

CBSE Test Paper 03
CH-12 Three Dimensional Geometry

1. The medians of a triangle are concurrent at the point called
 - a. incentre
 - b. orthocentre
 - c. centroid
 - d. circumcentre
2. The direction cosines of X -axis are
 - a. $\langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle$
 - b. $\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$
 - c. $\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$
 - d. $\langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$
3. The distance of the point (x , y , z) from the XY –plane is
 - a. x
 - b. y
 - c. z
 - d. |z|
4. The distance of the point (3, 4, 5) from X- axis is
 - a. 3
 - b. 5
 - c. $\sqrt{41}$
 - d. $\sqrt{34}$
5. G is the centroid of triangle ABC . If P.V. of the points G , A , B , C are respectively , $3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $x\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$, and $4\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + \hat{k}$, then (x, y) =
 - a. (3, 3)
 - b. (17, 3)
 - c. (3, 17)
 - d. (7, 17)
6. Fill in the blanks:

If the distance between the point (a, 2, 1) and (1, -1, 1) is 5, then a = _____.

7. Fill in the blanks:

The coordinates of a point are the perpendicular distance from the _____ on the respective axes.

8. A point is on the X-axis. What are its y and z-coordinates?

9. Name the octants in which the following points lie

(1, 2, 3), (4, -2, 3), (4, -2, -5), (-4, 2, -5), (-4, 2, 5), (-4, 2, 5), (-3, -1, 6), (2, -4, -7)

10. Are the points A(3, 6, 9), B(10, 20, 30) and C(25, -41, 5), the vertices of a right-angled triangle?

11. Let L, M, N are the feet of the perpendiculars drawn from the point P (3, 4, 5) on the XY, YZ, and ZX-planes, respectively. Find the distance of these points L, M, N from the point P.

12. Show that the three points A (2, 3, 4), B (-1, 2 - 3) and C (-4,1,-10) are collinear and find the ratio in which C divides AB.

13. Find the locus of the point which is equidistant from the points A (0,2,3) and (2, -2,1)

14. Show that the coordinates of the centroid of a triangle with vertices A(x_1, y_1, z_1), B(x_2, y_2, z_2) and C(x_3, y_3, z_3) are $\left[\frac{x_1+x_2+x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1+y_2+y_3}{3}, \frac{z_1+z_2+z_3}{3} \right]$

15. If the origin is the centroid of the triangle with vertices A(3a, 4, -5), B(-2, 4b, 6), C (6, 10, c). Find the value of a, b, c.

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Solution

1. (c) centroid

Explanation: The centroid is the point of concurrency of the medians of the triangle. It is a point of centre of gravity of triangle

2. (c) $\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$

Explanation:

As we know that if a line makes angles a , b and c with X-axis, Y-axis and Z-axis respectively then direction cosines are given by $\langle \cos a, \cos b, \cos c \rangle$

In our case line is X-axis itself which we know makes angle of 0° , 90° , 90° with X-axis, Y-axis and Z-axis respectively then direction cosine will be

$$\langle \cos 0^\circ, \cos 90^\circ, \cos 90^\circ \rangle$$

$$= \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$$

3. (d) $|z|$

Explanation: Let L be the foot of perpendicular segment from the point P (x,y,z) on XY plane

Now since L is the foot of perpendicular on XY plane so z coordinate will be zero so the point L will be (x,y,0)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then distance between these two will be } & \sqrt{(x-x)^2 + (y-y)^2 + (z-0)^2} = \sqrt{z^2} \\ & = |z| \end{aligned}$$

4. (c) $\sqrt{41}$

Explanation:

The distance of the point (3, 4, 5) from X-axis is

let L be the foot of perpendicular from the point (3, 4, 5) to X axis, then coordinate of L will be (3,0,0) [because on X axis y and z coordinate are zero]

then distance of the point (3, 4, 5) from X-axis i.e. from L (3,0,0) is given by

$$\sqrt{(3-3)^2 + (4-0)^2 + (5-0)^2} = \sqrt{41}$$

5. (c) (3, 17)

Explanation:

$$\vec{g} = \frac{\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}}{3} \text{ centroid formula}$$

$$3(3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k} + x\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k} + 4\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$9\hat{i} + 21\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} = (6+x)\hat{i} + (4+y)\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$9 = 6+x \text{ and } 21 = 4+y$$

$$x = 3 \text{ and } y = 17$$

6. a = 5 or -3

7. given point

8. Coordinates of any point on the X-axis is (x, 0, 0). So, its y and z-coordinates are zero.

9. Point (1, 2, 3) lies in Ist Octant.

Point (4, -2, 3) lies in IVth Octant. Point (4, -2, -5) lies in VIIIth Octant.

