quad (4.1)$$

where  $A_0 \in \pi$  is an arbitrary point, and the representation (4.1) of  $\vec{\pi}$  is independent on the choice of  $A_0 \in \pi$ . According to equation (3.8), the equation of a plane  $\pi$  can be written in the form

$$A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0,$$

where  $A_0(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is a point in  $\pi$ . In other words,

$$M(x, y, z) \in \pi \iff A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0,$$

which shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\pi} &= \{ \overrightarrow{A_0M} (x - x_0, y - y_0, z - z_0) \mid M(x, y, z) \in \pi \} \\ &= \{ \overrightarrow{A_0M} (x - x_0, y - y_0, z - z_0) \mid A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0 \} \\ &= \{ \vec{v} (X, Y, Z) \in \mathcal{V} \mid AX + BY + CZ = 0 \}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the equation  $AX + BY + CZ = 0$  is a necessary and sufficient condition for the vector  $\vec{v} (X, Y, Z)$  to be contained within the direction of the plane

$$\pi : A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0.$$

In other words, the equation of the director subspace  $\vec{\pi}$  is  $AX + BY + CZ = 0$ . □

**Corollary 4.2.** *The straight line*

$$\Delta : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{r}$$

*is parallel to the plane  $\pi : Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$  if and only if*

$$\begin{aligned} Ap + Bq + Cr &= 0 \\ \vec{d} &= \langle (p, q, r) \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

*Proof.* Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \parallel \pi &\iff \vec{\Delta} \subseteq \vec{\pi} \iff \langle (p, q, r) \rangle \subseteq \vec{\pi} \\ &\iff \vec{d} (p, q, r) \in \vec{\pi} \iff Ap + Bq + Cr = 0. \end{aligned}$$

□

### 4.1.2 The intersection point of a straight line and a plane

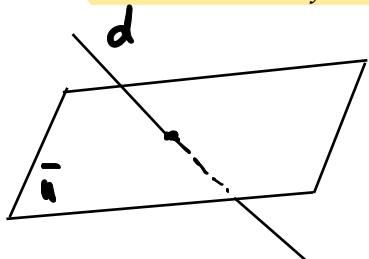
**Proposition 4.3.** Consider a straight line

$$d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{r}$$

and a plane  $\pi : Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$  which are not parallel to each other, i.e.

$$Ap + Bq + Cr \neq 0.$$

The coordinates of the intersection point  $d \cap \pi$  are



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_0 - p \frac{F(x_0, y_0, z_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ y_0 - q \frac{F(x_0, y_0, z_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ z_0 - r \frac{F(x_0, y_0, z_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{array} \right. \quad (4.3)$$

where  $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $F(x, y, z) = Ax + By + Cz + D$ .

*Proof.* The parametric equations of  $(d)$  are

$$(d) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = x_0 + pt \\ y = y_0 + qt \\ z = z_0 + rt \end{array} , t \in \mathbb{R}. \right. \quad (4.4)$$

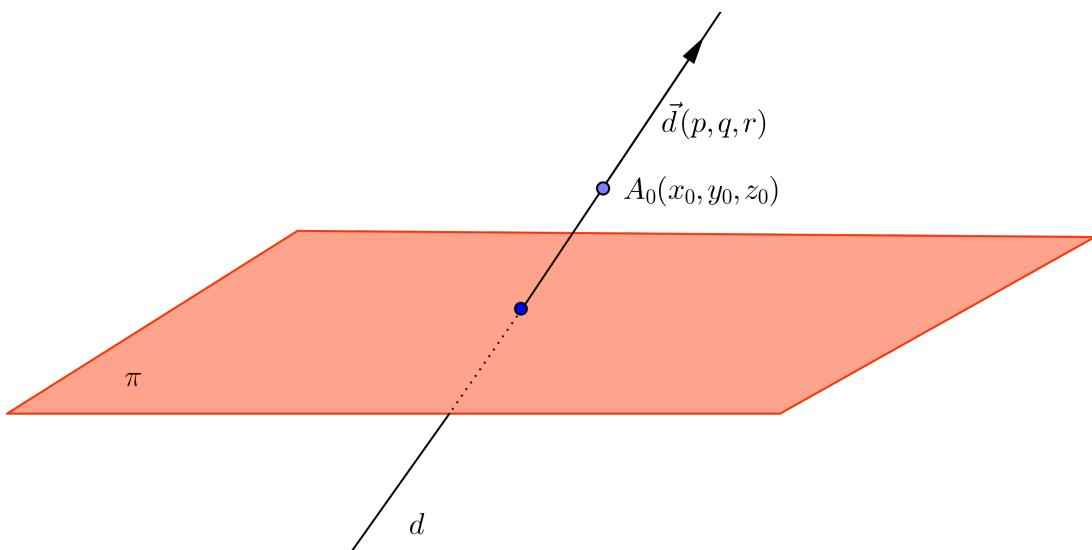
The unique value of  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , which corresponds to the intersection point  $d \cap \pi$ , can be found by solving the equation

$$A(x_0 + pt) + B(y_0 + qt) + C(z_0 + rt) + D = 0.$$

Its unique solution is

$$t = -\frac{Ax_0 + By_0 + Cz_0 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} = -\frac{F(x_0, y_0, z_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr}$$

and can be used to obtain the required coordinates (4.3) by replacing this value in (4.4).  $\square$



**Example 4.1 (Homework).** Decide whether the line  $d$  and the plane  $\pi$  are parallel or concurrent and find the coordinates of the intersection point of  $\Delta$  and  $\pi$  whenever  $\Delta \nparallel \pi$ :

1.  $d : \frac{x+2}{1} = \frac{y-1}{3} = \frac{z-3}{1}$  and  $\pi : x - y + 2z = 1$ .
2.  $d : \frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y+1}{-2} = \frac{z-2}{-1}$  and  $\pi : 2x - y + 3z - 1 = 0$ .

SOLUTION.

### 4.1.3 Parallelism of two planes

**Proposition 4.4.** Consider the planes

$$(\pi_1) A_1x + B_1y + C_1z + D_1 = 0, (\pi_2) A_2x + B_2y + C_2z + D_2 = 0.$$

Then  $\dim(\vec{\pi}_1 \cap \vec{\pi}_2) \in \{1, 2\}$  and the following statements are equivalent

1.  $\pi_1 \parallel \pi_2$ .
2.  $\dim(\vec{\pi}_1 \cap \vec{\pi}_2) = 2$ , i.e.  $\vec{\pi}_1 = \vec{\pi}_2$ .
3.  $\text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & B_1 & C_1 \\ A_2 & B_2 & C_2 \end{pmatrix} = 1$ .
4. The vectors  $(A_1, B_1, C_1), (A_2, B_2, C_2) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  are linearly dependent.

**Remark 4.1.** Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & B_1 & C_1 \\ A_2 & B_2 & C_2 \end{pmatrix} = 1 &\Leftrightarrow \begin{vmatrix} A_1 & B_1 \\ A_2 & B_2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} A_1 & C_1 \\ A_2 & C_2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} B_1 & C_1 \\ B_2 & C_2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow A_1B_2 - A_2B_1 = A_1C_2 - A_2C_1 = B_1C_2 - C_2B_1 = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

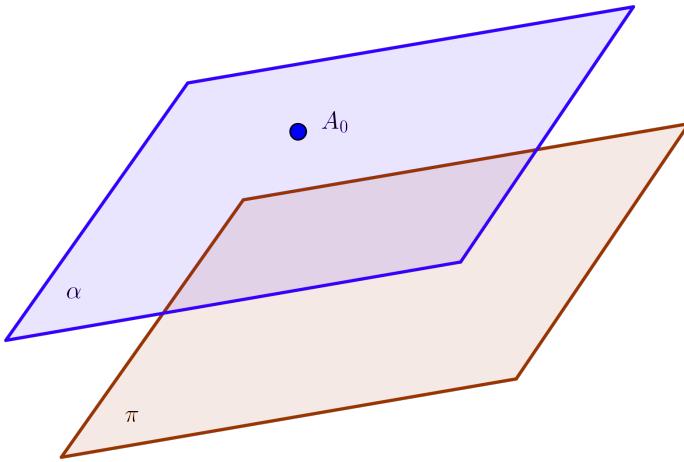
The relations (4.5) are often written in the form

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}, \quad (4.6)$$

although at most two of the coefficients  $A_2, B_2$  or  $C_2$  might be zero. In fact relations (4.6) should be understood in terms of linear dependence of the vectors  $(A_1, B_1, C_1), (A_2, B_2, C_2) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , i.e.  $(A_1, B_1, C_1) = k(A_2, B_2, C_2)$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  is the common value of those ratios (4.6) which do not involve any zero coefficients. Let us finally mention that the equivalences (4.5) prove the equivalence (3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4) of Proposition 4.4.

