

## ANALYTIC GEOMETRY, PROBLEM SET 10

Mostly angles in 3D.

1. Show that the line  $d = \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = t \\ z = t \end{cases}$  is contained inside the plane  $6x + 4y - 4z = 0$ .
2. Determine whether the line given by  $x = 3 + 8t$ ,  $y = 4 + 5t$ , and  $z = -3 - t$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  is parallel to the plane  $x - 3y + 5z - 12 = 0$ .
3. Prove that the lines  $d_1 : \begin{cases} x = 1 + 4t \\ y = 5 - 4t \\ z = -1 + 5t \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $d_2 : \begin{cases} x = 2 + 8t \\ y = 4 - 3t \\ z = 5 + t \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R}$  are skew.
4. Find the parametric equations of the line passing through  $(5, 0, -2)$  and parallel to the planes  $x - 4y + 2z = 0$  and  $2x + 3y - z + 1 = 0$ .
5. Find the equation of the plane containing the point  $P(2, 0, 3)$  and the line  $d : \begin{cases} x = -1 + t \\ y = t \\ z = -4 + 2t \end{cases}$ .
6. Let  $M_1(2, 1, -1)$  and  $M_2(-3, 0, 2)$  be two points. Find:
  - a) the equation of the bundle of planes passing through  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ ;
  - b) the plane  $\pi$  from the bundle, which is orthogonal on  $xOy$ ;
  - c) the plane  $\rho$  from the bundle, which is orthogonal on  $\pi$ .
7. Find the angle determined by  $d_1$  and  $d_2$ , when: a)  $d_1 : x = 4 - t, y = 3 + 2t, z = -2t, t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $d_2 : x = 5 + 2s, y = 1 + 3s, z = 5 - 6s, s \in \mathbb{R}$ .  
b)  $d_1 : \frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+5}{7} = \frac{z-1}{-1}$  and  $d_2 : \frac{x+3}{-2} = \frac{y-9}{1} = \frac{z}{4}$ .
8. Find the angle determined by the planes  $\pi_1 : x - \sqrt{2}y + z - 1 = 0$  and  $\pi_2 : x + \sqrt{2}y - z + 3 = 0$ .
9. Find the coordinates of the orthogonal projection of the point  $P(2, 1, 1)$  on the plane  $\pi : x + y + 3z + 5 = 0$ .
10. Determine the orthogonal projection of the point  $A(1, 3, 5)$  on the line which is given as the intersection of the planes  $2x + y + z - 1 = 0$  and  $3x + y + 2z - 3 = 0$ .

1. Show that the line  $d \equiv \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = t \\ z = t \end{cases}$  is contained inside the plane  $6x + 4y - 4z = 0$ .

$$6 \cdot 0 + 4 \cdot t - 4 \cdot t = 0, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Since all the points on  $d$  have the form  $P_t(0, t, t)$  for  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , we showed that all these points are contained in the given plane. □

2. Determine whether the line given by  $x = 3 + 8t$ ,  $y = 4 + 5t$ , and  $z = -3 - t$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  is parallel to the plane  $x - 3y + 5z - 12 = 0$ .

$$(x - 1) + 8t$$

$$(x - 2) + 8t$$

- The director vector of the line is  $\bar{v}(8, 5, -1)$ .
- The normal vector to the plane is  $\bar{n}(1, -3, 5)$

$$\bar{v} \cdot \bar{n} = 8 \cdot 1 - 15 - 5 = -12.$$

$$\Gamma \bar{a} \cdot \bar{b} = 0 \quad (\Rightarrow \bar{a} \perp \bar{b})$$

- $\therefore \bar{v}$  and  $\bar{n}$  are not perpendicular.  
 $\therefore \bar{v}$  is not parallel to the plane.

3. Prove that the lines  $d_1 : \begin{cases} x = 1 + 4t \\ y = 5 - 4t \\ z = -1 + 5t \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $d_2 : \begin{cases} x = 2 + 8t \\ y = 4 - 3t \\ z = 5 + t \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R}$  are skew.

Step 1

$$\vec{v}_1(4, -4, 5)$$

$$\vec{v}_2(8, -3, 1)$$

$$\vec{v}_1 \parallel \vec{v}_2, \text{ so } d_1 \parallel d_2.$$

Step 2. If  $d_1 \cap d_2 \neq \emptyset$ , then  
 $\exists t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 + 4t_1 = 2 + 8t_2 \quad (1) \\ 5 - 4t_1 = 4 - 3t_2 \quad (2) \\ -1 + 5t_1 = 5 + t_2 \quad (3) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{From (3), } t_2 = -6 + 5t_1.$$

Replace in (2).

$$5 - 4t_1 = 4 - 3(-6 + 5t_1)$$

$$\therefore 19 = -11t_1 \Rightarrow t_1 = -\frac{19}{11}.$$

$$t_2 = -6 - \frac{95}{11}$$

See if these values satisfy (1)

$$1 + 4 \cdot t_1 = 1 - \frac{4 \cdot 19}{11} = \frac{11 - 76}{11} \\ = -\frac{65}{11}$$

$$2 + 8 \cdot t_2 = 2 - 48 - 8 \cdot \frac{95}{11} \\ = -46 - \frac{8 \cdot 95}{11}$$

Clearly  $1 + 4 \cdot t_1 \neq 2 + 8 \cdot t_2$ .