Point (4, 2, -5) lies in Vth Octant. Point (-4, 2, -5) lies in VIth octant.

Point (-4, 2, 5) lies in IInd Octant. Point (-3, -1, 6) lies in VIIIth octant.

Point (2, -4, -7) lies in VIIIth Octant.

10. Given: A(3, 6, 9), B(10, 20, 30) and C(25, -41, 5),

According to the distance formula, we have

$$AB^2 = (10-3)^2 + (20-6)^2 + (30-9)^2$$

$$= 49 + 196 + 441 = 686$$

$$BC^2 = (25-10)^2 + (-41-20)^2 + (5-30)^2$$

$$= 225 + 3721 + 625 = 4571$$

$$\text{and } CA^2 = (3-25)^2 + (6+41)^2 + (9-5)^2$$

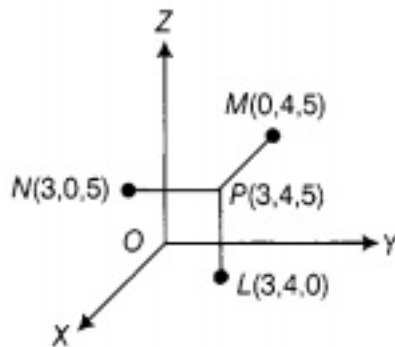
$$= 484 + 2209 + 16 = 2709$$

$$\text{We observe that, } CA^2 + AB^2 \neq BC^2$$

Hence, the $\triangle ABC$ is not a right angled triangle.

11. L is the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the point P (3, 4, 5) to the XY-plane.

Therefore, the coordinates of the point L is (3, 4, 0).



The distance between the points (3, 4, 5) and (3, 4, 0) is 5. Similarly, the lengths of the foot of perpendiculars on YZ and ZX planes are 3 and 4 units, respectively.

12. If points are collinear then all points lie on the same line and Direction Ratio's should be proportional

A(2,3,4), B (-1,2,-3) and C(-4,1,-10)

DR's of AB = (3, 1, 7)

DR's of BC = (3, 1, 7)

So A, B, C are collinear

Length of AC = $\sqrt{36 + 4 + 196} = \sqrt{236} = 2\sqrt{59}$

Length of BC = $\sqrt{9 + 1 + 49} = \sqrt{59}$

Ratio is AC: AB = 2:1

So, C divides AB in Ratio 2:1 externally.

13. Let P(x,y,z) be any point which is equidistant from A(0,2,3) and B(2,-2,1),

PA=PB

$$\Rightarrow PA^2 = PB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(x-0)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (z-3)^2} = \sqrt{(x-2)^2 + (y+2)^2 + (z-1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 8y - 4z + 4 = 0 \text{ or } x - 2y - z + 1 = 0$$

Hence the required locus is $x-2y-z+1=0$

14. If A(x₁, y₁, z₁), B(x₂, y₂, z₂) and C(x₃, y₃, z₃) be three vertices of $\triangle ABC$ then

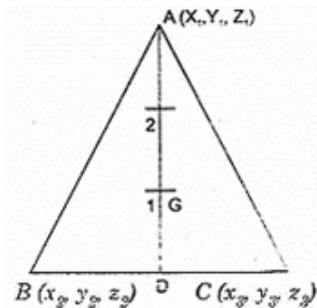
coordinates of point D are $\left[\frac{x_2+x_3}{2}, \frac{y_2+y_3}{2}, \frac{z_2+z_3}{2} \right]$.

Let G be the centroid of $\triangle ABC$. Then G divides AD in the ratio 2 : 1.

So the coordinates of G are

$$\left[\frac{x_1 + 2\left(\frac{x_2 + x_3}{2}\right)}{1+2}, \frac{y_1 + 2\left(\frac{y_2 + y_3}{2}\right)}{1+2}, \frac{z_1 + 2\left(\frac{z_2 + z_3}{2}\right)}{1+2} \right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{3}, \frac{z_1 + z_2 + z_3}{3} \right)$$



15. If $A(3a, 4, -5)$, $B(-2, 4b, 6)$ and $C(6, 10, c)$ be three vertices of $\triangle ABC$, then coordinates of centroid are $\left[\frac{3a-2+6}{3}, \frac{4+4b+10}{3}, \frac{-5+6+c}{3} \right]$.

But it is given that coordinates of centroid are $(0, 0, 0)$.

$$\therefore \frac{3a-2+6}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow 3a = -4 \Rightarrow a = -\frac{4}{3}$$

$$\frac{4+4b+10}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow 4b = -14 \Rightarrow b = -\frac{7}{2}$$

$$\frac{-5+6+c}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow c = -1$$