

## 7.2. Exercises on lines in space

### Exercise 1: Change of support and direction vectors

1. Check whether P or Q are on g.
2. Use the point found in 1. to find both a new support vector and a new direction vector for g.
3. Assuming that g describes the motion of a particle, compare the speeds with the old and the new direction vector.

$$\text{a) } P(-1|1|1), Q(-1|4|3) \text{ and } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{b) } P(2|0|-1), Q(-1|2|0) \text{ and } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Exercise 2: Intersects with the coordinate planes

Find the intersects with the three coordinate planes  $E_{12}: x_3 = 0$ ;  $E_{13}: x_2 = 0$  and  $E_{23}: x_1 = 0$ . Use the intersects to draw a sketch of the line in a three dimensional coordinate system.

$$\text{a) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{b) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{c) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{d) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Exercise 3: Line with given direction through a given point

Find the line through the point P in the direction of  $\vec{b}$ . Determine the speed of the particle.

$$\text{a) } P(1|0|1) \text{ and } \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{b) } P(-5|6|7) \text{ and } \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 5 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{c) } P(2|1|0) \text{ and } \vec{b} = -\vec{i} - \vec{j} + 2\vec{k} \qquad \text{d) } P(1|0|0) \text{ and } \vec{b} = \vec{k}$$

### Exercise 4: Line with given direction through a given point

- a) Find the vector equation of the line h through the point A(2|1|4) parallel to  $\vec{b} = 2\vec{i} - 3\vec{j} + 6\vec{k}$ .
- b) Calculate the magnitude of the direction vector.
- c) Find the coordinates of the point P on h with  $AP = 42$ .

### Exercise 5: Line through a two given points

Find the vector equation of the line h through the points P and Q:

$$\text{a) } P(-1|1|1) \text{ and } Q(1|4|3) \qquad \text{b) } P(1|0|0) \text{ and } Q(0|1|0) \qquad \text{c) } P(-1|5|0) \text{ and } Q(2|0|-1)$$

### Exercise 6: Line through a two given points

- a) Find the vector equation of the line h through the points P(7|1|2) and Q(3|-1|5).
- b) Find the coordinates of the point R on h with  $PR = 3 \cdot PQ$ .

### Exercise 7: Relations between lines

1. Find the intersects with the three coordinate planes  $E_{12}: x_3 = 0$ ;  $E_{13}: x_2 = 0$  and  $E_{23}: x_1 = 0$ .
2. Determine if the two lines g and h intersect and if they do, find the intersection point.
3. Find the angle between the two lines and decide whether they are parallel, perpendicular, skew or none of the above.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{a) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } h: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{b) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } h: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{c) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } h: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & \text{d) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } h: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{e) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } h: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{f) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } h: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{g) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } h: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & \text{h) } g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } h: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

**Exercise 8: Relations between lines**

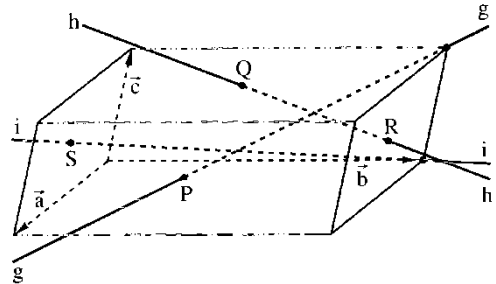
Find all intersection points of the three lines, g, h and l:

a)  $g: \vec{x} = \vec{i} + t(\vec{j} - \vec{i})$ ,  $h: \vec{x} = \vec{i} + \vec{j} + t(\vec{i} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{j})$  and  $l: \vec{x} = \frac{1}{2}\vec{i} + \vec{j} + t(\vec{i} - \vec{j})$ .

b)  $g: \vec{x} = \vec{i} + \vec{j} + t(\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k})$ ,  $h: \vec{x} = \vec{j} + t(\vec{i} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{j} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{k})$  and  $l: \vec{x} = \vec{i} - \vec{k} + t(\vec{j} + \vec{k})$ .

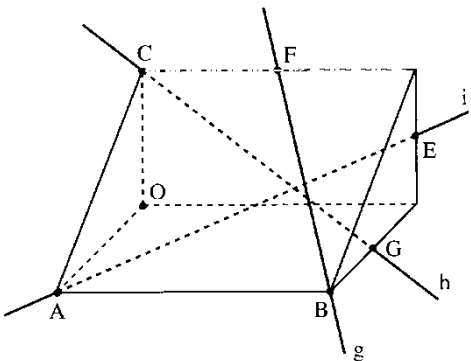
**Exercise 9: Relations between lines in a parallelepiped**

The points P, Q, R and S are centroids of the side surfaces in the parallelepiped on the right. Determine the relation of the lines g, h and i and find all intersection points.



