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1. (7+7+6 pts.) Let two lines L_1 and L_2 be given as follows

$$L_1 : \frac{x+2}{2} = \frac{y-1}{3} = \frac{z+1}{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad L_2 : \frac{x-1}{-1} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z-2}{4}$$

a) Show that L_1 and L_2 are skew lines.

The direction vectors of L_1 and L_2 are $\vec{u}_1 = (2, 3, -1)$ and $\vec{u}_2 = (-1, 2, 4)$, respectively. Since these vectors are not scalar multiples of each other, L_1 and L_2 are not parallel lines.

We must now show that L_1 and L_2 do not intersect. At any point of intersection, the system

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 3(x+2) = 2(y-1) \\ 2(x-1) = -(y+1) \\ -(x+2) = 2(z+1) \\ 4(x-1) = -(z-2) \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{would have a solution in } x, y, z. \text{ The first two equations give } x = \frac{6}{7}, \\ y = \frac{19}{7}. \text{ But then the third equation would give } z = -\frac{11}{7}, \text{ while the} \\ \text{fourth equation would give } z = \frac{66}{7}. \text{ Since the system is inconsistent,} \\ L_1 \text{ and } L_2 \text{ can have no point of intersection.} \end{array}$$

b) Write down the equation of the plane P which contains the line L_2 such that the line L_1 is parallel to the plane P .

Since the plane P contains L_2 and L_1 is parallel to it, the normal vector for the plane can be taken to be $\vec{u}_1 \times \vec{u}_2$. Calculating, we find $\vec{u}_1 \times \vec{u}_2 = 14\mathbf{i} - 7\mathbf{j} + 7\mathbf{k}$. Simplifying, we take the normal vector to be $2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$. Since P contains L_2 , it contains the point $(1, -1, 2)$ in particular. Therefore, the equation of the plane P is

$$2(x-1) - (y+1) + (z-2) = 0,$$

or

$$2x - y + z - 5 = 0$$

c) Find the distance between the line L_1 and the plane P found in part (b).

The distance between the line L_1 and the plane P is equal to the distance from any point of L_1 to P (because L_1 is parallel to P). Taking the point on L_1 to be $(-2, 1, -1)$, the distance from $(-2, 1, -1)$ to P is

$$\frac{|2(-2) - 1 + (-1) - 5|}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 1^2}} = \frac{11}{\sqrt{6}}$$

2. (13+7 pts.) Let $L_1 : (x, y, z) = (-2 + 2t, 3 + 3t, 6t), t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $L_2 : (x, y, z) = (-1 + 2t, 2 + 3t, -2 + 6t), t \in \mathbb{R}$ be two lines in \mathbb{R}^3 .

a) Calculate the distance between L_1 and L_2 .

Direction vectors for the lines L_1 and L_2 are the same, namely $\vec{v} = (2, 3, 6)$. $P_1(-2, 3, 0)$ is a point on L_1 but $P_1 \notin L_2$. Hence $L_1 \parallel L_2$. Moreover $P_2(-1, 2, -2)$ is a point on L_2 . Set $\vec{u} = \vec{P}_1 - \vec{P}_2$. Then $\vec{u} = (-1, 1, 2)$ and

$$\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = (0, 10, -5).$$

Therefore

$$|L_1 L_2| = |P_1 L_2| = \frac{|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}|}{|\vec{v}|} = \frac{\sqrt{100 + 25}}{\sqrt{4 + 9 + 36}} = \frac{\sqrt{125}}{\sqrt{49}} = \frac{5\sqrt{5}}{7}.$$

b) Find an equation of the plane \mathcal{P} which contains both of the lines L_1 and L_2 .

