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Chapter 28
Ex 28.5

We know that, shortest distance between lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|\left(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1\right) \cdot \left(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2\right)|}{\left|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2\right|} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Given equations of lines are,

$$\vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\vec{r} = (-\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(7\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = (3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}), \vec{b}_1 = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{a}_2 = (-\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}), \vec{b}_2 = (7\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 &= (-\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) - (3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) \\ &= -\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k} - 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 7\hat{k} \\ &= -4\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k} = -2(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \\ 7 & -6 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(-2 + 42) - \hat{j}(1 - 49) + \hat{k}(-6 + 14) \\ &= 40\hat{i} + 48\hat{j} + 8\hat{k} \\ &= 8(5\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= \{-2(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})\} \cdot \{8(5\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + \hat{k})\} \\ &= -16[(2)(5) + (3)(6) + (4)(1)] \\ &= -16[10 + 18 + 4] \\ &= -16 \times 32 \end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = -512$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= 8\sqrt{(5)^2 + (6)^2 + (1)^2} \\ &= 8\sqrt{25 + 36 + 1} \\ &= 8\sqrt{62} \end{aligned}$$

Substituting values of $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)$ and $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|$ in equation (i) to get required shortest distance between given lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|-512|}{8\sqrt{62}}$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{512}{\sqrt{3968}}$$

We know that, shortest distance between lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right| \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Given equations of lines are,

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) + \mu(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$$

Now, $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$

$$= 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} - \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(15 - 16) - \hat{j}(10 - 12) + \hat{k}(8 - 9)$$

$$(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

$$= (1)(-1) + (2)(2) + (2)(-1)$$

$$= -1 + 4 - 2$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = 1$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (2)^2 + (-1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 + 4 + 1}$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{6}$$

Substituting values of $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)$ and $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|$ in equation (i) to get the shortest distance between given lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \right|$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \text{ units}$$

$$\vec{r} = (1-t)\hat{i} + (t-2)\hat{j} + (3-t)\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r} = (s+1)\hat{i} + (2s-1)\hat{j} - (2s+1)\hat{k}$$

Above equations can be rewritten as

$$\vec{r} = (i - 2j + 3k) + t(-i + j - k)$$

$$\vec{r} = (i - j - k) + s(i + 2j - 2k)$$

Shortest distance is given by $\left| \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right|$

$$(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = -3j - 3k$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = j - 4k$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = 9$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = 3\sqrt{2}$$

Shortest distance is $\frac{9}{3\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q1(v)

We know that, the shortest distance between lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$ is given by

$$\hat{r} = \left| \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right| \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Given equations of lines are,

$$\vec{r} = (\lambda - 1)\hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j} - (1 + \lambda)\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \text{ and}$$

$$\vec{r} = (1 - \mu)\hat{i} + (2\mu - 1)\hat{j} + (\mu + 2)\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \mu(-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

So, $\vec{a}_1 = (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$, $\vec{b}_1 = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$ and

$$\vec{a}_2 = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}), \vec{b}_2 = (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) - (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

$$= \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k} + \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \hat{i}(1+2) - \hat{j}(1-1) + \hat{k}(2+1) \\
 (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k} \\
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) \\
 &= (2)(3) + (-2)(0) + (3)(3) \\
 &= 6 + 0 + 9 \\
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= 15
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{(3)^2 + (3)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{18} \\
 |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= 3\sqrt{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting values of $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)$ and $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|$ in equation (i) to get the shortest distance between the given lines, so

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{S.D.} &= \left| \frac{15}{3\sqrt{2}} \right| \\
 \text{S.D.} &= \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ units}
 \end{aligned}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q1(vi)

We know that, the shortest distance between lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right| \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Given equations of lines are,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{r} &= (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \text{ and} \\
 \vec{r} &= (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 &= (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}), \vec{b}_1 = (2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \text{ and} \\
 \vec{a}_2 &= (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}), \vec{b}_2 = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) - (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \\
 &= \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k} - 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k} \\
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= -\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & -5 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \hat{i}(-5+2) - \hat{j}(2-2) + \hat{k}(-2+5) \\
 &= -3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= (-\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (-3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) \\
 &= (-1)(-3) + (3)(0) + (2)(3) \\
 &= 3 + 0 + 6
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = 9$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (3)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{9 + 9}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = 3\sqrt{2}$$

