

# CHAPTER 11

# THREE-DIMENSIONAL GEOMETRY

## Chapter Objectives

This chapter will help you understand :

- **Three-dimensional geometry** : Introduction to coordinate system; Direction cosines and Directional ratios of a line; Equation of line in space; Angle and shortest distance between two lines; Introduction to plane, Co-planarity of two lines; Angle between two planes; Distance of a point from a plane; Angle between a line and a plane.



## Quick Review

- ❖ Vectors can exist in general  $n$ -dimensional space. The general notation for a  $n$ -dimensional vector is,  $\vec{v} = (a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n)$  and each of the axis are called components of the vector.
- ❖ In physics and mathematics, a pseudo-vector (or axial vector) is a quantity that transforms like a vector under a proper rotation, but in three-dimensional (3D) geometry it gains an additional sign flip under an improper rotation such as a reflection. Geometrically it is the opposite, of equal magnitude but in the opposite direction, of its mirror image. This is as opposed to a true vector, also known, in this context, as a polar vector, which on reflection matches its mirror image.
- ❖ In 3D, the pseudo-vector,  $p$  is associated with the curl of a polar vector or with the cross-product of two polar vectors  $a$  and  $b$ . The vector  $p$  calculated in this way is a pseudo-vector.
- ❖ Constructing a plane in two-dimensional (2D) is easy, this can be done from either a normal (unit vector) and a point, or from two points in space.
- ❖ Quadric surfaces in 3D are the graphs of any equation that can be put into the general form :  
 $Ax^2 + By^2 + Cz^2 + Dxy + Exz + Gx + Hy + Iz + J = 0$

### TIPS...

- ✍ Setting up the Matrix for Solving.
- ✍ Write your equations in standard form.
- ✍ Transfer the numbers from the system of equations into a matrix.
- ✍ Draw a large square bracket around full matrix.

### TRICKS...

- ✍ Recognise the form of the solution matrix.
- ✍ Use scalar multiplication.
- ✍ Use row-addition or row-subtraction.
- ✍ Combine row-addition and scalar multiplication in a single step.
- ✍ Work from top to bottom first.



## Know the Links

- 🔗 <http://tutorial.math.lamar.edu/Classes/CalcII/VectorsIntro.aspx>
- 🔗 [http://docs.godotengine.org/en/3.0/tutorials/math/vectors\\_advanced.html](http://docs.godotengine.org/en/3.0/tutorials/math/vectors_advanced.html)



## Multiple Choice Questions

(1 mark each)

Q. 1. Distance of the point  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  from  $y$ -axis is

- (a)  $\beta$  (b)  $|\beta|$   
(c)  $|\beta| + |\gamma|$  (d)  $\sqrt{\alpha^2 + \gamma^2}$

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 29, Page 237]

Ans. Correct option : (d)

Explanation :

The foot of perpendicular from point  $P(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  on  $y$ -axis is  $Q(0, \beta, 0)$ .

$\therefore$  Required distance,

$$PQ = \sqrt{(a-0)^2 + (\beta-\beta)^2 + (\gamma-0)^2} = \sqrt{a^2 + \gamma^2}$$

Q. 2. If the directions cosines of a line are  $k, k, k$ , then

- (a)  $k > 0$  (b)  $0 < k < 1$



**Explanation :**

We have equation of plane as  $2x - 3y + 6z - 11 = 0$ .

Normal to the plane is  $\vec{n} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ .

Also x-axis is along the vector  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$ .

According to the question,

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{n}|}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{n}|}$$

$$= \frac{|\hat{i} \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})|}{\sqrt{1} \sqrt{4+9+36}} = \frac{2}{7}$$

**Q. 9. Distance between the two planes :  $2x + 3y + 4z = 4$  and  $4x + 6y + 8z = 12$  is**

- (a) 2 units (b) 4 units  
(c) 8 units (d)  $2/\sqrt{29}$  units

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 22, Page 499]

**Ans. Correct option : (d)**

**Explanation :**

Distance between two parallel planes,

$Ax + By + Cz = d_1$  and  $Ax + By + Cz = d_2$  is

$$\frac{|d_1 - d_2|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$$

$$2x + 3y + 4z = 4$$

Comparing with  $Ax + By + Cz = d_1$

$$A = 2, B = 3, C = 4, d_1 = 4$$

And now,  $4x + 6y + 8z = 12$

$$2(2x + 3y + 4z) = 12$$

Dividing by 2

$$2x + 3y + 4z = 6$$

Comparing with  $Ax + By + Cz = d_2$

$$A = 2, B = 3, C = 4, d_2 = 6$$

So,

Distance between the two planes

$$= \frac{|4 - 6|}{\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2}} = \frac{|-2|}{\sqrt{4+9+16}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{29}}$$

**Q. 10. The planes :  $2x - y + 4z = 5$  and  $5x - 2.5y + 10z = 6$  are**

- (a) Perpendicular

- (b) Parallel  
(c) Intersect y-axis

- (d) Passes through  $(0, 0, \frac{5}{4})$

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 23, Page 499]

**Ans. Correct option : (b)**

**Explanation :**

Angle between two planes  $A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$  and  $A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$  is given by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{A_1A_2 + B_1B_2 + C_1C_2}{\sqrt{A_1^2 + B_1^2 + C_1^2} \sqrt{A_2^2 + B_2^2 + C_2^2}}$$

Given that plane,

$$2x - 1y + 4z = 5$$

Comparing with  $A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$

$$A_1 = 2, B_1 = -1, C_1 = 4, d_1 = 5$$

$$5x - 2.5y + 10z = 16$$

Multiplying by 2 on both sides,

$$10x - 5y + 20z = 12$$

Comparing with  $A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$

$$A_2 = 10, B_2 = -5, C_2 = 20, d_2 = 12$$

$$\text{So, } \cos \theta = \frac{(2 \times 10) + (-1 \times -5) + (4 \times 20)}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 4^2} \sqrt{10^2 + (-5)^2 + 20^2}}$$

$$= \frac{20 + 5 + 80}{\sqrt{4+1+16} \sqrt{100+25+400}}$$

$$= \frac{105}{\sqrt{21} \sqrt{525}}$$

$$= \frac{105}{\sqrt{21} \times \sqrt{25 \times 21}}$$

$$= \frac{105}{\sqrt{21} \times 5\sqrt{21}}$$

$$= \frac{105}{21 \times 5}$$

$$= 1$$

So,  $\cos \theta = 1$

$$\therefore \theta = 0^\circ$$

Since angle between the planes is  $0^\circ$ .

Therefore, the planes are parallel.

## Very Short Answer Type Questions

(1 or 2 marks each)

**Q. 1. Write the equation of a plane which is at a distance of  $5\sqrt{3}$  units from origin and the normal to which is equally inclined to coordinate axes.**

[CBSE Board, Foreign Region, 2016]

**Ans.**  $\frac{x}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{y}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{z}{\sqrt{3}} = 5\sqrt{3}$

or  $x + y + z = 15$  [1]

**Q. 2. Find the vector equation of the plane with intercepts 3, -4, 2 on x, y and z-axis respectively.**

[CBSE Board, All India Region, 2016]

**Ans.**  $\frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{-4} + \frac{z}{2} = 1$

$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot (4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) = 12$  or  $\vec{r} \cdot \left(\frac{\hat{i}}{3} - \frac{\hat{j}}{4} + \frac{\hat{k}}{2}\right) = 1$  [1]

**Q. 3. Find the coordinates of the point where the line through the points A (3, 4, 1) and B (5, 1, 6) crosses the XZ plane. Also find the angle which this line makes with the XZ plane.**

[CBSE Board, All India Region, 2016]

**Ans.** Equation of line through A (3, 4, 1) and B (5, 1, 6),

$$\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y-4}{-3} = \frac{z-1}{5} = k \quad (\text{say})$$

General point on the line :

$$x = 2k + 3, y = -3k + 4, z = 5k + 1$$

Line crosses xz plane, i.e.,  $y = 0$  if  $-3k + 4 = 0$

$$\therefore k = \frac{4}{3}$$

Coordinate of required point =  $\left(\frac{17}{3}, 0, \frac{23}{3}\right)$

Angle, which line makes with xz plane :

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \theta &= \left| \frac{2(0) + (-3)(1) + 5(0)}{\sqrt{4+9+25}\sqrt{1}} \right| \\ &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{38}} \\ \Rightarrow \theta &= \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{38}} \right) \end{aligned} \quad [2]$$

**Q. 4.** Find the vector equation of the line passing through the point  $A(1, 2, -1)$  and parallel to the line  $5x - 25 = 14 - 7y = 35z$ .

[CBSE Board, Delhi Region, 2017]

**Ans.** Equation of given line is  $\frac{x-5}{1/5} = \frac{y-2}{-1/7} = \frac{z}{1/35}$ .

Its directional ratios  $\left\langle \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{7}, \frac{1}{35} \right\rangle$  or  $\langle 7, -5, 1 \rangle$

Equation of required line is

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

**Q. 5.** A line passes through the point with position vector  $2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  and is perpendicular to the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) = 7$ . Find the equation of the line in Cartesian and vector forms.

[CBSE Board, Foreign Region, 2017]

**Ans.** Vector form:  $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$

Cartesian form:  $\frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y+3}{4} = \frac{z-4}{-5}$  [2]

**Q. 6.** Find the distance between the planes  $2x - y + 2z = 5$  and  $5x - 2.5y + 5z = 20$ .

[CBSE Board, All India Region, 2017]

**Ans.** Writing the equations as  $\begin{cases} 2x - y + 2z = 5 \\ 2x - y + 2z = 8 \end{cases}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Distance = 1 unit [1]

**Q. 7.** A plane passes through the points  $(2, 0, 0)$ ,  $(0, 3, 0)$  and  $(0, 0, 4)$ . The equation of plane is \_\_\_\_\_.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 37, Page 239]

**Ans.** We know that, equation of a plane that cuts the coordinate axes at  $(a, 0, 0)$ ,  $(0, b, 0)$  and  $(0, 0, c)$  is

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1.$$

Hence, the equation of plane passes through the points  $(2, 0, 0)$ ,  $(0, 3, 0)$  and  $(0, 0, 4)$  is  $\frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{3} + \frac{z}{4} = 1$ . [1]

**Q. 8.** The direction cosines of the vector  $(2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$  are \_\_\_\_\_. [NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 38, Page 239]

**Ans.** Direction cosines of  $(2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$  are

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{4+4+1}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{4+4+1}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{4+4+1}}$$

i.e.,  $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{-1}{3}$ . [1]

**Q. 9.** The vector equation of the line  $\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2}$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 39, Page 239]

**Ans.** We have equation of line as  $\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2}$ .

Line passes through the point  $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$  and parallel to the vector  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ .

So, the vector equation will be

$$\vec{r} = (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}). \quad [1]$$

**Q. 10.** The vector equation of the line through the points  $(3, 4, -7)$  and  $(1, -1, 6)$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 40, Page 239]

**Ans.** We know that, vector equation of a line that passes through two points  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is represented by  $\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda(\vec{b} - \vec{a})$ .

Here,  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$  and

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

So, the required equation is

$$\begin{aligned} x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} &= 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 7\hat{k} + \lambda(-2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 13\hat{k}) \\ \Rightarrow (x-3)\hat{i} + (y-4)\hat{j} + (z+7)\hat{k} &= \lambda(-2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 13\hat{k}) \end{aligned} \quad [1]$$

**Q. 11.** The Cartesian equation of the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 2$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 41, Page 239]

**Ans.** We have,  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 2$

$$\Rightarrow (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y - z = 2$$

This is the required Cartesian form. [1]

**Q. 12.** State true/false :

The unit vector normal to the plane  $x + 2y + 3z - 6 = 0$

$$= 0 \text{ is } \frac{\hat{i}}{\sqrt{14}} + \frac{2\hat{j}}{\sqrt{14}} + \frac{3\hat{k}}{\sqrt{14}}.$$

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 42, Page 239]

**Ans.** True,

We have equation of plane as  $x + 2y + 3z - 6 = 0$ .

Normal to the plane is  $\vec{n} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ .

Therefore, unit vector normal to the plane is :

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{n} &= \frac{\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}} \\ &= \frac{\hat{i}}{\sqrt{14}} + \frac{2\hat{j}}{\sqrt{14}} + \frac{3\hat{k}}{\sqrt{14}} \end{aligned} \quad [2]$$

**Q. 13.** State true/false :

The intercepts made by the plane  $2x - 3y + 5z + 4 = 0$  on the coordinate axis are  $-2, 4/3, -4/5$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 43, Page 239]

**Ans.** True,

We have equation of plane as  $2x - 3y + 5z + 4 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 3y + 5z = -4$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x}{-4} - \frac{3y}{-4} + \frac{5z}{-4} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{-2} + \frac{y}{4} + \frac{z}{\left(-\frac{4}{5}\right)} = 1$$

So, the intercepts are  $-2, \frac{4}{3}$  and  $-\frac{4}{5}$ . [2]

**Q. 14.** State true/false :

The angle between the line

$\vec{r} = (5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  and the plane

$$\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 5 = 0 \text{ is } \sin^{-1} \frac{5}{2\sqrt{91}}.$$

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 44, Page 239]

Ans. False,

Line  $\vec{r} = (5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  is parallel to the vector  $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ .

Normal to the plane is  $\vec{n} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ .

Let  $\theta$  is the angle between line and plane.

$$\text{Then, } \sin \theta = \frac{|\vec{b} \cdot \vec{n}|}{|\vec{b}| |\vec{n}|}$$

$$= \frac{|(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - \hat{k})|}{\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt{26}}$$

$$= \frac{|6 + 4 - 1|}{\sqrt{156}} = \frac{9}{2\sqrt{39}}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \sin^{-1} \frac{9}{2\sqrt{39}} \quad [2]$$

Q. 15. State true/false :

The angle between the planes  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 1$  and  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) = 4$  is  $\cos^{-1} \frac{-5}{\sqrt{58}}$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 45, Page 239]

Ans. False,

Normal to the plane

$$\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 1 \text{ is } \vec{n}_1 = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\text{Normal to the plane } \vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) = 4 \text{ is } \vec{n}_2 = \hat{i} - \hat{j}$$

$\therefore$  Angle between the planes is given by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{|\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2|}{|\vec{n}_1| |\vec{n}_2|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{|(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j})|}{\sqrt{4 + 9 + 1} \sqrt{1 + 1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{|2 + 3|}{\sqrt{14} \sqrt{2}} = \frac{5}{2\sqrt{7}}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{5}{2\sqrt{7}} \right) \quad [2]$$

Q. 16. State true/false :

The line  $\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - \hat{k} + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  lies in the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 2 = 0$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 46, Page 239]

Ans. False,

$$\text{We have, } \vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - \hat{k} + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) = (2 + \lambda)\hat{i} + (-3 - \lambda)\hat{j} + (-1 + 2\lambda)\hat{k}$$

Position vector of any point on this line is

$$(2 + \lambda)\hat{i} + (-3 - \lambda)\hat{j} + (-1 + 2\lambda)\hat{k}$$

If this point lies on the plane then LHS of the plane is

$$[(2 + \lambda)\hat{i} + (-3 - \lambda)\hat{j} + (-1 + 2\lambda)\hat{k}] \cdot (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 2$$

$$= 6 + 3\lambda - 3 - \lambda + 1 - 2\lambda + 2 \neq 0$$

So, the line does not lie on the plane. [2]

Q. 17. State true/false :

$$\text{The vector equation of the line } \frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2}$$

$$\text{is } \vec{r} = 5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}).$$

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 47, Page 239]

Ans. True,

$$\text{We have, } \frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2}$$

This line is passing through the point  $(5, -4, 6)$  and parallel to the vector  $3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ .

$$\therefore \text{ Its vector form is } \vec{r} = (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}). \quad [2]$$

Q. 18. State true/false :

The equation of a line, which is parallel to  $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and which passes through the point

$$(5, -2, 4) \text{ is } \frac{x-5}{2} = \frac{y+2}{-1} = \frac{z-4}{3}.$$

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 48, Page 240]

Ans. False,

Line is parallel to the vector  $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ .

Line passing through the point  $(5, -2, 4)$ ,

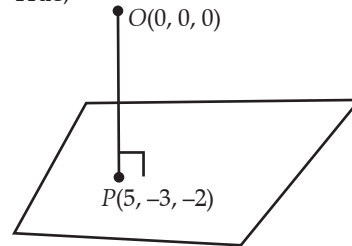
$$\text{So its equation is } \frac{x-5}{2} = \frac{y+2}{1} = \frac{z-4}{3}. \quad [2]$$

Q. 19. State true/false :

If the foot of perpendicular drawn from the origin to a plane is  $(5, -3, -2)$ , then the equation of plane is  $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) = 38$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 49, Page 240]

Ans. True,



From the figure, normal to the plane is

$$\vec{n} = \overrightarrow{OP} = 5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}.$$

Plane passing through the point  $P(5, -3, -2)$ .

$\therefore$  Equation of the plane is

$$5(x - 5) - 3(y + 3) - 2(z + 2) = 0 \text{ or } 5x - 3y - 2z = 38. \quad [2]$$

Q. 20. If a line makes angles  $90^\circ, 135^\circ, 45^\circ$  with the  $x, y$  and  $z$ -axes respectively, find its direction cosines.

[NCERT Ex. 11.1, Q. 1, Page 467]

Ans. Direction cosines of a line making angle  $\alpha$  with

$x$ -axis,  $\beta$  with  $y$ -axis and  $\gamma$  with  $z$ -axis are  $l, m$  and  $n$ .

$$l = \cos \alpha, \quad m = \cos \beta, \quad n = \cos \gamma$$

$$\text{Here, } \alpha = 90^\circ, \quad \beta = 135^\circ, \quad \gamma = 45^\circ,$$

So, direction cosines are

$$l = \cos 90^\circ = 0$$

$$m = \cos 135^\circ = \cos(180 - 45^\circ) = -\cos 45^\circ = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$n = \cos 45^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Therefore, required direction cosines are

$$0, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}. \quad [2]$$

Q. 21. Find the direction cosines of a line which makes equal angles with the coordinate axes.

[NCERT Ex. 11.1, Q. 2, Page 467]

Ans. Direction cosines of a line making,  $\alpha$  with  $x$ -axis,  $\beta$  with  $y$ -axis, and with  $z$ -axis are  $l, m$  and  $n$

$l = \cos \alpha, m = \cos \beta, n = \cos \gamma$   
 Given the line makes equal angles with the coordinate axes.

So,  
 $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$  ... (i)

So the, direction cosines are  
 $l = \cos \alpha, m = \cos \alpha, n = \cos \alpha$   
 We know that,  
 $l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1$  [1]

$$\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$$

$$\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha = 1 \quad (\text{From Eq. (i)})$$

$$3\cos^2 \alpha = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\cos^2 \alpha = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\cos \alpha = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{9}}$$

$\therefore \cos \alpha = \pm \frac{1}{3}$

Therefore, direction cosines are :

$$l = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, m = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, n = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad [1]$$

**Q. 22.** If a line has the direction ratios  $-18, 12, -4$ , then what are its direction cosines?

[NCERT Ex. 11.1, Q. 3, Page 467]

**Ans.** If direction ratios of a line are  $a, b$  and  $c$ .

Direction cosines are

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

Given that,

Direction ratios =  $-18, 12, -4$

$$a = -18, b = 12, c = -4$$

$$\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} = \sqrt{(-18)^2 + 12^2 + (-4)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{324 + 144 + 16}$$

$$= \sqrt{484}$$

$$= 22 \quad [1]$$

Direction cosines

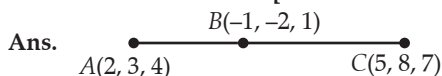
$$= \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

$$= \frac{-18}{22}, \frac{12}{22}, \frac{-4}{22}$$

$$= \frac{-9}{11}, \frac{6}{11}, \frac{-2}{11} \quad [1]$$

**Q. 23.** Show that the points  $(2, 3, 4), (-1, -2, 1), (5, 8, 7)$  are collinear.

[NCERT Ex. 11.1, Q. 4, Page 467]



Three points  $A, B$  and  $C$  are collinear if direction ratios of  $AB$  and  $BC$  are proportional.