**Example 4.2.** The equation of the plane  $\alpha$  passing through the point  $A_0(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ , which is parallel to the plane  $\pi: Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$  is

$$\alpha: A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0.$$



#### 4.1.4 Straight lines as intersections of planes

**Corollary 4.5.** Consider the planes

$$(\pi_1) A_1x + B_1y + C_1z + D_1 = 0, \quad (\pi_2) A_2x + B_2y + C_2z + D_2 = 0.$$

The following statements are equivalent

1.  $\pi_1 \nparallel \pi_2$ .
2.  $\dim(\vec{\pi}_1 \cap \vec{\pi}_2) = 1$ .
3.  $\text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & B_1 & C_1 \\ A_2 & B_2 & C_2 \end{pmatrix} = 2$ .
4. The vectors  $(A_1, B_1, C_1), (A_2, B_2, C_2) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  are linearly independent.

By using the characterization of parallelism between a line and a plane, given by Proposition 4.2, we shall find the direction of a straight line which is given as the intersection of two planes. Consider the planes  $(\pi_1) A_1x + B_1y + C_1z + D_1 = 0$ ,  $(\pi_2) A_2x + B_2y + C_2z + D_2 = 0$  such that

$$\text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & B_1 & C_1 \\ A_2 & B_2 & C_2 \end{pmatrix} = 2,$$

alongside their intersection straight line  $\Delta = \pi_1 \cap \pi_2$  of equations

$$(\Delta) \begin{cases} A_1x + B_1y + C_1z + D_1 = 0 \\ A_2x + B_2y + C_2z + D_2 = 0. \end{cases}$$

Thus,  $\vec{\Delta} = \vec{\pi}_1 \cap \vec{\pi}_2$  and therefore, by means of some previous Proposition, it follows that the equations of  $\vec{\Delta}$  are

$$(\vec{\Delta}) \begin{cases} A_1X + B_1Y + C_1Z = 0 \\ A_2X + B_2Y + C_2Z = 0. \end{cases} \quad (4.7)$$

By solving the system (4.7) one can therefore deduce that  $\vec{d} = (p, q, r) \in \vec{\Delta} \Leftrightarrow \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$(p, q, r) = \lambda \left( \begin{vmatrix} B_1 & C_1 \\ B_2 & C_2 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} C_1 & A_1 \\ C_2 & A_2 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} A_1 & B_1 \\ A_2 & B_2 \end{vmatrix} \right). \quad (4.8)$$

The relation is usually (4.8) written in the form

$$\frac{p}{\begin{vmatrix} B_1 & C_1 \\ B_2 & C_2 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{q}{\begin{vmatrix} C_1 & A_1 \\ C_2 & A_2 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{r}{\begin{vmatrix} A_1 & B_1 \\ A_2 & B_2 \end{vmatrix}}. \quad (4.9)$$

Let us finally mention that we usually choose the values

$$\begin{vmatrix} B_1 & C_1 \\ B_2 & C_2 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} C_1 & A_1 \\ C_2 & A_2 \end{vmatrix} \text{ și } \begin{vmatrix} A_1 & B_1 \\ A_2 & B_2 \end{vmatrix} \quad (4.10)$$

for the director parameters  $(p, q, r)$  of  $\Delta$ .

**Example 4.3.** Write the equations of the plane through  $P(4, -3, 1)$  which is parallel to the lines

$$(\Delta_1) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2x - z + 1 = 0 \\ 3y + 2z - 2 = 0 \end{array} \right. \text{ and } (\Delta_2) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + y + z = 0 \\ 2x - y + 3z = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

SOLUTION. One can see the required plane as the one through  $P(4, -3, 1)$  which is parallel to the director vectors  $\vec{d}_1(p_1, q_1, r_1)$  and  $\vec{d}_2(p_2, q_2, r_2)$  of  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  respectively. One can choose

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 &= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 3 & p_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 4 \\ q_1 &= \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -4 & \text{and} & q_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -1 \\ r_1 &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 6 & r_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -3. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the equation of the required plane is

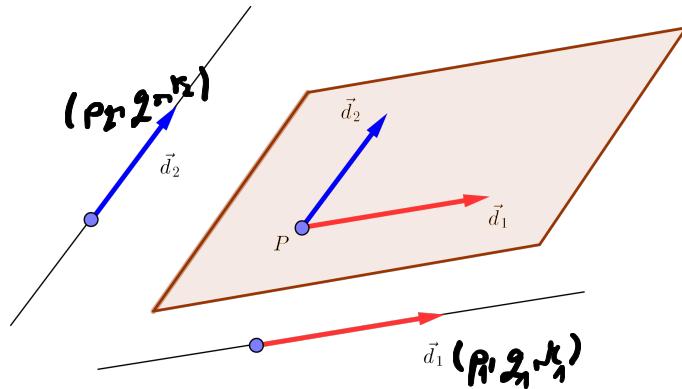


Figure 7:

$$\begin{vmatrix} x-4 & y+3 & z-1 \\ 3 & -4 & 6 \\ 4 & -1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \iff 12(x-4) - 3(z-1) + 24(y+3) + 16(z-1) + 6(x-4) + 9(y+3) = 0 \iff 18(x-4) + 33(y+3) + 13(z-1) = 0 \iff 18x + 33y + 13z - 72 + 99 - 13 = 0 \iff 18x + 33y + 13z + 14 = 0.$$

## 4.2 Pencils of planes

**Definition 4.1.** The collection of all planes containing a given straight line

$$(\Delta) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} A_1x + B_1y + C_1z + D_1 = 0 \\ A_2x + B_2y + C_2z + D_2 = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

is called the *pencil* or the *bundle* of planes through  $\Delta$ .

**Proposition 4.6.** The plane  $\pi$  belongs to the pencil of planes through the straight line  $\Delta$  if and only if the equation of the plane  $\pi$  is

$$\lambda(A_1x + B_1y + C_1z + D_1) + \mu(A_2x + B_2y + C_2z + D_2) = 0. \quad (4.11)$$

for some  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\lambda^2 + \mu^2 > 0$ .

*Proof.* Every plane in the family (4.11) obviously contains the line  $\Delta$ .

Conversely, assume that  $\pi$  is a plane through the line  $\Delta$ . Consider a point  $M \in \pi \setminus \Delta$  and recall that  $\pi$  is completely determined by  $\Delta$  and  $M$ . On the other hand  $M$  and  $\Delta$  are obviously contained in the plane  $F_1(x_M, y_M, z_M)F_2(x, y, z) - F_2(x_M, y_M, z_M)F_1(x, y, z) = 0$  of the family (4.11), where  $F_1, F_2 : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $F_i(x, y, z) = A_i x + B_i y + C_i z + D_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2$ . Thus the plane  $\pi$  belongs to the family (4.11) and its equation is

$$F_1(x_M, y_M, z_M)F_2(x, y, z) - F_2(x_M, y_M, z_M)F_1(x, y, z) = 0. \quad (\text{ii})$$

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**Remark 4.2.** The family of planes  $A_1x + B_1y + C_1z + D_1 + \lambda(A_2x + B_2y + C_2z + D_2) = 0$ , where  $\lambda$  covers the whole real line  $\mathbb{R}$ , is the so called *reduced pencil of planes* through  $\Delta$  and it consists in all planes through  $\Delta$  except the plane of equation  $A_2x + B_2y + C_2z + D_2 = 0$ .

**Example 4.4.** Write the equations of the plane parallel to the line  $d : x = 2y = 3z$  passing through the line

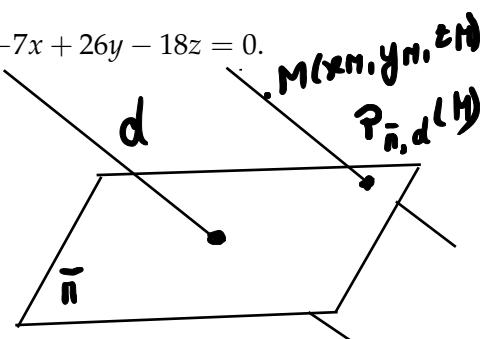
$$\Delta : \begin{cases} x + y + z = 0 \\ 2x - y + 3z = 0. \end{cases}$$

SOLUTION. Note that none of the planes  $x + y + z = 0$  and  $x - y + 3z = 0$ , passing through  $(\Delta)$ , is parallel to  $(d)$ , as  $1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \neq 0$  and  $2 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \neq 0$ . Thus, the required plane is in a reduced pencil of planes, such as the family  $\pi_\lambda : x + y + z + \lambda(2x - y + 3z) = 0$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . The parallelism relation between  $(d)$  and  $\pi_\lambda : (2\lambda + 1)x + (1 - \lambda)y + (3\lambda + 1)z = 0$  is

$$(2\lambda + 1) \cdot 1 + (1 - \lambda) \cdot \frac{1}{2} + (3\lambda + 1) \cdot \frac{1}{3} = 0 \iff 12\lambda + 6 + 3 - 3\lambda + 6\lambda + 2 = 0 \iff \lambda = -\frac{11}{15}.$$