Substituting the values of $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)$ and $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|$ in equation (i) to get the shortest distance between given lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{9}{3\sqrt{2}} \right|$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q1(vii)

Given,

$$\vec{r} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \lambda(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \quad \text{----- (i)}$$

and

$$\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k} + \mu(3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \quad \text{----- (ii)}$$

Comparing (i) and (ii) with $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu \vec{b}_2$ respectively, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{a}_1 &= \hat{i} + \hat{j}, & \vec{b}_1 &= 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k} \\
 \vec{a}_2 &= 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}, & \vec{b}_2 &= 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} - \hat{k}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \times (3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & -5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 7\hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{9 + 1 + 49} = \sqrt{59}$$

Hence, the shortest distance between the lines l_1 and l_2 is given by

$$d = \left| \frac{(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right| = \frac{|3 - 0 + 7|}{\sqrt{59}} = \frac{10}{\sqrt{59}}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q1(viii)

The equation of lines are

$$\vec{r} = (8+3\lambda)\hat{i} - (9+16\lambda)\hat{j} + (10+7\lambda)\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{r} = 15\hat{i} + 29\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} + \mu(3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$$

The lines pass through $\vec{a}_1 = 8\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}$ and $\vec{a}_2 = 15\hat{i} + 29\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$

and parallel to vectors, $\vec{b}_1 = 3\lambda\hat{i} - 16\lambda\hat{j} + 7\lambda\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b}_2 = 3\mu\hat{i} + 8\mu\hat{j} - 5\mu\hat{k}$

$$\vec{a}_1 - \vec{a}_2 = -7\hat{i} - 38\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & -16 & 7 \\ 3 & 8 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = 24\hat{i} + 36\hat{j} + 72\hat{k}$$

$$\text{So, } (\vec{a}_1 - \vec{a}_2) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = -168 - 1368 + 360 = -1176$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{576 + 1296 + 5184} = 84$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_1 - \vec{a}_2) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} = \frac{|-1176|}{84} = 14$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q2(i)

Given lines are,

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4} = \lambda \text{ (say)}$$

$$x = 2\lambda + 1, y = 3\lambda + 2, z = 4\lambda + 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (2\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + (3\lambda + 2)\hat{j} + (4\lambda + 3)\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}), \vec{b}_1 = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$$

$$\text{and, } \frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y-3}{4} = \frac{z-5}{5} = \mu \text{ (say)}$$

$$x = 3\mu + 2, y = 4\mu + 3, z = 5\mu + 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (3\mu + 2)\hat{i} + (4\mu + 3)\hat{j} + (5\mu + 5)\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) + \mu(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_2 = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}), \vec{b}_2 = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$$

We know that, the shortest distance between the lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \lambda\vec{b}_2$ is given by,

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \\ &= 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} - \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(15 - 16) - \hat{j}(10 - 12) + \hat{k}(8 - 9)\end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \\ &= (1)(-1) + (1)(2) + (2)(-1) \\ &= -1 + 2 - 2\end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = -1$$

$$\begin{aligned}|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (2)^2 + (-1)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1 + 4 + 1} \\ &= \sqrt{6}\end{aligned}$$

Using the values of $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)$ and $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|$ in equation (i) to get the shortest distance between given lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|-1|}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \text{ units}$$

Given equations of line are,

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{3} = \frac{z}{1} = \lambda \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2\lambda + 1, y = 3\lambda - 1, z = \lambda$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (2\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + (3\lambda - 1)\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} - \hat{j}, \vec{b}_1 = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

and, $\frac{x+1}{3} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \mu, z = 2$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3\mu - 1, y = \mu + 2, z = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (3\mu - 1)\hat{i} + (\mu + 2)\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \mu(3\hat{i} + \hat{j})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_2 = (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}), \vec{b}_2 = (3\hat{i} + \hat{j})$$

We know that, the shortest distance between two lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \lambda\vec{b}_2$ is given by,