A normal vector for \mathcal{P} is $\vec{N} = \vec{u} \times \vec{v} = (0, 10, -5)$ and a point on \mathcal{P} is $P_1(-2, 3, 0)$ since $P_1 \in L_1 \subseteq \mathcal{P}$. An equation of \mathcal{P} is given by

$$10(y-3) - 5z = 0$$

or equivalently

$$2y - z = 6.$$

3. (10+10 pts.) a) Show that the five points $A(1, 1, 2)$, $B(3, 5, 4)$, $C(0, -3, 5)$, $D(3, 7, 0)$, and $E(4, 9, 1)$ are coplanar (that is, they all lie on a plane).

$$\vec{AB} = (2, 4, 2), \quad \vec{AC} = (-1, -4, 3), \quad \vec{N} = \vec{AB} \times \vec{AC} = (20, -8, -4) \neq \vec{0}$$

Let \mathcal{P} be the (unique) plane such that $A, B, C \in \mathcal{P}$.

$$\mathcal{P} : \vec{N} \cdot \vec{P} = \vec{N} \cdot \vec{A} \quad ; \quad 20x - 8y - 4z = 4$$

$$E = (4, 9, 1) \quad 20 \cdot 4 - 8 \cdot 9 - 4 = 4 \quad E \in \mathcal{P}$$

$$D = (3, 7, 0) \quad 20 \cdot 3 - 8 \cdot 7 - 4 \cdot 0 = 4 \quad D \in \mathcal{P}$$

A, B, C, D, E are coplanar.

3.b) Write down the parametric equations of the line L which is the intersection of the two planes
 $2x - 3y + 5z = 15$ and $x + 4y + 3z = 2$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} P_1: x + 4y + 3z = 2 \\ P_2: 2x - 3y + 5z = 15 \end{array} \right\} \Leftrightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} x + 4y + 3z = 2 \\ -11y - z = 11 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Take } z=0 \\ P_0(6, -1, 0) \in L \end{array}$$

Direction vector of the line can be taken $\vec{u} = \vec{N}_1 \times \vec{N}_2 = (-29, -1, 11)$

$$L: \vec{P} = \vec{P}_0 + t \cdot \vec{u}$$

$$(x, y, z) = (6, -1, 0) + t(-29, -1, 11)$$

$$L: \begin{cases} x = 6 - 29t \\ y = -1 - t \\ z = 11t \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

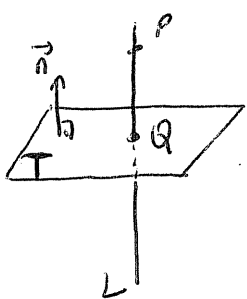
or find P_1 for setting z any value other than zero. Then

$$L: \vec{P} = \vec{P}_0 + t \cdot \vec{P}_0 P_1$$

4. (10+10 pts.) Let $P = (1, 3, 4)$ and T be the plane given by $x - 2y + 5z = 5$.

a) Find the point $Q \in T$ which is closest to P among all points of T .

Let L be the line through P such that $L \perp T$.



$\vec{n} = (1, -2, 5)$ is a normal vector of T . We can take $\vec{u} = \vec{n}$ as a direction vector of L since $L \perp T$.

Q : closest point to P among all points of $T \Rightarrow Q = L \cap T$.

$$L: (x, y, z) = \vec{P} + t \vec{u}, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(x, y, z) = (1, 3, 4) + t(1, -2, 5), t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Then } Q = (x, y, z) \in L \Rightarrow x = 1+t, y = 3-2t, z = 4+5t$$

$$Q \in T \Rightarrow x - 2y + 5z = 5 \Rightarrow (1+t) - 2(3-2t) + 5(4+5t) = 5 \Rightarrow t = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow Q = (x, y, z) = (1+t, 3-2t, 4+5t) = \left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{11}{3}, \frac{7}{3}\right) \quad Q = \left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{11}{3}, \frac{7}{3}\right)$$

b) Write down a vector equation of the line L_1 which passes through P such that L_1 is parallel to the plane

T and L_1 intersects the line L_2 at a point, where L_2 is the line given by $L_2: \frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-6}{5} = \frac{z-1}{3} = t$

