

CBSE Test Paper 05
Chapter 11 Three Dimensional Geometry

1. Find the angle between the following pairs of lines: $\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k} + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$ and $\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 56\hat{k} + \mu(3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$, $\lambda, \mu \in R$.
- a. $\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}}\right)$
b. $\theta = \cot^{-1}\left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}}\right)$
c. $\theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}}\right)$
d. $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}}\right)$
2. \overrightarrow{PQ} is a vector joining two points P(x_1, y_1, z_1) and Q(x_2, y_2, z_2). If $|\overrightarrow{PQ}| = d$, Direction cosines of \overrightarrow{PQ} are
- a. $\frac{x_2 - x_1}{d}, \frac{y_2 - y_1}{d}, \frac{z_2 + z_1}{d}$
b. $\frac{x_2 - x_1}{d}, \frac{y_2 + y_1}{d}, \frac{z_2 - z_1}{d}$
c. $\frac{x_2 - x_1}{d}, \frac{y_2 - y_1}{d}, \frac{z_2 - z_1}{d}$
d. $\frac{x_2 + x_1}{d}, \frac{y_2 - y_1}{d}, \frac{z_2 - z_1}{d}$
3. Find the shortest distance between the lines : $\vec{r} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} + \lambda(\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})$
- a. $\frac{3}{\sqrt{17}}$
b. $\frac{3}{\sqrt{23}}$
c. $\frac{3}{\sqrt{27}}$
d. $\frac{3}{\sqrt{19}}$
4. In the following case, determine whether the given planes are parallel or perpendicular, and in case they are neither, find the angles between them. $2x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$ and $3x - 3y + 6z - 1 = 0$.

- a. The planes are at 45°
 - b. The planes are parallel
 - c. The planes are at 55°
 - d. The planes are perpendicular
5. Find the angle between the planes whose vector equations are $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) = 5$, and $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) = 3$.
- a. $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{15}{\sqrt{731}} \right)$
 - b. $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{15}{\sqrt{731}} \right)$
 - c. $\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{15}{\sqrt{731}} \right)$
 - d. $\cot^{-1} \left(\frac{15}{\sqrt{731}} \right)$
6. The direction cosines of the vector $(2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$ are _____.
7. The vector equation of a plane which is at a distance p from the origin, where \hat{n} is the unit vector normal to the plane is _____.
8. The vector equation of the line $\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{2}$ is _____.
9. If a line makes angles α, β, γ with the position direction of coordinate axes, then write the value of $\sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma$.
10. The Cartesian equation of a line is $\frac{x+3}{2} = \frac{y-5}{4} = \frac{z+6}{2}$ Find the vector equation for the line.
11. Find the direction cosines of the line passing through the two points(-2, 4, -5) and (1, 2, 3).
12. Find the Cartesian equation of the line which passes through the point $(-2, 4, -5)$ and parallel to the line given by $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-4}{5} = \frac{z+8}{6}$.
13. Find the vector equation of the line passing through the point A (1, 2, -1) and parallel to the line $5x - 25 = 14 - 7y = 35z$.
14. Show that the lines $\frac{x-5}{7} = \frac{y+2}{-5} = \frac{z}{1}$ and $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{3}$ are perpendicular to each other.

15. Find the angle between the lines

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

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

16. 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 $(2, 2, 1)$.

17. Find the equation of the perpendicular from point $(3, -1, 11)$ to line $\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4}$. Also, find the coordinates of foot of perpendicular and the length of perpendicular.

18. Find the distance of the point $P(3, 4, 4)$ from the point, where the line joining the points $A(3, -4, -5)$ and $B(2, -3, 1)$ intersects the plane $2x + y + z = 7$.

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Solution

1. a. $\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}} \right)$

Explanation: If θ is the acute angle between $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \lambda \vec{b}_2$ then cosine of the angle between these two lines is given by:

Here, $\vec{b}_1 = \hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$, $\vec{b}_2 = 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$

Then,

$$\cos \theta = \left| \frac{(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})}{|(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})| |(3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})|} \right|$$

$$\cos \theta = \left| \frac{16}{\sqrt{6}\sqrt{50}} \right| = \left| \frac{16}{\sqrt{300}} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\left| \frac{16}{10\sqrt{3}} \right| \right)$$

$$= \cos^{-1} \left(\left| \frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}} \right| \right)$$

2. c. $\frac{x_2 - x_1}{d}, \frac{y_2 - y_1}{d}, \frac{z_2 - z_1}{d}$

Explanation: since we know Direction cosines of a line are coefficient of i, j, k of a unit vector along that line, first find a vector

$\vec{PQ} = (x_2 - x_1)\hat{i} + (y_2 - y_1)\hat{j} + (z_2 - z_1)\hat{k}$ then to convert it unit vector divide by its magnitude $|\vec{PQ}|$ the coefficient of this unit vector will be