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|\left(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1\right) \cdot \left(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2\right)|}{\left|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2\right|} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) - (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \\ &= \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(0 - 1) - \hat{j}(0 - 3) + \hat{k}(2 - 9)\end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = -\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) \\ &= (2)(-1) + (-3)(3) + (-2)(-7) \\ &= -2 - 9 + 14\end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = 3$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (3)^2 + (-7)^2} = \sqrt{59}$$

Substitute the value of $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)$ and $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|$ in equation (i) to get the shortest distance between given lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{3}{\sqrt{59}} \right|$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{59}} \text{ units}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q2(iii)

Given equation of lines are,

$$\frac{x-1}{-1} = \frac{y+2}{1} = \frac{z-3}{-2} = \lambda \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\lambda + 1, y = \lambda - 2, z = -2\lambda + 3$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (-\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + (\lambda - 2)\hat{j} + (-2\lambda + 3)\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}), \vec{b}_1 = (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$$

and, $\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z+1}{-2} = \mu \text{ (say)}$

$$\Rightarrow x = \mu + 1, y = 2\mu - 1, z = -2\mu - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (\mu + 1)\hat{i} + (2\mu - 1)\hat{j} + (-2\mu - 1)\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_2 = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}), \vec{b}_2 = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \\ &= \hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k} - \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} \\ &= \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(-2+4) - \hat{j}(2+2) + \hat{k}(-2-1) \\ (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{(2)^2 + (-4)^2 + (-3)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{29}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= (\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) \\ &= (0)(2) + (1)(-4) + (-4)(-3) \\ &= 0 - 4 + 12\end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = 8$$

We know that, shortest distance between $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \lambda\vec{b}_2$ is given by,

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

So, shortest distance between given lines is

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{8}{\sqrt{29}} \right|$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{8}{\sqrt{29}} \text{ units}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q2(iv)

Given equation of lines are,

$$\frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-5}{-2} = \frac{z-7}{1} = \lambda \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \lambda + 3, y = -2\lambda + 5, z = \lambda + 7$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (\lambda + 3)\hat{i} + (-2\lambda + 5)\hat{j} + (\lambda + 7)\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = (3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}), \vec{b}_1 = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

and, $\frac{x+1}{7} = \frac{y+1}{-6} = \frac{z+1}{1} = \mu \text{ (say)}$

$$\Rightarrow x = 7\mu - 1, y = -6\mu - 1, z = \mu - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (7\mu - 1)\hat{i} + (-6\mu - 1)\hat{j} + (\mu - 1)\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (-\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(7\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + \hat{k})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_2 = (-\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}), \vec{b}_2 = 7\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

We know that, shortest distance between $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \lambda\vec{b}_2$ is given by,

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|\left(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1\right) \cdot \left(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2\right)|}{\left|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2\right|} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (-\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) - (3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) \\
 &= -\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k} - 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 7\hat{k} \\
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= -4\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 7 & -6 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \hat{i}(-2+6) - \hat{j}(1-7) + \hat{k}(-6+14) \\
 \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 &= 4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{(4)^2 + (6)^2 + (8)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{16 + 36 + 64} \\
 &= \sqrt{116} \\
 &= 2\sqrt{29}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= (-4\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}) \cdot (4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}) \\
 &= (-4)(4) + (-6)(6) + (-8)(8) \\
 &= -16 - 36 - 64 \\
 &= -116
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the values of $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)$ and $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|$ in equation (i) to get the shortest distance between the two given lines, so

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{S.D.} &= \left| \frac{-116}{2\sqrt{29}} \right| \\
 &= \frac{58}{\sqrt{29}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q3(i)

Given equations of lines are,

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + \hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = (\hat{i} - \hat{j}), \vec{b}_1 = (2\hat{i} + \hat{k})$$

and, $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) + \mu(\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_2 = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j}), \vec{b}_2 = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

We know that, shortest distance between lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right| \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) - (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \\ &= 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{i} + \hat{j} \\ &= \hat{i} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(0 - 1) - \hat{j}(-2 - 1) + \hat{k}(2 - 0) \\ &= -\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= (\hat{i}) \cdot (-\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \\ &= (1)(-1) + (0)(3) + (0)(2) \\ &= -1 + 0 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = -1$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (3)^2 + (2)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1 + 9 + 4} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{14}$$

So, shortest distance between the given lines using equation (1) is,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{S.D.} &= \left| \frac{-1}{\sqrt{14}} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}} \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{S.D} \neq 0$$

Since, shortest distance between lines is not zero, so lines are not intersecting.