For  $AB$  :

$A(2, 3, 4)$

$B(-1, -2, 1)$

Direction ratios

$$= -1 - 2, -2 - 3, 1 - 4$$

$$= -3, -5, -3$$

So,  $a_1 = -3, b_1 = -5$  and  $c_1 = -3$

For  $BC$  :

$B(-1, -2, 1)$

$C(5, 8, 7)$

Direction ratios

$$= 5 - (-1), 8 - (-2), 7 - 1$$

$$= 6, 10, 6$$

$$\text{So, } a_2 = 6, b_2 = 10 \text{ and } c_2 = 6 \quad [1]$$

Now,

$$\frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{6}{-3} = -2$$

$$\frac{b_2}{b_1} = \frac{10}{-5} = -2$$

$$\frac{c_2}{c_1} = \frac{6}{-3} = -2$$

$$\text{Since, } \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{b_2}{b_1} = \frac{c_2}{c_1} = -2$$

Therefore  $A, B$  and  $C$  are collinear. [1]

**Q. 24.** Find the equation of the line which passes through the point  $(1, 2, 3)$  and is parallel to the vector

$$3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k} \quad [\text{NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 4, Page 477}]$$

**Ans.** Equation of a line passing through a point with position vector  $\vec{a}$ , and parallel to a vector  $\vec{b}$  is

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b}$$

Since line passes through the point  $(1, 2, 3)$

$$\vec{a} = 1\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

Since line is parallel to  $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

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

Equation of line  $\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b}$

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

**Q. 25.** Find the Cartesian equation of the line which passes through the point  $(-2, 4, -5)$  and parallel to

$$\text{the line given by } \frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-4}{5} = \frac{z+8}{6}.$$

[NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 6, Page 477]

**Ans.** Equation of a line passing through the point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and parallel to a line having direction ratios  $a, b, c$  is

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c}$$

Since the line passes through the points  $(-2, 4, -5)$

$$x_1 = -2, y_1 = 4, z_1 = -5$$

Since the line is parallel to  $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-4}{5} = \frac{z+8}{6}$

$$a = 3, b = 5, c = 6 \quad [1]$$

Therefore, equation of line in Cartesian form is :

$$\frac{x - (-2)}{3} = \frac{y - 4}{5} = \frac{z - (-5)}{6} \quad [1]$$

$$\frac{x+2}{3} = \frac{y-4}{5} = \frac{z+5}{6}$$

**Q. 26.** The Cartesian equation of a line is

$$\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2}. \text{ Write its vector form.}$$

[NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 7, Page 477]

**Ans.** Cartesian equation :

$$\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2}$$

$$\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y-(-4)}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2} \quad \dots\text{(i)}$$

Equation of a line in Cartesian form is given by

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c} \quad \dots\text{(ii)}$$

Comparing (i) and (ii), we have

$$x_1 = 5, \quad y_1 = -4 \quad z_1 = 6$$

And

$$a = 3, \quad b = 7 \quad c = 2 \quad [1]$$

Equation of line in vector form is :

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b}$$

Where

$$\vec{a} = x_1\hat{i} + y_1\hat{j} + z_1\hat{k} = 5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{b} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k} \\ = 3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

Now,

$$\vec{r} = (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

Therefore, equation of line in vector form is :

$$\vec{r} = (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \quad [1]$$

**Q. 27. Show that the line  $\frac{x-5}{7} = \frac{y+2}{-5} = \frac{z}{1}$  and  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{3}$  are perpendicular to each other.**

[NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 13, Page 478]

**Ans.** Two lines

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1}$$

and

$$\frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2}$$

are perpendicular to each other if

$$a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2 = 0 \quad [1]$$

$$\frac{x-5}{7} = \frac{y+2}{-5} = \frac{z}{1}$$

$$\frac{x-5}{7} = \frac{y-(-2)}{-5} = \frac{z-0}{1}$$

Comparing with

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1},$$

So,

$$x_1 = 5, \quad y_1 = -2 \quad z_1 = 0$$

$$\text{and } a_1 = 7, \quad b_1 = -5, \quad c_1 = 1$$

Now for :

$$\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{3}$$

$$\frac{x-0}{1} = \frac{y-0}{2} = \frac{z-0}{3}$$

Comparing with

$$\frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2},$$

So,

$$x_2 = 0 \quad y_2 = 0, \quad z_2 = 0,$$

$$\text{and } a_2 = 1, \quad b_2 = 2, \quad c_2 = 3$$

$$\text{So, } a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2 = (7 \times 1) + (-5 \times 2) + (1 \times 3) \\ = 7 + (-10) + 3 = 0$$

Therefore, the two given lines are perpendicular to each other. [1]

**Q. 28. In each of the following cases, determine the direction cosines of the normal to the plane and the distance from the origin.**

(a)  $z = 2$  (b)  $x + y + z = 1$

(c)  $2x + 3y - z = 5$  (d)  $5y + 8 = 0$

[NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 1, Page 493]

**Ans.** (a) For plane

$$ax + by + cz = d$$

Direction ratios of normal = a, b, c

Direction cosines :

$$l = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \quad m = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \quad n = \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

$$\text{Distance from the origin} = \frac{d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

Given equation of plane is

$$z = 2$$

$$0x + 0y + 1z = 2$$

Comparing with  $ax + by + cz = d$

$$a = 0, \quad b = 0, \quad c = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad d = 2$$

$$\text{and } \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} = \sqrt{0^2 + 0^2 + 1^2} = 1$$

Direction cosines of the normal to the plane are

$$l = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \quad m = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \quad n = \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

$$l = \frac{0}{1}, \quad m = \frac{0}{1}, \quad n = \frac{1}{1}$$

$$l = 0, \quad m = 0, \quad n = 1$$

∴ Direction cosines of the normal to the plane are = (0, 0, 1)

And,

$$\text{Distance from the origin} = \frac{d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} = \frac{2}{1} = 2. \quad [2]$$

(b) For plane

$$ax + by + cz = d$$

Direction ratios of normal = a, b, c

Direction cosines :

$$l = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \quad m = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \quad n = \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

$$\text{Distance from the origin} = \frac{d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

Given equation of plane is :

$$x + y + z = 1$$

$$1x + 1y + 1z = 1$$

Comparing with  $ax + by + cz = d$

$$a = 1, \quad b = 1, \quad c = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad d = 1$$

$$\text{and } \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3}$$

Direction cosines of the normal to the plane are

$$l = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \quad m = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \quad n = \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

$$l = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \quad m = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \quad n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

∴ Direction cosines of the normal to the plane are

$$= \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

And,

$$\text{Distance from the origin} = \frac{d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad [2]$$

(c) For plane  
 $ax + by + cz = d$   
 Direction ratios of normal =  $a, b, c$   
 Direction cosines :  

$$l = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, m = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, n = \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$
 Distance from the origin =  $\frac{d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$   
 Given equation of plane is  
 $2x + 3y - z = 5$   
 $2x + 3y - 1z = 5$   
 Comparing with  $ax + by + cz = d$   
 $a = 2, b = 3, c = -1$  and  $d = 5$   
 and  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + (-1)^2}$   
 $= \sqrt{4 + 9 + 1}$   
 $= \sqrt{14}$   
 Direction cosines of the normal to the plane are  

$$l = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, m = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, n = \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

$$l = \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}, m = \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}, n = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{14}}$$
 $\therefore$  Direction cosines of the normal to the plane are  
 $= \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{14}} \right)$   
 And,  
 Distance from the origin =  $\frac{d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{14}}$  [2]

(d) For plane  
 $ax + by + cz = d$   
 Direction ratios of normal =  $a, b, c$   
 Direction cosines :  

$$l = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, m = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, n = \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$
 Distance from the origin =  $\frac{d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$   
 Given equation of plane is  
 $5x + 8z = 0$   
 $5x - 8z = 0$   
 $-5x + 8z = 0$   
 $0x - 5y + 0z = 8$   
 Comparing with  $ax + by + cz = d$   
 $a = 0, b = -5, c = 0$  and  $d = 8$   
 and  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} = \sqrt{0^2 + (-5)^2 + 0^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$   
 Direction cosines of the normal to the plane are :  

$$l = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, m = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, n = \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

$$l = \frac{0}{5}, m = \frac{-5}{5}, n = \frac{0}{5}$$
 $\therefore$  Direction cosines of the normal to the plane are  
 $= (0, -1, 0)$   
 And,  
 Distance from the origin =  $\frac{d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} = \frac{8}{5}$  [2]

Q. 29. Find the Cartesian equation of the following planes :

- (a)  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 2$       (b)  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) = 1$

(c)  $\vec{r} \cdot [(s - 2t)\hat{i} + (3 - t)\hat{j} + (2s + t)\hat{k}] = 15$   
 [NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 3, Page 493]

Ans. (a) Putting  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  in equation  
 $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 2$   
 $(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 2$   
 $(x \times 1) + (y \times 1) + (z \times -1) = 2$   
 $x + y - z = 2$   
 is the Cartesian equation of the given plane. [2]

(b) Putting  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  in equation  
 $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) = 1$   
 $(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) = 1$   
 $(x \times 2) + (y \times 3) + (z \times -4) = 1$   
 $2x + 3y - 4z = 1$   
 This is the Cartesian equation of the plane. [2]

(c) Putting  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  in equation  
 $\vec{r} \cdot [(s - 2t)\hat{i} + (3 - t)\hat{j} + (2s + t)\hat{k}] = 15$   
 $(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot [(s - 2t)\hat{i} + (3 - t)\hat{j} + (2s + t)\hat{k}] = 15$   
 $x(s - 2t) + y(3 - t) + z(2s + t) = 15$   
 $(s - 2t)x + (3 - t)y + (2s + t)z = 15$

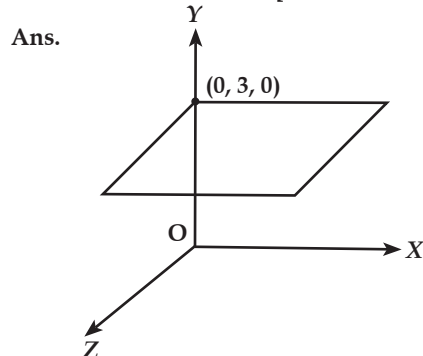
This is the equation of the plane in Cartesian form. [2]  
 Q. 30. Find the intercepts cut-off by the plane  $2x + y - z = 5$ .  
 [NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 7, Page 493]

Ans. The equation of a plane with intercepts  $a, b, c$  on  $x, y,$  and  $z$ -axis respectively is :  
 $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$  ... (i)

Given, equation of plane is :  
 $2x + y - z = 5$   
 Dividing by 5  
 $\frac{2x + y - z}{5} = \frac{5}{5}$   
 $\frac{2x}{5} + \frac{y}{5} - \frac{z}{5} = 1$   
 $\frac{x}{\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)} + \frac{y}{5} + \frac{z}{(-5)} = 1$

Comparing above equation with (i)  
 $a = \frac{5}{2}, b = 5, c = -5$  [2]

Q. 31. Find the equation of the plane with intercept 3 on the  $y$ -axis and parallel to  $ZOX$  plane.  
 [NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 8, Page 493]





The equation of a plane with intercepts  $a, b, c$  on  $x, y$  and  $z$ -axis respectively is

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$$

Given that,

The plane is parallel to  $ZOX$  plane as shown

$\therefore$  Intercept on  $x$ -axis = 0

So,  $a = 0$  and intercept on  $z$ -axis = 0

So,  $c = 0$

Given that,

Intercept on  $y$ -axis = 3

So,  $b = 3$

Equation of a plane,

$$\frac{x}{0} + \frac{y}{3} + \frac{z}{0} = 1$$

$$0 + \frac{y}{3} + 0 = 1$$

$$\frac{y}{3} = 1$$

$$y = 3$$

[2]

**Q. 32.** In the following cases, find the distance of each of the given points from the corresponding given plane.

Point	Plane
(a) (0, 0, 0)	$3x - 4y + 12z = 3$
(b) (3, -2, 1)	$2x - y + 2z + 3 = 0$
(c) (2, 3, -5)	$x + 2y - 2z = 9$
(d) (-6, 0, 0)	$2x - 3y + 6z - 2 = 0$

[NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 14, Page 494]

**Ans.** (a) The distance of the point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  from the plane  $Ax + By + Cz = D$  is :

$$\frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$$

Given that, the point is (0, 0, 0).

So,  $x_1 = 0, y_1 = 0, z_1 = 0$

And the equation of plane is :

$$3x - 4y + 12z = 3$$

Comparing with  $Ax + By + Cz = D$ ,

$$A = 3, B = -4, C = 12, D = 3$$

Now,

Distance of point from the plane is

$$= \frac{|(3 \times 0) + (-4 \times 0) + (12 \times 0) - 3|}{\sqrt{3^2 + (-4)^2 + 12^2}}$$

$$= \frac{|0 + 0 + 0 - 3|}{\sqrt{9 + 16 + 144}}$$

$$= \frac{|-3|}{\sqrt{169}}$$

$$= \frac{3}{13}$$

[2]

(b) The distance of the point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  from the plane  $Ax + By + Cz = D$  is :

$$\frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$$

Given that, the point is (3, -2, 1).

So,  $x_1 = 3, y_1 = -2, z_1 = 1$

And the equation of plane is

$$2x - y + 2z + 3 = 0$$

$$2x - y + 2z = -3$$

$$-(2x - y + 2z) = 3$$

$$-2x + y - 2z = 3$$

Comparing with  $Ax + By + Cz = D$ ,

$$A = -2, B = 1, C = -2, D = 3$$

Now,

Distance of point from the plane is

$$= \frac{|(-2 \times 3) + (1 \times -2) + (-2 \times 1) - 3|}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + 1^2 + (-2)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{|(-6) + (-2) + (-2) - 3|}{\sqrt{4 + 1 + 4}}$$

$$= \frac{|-13|}{\sqrt{9}}$$

$$= \frac{13}{3}$$

[2]

(c) The distance of the point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  from the plane  $Ax + By + Cz = D$  is :

$$\frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$$

Given that, the point is (2, 3, -5).

So,  $x_1 = 2, y_1 = 3, z_1 = -5$

And the equation of plane is :

$$lx + 2y - 2z = 9$$

Comparing with  $Ax + By + Cz = D$ ,

$$A = 1, B = 2, C = -2, D = 9$$

Now,

Distance of point from the plane is

$$= \frac{|(1 \times 2) + (2 \times 3) + (-2 \times -5) - 9|}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-2)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{|2 + 6 + 10 - 9|}{\sqrt{1 + 4 + 4}}$$

$$= \frac{|18 - 9|}{\sqrt{9}} = \frac{9}{3} = 3$$

[2]

(d) The distance of the point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  from the plane  $Ax + By + Cz = D$  is :

$$\frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$$

Given that, the point is (-6, 0, 0).

So,  $x_1 = -6, y_1 = 0, z_1 = 0$

And the equation of plane is :

$$2x - 3y + 6z - 2 = 0$$

$$2x - 3y + 6z = 2$$

Comparing with  $Ax + By + Cz = D$ ,

$$A = 2, B = -3, C = 6, D = 2$$

Now,

Distance of point from the plane

$$= \frac{|(2 \times -6) + (-3 \times 0) + (6 \times 0) - 2|}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 6^2}}$$

$$= \frac{|-12 + 0 + 0 - 2|}{\sqrt{4 + 9 + 36}}$$

$$= \frac{|-14|}{\sqrt{49}} = \frac{|-14|}{7} = |-2| = 2$$

[2]

**Q. 33.** Show that the line joining the origin to the point (2, 1, 1) is perpendicular to the line determined by the points (3, 5, -1), (4, 3, -1).

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 1, Page 497]

**Ans.** Two line having direction ratios  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  and  $a_2, b_2, c_2$  are perpendicular to each other if

$$a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2 = 0$$

Also, a line passing through the points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  has the direction ratios

$$(x_2 - x_1), (y_2 - y_1), (z_2 - z_1)$$

For AB :

$$A(0, 0, 0)$$

$$B(2, 1, 1)$$

Direction ratios

$$= (2 - 0), (1 - 0), (1 - 0)$$

$$= 2, 1, 1$$

$$\therefore a_1 = 2, b_1 = 1, c_1 = 1$$

Now for CD :

$$C(3, 5, -1)$$

$$D(4, 3, -1)$$

Direction ratios

$$= (4 - 3), (3 - 5), (-1 + 1)$$

$$= 1, -2, 0$$

$$\therefore a_2 = 1, b_2 = -2 \text{ and } c_2 = 0$$

Now,

$$a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2 = (2 \times 1) + (1 \times -2) + (1 \times 0)$$

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

$$= 2 - 2$$

$$= 0$$

Therefore, the given two lines are perpendicular [2]

**Q. 34.** If  $l_1, m_1, n_1$  and  $l_2, m_2, n_2$  are the direction cosines of two mutually perpendicular lines, show that the direction cosines of the line perpendicular to both of these are  $m_1 n_2 - m_2 n_1, n_1 l_2 - n_2 l_1, l_1 m_2 - l_2 m_1$

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 2, Page 497]

**Ans.** We know that,

$\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$  is perpendicular to both  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

So, required line is the cross-product of lines having direction cosines  $l_1, m_1, n_1$  and  $l_2, m_2, n_2$

$$\text{Required line} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ l_1 & m_1 & n_1 \\ l_2 & m_2 & n_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(m_1 n_2 - m_2 n_1) - \hat{j}(l_1 n_2 - l_2 n_1) + \hat{k}(l_1 m_2 - l_2 m_1)$$

$$= (m_1 n_2 - m_2 n_1)\hat{i} - (l_1 n_2 - l_2 n_1)\hat{j} + (l_1 m_2 - l_2 m_1)\hat{k}$$

So that, direction cosines =  $m_1 n_2 - m_2 n_1, n_1 l_2 - n_2 l_1, l_1 m_2 - l_2 m_1$

$\therefore$  Direction cosines of the line perpendicular to both of these are  $m_1 n_2 - m_2 n_1, n_1 l_2 - n_2 l_1, l_1 m_2 - l_2 m_1$ . Thus proved [2]

**Q. 35.** Find the angle between the lines whose direction ratios are  $a, b, c$  and  $b - c, c - a, a - b$ .

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 3, Page 498]

**Ans.** Angle between the lines with direction ratios  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  and  $a_2, b_2, c_2$  is given by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}}$$

Given that,  $a_1 = a, b_1 = b, c_1 = c$

and  $a_2 = b - c, b_2 = c - a, c_2 = a - b$

$$\text{So, } \cos \theta = \frac{a(b - c) + b(c - a) + c(a - b)}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \sqrt{(b - c)^2 + (c - a)^2 + (a - b)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{ab - ac + bc - ab + ca - bc}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \sqrt{b^2 + c^2 - 2bc + c^2 + a^2 - 2ca + a^2 + b^2 - 2ab}}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\text{So, } \theta = 90^\circ$$

Therefore, angle between the given pair of lines is  $90^\circ$ . [2]

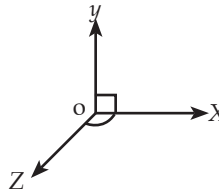
**Q. 36.** Find the equation of a line parallel to x-axis and passing through the origin.

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 4, Page 498]

**Ans.** Direction cosines of a line making angle  $\alpha$  with x-axis,  $\beta$  with y-axis and  $\gamma$  with z-axis are  $l, m$  and  $n$ .

x-axis makes an angle  $0^\circ$  with x-axis,

$90^\circ$  with y-axis and  $90^\circ$  with z-axis,



$$\text{So, } \alpha = 0^\circ, \beta = 90^\circ, \gamma = 90^\circ$$

Direction cosines are :

$$l = \cos 0^\circ, m = \cos 90^\circ, n = \cos 90^\circ$$

$$l = 1, m = 0, n = 0$$

$\therefore$  Direction cosines of x-axis are 1, 0, 0. [1]

Equation of line passing through points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and parallel to a line with direction ratios  $a, b, c$  is

$$\frac{x - x_1}{a} = \frac{y - y_1}{b} = \frac{z - z_1}{c}$$

Since line passes through origin, i.e.,  $(0, 0, 0)$ ,

$$x_1 = 0, y_1 = 0, z_1 = 0$$

Since line is parallel to x-axis,

$$a = 1, b = 0, c = 0$$

$$\text{Equation of line : } \frac{x - 0}{1} = \frac{y - 0}{0} = \frac{z - 0}{0}$$

$$\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{0} = \frac{z}{0}$$

[1]

**Q. 37.** If the lines  $\frac{x - 1}{-3} = \frac{y - 2}{2k} = \frac{z - 3}{2}$  and  $\frac{x - 1}{3k} = \frac{y - 1}{1} = \frac{z - 6}{-5}$  are perpendicular, find the value of  $k$ .

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 6, Page 498]

**Ans.** Two lines  $\frac{x - x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y - y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z - z_1}{c_1}$  and

$$\frac{x - x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y - y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z - z_2}{c_2}$$

are perpendicular to each other if

$$a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2 = 0$$

Given that,

$$\frac{x - 1}{-3} = \frac{y - 2}{2k} = \frac{z - 3}{2}$$

Comparing with

$$\frac{x - x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y - y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z - z_1}{c_1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1 &= 1, \quad y_1 = 2, \quad z_1 = 3 \\
 \text{and } a_1 &= -3, \quad b_1 = 2k, \quad c_1 = 2 \\
 \text{Now for :} \\
 \frac{x-1}{3k} &= \frac{y-1}{1} = \frac{z-6}{-5} \\
 \text{Comparing with} \\
 \frac{x-x_2}{a_2} &= \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2} \\
 x_2 &= 1, \quad y_2 = 1, \quad z_2 = 6 \\
 \text{and } a_2 &= 3k, \quad b_2 = 1, \quad c_2 = -2, \\
 \text{Since the two lines are perpendicular,} \\
 a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2 &= 0 \\
 (-3 \times 3k) + (2k \times 1) + (2 \times -2) &= 0 \\
 -9k + 2k - 10 &= 0 \\
 -7k &= 10 \\
 k &= \frac{-10}{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $k = \frac{-10}{7}$  [1]

**Q. 38. Find the equation of the plane passing through  $(a, b, c)$  and parallel to the plane  $r \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 2$ .**

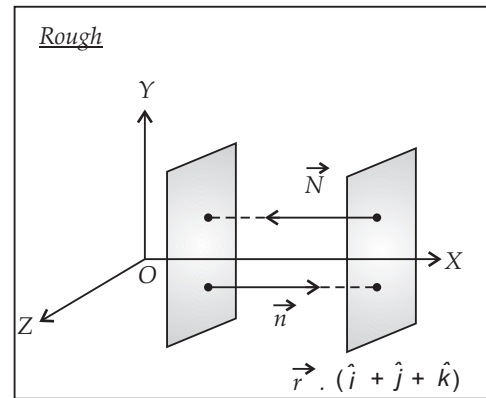
[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 8, Page 498]

**Ans.** The equation of plane passing through  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and perpendicular to a line with direction ratio  $A, B$  and  $C$  is

$$A(x - x_1) + B(y - y_1) + C(z - z_1) = 0$$

The plane passes through  $(a, b, c)$

So,  $x_1 = a, \quad y_1 = b, \quad z_1 = c$



Since both planes are parallel to each other, their normal will be parallel.

$\therefore$  Direction ratios of normal = Direction ratios of normal of  $r \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 0$

Direction ratios of normal = 1, 1, 1

$\therefore A = 1, B = 1, C = 1$

Thus,

Equation of plane in Cartesian form is :

$$A(x - x_1) + B(y - y_1) + C(z - z_1) = 0$$

$$1(x - a) + 1(y - b) + 1(z - c) = 0$$

$$x - a + y - b + z - c = 0$$

$$x + y + z - (a + b + c) = 0$$

$$x + y + z = a + b + c$$

[2]

## Short Answer Type Questions

(3 and 4 marks each)

**Q. 1. Let  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}, \vec{b} = \hat{i}$  and  $\vec{c} = c_1 \hat{i} + c_2 \hat{j} + c_3 \hat{k}$ , then**

(a) Let  $c_1 = 1$  and  $c_2 = 2$ , find  $c_3$  which makes  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  coplanar.

(b) If  $c_2 = -1$  and  $c_3 = 1$ , show that no value of  $c_1$  can makes  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  coplanar.

[CBSE Board, Delhi Region, 2017]

**Ans.**  $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = c_2 - c_3$

(a)  $c_1 = 1, c_2 = 2$

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = 2 - c_3$$

$\therefore \vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are coplanar  $[\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}] = 0 \Rightarrow c_3 = 2$

(b)  $c_2 = -1, c_3 = 1$

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = c_2 - c_3 = -2 \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  No value of  $c_1$  can make  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  coplanar. [4]

**Q. 2. Show that the points A, B, C with position vectors  $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}, \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$  and  $3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  respectively, are the vertices of a right-angled triangle. Hence find the area of the triangle.**

[CBSE Board, All India Region, 2017]

**Ans.**  $\vec{AB} = -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}, \vec{BC} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}, \vec{CA} = -\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$

Since  $\vec{AB}, \vec{BC}, \vec{CA}$ , are not parallel vectors, and

$$\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} + \vec{CA} = \vec{0}$$

$\therefore A, B$  and  $C$  form a triangle.

Also  $\vec{BC} \cdot \vec{CA} = 0$

$\therefore A, B$  and  $C$  form a right triangle.