3. d. $\frac{3}{\sqrt{19}}$

Explanation: On comparing the given equations with: $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}_1$ and

$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu \vec{b}_2$, we get

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

$$\text{and } \vec{a}_2 = 4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}, \vec{b}_2 = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left| \frac{(-9\hat{i}+3\hat{j}+9\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i}+3\hat{j}+3\hat{k})}{\sqrt{171}} \right| \\
&= \left| \frac{-27+9+27}{3\sqrt{19}} \right| = \left| \frac{9}{3\sqrt{19}} \right| = \frac{3}{\sqrt{19}}
\end{aligned}$$

4. b. The planes are parallel

Explanation: We have, $2x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$ and $3x - 3y + 6z = 0$. Here ,

$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Therefore , the given planes are parallel.

5. b. $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{15}{\sqrt{731}} \right)$

Explanation: We have,

$$\vec{n_1} = (2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k});$$

$$\vec{n_2} = (3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k});$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore \cos \theta &= \left| \frac{\vec{n_1} \cdot \vec{n_2}}{|\vec{n_1}| |\vec{n_2}|} \right| \\
&\Rightarrow \left| \frac{(2\hat{i}+2\hat{j}-3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i}-3\hat{j}+5\hat{k})}{\sqrt{4+4+9}\sqrt{9+9+25}} \right| = \left| \frac{-15}{\sqrt{17}\sqrt{43}} \right| \\
&\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{15}{\sqrt{731}} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

6. $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{-1}{3}$

7. $\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = p$

8. $(x-5)\hat{i} + (y+4)\hat{j} + (z-6)\hat{k} = \lambda(3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

9. If a line makes angles α, β, γ with the coordinate axes.

Then, direction cosines of the line are $(\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma)$

$$\therefore \sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma$$

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

$$= 3 - (\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma)$$

$$= 3 - 1 = 2 \quad [\because \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1]$$

10. Comparing the given equation with the standard equation form

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

We get $a=2, b=4, c=2$ and $x_1=-3, y_1=5, z_1=-6$

$$\text{Then, } \vec{a} = -3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 6\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

Therefore, required equation is,

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

11. Let the given points be P(-2, 4, -5) and Q(1, 2, 3). Then,

$$\begin{aligned} |PQ| &= \sqrt{(1+2)^2 + (2-4)^2 + (3+5)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{9+4+64} \\ &= \sqrt{77} \end{aligned}$$

The direction cosines of the line joining two points is

$$\left(\frac{1+2}{\sqrt{77}}, \frac{2-4}{\sqrt{77}}, \frac{3+5}{\sqrt{77}} \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{77}}, \frac{-2}{\sqrt{77}}, \frac{8}{\sqrt{77}} \right)$$

12. Given: A point on the line is $(-2, 4, -5) = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$

$$\text{Equation of the given line in Cartesian form is } \frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-4}{5} = \frac{z+8}{6}$$

\therefore Direction ratios of the given line are its denominators 3, 5, 6 = a, b, c

$$\therefore \text{Equation of the required line is } \frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c}$$

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

13. According to the question,

$$\text{Line is } 5x - 25 = 14 - 7y = 35z.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-5}{1/5} = \frac{y-2}{1/7} = \frac{z}{1/35} \Rightarrow \frac{x-5}{1/5} = \frac{y-2}{-1/7} = \frac{z}{1/35}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Direction ratio of the given line} = \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{7}, \frac{1}{35}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Direction ratio of a line parallel to the given line} = \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{7}, \frac{1}{35}$$

\therefore The required equation of a line passing through the point A(1, 2, -1) and parallel to the given line is

$$\frac{x-1}{1/5} = \frac{y-2}{-1/7} = \frac{z+1}{1/35}$$

14. Equation of one line $\frac{x-5}{7} = \frac{y+2}{-5} = \frac{z}{1}$

\therefore Direction ratios of this line are 7, -5, 1 = a_1, b_1, c_1

$$\Rightarrow \vec{b}_1 = 7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\text{Again equation of another line } \frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{3}$$

\therefore Direction ratios of this line are 1, 2, 3 = a_2, b_2, c_2

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

$$\text{Now } \vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2 = a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2 = 7 \times 1 + (-5) \times 2 + 1 \times 3 = 7 - 10 + 3 = 0$$

Hence, the given two lines are perpendicular to each other.

