

CBSE Test Paper 03
Chapter 11 Three Dimensional Geometry

1. The distance d from a point $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ to the plane $Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$ is

a. $d = \left| \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 + D}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}} \right|$

b. $d = \left| \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + 2Cz_1 + D}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}} \right|$

c. $d = \left| \frac{Ax_1 + 2By_1 + Cz_1 + D}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}} \right|$

d. $d = \left| \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 + 2D}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}} \right|$

2. Find the equation of the line which passes through the point $(1, 2, 3)$ and is parallel to the vector $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$.

a. $\vec{r} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} + \lambda (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}), \lambda \in R$

b. $\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} + \lambda (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}), \lambda \in R$

c. $\vec{r} = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} + \lambda (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}), \lambda \in R$

d. $\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} + \lambda (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}), \lambda \in R$

3. Find the coordinates of the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the origin to $2x + 3y + 4z - 12 = 0$.

a. $\left(\frac{27}{29}, \frac{36}{29}, \frac{48}{29} \right)$

b. $\left(\frac{24}{29}, \frac{39}{29}, \frac{48}{29} \right)$

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

d. $\left(\frac{24}{29}, \frac{36}{29}, \frac{49}{29} \right)$

4. Find the distance of the point $(2, 3, -5)$ from the plane $x + 2y - 2z = 9$.

- a. 5
- b. 4
- c. 3
- d. 2

5. What is the shortest distance between $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}_2$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu \vec{b}_2$, $\lambda, \mu \in R$.

- a. $S.D = \left| \frac{(\vec{b}_1 \times -\vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right|$
- b. $S.D = \left| \frac{(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right|$
- c. $S.D = \left| \frac{(\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 + \vec{a}_1)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right|$
- d. $S.D = \left| \frac{(-\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) \cdot (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right|$

- 6. The angle between skew lines is the angle between two intersecting lines drawn from any point _____ to each of the skew lines.
- 7. The vector equation of the line through the points (3, 4, -7) and (1, -1, 6) is _____.
- 8. Equation of a plane which is at a distance p from the origin with direction cosines of the normal to the plane as l, m, n, is _____.
- 9. Find the angle between the vector having direction ratios (3,4,5) and (4, -3, 5).
- 10. Equation of line is $\frac{4-x}{2} = \frac{y+3}{2} = \frac{z+2}{1}$. Find the direction cosines of a line parallel to above line.
- 11. Find the vector equation of the plane with intercepts 3, -4 and 2 on X,Y and Z-axes, respectively.
- 12. The Cartesian equation of a line is $\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2}$ Write its vector form.
- 13. Prove that if a plane has the intercepts a,b,c and is at a distance of p units from the origin, then $\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1}{p^2}$ (2)

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14. 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 $(3, 5, 6)$.
15. Find the angles between the lines $\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} + \lambda(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$ and $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - 5\hat{k}) + \mu(6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$.
16. Find the image of the point having position vector $\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ in the plane $r \cdot (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) + 3 = 0$.
17. 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 $(2, 2, 1)$.
18. Find the shortest distance between the lines $\frac{x+1}{7} = \frac{y+1}{-6} = \frac{z+1}{1}$ and $\frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-5}{-2} = \frac{z-7}{1}$

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Solution

1. a. $d = \left| \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 + D}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}} \right|$, **Explanation:** The distance d from a point P(x₁, y₁, z₁)

to the plane Ax + By + Cz + D = 0 is given by : $d = \left| \frac{Ax_1 + By_1 + Cz_1 + D}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}} \right|$.

2. a. $\vec{r} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} + \lambda (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$, $\lambda \in R$, **Explanation:** The equation of the line which passes through the point (1, 2, 3) and is parallel to the vector $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$, let vector $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and vector $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$, the equation of line is :
 $\vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

3. c. $\left(\frac{24}{29}, \frac{36}{29}, \frac{48}{29} \right)$, **Explanation:** D.R.'s of the line are $\langle 2, 3, 4 \rangle$.

Therefore, equation of the line is: $\frac{x-0}{2} = \frac{y-0}{3} = \frac{z-0}{4} = \lambda$

Thus, the coordinates of any point P on the above line are P(2λ, 3λ, 4λ).

But, this point P also lies on the given plane: $2(2\lambda) + 3(3\lambda) + 4(4\lambda) - 12 = 0$.

$$\Rightarrow 29\lambda = 12 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{12}{29}$$

Therefore, the coordinates of the foot of perpendicular are given by :

$$\left(2 \times \frac{12}{29}, 3 \times \frac{12}{29}, 4 \times \frac{12}{29} \right)$$

4. c. 3, **Explanation:** As we know that the length of the perpendicular from point p(x₁, y₁, z₁) from the plane a₁x + b₁y + c₁z + d₁ = 0 is given by:

$$\frac{|a_1x + b_1y + c_1z + d_1|}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2}}$$

Here, P(2, 3, -5) is the point and equation of plane is x + 2y - 2z = 9.

Therefore, the perpendicular distance is:

$$\frac{|2 + 2(3) - 2(-5) - 9|}{\sqrt{1 + 4 + 4}} = \frac{|9|}{\sqrt{9}} = \frac{9}{3} = 3 \text{ units.}$$

5. b. $S.D = \left| \frac{(\vec{b_1} \times \vec{b_2}) \cdot (\vec{a_2} - \vec{a_1})}{|\vec{b_1} \times \vec{b_2}|} \right|$, **Explanation:** The shortest distance between

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a_1} + \lambda \vec{b_2} \text{ and } \vec{r} = \vec{a_2} + \mu \vec{b_2} \text{ is given by } S.D = \left| \frac{(\vec{b_1} \times \vec{b_2}) \cdot (\vec{a_2} - \vec{a_1})}{|\vec{b_1} \times \vec{b_2}|} \right|$$

6. parallel

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

8. $lx + my + nz = p$

9. Let $a_1 = 3, b_1 = 4, c_1 = 5$ and $a_2 = 4, b_2 = -3, c_2 = 5$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \left(\frac{a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{(3)(4) + (4)(-3) + (5)(5)}{\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2} \sqrt{4^2 + (-3)^2 + 5^2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{25}{\sqrt{50} \sqrt{50}} = \frac{25}{50} = \frac{1}{2} \\ \theta &= 60^\circ \end{aligned}$$

10. According to the question, equation of line can be written as

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

Here, Direction ratios of a line are (-2,2,1).

