

## 11

Three Dimensional  
Geometry

## 11.3 EXERCISE

## SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS

**Q1.** Find the position vector of a point A in space such that  $\overline{OA}$  is inclined at  $60^\circ$  to OX and at  $45^\circ$  to OY and  $|\overline{OA}| = 10$  units.

**Sol.** Let  $\alpha = 60^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 45^\circ$  and the angle inclined to OZ axis be  $\gamma$

We know that

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 60^\circ + \cos^2 45^\circ + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \cos^2 \gamma = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{4} + \cos^2 \gamma = 1 \Rightarrow \cos^2 \gamma = 1 - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\therefore \cos \gamma = \pm \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \cos \gamma = \frac{1}{2}$$

(Rejecting  $\cos \gamma = -\frac{1}{2}$ , since  $\gamma < 90^\circ$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \overline{OA} &= |\overline{OA}| \left( \frac{1}{2} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{j} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{k} \right) = 10 \left( \frac{1}{2} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{j} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{k} \right) \\ &= 5\hat{i} + 5\sqrt{2}\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the position vector of A is  $(5\hat{i} + 5\sqrt{2}\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$ .

**Q2.** 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  $(1, -2, 3)$ .

**Sol.** We know that the equation of line is

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

Here,  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

$\therefore$  Equation of line is  $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$

$$\Rightarrow (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = \lambda(3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

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

Hence, the required equation is

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

**Q3.** 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.

**Sol.** The given equations are

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{x-4}{5} = \frac{y-1}{2} = z$$

$$\text{Let} \quad \frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4} = \lambda$$

$$\therefore x = 2\lambda + 1, y = 3\lambda + 2 \text{ and } z = 4\lambda + 3$$

$$\text{and} \quad \frac{x-4}{5} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z}{1} = \mu$$

$$\therefore x = 5\mu + 4, y = 2\mu + 1 \text{ and } z = \mu$$

If the two lines intersect each other at one point,

$$\text{then} \quad 2\lambda + 1 = 5\mu + 4 \Rightarrow 2\lambda - 5\mu = 3 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$3\lambda + 2 = 2\mu + 1 \Rightarrow 3\lambda - 2\mu = -1 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{and} \quad 4\lambda + 3 = \mu \Rightarrow 4\lambda - \mu = -3 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Solving eqns. (i) and (ii) we get

$$2\lambda - 5\mu = 3 \quad \text{[multiply by 3]}$$

$$3\lambda - 2\mu = -1 \quad \text{[multiply by 2]}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6\lambda - 15\mu = 9$$

$$6\lambda - 4\mu = -2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} (-) \quad (+) \quad (+) \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$-11\mu = 11 \quad \therefore \mu = -1$$

Putting the value of  $\mu$  in eq. (i) we get,

$$2\lambda - 5(-1) = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda + 5 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda = -2 \quad \therefore \lambda = -1$$

Now putting the value of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  in eq. (iii) then

$$4(-1) - (-1) = -3$$

$$-4 + 1 = -3$$

$$-3 = -3 \text{ (satisfied)}$$

$\therefore$  Coordinates of the point of intersection are

$$x = 5(-1) + 4 = -5 + 4 = -1$$

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

$$z = -1$$

Hence, the given lines intersect each other at  $(-1, -1, -1)$ .

**Alternately:** If two lines intersect each other at a point, then the shortest distance between them is equal to 0.

$$\text{For this we will use } SD = \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} = 0.$$

**Q4.** Find the angle between the lines

$$\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} + \lambda(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \text{ and}$$

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

**Sol.** Here,  $\vec{b}_1 = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b}_2 = 6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \cos \theta &= \frac{\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2}{|\vec{b}_1| |\vec{b}_2|} = \frac{(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})}{\sqrt{(2)^2 + (1)^2 + (2)^2} \cdot \sqrt{(6)^2 + (3)^2 + (2)^2}} \\ &= \frac{12 + 3 + 4}{\sqrt{4 + 1 + 4} \cdot \sqrt{36 + 9 + 4}} = \frac{19}{\sqrt{9} \cdot \sqrt{49}} = \frac{19}{3 \cdot 7} = \frac{19}{21} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{19}{21}\right)$$

Hence, the required angle is  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{19}{21}\right)$ .

**Q5.** 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).

**Sol.** Given points are A(0, -1, -1) and B(4, 5, 1)  
C(3, 9, 4) and D(-4, 4, 4)

Cartesian form of equation AB is

$$\frac{x-0}{4-0} = \frac{y+1}{5+1} = \frac{z+1}{1+1} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{4} = \frac{y+1}{6} = \frac{z+1}{2}$$

and its vector form is  $\vec{r} = (-\hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \lambda(4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

Similarly, equation of CD is

$$\frac{x-3}{-4-3} = \frac{y-9}{4-9} = \frac{z-4}{4-4} \Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{-7} = \frac{y-9}{-5} = \frac{z-4}{0}$$

and its vector form is  $\vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) + \mu(-7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j})$

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

$$\vec{a}_2 = 3\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}, \vec{b}_2 = -7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j}$$

Shortest distance between AB and CD

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

$$\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = (3\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) - (-\hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 3\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 4 & 6 & 2 \\ -7 & -5 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(0 + 10) - \hat{j}(0 + 14) + \hat{k}(-20 + 42)$$

$$= 10\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} + 22\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| &= \sqrt{(10)^2 + (-14)^2 + (22)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{100 + 196 + 484} = \sqrt{780} \\
 \therefore \text{S.D} &= \frac{(3\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) \cdot (10\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} + 22\hat{k})}{\sqrt{780}} \\
 &= \frac{30 - 140 + 110}{\sqrt{780}} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the two lines intersect each other.