Thus, the required plane is

$$\pi_{-\frac{11}{15}} : \left(-2\frac{11}{15} + 1\right)x + \left(1 + \frac{11}{15}\right)y + \left(-3\frac{11}{15} + 1\right)z = 0 \iff -7x + 26y - 18z = 0.$$



## Appendix

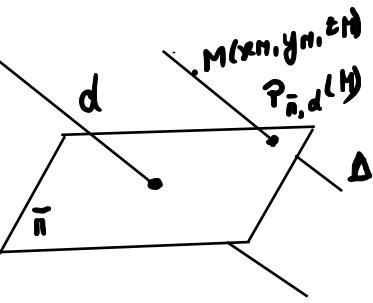
### 4.3 Projections and symmetries

#### 4.3.1 The projection on a plane parallel with a given line

Consider a straight line

$$d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{r}$$

$$(d) \frac{x - x_0}{P} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{K}$$



$$(\Delta) \begin{cases} x = x_M + pt \\ y = y_M + qt, t \in \mathbb{R} \\ z = z_M + kt \end{cases}$$

$$F(x, y, z) = Ax + By + Cz + D$$

$$\text{ii: } Ax + By + Cz + D = 0 \Rightarrow A \cdot (x_M + pt) + B(y_M + qt) + C(z_M + kt) + D = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underbrace{Ax_M + By_M + Cz_M + D}_{F(x_M, y_M, z_M)} + t(Ap + Bq + Ck) = 0 \text{ if } t = -\frac{F(x_M, y_M, z_M)}{Ap + Bq + Ck}$$

and a plane  $\pi : Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$  which are not parallel to each other, i.e.

$$Ap + Bq + Cr \neq 0.$$

For these given data we may define the projection  $p_{\pi,d} : \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \pi$  of  $\mathcal{P}$  on  $\pi$  parallel to  $d$ , whose value  $p_{\pi,d}(M)$  at  $M \in \mathcal{P}$  is the intersection point between  $\pi$  and the line through  $M$  which is parallel to  $d$ . Due to relations (4.3), the coordinates of  $p_{\pi,d}(M)$ , in terms of the coordinates of  $M$ , are

$$\begin{cases} x_M - p \frac{F(x_M, y_M, z_M)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ y_M - q \frac{F(x_M, y_M, z_M)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ z_M - r \frac{F(x_M, y_M, z_M)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{cases} \quad (4.12)$$

where  $F(x, y, z) = Ax + By + Cz + D$ .

Consequently, the position vector of  $p_{\pi,d}(M)$  is

$$\overrightarrow{Op_{\pi,d}(M)} = \overrightarrow{OM} - \frac{F(M)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \vec{d}. \quad (4.13)$$

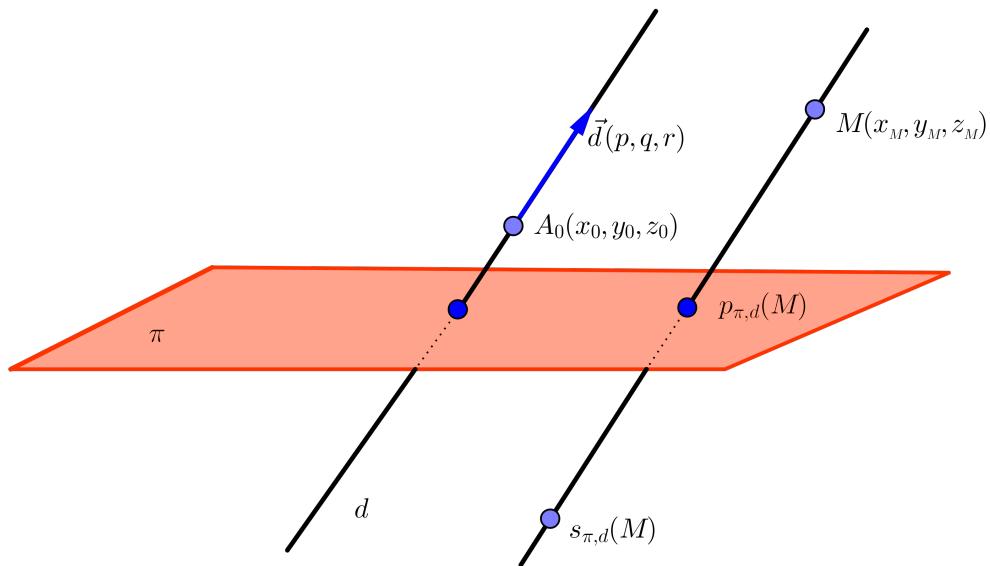
**Proposition 4.7.** If  $R = (O, b)$  is the Cartesian reference system behind the equations of the line

$$(d) \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{r}$$

and the plane  $(\pi)$   $Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$ , concurrent with  $(d)$ , then

$$[p_{\pi,d}(M)]_R = \frac{1}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \begin{pmatrix} Bq + Cr & -Bp & -Cp \\ -Aq & Ap + Cr & -Cq \\ -Ar & -Br & Ap + Bq \end{pmatrix} [M]_R - \frac{D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} [\vec{d}]_b,$$

where  $\vec{d} (p, q, r)$  stands for the director vector of the line  $(d)$ .



### 4.3.2 The symmetry with respect to a plane parallel with a given line

We call the function  $s_{\pi,d} : \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$ , whose value  $s_{\pi,d}(M)$  at  $M \in \mathcal{P}$  is the symmetric point of  $M$  with respect to  $p_{\pi,d}(M)$  the symmetry of  $\mathcal{P}$  with respect to  $\pi$  parallel to  $d$ . The direction of  $d$  is equally

called the *direction* of the symmetry and  $\pi$  is called the *axis* of the symmetry. For the position vector of  $s_{\pi,d}(M)$  we have

$$\overrightarrow{Op_{\pi,d}(M)} = \frac{\overrightarrow{OM} + \overrightarrow{Os_{\pi,d}(M)}}{2}, \text{ i.e.} \quad (4.14)$$

$$\overrightarrow{Os_{\pi,d}(M)} = 2 \overrightarrow{Op_{\pi,d}(M)} - \overrightarrow{OM} = \overrightarrow{OM} - 2 \frac{F(M)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \vec{d}. \quad (4.15)$$

**Proposition 4.8.** If  $R = (O, b)$  is the Cartesian reference system behind the equations of the line

$$(d) \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{r}$$

and the plane  $(\pi)$   $Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$ , concurrent with  $(d)$ , then

$$(Ap + Bq + Cr)[s_{\pi,d}(M)]_R = \begin{pmatrix} -Ap + Bq + Cr & -2Bp & -2Cp \\ -2Aq & Ap - Bq + Cr & -2Cq \\ -2Ar & -2Br & Ap + Bq - Cr \end{pmatrix} [M]_R - 2D[\vec{d}]_b, \quad (4.16)$$

where  $\vec{d} (p, q, r)$  stands for the director vector of the line  $(d)$ .

### 4.3.3 The projection on a straight line parallel with a given plane

Consider a straight line

$$d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{r}$$

and a plane  $\pi : Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$  which are not parallel to each other, i.e.

$$Ap + Bq + Cr \neq 0.$$

For these given data we may define the projection  $p_{d,\pi} : \mathcal{P} \longrightarrow d$  of  $\mathcal{P}$  on  $d$ , whose value  $p_{d,\pi}(M)$  at  $M \in \mathcal{P}$  is the intersection point between  $d$  and the plane through  $M$  which is parallel to  $\pi$ . Due to relations (4.3), the coordinates of  $p_{d,\pi}(M)$ , in terms of the coordinates of  $M$ , are

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_0 - p \frac{G_M(x_0, y_0, z_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ y_0 - q \frac{G_M(x_0, y_0, z_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ z_0 - r \frac{G_M(x_0, y_0, z_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{array} \right. \quad (4.17)$$

where  $G_M(x, y, z) = A(x - x_M) + B(y - y_M) + C(z - z_M)$ . Consequently, the position vector of  $p_{d,\pi}(M)$  is