Area of  $\Delta = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{AB} \times \vec{BC}| = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{210}$  [4]

**Q. 3. Find the value of  $\lambda$ , if four points with position vectors  $3\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}, \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}, 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$  are coplanar.**

[CBSE Board, All India Region, 2017]

**Ans.** Given points,  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  are coplanar, if the vectors  $\vec{AB}, \vec{AC}$  and  $\vec{AD}$  are coplanar, i.e.

$$\vec{AB} = -2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}, \vec{AC} = -\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}, \vec{AD} = \hat{i} + (\lambda + 9)\hat{k}$$

are coplanar.

i.e., 
$$\begin{vmatrix} -2 & -4 & -6 \\ -1 & -3 & -8 \\ 1 & 0 & \lambda - 9 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$-2[-3\lambda + 27] + 4[-\lambda + 17] - 6(3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2.$$

[4]

**Q. 4. Find the shortest distance between lines**

$$\vec{r} = 6\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} + \lambda(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

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

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 9, Page 498]

**Ans.** Shortest distance between lines with vector equations

$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}_1$  and  $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu \vec{b}_2$  is

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

For :  $\vec{r} = (6\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

Comparing with  $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}_1$ ,

$$\vec{a}_1 = 6\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b}_1 = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

**Now For :**

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

Comparing with  $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu \vec{b}_2$ ,

$$\vec{a}_2 = 4\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 1\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b}_2 = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

Now,  $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = (-4\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} - 1\hat{k}) - (6\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

$$= (-4 - 6)\hat{i} + (0 - 2)\hat{j} + (-1 - 2)\hat{k}$$

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

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

$$= \hat{i}[(-2 \times -2) - (-2 \times 2)] - \hat{j}[(1 \times -2) - (3 \times 2)]$$

$$+ \hat{k}[(1 \times -2) - (3 \times -2)]$$

$$= \hat{i}[4 + 4] - \hat{j}[-2 - 6] + \hat{k}[-2 + 6]$$

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

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

Magnitude of  $\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \sqrt{8^2 + 8^2 + 4^2}$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{64 + 64 + 16} = \sqrt{144} = 12$$

Also,

$$(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = (8\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot (-10\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$$

$$= (8 \times -10) + (8 \times -2) + 4(4 \times -3)$$

$$= 80 + (-16) + (-12)$$

$$= -108$$

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

$$= \frac{-108}{12} = |-9| = 9$$

[2]

**Q. 5. Find the coordinates of the point where the line through (5, 1, 6) and (3, 4, 1) crosses the YZ-plane.**

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 10, Page 498]

**Ans.** The equation of a line passing through two points with position vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda(\vec{b} - \vec{a})$$

Given, the line passes through

**For Points A and B :**

$$A(5, 1, 6)$$

$$\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$B(3, 4, 1)$$

$$\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{b} - \vec{a}) = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}) - (5\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

$$= (3 - 5)\hat{i} + (4 - 1)\hat{j} + (1 - 6)\hat{k}$$

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

$$\therefore \vec{r} = (5\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \lambda(-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) \quad \dots(i)$$

Let the coordinates of the point where the line crosses the YZ plane be (0, y, z)

$$\text{So, } \vec{r} = 0\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \quad \dots(ii)$$

Since point lies in the line, it will satisfy the equation,

Putting value of Eq. (ii) in Eq. (i), we have

$$0\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} = 5\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 6\hat{k} - 2\lambda\hat{i} + 3\lambda\hat{j} - 5\lambda\hat{k}$$

$$0\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} = (5 - 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (1 + 3\lambda)\hat{j} + (6 - 5\lambda)\hat{k}$$

Two vectors are equal if their corresponding components are equal.

So,

$$0 = 5 - 2\lambda; \quad y = 1 + 3\lambda; \quad z = 6 - 5\lambda \quad [2]$$

Solving

$$0 = 5 - 2\lambda$$

$$0 = 2\lambda$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\text{Now, } y = 1 + 3\lambda = 1 + 3 \times \frac{5}{2} = 1 + \frac{15}{2} = \frac{17}{2}$$

$$\text{and } z = 6 - 5\lambda = 6 - 5 \times \frac{5}{2} = 6 - \frac{25}{2} = \frac{-13}{2}$$

Therefore, the coordinates of the required point is

$$\left(0, \frac{17}{2}, \frac{-13}{2}\right) \quad [1]$$

**Q. 6. Find the coordinates of the point where the line through (5, 1, 6) and (3, 4, 1) crosses the ZX-plane.**

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 11, Page 498]

**Ans.** The equation of a line passing through two points with position vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is :

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda(\vec{b} - \vec{a})$$

Given that, the line passes through

$$A(5, 1, 6)$$

$$\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$B(3, 4, 1)$$

$$\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{b} - \vec{a}) = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}) - (5\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

$$= (3 - 5)\hat{i} + (4 - 1)\hat{j} + (1 - 6)\hat{k}$$

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

$$\therefore \vec{r} = (5\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \lambda(-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) \quad \dots(i)$$

Let the coordinates of the point where the line crosses the ZX plane be (x, 0, z)

$$\text{So, } \vec{r} = x\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \quad \dots(ii)$$

Since point lies in the line, it will satisfy its equation,

Putting value of Eq. (ii) in Eq. (i)

$$x\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + z\hat{k} = 5\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 6\hat{k} - 2\lambda\hat{i} + 3\lambda\hat{j} - 5\lambda\hat{k}$$

$$x\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + z\hat{k} = (5 - 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (1 + 3\lambda)\hat{j} + (6 - 5\lambda)\hat{k}$$

Two vectors are equal if their corresponding components are equal.

So,

$$x = 5 - 2\lambda; \quad 0 = 1 + 3\lambda; \quad z = 6 - 5\lambda \quad [2]$$

Solving

$$0 = 1 + 3\lambda$$

$$3\lambda = -1$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{-1}{3}$$

Now,  $x = 5 - 2\lambda = 5 - 2 \times \frac{-1}{3} = 5 + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{17}{3}$

$$z = 6 - 5\lambda = 6 - 5 \times \frac{-1}{3} = 6 + \frac{5}{3} = \frac{23}{3} \quad [1]$$

Therefore, the coordinates of the required point is  $(\frac{17}{3}, 0, \frac{23}{3})$ . [1]

**Q. 7. Find the coordinates of the point where the line through (3, -4, -5) and (2, -3, 1) crosses the plane  $2x + y + z = 7$ . [NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 12, Page 498]**

**Ans.** The equation of a line passing through two points  $A(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  is

$$\frac{x-x_1}{x_2-x_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{y_2-y_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{z_2-z_1}$$

Given that, the line passes through the points

$$A(3, -4, -5)$$

$$\therefore x_1 = 3, y_1 = -4, z_1 = -5$$

$$B(2, -3, 1)$$

$$\therefore x_2 = 2, y_2 = -3, z_2 = 1$$

So, the equation of line is

$$\frac{x-3}{2-3} = \frac{y-(-4)}{-3-(-4)} = \frac{z-(-5)}{1-(-5)}$$

$$\frac{x-3}{-1} = \frac{y+4}{1} = \frac{z+5}{6} = k$$

So,

$$x = -k + 3; \quad y = k - 4; \quad z = 6k - 5 \quad \dots(i)$$

Let  $(x, y, z)$  be the coordinates of the point where the line crosses the plane  $2x + y + z = 7$

Putting value of  $x, y, z$  from Eq. (i) in the equation of plane,

$$2x + y + z = 7$$

$$2(-k + 3) + (k - 4) + (6k - 5) = 7$$

$$-2k + 6 + k - 4 + 6k - 5 = 7 \quad [2]$$

$$5 - 3 = 7$$

$$5 = 7 + 3$$

$$5 \quad 10$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{10}{5} = 2$$

Putting value of  $k$  in  $x, y, z$

$$x = -k + 3 = -2 + 3 = 1$$

$$y = k - 4 = 2 - 4 = -2$$

$$z = 6k - 5 = 6 \times 2 - 5 = 12 - 5 = 7$$

Therefore, the coordinate of the required point are  $(1, -2, 7)$ . [1]

**Q. 8. Find the equation of the plane passing through the point  $(-1, 3, 2)$  and perpendicular to each of the planes  $x + 2y + 3z = 5$  and  $3x + 3y + z = 0$ .**

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 13, Page 498]

**Ans.** The equation of a plane passing through the point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  is given by

$$A(x - x_1) + B(y - y_1) + C(z - z_1) = 0$$

where  $A, B$  and  $C$  are the direction ratios of normal to the plane.

Now the plane passes through the point  $(-1, 3, 2)$

So, equation of plane is :

$$A(x + 1) + B(y - 3) + C(z - 2) = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

We find the direction ratios of normal to plane, i.e.  $A, B$  and  $C$ .

Also, the plane is perpendicular to the given two planes.

So, their normal to plane would be perpendicular to normal of both planes.

We know that,

$\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$  is perpendicular to both  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

So, required normal is the cross-product of normal of planes  $x + 2y + 3z = 5$  and  $3x + 3y + z = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required normal} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}[2(1) - 3(3)] - \hat{j}[1(1) - 3(3)] \\ &\quad + \hat{k}[1(3) - 3(2)] \\ &= \hat{i}(2 - 9) - \hat{j}(1 - 9) + \hat{k}(3 - 6) \\ &= -7\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, direction ratios =  $-7, 8, -3$

$$\therefore A = -7, B = 8, C = -3 \quad [2]$$

Putting above values in Eq. (i)

$$A(x + 1) + B(y - 3) + C(z - 2) = 0$$

$$-7k(x + 1) + 8k(y - 3) - 3k(z - 2) = 0$$

$$k[-7(x + 1) + 8(y - 3) - 3(z - 2)] = 0$$

$$-7(x + 1) + 8(y - 3) - 3(z - 2) = 0$$

$$-7x + 8y - 3z - 25 = 0$$

$$0 = 7x - 8y + 3z + 25$$

$$7x - 8y + 3z + 25 = 0$$

Therefore, equation of the required plane is  $7x - 8y + 3z + 25 = 0$  [1]

**Q. 9. If the points  $(1, 1, p)$  and  $(-3, 0, 1)$  be equidistant from the  $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}) + 13 = 0$ , then find the value of  $p$ . [NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 14, Page 498]**

**Ans.** The distance of a point with position vector  $\vec{a}$  from the plane

$$\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = d \text{ is } \frac{|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{n} - d|}{|\vec{n}|}$$

Given, the points are

(i)  $(1, 1, p)$

$$\text{So, } \vec{a}_1 = 1\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} + p\hat{k}$$

(ii)  $(-3, 0, 1)$

$$\text{So, } \vec{a}_2 = -3\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}$$

The equation of plane is :

$$\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}) + 13 = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}) = -13$$

$$-\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}) = 13$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (-3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}) = 13$$

Comparing with  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = d$ ,

$$\vec{n} = -3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 12\hat{k} \text{ and, } d = 13$$

$$\text{Magnitude of } \vec{n} = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-4)^2 + 12^2}$$

$$|\vec{n}| = \sqrt{9+16+144}$$

$$= \sqrt{169} = 13$$

(i) Distance of point  $a_1$  from plane,

$$\frac{|\vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{n} - d|}{|\vec{n}|} = \frac{|(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + p\hat{k}) \cdot (-3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}) - 13|}{13}$$

$$= \frac{|(1 \times -3) + (1 \times -4) + (p \times 12) - 13|}{13}$$

$$= \frac{|-3 - 4 + 12p - 13|}{13}$$

$$= \frac{|12p - 20|}{13}$$

(ii) Distance of point  $a_2$  from plane,

$$\frac{|\vec{a}_2 \cdot \vec{n} - d|}{|\vec{n}|} = \frac{|(-3\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}) \cdot (-3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}) - 13|}{13}$$

$$= \frac{|(-3 \times -3) + (0 \times -4) + (1 \times 12) - 13|}{13}$$

$$= \frac{|9 + 0 + 12 - 13|}{13}$$

$$= \frac{|18|}{13} = \frac{8}{13}$$

Since the plane is equi-distance from both the points,

$$\frac{|12p - 20|}{13} = \frac{8}{13}$$

$$|12p - 20| = 8$$

$$(12p - 20) = \pm 8$$

Solve for both condition one by one :

$$12p - 20 = 8$$

$$12p = 8 + 20$$

$$12p = 28$$

$$p = \frac{28}{12} = \frac{7}{3}$$

Now for,

$$12p - 20 = -8$$

$$12p = -8 + 20$$

$$12p = 12$$

$$p = \frac{12}{12} = 1$$

So,

$$p = \frac{7}{3} \text{ and } p = 1$$

[2]

**Q. 10.** Find the vector equation of the line passing through  $(1, 2, 3)$  and perpendicular to the plane

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + 9 = 0.$$

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 7, Page 498]

**Ans.** The vector equation of a line passing through a point with position vector  $\vec{a}$  and parallel to vector  $\vec{b}$  is

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b}$$

Given that, the line passes through the point  $(1, 2, 3)$ .

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

**Finding Normal of Plane :**

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + 9 = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) = -9$$

$$-\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) = 9$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (-\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) = 9$$

Comparing with  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = d$ ,

$$\vec{n} = -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

Since line is perpendicular to plane, the line will be parallel to the normal of the plane.

$$\therefore \vec{b} = \vec{n} = -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

Hence,

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

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

$\therefore$  Vector equation of line is

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - \lambda(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}).$$

[1]

[2]

**Q. 11.** If the coordinates of the points  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  be  $(1, 2, 3), (4, 5, 7), (-4, 3, -6)$  and  $(2, 9, 2)$ , respectively, then find the angle between the lines  $AB$  and  $CD$ .

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 5, Page 498]

**Ans.** Angle between a pair of lines having direction ratios  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  and  $a_2, b_2, c_2$  is given by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{|a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2|}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}}$$

A line passing through  $A(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  has direction ratios  $(x_2 - x_1), (y_2 - y_1), (z_2 - z_1)$

**For  $AB$  :**

$A(1, 2, 3)$  and  $B(4, 5, 7)$

**Direction ratios of  $AB$  :**

$(4 - 1), (5 - 2)$  and  $(7 - 3)$

$= 3, 3, 4$

$$\therefore a_1 = 3, b_1 = 3, c_1 = 4$$

**For  $CD$  :**

$C(-4, 3, -6)$  and  $D(2, 9, 2)$

**Direction ratios of  $CD$  :**

$[2 - (-4)], (9 - 3)$  and  $[2 - (-3)]$

$= 6, 6, 8$

$$\therefore a_2 = 6, b_2 = 6, c_2 = 8$$

Now,

$$\cos \theta = \frac{|a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2|}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{|3 \times 6 + 3 \times 6 + 4 \times 8|}{\sqrt{3^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} \sqrt{6^2 + 6^2 + 8^2}}$$

$$= \frac{|18 + 18 + 32|}{\sqrt{9 + 9 + 16} \sqrt{36 + 36 + 64}}$$

$$= \frac{68}{\sqrt{34} \sqrt{136}}$$

$$= \frac{68}{\sqrt{34} \sqrt{4 \times 34}}$$

$$= \frac{68}{\sqrt{34} \sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{34}}$$

$$= \frac{68}{\sqrt{34} \sqrt{34} \times \sqrt{4}}$$

$$= \frac{68}{34 \times 2}$$

$$= \frac{68}{68} = 1$$

[2]

$\therefore \cos \theta = 1$   
So,  $\theta = 0^\circ$

Therefore, angle between AB and CD is  $0^\circ$ . [1]

**Q. 12.** Find the equation of the plane through the intersection of the planes  $3x - y + 2z - 4 = 0$  and  $x + y + z - 2 = 0$  and the point (2, 2, 1).

[NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 9, Page 493]

**Ans.** Equation of a plane passing through the intersection of planes

$A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$  and  $A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$

And through the point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  is

$(A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1) + \lambda(A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2) = 0$

Given that, plane passes through

**For :**

$3x - y + 2z - 4 = 0$

i.e.  $3x + (-1)y + 2z = 4$

Comparing with

$A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$

$A_1 = 3, B_1 = -1, C_1 = 2, d_1 = 4$

**For :**

$x + y + z - 2 = 0$

i.e.  $1x + 1y + 1z = 2$

Comparing with

$A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2,$

$A_2 = 1, B_2 = 1, C_2 = 1, d_2 = 2$

Equation of plane is :

$(3x - 1y + 2z - 4) + \lambda(1x + 1y + 1z - 2) = 0$

$3x - y + 2z - 4 + \lambda x + \lambda y + \lambda z - 2\lambda = 0$

$(3 + \lambda)x + (-1 + \lambda)y + (2 + \lambda)z + (-4 - 2\lambda) = 0$  ... (i)

We now find the value of  $\lambda$

The plane passes through (2, 2, 1)

Putting (2, 2, 1) in (i), we have

$(3 + \lambda)x + (-1 + \lambda)y + (2 + \lambda)z + (-4 - 2\lambda) = 0$

$(3 + \lambda) \times 2 + (-1 + \lambda) \times 2 + (2 + \lambda) \times 1 + (-4 - 2\lambda) = 0$

$6 + 2\lambda - 2 + 2\lambda + 2 + \lambda - 4 - 2\lambda = 0$

$3\lambda + 2 = 0$

$3\lambda = -2$

$\therefore \lambda = \frac{-2}{3}$

Putting value of  $\lambda$  in Eq. (1), we have

$(3 + \lambda)x + (-1 + \lambda)y + (2 + \lambda)z + (-4 - 2\lambda) = 0$

$\left[3 + \left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)\right]x + \left[-1 + \left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)\right]y + \left[2 + \left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)\right]z$

$+ \left[(-4) - 2 \times \frac{-2}{3}\right] = 0$

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

$\frac{7x}{3} - \frac{5y}{3} + \frac{4z}{3} - \frac{8}{3} = 0$

$\frac{1}{3}(7x - 5y + 4z - 8) = 0$

$7x - 5y + 4z - 8 = 0$

$\therefore$  The equation of plane is  $7x - 5y + 4z - 8 = 0$  [2]

**Q. 13.** Find the vector equation of the plane passing through the intersection of the planes  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) = 7$ ,  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 9$  and through the point (2, 1, 3). [NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 10, Page 493]

**Ans.** The vector equation of plane passing through the intersection of planes  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n}_1 = d_1$  and  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n}_2 = d_2$ , and also passes through the point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  is  $\vec{r} \cdot (\vec{n}_1 + \lambda \vec{n}_2) = d_1 + \lambda d_2$

Given that, the plane passes through

(i)  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) = 7$

Comparing with  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n}_1 = d_1$ ,

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

and  $d_1 = 7$

(ii)  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 9$

Comparing with  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n}_2 = d_2$ ,

$\vec{n}_2 = 2\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

and  $d_2 = 9$

So, equation of plane is :

$\vec{r} \cdot [(2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})] = 7 + \lambda \cdot 9$

$\vec{r} \cdot [2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} + 2\lambda\hat{i} + 5\lambda\hat{j} + 3\lambda\hat{k}] = 7 + 9\lambda$

$\vec{r} \cdot [(2 + 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (2 + 5\lambda)\hat{j} + (-3 + 3\lambda)\hat{k}] = 9\lambda + 7$  ... (i)

Now, to find  $\lambda$ , put  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$

$(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot [(2 + 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (2 + 5\lambda)\hat{j} + (-3 + 3\lambda)\hat{k}]$

$= 9\lambda + 7$

$x(2 + 2\lambda) + y(2 + 5\lambda) + z(-3 + 3\lambda)$

$= 9\lambda + 7$  ... (ii)

The plane passes through (2, 1, 3)

Putting (2, 1, 3) in Eq. (ii),

$2(2 + 2\lambda) + 1(2 + 5\lambda) + 3(-3 + 3\lambda) = 9\lambda + 7$

$4 + 4\lambda + 2 + 5\lambda + (-9) + 9\lambda = 9\lambda + 7$

$18\lambda - 9\lambda = 7 + 3$

$9\lambda = 10$

$\therefore \lambda = \frac{10}{9}$  [2]

Putting value of  $\lambda$  in Eq. (i),

$\vec{r} \cdot \left[ \left(2 + 2 \cdot \frac{10}{9}\right)\hat{i} + \left(2 + 5 \cdot \frac{10}{9}\right)\hat{j} + \left(-3 + 3 \cdot \frac{10}{9}\right)\hat{k} \right] = 9 \cdot \frac{10}{9} + 7$

$\vec{r} \cdot \left[ \left(2 + \frac{20}{9}\right)\hat{i} + \left(2 + \frac{50}{9}\right)\hat{j} + \left(-3 + \frac{30}{9}\right)\hat{k} \right] = 10 + 7$

$\vec{r} \cdot \left[ \frac{30}{9}\hat{i} + \frac{68}{9}\hat{j} + \frac{3}{9}\hat{k} \right] = 17$

$\frac{1}{9}\vec{r} \cdot (38\hat{i} + 68\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 17$

$\vec{r} \cdot (38\hat{i} + 68\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 17 \times 9$

$\vec{r} \cdot (38\hat{i} + 68\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 153$

Therefore, the vector equation of the required plane is  $\vec{r} \cdot (38\hat{i} + 68\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 153$ . [1]

**Q. 14.** In the following cases, find the coordinates of the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the origin.

(a)  $2x + 3y + 4z - 12 = 0$

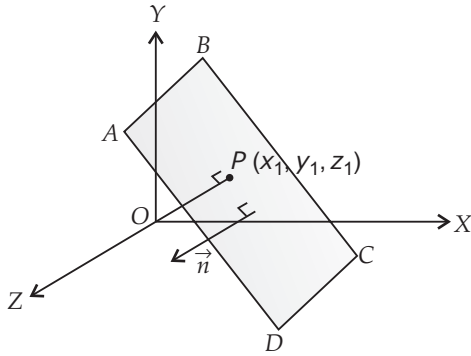
(b)  $3y + 4z - 6 = 0$

(c)  $x + y + z = 1$

(d)  $5y + 8 = 0$

[NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 4, Page 493]

**Ans.** (a) Assume a point P  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  on the given plane.



Since perpendicular to plane is parallel to normal vector.

Vector  $\overline{OP}$  is parallel to normal vector  $\vec{n}$  to the plane.

Given equation of plane is :

$$2x + 3y + 4z - 12 = 0$$

$$2x + 3y + 4z = 12$$

Since,  $\overline{OP}$  and  $\vec{n}$  are parallel and their direction ratios are proportional.

**Finding direction ratios :**

(i)  $\overline{OP} = x_1\hat{i} + y_1\hat{j} + z_1\hat{k}$

Direction ratios =  $x_1, y_1, z_1$

$$\therefore a_1 = x_1, \quad b_1 = y_1, \quad c_1 = z_1$$

(ii)  $\vec{n} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

Direction ratios = 2, 3, 4

$$\therefore a_2 = 2, \quad b_2 = 3, \quad c_2 = 4$$

Direction ratios are proportional.

So,

$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2} = k$$

$$\frac{x_1}{2} = \frac{y_1}{3} = \frac{z_1}{4} = k$$

$$x_1 = 2k, \quad y_1 = 3k, \quad z_1 = 4k$$

Also, point  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  lies in the plane.

Putting  $P(2k, 3k, 4k)$  in

$$2x + 3y + 4z = 12,$$

$$2(2k) + 3(3k) + 4(4k) = 12$$

$$4k + 9k + 16k = 12$$

$$29k = 12$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{12}{29}$$

So,  $x_1 = 2k = 2 \times \frac{12}{29} = \frac{24}{29}$

$$y_1 = 3k = 3 \times \frac{12}{29} = \frac{36}{29}$$

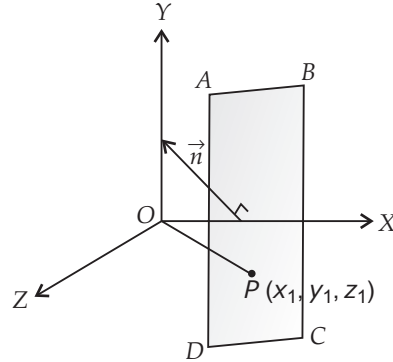
and  $z_1 = 4k = 4 \times \frac{12}{29} = \frac{48}{29}$

Therefore, coordinate of foot of perpendicular are

$$\left( \frac{24}{29}, \frac{36}{29}, \frac{48}{29} \right).$$

[3]

(b) Assume a point  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  on the given plane.



Since perpendicular to plane is parallel to the normal vector.

Vector  $\overline{OP}$  is parallel to normal vector  $\vec{n}$  to the plane.

Given equation of plane is :

$$3y + 4z - 6 = 0$$

$$3y + 4z = 6$$

$$0x + 3y + 4z = 6$$

Since,  $\overline{OP}$  and  $\vec{n}$  are parallel and their direction ratios are proportional.

**Finding direction ratios :**

$$\overline{OP} = x_1\hat{i} + y_1\hat{j} + z_1\hat{k} \quad \left| \quad \vec{n} = 0\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k} \right.$$

Direction ratios =  $x_1, y_1, z_1$  | Direction ratios = 0, 3, 4

$$\therefore a_1 = x_1, \quad b_1 = y_1, \quad c_1 = z_1 \quad \left| \quad \therefore a_2 = 0, \quad b_2 = 3, \quad c_2 = 4 \right.$$

Direction ratios are proportional.