**Q6.** Prove that the lines  $x = py + q$ ,  $z = ry + s$  and  $x = p'y + q'$ ,  $z = r'y + s'$  are perpendicular, if  $pp' + rr' + 1 = 0$

**Sol.** Given that:  $x = py + q \Rightarrow y = \frac{x - q}{p}$

and  $z = ry + s \Rightarrow y = \frac{z - s}{r}$

$\therefore$  the equation becomes

$$\frac{x - q}{p} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z - s}{r} \text{ in which d'ratios are } a_1 = p, b_1 = 1, c_1 = r$$

Similarly  $x = p'y + q' \Rightarrow y = \frac{x - q'}{p'}$

and  $z = r'y + s' \Rightarrow y = \frac{z - s'}{r'}$

$\therefore$  the equation becomes

$$\frac{x - q'}{p'} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z - s'}{r'} \text{ in which } a_2 = p', b_2 = 1, c_2 = r'$$

If the lines are perpendicular to each other, then

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

$$pp' + 1.1 + rr' = 0$$

Hence,  $pp' + rr' + 1 = 0$  is the required condition.

**Q7.** Find the equation of a plane which bisects perpendicularly the line joining the points A(2, 3, 4), B(4, 5, 8) at right angles.

**Sol.** Given that A(2, 3, 4) and B(4, 5, 8)

Coordinates of mid-point C are  $\left(\frac{2+4}{2}, \frac{3+5}{2}, \frac{4+8}{2}\right) = (3, 4, 6)$

Now direction ratios of the normal to the plane  
= direction ratios of AB  
= 4 - 2, 5 - 3, 8 - 4 = (2, 2, 4)

Equation of the plane is

$$a(x - x_1) + b(y - y_1) + c(z - z_1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(x - 3) + 2(y - 4) + 4(z - 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 6 + 2y - 8 + 4z - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 2y + 4z = 38 \Rightarrow x + y + 2z = 19$$

Hence, the required equation of plane is

$$x + y + 2z = 19 \quad \text{or} \quad \vec{r}(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 19.$$

- Q8.** 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.

**Sol.** Since, the normal to the plane is equally inclined to the axes

$$\therefore \cos \alpha = \cos \beta = \cos \gamma$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha = 1$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos \alpha = \cos \beta = \cos \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

So, the normal is 
$$\vec{N} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{j} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{k}$$

$\therefore$  Equation of the plane is  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{N} = d$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot \frac{\vec{N}}{|\vec{N}|} = d$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{j} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{k} \right)}{1} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{j} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{k} \right) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y + z = 3\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow x + y + z = 9$$

Hence, the required equation of plane is  $x + y + z = 9$ .

- Q9.** 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.

**Sol.** Direction ratios of the normal to the plane are

$$(1 + 2, -3 + 1, 3 + 3) \Rightarrow (3, -2, 6)$$

Equation of plane passing through one point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  is

$$a(x - x_1) + b(y - y_1) + c(z - z_1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(x - 1) - 2(y + 3) + 6(z - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 3 - 2y - 6 + 6z - 18 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 2y + 6z - 27 = 0 \Rightarrow 3x - 2y + 6z = 27$$

Hence, the required equation is  $3x - 2y + 6z = 27$ .

- Q10.** Find the equation of the plane passing through the points  $(2, 1, 0)$ ,  $(3, -2, -2)$  and  $(3, 1, 7)$ .

**Sol.** Since, the equation of the plane passing through the points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3, z_3)$  is

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x-x_1 & y-y_1 & z-z_1 \\ x_2-x_1 & y_2-y_1 & z_2-z_1 \\ x_3-x_1 & y_3-y_1 & z_3-z_1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x-2 & y-1 & z-0 \\ 3-2 & -2-1 & -2-0 \\ 3-2 & 1-1 & 7-0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x-2 & y-1 & z \\ 1 & -3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2) \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 7 \end{vmatrix} - (y-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 7 \end{vmatrix} + z \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(-21) - (y-1)(7+2) + z(3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -21(x-2) - 9(y-1) + 3z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -21x + 42 - 9y + 9 + 3z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -21x - 9y + 3z + 51 = 0 \Rightarrow 7x + 3y - z - 17 = 0$$

Hence, the required equation is  $7x + 3y - z - 17 = 0$ .

- Q11.** Find the equations of 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.

**Sol.** Any point on the given line is

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

$$\Rightarrow x = 2\lambda + 3, y = \lambda + 3$$

$$\text{and } z = \lambda$$

Let it be the coordinates of P

$\therefore$  Direction ratios of OP

are

$$(2\lambda + 3 - 0), (\lambda + 3 - 0) \text{ and } (\lambda - 0) \Rightarrow 2\lambda + 3, \lambda + 3, \lambda$$

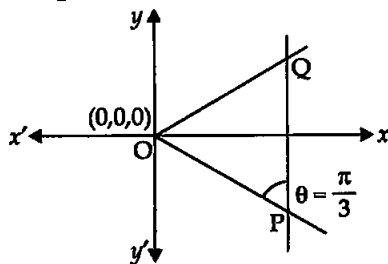
But the direction ratios of the line PQ are 2, 1, 1

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

$$\cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{2(2\lambda + 3) + 1(\lambda + 3) + 1 \cdot \lambda}{\sqrt{(2)^2 + (1)^2 + (1)^2} \cdot \sqrt{(2\lambda + 3)^2 + (\lambda + 3)^2 + \lambda^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{4\lambda + 6 + \lambda + 3 + \lambda}{\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt{4\lambda^2 + 9 + 12\lambda + \lambda^2 + 9 + 6\lambda + \lambda^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} = \frac{6\lambda + 9}{\sqrt{6\lambda^2 + 18\lambda + 18}} = \frac{6\lambda + 9}{\sqrt{6} \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 3}}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{6}{2} &= \frac{3(2\lambda + 3)}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 3}} \Rightarrow 3 = \frac{3(2\lambda + 3)}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 3}} \\ \Rightarrow 1 &= \frac{2\lambda + 3}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 3}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 3} = 2\lambda + 3 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 3 &= 4\lambda^2 + 9 + 12\lambda \quad (\text{Squaring both sides}) \\ \Rightarrow 3\lambda^2 + 9\lambda + 6 &= 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow (\lambda + 1)(\lambda + 2) &= 0 \\ \therefore \lambda &= -1, \lambda = -2 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Direction ratios are  $[2(-1) + 3, -1 + 3, -1]$  i.e.,  $1, 2, -1$  when  $\lambda = -1$  and  $[2(-2) + 3, -2 + 3, -2]$  i.e.,  $-1, 1, -2$  when  $\lambda = -2$ .