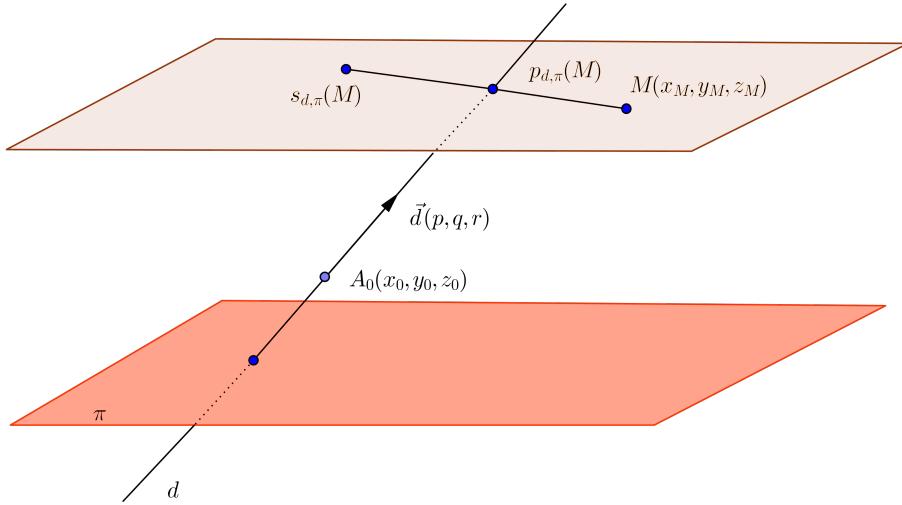
$$\overrightarrow{Op_{d,\pi}(M)} = \overrightarrow{OA_0} - \frac{G_M(A_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \vec{d}, \text{ where } A_0(x_0, y_0, z_0). \quad (4.18)$$

Note that  $G_M(A_0) = A(x_0 - x_M) + B(y_0 - y_M) + C(z_0 - z_M) = F(A_0) - F(M)$ , where  $F(x, y, z) = Ax + By + Cz + D$ . Consequently the coordinates of  $p_{d,\pi}(M)$ , in terms of the coordinates of  $M$ , are

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_0 + p \frac{F(M) - F(A_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ y_0 + q \frac{F(M) - F(A_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ z_0 + r \frac{F(M) - F(A_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{array} \right. \quad (4.19)$$

and the position vector of  $p_{d,\pi}(M)$  is

$$\overrightarrow{Op_{d,\pi}(M)} = \overrightarrow{OA_0} + \frac{F(M) - F(A_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \vec{d}, \text{ where } A_0(x_0, y_0, z_0). \quad (4.20)$$



#### 4.3.4 The symmetry with respect to a line parallel with a plane

We call the function  $s_{d,\pi} : \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$ , whose value  $s_{d,\pi}(M)$  at  $M \in \mathcal{P}$  is the symmetric point of  $M$  with respect to  $p_{d,\pi}(M)$ , the *symmetry of  $\mathcal{P}$  with respect to  $d$  parallel to  $\pi$* . The direction of  $\pi$  is equally called the *direction* of the symmetry and  $d$  is called the *axis* of the symmetry. For the position vector of  $s_{d,\pi}(M)$  we have

$$\overrightarrow{Op_{d,\pi}(M)} = \frac{\overrightarrow{OM} + \overrightarrow{Os_{d,\pi}(M)}}{2}, \text{ i.e.} \quad (4.21)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{Os_{d,\pi}(M)} &= 2 \overrightarrow{Op_{d,\pi}(M)} - \overrightarrow{OM} \\ &= 2 \overrightarrow{OA_0} - \overrightarrow{OM} + 2 \frac{F(M) - F(A_0)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \vec{d}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.22)$$

## 4.4 Projections and symmetries in the two dimensional setting

### 4.4.1 The intersection point of two concurrent lines

Consider two lines

$$d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q}$$

și  $\Delta : ax + by + c = 0$  which are not parallel to each other, i.e.

$$ap + bq \neq 0.$$

The parametric equations of  $d$  are:

$$\begin{cases} x = x_0 + pt \\ y = y_0 + qt \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R} \quad (4.23)$$

The value of  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  for which this line (4.23) punctures the line  $\Delta$  can be determined by imposing the condition on the point of coordinates

$$(x_0 + pt, y_0 + qt)$$

to verify the equation of the line  $\Delta$ , namely

$$a(x_0 + pt) + b(y_0 + qt) + c = 0.$$

Thus

$$t = -\frac{ax_0 + by_0 + c}{ap + bq} = -\frac{F(x_0, y_0)}{ap + bq},$$

where  $F(x, y) = ax + by + c$ .

The coordinates of the intersection point  $d \cap \Delta$  are:

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 - p \frac{F(x_0, y_0)}{ap + bq} \\ y_0 - q \frac{F(x_0, y_0)}{ap + bq}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.24}$$

#### 4.4.2 The projection on a line parallel with another given line

Consider two straight non-parallel lines

$$d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q}$$

and  $\Delta : ax + by + c = 0$  which are not parallel to each other, i.e.  $ap + bq \neq 0$ . For these given data we may define the projection  $p_{\Delta,d} : \pi \rightarrow \Delta$  of  $\pi$  on  $\Delta$  parallel cu  $d$ , whose value  $p_{\Delta,d}(M)$  at  $M \in \pi$  is the intersection point between  $\Delta$  and the line through  $M$  which is parallel to  $d$ . Due to relations (4.24), the coordinates of  $p_{\Delta,d}(M)$ , in terms of the coordinates of  $M$  are:

$$\begin{aligned} x_M - p \frac{F(x_M, y_M)}{ap + bq} \\ y_M - q \frac{F(x_M, y_M)}{ap + bq}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $F(x, y) = ax + by + c$ .

Consequently, the position vector of  $p_{\Delta,d}(M)$  is

$$\overrightarrow{Op_{\Delta,d}(M)} = \overrightarrow{OM} - \frac{F(M)}{ap + bq} \overrightarrow{d},$$

where  $\overrightarrow{d} = p \overrightarrow{e} + q \overrightarrow{f}$ .

**Proposition 4.9.** If  $R$  is the Cartesian reference system of the plane  $\pi$  behind the equations of the concurrent lines

$$\Delta : ax + by + c = 0 \text{ and } d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q},$$

then

$$[p_{\Delta,d}(M)]_R = \frac{1}{ap + bq} \begin{pmatrix} bq & -bp \\ -aq & ap \end{pmatrix} [M]_R - \frac{c}{ap + bq} [\overrightarrow{d}]_b. \tag{4.25}$$

#### 4.4.3 The symmetry with respect to a line parallel with another line

We call the function  $s_{\Delta,d} : \pi \rightarrow \pi$ , whose value  $s_{\Delta,d}(M)$  at  $M \in \pi$  is the symmetric point of  $M$  with respect to  $p_{\Delta,d}(M)$ , the *symmetry of  $\pi$  with respect to  $\Delta$  parallel to  $d$* . The direction of  $d$  is equally called the direction of the symmetry and  $\pi$  is called the *axis of the symmetry*. For the position vector of  $s_{\Delta,d}(M)$  we have

$$\overrightarrow{Op_{\Delta,d}(M)} = \frac{\overrightarrow{OM} + \overrightarrow{Os_{\Delta,d}(M)}}{2}, \text{ i.e.}$$

$$\overrightarrow{Os_{\Delta,d}(M)} = 2\overrightarrow{Op_{\Delta,d}(M)} - \overrightarrow{OM} = \overrightarrow{OM} - 2\frac{F(M)}{ap+bq}\overrightarrow{d},$$

where  $F(x, y) = ax + by + c$ . Thus, the coordinates of  $s_{\Delta,d}(M)$ , in terms of the coordinates of  $M$ , are

$$\begin{cases} x_M - 2p\frac{F(x_M, y_M)}{ap+bq} \\ y_M - 2q\frac{F(x_M, y_M)}{ap+bq}. \end{cases}$$

**Proposition 4.10.** If  $R$  is the Cartesian reference system of the plane  $\pi$  behind the equations of the concurrent lines

$$\Delta : ax + by + c = 0 \text{ and } d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q},$$

then

$$[s_{\Delta,d}(M)]_R = \frac{1}{ap+bq} \begin{pmatrix} -ap+bq & -2bp \\ -2aq & ap-bq \end{pmatrix} [M]_R - \frac{2c}{ap+bq} [\vec{d}]_b. \quad (4.26)$$

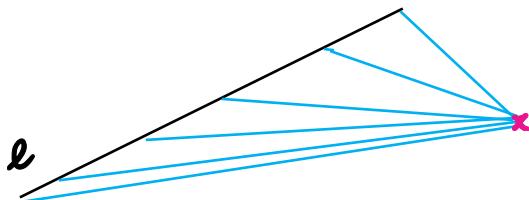
## 4.5 Problems

1. Write the equation of the plane determined by the line

$$(d) \begin{cases} x - 2y + 3z = 0 \\ 2x + z - 3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

and the point  $A(-1, 2, 6)$ .