So,  $\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2} = k$

$$\frac{x_1}{0} = \frac{y_1}{3} = \frac{z_1}{4} = k$$

$$x_1 = 0, \quad y_1 = 3k, \quad z_1 = 4k$$

Also, point  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  lies in the given plane.

Putting  $P(0, 3k, 4k)$  in

$$0x + 3y + 4z = 6,$$

$$0(k) + 3(3k) + 4(4k) = 6$$

$$25k = 6$$

$$k = \frac{6}{25}$$

So,  $x_1 = 0$

$$y_1 = 3k = 3 \times \frac{6}{25} = \frac{18}{25}$$

$$z_1 = 4k = 4 \times \frac{6}{25} = \frac{24}{25}$$

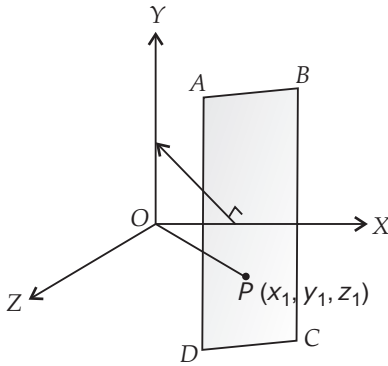
Therefore, coordinates of foot of perpendicular are

$$\left( 0, \frac{18}{25}, \frac{24}{25} \right).$$

[3]

(c) Assume a point  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  on the plane.





Since perpendicular to plane is parallel to the normal vector.

Vector  $\overline{OP}$  is parallel to normal vector  $\vec{n}$  to the plane.

Given that, equation of plane is :

$$x + y + z = 1$$

$$1x + 1y + 1z = 1$$

Since,  $\overline{OP}$  and  $\vec{n}$  are parallel and their direction ratios are proportional.

**Finding direction ratios :**

$$\overline{OP} = x_1\hat{i} + y_1\hat{j} + z_1\hat{k} \quad \vec{n} = 1\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Direction ratios} = x_1, y_1, z_1 \quad \text{Direction ratios} = 1, 1, 1$$

$$\therefore a_1 = x_1, b_1 = y_1, c_1 = z_1 \quad \therefore a_2 = 1, b_2 = 1, c_2 = 1$$

Direction ratios are proportional.

$$\text{So, } \frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2} = k$$

$$\frac{x_1}{1} = \frac{y_1}{1} = \frac{z_1}{1} = k$$

$$x_1 = y_1 = z_1 = k$$

Also, point  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  lies in the given plane.

Putting  $P(k, k, k)$  in

$$x + y + z = 1,$$

$$k + k + k = 1$$

$$3k = 1$$

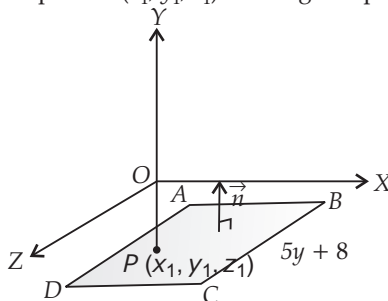
$$\therefore k = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{So, } x_1 = k = \frac{1}{3}, y_1 = k = \frac{1}{3}, z_1 = k = \frac{1}{3}$$

Therefore, coordinates of foot of perpendicular are

$$\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right) \quad [3]$$

(d) Assume a point  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  on the given plane.



Since perpendicular to plane is parallel to the normal vector.

Vector  $\overline{OP}$  is parallel to the normal vector  $\vec{n}$  to the plane.

Given that, equation of plane :

$$5y + 8 = 0$$

$$5y = -8$$

$$-5y = 8$$

$$0x - 5y + 0z = 8$$

Since,  $\overline{OP}$  and  $\vec{n}$  are parallel and their direction ratios are proportional.

**Finding direction ratios :**

$$\overline{OP} = x_1\hat{i} + y_1\hat{j} + z_1\hat{k} \quad \vec{n} = 0\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Direction ratios} = x_1, y_1, z_1 \quad \text{Direction ratios} = 0, -5, 0$$

$$\therefore a_1 = x_1, b_1 = y_1, c_1 = z_1 \quad \therefore a_2 = 0, b_2 = -5, c_2 = 0$$

Since direction ratios are proportional.

$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2}$$

$$\frac{x_1}{0} = \frac{y_1}{-5} = \frac{z_1}{0} = k$$

$$x_1 = 0, y_1 = -5k, z_1 = 0$$

Also, point  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  lies in the given plane.

Putting  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  in

$$0x - 5y + 0z = 8,$$

$$0x_1 - 5y_1 + 0z_1 = 8,$$

$$-5(-5k) = 8$$

$$25k = 8$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{8}{25}$$

$$\text{So, } x_1 = 0$$

$$y_1 = -5k = -5 \times \frac{8}{25} = \frac{-8}{5}$$

$$z_1 = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Coordinate of foot of perpendicular} = \left(0, \frac{-8}{5}, 0\right) \quad [3]$$

**Q. 15.** Find the equation of the plane which contains the line of intersection of the planes  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - 4 = 0$ ,  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 5 = 0$  and which is perpendicular to the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) + 8 = 0$ .

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 17, Page 498]

**Ans.** Equation of a plane passing through the intersection of the planes  $A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$  and  $A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$  is

$$(A_1x + B_1y + C_1z - d_1) + \lambda(A_2x + B_2y + C_2z - d_2) = 0$$

Converting equation of planes to Cartesian form to find  $A_1, B_1, C_1, d_1$  and  $A_2, B_2, C_2, d_2$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 5 = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - 4 = 0$$

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

$$\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = -5$$

$$-\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 5$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (-2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5$$

$$\text{Putting } \vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k},$$

$$\text{Putting } \vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \\ \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \end{array} \right] = 4$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} (x \times 1) + (y \times 2) \\ + (z \times 3) \end{array} \right] = 4$$

$$1x + 2y + 3z = 4$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \\ \cdot (-2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \end{array} \right] = 5$$

$$(x \times -2) + (y \times -1) + (z \times 1) = 5$$

$$-2x - 1y + 1z = 5$$

Comparing with $A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$ $A_1 = 1, B_1 = 2, C_1 = 3,$ $d_1 = 4$	Comparing with $A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$ $A_2 = -2, B_2 = -1, C_2 = 1,$ $d_2 = 5$
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Equation of plane is :  
 $(A_1x + B_1y + C_1z - d_1) + \lambda(A_2x + B_2y + C_2z - d_2) = 0$   
 Putting values, we have  
 $(1x + 2y + 3z - 4) + \lambda(-2x - 1y + 1z - 5) = 0$   
 $(1 - 2\lambda)x + (2 - \lambda)y + (3 + \lambda)z + (-4 - 5\lambda) = 0 \dots(i)$   
 Now, the plane is perpendicular to the plane  
 $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) + 8 = 0.$

So, normal to plane  $\vec{N}$  will be perpendicular to normal  $\vec{n}$  of  $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) + 8 = 0.$

Now,  
 $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) + 8 = 0$   
 $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) = -8$   
 $-\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) = 8$   
 $\vec{r} \cdot (-5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) = 8 \quad [1\frac{1}{2}]$

As we know that, if two lines with direction ratios  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  and  $a_2, b_2, c_2$  are perpendicular then  $a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$

Finding direction cosines of  $\vec{N}$  and  $\vec{n}$

$\vec{N} = (1 - 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (2 - \lambda)\hat{j} + (3 + \lambda)\hat{k}$ Direction ratios = $1 - 2\lambda,$ $2 - \lambda, 3 + \lambda$ $\therefore a_1 = 1 - 2\lambda,$ $b_1 = 2 - \lambda,$ $c_1 = 3 + \lambda$	$\vec{n} = -5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ Direction ratios = $-5, -3, 6$ $\therefore a_2 = -5,$ $b_2 = -3,$ $c_2 = 6$
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Since,  $\vec{N}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{n}$

$$(1 - 2\lambda) \times -5 + (2 - \lambda) \times -3 + (3 + \lambda) \times 6 = 0$$

$$-5 + 10\lambda - 6 + 3\lambda + 18 + 6\lambda = 0$$

$$19\lambda + 7 = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{-7}{19}$$

Putting value of  $\lambda$  in Eq. (i), we have

$$(1 - 2\lambda)x + (2 - \lambda)y + (3 + \lambda)z + (-4 - 5\lambda) = 0$$

$$\left(1 - 2 \times \frac{-7}{19}\right)x + \left[2 - \left(\frac{-7}{19}\right)\right]y + \left[3 + \left(\frac{-7}{19}\right)\right]z + \left(-4 - 5 \times \frac{-7}{19}\right) = 0$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{14}{19}\right)x + \left(1 + \frac{7}{19}\right)y + \left(3 - \frac{7}{19}\right)z + \left(-4 + \frac{35}{19}\right) = 0$$

$$\frac{33}{19}x + \frac{45}{19}y + \frac{50}{19}z - \frac{41}{19} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{19}(33x + 45y + 50z - 41) = 0$$

$$33x + 45y + 50z - 41 = 0$$

Therefore, the equation of the plane is  $33x + 45y + 50z = 41.$  [1½]

**Q. 16.** Find the distance of the point  $(-1, -5, -10)$  from the point of intersection of the line  $\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  and the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5.$  [NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 18, Page 499]

**Ans.** Given, the equation of line is  
 $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$   
 And the equation of the plane is  
 $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5$

To find point of intersection of line and plane, Putting value of  $\vec{r}$  from equation of line into equation of plane,

$$\left[ (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \right] \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5$$

$$\left[ (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k} + 3\lambda\hat{i} + 4\lambda\hat{j} + 2\lambda\hat{k}) \right] \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5$$

$$\left[ (2 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} + (-1 + 4\lambda)\hat{j} + (2 + 2\lambda)\hat{k} \right] \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5$$

$$(2 + 3\lambda) \times 1 + (-1 + 4\lambda) \times (-1) + (2 + 2\lambda) \times 1 = 5 \quad [1\frac{1}{2}]$$

$$2 + 3\lambda + 1 - 4\lambda + 2 + 2\lambda = 5$$

$$\lambda + 5 = 5$$

$$\lambda = 5 - 5$$

$$\lambda = 0$$

So, the equation of line is :

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

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

Let the point of intersection be  $(x, y, z).$

$$\text{So, } \vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$$

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

$$\text{Hence, } x = 2, y = -1, z = 2$$

Therefore, the point of intersection is  $(2, -1, 2).$

Now, the distance between two points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$

and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  is  $\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}.$

Distance between  $(2, -1, 2)$  and  $(-1, -5, -10)$

$$= \sqrt{(-1 - 2)^2 + (-5 + 1)^2 + (-10 - 2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-4)^2 + (-12)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9 + 16 + 144}$$

$$= \sqrt{169}$$

$$= 13.$$

[1½]

**Q. 17.** Find the vector equation of the line passing through  $(1, 2, 3)$  and parallel to the planes

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 5 \text{ and } \vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 6.$$

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 19, Page 499]

**Ans.** The vector equation of a line passing through a point with position vector  $\vec{a}$  and parallel to a vector  $\vec{b}$  is

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda\vec{b}$$

Given that, the line passes through the point  $(1, 2, 3).$

$$\text{So, } \vec{a} = 1\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

Given that, line is parallel to both planes.

$\therefore$  Line is perpendicular to normal of both planes.

i.e.  $\vec{b}$  is perpendicular to normal of both planes.

We know that,

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \text{ is perpendicular to both } \vec{a} \text{ and } \vec{b}.$$

So,  $\vec{b}$  is the cross-product of normal of planes

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 5 \text{ and } \vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 6.$$

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

$$= \hat{i}(-1(1) - 1(2)) - \hat{j}(1(1) - 3(2))$$

$$+ \hat{k}(1(1) - 3(-1))$$

$$= \hat{i}(-1 - 2) - \hat{j}(1 - 6) + \hat{k}(1 + 3)$$

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

Thus,  $\vec{b} = -3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

Now, putting value of  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  in formula

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda\vec{b}$$

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

Therefore, the equation of the line is  $(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(-3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$ . [3]

**Q. 18.** Find the vector equation of the line passing through the point (1, 2, -4) and perpendicular to the two lines :

$$\frac{x-8}{3} = \frac{y+19}{-16} = \frac{z-10}{7} \text{ and } \frac{x-15}{3} = \frac{y-29}{8} = \frac{z-5}{-5}$$

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 20, Page 499]

**Ans.** The vector equation of a line passing through a point with position vector  $\vec{a}$  and parallel to a vector  $\vec{b}$  is

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda\vec{b}$$

The line passes through the point (1, 2, -4)

$$\text{So, } \vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

Given that, line is perpendicular to both lines.

$\therefore \vec{b}$  is perpendicular to both lines.

We know that,

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \text{ is perpendicular to both } \vec{a} \text{ and } \vec{b}.$$

So,  $\vec{b}$  is the cross-product of both lines  $\frac{x-8}{3} = \frac{y+19}{-16} = \frac{z-10}{7}$  and  $\frac{x-15}{3} = \frac{y-29}{8} = \frac{z-5}{-5}$ .

$$\text{Required normal} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & -16 & 7 \\ 3 & 8 & -5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(-16(-5) - 8(7)) - \hat{j}(3(-5) - 3(7)) + \hat{k}(3(8) - 3(-16))$$

$$= \hat{i}(80 - 56) - \hat{j}(-15 - 21) + \hat{k}(24 + 48)$$

$$= 24\hat{i} + 36\hat{j} + 72\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \vec{b} = 24\hat{i} + 36\hat{j} + 72\hat{k}$$

Now,

Putting value of  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  in formula

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda\vec{b}$$

$$\therefore \vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(24\hat{i} + 36\hat{j} + 72\hat{k})$$

$$= (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

$$= (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

Therefore, the equation of the line is  $(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$ . [3]

**Q. 19.** Find the shortest distance between the lines

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

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

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**Ans.** Here,

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

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

Now,

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

Also,

$$\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & -5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = (-10 + 12)\hat{i} - (-5 + 6)\hat{j} + (4 - 4)\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{4 + 1} = \sqrt{5}$$

[2]

So, the shortest distance is given by

$$d = \frac{|(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} = \frac{|(2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \cdot (-3\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})|}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$= \frac{|-6|}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}} \text{ units}$$

[2]

**Q. 20.** If O be the origin and the coordinates of P be (1, 2, -3), then find the equation of the plane passing through P and perpendicular to OP.

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 16, Page 498]

**Ans.** Equation of plane passing through  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and perpendicular to a line with direction ratios A, B, C is

$$A(x - x_1) + B(y - y_1) + C(z - z_1) = 0$$

The plane passes through P (1, 2, -3)

$$\text{So, } x_1 = 1, y_1 = 2 \text{ and } z_1 = -3$$

Normal vector to plane =  $\vec{OP}$

where O (0, 0, 0), P (1, 2, -3)

Direction ratios of  $\vec{OP} = 1 - 0, 2 - 0, -3 - 0$

$$= 1, 2, -3$$

[2]

$$\therefore A = 1, B = 2, \text{ and } C = -3$$

Equation of plane in Cartesian form is given by

$$1(x - 1) + 2(y - 2) + (-3)[z - (-3)] = 0$$

$$x - 1 + 2y - 4 - 3(z + 3) = 0$$

$$x - 1 + 2y - 4 - 3z - 9 = 0$$

$$x + 2y - 3z - 14 = 0$$

[1]

**Q. 21.** Find the vector and Cartesian equations of the planes

(a) that passes through the point (1, 0, -2) and the normal to the plane is  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ .

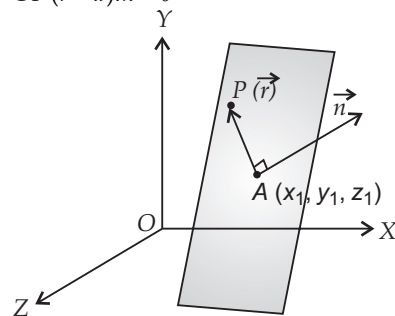
(b) that passes through the point (1, 4, 6) and the normal vector to the plane is  $\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ .

[NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 5, Page 493]

**Ans.** (a) Vector equation of a plane passing through a point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and perpendicular to a line with direction ratios A, B, C is :

$$[\vec{r} - (x_1\hat{i} + y_1\hat{j} + z_1\hat{k})] \cdot (A\hat{i} + B\hat{j} + C\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\text{Or } (\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$



$\vec{AP}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{n}$ .

So,  $\overrightarrow{AP} \cdot \vec{n} = 0$

$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$

**Vector Equation**

Equation of plane passing through point A whose position vector is  $\vec{a}$  and perpendicular to  $\vec{n}$  is :

$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$

Given that,

Plane passes through (1, 0, -2).

So,  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 0\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

Normal to plane  $= \hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$   
 $= \vec{n} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$

Vector equation of plane is :

$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$

$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})] \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 0$

$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} - 2\hat{k})] \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 0$

**Cartesian Form (Method 1) :**

Vector equation is :

$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} - 2\hat{k})] \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 0$

Put  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$

$[(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})] \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 0$

$[(x-1)\hat{i} + (y-0)\hat{j} + (z-(-2))\hat{k}] \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 0$

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

$x - 1 + y - z - 2 = 0$

$x + y - z = 3$

So that, the equation of plane in Cartesian form will be,

$x + y - z = 3$

**Cartesian Form (Method 2) :**

Equation of plane passing through  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and perpendicular to a line with direction ratios  $A, B, C$  is :

$A(x - x_1) + B(y - y_1) + C(z - z_1) = 0$

Since the plane passes through (1, 0, -2)

$x_1 = 1, y_1 = 0$  and  $z_1 = -2$

And normal is  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$

So, direction ratios of line perpendicular to plane = (1, 1, -1)

$\therefore A = 1, B = 1$  and  $C = -1$

Therefore, equation of line in Cartesian form is :

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

$x + y - z = 3$  [3]

**(b) Vector Equation**

Equation of plane passing through point A whose position vector is  $\vec{a}$  and perpendicular to  $\vec{n}$  is :

$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$

Given that,

Plane passes through (1, 4, 6).

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

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

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

Vector equation of plane is :

$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$

$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})] \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 0$

**Cartesian Form (Method 1) :**

Vector equation is :

$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})] \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 0$

Put  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$

$[(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})] \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 0$

$[(x-1)\hat{i} + (y-4)\hat{j} + (z-6)\hat{k}] \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 0$

$1(x-1) + (-2)(y-4) + 1(z-6) = 0$

$x - 1 + 2(y - 4) + z - 6 = 0$

$x - 2y + z + 1 = 0$

$\therefore$  Equation of plane in Cartesian form is  $(x - 2y + z + 1 = 0)$ .

**Cartesian Form (Method 2) :**

Equation of plane passing through  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and perpendicular to a line with direction ratios  $A, B, C$  is :

$A(x - x_1) + B(y - y_1) + C(z - z_1) = 0$

Since the plane passes through (1, 4, 6).

$x_1 = 1, y_1 = 4$  and  $z_1 = 6$

And normal plane is  $\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

So, direction ratios of line perpendicular to plane = (1, -2, 1)

$\therefore A = 1, B = -2$  and  $C = 1$

So that, equations of line in Cartesian form is :

$1(x - 1) - 2(y - 4) + 1(z - 6) = 0$

$x - 2y + z + 1 = 0$

[3]

**Q. 22. Find the vector equation of a plane which is at a distance of 7 units from the origin and normal to the vector  $3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$ .**

[NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 2, Page 493]

**Ans.** Vector equation of a plane at a distance 'd' from the origin and normal to the vector  $\vec{n}$  is

$\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = d$

Unit vector of  $\vec{n} = \hat{n} = \frac{1}{|\vec{n}|}(\vec{n})$

Distance from origin =  $d = 7$

$\vec{n} = 3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$

Magnitude of  $\vec{n} = \sqrt{3^2 + 5^2 + (-6)^2}$   
 $|\vec{n}| = \sqrt{9 + 25 + 36} = \sqrt{70}$

[1]

Now,  $\hat{n} = \frac{1}{|\vec{n}|}(\vec{n}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{70}}(3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) = \frac{3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{70}}$

Vector equation is :

$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = d$

$\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{70}} \right) = 7$

So that, the vector equation of the plane is :

$\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{70}} \right) = 7$

[2]

**Q. 23. Find the shortest distance between the lines**

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

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

[NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 14, Page 478]

**Ans.** Shortest distance between the lines with vector equations,

$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$  and  $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$

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

Given that,

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \\ + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \end{array} \right] \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \\ + \mu(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \end{array} \right]$$

Comparing with

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}_1,$$

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

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

Now,

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} &= \hat{i}[-(1 \times 2) - (1 \times 1)] - \hat{j}[1(2) - (2 \times 1)] + \hat{k}[(1 \times 1) \\ &\quad - (2 \times -1)] \\ &= \hat{i}[-2 - 1] - \hat{j}[2 - 2] + \hat{k}[1 + 2] \\ &= -3\hat{i} - 0\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

[1]

Magnitude of  $(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (0)^2 + 3^2}$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{9+0+9} = \sqrt{18} = \sqrt{9 \times 2} = 3\sqrt{2}$$

Also,

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, shortest distance} &= \frac{(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \\ &= \frac{-9}{3\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

So that, the shortest distance between the given two lines is  $\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$ . [2]

**Q. 24. Find the vector and the Cartesian equations of the lines that pass through the origin and (5, -2, 3).**

[NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 8, Page 477]

**Ans.** Vector Equation

Vector equation of a line passing through two points with position vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is :

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda(\vec{b} - \vec{a})$$

Given that,

Let two points be A (0, 0, 0) and B (5, -2, 3).

$$A(0, 0, 0) \quad | \quad B(5, -2, 3)$$

$$\vec{a} = 0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k} \quad | \quad \vec{b} = 5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\text{So, } \vec{r} = (0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}) + \lambda[(5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - (0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k})]$$

$$\vec{r} = \lambda[(5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})] \quad [1\frac{1}{2}]$$

**Cartesian Equation**

Cartesian equation of a line passing through two points A ( $x_1, y_1, z_1$ ) and B ( $x_2, y_2, z_2$ ) is

$$= \frac{x-x_1}{x_2-x_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{y_2-y_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{z_2-z_1}$$

Since the line passes through A (0, 0, 0)

$$x_1 = 0, y_1 = 0 \text{ and } z_1 = 0$$

And also passes through B (5, -2, 3),

$$x_2 = 5, y_2 = -2 \text{ and } z_2 = 3$$

Equation of line is :

$$= \frac{x-0}{5-0} = \frac{y-0}{-2-0} = \frac{z-0}{3-0}$$

$$\frac{x}{5} = \frac{y}{-2} = \frac{z}{3}$$

[1½]

**Q. 25. Find the vector and the Cartesian equations of the line that passes through the points (3, -2, -5), (3, -2, 6).** [NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 9, Page 478]

**Ans.** Vector Equation

Vector equation of a line passing through two points with position vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is :

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda(\vec{b} - \vec{a})$$

Given, the two points are

$$A(3, -2, -5) \quad | \quad B(3, -2, 6)$$

$$\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} \quad | \quad \vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r} &= (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + \lambda[(3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) - (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})] \\ &= 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} + \lambda[(3-3)\hat{i} + (-2-(-2))\hat{j} + (6-(-5))\hat{k}] \\ &= 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} + \lambda[0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 11\hat{k}] \\ &= 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} + \lambda(11\hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

So that, the vector equation is  $\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} + \lambda(11\hat{k})$  [1½]

**Cartesian Equation**

Cartesian equation of a line passing through two points A ( $x_1, y_1, z_1$ ) and B ( $x_2, y_2, z_2$ ) is :

$$\frac{x-x_1}{x_2-x_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{y_2-y_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{z_2-z_1}$$