Hence, the required equations are

$$\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{x}{-1} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z}{-2}$$

**Q12.** Find the angle between the lines whose direction cosines are given by the equations  $l + m + n = 0$  and  $l^2 + m^2 - n^2 = 0$

**Sol.** The given equations are

$$l + m + n = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$l^2 + m^2 - n^2 = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From equation (i)  $n = -(l + m)$

Putting the value of  $n$  in eq. (ii) we get

$$l^2 + m^2 + [-(l + m)^2] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l^2 + m^2 - l^2 - m^2 - 2lm = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2lm = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow lm = 0 \Rightarrow (-m - n)m = 0 \quad [\because l = -m - n]$$

$$\Rightarrow (m + n)m = 0 \Rightarrow m = 0 \text{ or } m = -n$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 0 \text{ or } l = -n$$

$\therefore$  Direction cosines of the two lines are

$0, -n, n$  and  $-n, 0, n \Rightarrow 0, -1, 1$  and  $-1, 0, 1$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{(0\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + \hat{k})}{\sqrt{(-1)^2 + (1)^2} \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (1)^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Hence, the required angle is  $\frac{\pi}{3}$ .

**Q13.** 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  $\delta\theta^2 = \delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2$ .

**Sol.** Given that  $l, m, n$  and  $l + \delta l, m + \delta m, n + \delta n$ , are the direction cosines of a variable line in two positions

$$\therefore l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{and } (l + \delta l)^2 + (m + \delta m)^2 + (n + \delta n)^2 = 1 \quad \dots(ii) \\
 & \Rightarrow l^2 + \delta l^2 + 2l.\delta l + m^2 + \delta m^2 + 2m.\delta m + n^2 + \delta n^2 + 2n.\delta n = 1 \\
 & \Rightarrow (l^2 + m^2 + n^2) + (\delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2) + 2(l.\delta l + m.\delta m + n.\delta n) = 1 \\
 & \Rightarrow 1 + (\delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2) + 2(l.\delta l + m.\delta m + n.\delta n) = 1 \\
 & \Rightarrow l.\delta l + m.\delta m + n.\delta n = -\frac{1}{2}(\delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be the unit vectors along a line with d'cosines  $l, m, n$  and  $(l + \delta l), (m + \delta m), (n + \delta n)$ .

$$\therefore \vec{a} = l\hat{i} + m\hat{j} + n\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = (l + \delta l)\hat{i} + (m + \delta m)\hat{j} + (n + \delta n)\hat{k}$$

$$\cos \delta\theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|}$$

$$\cos \delta\theta = \frac{(l\hat{i} + m\hat{j} + n\hat{k}) \cdot [(l + \delta l)\hat{i} + (m + \delta m)\hat{j} + (n + \delta n)\hat{k}]}{1.1}$$

$$[\because |\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \delta\theta = l(l + \delta l) + m(m + \delta m) + n(n + \delta n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \delta\theta = l^2 + l.\delta l + m^2 + m.\delta m + n^2 + n.\delta n$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \delta\theta = (l^2 + m^2 + n^2) + (l.\delta l + m.\delta m + n.\delta n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \delta\theta = 1 - \frac{1}{2}(\delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \cos \delta\theta = \frac{1}{2}(\delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin^2 \frac{\delta\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(\delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sin^2 \frac{\delta\theta}{2} = \delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \left( \frac{\delta\theta}{2} \right)^2 = \delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \because \frac{\delta\theta}{2} \text{ is very small so,} \\ \sin \frac{\delta\theta}{2} = \frac{\delta\theta}{2} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow (\delta\theta)^2 = \delta l^2 + \delta m^2 + \delta n^2 \text{ Hence proved.}$$

**Q14.** 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.

**Sol.** We have A $(a, b, c)$  and O $(0, 0, 0)$

$$\therefore \text{direction ratios of OA} = a - 0, b - 0, c - 0 \\ = a, b, c$$

$\therefore$  direction cosines of line OA

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

Now direction ratios of the normal to the plane are  $(a, b, c)$ .

$\therefore$  Equation of the plane passing through the point A $(a, b, c)$  is

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



$$\Rightarrow ax - a^2 + by - b^2 + cz - c^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ax + by + cz = a^2 + b^2 + c^2$$

Hence, the required equation is  $ax + by + cz = a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ .

- Q15.** 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  $\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1}{a'^2} + \frac{1}{b'^2} + \frac{1}{c'^2}$ .

**Sol.** Let  $OX, OY, OZ$  and  $ox, oy, oz$  be two rectangular systems  
 $\therefore$  Equations of two planes are

$$\frac{X}{a} + \frac{Y}{b} + \frac{Z}{c} = 1 \dots(i) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{x}{a'} + \frac{y}{b'} + \frac{z}{c'} = 1 \dots(ii)$$

Length of perpendicular from origin to plane (i) is

$$= \frac{\left| \frac{0}{a} + \frac{0}{b} + \frac{0}{c} - 1 \right|}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}}$$

Length of perpendicular from origin to plane (ii)

$$= \frac{\left| \frac{0}{a'} + \frac{0}{b'} + \frac{0}{c'} - 1 \right|}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a'^2} + \frac{1}{b'^2} + \frac{1}{c'^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a'^2} + \frac{1}{b'^2} + \frac{1}{c'^2}}}$$

As per the condition of the question

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a'^2} + \frac{1}{b'^2} + \frac{1}{c'^2}}}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1}{a'^2} + \frac{1}{b'^2} + \frac{1}{c'^2}$$

### LONG ANSWERTYPE QUESTIONS

- Q16.** 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.

**Sol.** Given that:  $\frac{4-x}{2} = \frac{y}{6} = \frac{1-z}{3}$  is the equation of line

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-4}{-2} = \frac{y}{6} = \frac{z-1}{-3} = \lambda$$

$\therefore$  Coordinates of any point  $Q$  on the line are

$$x = -2\lambda + 4, y = 6\lambda \text{ and } z = -3\lambda + 1$$

and the given point is  $P(2, 3, -8)$

Direction ratios of PQ are  $-2\lambda + 4 - 2, 6\lambda - 3, -3\lambda + 1 + 8$

i.e.,  $-2\lambda + 2, 6\lambda - 3, -3\lambda + 9$

and the D'ratios of the given line are  $-2, 6, -3$ .