We showed that  $d_1 \nparallel d_2$  and  
 $d_1 \cap d_2 = \emptyset$ , so  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are  
skew.

4. Find the parametric equations of the line passing through  $(5, 0, -2)$  and parallel to the planes  $x - 4y + 2z = 0$  and  $2x + 3y - z + 1 = 0$ .

We want to find  $\vec{n}(a, b, c)$ , the

director vector of the line.

$$\begin{cases} \overline{m}_1 (1, -4, 2) \\ \overline{m}_2 (2, 3, -1) \end{cases}$$

are the normal vectors of the given planes.

We can choose  $\overline{v} := \overline{m}_1 \times \overline{m}_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{v} &= \begin{vmatrix} \overline{i} & \overline{j} & \overline{k} \\ 1 & -4 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 4\overline{i} + 3\overline{k} + 4\overline{j} \\ &\quad + 8\overline{k} - 6\overline{i} + \overline{j} \\ &= -2\overline{i} + 5\overline{j} + 11\overline{k} \\ \overline{v} &(-2, 5, 11) \end{aligned}$$

The parametric equations of the line

are

$$\begin{cases} x = 5 + (-2)t \\ y = 0 + 5t \\ z = -2 + 11t \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

5. Find the equation of the plane containing the point  $P(2, 0, 3)$  and the line  $d : \begin{cases} x = -1 + t \\ y = t \\ z = -4 + 2t \end{cases}$

$\bar{v}(1, 1, 2)$  - director vector of  $d$ .

$Q(-1, 0, -4) \in d$  (obtained at  $t=0$ ).

$\bar{PQ}(-3, 0, -7)$ .

$$\pi : \begin{vmatrix} x - 2 & y - 0 & z - 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 & -7 \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

Alternatively:  $\bar{m} := \bar{v} \times \bar{PQ} = (-2, 1, 3)$ .

Then,

$$\pi : -7(x - 2) + 1 \cdot (y - 0) + 3 \cdot (z - 3) = 0$$

8. Find the angle determined by the planes  $\pi_1 : x - \sqrt{2}y + z - 1 = 0$  and  $\pi_2 : x + \sqrt{2}y - z + 3 = 0$ .

$$\bar{m}_1(1, -\sqrt{2}, 1) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{m}_2(1, \sqrt{2}, -1)$$

$$\bar{m}_1 \cdot \bar{m}_2 = 1 - 2 - 1 = -2.$$

$$"(|\bar{m}_1| \cdot |\bar{m}_2| \cdot \cos(\bar{m}_1, \bar{m}_2))"$$

$$\chi(\pi_1, \pi_2) = \pi - \chi(\bar{m}_1, \bar{m}_2)$$

$$\chi(\overline{m}_1, \overline{m}_2) = \arccos \left( \frac{\overline{m}_1 \cdot \overline{m}_2}{|\overline{m}_1| \cdot |\overline{m}_2|} \right)$$

$$= \arccos \left( \frac{-2}{2 \cdot 2} \right)$$

$$= \arccos \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\therefore \chi(\tilde{m}_1, \tilde{m}_2) = \tilde{\pi} - \frac{2\pi}{3} = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

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11. Determine the equations of the planes which pass through the points  $P(0, 2, 0)$  and  $Q(-1, 0, 0)$  and which form an angle of  $60^\circ$  with the  $Oz$  axis.

12. Find the equations of the projection of the line  $d : \begin{cases} 2x - y + z - 1 = 0 \\ x + y - z + 1 = 0 \end{cases}$  on the plane  $\pi : x + 2y - z = 0$ .

13. Find the angle determined by the lines  $d_1 : \begin{cases} x + 2y + z - 1 = 0 \\ x - 2y + z + 1 = 0 \end{cases}$  and  $d_2 : \begin{cases} x - y - z - 1 = 0 \\ x - y + 2x + 1 = 0 \end{cases}$

14. Find the angle determined by the planes  $\pi_1 : x + 3y + 2z + 1 = 0$  and  $\pi_2 : 3x + 2y - z - 6 = 0$ .

15. Find the angle determined by the plane  $xOy$  and the line  $M_1M_2$ , where  $M_1(1, 2, 3)$  and  $M_2(-2, 1, 4)$ .

$$\pi_{xOy} : z = 0$$

$$\bar{n}_{xOy}(0, 0, 1)$$

The director vector of the line is :

$$\bar{v}_{M_1M_2} = \overrightarrow{M_1M_2} (-3, -1, 1)$$

$$\cancel{\times (\bar{n}_{xOy}, \bar{v}_{M_1M_2}) < 90^\circ}$$

$$\bar{n}_{xOy} \cdot \bar{v}_{M_1M_2} = 1 > 0$$

$$\rightarrow \cancel{\times (M_1M_2, \pi_{xOy})} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \cancel{\times (\bar{n}_{xOy}, \bar{v}_{M_1M_2})}$$

$$\gamma(\vec{n}_{xoy}, \vec{n}_{M_1 M_2}) = \arccos\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{11}}\right)$$

$$\gamma(M_1 M_2, \vec{n}_{xoy}) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \arccos\left(\frac{\sqrt{11}}{11}\right).$$

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