

Exercise 71

1 a $\mathbf{a} = 6\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{b} = 2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$

An equation of the line is:

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

b $\mathbf{a} = 2\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j}$, $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$

An equation of the line is:

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

c $\mathbf{a} = -7\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{b} = 3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$

An equation of the line is:

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

d $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

An equation of the line is:

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

e $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -11 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$

An equation of the line is:

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -11 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2 a i $\mathbf{p} = 3\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{q} = 5\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{PQ} &= \overrightarrow{OQ} - \overrightarrow{OP} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

ii An equation of the line is:

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

b i $\mathbf{p} = 2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{q} = 4\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{PQ} &= \overrightarrow{OQ} - \overrightarrow{OP} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

ii An equation of the line is:

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

c i $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{q} = -2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{PQ} &= \overrightarrow{OQ} - \overrightarrow{OP} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

2 c ii An equation of the line is:

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

d i $\mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{q} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{PQ} &= \overline{OQ} - \overline{OP} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 4 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

ii An equation of the line is:

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

e i $\mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{q} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{PQ} &= \overline{OQ} - \overline{OP} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

ii An equation of the line is:

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

3 $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

4 a $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}$

Since $(1, p, q)$ lies on the line:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ p \\ q \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2 + \lambda = 1 \Rightarrow \lambda = -1$$

$$-3 - 4\lambda = p \Rightarrow p = -3 - 4(-1) \Rightarrow p = 1$$

$$1 - 9\lambda = q \Rightarrow q = 1 - 9(-1) \Rightarrow q = 10$$

b $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$

Since $(1, p, q)$ lies on the line:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ p \\ q \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-4 + 2\lambda = 1 \Rightarrow 2\lambda = 5 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$6 - 5\lambda = p \Rightarrow p = 6 - 5\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) \Rightarrow p = -\frac{13}{2}$$

$$-1 - 8\lambda = q \Rightarrow q = -1 - 8\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) \Rightarrow q = -21$$

c $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ -9 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Since $(1, p, q)$ lies on the line:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ -9 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ p \\ q \end{pmatrix}$$

$$16 + 3\lambda = 1 \Rightarrow 3\lambda = -15 \Rightarrow \lambda = -5$$

$$-9 + 2\lambda = p \Rightarrow p = -9 + 2(-5) \Rightarrow p = -19$$

$$-10 + \lambda = q \Rightarrow q = -10 + (-5) \Rightarrow q = -15$$

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

The direction of l_1 is $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

B is the point $(3, 7, -5)$

$$\overline{AB} = \overline{OB} - \overline{OA}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

The direction of l_2 is $\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = -1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Therefore l_1 and l_2 are parallel.

$$6 \quad A(-3, -4, 5), B(3, -1, 2), C(9, 2, -1)$$

$$\overline{AB} = \overline{OB} - \overline{OA}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\overline{BC} = \overline{OC} - \overline{OB}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since the vectors \overline{AB} and \overline{BC} are in the same direction and they have a point in common they are collinear.

$$7 \quad \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -8 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore not collinear.

$$8 \quad P(2, 0, 4), Q(a, 5, 1), R(3, 10, b)$$

$$\overline{PQ} = \overline{OQ} - \overline{OP}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a-2 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\overline{PR} = \overline{OR} - \overline{OP}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 10 \\ b \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 10 \\ b-4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since the points are collinear:

$$k \begin{pmatrix} a-2 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 10 \\ b-4 \end{pmatrix} \text{ therefore } k = 2$$

$$2(a-2) = 1$$

$$2a - 4 = 1$$

$$a = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$2(-3) = b - 4$$

$$-6 = b - 4$$

$$b = -2$$

$$9 \quad \mathbf{r} = (8\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}) + \lambda(3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k})$$

A lies on l_1 where $\lambda = -2$

Therefore A is the point:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -7 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{r} = (10\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 9\mathbf{k}) + \lambda(2\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k})$$

l_2 passes through A , therefore:

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -7 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

10 a The line L is

$$\mathbf{r} = (10\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j} - 12\mathbf{k}) + \lambda(\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + b\mathbf{k})$$