If  $PQ \perp$  line

$$\text{then } -2(-2\lambda + 2) + 6(6\lambda - 3) - 3(-3\lambda + 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\lambda - 4 + 36\lambda - 18 + 9\lambda - 27 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 49\lambda - 49 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$\therefore$  The foot of the perpendicular is  $-2(1) + 4, 6(1), -3(1) + 1$

i.e.,  $2, 6, -2$

$$\text{Now, distance PQ} = \sqrt{(2-2)^2 + (3-6)^2 + (-8+2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9+36} = \sqrt{45} = 3\sqrt{5}$$

Hence, the required coordinates of the foot of perpendicular are  $2, 6, -2$  and the required distance is  $3\sqrt{5}$  units.

**Q17.** Find the distance of a point  $(2, 4, -1)$  from the line

$$\frac{x+5}{1} = \frac{y+3}{4} = \frac{z-6}{-9}.$$

**Sol.** The given equation of line is

$$\frac{x+5}{1} = \frac{y+3}{4} = \frac{z-6}{-9} = \lambda \text{ and any point } P(2, 4, -1)$$

Let Q be any point on the given line

$\therefore$  Coordinates of Q are  $x = \lambda - 5, y = 4\lambda - 3, z = -9\lambda + 6$

D'ratios of PQ are  $\lambda - 5 - 2, 4\lambda - 3 - 4, -9\lambda + 6 + 1$

i.e.,  $\lambda - 7, 4\lambda - 7, -9\lambda + 7$

and the d'ratios of the line are  $1, 4, -9$

If  $PQ \perp$  line then

$$1(\lambda - 7) + 4(4\lambda - 7) - 9(-9\lambda + 7) = 0$$

$$\lambda - 7 + 16\lambda - 28 + 81\lambda - 63 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 98\lambda - 98 = 0 \quad \therefore \lambda = 1$$

So, the coordinates of Q are  $1 - 5, 4 \times 1 - 3, -9 \times 1 + 6$

i.e.,  $-4, 1, -3$

$$\therefore PQ = \sqrt{(-4-2)^2 + (1-4)^2 + (-3+1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(-6)^2 + (-3)^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{36+9+4} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

Hence, the required distance is 7 units.

**Q18.** Find the length and foot of perpendicular from the point

$\left(1, \frac{3}{2}, 2\right)$  to the plane  $2x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$ .

**Sol.** Given plane is  $2x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$  and given point is  $\left(1, \frac{3}{2}, 2\right)$

D'ratios of the normal to the plane are  $2, -2, 4$

So, the equation of the line passing through  $\left(1, \frac{3}{2}, 2\right)$  and whose d'ratios are equal to the d'ratios of the normal to the

plane i.e.,  $2, -2, 4$  is  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-\frac{3}{2}}{-2} = \frac{z-2}{4} = \lambda$

$\therefore$  Any point in the plane is  $2\lambda + 1, -2\lambda + \frac{3}{2}, 4\lambda + 2$

Since, the point lies in the plane, then

$$2(2\lambda + 1) - 2\left(-2\lambda + \frac{3}{2}\right) + 4(4\lambda + 2) + 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\lambda + 2 + 4\lambda - 3 + 16\lambda + 8 + 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 24\lambda + 12 = 0 \quad \therefore \lambda = -\frac{1}{2}$$

So, the coordinates of the point in the plane are

$$2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1, -2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{2}, 4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 2 \text{ i.e., } 0, \frac{5}{2}, 0$$

Hence, the foot of the perpendicular is  $\left(0, \frac{5}{2}, 0\right)$  and the

$$\begin{aligned} \text{required length} &= \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 + (2-0)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1+1+4} = \sqrt{6} \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

**Q19.** Find the equations of the line passing through the point  $(3, 0, 1)$  and parallel to the planes  $x + 2y = 0$  and  $3y - z = 0$ .

**Sol.** Given point is  $(3, 0, 1)$  and the equation of planes are

$$x + 2y = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } 3y - z = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Equation of any line  $l$  passing through  $(3, 0, 1)$  is

$$l: \frac{x-3}{a} = \frac{y-0}{b} = \frac{z-1}{c}$$

Direction ratios of the normal to plane (i) and plane (ii) are  $(1, 2, 0)$  and  $(0, 3, -1)$

Since the line is parallel to both the planes.

$$\therefore 1.a + 2.b + 0.c = 0 \Rightarrow a + 2b + 0c = 0$$

$$\text{and } 0.a + 3.b - 1.c = 0 \Rightarrow 0.a + 3b - c = 0$$

$$\text{So } \frac{a}{-2-0} = \frac{-b}{-1-0} = \frac{c}{3-0} = \lambda$$

$$\therefore a = -2\lambda, b = \lambda, c = 3\lambda$$

So, the equation of line is

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

Hence, the required equation is

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

or in vector form is

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

**Q20.** Find the equation of the plane through the points (2, 1, -1) and (-1, 3, 4), and perpendicular to the plane  $x - 2y + 4z = 10$ .

**Sol.** Equation of the plane passing through two points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  with its normal's d'ratios is

$$a(x-x_1) + b(y-y_1) + c(z-z_1) = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

If the plane is passing through the given points (2, 1, -1) and (-1, 3, 4) then

$$a(x_2-x_1) + b(y_2-y_1) + c(z_2-z_1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(-1-2) + b(3-1) + c(4+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -3a + 2b + 5c = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Since the required plane is perpendicular to the given plane  $x - 2y + 4z = 10$ , then

$$1.a - 2.b + 4.c = 10 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Solving (ii) and (iii) we get,

$$\frac{a}{8+10} = \frac{-b}{-12-5} = \frac{c}{6-2} = \lambda$$

$$a = 18\lambda, b = 17\lambda, c = 4\lambda$$

Hence, the required plane is

$$18\lambda(x-2) + 17\lambda(y-1) + 4\lambda(z+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 18x - 36 + 17y - 17 + 4z + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 18x + 17y + 4z - 49 = 0$$

