

1. Find the Cartesian equation of a plane passing through the points $A(-1,0,1)$ and $B(0,1,2)$ and $C(1,-1,0)$.

[K/U 4 marks]

$$\vec{u} = \vec{AB} = (1, 1, 1)$$

$$\vec{v} = \vec{AC} = (2, -1, -1)$$

$$\vec{n} = \vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1+1, 2+1, -1-2)$$

$$\vec{n} = (0, 3, -3) \text{ or } \vec{n} = (0, 1, -1)$$

$$\pi: y - z + D = 0$$

$$A(-1, 0, 1) \in \pi$$

$$-1 + D = 0$$

$$D = 1$$

$$\therefore \pi: y - z + 1 = 0$$

2. Determine the acute angle between the planes:

[K/U 2 marks]

$$\pi_1: x + y - z + 1 = 0, \pi_2: -3x - 3y + 3z - 4 = 0$$

$$\vec{n}_1 = (1, 1, -1)$$

$$\vec{n}_2 = (-3, -3, 3) \text{ or}$$

$$\vec{n}_2 = (-1, -1, 1)$$

$$\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 = -1 - 1 - 1 = -3$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{|\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2|}{|\vec{n}_1| |\vec{n}_2|}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{-3}{\sqrt{3} \sqrt{3}} = \cos^{-1} -1$$

$$\theta = 180^\circ$$

\therefore The acute angle is 0°

$$\pi_1 \parallel \pi_2$$

3. Find the distance between the point $P(0,2,-3)$ and the plane $\pi: 2x - 3y + 4z + 12 = 0$.

[K/U 2 marks]

$$d = \frac{|Ax + By + Cz + D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$$

$$= \frac{|2(0) - 3(2) + 4(-3) + 12|}{\sqrt{4 + 9 + 16}}$$

$$\therefore d = \frac{6}{\sqrt{29}} = \frac{6\sqrt{29}}{29} \approx 1.114$$

4. Find the vector equation of a plane containing the line $L_1: \vec{r} = \underbrace{(-2, -1, 0)}_{P_0} + t \underbrace{(-1, 0, 1)}_{\vec{u}}$ and parallel to the line $L_2: \vec{r} = (0, 1, 2) + s \underbrace{(1, -2, 3)}_{\vec{v}}$. [A 3 marks]

$$P_0 = (-2, -1, 0)$$

$$\vec{u} = (-1, 0, 1)$$

$$\vec{v} = (1, -2, 3)$$

$$\therefore \vec{r} = (-2, -1, 0) + t(-1, 0, 1) + s(1, -2, 3)$$

5. Find the Cartesian equation of a plane having the following intersections with the coordinate axes: x -int = -1, y -int = 2, and z -int = 4. [A 3 marks]

$$Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$$

$$x\text{-int} = -\frac{D}{A} = -1 \Rightarrow A = D$$

$$y\text{-int} = -\frac{D}{B} = 2 \Rightarrow B = -\frac{D}{2}$$

$$z\text{-int} = -\frac{D}{C} = 4 \Rightarrow C = -\frac{D}{4}$$

$$Dx - \frac{D}{2}y - \frac{D}{4}z + D = 0$$

$$\therefore 4x - 2y - z + 4 = 0$$

6. Find the intersection between the given line and the given plane. [A 4 marks]

$$\pi: 3x - 2y + z + 8 = 0, L: \vec{r} = (0, -1, 2) + t(0, 1, -2)$$

$$L = \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = -1 + t \\ z = 2 - 2t \end{cases}$$

$$3(0) - 2(-1 + t) + (2 - 2t) + 8 = 0$$

$$2 - 2t + 2 - 2t + 8 = 0$$

$$-4t = -12$$

$$t = 3$$

$$P = \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = -1 + 3 = 2 \\ z = 2 - 2(3) = -4 \end{cases}$$

$$P = \pi \cap L$$

$$\therefore P(0, 2, -4)$$

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7. Find the equation of the line of intersection for each pair of planes (if it exists).

[A 3 marks]

$$\pi_1: x+y+z=0, \pi_2: x-y+z-1=0$$

$$\begin{cases} x+y+z=0 & \textcircled{1} \\ x-y+z-1=0 & \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow z = -x-y$$

$$x-y-x-y-1=0$$

$$-2y=1$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$L = \pi_1 \cap \pi_2$$

$$L: \begin{cases} x=t \\ y=-\frac{1}{2} \\ z=-t+\frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{or } \vec{r} = \left(0, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) + t(1, 0, -1)$$

8. Solve the following system of equations. Give a geometric interpretation of the result.

[A 4 marks]

$$\begin{cases} x+y+z-1=0 & \textcircled{1} \\ x-y+z+2=0 & \textcircled{2} \\ -x+y+z+1=0 & \textcircled{3} \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \Rightarrow z = x-y-1$$

$$\begin{cases} x+y+x-y-1-1=0 \\ x-y+x-y-1+2=0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} z = x-y-1 \\ 2x=2 \Rightarrow x=1 \\ 2x-2y=-1 \end{cases}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$-2y = -1 - 2$$

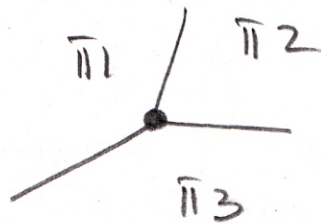
$$y = \frac{3}{2}$$

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

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

$$P = \pi_1 \cap \pi_2 \cap \pi_3$$

$$\therefore P \left(1, \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}\right)$$



$$\vec{n}_1 \cdot (\vec{n}_2 \times \vec{n}_3) \neq 0$$

normal vectors are not coplanar