Let L_1 and L_2 intersect at $P_2 = (x, y, z)$. $P_2 = L_1 \cap L_2 \Rightarrow P_2 \in L_2$, so $P_2 = (x, y, z) = (1+2t, 6+5t, 1+3t)$ for some $t \in \mathbb{R}$

Then $\vec{v} = \vec{P} P_2 = \vec{P}_2 - \vec{P}$ is a direction vector of L_1 ,

$$\vec{v} = \vec{P}_2 - \vec{P} = (1+2t, 6+5t, 1+3t) - (1, 3, 4) = (2t, 3+5t, -3+3t)$$

$L_1 \parallel T \Rightarrow \vec{v} \perp \vec{n} = (1, -2, 5)$ normal vector of T .

$$\text{Thus } \vec{v} \cdot \vec{n} = 0 \Rightarrow (2t, 3+5t, -3+3t) \cdot (1, -2, 5) = 0 \Rightarrow 2t - 2(3+5t) + 5(-3+3t) = 0 \Rightarrow t = 3$$

$$t = 3 \Rightarrow P_2 = (1+2 \cdot 3, 6+5 \cdot 3, 1+3 \cdot 3) \Rightarrow \vec{P}_2 = (7, 21, 10)$$

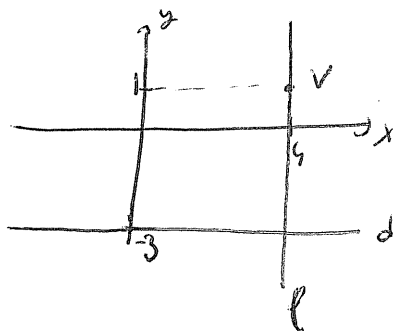
$$\vec{v} = \vec{P} P_2 = \vec{P}_2 - \vec{P} = (7, 21, 10) - (1, 3, 4) = (6, 18, 6)$$

$$\text{vector eq. of } L_1: (x, y, z) = (1, 3, 4) + t(6, 18, 6), t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(x, y, z) = (1+6t, 3+18t, 4+6t), t \in \mathbb{R}$$

5. (4×5 pts.) Let S be the parabola with vertex at $V(4, 1)$ which has the line $d = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y = -3\}$ as its directrix.

a) Find the equation of the axis ℓ of S .



$\ell \perp d, V \in \ell$ $d: y = -3$ (horizontal line)

$d \perp \ell \Rightarrow \ell$ is a vertical line

Thus $\ell: x = 4$

b) Find the point of intersection G of d and ℓ .

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} d: y = -3 \\ \ell: x = 4 \end{array} \right\} \ell \cap d = G = (4, -3)$$

c) Find the focus F of S .

$e = 1$ for a parabola, $\vec{V} = \frac{\vec{F} + e \cdot \vec{G}}{1 + e} = \frac{\vec{F} + \vec{G}}{2} \Rightarrow 2 \cdot \vec{V} = \vec{F} + \vec{G}$
 $\vec{F} = 2\vec{V} - \vec{G}$
 $\vec{F} = 2 \cdot (4, 1) - (4, -3) = (4, 5)$

$$\vec{F} = (4, 5)$$

d) Find an equation, in coordinate form, of S .

$$P = (x, y), P \in S \Leftrightarrow \frac{|PF|}{|Pd|} = e = 1 \Leftrightarrow |PF| = |Pd|$$

$$d: y + 3 = 0$$

$$|Pd| = \frac{|y + 3|}{\sqrt{0^2 + 1^2}} = |y + 3|$$

$$|PF| = \sqrt{(x - 4)^2 + (y - 5)^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{(x - 4)^2 + (y - 5)^2} = |y + 3|$$

$$(x - 4)^2 + (y - 5)^2 = (|y + 3|)^2 = (y + 3)^2$$

$$x^2 - 8x + 16 + y^2 - 10y + 25 = y^2 + 6y + 9$$

$$\boxed{x^2 - 8x - 16y + 32 = 0}$$

Equation of S .