**Q21.** Find the shortest distance between the lines given by

$$\vec{r} = (8 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} - (9 + 16\lambda)\hat{j} + (10 + 7\lambda)\hat{k}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{r} = 15\hat{i} + 29\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} + \mu(3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}).$$

**Sol.** Given equations of lines are

$$\vec{r} = (8 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} - (9 + 16\lambda)\hat{j} + (10 + 7\lambda)\hat{k} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } \vec{r} = 15\hat{i} + 29\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} + \mu(3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) \quad \dots(ii)$$

Equation (i) can be re-written as

$$\vec{r} = 8\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 10\hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} - 16\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$\text{Here, } \vec{a}_1 = 8\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 10\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{a}_2 = 15\hat{i} + 29\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 = 3\hat{i} - 16\hat{j} + 7\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b}_2 = 3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \hat{i}(80 - 56) - \hat{j}(-15 - 21) + \hat{k}(24 + 48) \\
 &= 24\hat{i} + 36\hat{j} + 72\hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \text{Shortest distance, SD} &= \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \\
 &= \frac{|(7\hat{i} + 38\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) \cdot (24\hat{i} + 36\hat{j} + 72\hat{k})|}{\sqrt{(24)^2 + (36)^2 + (72)^2}} \\
 &= \frac{|168 + 1368 - 360|}{\sqrt{576 + 1296 + 5184}} = \frac{|168 + 1008|}{\sqrt{7056}} = \frac{1176}{84} = 14 \text{ units}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the required distance is 14 units.

- Q22.** 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  $2x + y - z + 5 = 0$ .

**Sol.** The given planes are

$$P_1: 5x + 3y + 6z + 8 = 0$$

$$P_2: x + 2y + 3z - 4 = 0$$

$$P_3: 2x + y - z + 5 = 0$$

Equation of the plane passing through the line of intersection of  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(x + 2y + 3z - 4) + \lambda(2x + y - z + 5) = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow &(1 + 2\lambda)x + (2 + \lambda)y + (3 - \lambda)z - 4 + 5\lambda = 0 \quad \dots(i)
 \end{aligned}$$

Plane (i) is perpendicular to  $P_1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 &5(1 + 2\lambda) + 3(2 + \lambda) + 6(3 - \lambda) = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow &5 + 10\lambda + 6 + 3\lambda + 18 - 6\lambda = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow &7\lambda + 29 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{-29}{7}$$

Putting the value of  $\lambda$  in eq. (i), we get

$$\left[1 + 2\left(\frac{-29}{7}\right)\right]x + \left[2 - \frac{29}{7}\right]y + \left[3 + \frac{29}{7}\right]z - 4 + 5\left(\frac{-29}{7}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-15}{7}x - \frac{15}{7}y + \frac{50}{7}z - 4 - \frac{145}{7} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -15x - 15y + 50z - 28 - 145 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -15x - 15y + 50z - 173 = 0 \Rightarrow 51x + 15y - 50z + 173 = 0$$

- Q23.** The plane  $ax + by = 0$  is rotated about its line of intersection with plane  $z = 0$  through an angle  $\alpha$ . Prove that the equation of the plane in its new position is  $ax + by \pm (\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \tan \alpha)z = 0$ .

**Sol.** Given planes are:

$$ax + by = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$z = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Equation of any plane passing through the line of intersection of plane (i) and (ii) is

$$(ax + by) + kz = 0 \Rightarrow ax + by + kz = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Dividing both sides by  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2}$ , we get

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2}}x + \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2}}y + \frac{k}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2}}z = 0$$

$\therefore$  Direction cosines of the normal to the plane are

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

and the direction cosines of the plane (i) are

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, 0$$

Since,  $\alpha$  is the angle between the planes (i) and (iii), we get

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{a \cdot a + b \cdot b + k \cdot 0}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \alpha = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + k^2}} \Rightarrow \cos^2 \alpha = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2 + b^2 + k^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^2 + b^2 + k^2) \cos^2 \alpha = a^2 + b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 \cos^2 \alpha + b^2 \cos^2 \alpha + k^2 \cos^2 \alpha = a^2 + b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 \cos^2 \alpha = a^2 - a^2 \cos^2 \alpha + b^2 - b^2 \cos^2 \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 \cos^2 \alpha = \alpha^2(1 - \cos^2 \alpha) + b^2(1 - \cos^2 \alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 \cos^2 \alpha = a^2 \sin^2 \alpha + b^2 \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 \cos^2 \alpha = (a^2 + b^2) \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = (a^2 + b^2) \frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{\cos^2 \alpha} \Rightarrow k = \pm \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \cdot \tan \alpha$$

Putting the value of  $k$  in eq. (iii) we get

$ax + by \pm (\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \cdot \tan \alpha)z = 0$  which is the required equation of plane.

Hence proved.

- Q24.** 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.

**Sol.** Given planes are;

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) - 6 = 0 \Rightarrow x + 3y - 6 = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } \vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) = 0 \Rightarrow 3x - y - 4z = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Equation of the plane passing through the line of intersection of plane (i) and (ii) is

$$(x + 3y - 6) + k(3x - y - 4z) = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$(1 + 3k)x + (3 - k)y - 4kz - 6 = 0$$

Perpendicular distance from origin

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{36}{1 + 9k^2 + 6k + 9 + k^2 - 6k + 16k^2} = 1 \quad [\text{Squaring both sides}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{36}{26k^2 + 10} = 1 \Rightarrow 26k^2 + 10 = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 26k^2 = 26 \Rightarrow k^2 = 1 \therefore k = \pm 1$$

Putting the value of  $k$  in eq. (iii) we get,

$$(x + 3y - 6) \pm (3x - y - 4z) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 3y - 6 + 3x - y - 4z = 0 \text{ and } x + 3y - 6 - 3x + y + 4z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x + 2y - 4z - 6 = 0 \text{ and } -2x + 4y + 4z - 6 = 0$$

Hence, the required equations are:

$$4x + 2y - 4z - 6 = 0 \text{ and } -2x + 4y + 4z - 6 = 0.$$

**Q25.** 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.

**Sol.** Given points are  $P(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  and  $Q(3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  and the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) + 9 = 0$

Perpendicular distance of  $P(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  from the plane

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) + 9 &= \left| \frac{(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) + 9}{\sqrt{(5)^2 + (2)^2 + (-7)^2}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{5 - 2 - 21 + 9}{\sqrt{25 + 4 + 49}} \right| = \left| \frac{-9}{\sqrt{78}} \right| \end{aligned}$$

and perpendicular distance of  $Q(3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  from the plane

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left| \frac{(3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) + 9}{\sqrt{25 + 4 + 49}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{15 + 6 - 21 + 9}{\sqrt{78}} \right| = \left| \frac{9}{\sqrt{78}} \right| \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the two points are equidistant from the given plane. Opposite sign shows that they lie on either side of the plane.