Given equations of lines are,

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} - \hat{j})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}), \vec{b}_1 = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j})$$

and, $\vec{r} = (4\hat{i} - \hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{k})$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_2 = (4\hat{i} - \hat{k}), \vec{b}_2 = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{k})$$

We know that, shortest distance between two lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \lambda\vec{b}_2$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right| \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (4\hat{i} - \hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \\ &= 4\hat{i} - \hat{k} - \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k} \\ &= 3\hat{i} - \hat{j}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(-3 - 0) - \hat{j}(9 - 0) + \hat{k}(0 + 2) \\ &= -3\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-9)^2 + (2)^2} \\ |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{9 + 81 + 4} \\ &= \sqrt{94}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= (3\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \cdot (-3\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \\ &= (3)(-3) + (-1)(-9) + (0)(2) \\ &= -9 + 9 + 0 \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Using $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)$ and $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|$ in equation (i) to get shortest distance between given lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{0}{\sqrt{94}} \right|$$

$$\text{S.D.} = 0$$

Since, shortest distance between the given lines is zero, so lines are intersecting.

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q3(iii)

Given equations of lines are,

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{3} = \frac{z}{1} = \lambda \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2\lambda + 1, y = 3\lambda - 1, z = \lambda$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (2\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + (3\lambda - 1)\hat{j} + (\lambda)\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = (\hat{i} - \hat{j}), \vec{b}_1 = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

and, $\frac{x+1}{5} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \mu \text{ (say)}, z = 2$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5\mu - 1, y = \mu + 2, z = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (5\mu - 1)\hat{i} + (\mu + 2)\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \mu(5\hat{i} + \hat{j})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_2 = (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}), \vec{b}_2 = (5\hat{i} + \hat{j})$$

We know that, the shortest distance between $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \lambda\vec{b}_2$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \\
 &= -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} - \hat{i} + \hat{j} \\
 &= -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \hat{i}(0 - 1) - \hat{j}(0 - 5) + \hat{k}(2 - 15)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = -\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 13\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 13\hat{k}) \\
 &= (-2)(-1) + (3)(5) + (2)(-13) \\
 &= -9
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (5)^2 + (-13)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{1 + 25 + 169} \\
 &= \sqrt{195}
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the value of $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)$, $(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)$ and $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|$ in equation (i) to get shortest distance between given lines, so

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{S.D.} &= \left| \frac{-9}{\sqrt{195}} \right| \\
 &= \frac{9}{\sqrt{195}} \text{ units}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since, shortest distance between given lines is not zero, so lines are not intersecting.

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q3(iv)

Given lines are,

$$\frac{x-5}{4} = \frac{y-7}{-5} = \frac{z+3}{-5} = \lambda \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4\lambda + 5, y = -5\lambda + 7, z = -5\lambda - 3$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (4\lambda + 5)\hat{i} + (-5\lambda + 7)\hat{j} + (-5\lambda - 3)\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(4\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = (5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}), \vec{b}_1 = (4\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$$

and, $\frac{x-8}{7} = \frac{y-7}{1} = \frac{z-5}{3} = \mu \text{ (say)}$

$$\Rightarrow x = 7\mu + 8, y = \mu + 7, z = 3\mu + 5$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (7\mu + 8)\hat{i} + (\mu + 7)\hat{j} + (3\mu + 5)\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (8\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) + \mu(7\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_2 = (8\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}), \vec{b}_2 = (7\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

We know that, shortest distance between lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \lambda\vec{b}_2$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (8\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) - (5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) \\
 &= 8\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} - 5\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \\
 &= 3\hat{i} + 8\hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 4 & -5 & -5 \\ 7 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \hat{i}(-15 + 5) - \hat{j}(12 + 35) + \hat{k}(4 + 35) \\
 &= -10\hat{i} - 47\hat{j} + 39\hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) &= (3\hat{i} + 8\hat{k}) \cdot (-10\hat{i} - 47\hat{j} + 39\hat{k}) \\
 &= (3)(-10) + (0)(-47) + (8)(39) \\
 &= -30 + 312 \\
 &= 282
 \end{aligned}$$

Using equation (i) to get the shortest distance between the given lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{282}{\|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2\|} \right|$$

$$\text{S.D.} \neq 0$$

Since, the shortest distance between given lines is not equal to zero, so

Given lines are not intersecting.