SOLUTION.



$$\bar{n}_{\alpha, \beta} \cdot \alpha(x - 2y + 3z) + \beta(2x + z - 3) = 0$$

$$\star \bar{n}_{\alpha, \beta} \cdot \alpha(\alpha + 2\beta) + \beta(-2\alpha + 2(3\alpha + \beta) - 5\beta) = 0$$

$$A \in \bar{n}_{\alpha, \beta} \cdot 1 - 1(\alpha + 2\beta) - 4\alpha + 6(3\alpha + \beta) - 3\beta = 0 \quad (1)$$

$(-)$   $13\alpha + \beta = 0 \Rightarrow \beta = -13\alpha \Rightarrow$  The plane that we want:

$$\bar{n}_{\alpha, \beta} 13\alpha \cdot -25\alpha - 2\alpha y - 10\alpha z + 39\alpha = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\star) \alpha(-25x - 2y - 10z + 39) = 0 \quad / \alpha \neq 0$$

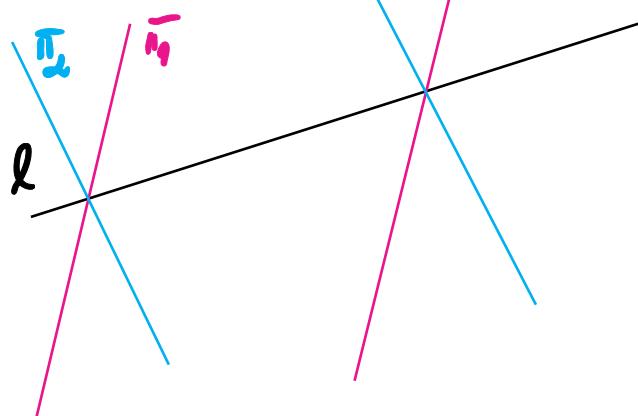
We have a unique plane:

$$\bar{n}_{1, -13} \cdot -25x - 2y - 10z + 39 = 0$$

## Pencils of planes

$$l \cdot \begin{cases} \Pi_1: A_1x + B_1y + C_1z + D_1 = 0 \\ \Pi_2: A_2x + B_2y + C_2z + D_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Pi_{\alpha, \beta}: \alpha(A_1x + B_1y + C_1z + D_1) + \beta(A_2x + B_2y + C_2z + D_2) = 0$$



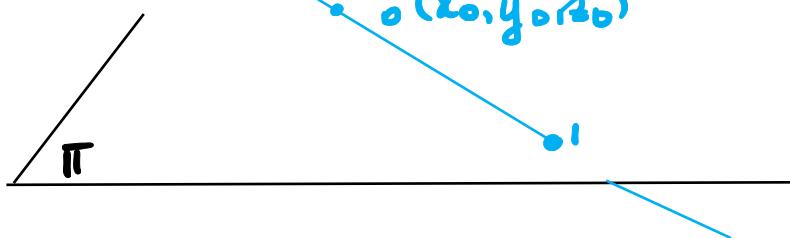
$\vec{n}: Ax + By + Cz + D = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{n}_n = (A, B, C)$  normal vector of the plane  $\Pi$   
 $(\forall \vec{v} \parallel \Pi: \vec{n}_n \perp \vec{v} (\Leftrightarrow \vec{n}_n \cdot \vec{v} = 0))$



• if  $l$ -line,  $l: \begin{cases} x = x_0 + \lambda p \\ y = y_0 + \lambda q \\ z = z_0 + \lambda r \end{cases}$

$$l \parallel \vec{n} \Leftrightarrow Ap + Bq + Cr = 0 \Leftrightarrow \vec{n}_n \cdot \vec{l} = 0$$

$l \perp \Pi$  (if  $Ap + Bq + Cr \neq 0$ ), then  $\exists M: \{M\} = l \cap \Pi$



$$\begin{cases} x_M = x_0 - \frac{Ax_0 + By_0 + Cz_0 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot p \\ y_M = y_0 - \frac{Ax_0 + By_0 + Cz_0 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot q \\ z_M = z_0 - \frac{Ax_0 + By_0 + Cz_0 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot r \end{cases}$$

$$2x: \pi: x + 2y - 5z = 0$$

$$l: \frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y+1}{4} = \frac{z}{-2}$$

Find the intersection point  $l \cap \pi$  (without using the formula above)

$$l: \begin{cases} x = 3t + 2 \\ y = 4t - 1 \\ z = -2t \end{cases}$$

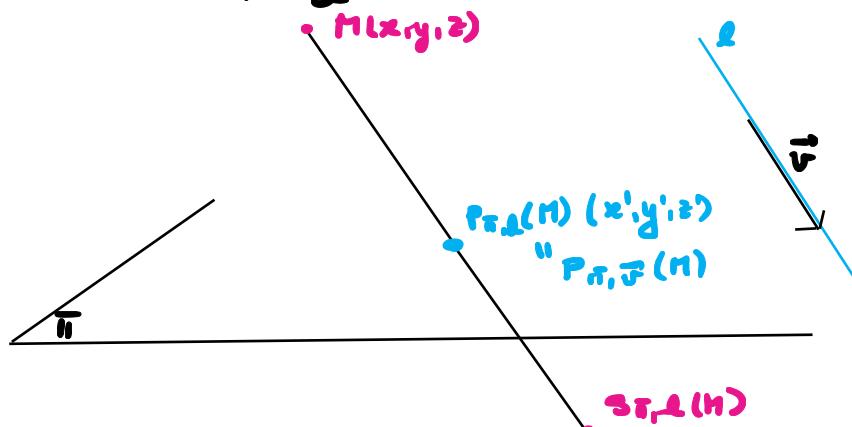
$$\begin{aligned} \pi: & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = 3t + 2 \\ y = 4t - 1 \\ z = -2t \\ x + 2y - 5z = 0 \end{array} \right. \\ & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = 3t + 2 \\ y = 4t - 1 \\ z = -2t \\ 3t + 2 + 2(4t - 1) - 5(-2t) = 0 \end{array} \right. \\ & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = 3t + 2 \\ y = 4t - 1 \\ z = -2t \\ 27t = 0 \end{array} \right. \\ \therefore & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = 2 \\ y = -1 \\ z = 0 \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

Projections and reflections

$$\pi: Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$$

$$l: \begin{cases} x = x_0 + \lambda p \\ y = y_0 + \lambda q \\ z = z_0 + \lambda r \end{cases}$$

$$l \perp \pi \text{ (i.e. } Ap + Bq + Cr + 0)$$



We have the projection on to the plane  $\pi$ , parallel with the line  $l$ .

$$P_{\pi, l}: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \pi \\ (x, y, z) \mapsto (x', y', z')$$

$$\begin{cases} x' = x - \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot p \\ y' = y - \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot q \\ z' = z - \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot r \end{cases}$$

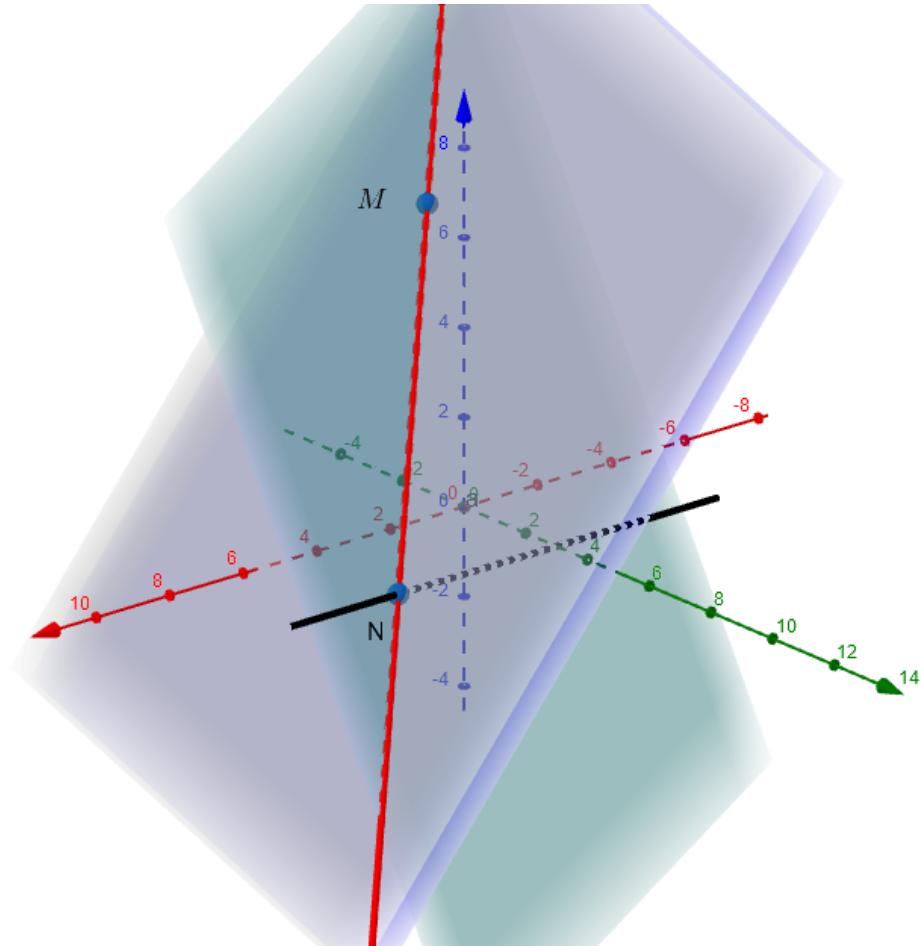
$$S_{\pi, l}: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \\ (x, y, z) \mapsto (x'', y'', z'')$$

$$\begin{cases} x'' = x - 2 \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot p \\ y'' = y - 2 \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot q \\ z'' = z - 2 \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot r \end{cases}$$

2. Write the equation of the line which passes through the point  $M(1, 0, 7)$ , is parallel to the plane  $(\pi)$   $3x - y + 2z - 15 = 0$  and intersects the line

$$(d) \frac{x-1}{4} = \frac{y-3}{2} = \frac{z}{1}.$$

SOLUTION 1. The equation of the plane  $\alpha$  passing through the point  $M(1, 0, 7)$ , which is parallel to the plane  $(\pi)$   $3x - y + 2z - 15 = 0$ , is  $(\alpha)$   $3(x-1) - (y-0) + 2(z-7) = 0$ , i.e.  $(\alpha)$   $3x - y + 2z - 17 = 0$ .