- Q26.  $\overline{AB} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  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.

Sol. Position vector of A is  $6\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  and  $\overline{AB} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

So, equation of any line passing through A and parallel to  $\overline{AB}$

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

Now any point P on  $\overline{AB} = (6 + 3\lambda, 7 - \lambda, 4 + \lambda)$

Similarly, position vector of C is  $-9\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

and  $\overline{CD} = -3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

So, equation of any line passing through C and parallel to  $\overline{CD}$  is

$$\vec{r} = (-9\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \mu(-3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \quad \dots(ii)$$

Any point Q on  $\overline{CD} = (-3\mu, -9 + 2\mu, 2 + 4\mu)$

d'ratios of  $\overline{PQ}$  are

$$(6 + 3\lambda + 3\mu, 7 - \lambda + 9 - 2\mu, 4 + \lambda - 2 - 4\mu)$$

$$\Rightarrow (6 + 3\lambda + 3\mu), (16 - \lambda - 2\mu), (2 + \lambda - 4\mu)$$

Now  $\overline{PQ}$  is  $\perp$  to eq. (i), then

$$3(6 + 3\lambda + 3\mu) - 1(16 - \lambda - 2\mu) + 1(2 + \lambda - 4\mu) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 18 + 9\lambda + 9\mu - 16 + \lambda + 2\mu + 2 + \lambda - 4\mu = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 11\lambda + 7\mu + 4 = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

$\overline{PQ}$  is also  $\perp$  to eq. (ii), then

$$-3(6 + 3\lambda + 3\mu) + 2(16 - \lambda - 2\mu) + 4(2 + \lambda - 4\mu) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -18 - 9\lambda - 9\mu + 32 - 2\lambda - 4\mu + 8 + 4\lambda - 16\mu = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -7\lambda - 29\mu + 22 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7\lambda + 29\mu - 22 = 0 \quad \dots(iv)$$

Solving eq. (iii) and (iv) we get

$$77\lambda + 49\mu + 28 = 0$$

$$77\lambda + 319\mu - 242 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} (-) \quad (-) \quad (+) \\ \hline -270\mu + 270 = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \mu = 1$$

Now using  $\mu = 1$  in eq. (iv) we get

$$7\lambda + 29 - 22 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -1$$

$$\therefore \text{Position vector of P} = [6 + 3(-1), 7 + 1, 4 - 1] = (3, 8, 3)$$

$$\text{and position vector of Q} = [-3(1), -9 + 2(1), 2 + 4(1)] = (-3, -7, 6)$$

Hence, the position vectors of

$$P = 3\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \text{ and } Q = -3\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$



**Q27.** Show that the straight lines whose direction cosines are given by  $2l + 2m - n = 0$  and  $mn + nl + lm = 0$  are at right angles.

**Sol.** Given that  $2l + 2m - n = 0$  ... (i)  
and  $mn + nl + lm = 0$  ... (ii)

Eliminating  $m$  from eq. (i) and (ii) we get,

$$m = \frac{n - 2l}{2} \quad \text{[from (i)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{n - 2l}{2}\right)n + nl + l\left(\frac{n - 2l}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n^2 - 2nl + 2nl + nl - 2l^2}{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 + nl - 2l^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 + 2nl - nl - 2l^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n(n + 2l) - l(n + 2l) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (n - l)(n + 2l) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = -2l \quad \text{and} \quad n = l$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{-2l - 2l}{2}, \quad m = \frac{l - 2l}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = -2l, \quad m = \frac{-l}{2}$$

Therefore, the direction ratios are proportional to  $l, -2l, -2l$

and  $l, \frac{-l}{2}, l$ .

$$\Rightarrow 1, -2, -2 \quad \text{and} \quad 2, -1, 2$$

If the two lines are perpendicular to each other then

$$1(2) - 2(-1) - 2 \times 2 = 0$$

$$2 + 2 - 4 = 0$$

$$0 = 0$$

Hence, the two lines are perpendicular.

**Q28.** 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.

**Sol.** Let  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  and  $\vec{d}$  are such that

$$\vec{a} = l_1\hat{i} + m_1\hat{j} + n_1\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = l_2\hat{i} + m_2\hat{j} + n_2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = l_3\hat{i} + m_3\hat{j} + n_3\hat{k}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{d} = (l_1 + l_2 + l_3)\hat{i} + (m_1 + m_2 + m_3)\hat{j} + (n_1 + n_2 + n_3)\hat{k}$$

Since the given d'cosines are mutually perpendicular then

$$l_1l_2 + m_1m_2 + n_1n_2 = 0$$

$$l_2l_3 + m_2m_3 + n_2n_3 = 0$$

$$l_1l_3 + m_1m_3 + n_1n_3 = 0$$

Let  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  be the angles between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{d}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{d}$ ,  $\vec{c}$  and  $\vec{d}$  respectively.