**Exercise 10: Relations between lines in a prism**

The points E, F and G are centres of the edges in the parallelepiped on the right. Determine the relation of the lines g, h and i and find all intersection points.



**Exercise 11: Motion on a straight line**

In this question the unit vectors  $\vec{i}$  and  $\vec{j}$  point due East and North, respectively.

A port is located at the origin. One ship starts from the port and moves with velocity  $\vec{v}_1 = (3\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}) \text{ km}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}$ .

- a) Write down the position vector at time t hours.
- b) At the same time, a second ship starts 18 km north of the port and moves with velocity  $\vec{v}_2 = (3\vec{i} - 5\vec{j}) \text{ km}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}$ . Write down the position vector of the second ship at time t hours.
- c) Show that after half an hour the distance between the two ships is 13,5 km.
- d) Show that the ships meet and find the time when this happens.
- e) How long after the meeting are the ships 18 km apart?

**Exercise 12: Motion on a straight line**

At time  $t = 0$ , two aircraft have position vectors  $5\vec{j}$  and  $7\vec{k}$ . The first moves with velocity  $3\vec{i} - 4\vec{j} + \vec{k}$  and the second with velocity  $5\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - \vec{k}$ .

- a) Write down the position vector of the first aircraft at time t.
- b) Show that at time t the distance, d, between the two aircraft is given by  $d^2 = 44t^2 - 88t + 74$ .
- c) Show that the two aircraft will not collide.
- d) Find the minimum distance between the two aircraft.

**Exercise 13: Cartesian equation of a line**

- a) Write down the Cartesian equation of the lines g and h in Exercise 7 a) and b).
- b) Write down the vector equation of the lines  $g: \frac{x_1 - 3}{2} = \frac{x_2 + 1}{-4} = \frac{x_3}{5}$  and  $h: \frac{x_1 + 1}{5} = \frac{3 - x_3}{2}, x_2 = 1$ .

**Exercise 14: Cartesian equation of a line**

- 1. Determine whether the following pairs of lines are parallel, perpendicular, the same line or none of the above.
- 2. Find the intersection points of each pair.

a)  $\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\vec{r} = 4\vec{i} - \vec{k} + \mu(-2\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 3\vec{k})$

b)  $\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\frac{2x_1 - 1}{4} = \frac{x_2 - 2}{-3} = \frac{6 - x_3}{2}$

c)  $\frac{x_1 - 5}{7} = \frac{x_2 + 1}{-1} = 4 - x_3$  and  $x_1 = -3\lambda + 1, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 6 - \lambda$

d)  $x_1 = 2t + 1, x_2 = 1 - 4t, x_3 = 3$  and  $\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -13 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

e)  $\frac{x_1 - 2}{3} = \frac{x_2 + 1}{4} = x_3 + 1$  and  $5 - x_1 = \frac{x_2 + 2}{-3} = \frac{x_3 - 7}{2}$

e)  $\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\frac{x_1 - 2}{3} = \frac{x_2 + 1}{4} = x_3 + 1$

## 7.2. Solutions to the exercises on lines in space

### Exercise 1: Change of support and direction vectors

a)  $P \notin g$  because the equation  $\overrightarrow{PQ} = \vec{x} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  has no solution

$Q \in g$  because the equation  $\overrightarrow{OQ} = \vec{x}$  has the solution  $r = 2$  (Q is reached after  $r = 2$  time units).

With new supporting vector  $\overrightarrow{OQ} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and new direction vector  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  we have  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

with double speed  $\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 2^2} = 2\sqrt{6}$

b)  $P \in g$  because the equation  $\overrightarrow{OP} = \vec{x}$  has solution  $r = 1$ . (Q is reached after  $r = 1$  time units).

$Q \notin g$  because the equation  $\overrightarrow{OQ} = \vec{x} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  has no solution

With new supporting vector  $\overrightarrow{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and e.g. reversed direction vector  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  we have  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  with

same speed  $\sqrt{3}$ . Because Q is reached after 1 time unit, the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  from starting point to Q is again

the original velocity.