The parametric equations of the line  $d$  are

$$\begin{cases} x = 1 + 4t \\ y = 3 + 2t \\ z = t \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The coordinates of the intersection point  $N$  between the line  $(d)$  and the plane  $\alpha$  can be obtained by solving the equation  $3((1+4t) - (3+2t)) + 2t - 17 = 0$ . The required line is  $MN$ .

SOLUTION 2. The required line can be equally regarded as the intersection line between the plane  $\alpha$  (passing through the point  $M(1, 0, 7)$ , which is parallel to the plane  $(\pi)$ ) and the plane determined by the given line  $(d)$  and the point  $M$ . While the equation  $3x - y + 2z - 17 = 0$  of  $\alpha$  was already used above, the equation of the plane determined by the line  $(d)$  and the point  $M$  can be determined via the pencil of planes through

$$(d) \begin{cases} \frac{x-1}{4} = \frac{y-3}{2} \\ \frac{y-3}{2} = \frac{z}{1} \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow (d) \begin{cases} x - 2y + 5 = 0 \\ y - 2z - 3 = 0. \end{cases}$$

Note that none of the planes  $x - 2y + 5 = 0$  or  $y - 2z - 3 = 0$  passes through  $M$ , which means that the plane determined by  $d$  and  $M$  is in the reduced pencil of planes

$$(\pi_\lambda) \quad x - 2y + 5 = 0 + \lambda(y - 2z - 3) = 0.$$

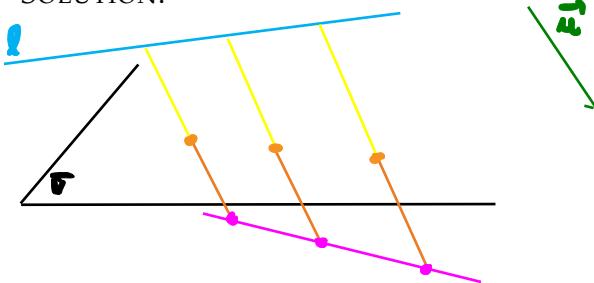
The plane determined by  $d$  and  $M$  can be found by imposing on the coordinates of  $M$  to verify the equation of  $\pi_\lambda$ .

3. Write the equations of the projection of the line

$$(d) \quad \begin{cases} 2x - y + z - 1 = 0 \\ x + y - z + 1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

on the plane  $\pi : x + 2y - z = 0$  parallel to the direction  $\vec{u} = (1, 1, -2)$ . Write the equations of the symmetry of the line  $d$  with respect to the plane  $\pi$  parallel to the direction  $\vec{u} = (1, 1, -2)$ .

SOLUTION.



$$\begin{aligned} l: & \begin{cases} 2x - y + z - 1 = 0 \\ x + y - z + 1 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ x + y - z + 1 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = z - 1 \\ z = z + 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = t \\ z = t + 1 \end{cases} \\ & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x'' = x - 2 \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot p \\ y'' = y - 2 \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot q \\ z'' = z - 2 \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot r \end{array} \right. \\ & \vec{u} = (p, q, r) = (1, 1, -2) \\ & (A, B, C, D) = (1, 2, -1, 0) \\ & \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} = \frac{1 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot t + (-1)(t+1)}{1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 2 + (-1)(-2)} = \frac{t-1}{5} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x'' = 0 - 2 \cdot \frac{t-1}{5} \cdot 1 = -\frac{2}{5}t + \frac{2}{5} \\ y'' = t - 2 \cdot \frac{t-1}{5} \cdot 1 = \frac{3}{5}t + \frac{2}{5} \\ z'' = t + 1 - 2 \cdot \frac{t-1}{5} \cdot 1 = \frac{9}{5}t + \frac{1}{5} \end{cases} \\ & \text{Eq. of a line} \end{aligned}$$

4. Prove Proposition 4.7  $\mathbb{R}^3(0,b)$ -Cartesian reference system behind

SOLUTION.

$$\text{Line } (d): \frac{x-x_0}{P} = \frac{y-y_0}{Q} = \frac{z-z_0}{R}, \text{ plane (II)}: Ax + By + Cz + D, \text{ denote } P_{0,d}(M)(x'_N, y'_N, z'_N)$$

We start from  $\overrightarrow{O_0 M} = \overrightarrow{OM} - \frac{\vec{d}(M)}{A_P + B_Q + C_R} \vec{d}$ ,

$$\therefore (\text{başten}) \in \mathbb{R}^3(0,b) \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x'_N \\ y'_N \\ z'_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_N \\ y_N \\ z_N \end{pmatrix} - \frac{Ax_N + By_N + Cz_N + D}{A_P + B_Q + C_R} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} P \\ Q \\ R \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} x'_N \\ y'_N \\ z'_N \end{pmatrix} = \frac{A_P + B_Q + C_R}{A_P + B_Q + C_R} \begin{pmatrix} x_N \\ y_N \\ z_N \end{pmatrix} - \frac{Ax_N + By_N + Cz_N}{A_P + B_Q + C_R} \begin{pmatrix} P \\ Q \\ R \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} x'_N \\ y'_N \\ z'_N \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{A_P + B_Q + C_R} \cdot \left( \begin{matrix} A_P x_N + B_Q y_N + C_R z_N & -A_P x_N - B_Q y_N - C_R z_N \\ A_P y_N + B_Q z_N + C_R x_N & -A_P y_N - B_Q z_N - C_R x_N \\ A_P z_N + B_Q x_N + C_R y_N & -A_P z_N - B_Q x_N - C_R y_N \end{matrix} \right) - \frac{D}{A_P + B_Q + C_R} \begin{pmatrix} P \\ Q \\ R \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} x'_N \\ y'_N \\ z'_N \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{A_P + B_Q + C_R} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} B_Q + C_R & -B_P & -C_P \\ -A_Q & A_P + C_R & -C_Q \\ -A_R & -B_R & A_P + B_Q \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_N \\ y_N \\ z_N \end{pmatrix} - \frac{D}{A_P + B_Q + C_R} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} P \\ Q \\ R \end{pmatrix}$$

 $[P_{0,d}(M)]_R$  $[M]_e$  $[\vec{d}]_e$ 

$$\approx [M]_e = [\overrightarrow{OM}]_e = \begin{pmatrix} x_N - x_0 \\ y_N - y_0 \\ z_N - z_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} k_N \\ l_N \\ m_N \end{pmatrix}$$

## 5. Prove Proposition 4.8

SOLUTION.

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{\pi,d}(M) &= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x'' = x - 2p \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ y'' = y - 2q \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ z'' = z - 2r \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{array} \right. \\
 [S_{\pi,d}(M)]_R &= \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ z'' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x - 2p \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ y - 2q \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ z - 2r \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{bmatrix} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Ax + Bqz + Crx - 2pAx - 2pbz - 2pcz - 2pD \\ Apy + Bqy + Cry - 2pAx - 2pbz - 2pcz - 2qD \\ Apz + Bqz + Crz - 2pAx - 2pbz - 2pcz - 2xD \end{bmatrix} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -(Ap + Bq + Cr)x - 2pbz - 2pcz - 2pD \\ -2qAx + (Ap - Bq + Cr)y - 2qcz - 2qD \\ -2xAx - 2xBz + (Ap + Bq - Cr)z - 2xD \end{bmatrix} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \left( \begin{bmatrix} -Ap - Bq - Cr & -2pb & -2pc \\ -2qA & Ap - Bq + Cr & -2qC \\ -2xA & -2xB & Ap + Bq + Cr \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} - 2D \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

6. Show that two different parallel lines are either projected onto parallel lines or on two points by a projection  $p_{\pi,d}$ , where

$$\pi : Ax + By + Cz + D = 0, \quad d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{r}$$

and  $\pi \nparallel d$ .