Since the line passes through point A (3, -2, -5)

$$x_1 = 3, y_1 = -2 \text{ and } z_1 = -5$$

And also passes through point B (3, -2, 6)

$$x_2 = 3, y_2 = -2 \text{ and } z_2 = 6$$

$$\text{Equation of line is } \frac{x-3}{3-3} = \frac{y-(-2)}{-2-(-2)} = \frac{z-(-5)}{6-(-5)}$$

$$\frac{x-3}{0} = \frac{y+2}{0} = \frac{z+5}{11}$$

[1½]

**Q. 26. Find the angle between the following pairs of lines :**

(i)  $\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + \hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$

and  $\vec{r} = 7\hat{i} - 6\hat{k} + \mu(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

(ii)  $\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k} + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$  and

$\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 56\hat{k} + \mu(3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$

[NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 10, Page 478]

**Ans.** (i) Angle between two vectors :

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}_1$$

And  $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$  is given by

$$\cos\theta = \frac{|\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2|}{|\vec{b}_1||\vec{b}_2|}$$

Given that, the pair of lines is :

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \\ + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{l} \vec{r} = (7\hat{i} - 6\hat{k}) \\ + \mu(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{So, } \vec{a}_1 = 2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + \hat{k} \quad \text{So, } \vec{a}_2 = 7\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} \quad \vec{b}_2 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

Now,

$$\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2 = (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$= (3 \times 1) + (2 \times 2) + (6 \times 2) = 3 + 4 + 12 = 19$$

Magnitude of  $\vec{b}_1 = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2}$

$$|\vec{b}_1| = \sqrt{9 + 4 + 36} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

Magnitude of  $\vec{b}_2 = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2}$

$$|\vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{1 + 4 + 4} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

Now,

$$\cos\theta = \frac{|\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2|}{|\vec{b}_1||\vec{b}_2|} = \frac{19}{7 \times 3} = \frac{19}{21}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{19}{21}\right)$$

So that, the angle between the given vectors is

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{19}{21}\right) \quad [1\frac{1}{2}]$$

(ii) Angle between two vectors,

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \vec{b}_1$$

And  $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$  is given by

$$\cos\theta = \frac{|\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2|}{|\vec{b}_1||\vec{b}_2|}$$

Given that, the pair of lines is :

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \\ + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{l} \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 56\hat{k}) \\ + \mu(3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{So, } \vec{a}_1 = 3\hat{i} - 1\hat{j} - 2\hat{k} \quad \text{So, } \vec{a}_2 = 2\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} - 56\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 = \hat{i} - 1\hat{j} - 2\hat{k} \quad \vec{b}_2 = 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

Now,

$$\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2 = (\hat{i} - 1\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$$

$$= (1 \times 3) + (-1 \times -5) + (-2 \times -4) = 3 + 5 + 8 = 16$$

Magnitude of  $\vec{b}_1 = \sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2 + (-2)^2}$

$$|\vec{b}_1| = \sqrt{1 + 1 + 4} = \sqrt{6}$$

Magnitude of  $\vec{b}_2 = \sqrt{3^2 + (-5)^2 + (-4)^2}$

$$|\vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{9 + 25 + 16} = \sqrt{50} = \sqrt{25 \times 2} = 5\sqrt{2}$$

Now,

$$\cos\theta = \frac{|\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2|}{|\vec{b}_1||\vec{b}_2|} = \frac{16}{\sqrt{6} \times 5\sqrt{2}} = \frac{16}{\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2} \times 5 \times \sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{16}{\sqrt{3} \times 2 \times 5} = \frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

So that, the angle between the given vectors is

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}}\right) \quad [1\frac{1}{2}]$$

Q. 27. Find the angle between the following pair of lines :

(i)  $\frac{x-2}{2} = \frac{y-1}{5} = \frac{z-3}{-3}$  and  $\frac{x+2}{-1} = \frac{y-4}{8} = \frac{z-5}{4}$

(ii)  $\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{1}$  and  $\frac{x-5}{4} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \frac{z-3}{8}$

[NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 11, Page 478]

Ans. (i) Angle between the pair of lines :

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1}$$

And  $\frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2}$  is given by

$$\cos\theta = \frac{|a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2|}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}}$$

$$\frac{x-2}{2} = \frac{y-1}{5} = \frac{z+3}{-3}$$

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

Comparing with

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1}$$

$$x_1 = 2, \quad y_1 = 1, \quad z_1 = -3$$

$$\text{And } a_1 = 2, \quad b_1 = 5, \quad c_1 = -3$$

$$\frac{x+2}{-1} = \frac{y-4}{8} = \frac{z-5}{4}$$

$$\frac{x-(-2)}{-1} = \frac{y-4}{8} = \frac{z-5}{4}$$

Comparing with

$$\frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2}$$

$$x_2 = -2, \quad y_2 = 4, \quad z_2 = 5$$

$$\text{And } a_2 = -1, \quad b_2 = 8, \quad c_2 = 4$$

$$\text{Now, } \cos\theta = \frac{|a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2|}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}}$$

$$= \frac{|(2 \times -1) + (5 \times 8) + (-3 \times 4)|}{\sqrt{2^2 + 5^2 + (-3)^2} \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 8^2 + 4^2}}$$

$$= \frac{|-2 + 40 + (-12)|}{\sqrt{4 + 25 + 9} \sqrt{1 + 64 + 16}}$$

$$= \frac{26}{\sqrt{38} \sqrt{81}}$$

$$= \frac{26}{\sqrt{38} \times 9}$$

$$= \frac{26}{9\sqrt{38}}$$

$$\text{So, } \cos\theta = \frac{26}{9\sqrt{38}}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{26}{9\sqrt{38}}\right)$$

So that, the angle between the given lines is

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{26}{9\sqrt{38}}\right) \quad [1\frac{1}{2}]$$

(ii) Angle between the pair of lines :

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1} \quad \text{And}$$

$$\frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2} \quad \text{is given by}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2}\sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}}$$

$$\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{1} \quad \left| \quad \frac{x-5}{4} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \frac{z-5}{8} \right.$$

$$\frac{x-0}{2} = \frac{y-0}{2} = \frac{z-0}{1}$$

Comparing with

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1} \quad \left| \quad \frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2} \right.$$

$$x_1 = 0, y_1 = 0, z_1 = 0 \quad \text{And } a_2 = 4, b_2 = 1, c_2 = 5$$

$$\text{And } a_1 = 2, b_1 = 2, c_1 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \cos\theta &= \frac{a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2}\sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}} \\ &= \frac{(2 \times 4) + (2 \times 1) + (1 \times 8)}{\sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + 1^2}\sqrt{4^2 + 1^2 + 8^2}} \\ &= \frac{8 + 2 + 8}{\sqrt{4 + 4 + 1}\sqrt{16 + 1 + 64}} \\ &= \frac{18}{\sqrt{9} \times \sqrt{81}} \\ &= \frac{18}{3 \times 9} \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } \cos\theta = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$$

So that, the angle between the given lines is  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$ . [1½]

**Q. 28. Find the value of P so that the lines  $\frac{1-x}{3} = \frac{7y-14}{2p} = \frac{z-3}{2}$  and  $\frac{7-7x}{3p} = \frac{y-5}{1} = \frac{6-z}{5}$  are at right angles.** [NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 12]

**Ans.** Two lines are given by

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2}$$

They are at right angles to each other, if

$$a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$$

$$\frac{1-x}{3} = \frac{7y-14}{2p} = \frac{z-3}{2} \quad \left| \quad \frac{7-7x}{3p} = \frac{y-5}{1} = \frac{6-z}{5} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-(x-1)}{3} &= \frac{7(y-2)}{2p} & \left| \quad \frac{-7(x-1)}{3p} &= \frac{y-5}{1} \\ &= \frac{z-3}{2} & &= \frac{-(z-6)}{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{x-1}{-3} = \frac{y-2}{\frac{2p}{7}} = \frac{z-3}{2} \quad \left| \quad \frac{x-1}{-3p} = \frac{y-5}{1} = \frac{z-6}{-5} \right.$$

Comparing with

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1} \quad \left| \quad \frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2} \right.$$

$$x_1 = 1, y_1 = 2, z_1 = 3$$

Comparing with

$$\frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2}$$

$$x_2 = 1, y_2 = 5, z_2 = 6$$

$$\text{And } a_1 = -3, b_1 = \frac{2p}{7}, \quad \left| \quad \text{And } a_2 = \frac{-3p}{7}, b_2 = 1, \right.$$

$$c_1 = 2 \quad \left| \quad c_2 = -5 \right.$$

Since the lines are perpendicular

$$a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$$

$$\left(-3 \times \frac{-3p}{7}\right) + \left(\frac{2p}{7} \times 1\right) + (2 \times -5) = 0$$

$$\frac{9p}{7} + \frac{2p}{7} - 10 = 0$$

$$\frac{11p}{7} = 10$$

$$p = 10 \times \frac{7}{11}$$

$$p = \frac{70}{11}$$

$$\therefore p = \frac{70}{11} \quad [2]$$

**Q. 29. Find the equation of the line in vector and in Cartesian form that passes through the point with position vector  $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  and is in the direction  $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ .** [NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 5, Page 477]

**Ans.** Equation of a line passing through a point with position vector  $\vec{a}$  and parallel to vector  $\vec{b}$  is

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda\vec{b}$$

Here,

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

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

$$\text{So, } \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

$\therefore$  Equation of line in vector form is

$$(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \quad [1]$$

Equation of a line passing through  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and parallel to a line having direction ratios a, b, c is

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c}$$

Since the lines passes through a point with position vector  $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ ,

$$\therefore x_1 = 2, y_1 = -1 \text{ and } z_1 = 4$$

Also, line is in the direction of  $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ ,

Direction ratios :  $a = 1, b = 2$  and  $c = -1$

Equation of line in Cartesian form is :

$$\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-(-1)}{2} = \frac{z-4}{-1}$$

$$\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z-4}{-1}$$

**Q. 30. Show that the line through the points (1, -1, 2), (3, 4, -2) is perpendicular to the line through the points (0, 3, 2) and (3, 5, 6).** [NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 2, Page 477]

**Ans.** Two lines with direction ratios  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  and  $a_2, b_2, c_2$  are perpendicular to each other if

$$a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$$

Now, a line passing through  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  has the direction ratios :

$$(x_2 - x_1), (y_2 - y_1) \text{ and } (z_2 - z_1) \quad [1]$$

$(x_2 - x_1), (y_2 - y_1) \text{ and } (z_2 - z_1)$

$$A (1, -1, 2)$$

$$B (3, 4, -2)$$

$$C (0, 3, 2)$$

$$D (3, 5, 6)$$

$$\text{Direction ratio:}$$

$$(3-1), 4-(-1), -2-2$$

$$(3-0), (5-3), (6-2)$$

$$\text{Direction ratio:}$$

$$(3-0), (5-3), (6-2)$$

$$= 2, 5, -4 \quad \left| \quad = 3, 2, 4 \right.$$

$$\therefore a_1 = 2, b_1 = 5, c_1 = -4 \quad \left| \quad \therefore a_2 = 3, b_2 = 2, c_2 = 4 \right.$$

Now,

$$a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2 = (2 \times 3) + (5 \times 2) + (-4 \times 4)$$

$$= 6 + 10 + (-16) = 16 - 16 = 0$$

So that the given two lines are perpendicular. [2]

**Q. 31.** Show that the line through the points (4, 7, 8), (2, 3, 4) is parallel to the line through the points (-1, -2, 1), (1, 2, 5). [NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 3, Page 477]

**Ans.** Two lines having direction ratios  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  and  $a_2, b_2, c_2$  are parallel if

$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2}$$

Also, a line passing through  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  has the direction ratios :

$$(x_2 - x_1), (y_2 - y_1) \text{ and } (z_2 - z_1) \quad [1]$$

A (4, 7, 8)	C (-1, -2, 1)
B (2, 3, 4)	B (1, 2, 5)

Direction ratio = 2 - 4, 3 - 7, 4 - 8 = -2, -4, -4	Direction ratio = 1 - (-1), 2 - (-2), 5 - 1 = 2, 4, 4
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$$\therefore a_1 = -2, b_1 = -4, c_1 = -4 \quad \left| \quad \therefore a_2 = 2, b_2 = 4, c_2 = 4 \right.$$

Now,

$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{-2}{2} = -1$$

$$\frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{-4}{4} = -1$$

$$\frac{c_1}{c_2} = \frac{-4}{4} = -1$$

Since

$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2} = -1$$

So that, the given lines are parallel. [2]

**Q. 32.** Prove that the line through A (0, -1, -1) and B (4, 5, 1) intersects the line through C (3, 9, 4) and D (-4, 4, 4). [CBSE Board, Foreign Region, 2016]

**Ans.** Equation of line  $\overline{AB}$

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

Equation of line  $\overline{CD}$

$$\vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) + \mu(-7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j})$$

$$\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = 3\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 4 & 6 & 2 \\ -7 & -5 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

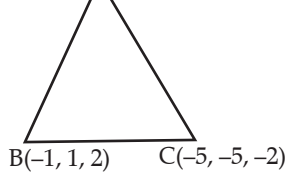
$$= 10\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} + 22\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = 30 - 140 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  Lines intersect [4]

**Q. 33.** Find the direction cosines of the sides of the triangle whose vertices are (3, 5, -4), (-1, 1, 2) and (-5, -5, -2). [NCERT Ex. 11.1, Q. 5, Page 467]

**Ans.** A(3, 5, -4)



Direction ratios of a line passing through two points P  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and Q  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$

$$= (x_2 - x_1), (y_2 - y_1), (z_2 - z_1)$$

Direction cosines

$$= \frac{x_2 - x_1}{PQ}, \frac{y_2 - y_1}{PQ} \text{ and } \frac{z_2 - z_1}{PQ}$$

$$\text{Where, } PQ = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2} \quad [1]$$

**For AB :**

$$A (3, 5, -4)$$

$$B (-1, 1, 2)$$

**Direction Ratios**

$$= -1 - 3, 1 - 5, 2 - (-4)$$

$$= -4, -4, 6$$

$$AB = \sqrt{68}$$

$$= \sqrt{4 \times 17} = 2\sqrt{17}$$

**Direction cosines**

$$= \frac{-4}{2\sqrt{17}}, \frac{-4}{2\sqrt{17}} \text{ and } \frac{6}{2\sqrt{17}}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{17}}, \frac{-2}{\sqrt{17}} \text{ and } \frac{3}{\sqrt{17}}$$

**For BC :**

$$B (-1, 1, 2)$$

$$C (-5, -5, -2)$$

**Direction Ratios**

$$= -5 - (-1), -5 - 1, -2 - 2$$

$$= -4, -6, -4$$

$$BC = \sqrt{68}$$

$$= \sqrt{4 \times 17} = 2\sqrt{17}$$

**Direction cosines**

$$= \frac{-4}{2\sqrt{17}}, \frac{-6}{2\sqrt{17}} \text{ and } \frac{-4}{2\sqrt{17}}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{17}}, \frac{-3}{\sqrt{17}} \text{ and } \frac{-2}{\sqrt{17}}$$

**For CA :**

$$C (-5, -5, -2)$$

$$A (3, 5, -4)$$

**Direction Ratios**

$$= 3 - (-5), 5 - (-5), -4 - (-2)$$

$$= 8, 10, -2$$

$$CA = \sqrt{168}$$

$$= \sqrt{4 \times 42} = 2\sqrt{42}$$

**Direction cosines**

$$= \frac{8}{2\sqrt{42}}, \frac{10}{2\sqrt{42}} \text{ and } \frac{-2}{2\sqrt{42}}$$

$$= \frac{4}{\sqrt{42}}, \frac{5}{\sqrt{42}} \text{ and } \frac{-1}{\sqrt{42}}$$

[2]



**Q. 34.** Find the area of a parallelogram  $ABCD$  whose side  $AB$  and the diagonal  $AC$  are given by the vectors  $3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  and  $4\hat{i} + 5\hat{k}$  respectively.

[CBSE Board, Foreign Region, 2017]

**Ans.**  $\vec{BC} = \vec{AC} - \vec{AB}$   
 $= \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

$$\text{Area } |\vec{AB} \times \vec{BC}| = \text{Magnitude of } \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$= \sqrt{42} \text{ sq. units} \quad [4]$$

**Q. 35.** Find the position vector of a point A in space such that  $\vec{OA}$  is inclined at  $60^\circ$  to  $\vec{OX}$  and at  $45^\circ$  to  $\vec{OY}$  and  $|\vec{OA}| = 10$  units.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 1, Page 235]

**Ans.** Given that  $\vec{OA}$  is inclined at  $60^\circ$  to  $\vec{OX}$  and at  $45^\circ$  to  $\vec{OY}$ .

Let  $\vec{OA}$  makes angle  $\alpha$  with  $\vec{OZ}$ .

$$\therefore \cos^2 60^\circ + \cos^2 45^\circ + \cos^2 \alpha = 1 \quad [\because l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \cos^2 \alpha = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} + \cos^2 \alpha = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \alpha = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \alpha = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \vec{OA} = |\vec{OA}| \left( \frac{1}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j} \pm \frac{1}{2}\hat{k} \right)$$

$$= 10 \left( \frac{1}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j} \pm \frac{1}{2}\hat{k} \right)$$

$$= 5\hat{i} + 5\sqrt{2}\hat{j} \pm 5\hat{k} \quad [3]$$

**Q. 36.** Find the vector equation of the line which is parallel to the vector  $3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$  and which passes through the point  $(1, -2, 3)$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 2, Page 235]

**Ans.** Let  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$  and  $a = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ .

So, vector equation of the line, which is parallel to the vector  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$  and passes through the point  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ , is  $\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda\vec{b}$

$$\therefore \vec{r} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = \lambda(3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)\hat{i} + (y+2)\hat{j} + (z-3)\hat{k} = \lambda(3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \quad [3]$$

**Q. 37.** Show that the lines  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4}$  and  $\frac{x-4}{5} = \frac{y-1}{2} = z$  intersect.

Also, find their point of intersection.  
 [NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 3, Page 235]

**Ans.** We have lines

$$L_1 : \frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4} = \lambda$$

and  $L_2 : \frac{x-4}{5} = \frac{y-1}{2} = z = \mu$

Any point on the line  $L_1$  is  $(2\lambda + 1, 3\lambda + 2, 4\lambda + 3)$ .  
 Any point on the line  $L_2$  is  $(5\mu + 4, 2\mu + 1, \mu)$ .

If lines intersect then there exists a value of  $\lambda, \mu$  for which

$$(2\lambda + 1, 3\lambda + 2, 4\lambda + 3) = (5\mu + 4, 2\mu + 1, \mu)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda + 1 = 5\mu + 4, 3\lambda + 2 = 2\mu + 1 \text{ and } 4\lambda + 3 = \mu$$

Solving first two equations, we get

$$\lambda = -1, \mu = -1$$

These values of  $\lambda = -1, \mu = -1$  also satisfy the third equation.

That means both lines intersect.  
 And the point of intersection is  $(-1, -1, -1)$ . [3]

**Q. 38.** Find the angle between the lines  $\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} + \lambda(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{r} = (2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + \mu(6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 4, Page 235]

**Ans.** We have line,  $\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} + \lambda(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$ , which is parallel to the vector  $\vec{b}_1 = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{r} = (2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + \mu(6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$ , which is parallel to the vector  $\vec{b}_2 = 6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ .

If  $\theta$  is an angle between the lines, then

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2}{|\vec{b}_1| |\vec{b}_2|}$$

$$= \frac{(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})}{|2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}| |6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}|}$$

$$= \frac{|12 + 3 + 4|}{\sqrt{9} \sqrt{49}} = \frac{19}{21}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{19}{21} \quad [3]$$

**Q. 39.** Prove that the line through A  $(0, -1, -1)$  and B  $(4, 5, 1)$  intersects the line through C  $(3, 9, 4)$  and D  $(-4, 4, 4)$ . [NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 5, Page 235]

**Ans.** We know that the equation of a line that passes through two points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  is :

$$\frac{x-x_1}{x_2-x_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{y_2-y_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{z_2-z_1}$$

So the, equation of line passes through points A  $(0, -1, -1)$  and B  $(4, 5, 1)$  is :

$$\frac{x-0}{4-0} = \frac{y+1}{5+1} = \frac{z+1}{1+1} \text{ or } \frac{x}{4} = \frac{y+1}{6} = \frac{z+1}{2} \quad \dots(i)$$

And the equation of the line passes through C  $(3, 9, 4)$  and D  $(-4, 4, 4)$  is :

$$\frac{x-3}{-4-3} = \frac{y-9}{4-9} = \frac{z-4}{4-4} \text{ or } \frac{x-3}{-7} = \frac{y-9}{-5} = \frac{z-4}{0} \quad \dots(ii)$$

Any point on the line (i) is  $(4\lambda, 6\lambda - 1, 2\lambda - 1)$ .

Any point on the line (ii) is  $(-7\mu + 3, -5\mu + 9, 4)$ .

If lines intersect then there exists a value of  $\lambda, \mu$  for which

$$(4\lambda, 6\lambda - 1, 2\lambda - 1) = (-7\mu + 3, -5\mu + 9, 4)$$

$$\therefore 4\lambda = -7\mu + 3, 6\lambda - 1 = -5\mu + 9, 2\lambda - 1 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 5/2$$

So, from the first equation,  $\mu = -1$

Also, these values of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  satisfy the second equation.

So, both lines intersect. [3]

**Q. 40.** Prove that the lines  $x = py + q, z = ry + s$  and  $x = p'y + q', z = r'y + s'$  are perpendicular if  $pp' + rr' + 1 = 0$ . [NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 6, Page 235]

**Ans.** We have line  $x = py + q, z = ry + s$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{x-q}{p} \text{ and } y = \frac{z-s}{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-q}{p} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z-s}{r} \tag{i}$$

Similarly, line  $x = p'y + q', z = r'y + s'$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-q'}{p'} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z-s'}{r'} \tag{ii}$$

Line (i) is parallel to the vector  $p\hat{i} + \hat{j} + r\hat{k}$ .

Line (ii) is parallel to the vector  $p'\hat{i} + \hat{j} + r'\hat{k}$ .

Lines are perpendicular,

$$\therefore (p\hat{i} + \hat{j} + r\hat{k}) \cdot (p'\hat{i} + \hat{j} + r'\hat{k})$$

$$\therefore pp' + 1 + rr' = 0. \tag{3}$$

**Q. 41.** Find the equation of a plane which bisects perpendicularly the line joining the points  $A(2, 3, 4)$  and  $B(4, 5, 8)$  at right angles.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 7, Page 235]

**Ans.** Since, the equation of a plane is bisecting perpendicular to the line joining the points  $A(2, 3, 4)$  and  $B(4, 5, 8)$  at right angles.

So, mid-point of  $AB$  is  $\left(\frac{2+4}{2}, \frac{3+5}{2}, \frac{4+8}{2}\right)$  i.e.,  $(3, 4, 6)$

Also normal to the plane,

$$\vec{n} = (4-2)\hat{i} + (5-3)\hat{j} + (8-4)\hat{k}$$

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

So, the required equation of the plane is  $(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow [(x-3)\hat{i} + (y-4)\hat{j} + (z-6)\hat{k}] \cdot (2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$[\because \vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 6 + 2y - 8 + 4z - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y + 2z = 19 \tag{3}$$

**Q. 42.** Find the equation of a plane which is at a distance  $3\sqrt{3}$  units from origin and the normal to which is equally inclined to coordinate axis.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 8, Page 235]

**Ans.** Since, normal to the plane is equally inclined to the coordinate axis.

$$\text{So that, } \cos \alpha = \cos \beta = \cos \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

So, the normal is  $\vec{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{j} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{k}$  and plane is

at a distance of  $3\sqrt{3}$  units from the origin.