### Exercise 2: Intersects with the coordinate planes

a)  $S_{12}(2|-1|0)$  for  $r = -1$ ,  $S_{13}(\frac{3}{2}|0|\frac{1}{2})$  for  $r = -\frac{1}{2}$  and  $S_{23}(0|3|2)$  for  $r = 1$

b)  $S_{12}(0|1|0)$  for  $r = 1$ ,  $S_{13}(-\frac{1}{2}|0|\frac{1}{2})$  for  $r = \frac{3}{2}$  and  $S_{23}(0|1|0)$  for  $r = 1$

c)  $S_{12}(-\frac{1}{2}|-\frac{7}{2}|0)$  for  $r = -\frac{3}{2}$ ,  $S_{13}(3|0|7)$  for  $r = 2$  and  $S_{23}(0|-3|1)$  for  $r = -1$

d)  $S_{12}$  does not exist,  $S_{13}(-5|0|5)$  for  $r = -3$  and  $S_{23}(0|5|5)$  for  $r = 2$

### Exercise 3: Line with given direction through a given point

a)  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$     b)  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 5 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$     c)  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$     d)  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

### Exercise 4: Line with given direction through a given point

a)  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$     b) speed is 7    c) Since  $42 = 6 \cdot 7$  we need 6 time units to reach P  $\Rightarrow \overrightarrow{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + 6 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ -17 \\ 40 \end{pmatrix}$ .

### Exercise 5: Line through two given points

a)  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$     b)  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$     c)  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

### Exercise 6: Line through two given points

a)  $h: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + r \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$     b)  $\overrightarrow{OR} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -5 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Exercise 7: Relation between lines**

- a)  $g$  with  $S_{23}(0|2|1)$ ,  $S_{13}(1|0|1)$  and  $h$  with  $S_{23}(0|-2|1)$ ,  $S_{13}(2|0|-1)$ ,  $S_{12}(1|-1|0)$  are skew with  $\alpha = \arccos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{15}}\right) \approx 75,04^\circ$
- b)  $g$  with  $S_{23}(0|3|3)$ ,  $S_{13}(3|0|3)$  and  $h$  with  $S_{23}(0|6|9)$ ,  $S_{13}(2|0|1)$ ,  $S_{12}\left(\frac{9}{4} | -\frac{3}{4} | 0\right)$  intersect in  $S\left(\frac{3}{2} | \frac{3}{2} | 3\right)$  with  $r = s = 0,5$   
and  $\alpha = \arccos\left(\frac{-4}{\sqrt{52}}\right) \approx 56,31^\circ$
- c)  $g$  with  $S_{23}(0|-2|1)$ ,  $S_{13}(1|0|1)$  and  $h$  with  $S_{23}(0|-5|1)$ ,  $S_{13}\left(\frac{5}{2} | 0 | 1\right)$  are parallel.
- d)  $g$  with  $S_{23}(0|1|9)$ ,  $S_{13}(-1|0|11)$ ,  $S_{12}\left(-\frac{9}{2} | \frac{11}{2} | 0\right)$  and  $h$  with  $S_{23}(0|1|9)$ ,  $S_{13}\left(\frac{1}{2} | 0 | 11\right)$ ,  $S_{12}\left(-\frac{9}{4} | \frac{11}{2} | 0\right)$  intersect in  $S(0|1|9)$   
with  $r = 2$  resp  $s = 0$  and  $\alpha = \arccos\left(\frac{-11}{\sqrt{126}}\right) \approx 11,49^\circ$
- e)  $g$  with  $S_{23}(0|0|3) = S_{13}$ ,  $S_{12}(-2|1|0)$  and  $h$  with  $S_{23}(0|0|1) = S_{13}$ ,  $S_{12}(2|1|0)$  are perpendicular and skew with  $\alpha = \cos^{-1}(0) = 90^\circ$
- f)  $g$  with  $S_{23}(0|3|4)$ ,  $S_{13}\left(\frac{3}{2} | 0 | 1\right)$ ,  $S_{12}(2|1|0)$  and  $h$  with  $S_{23}(0|4|6)$ ,  $S_{13}(2|0|2)$ ,  $S_{12}(3|-2|0)$  are parallel.
- g)  $g$  with  $S_{23}\left(0 | \frac{3}{2} | \frac{1}{2}\right)$ ,  $S_{13}(-1|0|0) = S_{12}$  and  $h$  with  $S_{23}\left(0 | -\frac{7}{2} | -1\right)$ ,  $S_{13}(-9|0|-1)$  and no  $S_{12}$  intersect in  $S(-3|-3|-1)$  with  $r = -3$   
and  $s = -1$  and  $\alpha = \arccos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}\right) \approx 67,79^\circ$
- h)  $g$  with  $S_{23}(0|3|5)$ ,  $S_{13}(4|0|-3)$ ,  $S_{12}\left(\frac{5}{2} | \frac{3}{2} | 0\right)$  and  $h$  with  $S_{23}(0|4|1)$ ,  $S_{13}(4|0|17)$ ,  $S_{12}\left(-\frac{13}{2} | \frac{17}{2} | 0\right)$  are identical. (set  $r = 2$ )