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \cos \alpha &= l_1(l_1 + l_2 + l_3) + m_1(m_1 + m_2 + m_3) + n_1(n_1 + n_2 + n_3) \\ &= l_1^2 + l_1l_2 + l_1l_3 + m_1^2 + m_1m_2 + m_1m_3 + n_1^2 + n_1n_2 + n_1n_3 \\ &= (l_1^2 + m_1^2 + n_1^2) + (l_1l_2 + m_1m_2 + n_1n_2) + (l_1l_3 + m_1m_3 + n_1n_3) \\ &= 1 + 0 + 0 = 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \cos \beta &= l_2(l_1 + l_2 + l_3) + m_2(m_1 + m_2 + m_3) + n_2(n_1 + n_2 + n_3) \\ &= l_1l_2 + l_2^2 + l_2l_3 + m_1m_2 + m_2^2 + m_2m_3 + n_1n_2 + n_2^2 + n_2n_3 \\ &= (l_2^2 + m_2^2 + n_2^2) + (l_1l_2 + m_1m_2 + n_1n_2) + (l_2l_3 + m_2m_3 + n_2n_3) \\ &= 1 + 0 + 0 = 1\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \cos \gamma &= l_3(l_1 + l_2 + l_3) + m_3(m_1 + m_2 + m_3) + n_3(n_1 + n_2 + n_3) \\ &= l_1l_3 + l_2l_3 + l_3^2 + m_1m_3 + m_2m_3 + m_3^2 + n_1n_3 + n_2n_3 + n_3^2 \\ &= (l_3^2 + m_3^2 + n_3^2) + (l_1l_3 + m_1m_3 + n_1n_3) + (l_2l_3 + m_2m_3 + n_2n_3) \\ &= 1 + 0 + 0 = 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \cos \alpha = \cos \beta = \cos \gamma = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha = \beta = \gamma \text{ which is the required result.}$$

### OBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTIONS

Choose the correct answer from the given four options in each of the Exercises from 29 to 36.

Q29. Distance of the point  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  from  $y$ -axis is  
 (a)  $\beta$  (b)  $|\beta|$  (c)  $|\beta| + |\gamma|$  (d)  $\sqrt{\alpha^2 + \gamma^2}$

Sol. The given point is  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$   
 Any point on  $y$ -axis =  $(0, \beta, 0)$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{Required distance} &= \sqrt{(\alpha - 0)^2 + (\beta - \beta)^2 + (\gamma - 0)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\alpha^2 + \gamma^2}\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the correct option is (d).

**Q30.** If the direction cosines of a line are  $k, k, k$ , then  
 (a)  $k > 0$       (b)  $0 < k < 1$       (c)  $k = 1$       (d)  $k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  or  $\frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}$

**Sol.** If  $l, m, n$  are the direction cosines of a line, then

$$l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1$$

$$\text{So, } k^2 + k^2 + k^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3k^2 = 1 \Rightarrow k = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Hence, the correct option is (d).

**Q31.** The distance of the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{2}{7}\hat{i} + \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} - \frac{6}{7}\hat{k} \right) = 1$  from the origin is

(a) 1      (b) 7      (c)  $\frac{1}{7}$       (d) None of these

**Sol.** Given that:  $\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{2}{7}\hat{i} + \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} - \frac{6}{7}\hat{k} \right) = 1$

So, the distance of the given plane from the origin is

$$= \frac{|-1|}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{2}{7}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{6}{7}\right)^2}} = \frac{|-1|}{\sqrt{\frac{4}{49} + \frac{9}{49} + \frac{36}{49}}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

Hence, the correct option is (a).

**Q32.** The sine of the angle between the straight line

$$\frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y-3}{4} = \frac{z-4}{5} \text{ and the plane } 2x - 2y + z = 5 \text{ is}$$

(a)  $\frac{10}{6\sqrt{5}}$       (b)  $\frac{5}{5\sqrt{2}}$       (c)  $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{5}$       (d)  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{10}$

**Sol.** Given that:  $l: \frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y-3}{4} = \frac{z-4}{5}$

and  $P: 2x - 2y + z = 5$

d'ratios of the line are 3, 4, 5

and d'ratios of the normal to the plane are 2, -2, 1

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{3(2) + 4(-2) + 5(1)}{\sqrt{9 + 16 + 25} \cdot \sqrt{4 + 4 + 1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{6 - 8 + 5}{\sqrt{50} \cdot 3} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{5\sqrt{2} \cdot 3} = \frac{1}{5\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{10}$$

Hence, the correct option is (d).

**Q33.** The reflection of the point  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  in the  $xy$ -plane is

(a)  $(\alpha, \beta, 0)$       (b)  $(0, 0, \gamma)$       (c)  $(-\alpha, -\beta, \gamma)$       (d)  $(\alpha, \beta, -\gamma)$

**Sol.** Reflection of point  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  in  $xy$ -plane is  $(\alpha, \beta, -\gamma)$ .

Hence, the correct option is (d).

**Q34.** The area of the quadrilateral ABCD, where  $A(0,4,1)$ ,  $B(2,3,-1)$ ,  $C(4,5,0)$  and  $D(2,6,2)$  is equal to

- (a) 9 sq. units                      (b) 18 sq. units  
 (c) 27 sq. units                    (d) 81 sq. units

**Sol.** Given points are

$A(0, 4, 1)$ ,  $B(2, 3, -1)$ ,  $C(4, 5, 0)$  and  $D(2, 6, 2)$

d'ratios of  $\overline{AB} = 2, -1, -2$

and d'ratios of  $\overline{DC} = 2, -1, -2$

$\therefore AB \parallel DC$

Similarly, d'ratios of  $\overline{AD} = 2, 2, 1$

and d'ratios of  $\overline{BC} = 2, 2, 1$

$\therefore AD \parallel BC$

So  $\square ABCD$  is a parallelogram.

$$\overline{AB} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$\overline{AD} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$\therefore$  Area of parallelogram  $ABCD = |\overline{AB} \times \overline{AD}|$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(-1+4) - \hat{j}(2+4) + \hat{k}(4+2) = 3\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$= \sqrt{(3)^2 + (-6)^2 + (6)^2} = \sqrt{9+36+36} = \sqrt{81} = 9 \text{ sq units}$$

Hence, the correct option is (a).

**Q35.** The locus represented by  $xy + yz = 0$  is

- (a) A pair of perpendicular lines  
 (b) A pair of parallel lines  
 (c) A pair of parallel planes  
 (d) A pair of perpendicular planes

**Sol.** Given that:  $xy + yz = 0$

$$y.(x + z) = 0$$

$$y = 0 \text{ or } x + z = 0$$

Here  $y = 0$  is one plane and  $x + z = 0$  is another plane. So, it is a pair of perpendicular planes.

Hence, the correct option is (d).

