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ASSIGNMENT 1

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Download all python codes from

https://github.com/vaibhavchhabra25/EE3900-course/blob/main/Assignment-1/codes/figure.py

and latex-tikz codes from

https://github.com/vaibhavchhabra25/EE3900-course/blob/main/Assignment-1/main.tex

1 Problem

(Vectors-2.19) Find the ratio in which the line segment joining the points $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 10 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$ is divided by the YZ plane.

2 Solution

Let
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 10 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$\implies \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.1}$$

Any point **P** on line **AB** is given by (for some λ)

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{A} + \lambda(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 - 2\lambda \\ 8 - 2\lambda \\ 10 + 18\lambda \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.2}$$

If P lies on YZ plane,

$$4 - 2\lambda = 0 \implies \lambda = 2 \tag{2.0.3}$$

Then,
$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 46 \end{pmatrix}$$
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Let the ratio in which **P** divides **AB** be k:1. Then,

$$\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{A} = k(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{P}) \tag{2.0.4}$$

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -4 \\ 36 \end{pmatrix} = k \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ -54 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.5}$$

$$\implies k = -2/3 \tag{2.0.6}$$

So, YZ plane divides line segment **AB** externally in the ratio 2:3.

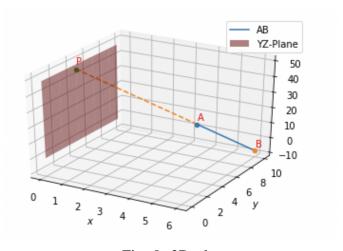


Fig. 0: 3D plot