15. Let θ is the angle between the given lines

$$\vec{b}_1 = \hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b}_2 = 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \left| \frac{\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2}{|\vec{b}_1| |\vec{b}_2|} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})}{|\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}| |3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}|} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{3+5+8}{\sqrt{6}\sqrt{50}} \right| = \frac{16}{\sqrt{50}} \\ &= \frac{16}{\sqrt{6} \cdot 5\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{16}{\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{16\sqrt{3}}{2 \times 3 \times 5} \\ \cos \theta &= \frac{8\sqrt{3}}{15} \\ \theta &= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{8\sqrt{3}}{15} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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

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

The point (2,2,1) lies in this plane, therefore

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

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

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

put value of λ in eq(i), we get

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

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

17. Firstly, determine any point P on the given line and DR's between given point Q and P, using the relation $a_1a_2+b_1 b_2+c_1 c_2=0$, where (a_1, b_1, c_1) and (a_2, b_2, c_2) and DR's of PQ and given line.

Given equation of line AB is

$$\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4} = \lambda \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{2} = \lambda, \frac{y-2}{3} = \lambda$$

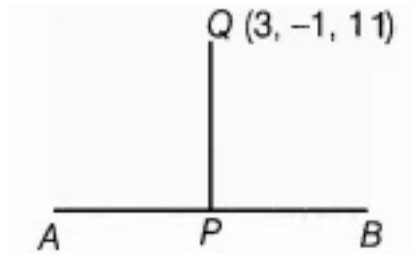
$$\text{and } \frac{z-3}{4} = \lambda$$

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

$$\text{and } z = 4\lambda + 3$$

\therefore Any point P on the given line

$$= (2\lambda, 3\lambda + 2, 4\lambda + 3)$$



Let P be the foot of perpendicular drawn from point Q(3, -1, 11) on line AB Now, DR's of line

$$QP = (2\lambda - 3, 3\lambda + 2 + 1, 4\lambda + 3 - 11)$$

$$= (2\lambda - 3, 3\lambda + 3, 4\lambda - 8)$$

$$\text{Here, } a_1 = 2\lambda - 3, b_1 = 3\lambda + 3, c_1 = 4\lambda - 8$$

$$\text{and } a_2 = 2, b_2 = 3, c_2 = 4$$

Since, $QP \perp AB$

$$\therefore \text{ We have, } a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0 \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(2\lambda - 3) + 3(3\lambda + 3) + 4(4\lambda - 8) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\lambda - 6 + 9\lambda + 9 + 16\lambda - 32 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 29\lambda - 29 = 0 \Rightarrow 29\lambda = 29 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{ Foot of perpendicular is } P = (2, 3 + 2, 4 + 3)$$

$$= (2, 5, 7)$$

Now, equation of perpendicular QP, where Q(3, -1, 11) and P(2, 5, 7), is

$$\frac{x-3}{2-3} = \frac{y+1}{5+1} = \frac{z-11}{7-11}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{using two point form of equation of line,} \\ \text{i.e. } \frac{x-x_1}{x_2-x_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{y_2-y_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{z_2-z_1} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{-1} = \frac{y+1}{6} = \frac{z-11}{-4}$$

Now, length of perpendicular QP = distance between points Q(3, -1, 11) and P (2, 5, 7)

$$= \sqrt{(2-3)^2 + (5+1)^2 + (7-11)^2}$$

$$\left[\because \text{ distance} = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2} \right]$$

$$= \sqrt{1 + 36 + 16} = \sqrt{53}$$

Hence, length of perpendicular is $\sqrt{53}$.

18. The direction ratios of line joining $A(3, -4, -5)$ and $B(2, -3, 1)$ are $[(2 - 3), (-3 + 4), (1 + 5)] = (-1, 1, 6)$

The equation of line passing through $(3, -4, -5)$ and having Direction ratios $(-1, 1, 6)$ is given by

$$\frac{x-3}{-1} = \frac{y+4}{1} = \frac{z+5}{6} \left[\because \frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c} \right]$$

$$\text{Suppose } \frac{x-3}{-1} = \frac{y+4}{1} = \frac{z+5}{6} = \lambda \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\lambda + 3, y = \lambda - 4 \text{ and } z = 6\lambda - 5$$

The general point on the line is given by

$$(3 - \lambda, \lambda - 4, 6\lambda - 5)$$

Line intersect the plane $2x + y + z = 7$.

So, General point on the line $(3 - \lambda, \lambda - 4, 6\lambda - 5)$ satisfy the equation of plane.

$$\therefore 2(3 - \lambda) + \lambda - 4 + 6\lambda - 5 = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 2\lambda + \lambda - 4 + 6\lambda - 5 = 7 \Rightarrow 5\lambda = 10$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

The point of intersection of line and plane is

$$(3 - 2, 2 - 4, 6 \times 2 - 5) = (1, -2, 7).$$

Distance between $(3, 4, 4)$ and $(1, -2, 7)$

$$= \sqrt{(3 - 1)^2 + (4 + 2)^2 + (4 - 7)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4 + 36 + 9} = \sqrt{49} = 7 \text{ units}$$