**Q36.** The plane  $2x - 3y + 6z - 11 = 0$  makes an angle  $\sin^{-1}(\alpha)$  with  $x$ -axis. The value of  $\alpha$  is equal to

- (a)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$                       (b)  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$                       (c)  $\frac{2}{7}$                       (d)  $\frac{3}{7}$

**Sol.** Direction ratios of the normal to the plane  $2x - 3y + 6z - 11 = 0$  are  $2, -3, 6$

Direction ratios of  $x$ -axis are  $1, 0, 0$

∴ angle between plane and line is

$$\begin{aligned}\sin \theta &= \frac{2(1) - 3(0) + 6(0)}{\sqrt{(2)^2 + (-3)^2 + (6)^2} \cdot \sqrt{(1)^2 + (0)^2 + (0)^2}} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{4+9+36}} = \frac{2}{7}\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the correct option is (c).

**Fill in the blanks in each of the Exercises from 37 to 41.**

**Q37.** A plane passes through the points (2, 0, 0), (0, 3, 0) and (0, 0, 4).  
The equation of plane is .....

**Sol.** Given points are (2, 0, 0), (0, 3, 0) and (0, 0, 4).

So, the intercepts cut by the plane on the axes are 2, 3, 4

Equation of the plane (intercept form) is

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{3} + \frac{z}{4} = 1$$

Hence, the equation of plane is  $\frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{3} + \frac{z}{4} = 1$ .

**Q38.** The direction cosines of vector  $(2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$  are .....

**Sol.** Let  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$

direction ratios of  $\vec{a}$  are 2, 2, -1

So, the direction cosines are  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{4+4+1}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{4+4+1}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{4+4+1}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{-1}{3}$$

Hence, the direction cosines of the given vector are  $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{-1}{3}$ .

**Q39.** The vector equation of the line  $\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2}$  is .....

**Sol.** The given equation is

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

Here  $\vec{a} = (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

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

Hence, the vector equation of the given line is

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

**Q40.** The vector equation of the line through the points (3, 4, -7) and (1, -1, 6) is .....

**Sol.** Given the points (3, 4, -7) and (1, -1, 6)

Here  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

Equation of the line is  $\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda(\vec{b} - \vec{a})$

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

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) + \lambda(-2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 13\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) + \lambda(-2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 13\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)\hat{i} + (y-4)\hat{j} + (z+7)\hat{k} = \lambda(-2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 13\hat{k})$$

Hence, the vector equation of the line is

$$(x-3)\hat{i} + (y-4)\hat{j} + (z+7)\hat{k} = \lambda(-2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 13\hat{k})$$

**Q41.** The Cartesian equation of the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 2$  is

**Sol.** Given equation is  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 2$

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

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

Hence, the Cartesian equation of the plane is  $x + y - z = 2$ .

**State True or False for the statements in each of the Exercises from 42 to 49.**

**Q42.** The unit vector normal to the plane  $x + 2y + 3z - 6 = 0$  is

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{j} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{k}$$

**Sol.** Given plane is  $x + 2y + 3z - 6 = 0$

Vector normal to the plane  $\vec{n} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

$$\therefore \hat{n} = \frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} = \frac{\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(1)^2 + (2)^2 + (3)^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{j} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{k}$$

Hence, the given statement is 'true'.

**Q43.** The intercepts made by the plane  $2x - 3y + 5z + 4 = 0$  on the coordinate axes are  $-2, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{-4}{5}$ .

**Sol.** Equation of the plane is  $2x - 3y + 5z + 4 = 0$

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

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

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

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

Hence, the given statement is 'true'.

**Q44.** 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  $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 5 = 0$  is  $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{2\sqrt{91}}\right)$ .

**Sol.** Equation of line is  $\vec{r} = (5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  and the equation of the plane is  $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 5 = 0$

Here,  $\vec{b}_1 = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{n}_2 = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{b_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2}{|\vec{b}_1| |\vec{n}_2|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - \hat{k})}{\sqrt{4+1+1} \cdot \sqrt{9+16+1}} = \frac{6+4-1}{\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt{26}} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt{26}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{9}{2\sqrt{39}} \text{ which is false.}$$

Hence, the given statement is 'false'.

**Q45.** 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  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-5}{\sqrt{58}}\right)$ .

**Sol.** The given planes are  $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 1$  and  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) = 4$

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

$$\text{So, } \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2}{|\vec{b}_1| |\vec{b}_2|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j})}{\sqrt{4+9+1} \cdot \sqrt{1+1}} = \frac{2+3}{\sqrt{14} \cdot \sqrt{2}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{28}}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{28}}\right) \text{ which is false.}$$

Hence, the given statement is 'false'.

**Q46.** The line  $\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - \hat{k} + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  lies in the plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 2 = 0$ .

**Sol.** Direction ratios of the line  $(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

Direction ratios of the normal to the plane are  $(3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$

$$\text{So } (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 3 - 1 - 2 = 0$$

Therefore, the line is parallel to the plane.

Now point through which the line is passing

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

If line lies in the plane then

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

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

So, the line does not lie in the plane.

Hence, the given statement is 'false'.

**Q47.** The vector equation of the line  $\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2}$  is

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

**Sol.** The Cartesian form of the equation is

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

$$\therefore \text{Here } x_1 = 5, y_1 = -4, z_1 = 6, a = 3, b = 7, c = 2$$

So, the vector equation is  $\vec{r} = (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

Hence, the given statement is 'true'.

**Q48.** The equation of a line, which is parallel to  $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and which passes through the point  $(5, -2, 4)$  is  $\frac{x-5}{2} = \frac{y+2}{-1} = \frac{z-4}{3}$ .

**Sol.** Here,  $x_1 = 5, y_1 = -2, z_1 = 4; a = 2, b = 1, c = 3$

We know that the equation of line is  $\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c}$

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

Hence, the given statement is 'false'.

**Q49.** If the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the origin to a plane is  $(5, -3, -2)$ , then the equation of plane is  $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) = 38$ .

**Sol.** The given equation of the plane is  $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) = 38$

If the foot of the perpendicular to this plane is

$(5, -3, -2)$  i.e.,  $5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  then

$$(5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) = 38$$

$$\Rightarrow 25 + 9 + 4 = 38$$

$$38 = 38 \text{ (satisfied)}$$

Hence, the given statement is 'true'.

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