

CHAPTER 11

THREE DIMENSIONAL GEOMETRY

Deleted Portions:

- Relation between the Direction Cosines of a Line
- Equation of a Line Passing through Two Given Points. Ques. 8–9 (Exercise 11.2)
- Coplanarity of Two Lines Plane Full. Ex 11(3)
- Angle between Two Planes
- Distance of a Point from a Line
- Angle between a Line and a Plane Ques. 1, 2, 5, 7–8, 10–19, 21–23 (Miscellaneous Exercise)

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1. Write the vector equation of the line

$$\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z+1}{1} \quad (1)$$

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3. Find the shortest distance between the skew-lines

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

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

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4. Find the shortest distance between the skew-lines

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

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

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5. Find the shortest distance between the skew-lines

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

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

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7. Consider two lines in space,

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

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

- a) Find the angle between the above lines. (2)

- b) Represent the above lines in Cartesian form. (2)

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8. The Cartesian equation of two lines are

$$\frac{x+1}{7} = \frac{y+1}{-6} = \frac{z+1}{1} \text{ and } \frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-5}{-2} = \frac{z-7}{1}.$$

- i) Write the vector equation. (1)

- ii) Find the shortest distance between these two lines. (3)

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9. Find the shortest distance between the skew-lines

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

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

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10. a) Write all the direction cosines of
- x
- axis (1)

- b) If a line makes angles
- α, β, γ
- with
- x, y, z
- axes respectively, then prove that

$$\sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma = 2 \quad (2)$$

- c) If a line makes equal angles with the three coordinate axes, find the direction cosines of the line. (1)

- b) The Cartesian equation of two lines are given

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$$\text{by } \frac{x+1}{7} = \frac{y+1}{-6} = \frac{z+1}{1} \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-5}{-2} = \frac{z-7}{1} \quad (2)$$

- c) Find the shortest distance between the lines mentioned in part (b). (2)

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11. a) Find the angle between the lines:

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

$$\frac{x+2}{-1} = \frac{y-4}{8} = \frac{z-5}{4} \quad (2)$$

- b) Find the shortest distance between the pair of lines:

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

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

SAY 2017

12. Find the shortest distance between the lines

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

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

13. Find the Cartesian equation of a line passing through (1,2,-4) and perpendicular to the lines

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

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14. a) The line $x-1=y=z$ is perpendicular to the lines

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

$$\vec{r} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k} + \mu(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \quad (3)$$

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

$$\text{i) } 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k} + \lambda(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

$$\text{ii) } 2\hat{i} - 5\hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$$

$$\text{iii) } \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} + \lambda(-2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$$

$$\text{iv) } \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \quad (1)$$

- b) Find the angle between the pair of lines

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

$$\vec{r} = 7\hat{i} - 6\hat{k} + \mu(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \quad (3)$$

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16. Find the shortest distance between the lines

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

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

SAY 2015

17. a) Find the value of 'p' if the lines

$$\frac{x-5}{7} = \frac{y+2}{-5} = \frac{z}{1} \text{ and } \frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{p} = \frac{z}{3} \text{ are}$$

perpendicular. (1)

- b) Find the shortest distance between the lines:

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

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

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18. a) Write the Cartesian equation of the straight line through the point (1,2,3) and along the vector $3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$. (1)

- b) Write a general point on this straight line. (1)
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SAY2014

19. a) If a_1, b_1, c_1 and a_2, b_2, c_2 are the direction ratios of two lines, then write the condition of its perpendicularity. (1)

- b) Find the angle between the lines:

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

MARCH 2014

20. Given straight line

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

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

- a) Find the angle between the lines (2)
- b) Obtain a unit vector perpendicular to both the lines. (2)
- c) Form the equation of the line perpendicular to the given lines and passing through the point(1,1,1). (1)

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21. Consider the lines $\frac{x-3}{3} = \frac{y-8}{-1} = \frac{z-3}{1}$ and

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

- a) Express the equations of the lines into vector form. (1)
- b) Find the shortest distance between the lines. (3)

SAY 2012

22. a) Find the angle between the lines having direction ratios 1,1,2 and $\sqrt{3}-1, -\sqrt{3}-1, 4$ (2)

- b) If the lines $\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y-1}{2\lambda} = \frac{z-3}{2}$ and

$$\frac{x-1}{3\lambda} = \frac{y-1}{1} = \frac{z-6}{-5} \text{ are perpendicular, find}$$

the value of λ . (2)

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SAY 2011

35. a) Consider the lines $\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{1}$ and

$$\frac{x-5}{4} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \frac{z-3}{8}.$$

- a) Write the direction ratios of this line (1)
- b) Find the angle between these two lines. (3)

- a) Find the shortest distance between the lines

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

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

MARCH 2011

36. Consider the lines $\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y-1}{5} = \frac{z+3}{4}$ and

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

- a) Find the angle between them. (1)
- b) Find the shortest distance between them. (3)

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MARCH 2010

37. a) The coordinates of the foot of the perpendicular from (1,2,1) on the x-axis is (1)

- b) If A,B,C are angles which a line makes with the co-ordinate axes, then the value of $\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C = \dots\dots\dots$ (1)

38. a) Find the shortest distance between the skew-lines whose vector equations are:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r} &= (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}); \\ \vec{r} &= (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})\end{aligned}\quad (4)$$

SAY 2009

39. i) Find the direction ratios of the line through the points P(1, -1, 2) and Q(3, 4, -2). (1)
ii) If R(0, 3, 2) and S(3, 5, 6), show that PQ is perpendicular to RS. (2)

40. a) A line passes through the point (3, -2, 5) and parallel to the vector $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$.
i) What is the vector equation of the line? (1)
ii) What is the Cartesian equation of the line? (1)

- b) Find the shortest distance between the skew lines whose vector equations are
 $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k});$
 $\vec{r} = (4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ (4)

MARCH 2009

41. a) Write the direction ratio of the line
 $x = 2y = 3z$ (1)

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42. Consider the points (-1, 2, 4) and (1, 0, 5).
i) Find the direction cosines of the line joining the two points. (2)
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Dreamless, Life to the Lifeless, and Hope to the Hopeless”.
