

Assignment 7

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Abstract—This document finds the coordinates of foot of perpendicular using Singular Value Decomposition

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1 PROBLEM

Determine the distance from the Z-axis to the plane $5x - 12y - 8 = 0$

2 SOLUTION

Equation of plane can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c \quad (2.0.1)$$

Rewriting given equation of plane in (2.0.1) form

$$(5 \quad -12 \quad 0) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = 8 \quad (2.0.2)$$

where the value of

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -12 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$c = 8 \quad (2.0.5)$$

We need to represent the equation of plane in parametric form,

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{p} + \lambda_1 \mathbf{q} + \lambda_2 \mathbf{r} \quad (2.0.6)$$

Here p is any point on plane and \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r} are two vectors parallel to plane and hence \perp to \mathbf{n} . Now, we need to find these two vectors \mathbf{q} and \mathbf{r} which are \perp to \mathbf{n}

$$(5 \quad -12 \quad 0) \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = 0 \implies 5a - 12b = 0 \quad (2.0.7)$$

Put $a = 0$ and $c = 1$ in (2.0.7), $\implies b = 0$

Put $a = 1$ and $c = 0$ in (2.0.7), $\implies b = \frac{5}{12}$

$$\text{Hence } \mathbf{q} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{5}{12} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let us find point \mathbf{p} on the plane. Put $x = 1, z = 0$ in

$$(2.0.2), \text{ we get } \mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since given plane is parallel to Z-axis, we can use any point P on Z-axis to compute shortest distance.

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.8)$$

Let \mathbf{Q} be the point on plane with shortest distance to \mathbf{P} . \mathbf{Q} can be expressed in (2.0.7) form as

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{5}{12} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.9)$$

Computation of Pseudo Inverse using SVD in order to determine the value of λ_1 and λ_2 :