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q4(i)

Given, equation of lines are,

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

$$\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) - \mu(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu'(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

These two lines pass through the points having position vectors $\vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{a}_2 = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ respectively and both are parallel to the vector $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

We know that, shortest distance between parallel lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot \vec{b}|}{|\vec{b}|} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

$$= 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k} - \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -3 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(-3 - 4) - \hat{j}(1 + 4) + \hat{k}(-1 + 3)$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b} = -7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{(-7)^2 + (-5)^2 + (2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{49 + 25 + 4}$$

$$= \sqrt{78}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{\hat{i}^2 + \hat{j}^2 + \hat{k}^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(1)^2 + (-1)^2 + (1)^2}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{3}$$

Using $|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b}|$ and $|\vec{b}|$ in equation (1) to get the shortest distance between parallel lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{\sqrt{78}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \sqrt{\frac{78}{3}}$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \sqrt{26} \text{ units}$$

Given, equation of lines are,

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + \lambda (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu (4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 2\mu (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu' (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

So, $\vec{a}_1 = (\hat{i} + \hat{j}), \vec{a}_2 = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$
 $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

We know that, the shortest distance between the parallel lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \lambda \vec{b}$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b}|}{|\vec{b}|} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \\ &= 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k} - \hat{i} - \hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = \hat{i} - \hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(0-1) - \hat{j}(1+2) + \hat{k}(-1-0) \end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b} = -\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b}| &= \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-3)^2 + (-1)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1+9+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{11}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{b}| &= \sqrt{(2)^2 + (-1)^2 + (1)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{4+1+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{6}$$

Using $|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b}|$ and $|\vec{b}|$ in equation (1) to get the shortest distance between the given lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \sqrt{\frac{11}{6}} \text{ units}$$

Equation of line passing through $(0, 0, 0)$ and $(1, 0, 2)$ is given by $\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda(\vec{b} - \vec{a})$

$$\vec{r} = (0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}) + \lambda((1-0)\hat{i} + (0-0)\hat{j} + (2-0)\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{r} = (0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Equation of another line passing through $(1, 3, 0)$ and $(0, 3, 0)$ is

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}) + \mu((0-1)\hat{i} + (3-3)\hat{j} + (0-0)\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}) + \mu(-\hat{i}) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

From equation (1) and (2)

$$\vec{a}_1 = (0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}), \quad \vec{b}_1 = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{a}_2 = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}), \quad \vec{b}_2 = -\hat{i}$$

We know that, shortest distance between the lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \lambda\vec{b}_2$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}) - (0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k})$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j})$$

$$(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(0-0) - \hat{j}(0+2) + \hat{k}(-2)$$

$$(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = -2\hat{j}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) \cdot (-2\hat{j})$$

$$= (1)(0) + (3)(-2)$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = -6$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{(-2)^2}$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = 2$$

Using $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)$ and $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|$ in equation (3) to get shortest distance between the lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{-6}{2} \right|$$

$$\text{S.D.} = 3 \text{ units}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q6

Given equations of lines are,

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z+4}{6} = \lambda \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2\lambda + 1, y = 3\lambda + 2, z = 6\lambda - 4$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (2\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + (3\lambda + 2)\hat{j} + (6\lambda - 4)\hat{k} \\ \vec{r} &= (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}, \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

Another equation of line is,

$$\frac{x-3}{4} = \frac{y-3}{6} = \frac{z+5}{12} = \mu \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4\mu + 3, y = 6\mu + 3, z = 12\mu - 5$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \\ &= (4\mu + 3)\hat{i} + (6\mu + 3)\hat{j} + (12\mu - 5)\hat{k} \\ &= (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + \mu(4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}) \\ &= (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + 2\mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \\ \vec{r} &= (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + \mu'(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_2 = (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}), \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