The equation of plane is  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = 3\sqrt{3}$ .

[Since vector equation of the plane at a distance  $p$  from the origin is  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = p$ ]

$$\Rightarrow (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{j} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{k}\right) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{y}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{z}{\sqrt{3}} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore x + y + z = 9 \tag{3}$$

**Q. 43.** If the line drawn from the point  $(-2, -1, -3)$  meets a plane at right angle at the point  $(1, -3, 3)$ , find the equation of the plane.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 9, Page 235]

**Ans.** Since, the line drawn from the point  $B(-2, -1, -3)$  meets a plane at right angle, at the point  $4(1, -3, 3)$ .

So, the plane passes through the point  $4(1, -3, 3)$ .

Also normal to plane is  $\vec{AB} = -3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$ .

So, the equation of required plane is :

$$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{n} = 0 \quad \text{where } \vec{a} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow [(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})] \cdot (-3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [(x-1)\hat{i} + (y+3)\hat{j} + (z-3)\hat{k}] \cdot (-3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -3x + 3 + 2y + 6 - 6z + 18 = 0$$

$$\therefore 3x - 2y + 6z - 27 = 0 \tag{3}$$

**Q. 44.** Find the equation of the plane through the points  $(2, 1, 0)$ ,  $(3, -2, -2)$  and  $(3, 1, 7)$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 10, Page 235]

**Ans.** We know that, the equation of a plane passing through three non-collinear points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3, z_3)$  is

$$\begin{vmatrix} x-x_1 & y-y_1 & z-z_1 \\ x_2-x_1 & y_2-y_1 & z_2-z_1 \\ x_3-x_1 & y_3-y_1 & z_3-z_1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x-2 & y-1 & z-0 \\ 3-2 & -2-1 & -2-0 \\ 3-2 & 1-1 & 7-0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x-2 & y-1 & z \\ 1 & -3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(-21) - (y-1)(9) + z(3) = 0$$

$$\therefore 7x + 3y - z = 17 \tag{3}$$

**Q. 45.** Find the equations of the two lines through the origin which intersect the line  $\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y-3}{1} = \frac{z}{1}$  at angles of  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  each.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 11, Page 236]

**Ans.** Given equation of the line is :  $\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y-3}{1} = \frac{z}{1} = \lambda$

So, direction ratios of the line are  $(2, 1, 1) \equiv (a_1, b_1, c_1)$

Any point on the given line is  $p(2\lambda + 3, \lambda + 3, \lambda)$

So, direction ratios of  $OP$  are :

$$(2\lambda + 3, \lambda + 3, \lambda) \equiv (a_2, b_2, c_2)$$

Now, angle between given line and  $OP$  is  $\frac{\pi}{3}$ .

$$\therefore \cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} = \frac{(4\lambda + 6) + (\lambda + 3) + (\lambda)}{\sqrt{6} \sqrt{(2\lambda + 3)^2 + (\lambda + 3)^2 + \lambda^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} = \frac{6\lambda + 9}{\sqrt{6\lambda^2 + 18\lambda + 18}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 3} = 2\lambda + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 3 = 4\lambda^2 + 9 + 12\lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda + 1)(\lambda + 2) = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = -1, -2$$

So, the direction ratios are  $1, 2, -1$  and  $-1, 1, -2$ .

Also, both the required lines pass through origin.  
So, the equations of required lines are  
 $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{-1}$  and  $\frac{x}{-1} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z}{-2}$ . [3]

**Q. 46.** Find the angle between the lines whose direction cosines are given by the equations  $l + m + n = 0$ ,  $l^2 + m^2 - n^2 = 0$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 12, Page 236]

**Ans.** Given that,

$$l + m + n = 0, l^2 + m^2 - n^2 = 0$$

Eliminating  $n$  from both the equations, we have

$$l^2 + m^2 - (l + m)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l^2 + m^2 - l^2 - m^2 - 2lm = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2lm = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow lm = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 0 \text{ or } m = 0$$

If  $l = 0$ , we have  $m + n = 0$  and  $m^2 - n^2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow l = 0, m = \lambda, n = -\lambda$$

If  $m = 0$ , we have  $l + n = 0$  and  $l^2 - n^2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow l = -\lambda, m = 0, n = \lambda$$

So, the vectors parallel to these given lines are

$$\hat{a} = \hat{j} - \hat{k} \text{ and } \hat{b} = -\hat{i} + \hat{k}.$$

If angle between the lines is ' $\theta$ ', then

$$\cos \theta = \frac{|\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}|}{|\hat{a}| |\hat{b}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{3} \quad [3]$$

**Q. 47.** If a variable line in two adjacent positions has direction cosines  $l, m, n$  and  $l + \delta l, m + \delta m, n + \delta n$ , show that the small angle  $\delta\theta$  between the two positions is given by  $\delta\theta^2 = \delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2$

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 13, Page 236]

**Ans.** We have  $l, m, n$  and  $l + \delta l, m + \delta m, n + \delta n$  as direction cosines of a variable line in two different positions.

$$\therefore l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{And } (l + \delta l)^2 + (m + \delta m)^2 + (n + \delta n)^2 = 1 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\Rightarrow l^2 + m^2 + n^2 + \delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2 + 2(l\delta l + m\delta m + n\delta n) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2 = -2(l\delta l + m\delta m + n\delta n) \quad [\because l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow l\delta l + m\delta m + n\delta n = \frac{-1}{2}(\delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2) \quad \dots(iii)$$

Now  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are unit vectors along a line with direction cosines  $l, m, n$  and  $(l + \delta l), (m + \delta m)$  and  $(n + \delta n)$ , respectively.

$$\therefore \vec{a} = l\hat{i} + m\hat{j} + n\hat{k} \text{ and}$$

$$\vec{b} = (l + \delta l)\hat{i} + (m + \delta m)\hat{j} + (n + \delta n)\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \delta\theta = l(l + \delta l) + m(m + \delta m) + n(n + \delta n)$$

$$= (l^2 + m^2 + n^2) + (l\delta l + m\delta m + n\delta n)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2}(\delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2) \quad [\text{Using Eq. (iii)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(1 - \cos \delta\theta) = (\delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2.2 \sin^2 \frac{\delta\theta}{2} = \delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \left( \frac{\delta\theta}{2} \right)^2 = \delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2$$

$$[\text{Since } \frac{\delta\theta}{2} \text{ is small, } \sin \frac{\delta\theta}{2} = \frac{\delta\theta}{2}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta\theta^2 = \delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2 \quad [3]$$

**Q. 48.** O is the origin and A is  $(a, b, c)$ . Find the direction cosines of the line OA and the equation of plane through A at right angle to OA.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 14, Page 236]

**Ans.** Direction ratios of OA are  $a, b$  and  $c$ .

$\therefore$  Direction ratios of line OA are

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \text{ and } \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}.$$

Also,

$$\vec{n} = \vec{OA} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$$

The equation of plane passes through  $(a, b, c)$  and perpendicular to OA is given by

$$a(x - a) + b(y - b) + c(z - c) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ax + by + cz = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \quad [3]$$

**Q. 49.** Two systems of rectangular axis have the same origin. If a plane cuts them at distances  $a, b, c$  and  $a', b', c'$ , respectively, from the origin, prove that

$$\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1}{a'^2} + \frac{1}{b'^2} + \frac{1}{c'^2}$$

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 15, Page 236]

**Ans.** Consider OX, OY, OZ and OX', OY', OZ' are two systems of rectangular axes.

Let their corresponding equation of plane be :

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{And } \frac{x}{a'} + \frac{y}{b'} + \frac{z}{c'} = 1 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Also, the length of perpendicular from origin to equations (i) and (ii) must be same.

$$\frac{0}{a} + \frac{0}{b} + \frac{0}{c} - 1 = \frac{0}{a'} + \frac{0}{b'} + \frac{0}{c'} - 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a'^2} + \frac{1}{b'^2} + \frac{1}{c'^2}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1}{a'^2} + \frac{1}{b'^2} + \frac{1}{c'^2} \quad [3]$$

**Q. 50.** Find the angle between the planes whose vector equations are  $\vec{r}(2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) = 5$  and  $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) = 3$ .

[NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 12, Page 494]

**Ans.** Angle between two planes  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n}_1 = d_1$  and  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n}_2 = d_2$  is given by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{|\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2|}{|\vec{n}_1| |\vec{n}_2|}$$

Given, the two planes are :

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

$$\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) = 3$$

Comparing with  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n}_1 = d_1$ ,

Comparing with  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n}_2 = d_2$ ,

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

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

$$\text{Magnitude of } \vec{n}_1$$

$$\text{Magnitude of } \vec{n}_2$$

$$= \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + (-3)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{3^2 + (-3)^2 + (5)^2}$$

$$|\vec{n}_1| = \sqrt{4 + 4 + 9} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$|\vec{n}_2| = \sqrt{9 + 9 + 25} = \sqrt{43}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } \cos \theta &= \left| \frac{(2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})}{\sqrt{17} \times \sqrt{43}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{(2 \times 3) + (2 \times -3) + (-3 \times 5)}{\sqrt{17 \times 43}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{6 - 6 - 15}{\sqrt{731}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{-15}{\sqrt{731}} \right| \\ \text{So, } \cos \theta &= \frac{15}{\sqrt{731}} \\ \therefore \theta &= \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{15}{\sqrt{731}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the angle between the planes is

$$\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{15}{\sqrt{731}} \right). \quad [3]$$

**Q. 51.** In the following cases, determine whether the given planes are parallel or perpendicular, and in case they are neither, find the angles between them.

- (a)  $7x + 5y + 6z + 30 = 0$  and  $3x - y - 10z + 4 = 0$
- (b)  $2x + y + 3z - 2 = 0$  and  $x - 2y + 5 = 0$
- (c)  $2x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$  and  $3x - 3y + 6z - 1 = 0$
- (d)  $2x - y + 3z - 1 = 0$  and  $2x - y + 3z + 3 = 0$
- (e)  $4x + 8y + z - 8 = 0$  and  $y + z - 4 = 0$

[NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 13, Page 494]

**Ans.** (a) Given that, the two planes are :

$$\begin{array}{l|l} 7x + 5y + 6z + 30 = 0 & 3x - y - 10z + 4 = 0 \\ 7x + 5y + 6z = -30 & 3x - y - 10z = -4 \\ -(7x + 5y + 6z) = 30 & -(3x - y - 10z) = 4 \\ -7x - 5y - 6z = 30 & -3x + y + 10z = 4 \\ \text{Comparing with} & \text{Comparing with} \\ A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1 & A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2 \\ \text{Direction ratios of} & \text{Direction ratios of} \\ \text{normal} = -7, -5, -6 & \text{normal} = -3, 1, 10 \end{array}$$

$$A_1 = -7, B_1 = -5, C_1 = -6 \quad A_2 = -3, B_2 = 1, C_2 = 10$$

**Check Parallel**

Two lines with direction ratios  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  and  $A_2, B_2, C_2$  are parallel if

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{-7}{-3} = \frac{7}{3}, \quad \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{-5}{1} = -5, \quad \frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{-6}{10} = \frac{-3}{5}$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{A_1}{A_2} \neq \frac{B_1}{B_2} \neq \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$

So, these two normal planes are not parallel.

$\therefore$  Given that, two planes are not parallel.

**Check Perpendicular**

Two lines with direction ratios  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  and  $A_2, B_2, C_2$  are perpendicular if

$$A_1A_2 + B_1B_2 + C_1C_2 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{21 - 5 - 60}{\sqrt{49 + 25 + 36} \sqrt{9 + 1 + 100}} \\ &= \frac{-44}{\sqrt{110} \sqrt{110}} \\ &= \frac{-44}{110} = \frac{-2}{5} \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \cos \theta = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)$$

Hence, angle between two planes is  $\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)$  [3]

(b) Given that, the two planes are :

$$\begin{array}{l|l} 2x + y + 3z - 2 = 0 & x - 2y + 5 = 0 \\ 2x + 1y + 3z = 2 & 1x - 2y = -5 \\ & -1x + 2y = 5 \\ & -1x + 2y + 0z = 5 \\ \text{Comparing with} & \text{Comparing with} \\ A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1 & A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2 \\ \text{Direction ratios of} & \text{Direction ratios of} \\ \text{normal} = 2, 1, 3 & \text{normal} = -1, 2, 0 \\ A_1 = 2, B_1 = 1, C_1 = 3 & A_2 = -1, B_2 = 2, C_2 = 0 \end{array}$$

**Check Parallel**

Two lines with direction ratios  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  and  $A_2, B_2, C_2$  are parallel if

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{2}{-1} = -2, \quad \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{3}{0}$$

Since, direction ratios are not proportional, these two normal planes are not parallel.

$\therefore$  Given that, two planes are not parallel.

**Check Perpendicular**

Two lines with direction ratios  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  and  $A_2, B_2, C_2$  are perpendicular if

$$A_1A_2 + B_1B_2 + C_1C_2 = 0$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} A_1A_2 + B_1B_2 + C_1C_2 &= (2 \times -1) + (1 \times 2) + (3 \times 0) \\ &= -2 + 2 + 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since } A_1A_2 + B_1B_2 + C_1C_2 = 0$$

These two normal planes are perpendicular.

Since normal are perpendicular, planes are perpendicular. [3]

(c) Given that, the two planes are :

$$\begin{array}{l|l} 2x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0 & 3x - 3y + 6z - 1 = 0 \\ 2x - 2y + 4z = -5 & 3x - 3y + 6z = 1 \\ -2x + 2y - 4z = 5 & \\ \text{Comparing with} & \text{Comparing with} \\ A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1 & A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2 \\ \text{Direction ratios of} & \text{Direction ratios of} \\ \text{normal} = -2, 2, -4 & \text{normal} = 3, -3, 6 \\ A_1 = -2, B_1 = 2, C_1 = -4 & A_2 = 3, B_2 = -3, C_2 = 6 \end{array}$$

**Check Parallel**

Two lines with direction ratios  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  and  $A_2, B_2, C_2$  are parallel if

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$

$$\text{Here, } \frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{-2}{3} = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{2}{-3} = \frac{-2}{3},$$

$$\frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{-4}{6} = \frac{-2}{3}$$

Since,  $\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{-2}{3}$

Therefore, these two normal planes are parallel. Since normal are parallel, the two planes are parallel. [3]

(d) Given that, the two planes are :

$$\begin{array}{l} 2x - y + 3z - 1 = 0 \\ 2x - y + 3z = 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 2x - y + 3z + 3 = 0 \\ 2x - y + 3z = -3 \\ -2x + y - 3z = 3 \end{array}$$

Comparing with $A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$ Direction ratios of normal = 2, -1, 3 $A_1 = 2, B_1 = -1, C_1 = 3$	Comparing with $A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$ Direction ratios of normal = -2, 1, -3 $A_2 = -2, B_2 = 1, C_2 = -3$
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**Check Parallel**

Two lines with direction ratios  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  and  $A_2, B_2, C_2$  are parallel if

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$

Here,  $\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{2}{-2} = -1$

$$\frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{-1}{1} = -1$$

$$\frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{3}{-3} = -1$$

Since  $\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2} = -1,$

Therefore, these two normal planes are parallel. Since normal are parallel, the two planes are parallel. [3]

(e) Given that, the two planes are :

$$\begin{array}{l} 4x + 8y + z - 8 = 0 \\ 4x + 8y + z = 8 \\ 4x + 8y + 1z = 8 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} y + z - 4 = 0 \\ y + z = 4 \\ 0x + 1y + 1z = 4 \end{array}$$

Comparing with $A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$ Direction ratios of normal = 2, -1, 3 $A_1 = 2, B_1 = -1, C_1 = 3$	Comparing with $A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$ Direction ratios of normal = -2, 1, -3 $A_2 = -2, B_2 = 1, C_2 = -3$
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**Check Parallel**

Two lines with direction ratios  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  and  $A_2, B_2, C_2$  are parallel if

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$

So,  $\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{4}{0} = -1, \frac{B_1}{B_2} = \frac{8}{1} = 8, \frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$

Since  $\frac{A_1}{A_2} \neq \frac{B_1}{B_2} \neq \frac{C_1}{C_2}$

So, these two normal planes are not parallel.  $\therefore$  Given that, two planes are not parallel.

**Check Perpendicular**

Two lines with direction ratios  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  and  $A_2, B_2, C_2$  are perpendicular if

$$A_1A_2 + B_1B_2 + C_1C_2 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_1A_2 + B_1B_2 + C_1C_2 &= (4 \times 0) + (8 \times 1) + (1 \times 1) \\ &= 0 + 8 + 1 \\ &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

Since,  $A_1A_2 + B_1B_2 + C_1C_2 \neq 0$

Therefore, these two normal planes are not perpendicular.

Hence, the given two planes are not perpendicular.

**Finding angle**

Now, the angle between two planes  $A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$  and  $A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \left| \frac{A_1A_2 + B_1B_2 + C_1C_2}{\sqrt{A_1^2 + B_1^2 + C_1^2} \sqrt{A_2^2 + B_2^2 + C_2^2}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{(4 \times 0) + (8 \times 1) + (1 \times 1)}{\sqrt{4^2 + 8^2 + 1^2} \sqrt{0^2 + 1^2 + 1^2}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{0 + 8 + 1}{\sqrt{16 + 64 + 1} \sqrt{0 + 1 + 1}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{9}{\sqrt{18} \sqrt{2}} \right| = \frac{9}{9\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$\therefore \theta = 45^\circ$

Therefore, the angle between the given two planes is  $45^\circ$ . [3]

**Q. 52. Show that the vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  are coplanar if  $\vec{a} + \vec{b}, \vec{b} + \vec{c}$  and  $\vec{c} + \vec{a}$  are coplanar.**

[CBSE Board, Delhi Region, 2016]

**Ans.** Given that,

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b}, \vec{b} + \vec{c}, \vec{c} + \vec{a} \text{ are coplanar.}$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} + \vec{b}, \vec{b} + \vec{c}, \vec{c} + \vec{a}] = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \{(\vec{b} + \vec{c}) \times (\vec{c} + \vec{a})\} = 0$$

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \{(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} + \vec{b} \times \vec{a} + \vec{c} \times \vec{a})\} = 0$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) + \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{a}) + \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a})$$

$$+ \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) + \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{a}) + \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$2[\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}] = 0 \text{ or } [\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}] = 0$$

Thus,  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  are coplanar. [4]

**Q. 53. Find the vector and Cartesian equations of the line through the point (1, 2, -4) and perpendicular to the two lines :**

$$\vec{r} = (8\hat{i} - 19\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} - 16\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) \text{ and}$$

$$\vec{r} = (15\hat{i} + 29\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) + \mu(3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}).$$

[CBSE Board, Delhi Region, 2016]

**Ans.** Vector equation of the required line is

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \mu[(3\hat{i} - 16\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) \times (3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})]$$

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda[(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})]$$

In Cartesian form,

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z+4}{6}$$

[4]



## Long Answer Type Questions

(5 and 6 marks each)

**Q. 1.** Find the coordinate of the point  $P$  where the line through  $A(3, -4, -5)$  and  $B(2, -3, 1)$  crosses the plane passing through three points  $L(2, 2, 1)$ ,  $M(3, 0, 1)$  and  $N(4, -1, 0)$ . Also, find the ratio in which  $P$  divides the line segment  $AB$ .

[CBSE Board, Delhi Region, 2016]

**Ans.** Equation of the line  $AB$  :

$$\frac{x-3}{-1} = \frac{y+4}{1} = \frac{z+5}{6} = \lambda$$

Equation of plane  $LMN$  :

$$\begin{vmatrix} x-2 & y-2 & z-1 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$2(x-2) + 1(y-2) + 1(z-1) = 0 \text{ or } 2x + y + z - 7 = 0$$

Any point on line  $AB$  is  $(-\lambda + 3, \lambda - 4, 6\lambda - 5)$ .

If this point lies on plane, then

$$2(-\lambda + 3) + (\lambda - 4) + (6\lambda - 5) - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5\lambda = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2$$

$\therefore P$  is  $(1, -2, 7)$ .

Let  $P$  divides  $AB$  into

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{2K+3}{K+1} \Rightarrow K = -2 \text{ i.e., } P \text{ divides, } AB \text{ externally into } 2:1. \quad [6]$$

**Q. 2.** Find the distance of the point  $(-1, -5, -10)$  from the point of intermission of the line  $\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  and the plane  $\vec{r} \times (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5$ .

[CBSE Board, Delhi Region, 2018]

**Ans.** Given that,

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

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = (2 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} + (-1 - 4\lambda)\hat{j} + (2 + 2\lambda)\hat{k}$$

Substitute  $\vec{r} = (2 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} + (-1 - 4\lambda)\hat{j} + (2 + 2\lambda)\hat{k}$  in

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5.$$

$$\therefore [(2 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} + (-1 - 4\lambda)\hat{j} + (2 + 2\lambda)\hat{k}] \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (2 + 3\lambda) - (-1 - 4\lambda) + (2 + 2\lambda) = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 + 3\lambda + 1 + 4\lambda + 2 + 2\lambda = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda + 5 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0$$

Substituting  $\lambda = 0$  in

$$2 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} + (-1 - 4\lambda)\hat{j} + (2 + 2\lambda)\hat{k},$$

We get  $\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

Therefore, the coordinates of the points are  $2, -1, 2$  and  $-1, -5, -10$ .

The distance between the two points is given by

$$= \sqrt{(2+1)^2 + (-1+5)^2 + (2+10)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9+16+144}$$

$$= \sqrt{169}$$

$$= 13 \text{ units.} \quad [6]$$

**Q. 3.** Find the equation of the plane passing through the line of intersection of the planes  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 1$  and  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 4 = 0$  and parallel to  $x$ -axis.

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 15, Page 498]

**Ans.** Equation of a plane passing through the intersection of two planes

$$A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1 \text{ and } A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2 \text{ is}$$

$$(A_1x + B_1y + C_1z - d_1) + \lambda(A_2x + B_2y + C_2z - d_2) = 0.$$

Converting equation of planes to Cartesian form to find  $A_1, B_1, C_1, d_1$  and  $A_2, B_2, C_2, d_2$ . [1]

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

Putting,

$$\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$$

$$(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 1$$

$$(x \times 1) + (y \times 1) + (z \times 1) = 1$$

$$1x + 1y + 1z = 1$$

Comparing with

$$A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$$

$$A_1 = 1, B_1 = 1, C_1 = 1, d_1 = 1$$

Now,

$$\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 4 = 0$$

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

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

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

Putting,  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ ,

$$(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (-2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 4$$

$$(x \times -2) + (y \times -3) + (z \times 1) = 4$$

$$-2x - 3y + 1z = 4$$

Comparing with

$$A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$$

$$A_2 = -2, B_2 = -3, C_2 = 1, d_2 = 4$$

Equation of plane is :

$$(A_1x + B_1y + C_1z - d_1) + \lambda(A_2x + B_2y + C_2z - d_2) = 0$$

$$(1x + 1y + 1z - 1) + \lambda(-2x - 3y + 1z - 4) = 0$$

$$(1 - 2\lambda)x + (1 - 3\lambda)y + (1 + \lambda)z + (-1 - 4\lambda) = 0 \quad \text{(i)}$$

Also, the plane is parallel to  $x$ -axis.

So, normal vector  $\vec{N}$  to the plane is perpendicular to  $x$ -axis. [1]

**As we know that,**

Two lines with direction ratios  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  and  $a_2, b_2, c_2$  are perpendicular if  $a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$ .