Direction cosines of a line parallel to above line are given by

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + (2)^2 + (1)^2}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + (2)^2 + (1)^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + (2)^2 + (1)^2}} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{4+4+1}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{4+4+1}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{4+4+1}} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{9}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{9}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{9}} \right) = \left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Required Direction cosines of a line parallel to the given line are $\left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right)$.

11. Here, $a = 3, b = -4, c = 2$. We know that the equation of plane having intercepts 3, -4 and 2 is

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

$$4x - 3y + 6z = 12, \text{ which can be written as } (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot (4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) = 12$$

12. Given: The Cartesian equation of the line is $\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2} = \lambda$ (say)

$$\Rightarrow x - 5 = 3\lambda, y + 4 = 7\lambda, z - 6 = 2\lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5 + 3\lambda, y = -4 + 7\lambda, z = 6 + 2\lambda$$

General equation for the required line is $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$

Putting the values of x, y, z in this equation,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r} &= (5 + 3\lambda)\hat{i} + (-4 + 7\lambda)\hat{j} + (6 + 2\lambda)\hat{k} = 5\hat{i} + 3\lambda\hat{j} - 4\hat{j} + 7\lambda\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} + 2\lambda\hat{k} \\ \Rightarrow \vec{r} &= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \left[\text{since } \vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda\vec{b} \right]\end{aligned}$$

13. We know that equation of plane making intercepts a,b,c (on the axes) is

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} - 1 = 0$$

Given: Perpendicular distance of the origin (0, 0, 0) from plane = p

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{|ax_1 + by_1 + cz_1 + d|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} &= \frac{\left| \frac{0}{a} + \frac{0}{b} + \frac{0}{c} - 1 \right|}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}} = p \\ &= \frac{|-1|}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}} = p\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Squaring both sides, } = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}} = p^2$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 \left(\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \right) = \frac{1}{p^2}$$

14. We know that direction ratios of the line joining the points A (1, -1, 2) and

B (3, 4, -2) are $x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1, z_2 - z_1$

$$\Rightarrow 3 - 1, 4 - (-1), -2 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2, 5, -4 = a_1, b_1, c_1$$

Again, direction ratios of the line joining the points C (0, 3, 2) and D (3, 5, 6) are

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

$$\Rightarrow 3 - 0, 5 - 3, 6 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3, 2, 4 = a_2, b_2, c_2 \text{ (say)}$$

$$\text{For lines AB and CD, } a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 2 \times 3 + 5 \times 2 + (-4) \times 4 = 6 + 10 - 16 = 0$$

Since, it is 0, therefore, line AB is perpendicular to line CD.

15. We have, $\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} + \lambda(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

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

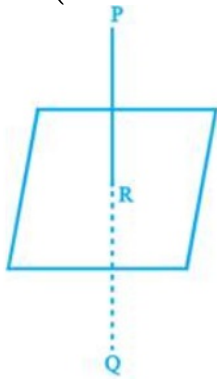
Where, $\vec{a}_1 = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$, $\vec{b}_1 = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

And $\vec{a}_2 = 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$, $\vec{b}_2 = 6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

If θ is angle between the lines, then

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

16. Let the given point be $P(\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$ and Q be the image of P in the plane $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) + 3 = 0$ as shown in the Fig.



Then PQ is the normal to the plane. Since PQ passes through P and is normal to the given plane, so the equation of PQ is given by

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

Since Q lies on the line PQ, the position vector of Q can be expressed as

$$(\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) + \lambda (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \text{ i.e., } (1 + 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (3 - \lambda)\hat{j} + 4(1 + \lambda)\hat{k}$$

Since R is the mid point of PQ, the position vector of R is

$$\begin{aligned}&\frac{[(1 + 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (3 - \lambda)\hat{j} + 4(1 + \lambda)\hat{k}] + [\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}]}{2} \\&\text{i.e., } (\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + \left(3 - \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)\hat{j} + \left(4 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

Again, since R lies on the plane $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) + 3 = 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}&\left\{(\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + \left(3 - \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)\hat{j} + \left(4 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)\hat{k}\right\} \cdot (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) + 3 = 0 \\&\Rightarrow \lambda = -2\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the position vector of Q is $(\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) - 2(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$, i.e.,
 $-3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$.

17. Equation of any plane through the intersection of given planes can be taken as

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

Since the point (2, 2, 1) lies in this plane, therefore, we get,

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

$$\Rightarrow 2 + \lambda(3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -\frac{2}{3}. \text{ Put value of } \lambda \text{ in eq (i), we get,}$$

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

$$7x - 5y + 4z - 9 = 0$$

18. $\vec{a}_1 = -\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$

$$\vec{a}_2 = 3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 = 7\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_2 = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = 4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 7 & -6 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -4\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = (4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}) \cdot (-4\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}) = -16 - 36 - 64 = -116$$

$$|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{(-4)^2 + (-6)^2 + (-8)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{116} = 2\sqrt{29}$$

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

$$= \left| \frac{-116}{2\sqrt{29}} \right| = \frac{4 \times 29}{2\sqrt{29}} = 2\sqrt{29}$$