SOLUTION.

$$\pi \nparallel d \Rightarrow Ap + Bq + Cr \neq 0$$

Let:

$$d_1 : \begin{cases} x = x_1 + tv_x \\ y = y_1 + tv_y \\ z = z_1 + tv_z \end{cases} \quad d_2 : \begin{cases} x = x_2 + sv_x \\ y = y_2 + sv_y \\ z = z_2 + sv_z \end{cases}$$

$$\tau(x, y, z) := Ax + By + Cz + D, \quad \vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\forall P(x_1, y_1, z_1) \in d_1 \Rightarrow p_{\pi, d}(P) = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} - \frac{\tau(x_1, y_1, z_1)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix} + t \vec{v} - \frac{A(x_1 + tv_x) + B(y_1 + tv_y) + C(z_1 + tv_z) + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d}$$

$$= \left( \begin{array}{l} x_1 - \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ y_1 - \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ z_1 - \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{array} \right) + t \left( \vec{v} - \frac{Av_x + Bv_y + Cv_z}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d} \right)$$

direct vector

$$\text{Analog: } \underbrace{\text{eq of } d'_1, P'_1 \in d'_1, \vec{w} = \vec{v} - \frac{Av_x + Bv_y + Cv_z}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d}}_{\text{eq of } d'_1, P'_1 \in d'_1, \vec{w} = \vec{v} - \frac{Av_x + Bv_y + Cv_z}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d}}$$

$$\text{eq of line } d'_2 : \left( \begin{array}{l} x_2 - \frac{Ax_2 + By_2 + Cz_2 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ y_2 - \frac{Ax_2 + By_2 + Cz_2 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ z_2 - \frac{Ax_2 + By_2 + Cz_2 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{array} \right), \quad P'_2 \in d'_2, \quad \vec{w} = \vec{v} - \frac{Av_x + Bv_y + Cv_z}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d}$$

$d, d_1, d_2$  are projected onto the parallel lines  $d'$  and  $d'_2$  if  $w$  is nonzero or onto the points  $P'_1$  and  $P'_2$  if  $w$  is the zero vector.

$$d, d_1, d_2 \text{- projected onto points} \Rightarrow \vec{v}' = \frac{Av_x + Bv_y + Cv_z}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d},$$

$$\therefore \vec{v}' = \frac{n\vec{v} - \vec{v}}{n\vec{v} \cdot \vec{d}} \cdot \vec{d} \Leftrightarrow \vec{v}' \parallel \vec{d}$$

7. Show that two different parallel lines are mapped onto parallel lines by a symmetry  $s_{\pi,d}$ , where

$$\pi : Ax + By + Cz + D = 0, \quad d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{r}$$

and  $\pi \nparallel d$ .

SOLUTION.

$$\pi \nparallel d \Leftrightarrow Ap + Bq + Cr \neq 0$$

Let:

$$d_1 : \begin{cases} x = x_1 + tU_x \\ y = y_1 + tU_y \\ z = z_1 + tU_z \end{cases}$$

$$d_2 : \begin{cases} x = x_2 + tV_x \\ y = y_2 + tV_y \\ z = z_2 + tV_z \end{cases}$$

$$\pi(x, y, z) := Ax + By + Cz + D, \quad \vec{d} = \left( \begin{array}{c} U_x \\ U_y \\ U_z \end{array} \right), \quad \vec{v} = \left( \begin{array}{c} V_x \\ V_y \\ V_z \end{array} \right)$$

$\forall P(x, y, z) \in d_1$ :

$$s_{\pi,d}(P) = 2P_{\pi,d}(P) - \left( \begin{array}{c} x \\ y \\ z \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} x \\ y \\ z \end{array} \right) - 2 \frac{\pi(x, y, z)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d}$$

$$s_{\pi,d}(P) = \left( \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{array} \right) + t \vec{v} - 2 \cdot \frac{A(x_1 + tU_x) + B(y_1 + tU_y) + C(z_1 + tU_z) + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d}$$

$$\underbrace{\left( \begin{array}{c} x_1 - 2P \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ y_1 - 2P \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ z_1 - 2P \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{array} \right)}_{\text{param. eq. of a line } d''_1} + t \left( \vec{v} - 2 \frac{AU_x + BV_y + CW_z}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d} \right)$$

param. eq. of a line  $d''_1 \rightarrow \vec{w} = \vec{v} - 2 \frac{AU_x + BV_y + CW_z}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d}$  - director vector  
that contain the point  $P_1$

$$\text{Similarly, } d_2, P''_2 \in d''_2 \quad \underbrace{\left( \begin{array}{c} x_2 - 2P \frac{Ax_2 + By_2 + Cz_2 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ y_2 - 2P \frac{Ax_2 + By_2 + Cz_2 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ z_2 - 2P \frac{Ax_2 + By_2 + Cz_2 + D}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{array} \right)}, \quad \vec{w} = \vec{v} - 2 \frac{AU_x + BV_y + CW_z}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d}$$

The director vector is the same  $\Rightarrow d''_1 \parallel d''_2 \Leftrightarrow w \neq 0$

$$\text{If } w \neq 0 \Rightarrow \vec{n} = 2 \frac{AU_x + BV_y + CW_z}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d} \Rightarrow \vec{v} = 2 \frac{\vec{n} \times \vec{d}}{\|\vec{n}\| \cdot \|\vec{d}\|}, \quad \vec{v} \parallel \vec{d}$$

$$\therefore \cos(\widehat{\vec{n}}, \vec{v}) = \cos(\widehat{\vec{n}}, \vec{d}) = \frac{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{d}}{\|\vec{n}\| \cdot \|\vec{d}\|} = \frac{\|\vec{n}\| \cdot \|\vec{d}\|}{\|\vec{n}\| \cdot \|\vec{d}\|} = 1 \Rightarrow \vec{v} \parallel \vec{d}$$

$$\therefore \|\vec{v}\| = 2 \frac{\|\vec{n}\| \cdot \|\vec{d}\|}{\|\vec{n}\| \cdot \|\vec{d}\|} = 2 \|\vec{n}\| \Rightarrow \vec{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{the lines } d_1 \text{ and } d_2 \text{ would be just points, centre}$$

$\Rightarrow$  the reflections of  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are parallel

8. Assume that  $R = (O, b)$  ( $b = [\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}]$ ) is the Cartesian reference system behind the equations of a plane  $\pi : Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$  and a line

$$d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{r}.$$

If  $\pi \nparallel d$ , show that

- (a)  $\overrightarrow{p_{\pi,d}(M)p_{\pi,d}(N)} = p(\overrightarrow{MN})$ , for all  $M, N \in \mathcal{V}$ , where  $p : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$  is the linear transformation whose matrix representation is

$$[p]_b = \frac{1}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \begin{pmatrix} Bq + Cr & -Bp & -Cp \\ -Aq & Ap + Cr & -Cq \\ -Ar & -Br & Ap + Bq \end{pmatrix}.$$

SOLUTION.

$$\lambda : \begin{cases} x = x_0 + t_p \\ y = y_0 + t_q \\ z = z_0 + t_r \end{cases}, \quad \mathbf{f}(x, y, z) = Ax + By + Cz + D$$

$$\overrightarrow{r}_{P_{\pi,d}(M)} = \overrightarrow{r}_M - \frac{\mathbf{f}(M)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \overrightarrow{\ell}$$

$$\overrightarrow{P_{\pi,d}(M)P_{\pi,d}(N)} = \overrightarrow{r}_{P_{\pi,d}(N)} - \overrightarrow{r}_{P_{\pi,d}(M)} = \overrightarrow{r}_N - \frac{\mathbf{f}(N)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \overrightarrow{\ell} - \overrightarrow{r}_M + \frac{\mathbf{f}(M)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \overrightarrow{\ell} =$$

$$= \overrightarrow{MN} - \frac{1}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \overrightarrow{\ell} (\mathbf{f}(N) - \mathbf{f}(M))$$

$$\mathbf{f}(N) - \mathbf{f}(M) = (Ax_N + By_N + Cz_N + D) - (Ax_M + By_M + Cz_M + D) =$$

$$= A(x_N - x_M) + B(y_N - y_M) + C(z_N - z_M) = \overrightarrow{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{MN}$$

$$\overrightarrow{P_{\pi,d}(M)P_{\pi,d}(N)} = \overrightarrow{MN} - \frac{\overrightarrow{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{MN}}{\overrightarrow{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{\ell}} \cdot \overrightarrow{\ell} = f(MN)$$

$$f : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \quad (\text{**})$$

$$\overrightarrow{v} \mapsto \overrightarrow{v} - \frac{\overrightarrow{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{v}}{\overrightarrow{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{\ell}} \cdot \overrightarrow{\ell} \quad \Rightarrow f(e_1) = e_1 - \frac{\overrightarrow{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{e}_1}{\overrightarrow{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{\ell}} \cdot \overrightarrow{\ell} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{A}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\Rightarrow [f(e_1)]_b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{Ap}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ -\frac{Aq}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \\ -\frac{Ar}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \end{pmatrix}, \quad [f(e_2)]_b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{B}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix},$$

$$[f(e_3)]_b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{C}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow [f]_b = ([f(e_1)]_b | [f(e_2)]_b | [f(e_3)]_b)$ . In (\*\*) we should have proven that  $f$  is indeed a linear map