**Finding direction ratio normal and  $x$ -axis :**

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

Direction ratios

$$= (1 - 2\lambda), (1 - 3\lambda), (1 + \lambda)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore a_1 = 1 - 2\lambda, b_1 = 1 - 3\lambda, c_1 = 1 + \lambda$$

Now, for

$$\vec{OX} = \hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$$

Direction ratios = 1, 0, 0

$$\therefore a_2 = 1, b_2 = 0, c_2 = 0$$

So,  $a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$

$$(1-2\lambda) \times 1 + (1-3\lambda) \times 0 + (1+\lambda) \times 0 = 0$$

$$(1-2\lambda) + 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$1 = 2\lambda$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{1}{2}$$

Putting value of  $\lambda$  in equation (i), we get

$$\left(1-2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\right)x + \left(1-3 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\right)y + \left(1+\frac{1}{2}\right)z + \left(-1-4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$(1-1)x + \left(1-\frac{3}{2}\right)y + \left(1+\frac{1}{2}\right)z + (-1-2) = 0$$

$$0x - \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{3}{2}z - 3 = 0$$

$$0x - \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{3}{2}z = 3$$

$$-y + 3z = 6$$

$$0 = y - 3z + 6$$

$$y - 3z + 6 = 0$$

Therefore, the equation of the plane is  $y - 3z + 6 = 0$ . [2]

**Q. 4.** Find the equation of the plane through the line of intersection of the planes  $x + y + z = 1$  and  $2x + 3y + 4z = 5$  which is perpendicular to the plane  $x - y + z = 0$ . [NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 11, Page 493]

**Ans.** Equation of a plane passing through the intersection of planes  $A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$  and  $A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$  is  $(A_1x + B_1y + C_1z - d_1) + \lambda(A_2x + B_2y + C_2z - d_2) = 0$

Given that the plane passes through,

$$x + y + z = 1$$

$$1x + 1y + 1z = 1$$

Comparing with

$$A_1x + B_1y + C_1z = d_1$$

$$A_1 = 1, B_1 = 1, C_1 = 1, d_1 = 1$$

$$\text{For, } 2x + 3y + 4z = 5$$

Comparing with

$$A_2x + B_2y + C_2z = d_2$$

$$A_2 = 2, B_2 = 3, C_2 = 4, d_2 = 5$$

So, the equation of plane is :

$$(A_1x + B_1y + C_1z - d_1) + \lambda(A_2x + B_2y + C_2z - d_2) = 0$$

Putting values

$$(1x + 1y + 1z - 1) + \lambda(2x + 3y + 4z - 5) = 0$$

$$x + y + z - 1 + 2\lambda x + 3\lambda y + 4\lambda z - 5\lambda = 0$$

$$(1+2\lambda)x + (1+3\lambda)y + (1+4\lambda)z + (-1-5\lambda) = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

Also, the plane is perpendicular to the plane  $x - y + z = 0$ .

So, the normal vector  $\vec{N}$  to the plane is perpendicular to the normal vector of  $x - y + z = 0$ .

As we know that, two lines with direction ratios  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  and  $a_2, b_2, c_2$  are perpendicular if  $a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$ . [2½]

$$\vec{N} = (1+2\lambda)\hat{i} + (1+3\lambda)\hat{j} + (1+4\lambda)\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Direction ratio} = 1+2\lambda, 1+3\lambda, 1+4\lambda$$

$$\therefore a_1 = 1+2\lambda, b_1 = 1+3\lambda, c_1 = 1+4\lambda$$

$$\text{For, } \vec{n} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\text{Direction ratio} = 1, -1, 1$$

$$\therefore a_2 = 1, b_2 = -1, c_2 = 1$$

Since,  $\vec{N}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{n}$ ,

$$a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$$

$$(1+2\lambda) \times 1 + (1+3\lambda) \times (-1) + (1+4\lambda) \times 1 = 0$$

$$1+2\lambda - 1 - 3\lambda + 1 + 4\lambda = 0$$

$$1+3\lambda = 0$$

$$-1 = 3\lambda$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{-1}{3}$$

Putting value of  $\lambda$  in equation (i), we get

$$(1+2\lambda)x + (1+3\lambda)y + (1+4\lambda)z + (-1-5\lambda) = 0$$

$$\left(1+2 \times \frac{-1}{3}\right)x + \left(1+3 \times \frac{-1}{3}\right)y + \left(1+4 \times \frac{-1}{3}\right)z$$

$$+ \left(-1-5 \times \frac{-1}{3}\right) = 0$$

$$\left(1-\frac{2}{3}\right)x + (1-1)y + \left(1-\frac{4}{3}\right)z + \left(-1+\frac{5}{3}\right) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{3}x + 0y - \frac{1}{3}z + \frac{2}{3} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{3}x - \frac{1}{3}z + \frac{2}{3} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{3}(x - z + 2) = 0$$

$$x - z + 2 = 0$$

Therefore, the equation of plane is  $x - z + 2 = 0$ . [2½]

**Q. 5.** Find the equations of the planes that pass through three points.

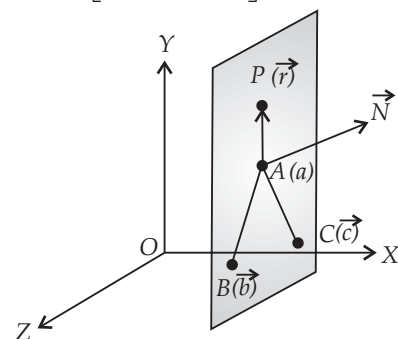
(a)  $(1, 1, -1), (6, 4, -5), (-4, -2, 3)$

(b)  $(1, 1, 0), (1, 2, 1), (-2, 2, -1)$

[NCERT Ex. 11.3, Q. 6, Page 493]

**Ans.** (a) Vectors equation of plane passing through three points with position vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  is

$$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot [(\vec{b} - \vec{a}) \times (\vec{c} - \vec{a})] = 0$$



Vectors perpendicular to  $\vec{AB}$  and  $\vec{AC}$  are  $\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}$

$$\text{So, } \vec{N} = \vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}$$

Also,  $\vec{AP}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{N}$ ,

$$\text{So, } \vec{AP} \cdot \vec{N} = 0$$

$$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{N} = 0$$

$$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot (\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}) = 0$$

$$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot [(\vec{b} - \vec{a}) \times (\vec{c} - \vec{a})] = 0$$

Vector equation of plane passing through three points with position vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  is

$$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot [(\vec{b} - \vec{a}) \times (\vec{c} - \vec{a})] = 0$$

Now, plane passes through the points

$$A (1, 1, -1)$$

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

$$B (6, 4, -5)$$

$$\vec{b} = 6\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$C (-4, -2, 3)$$

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

$$(\vec{b} - \vec{a}) = (6\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

$$= (6-1)\hat{i} + (4-1)\hat{j} + (-5-(-1))\hat{k}$$

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

$$(\vec{c} - \vec{a}) = (-4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

$$= (-4-1)\hat{i} + (-2-1)\hat{j} + (3-(-1))\hat{k}$$

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

$$(\vec{b} - \vec{a}) \times (\vec{c} - \vec{a}) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 5 & 3 & -4 \\ -5 & -3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= - \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 5 & 3 & -4 \\ 5 & 3 & -4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0$$

As we know that if two rows of determinant are same, the value of determinant is zero.

This implies, the three points are collinear.

∴ Vector equation of plane is :

$$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})] \cdot \vec{0} = 0$$

Since, the above equation is satisfied for all values of  $\vec{r}$ .

Therefore, there will be infinite planes through the given three collinear points. [5]

- (b) Vectors equation of plane passing through three points with position vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  is

$$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot [(\vec{b} - \vec{a}) \times (\vec{c} - \vec{a})] = 0$$

Now, the plane passing through the points

$$A (1, 1, 0)$$

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$$

$$B (1, 2, 1)$$

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

$$C (-2, 2, -1)$$

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

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

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

$$= 0\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

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

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

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

$$(\vec{b} \times \vec{a}) \times (\vec{c} - \vec{a}) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}[(1 \times -1) - (1 \times 1)] - \hat{j}[(0 \times -1) - (-3 \times 1)]$$

$$+ \hat{k}[(0 \times 1) - (-3 \times 1)]$$

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

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

∴ Vector equation of plane is :

$$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 0\hat{k})] \cdot (-2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} + \hat{j})] \cdot (-2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} + \hat{j})] \cdot (-2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 0$$

Finding Cartesian equation :

$$\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$$

$$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} + \hat{j})] \cdot (-2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$[(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + \hat{j})] \cdot (-2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$[(x-1)\hat{i} + (y-1)\hat{j} + z\hat{k}] \cdot (-2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$-2(x-1) + (-3)(y-1) + 3(z) = 0$$

$$-2x + 2 - 3y + 3 + 3z = 0$$

$$2x + 3y - 3z = 5$$

∴ Equation of plane in Cartesian form is  $2x + 3y - 3z = 5$ . [5]

- Q. 6. Find the shortest distance between the lines

$$\frac{x+1}{7} = \frac{y+1}{-6} = \frac{z+1}{1} \text{ and } \frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-5}{-2} = \frac{z-7}{1}$$

[NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 15, Page 478]

- Ans. Method I : By Cartesian Method

Shortest distance between two lines,

$$l_1 : \frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1}$$

$$l_2 : \frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2}$$

$$\text{is } \frac{\begin{vmatrix} x_2 - x_1 & y_2 - y_1 & z_2 - z_1 \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{(a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1)^2 + (b_1 c_2 - b_2 c_1)^2 + (c_1 a_2 - c_2 a_1)^2}} \quad [1]$$

Now solve for,

$$\frac{x+1}{7} = \frac{y+1}{-6} = \frac{z+1}{1}$$

$$\frac{x-(-1)}{7} = \frac{y-(-1)}{-6} = \frac{z-(-1)}{1}$$

Comparing with

$$l_1 : \frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1}$$

$$x_1 = -1, y_1 = -1, z_1 = -1$$

$$\text{and } a_1 = 7, b_1 = -6, c_1 = 1$$

Now solve for,



$$\frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-5}{-2} = \frac{z-7}{1}$$

Comparing with

$$l_2 : \frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2}$$

$$x_2 = 3, y_2 = 5, z_2 = 7,$$

$$\text{and } a_2 = 1, b_2 = -2, c_2 = 1$$

$$d = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} x_2 - x_1 & y_2 - y_1 & z_2 - z_1 \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{(a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1)^2 + (b_1 c_2 - b_2 c_1)^2 + (c_1 a_2 - c_2 a_1)^2}} \quad [2]$$

$$= \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3 - (-1) & 5 - (-1) & 7 - (-1) \\ 7 & -6 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{[7(-2) - 1(-6)]^2 + [-6(1) - (-2)1]^2 + [1(1) - 1(7)]^2}}$$

$$d = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 7 & -6 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{(-14+6)^2 + (-6+2)^2 + (1-7)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 7 & -6 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{(8)^2 + (-4)^2 + (-6)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 7 & -6 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{116}}$$

$$= \frac{4(-6(1) - (-2)1) - 6(7(1) - 1(1)) + 8(7(-2) - 1(-6))}{\sqrt{116}}$$

$$= \frac{4(-6+2) - 6(7-1) + 8(-14+6)}{\sqrt{116}} = \frac{-16-36-64}{\sqrt{116}}$$

$$= \frac{-116}{\sqrt{116}} = \left| -\sqrt{116} \right| = \sqrt{116} = \sqrt{4 \times 29} = 2\sqrt{29} \quad [2]$$

**Q. 7.** Find the shortest distance between the lines whose vector equations are  $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{r} = 4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ .

[NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 16, Page 478]

**Ans.** Shortest distance between the lines with vector equations

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1 \text{ and } \vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2 \text{ is}$$

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

Given that,

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

$$\text{Comparing with } \vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1,$$

$$\vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \text{ and } b_1 = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \vec{r} = 4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

Comparing with

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$$

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

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

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

$$= (4-1)\hat{i} + (5-2)\hat{j} + (6-3)\hat{k}$$

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

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

$$= \hat{i}[(-3 \times 1) - (-3 \times 2)] - \hat{j}[(1 \times 1) - (2 \times 2)]$$

$$+ \hat{k}[(1 \times 3) - (2 \times -3)]$$

$$= \hat{i}[-3-6] - \hat{j}[1-4] + \hat{k}[3+6]$$

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

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

$$\text{Magnitude of } (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = \sqrt{(-9)^2 + 3^2 + 9^2}$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{81+9+81}$$

$$= \sqrt{171} = \sqrt{9 \times 19} = 3\sqrt{19} \quad [2\frac{1}{2}]$$

$$\text{Also, } (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)$$

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

$$= (-9 \times 3) + (3 \times 3) + (9 \times 3)$$

$$= -27 + 9 + 27$$

$$= 9$$

$$\text{So, shortest distance} = \frac{(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|}$$

$$= \frac{9}{3\sqrt{19}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{19}}$$

Therefore, shortest distance between the given two

$$\text{lines is } \frac{3}{\sqrt{19}}. \quad [2\frac{1}{2}]$$

**Q. 8.** Find the shortest distance between the lines whose vector equations are  $\vec{r} = (1-t)\hat{i} + (t-2)\hat{j} + (3-2t)\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{r} = (s+1)\hat{i} + (2s-1)\hat{j} - (2s+1)\hat{k}$ .

[NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 17, Page 478]

**Ans.** Shortest distance lines with vector equation

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}_1 \text{ and } \vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu \vec{b}_2 \text{ is}$$

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

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

Compare with  $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + t\vec{b}_1$ ,  $\vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b}_1 = -\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

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

Comparing with  $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + s\vec{b}_2$ ,

$$\vec{a}_2 = \hat{i} - 1\hat{j} - 1\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b}_2 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

Now,  $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = (\hat{i} - 1\hat{j} - 1\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (1-1)\hat{i} + (-1+2)\hat{j} + (-1-3)\hat{k} \\ &= 0\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} - 4\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} &= \hat{i}[(1 \times -2) - (2 \times -2)] - \hat{j}[(-1 \times -2)(1 \times -2)] \\ &\quad + \hat{k}[(-1 \times 2) - (1 \times 1)] \\ &= \hat{i}[-2 + 4] - \hat{j}[2 + 2] + \hat{k}[-2 - 1] \\ &= 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Magnitude of  $(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = \sqrt{2^2 + (-4)^2 + (-3)^2}$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{4 + 16 + 9} = \sqrt{29}$$

Also,  $(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) \cdot (0\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \\ &= (2 \times 0) + (-4 \times 1) + (-3 \times -4) \\ &= -0 + (-4) + 12 \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

So, shortest distance =  $\frac{(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|}$

$$= \frac{8}{\sqrt{29}} = \frac{8}{\sqrt{29}}$$

Therefore, shortest distance between the given two lines is  $\frac{8}{\sqrt{29}}$ . [2]

**Q. 9.** Show that the three lines with direction cosines  $\frac{12}{13}, \frac{-3}{13}, \frac{-4}{13}; \frac{4}{13}, \frac{12}{13}, \frac{3}{13}; \frac{3}{13}, \frac{-4}{13}, \frac{12}{13}$  are mutually perpendicular. [NCERT Ex. 11.2, Q. 1, Page 477]

**Ans.** Two lines with directional cosines  $l_1, m_1, n_1$  and  $l_2, m_2, n_2$  are perpendicular to each other if

$$l_1 l_2 + m_1 m_2 + n_1 n_2 = 0$$

**Line 1 :**

$$l_1 = \frac{12}{13}, m_1 = \frac{-3}{13}, n_1 = \frac{-4}{13}$$

**Line 2 :**

$$l_2 = \frac{4}{13}, m_2 = \frac{12}{13}, n_2 = \frac{3}{13}$$

Now find,

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow l_1 l_2 + m_1 m_2 + n_1 n_2 \\ &= \left(\frac{12}{13} \times \frac{4}{13}\right) + \left(\frac{-3}{13} \times \frac{12}{13}\right) + \left(\frac{-4}{13} \times \frac{3}{13}\right) \\ &= \frac{48}{169} + \left(\frac{-36}{169}\right) + \left(\frac{-12}{169}\right) \\ &= \frac{48 - 36 - 12}{169} = \frac{48 - 48}{169} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

[1]

$$l_1 l_2 + m_1 m_2 + n_1 n_2 = 0$$

Hence, two lines are perpendicular.

**Line 2 :**

$$l_2 = \frac{4}{13}, m_2 = \frac{12}{13}, n_2 = \frac{3}{13}$$

**Line 3 :**

$$l_3 = \frac{3}{13}, m_3 = \frac{-4}{13}, n_3 = \frac{12}{13}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow l_2 l_3 + m_2 m_3 + n_2 n_3 \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{13} \times \frac{3}{13}\right) + \left(\frac{12}{13} \times \frac{-4}{13}\right) + \left(\frac{3}{13} \times \frac{12}{13}\right) \\ &= \frac{12}{169} + \left(\frac{-48}{169}\right) + \frac{36}{169} \\ &= \frac{12 - 48 + 36}{169} \\ &= \frac{48 - 48}{169} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore l_2 l_3 + m_2 m_3 + n_2 n_3 = 0$$

Hence, two lines are perpendicular. [2]

**Line 3 :**

$$l_3 = \frac{3}{13}, m_3 = \frac{-4}{13}, n_3 = \frac{12}{13}$$

**Line 1 :**

$$l_1 = \frac{12}{13}, m_1 = \frac{-3}{13}, n_1 = \frac{-4}{13}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow l_1 l_3 + m_1 m_3 + n_1 n_3 \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{13} \times \frac{12}{13}\right) + \left(\frac{-4}{13} \times \frac{-3}{13}\right) + \left(\frac{12}{13} \times \frac{-4}{13}\right) \\ &= \frac{36}{169} + \frac{12}{169} + \left(\frac{-48}{169}\right) \\ &= \frac{36 + 12 - 48}{169} \\ &= \frac{48 - 48}{169} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore l_1 l_3 + m_1 m_3 + n_1 n_3 = 0$$

Hence, two lines are perpendicular.

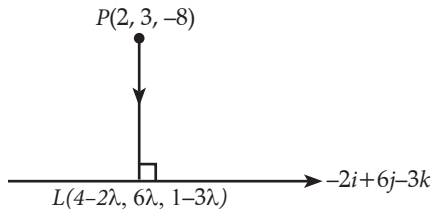
Therefore, the given three lines are mutually perpendicular. [2]

**Q. 10.** Find the foot of perpendicular from the point (2, 3, -8) to the line  $\frac{4-x}{2} = \frac{y}{6} = \frac{1-z}{3}$ . Also, find the perpendicular distance from the given point to the line. [NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 16, Page 236]

**Ans.** We have equation of line as  $\frac{4-x}{2} = \frac{y}{6} = \frac{1-z}{3}$ .

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4-x}{-2} = \frac{y}{6} = \frac{1-z}{-3} = \lambda$$

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



Let the foot of perpendicular from point P (2, 3 - 8) on the line is L (4 - 2λ, 6λ, 1 - 3λ).

Then the direction ratios of PL are proportional to (4 - 2λ - 2, 6λ - 3, 1 - 3λ + 8) or (2 - 2λ, 6λ - 3, 9 - 3λ).

Also, direction ratios of line are -2, 6, -3.

Since, PL is perpendicular to the given line.

$$\therefore -2(2 - 2\lambda) + 6(6\lambda - 3) - 3(9 - 3\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -4 + 4\lambda + 36\lambda - 18 - 27 + 9\lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 49\lambda = 49$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

So, the coordinates of L are

$$L(4 - 2\lambda, 6\lambda, 1 - 3\lambda) \equiv (2, 6, -2).$$

$$\text{Also, length of PL} = \sqrt{(2-2)^2 + (6-3)^2 + (-2+8)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{0+9+36} = 3\sqrt{5} \text{ units} \quad [5]$$

**Q. 11.** Find the distance of a point (2, 4, -1) from the line  $\frac{x+5}{1} = \frac{y+3}{4} = \frac{z-6}{-9}$ . [NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 17, Page 236]

**Ans.** We have, equation of line as  $\frac{x+5}{1} = \frac{y+3}{4} = \frac{z-6}{-9} = \lambda$

$$x = \lambda - 5, y = 4\lambda - 3, z = 6 - 9\lambda$$

Let the coordinates of L are (λ - 5, 4λ - 3, 6 - 9λ).

Then, direction ratios of PL are

$$(\lambda - 5 - 2, 4\lambda - 3 - 4, 6 - 9\lambda + 1) \text{ or}$$

$$(\lambda - 7, 4\lambda - 7, 7 - 9\lambda).$$

Also, the direction ratios of the given line are 1, 4, -9.

Since, PL is perpendicular to the given line.

$$\therefore (\lambda - 7) \cdot 1 + (4\lambda - 7) \cdot 4 + (7 - 9\lambda) \cdot (-9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda - 7 + 16\lambda - 28 + 81\lambda - 63 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 98\lambda = 98$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

So, the coordinates of L are (λ - 5, 4λ - 3, 6 - 9λ)

$$\equiv (-4, 1, -3).$$

$$\therefore \text{Also } PL = \sqrt{(-4-2)^2 + (1-4)^2 + (-3+1)^2}$$

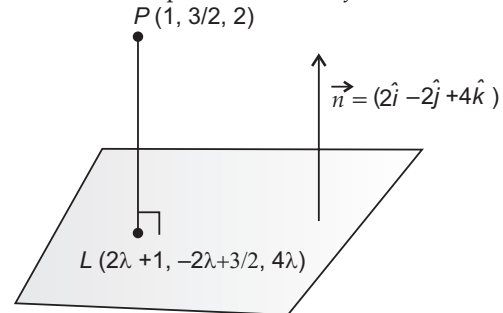
$$= \sqrt{36+9+4} = 7 \text{ units} \quad [5]$$

**Q. 12.** Find the length and the foot of perpendicular from the point (1,  $\frac{3}{2}$ , 2) to the plane  $2x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 18, Page 236]

**Ans.** Equation of the given plane is  $2x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$ .

Normal to the plane is  $\vec{n} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ .



So, the equation of line through P (1,  $\frac{3}{2}$ , 2) and parallel to  $\vec{n}$  is given by

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-\frac{3}{2}}{-2} = \frac{z-2}{4} = \lambda$$

Any point on this line is  $(2\lambda + 1, -2\lambda + \frac{3}{2}, 4\lambda + 2)$ .

If this point lies on the given plane (point L), then

$$2(2\lambda + 1) - 2(-2\lambda + \frac{3}{2}) + 4(4\lambda + 2) + 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\lambda + 2 + 4\lambda - 3 + 16\lambda + 8 + 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 24\lambda = -12$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$\therefore$  Required foot of perpendicular

$$(2\lambda + 1, -2\lambda + \frac{3}{2}, 4\lambda + 2) = (0, \frac{5}{2}, 0) \quad \left( \text{Putting } \lambda = -\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$\therefore$  Required length of perpendicular

$$= \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 + (2-0)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1+1+4} = \sqrt{6} \text{ units} \quad [5]$$

**Q. 13.** Find the equations of the line passing through the point (3, 0, 1) and parallel to the planes  $x + 2y = 0$  and  $3y - z = 0$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 19, Page 236]

**Ans.** Equation of two planes are  $x + 2y = 0$  and  $3y - z = 0$ .

Normal to the planes are  $\vec{n}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{n}_2 = 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ , respectively.

Since, required line is parallel to the given two planes, it is perpendicular to  $\vec{n}_1$  and  $\vec{n}_2$ .