The point A is $(4, a, 0)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$10 + \lambda = 4$$

$$\lambda = -6$$

$$8 - \lambda = a$$

$$8 - (-6) = a$$

$$a = 14$$

$$-12 + \lambda b = 0$$

$$-12 - 6b = 0$$

$$b = -2$$

b X lies on L where $\lambda = -1$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} - 1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 9 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix}$$

X has coordinates $(9, 9, -10)$

11 The line l has equation

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

A is the point where $\lambda = 5$, therefore:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} + 5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

A has coordinates $(8, 5, -1)$

B is the point where $\lambda = 2$, therefore:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

B has coordinates $(5, -1, 5)$

The length of AB is:

$$\begin{aligned} |AB| &= \sqrt{(8-5)^2 + (5-(-1))^2 + (-1-5)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{3^2 + 6^2 + (-6)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{81} \\ &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

12 The line l has equation

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

C is the point where $\lambda = 4$, therefore:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + 4 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

C has coordinates $(9, 2, -1)$

A is the point where $\lambda = 3$, therefore:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

A has coordinates $(7, 1, 0)$

The circle has centre C and since B lies on the diameter of the circle, B has coordinates $(11, 3, -2)$

13 a The line l_1 has equation

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

A is the point where $\lambda = 2$, therefore:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

A has position vector $\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$

B is the point where $\lambda = 5$, therefore:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + 5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

B has position vector $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$

b P has position vector $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

Therefore l_2 has equation:

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

13 c $\overline{AB} = \overline{OB} - \overline{OA}$

$$\overline{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\overline{AC} = \overline{OC} - \overline{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda \\ 2 - \lambda \\ 3 + \lambda \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda + 2 \\ -2 - \lambda \\ -4 + \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

\overline{AD} is of the same form.

Since $AB = AC = AD$,

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda + 2 \\ -2 - \lambda \\ -4 + \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\lambda^2 = 1, \text{ so } \lambda = \pm 1$$

C has position vector:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

D has position vector:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The midpoint of CD is given by:

$$\left(\frac{1-1}{2}, \frac{1+3}{2}, \frac{4+2}{2} \right) = (0, 2, 3)$$

Therefore P is the midpoint of CD .

- 14 a** Let P be the point $(2, 3, 8)$ and
 Q be the point $(22, 18, 8)$
 Let A be the point (a, b, c)
 Let the R be the point $(14, 1, 0)$ and
 S be the point $(6, 17, 0)$

$$|RA| = |AS| = 12$$

$$|RA|$$

$$= \sqrt{(14-a)^2 + (1-b)^2 + (0-c)^2} = 12$$

$$196 - 28a + a^2 + 1 - 2b + b^2 + c^2 = 144$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 28a + 2b - 53$$

$$|AS|$$

$$= \sqrt{(a-6)^2 + (b-17)^2 + (c-0)^2} = 12$$

$$a^2 - 12a + 36 + b^2 - 34b + 289 + c^2 = 144$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 12a + 34b - 181$$

So:

$$28a + 2b - 53 = 12a + 34b - 181$$

$$16a - 32b = -128 \Rightarrow a - 2b = -8$$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \begin{pmatrix} 22 \\ 18 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 15 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\overrightarrow{PA} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a-2 \\ b-3 \\ c-8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = k\overrightarrow{PA}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 15 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = k \begin{pmatrix} a-2 \\ b-3 \\ c-8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 15 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = k \begin{pmatrix} a-2 \\ b-3 \\ c-8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Substituting $a = 2b - 8$ gives:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 15 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = k \begin{pmatrix} 2b-10 \\ b-3 \\ c-8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$k(2b-10) = 20 \Rightarrow k = \frac{20}{2b-10}$$

$$k(b-3) = 15 \Rightarrow k = \frac{15}{b-3}$$

Equating for k gives:

$$\frac{20}{2b-10} = \frac{15}{b-3}$$

$$20b - 60 = 30b - 150$$

$$10b = 90$$

$$b = 9$$

Substituting $b = 9$ into $a = 2b - 8$

gives:

$$a = 2(9) - 8$$

$$= 10$$

$$k(c-8) = 0$$

Therefore $c = 8$

So the coordinates of A are $(10, 9, 8)$

- b** The tightrope will bow in the middle due to the acrobat's weight.