We know that, shortest distance between parallel lines $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}$ is given by

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b}|}{|\vec{b}|} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \\ &= 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} - \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(6+3) - \hat{j}(12+2) + \hat{k}(6-2) \\ &= 9\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b}| &= \sqrt{(9)^2 + (-14)^2 + (4)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{81 + 196 + 16} \\ &= \sqrt{293}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}|\vec{b}| &= \sqrt{(2)^2 + (3)^2 + (6)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{4 + 9 + 36} \\ &= \sqrt{49} \\ |\vec{b}| &= 7\end{aligned}$$

Using $|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b}|$ and $|\vec{b}|$ in equation (i) to get the shortest distance between given lines, so

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{\sqrt{293}}{7} \text{ units}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q7(i)

Here,

$$a_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$b_1 = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$a_2 = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$b_2 = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k} - \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - \hat{k} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$b_1 \times b_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(-2-1) - \hat{j}(2-2) + \hat{k}(1+2) = -3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}$$

The shortest distance between the two lines,

$$\begin{aligned}d &= \frac{|(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \\ d &= \frac{|(-3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})|}{| -3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k} |} = \frac{|-3-6|}{\sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-3)^2}} = \frac{9}{3\sqrt{2}}\end{aligned}$$

The shortest distance between the two lines = $\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$ units

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q7(ii)

Here,

$$\vec{a}_1 = -\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 = 3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 = 7\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_2 = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 7 & -6 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(-6+2) - \hat{j}(7-1) + \hat{k}(-14+6)$$

$$= -4\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = \hat{i}(3+1) + \hat{j}(5+1) + \hat{k}(7+1)$$

$$= 4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}$$

The shortest distance between two lines,

$$d = \left| \frac{(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{(-4\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}) \cdot (4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 8\hat{k})}{\sqrt{(-4)^2 + (-6)^2 + (-8)^2}} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{-16 - 36 - 64}{\sqrt{116}} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{-116}{\sqrt{116}} \right|$$

$$= 2\sqrt{29} \text{ units}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q7(iii)

Here,

$$\vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k},$$

$$\vec{b}_1 = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 = 4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 6\hat{k},$$

$$\vec{b}_2 = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = 4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} - \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} = 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2$$

$$= (\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \times (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(-3-6) - \hat{j}(1-4) + \hat{k}(3+6)$$

$$= -9\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Shortest distance between the two lines} = \left| \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{(3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (-9\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 9\hat{k})}{|-9\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}|} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{3 \times (-9) + 3 \times 3 + 3 \times 9}{\sqrt{(-9)^2 + 3^2 + 9^2}} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{-27 + 9 + 27}{\sqrt{(-9)^2 + 3^2 + 9^2}} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{9}{\sqrt{171}} \right| = \frac{3}{\sqrt{19}} \text{ units}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q7(iv)

Here,

$$\vec{a}_1 = 6\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 = -4\hat{i} - \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_2 = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = -4\hat{i} - \hat{k} - 6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$= -10\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(4 + 4) - \hat{j}(-2 - 6) + \hat{k}(-2 + 6)$$

$$= 8\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Shortest Distance} = \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|}$$

$$= \frac{(-10\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) \cdot (8\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})}{|8\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}|}$$

$$= \frac{(-10) \times 8 + (-2) \times 8 + (-3) \times 4}{\sqrt{8^2 + (-8)^2 + (-4)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{-80 - 16 - 12}{\sqrt{64 + 64 + 16}} = \frac{-108}{\sqrt{144}} = 9 \text{ units}$$

Straight Line in Space Ex 28.5 Q8

$$\vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 = 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} - \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$= 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(6 + 3) - \hat{j}(12 + 2) + \hat{k}(6 - 2)$$

$$= 9\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

Shortest distance between 2 lines

$$= \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \times \vec{b}|}{|\vec{b}|}$$

$$= \frac{|9\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}|}{\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2}}$$

$$= \frac{|9\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}|}{\sqrt{49}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{9^2 + (-14)^2 + 4^2}}{\sqrt{49}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{293}}{\sqrt{49}} = \frac{\sqrt{293}}{7} \text{ units}$$