Therefore, line is parallel to the vector

$$\vec{b} = \vec{n}_1 \times \vec{n}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

So, the equation line passes through the point (3, 0, 1) and is also parallel to the point. The parallel

$$\text{to the given two plane is } \frac{x-3}{-2} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z-1}{3}. \quad [5]$$

**Q. 14.** Find the equation of the plane through the points (2, 1, -1) and (-1, 3, 4), and perpendicular to the plane  $x - 2y + 4z = 10$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 20, Page 237]

**Ans.** The equation of the plane passing through the points (2, 1, -1) is

$$a(x - 2) + b(y - 1) + c(z + 1) = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

Since, this plane passes through the points (-1, 3, 4).

$$\therefore a(-1 - 2) + b(3 - 1) + c(4 + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -3a + 2b + 5c = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Since, the plane in equation (i) is perpendicular to the plane  $x - 2y + 4z = 10$ .

$$\therefore 1 \cdot a - 2 \cdot b + 4 \cdot c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a - 2b + 4c = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

On solving equations (ii) and (iii) by cross-multiplication method, we get

$$\frac{a}{8 + 10} = \frac{-b}{-17} = \frac{c}{4} = \lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 18\lambda, b = 17\lambda, c = 4\lambda$$

From equation (i), we have

$$18\lambda(x - 2) + 17\lambda(y - 1) + 4\lambda(z + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 18x - 36 + 17y - 17 + 4z + 4 = 0$$

$$\therefore 18x + 17y + 4z = 49 \quad [5]$$

**Q. 15.** Find the shortest distance between the lines given by  $\vec{r} = (8 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} - (9 + 16\lambda)\hat{j} + (10 + 7\lambda)\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{r} = 15\hat{i} + 29\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} + \mu(3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 21, Page 237]

**Ans.** We have,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r} &= (8 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} - (9 + 16\lambda)\hat{j} + (10 + 7\lambda)\hat{k} \\ &= 8\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 10\hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} - 16\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 = 8\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 10\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b}_1 = (3\hat{i} - 16\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Also, } \vec{r} = 15\hat{i} + 29\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} + \mu(3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{a}_2 = 15\hat{i} + 29\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b}_2 = (3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) \quad \dots(ii)$$

Now, shortest distance between two lines is given by

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{|(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \\ \therefore \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & -16 & 7 \\ 3 & 8 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(80 - 56) - \hat{j}(-15 - 21) + \hat{k}(24 + 48) \\ &= 24\hat{i} + 36\hat{j} + 72\hat{k} \\ \Rightarrow |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{24^2 + 36^2 + 72^2} \\ &= 12\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2} \\ &= 84 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= (15 - 8)\hat{i} + (29 + 9)\hat{j} + (5 - 10)\hat{k} \\ &= 7\hat{i} + 38\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Shortest distance

$$= \frac{|(24\hat{i} + 36\hat{j} + 72\hat{k}) \cdot (7\hat{i} + 38\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})|}{84}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{|(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \cdot (7\hat{i} + 38\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})|}{7} \\ &= \frac{|14 + 144 - 30|}{7} = 14 \quad [5] \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 16.** Find the equation of the plane which is perpendicular to the plane  $5x + 3y + 6z + 8 = 0$  and which contains the line of intersection of the planes  $x + 2y + 3z - 4 = 0$  and  $2x + y - z + 5 = 0$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 22, Page 237]

**Ans.** The equation of a plane passing through the lines of intersection of planes  $x + 2y + 3z - 4 = 0$  and  $2x + y - z + 5 = 0$  is  $(x + 2y + 3z - 4) + \lambda(2x + y - z + 5) = 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow x(1 + 2\lambda) + y(2 + \lambda) + z(-\lambda + 3) - 4 + 5\lambda = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

Also, this is perpendicular to the plane  $5x + 3y + 6z + 8 = 0$ .

$$\therefore 5 + 10\lambda + 6 + 3\lambda + 18 - 6\lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{-29}{7}$$

Putting this value of  $\lambda$  in equation (i), we get equation of plane as :

$$51x + 15y - 50z + 173 = 0 \quad [5]$$

**Q. 17.** The plane  $ax + by = 0$  is rotated about its line of intersection with the plane  $z = 0$  through an angle  $\alpha$ . Prove that the equation of the plane in its new position is  $ax + by \pm (\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \tan \alpha)z = 0$ .

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 23, Page 237]

**Ans.** Given that,

$$\text{Planes are } ax + by = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } z = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$\therefore$  Equation of any plane passing through the line of intersection of planes in equations (i) and (ii) may be taken as,

$$ax + by + kz = 0$$

The directional cosines of a normal to the plane in equation (iii) are :

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2}}, \frac{k}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2}}$$

The directional cosines of a normal to the plane in

$$\text{equation (i) are } \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, 0$$

Since the angle between the planes in equation (i) and (ii) is  $\alpha$ ,

$$\therefore \cos \alpha = \frac{a \cdot a + b \cdot b + k \cdot 0}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 \cos^2 \alpha = a^2(1 - \cos^2 \alpha) + b^2(1 - \cos^2 \alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = \frac{(a^2 + b^2) \sin^2 \alpha}{\cos^2 \alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \tan \alpha$$

Putting the value of  $k$  in equation (iii), we get equation of plane as  $ax + by \pm z\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \tan \alpha = 0$ . [5]

**Q. 18.** Find the equation of the plane through the line of intersection of  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) = 1$  and  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) + 4 = 0$  and perpendicular to the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) + 8 = 0$ . Hence find whether

the plane thus obtained contains the line  $x - 1 = 2y - 4 = 3z - 12$ .

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Ans. Equation of family of planes,

$$\vec{r} \cdot [(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j})] = 1 - 4\lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot [(2 + \lambda)\hat{i} + (-3 - \lambda)\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}] = 1 - 4\lambda \quad \dots(i)$$

Plane in equation (i) is perpendicular to  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) + 8 = 0$ .

$$2(2 + \lambda) - 1(-3 - \lambda) + 1(4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -\frac{11}{3}$$

Substituting  $\lambda = -\frac{11}{3}$  in equation (i), we get

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left(-\frac{5}{3}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{3}\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}\right) = \frac{47}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot (-5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}) = 47 \quad [\text{Vector equation}]$$

$$-5x + 2y + 12z - 47 = 0 \quad [\text{Cartesian equation}] \quad (ii)$$

Line  $\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y-2}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{z-2}{\frac{1}{3}}$  lies on the plane in

equation (i) at point  $P(1, 2, 4)$  satisfies the equation (ii) and  $a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = -5 + 1 + 4 = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Line is perpendicular to normal plane.  
 $\therefore$  Plane contains the given line. [6]

Q. 19. Find the vector and Cartesian equations of a line passing through  $(1, 2, -4)$  and perpendicular to the lines  $\frac{x-8}{3} = \frac{y+19}{-16} = \frac{z-10}{7}$  and  $\frac{x-15}{3} = \frac{y-29}{8} = \frac{z-5}{-5}$ .

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Ans. Equation of  $L_1$  passing through the points  $(1, 2, -4)$  is

$$L_1: \frac{x-1}{a} = \frac{y-2}{b} = \frac{z+4}{c}$$

$$L_2: \frac{x-8}{3} = \frac{y+19}{-16} = \frac{z-10}{7}$$

$$L_3: \frac{x-15}{3} = \frac{y-29}{8} = \frac{z-5}{-5}$$

$$\because L_1 \perp L_2 \Rightarrow 3a - 16b + 7c = 0$$

$$L_1 \perp L_3 \Rightarrow 3a + 8b - 5c = 0$$

Solving we get,

$$\frac{a}{24} = \frac{b}{36} = \frac{c}{72}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{2} = \frac{b}{3} = \frac{c}{6}$$

$\therefore$  Required Cartesian equation of line is  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z+4}{6}$ .

Vector equation  $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$ . [6]

Q. 20. Find the vector equation of the plane through the line of intersection of the planes  $x + y + z = 1$  and  $2x + 3y + 4z = 5$  which is perpendicular to the plane  $x - y + z = 0$ . Hence find whether the plane thus obtained contains the line  $\frac{x+2}{5} = \frac{y-3}{4} = \frac{z}{5}$  or not.

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Ans. Equation of the plane passing through the intersecting of planes is :

$$(x + y + z - 1) + \lambda(2x + 3y + 4z - 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + 2\lambda)x + (1 + 3\lambda)y + (1 + 4\lambda)z - (1 + 5\lambda) = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

This plane is perpendicular to  $x - y + z = 0$ .

$$\therefore 1(1 + 2\lambda) - 1(1 + 3\lambda) + 1(1 + 4\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{-1}{3}$$

$\therefore$  Equation of plane is :

$$(x + y + z - 1) - \frac{1}{3}(2x + 3y + 4z - 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x - z + 2 = 0$$

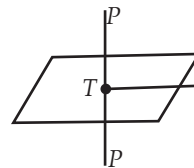
Vector form of plane as  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{k}) + 2 = 0$ .

Yes, lies line on plane as  $(-2, 3, 0)$  satisfies  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{k}) + 2 = 0$  and normal to plane is perpendicular to the given line is  $1(5) + 0(4) - 1(5) = 0$ . [6]

Q. 21. Find the image  $P'$  of the point  $P$  having position vector  $\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  in the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) + 3 = 0$ . Hence find the length of  $PP'$ .

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Ans. Let  $PT$  is perpendicular to the given plane.



Let position vector of  $T$  is  $\vec{b}_1 = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ .

$$\therefore \vec{PT} = (a-1)\hat{i} + (b-3)\hat{j} + (c-4)\hat{k}$$

$\vec{PT} \parallel \vec{n}$  (normal)

$$\therefore \frac{a-1}{-2} = \frac{b-3}{1} = \frac{c-4}{-1} = \lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -2\lambda + 1, b = \lambda + 3 \text{ and } c = -\lambda + 4$$

$$\therefore \vec{b}_1 = (-2\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + (\lambda + 3)\hat{j} + (-\lambda + 4)\hat{k}$$

$\vec{b}_1$  lies on plane.

$$\therefore [(-2\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + (\lambda + 3)\hat{j} + (-\lambda + 4)\hat{k}] \cdot (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$\therefore \vec{b}_1 = -\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

Let position vector of  $P'$  is  $\vec{c}_1 = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ .

Using Section Formula, we have

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

$$\text{Also, } PP' = \sqrt{24} \text{ or } 2\sqrt{6}. \quad [6]$$

Q. 22. Find the equation of the plane through the intersection of the planes  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) - 6 = 0$  and  $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) = 0$  whose perpendicular distance from origin is unity.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 24, Page 237]

Ans. Given that,

Planes are  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) - 6 = 0$  and  $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) = 0$ .

Equation of family of planes passing through the intersection of these planes is

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) - 6 + \lambda [\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k})] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot [(1 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} + (3 - \lambda)\hat{j} + \hat{k}(-4\lambda)] = 6 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\vec{r} \cdot [(1+3\lambda)\hat{i} + (3-\lambda)\hat{j} + \hat{k}(-4\lambda)]}{\sqrt{(1+3\lambda)^2 + (3-\lambda)^2 + (-4\lambda)^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6}{\sqrt{(1+3\lambda)^2 + (3-\lambda)^2 + (-4\lambda)^2}}$$

Since, the perpendicular distance from the origin is unity.

$$\therefore \frac{6}{\sqrt{(1+3\lambda)^2 + (3-\lambda)^2 + (-4\lambda)^2}} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (1+3\lambda)^2 + (3-\lambda)^2 + (-4\lambda)^2 = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+9\lambda^2+6\lambda+9+\lambda^2-6\lambda+16\lambda^2=36$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2=1$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \pm 1$$

\(\therefore\) Using equation (i), the required plane is :

$$\vec{r} \cdot [(1 \pm 3)\hat{i} + (3 \mp 1)\hat{j} + (\mp 4)\hat{k}] = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot (4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) = 6 \text{ and } \vec{r} \cdot (-2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) = 6$$

Or,  $4x + 2y - 4z - 6 = 0$  and  $-2x + 4y + 4z - 6 = 0$  [5]

**Q. 23.** Prove that if a plane has the intercepts  $a, b, c$  and is at a distance of  $p$  units from the origin, then

$$\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1}{p^2}$$

[NCERT Misc. Ex. Q. 21, Page 499]

**Ans.** Distance of the points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  from the plane  $Ax + By + Cz = D$  is

$$\frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$$

The equation of a plane having intercepts,  $a, b, c$  on the  $x, y$  and  $z$ -axis, respectively is :

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$$

Comparing with  $Ax + By + Cz = D$ ,

$$A = \frac{1}{a}, B = \frac{1}{b}, C = \frac{1}{c}, D = 1 \quad [2]$$

Given that, the plane is at a distance of ' $p$ ' units from the origin.

So, the points are  $O(0, 0, 0)$ .

So,  $x_1 = 0, y_1 = 0,$  and  $z_1 = 0$

Now,

$$\text{Distance} = \frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$$

Putting values, we have

$$p = \frac{\left| \frac{1}{a} \times 0 + \frac{1}{b} \times 0 + \frac{1}{c} \times 0 - 1 \right|}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^2}} = \frac{|0 + 0 + 0 - 1|}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}}$$

$$p = \frac{|-1|}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}}$$

$$\frac{1}{p} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}$$

Squaring both sides, we have

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}$$

Thus proved. [3]

**Q. 24.** Show that the points  $(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  and  $3(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  are equidistant from the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) + 9 = 0$  and lies on opposite side of it.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 25, Page 237]

**Ans.** To show that these given points  $(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  and  $3(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  are equidistant from the plane.  $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) + 9 = 0$ .

\(\therefore\) We have to prove that mid-points of these points lie on the plane. Now mid-point of the given plane is  $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ .

On substituting  $\vec{r}$  by the mid-point in a plane, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) + 9 \\ &= 10 + 2 - 21 + 9 \\ &= 0 \\ &= \text{RHS} \end{aligned}$$

So that, these two points lie on opposite sides of the plane are equidistant from the plane. [5]

**Q. 25.**  $\overline{AB} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\overline{CD} = -3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  are two vectors. The position vectors of the points  $A$  and  $C$  are  $6\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  and  $-9\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ , respectively. Find the position vector of a point  $P$  on the line  $AB$  and a point  $Q$  on the line  $CD$  such that  $\overline{PQ}$  is perpendicular to  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{CD}$  both.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 26, Page 237]

**Ans.** We have,

$$\overline{AB} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k} \text{ and } \overline{CD} = -3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

Also, the position vectors of  $A$  and  $C$  are  $6\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  and  $-9\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ , respectively.

Since,  $\overline{PQ}$  is perpendicular to both  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{CD}$ .

So,  $P$  and  $Q$  will be foot of perpendicular to both the lines that pass through  $A$  and  $C$ .

Now, equation of the line through  $A$  and parallel to the vector  $\overline{AB}$  is,

$$\vec{r} = (6\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \quad \dots(i)$$

And the line passing through  $C$  and parallel to the vector  $\overline{CD}$  is given by

$$\vec{r} = -9\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} + \mu(-3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \quad \dots(ii)$$

Let  $P(6 + 3\lambda, 7 - \lambda, 4 + \lambda)$  is any point on the first line and  $Q$  be any point on second line is given by  $(-3\mu, -9 + 2\mu, 2 + 4\mu)$ .

$$\therefore \overline{PQ} = (-3\mu, -6 - 3\lambda)\hat{i} + (2\mu + \lambda - 16)\hat{j} + (4\mu - \lambda - 2)\hat{k}$$

If  $\overline{PQ}$  is perpendicular to the first line, then

$$3(-3\mu - 6 - 3\lambda) - (2\mu + \lambda - 16) + (4\mu - \lambda - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -7\mu - 11\lambda - 4 = 0 \dots(iii)$$

If  $\overline{PQ}$  is perpendicular to the second line, then

$$-3(-3\mu - 6 - 3\lambda) + 2(2\mu + \lambda - 16) + 4(4\mu - \lambda - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 29\mu + 7\lambda - 22 = 0 \dots(iv)$$

On solving equations (iii) and (iv), we get

$$\mu = 1 \text{ and } \lambda = -1$$

$$\therefore \overline{OP} = 3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \quad [\text{From (i)}]$$

$$\text{and } \overline{OQ} = -3\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} \quad [\text{From (ii)}] \quad [5]$$

**Q. 26.** Show that the straight lines whose direction cosines are given by  $2l + 2m - n = 0$  and  $mn + nl + lm = 0$  are at right angles.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 27, Page 237]

**Ans.** We have,  
 $2l + 2m - n = 0$  ... (i)  
 And  $mn + nl + lm = 0$  ... (ii)  
 Eliminating  $m$  from the both equations, we get  
 $\Rightarrow \left(\frac{n-2l}{2}\right)n + nl + l\left(\frac{n-2l}{2}\right) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{n^2 - 2nl + 2nl + nl - 2l^2}{2} = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow n^2 + nl - 2l^2 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow (n+2l)(n-l) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow n = -2l$  and  $n = l$

$\therefore m = -2l, m = \frac{-n}{2}$  [From Eq. (i)]

Thus, the direction ratios of two are proportional to  $l, -2l, -2l$  and  $l, \frac{-l}{2}, l$

Or directional ratios are  $1, -2, -2$  and  $2, -1, 2$

Therefore, angle between vectors is given by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})}{|\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}| |2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}|} = \frac{2 + 2 - 4}{3 \cdot 3} = 0$$

$\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  [5]

**Q. 27.** If  $l_1, m_1, n_1; l_2, m_2, n_2; l_3, m_3, n_3$  are the direction cosines of three mutually perpendicular lines, prove that the line whose direction cosines are proportional to  $l_1 + l_2 + l_3, m_1 + m_2 + m_3, n_1 + n_2 + n_3$  makes equal angles with them.

[NCERT Exemp. Ex. 11.3, Q. 28, Page 237]

**Ans.** Let,  
 $\vec{a} = l_1\hat{i} + m_1\hat{j} + n_1\hat{k}$   
 $\vec{b} = l_2\hat{i} + m_2\hat{j} + n_2\hat{k}$   
 $\vec{c} = l_3\hat{i} + m_3\hat{j} + n_3\hat{k}$   
 $\vec{d} = (l_1 + l_2 + l_3)\hat{i} + (m_1 + m_2 + m_3)\hat{j} + (n_1 + n_2 + n_3)\hat{k}$

Also, let  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma$  are the angles between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{d}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{d}$ ,  $\vec{c}$  and  $\vec{d}$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \cos \alpha &= \frac{l_1(l_1 + l_2 + l_3) + m_1(m_1 + m_2 + m_3) + n_1(n_1 + n_2 + n_3)}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{d}|} \\ &= \frac{l_1^2 + l_1l_2 + l_1l_3 + m_1^2 + m_1m_2 + m_1m_3 + n_1^2 + n_1n_2 + n_1n_3}{(l_1^2 + m_1^2 + n_1^2)(l_1 + l_2 + l_3 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3 + n_1 + n_2 + n_3)} \\ &= \frac{l_1^2 + m_1^2 + n_1^2}{l_1^2 + m_1^2 + n_1^2} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $\cos \beta = 1$  and  $\cos \gamma = 1$

$\Rightarrow \cos \alpha = \cos \beta = \cos \gamma$

$\Rightarrow \alpha = \beta = \gamma$

Thus proved [5]

**Q. 28.** Find the equation of the plane which contains the line of intersection of the planes  $x + 2y + 3z - 4 = 0$  and  $2x + 0 - z + 5 = 0$  and whose  $x$ -intercept is twice its  $z$ -intercept.

Hence write the vector equation of a plane passing through the point  $(2, 3, -1)$  and parallel to the plane obtained above.

[CBSE Board, Foreign Region, 2016]

**Ans.** Equation of family of planes passing through two given planes :  
 $(x + 2y + 3z - 4) + k(2x + y - z + 5) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow (1 + 2k)x + (2 + k)y + (3 - k)z = 4 - 5k$  ... (i)  
 $\Rightarrow \frac{x}{\frac{4-5k}{1+2k}} + \frac{y}{\frac{4-5k}{2+k}} + \frac{z}{\frac{4-5k}{3-k}} = 1$   
 As per condition,  
 $\frac{4-5k}{1+2k} = \frac{2(4-5k)}{(3-k)}$   
 $\Rightarrow k = \frac{4}{5}$  or  $\frac{1}{5}$

For  $k = \frac{1}{5}$ , equation of plane is  $7x + 11y + 14z = 15$ .

For  $k = \frac{4}{5}$ , equation of plane is  $13x + 14y + 11z = 0$ .

Equation of plane passing through the points  $(2, 3, -1)$  and parallel to the plane is :

$7(x - 2) + 11(y - 3) + 14(z + 1) = 0$

$\Rightarrow 7x + 11y + 14z = 33$

Vector form :  $\vec{r} \cdot (7\hat{i} + 11\hat{j} + 14\hat{k}) = 33$  [6]

**Q. 29.** Find the position vector of the foot of perpendicular and the perpendicular distance from the point  $P$  with position vector  $2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  to the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - 26 = 0$ . Also find image of  $P$  in the plane. [CBSE Board, All India Region, 2016]

**Ans.** Line passing through 'P' and perpendicular to plane is :

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

General point on line is :

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

For some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\vec{r}$  is the foot of perpendicular, say Q, from P to the plane, since it lies on plane.

$\therefore [(2 + 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (3 + \lambda)\hat{j} + (4 + 3\lambda)\hat{k}] \cdot (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - 26 = 0$

$4 + 4\lambda + 3 + \lambda + 12 + 9\lambda - 26 = 0$

$\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$

$\therefore$  Foot of perpendicular =  $Q \left( 3\hat{i} + \frac{7}{2}\hat{j} + \frac{11}{2}\hat{k} \right)$ .

Let  $P'$  ( $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ ) be the image of P in the plane, then Q is the mid-point of  $PP'$ .

$\therefore Q \left( \frac{a+2}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{b+3}{2}\hat{j} + \frac{c+4}{2}\hat{k} \right)$

$= Q \left( 3\hat{i} + \frac{7}{2}\hat{j} + \frac{11}{2}\hat{k} \right)$

$\Rightarrow \frac{a+2}{2} = 3, \frac{b+3}{2} = \frac{7}{2}, \frac{c+4}{2} = \frac{11}{2}$

$\Rightarrow a = 4, b = 4$  and  $c = 7$

$\therefore P'(4\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})$

Perpendicular distance of P from plane

$= PQ \sqrt{(2-3)^2 + \left(3 - \frac{7}{2}\right)^2 + \left(4 - \frac{11}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{7}{2}}$  [6]



## Some Commonly Made Errors

- The dot product gives us a scalar, not another vector. The products are added together, not put into vector components.
- Note that there is very little difference between the two-dimensional (2D) and three-dimensional (3D) formulae above. To get from the 3D formula to the 2D formula all we did is to take out the third component/coordinate. Because of this, most of the formulae here are given only in their 3D version. If we need them in their 2D form we can easily modify the 3D form.
- When two lines are perpendicular, the angle between the lines is  $90^\circ$  which gives the condition of perpendicular as :
  - $l_1l_2 + m_1m_2 + n_1n_2 = 0$
  - **Or this implies,**
  - $a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$ .
- Similarly, when two lines are parallel, the angle between them, *i.e.*  $\theta = 0^\circ$ .
  - **This gives**  $l_1/l_2 = m_1/m_2 = n_1/n_2$
  - **This also gives**  $a_1/a_2 = b_1/b_2 = c_1/c_2$
  - **So don't confuse with the applied conditions on both case.**



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- 🔊 Try the given problems with the conventional methods first, and then look into the short-cut methods given. This makes it evident for you, the lesser labour involved, in comparison to the conventional methods.
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