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Matrix theory - Assignment1

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Abstract—This document illustrates the distance of the point from the point of intersection of the line and the plain.

Download all python codes from

https://github.com/upender20/EE5600/tree/master

1 Problem

Find the distance of the point $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix}$ from the point of intersection of the line x and the plain (1 - 1)x = 5

 $\frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y+1}{4} = \frac{z-2}{2} \tag{1.0.1}$

We know that equation of the line passing through given a point and a plane

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda \mathbf{b} \tag{2.0.1}$$

Also we can find direction vector from the Cartesian form of equation

$$\frac{x - x_1}{a} = \frac{y - y_1}{b} = \frac{z - z_1}{c} \tag{2.0.2}$$

This can be expressed as

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.0.3)

where $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix}$ is a point on given line and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$

is the direction vector.

Distance between the point and point of intersection.

$$D = \sqrt{(x^2 - x^1)^2 + (y^2 - y^1)^2 + (z^2 - z^1)^2}$$
 (2.0.4)

3 SOLUTION

Writing given equation (1.0.1) in vector form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (3.0.1)

So the direction vector of equation given is

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 3\\4\\2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.0.2}$$

and the point on which line passes is

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} -1\\ -5\\ -10 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.0.3}$$

Substituting (3.0.3) and (3.0.2) in (2.0.1) we get

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.0.4}$$

which is the line parallel to line (1.0.1) and passes through point $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Finally the distance between the point $P = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix}$

(2.0.2) and intersection point $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ is

$$= \sqrt{(-1-2)^2 + (-5+1)^2 + (-10-2)^2} = 13$$
(3.0.5)

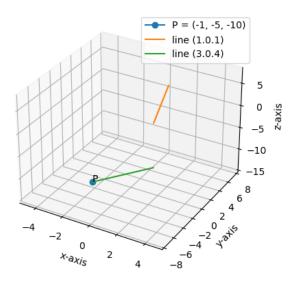


Fig. 0: Equation of line passing through point P and parallel to line (1.0.1)