**Exercise 8: Relations between lines**

- a)  $g \cap h = \{S_{gh}\}$  with position vector  $\overline{OS_{gh}} = -\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$ ,  $g \parallel i$  and  $h \cap i = \{S_{gh}\}$  with position vector  $\overline{OS_{hi}} = \frac{3}{2} \vec{j}$
- b)  $g \cap h = \{S_{gh}\}$  with  $\overline{OS_{gh}} = \frac{2}{3} \vec{i} + \frac{2}{3} \vec{j} - \frac{1}{3} \vec{k}$ ,  $g \cap i = \{S_{gi}\}$  with  $\overline{OS_{gi}} = \vec{i} + \vec{j}$ ,  $h \cap i = \{S_{hi}\}$  with  $\overline{OS_{hi}} = \vec{i} + \frac{1}{2} \vec{j} - \frac{1}{2} \vec{k}$

**Exercise 9: relations between lines in parallelepiped**

$g: \vec{x} = \vec{j} + \vec{k} + r(2\vec{i} - \vec{j} - \vec{k})$ ,  $h: \vec{x} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{i} + \frac{1}{2} \vec{j} + \vec{k} + s(\vec{j} - \vec{k})$  and  $i: \vec{x} = \vec{j} + t(\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + \vec{k})$

$g \cap h = \{S_{gh}\}$  with  $\overline{OS_{gh}} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{i} + \frac{3}{4} \vec{j} + \frac{3}{4} \vec{k}$ ,  $i$  and  $g$  are skew and so are  $i$  and  $h$ .

**Exercise 10: relations between lines in prism**

$g: \vec{x} = \vec{i} + r(4\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} - \vec{k})$ ,  $h: \vec{x} = \vec{j} + s(\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 2\vec{k})$  and  $i: \vec{x} = \vec{k} + t(\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + 2\vec{k})$

$g \cap i = \{S_{gi}\}$  with  $\overline{OS_{gi}} = -\frac{1}{3} \vec{i} + \frac{2}{3} \vec{j} + \frac{1}{3} \vec{k}$ ,  $h$  and  $g$  are skew and so are  $h$  and  $i$ .

**Exercise 11: Motion on a straight line**

a) first ship  $s_1: \vec{x} = t(3\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}) = t \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

b) second ship:  $s_2: \vec{x} = 18\vec{j} + t(3\vec{i} - 5\vec{j}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$

c) At time  $t = \frac{1}{2}$  the first ship is in  $\begin{pmatrix} 1,5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and the second ship in  $\begin{pmatrix} 1,5 \\ 15,5 \end{pmatrix}$  with distance  $d = \sqrt{(1,5-1,5)^2 + (15,5-2)^2} = 13,5$ .

d)  $s_1 \cap s_2 = \{S_{12}\}$  with  $\overline{OS_{12}} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$  at  $t = 2$

e)  $d = 18 = \sqrt{(3t-3t)^2 + (18-5t-4t)^2} = 9t \Rightarrow t = 2$ .

**Exercise 12: Motion on a straight line**

a) first aircraft:  $a_1: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and second aircraft:  $a_2: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} + t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

b) distance  $d(t) = \sqrt{(2t)^2 + (6t-5)^2 + (7-2t)^2} = \sqrt{4t^2 + (36t^2 - 60t + 25) + (49 - 28t + 4t^2)} = \sqrt{44t^2 - 88t + 74}$ .

c) The equation  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} + t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} = t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} t=0 \\ t=5/6 \\ t=7/2 \end{cases}$  has no solution.

d)  $d'(t) = \frac{88t-88}{2\sqrt{44t^2-88t+74}} = 0$  at  $t=1$  with sign change from  $-$  to  $+$   $\Rightarrow$  rel Minimum at  $t=1$  with  $d(1) = \sqrt{30}$  is also an absolute Minimum since  $d(0) = \sqrt{74}$  and  $d \rightarrow \infty$  for  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Exercise 13: Cartesian equation of a line**

a) 7a)  $g: r = 1 - x_1 = \frac{x_2}{2}; x_3 = 1$  and  $h: s = x_1 - 1 = x_2 + 1 = -x_3$

7b):  $g: r = x_1 - 1 = 2 - x_2; x_3 = 3$  and  $h: s = 2 - x_1 = \frac{x_2}{3} = \frac{x_3 - 1}{4}$

b)  $g: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $h: \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$

**Exercise 14: Cartesian equation of a line**

a) Intersection point  $S(0|2|5)$  at  $\lambda = 1$  and  $\mu = 2$

b) skew and perpendicular

c) Intersection point  $S(-2|0|5)$  at  $\mu = -1$  and  $\lambda = 1$

d) parallel

d) Intersection point  $S(8|7|1)$  at  $\mu = -2$  and  $\lambda = -3$

e) Intersection point  $S(8|7|1)$  at  $\mu = 1$  and  $\lambda = -2$