Proof:  $f: U \rightarrow U$

$$\vec{v} \mapsto \vec{w} - \frac{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{v}}{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x}} \vec{x}$$

Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in U$

$$f(\alpha \vec{v} + \beta \vec{w}) = \alpha \vec{v} + \beta \vec{w} - \frac{\vec{n} \cdot (\alpha \vec{v} + \beta \vec{w})}{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x}} \cdot \vec{x} =$$

$$= \alpha \vec{v} + \beta \vec{w} - \frac{\alpha (\vec{n} \cdot \vec{v}) + \beta (\vec{n} \cdot \vec{w})}{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x}} \vec{x} =$$

$$= \left( \alpha \vec{v} - \frac{\alpha \vec{n} \cdot \vec{v}}{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x}} \vec{x} \right) + \left( \beta \vec{w} - \frac{\beta \vec{n} \cdot \vec{w}}{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x}} \vec{x} \right) =$$

$$= \alpha f(\vec{v}) + \beta \cdot f(\vec{w})$$

- (b)  $\overrightarrow{s_{\pi,d}(M)s_{\pi,d}(N)} = \overrightarrow{s(MN)}$ , for all  $M, N \in \mathcal{V}$ , where  $s : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$  is the linear transformation whose matrix representation is

$$[s]_b = \frac{1}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \begin{pmatrix} -Ap + Bq + Cr & -2Bp & -2Cp \\ -2Aq & Ap - Bq + Cr & -2Cq \\ -2Ar & -2Br & Ap + Bq - Cr \end{pmatrix}.$$

SOLUTION.

**Hab:**  $F(x, y, z) := Ax + By + Cz + D$ ,  $\vec{d} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} [\overrightarrow{s_{\pi,d}(M)s_{\pi,d}(N)}]_b &= [\overrightarrow{s_{\pi,d}(N)}]_b - [\overrightarrow{s_{\pi,d}(M)}]_b = \\ &= \left( \begin{pmatrix} x_N \\ y_N \\ z_N \end{pmatrix} - 2 \frac{F(x_N, y_N, z_N)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d} \right) - \left( \begin{pmatrix} x_M \\ y_M \\ z_M \end{pmatrix} - 2 \frac{F(x_M, y_M, z_M)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot \vec{d} \right) = \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x_N - x_M \\ y_N - y_M \\ z_N - z_M \end{pmatrix} - \frac{2}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot (F(x_N, y_N, z_N) - F(x_M, y_M, z_M)) \cdot \vec{d} = \\ &= [\overrightarrow{MN}]_b - \frac{2}{Ap + Bq + Cr} (A(x_N - x_M) + B(y_N - y_M) + C(z_N - z_M)) \cdot \vec{v} = \\ &= [\overrightarrow{MN}]_b - \frac{2}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \begin{pmatrix} Ap(x_N - x_M) + Bp(y_N - y_M) + Cp(z_N - z_M) \\ Aq(x_N - x_M) + Bq(y_N - y_M) + Cq(z_N - z_M) \\ Ar(x_N - x_M) + Br(y_N - y_M) + Cr(z_N - z_M) \end{pmatrix} = \\ &= [\overrightarrow{MN}]_b - \frac{2}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \begin{pmatrix} Ap & Bp & Cp \\ Aq & Bq & Cq \\ Ar & Br & Cr \end{pmatrix} \cdot [\overrightarrow{MN}]_b = \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} [\overrightarrow{MN}]_b - \frac{2}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \begin{pmatrix} Ap & Bp & Cp \\ Aq & Bq & Cq \\ Ar & Br & Cr \end{pmatrix} \cdot [\overrightarrow{MN}]_b = \\ &= \frac{1}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \left( \begin{pmatrix} Ap + Bq + Cr & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & Ap + Bq + Cr & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Ap + Bq + Cr \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2Ap & 2Bp & 2Cp \\ 2Aq & 2Bq & 2Cq \\ 2Ar & 2Br & 2Cr \end{pmatrix} \right) \cdot [\overrightarrow{MN}]_b = \\ &= \frac{1}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \begin{pmatrix} -Ap + Bq + Cr & -2Bp & -2Cp \\ -2Aq & Ap - Bq + Cr & -2Cq \\ -2Ar & -2Br & Ap + Bq - Cr \end{pmatrix} \cdot [\overrightarrow{MN}]_b = \\ &= [s]_b \cdot [\overrightarrow{MN}]_b = \\ &= [s(\overrightarrow{MN})]_b \end{aligned}$$

We have thus shown that  $\overrightarrow{s_{\pi,d}(M)s_{\pi,d}(N)} = s(\overrightarrow{MN})$ .

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z)$$

9. Consider a plane  $\pi : Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$  and a line

$$d : \frac{x - x_0}{p} = \frac{y - y_0}{q} = \frac{z - z_0}{r}.$$

If  $\pi \nparallel d$ , show that

- (a)  $p_{\pi,d} \circ p_{\pi,d} = p_{\pi,d}$ .
- (b)  $s_{\pi,d} \circ s_{\pi,d} = id_{\mathcal{P}}$ .

SOLUTION.

$$\text{a) } M \in \mathcal{P}, M(x_H, y_H, z_H) \rightarrow x_{P_{\pi,d}(M)} = x_H - p \cdot \frac{\mathbf{F}(x_H, y_H, z_H)}{Ap + Bq + Cr}$$

$$y_{P_{\pi,d}(M)} = y_H - q \cdot \frac{\mathbf{F}(x_H, y_H, z_H)}{Ap + Bq + Cr}$$

$$z_{P_{\pi,d}(M)} = z_H - r \cdot \frac{\mathbf{F}(x_H, y_H, z_H)}{Ap + Bq + Cr}$$

$$x_{P_{\pi,d}(P_{\pi,d}(M))} = x_{P_{\pi,d}(M)} - p \cdot \frac{\mathbf{F}(x_{P_{\pi,d}(M)}, y_{P_{\pi,d}(M)}, z_{P_{\pi,d}(M)})}{Ap + Bq + Cr}$$

$$= x_H - \frac{p}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \cdot (F(x_H, y_H, z_H) + F(x_{P_{\pi,d}(M)}, y_{P_{\pi,d}(M)}, z_{P_{\pi,d}(M)}))$$

$$= A(x_H + x_{P_{\pi,d}(M)}) + B(y_H + y_{P_{\pi,d}(M)}) + C(z_H + z_{P_{\pi,d}(M)}) + 2D =$$

$$= 2(Ax_H + By_H + Cz_H + D) \quad (Ap + Bq + Cr) \quad \frac{\mathbf{F}(x_H, y_H, z_H)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} = \mathbf{F}(x_H, y_H, z_H) =$$

$$-1 \quad x_{P_{\pi,d}(P_{\pi,d}(M))} = x_H - \frac{p \cdot \mathbf{F}(x_H, y_H, z_H)}{Ap + Bq + Cr} \quad -1 \quad x_{P_{\pi,d}(P_{\pi,d}(M))} = x_{P_{\pi,d}(M)}$$

$$\text{Similarly: } y_{P_{\pi,d}(P_{\pi,d}(M))} = y_{P_{\pi,d}(M)} \Rightarrow P_{\pi,d}(P_{\pi,d}(M)) = P_{\pi,d}(M) =$$

$$z_{P_{\pi,d}(P_{\pi,d}(M))} = z_{P_{\pi,d}(M)}$$

$$-1 \quad P_{\pi,d} \circ P_{\pi,d} = P_{\pi,d}$$

$$\text{b) } H \in \mathcal{P} \rightarrow O \overrightarrow{A_{\pi,d}(H)} = 2O \overrightarrow{P_{\pi,d}(H)} - O \vec{H} \rightarrow$$

$$-1 \quad O \overrightarrow{A_{\pi,d}(A_{\pi,d}(H))} = 2O \overrightarrow{P_{\pi,d}(P_{\pi,d}(H))} - O \overrightarrow{A_{\pi,d}(H)} =$$

$$= 2(O \overrightarrow{P_{\pi,d}(P_{\pi,d}(H))} - O \overrightarrow{P_{\pi,d}(H)}) + O \vec{H}$$

$$H \Delta_{\pi,d}(H) \parallel d \rightarrow P_{\pi,d}(H) = P_{\pi,d}(\Delta_{\pi,d}(H)), \text{ so } O \overrightarrow{A_{\pi,d}(\Delta_{\pi,d}(H))} = \vec{0} \rightarrow$$

$$-1 \quad \Delta_{\pi,d} \circ \Delta_{\pi,d} = id_{\mathcal{P}}$$

10. Prove Proposition 4.9.

SOLUTION.

11. Prove Proposition 4.10.

SOLUTION.