

## 12. Introduction to Three dimensional geometry (Question Bank)

### I .ONE MARK QUESTIONS WITH ANSWERS:

1. Name the octant in which the point  $(4, -2, -5)$  lie?

Ans:  $(4, -2, -5)$  lies in 8<sup>th</sup> octant  $OX'Y'Z'$

2. Name the octant in which the point  $(-2, -4, -7)$  lie?

Ans:  $(-2, -4, -7)$  lies in 7<sup>th</sup> octant  $OX'Y'Z'$ .

3. Name the octant in which the point  $(-3, 1, -2)$  lie.

Ans:  $(-3, 1, -2)$  lies in 6<sup>th</sup> octant  $OX'YZ'$ .

4. Find the distance between the pair of points  $(-3, 7, 2)$  &  $(2, 4, -1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ans: Required distance} &= \sqrt{(-3 - 2)^2 + (7 - 4)^2 + (2 + 1)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{25 + 9 + 9} = \sqrt{43}.\end{aligned}$$

5. Find the distance between pair of points  $(2, -1, 3)$  and  $(-2, 1, 3)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ans: Required distance} &= \sqrt{(2 + 2)^2 + (-1 - 1)^2 + (3 - 3)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{16 + 4} = \sqrt{20}.\end{aligned}$$

6. Find the coordinates of the foot of the perpendicular of the point  $P(2, 4, 5)$  in the XZ plane.

Ans:  $(2, 0, 5)$ .

7. Write the coordinate of any point in the XY plane.

Ans:  $(x, y, 0)$ .

8. Find the equation of YZ plane.

Ans:  $x = 0$ .

9. Find the equation of ZX plane.

Ans:  $y = 0$ .

10. Find the reflexion (Image) of the point  $(-a, b, c)$  in the YZ plane.

Ans:  $(a, b, c)$ .

11. Find the reflexion (Image) of the point  $(2,3,-4)$  in the  $XY$  plane.

Ans:  $(2,3,4)$ .

12. Find the coordinate of the centroid of the triangle formed by the points  $(2,-5,1)$ ,  $(3,2,-6)$  &  $(1,-3,-1)$

Ans:  $G \equiv \left( \frac{x_1+x_2+x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1+y_2+y_3}{3}, \frac{z_1+z_2+z_3}{3} \right) \equiv (2,-2,-2)$ .

13. Find the coordinates of midpoint of line joining the points  $A \equiv (-5,-3,7)$  &  $B \equiv (-7,3,5)$

Ans:  $P \equiv \left( \frac{x_1+x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1+y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1+z_2}{2} \right) \equiv (-6,0,6)$ .

## II. TWO MARKS QUESTIONS WITH ANSWERS:

1. Show that the points  $P(-2,3,5)$ ,  $Q(1,2,3)$  and  $R(7,0,-1)$  are collinear.

Ans:  $Q = \sqrt{(-2-1)^2 + (3-2)^2 + (5-3)^2} = \sqrt{9+1+4} = \sqrt{14}$ .

$$QR = \sqrt{(1-7)^2 + (2-0)^2 + (3+1)^2} = \sqrt{36+4+16} = \sqrt{56} = 2\sqrt{14}$$

$$PR = \sqrt{(-2-7)^2 + (3-0)^2 + (5+1)^2} = \sqrt{81+9+36} = \sqrt{126} = 3\sqrt{14}$$

$$\therefore PQ + QR = PR.$$

$\therefore$  The points  $P, Q$  and  $R$  are collinear.

2. Show that the points  $(3,-2,4)$ ,  $(1,1,1)$  and  $(-1,4,-2)$  are collinear.

Ans: Let  $P \equiv (3,-2,4)$ ,  $Q \equiv (1,1,1)$  and  $R \equiv (-1,4,-2)$

$$\therefore PQ = \sqrt{(3-1)^2 + (-2-1)^2 + (4-1)^2} = \sqrt{4+9+9} = \sqrt{22}.$$

$$QR = \sqrt{(1+1)^2 + (1-4)^2 + (1+2)^2} = \sqrt{4+9+9} = \sqrt{22}$$

$$PR = \sqrt{(3+1)^2 + (-2-4)^2 + (4+2)^2} = \sqrt{16+36+36} = 2\sqrt{22}$$

$$\therefore PQ + QR = PR$$

$\therefore$  The points  $P, Q, R$  are collinear.

3. Find the coordinates of the point which divides the line segment joining the points  $(1,-2,3)$  and  $(3,4,-5)$  internally in the ratio 2:3.

Ans:  $P \equiv \left( \frac{2(3)+3(1)}{2+3}, \frac{2(4)+3(-2)}{2+3}, \frac{2(-5)+3(3)}{2+3} \right)$

$$P \equiv \left( \frac{9}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{-1}{5} \right).$$

4. Find the coordinates of the point which divides the line segment joining the points  $(1, -2, 3)$  and  $(3, 4, -5)$  externally in the ratio 2: 3.

$$\text{Ans: } P \equiv \left( \frac{2(3)+3(1)}{2-3}, \frac{2(4)+3(-2)}{2-3}, \frac{2(-5)+3(3)}{2-3} \right) = \left( \frac{3}{-1}, \frac{14}{-1}, \frac{-19}{-1} \right) \equiv (-3, -14, 19).$$

5. Find the coordinates of the point which divides the line segment joining the points  $(-2, 3, 5)$  and  $(1, -4, 6)$  internally in the ratio 2: 3.

$$\text{Ans: Let } A = (-2, 3, 5) \text{ and } B = (1, -4, 6)$$

Let P divides AB internally in the ratio 2:3

$$P \equiv \left( \frac{2(1)+3(-2)}{2+3}, \frac{2(-4)+3(3)}{2+3}, \frac{2(6)+3(5)}{2+3} \right), \therefore P \equiv \left( \frac{-4}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{27}{5} \right).$$

6. Find the coordinates of the point which divides the line segment joining the points  $(-2, 3, 5)$  and  $(1, -4, 6)$  externally in the ratio 2: 3.

$$\text{Ans: Let } A = (-2, 3, 5) \text{ and } B = (1, -4, 6)$$

Let P divides AB externally in the ratio 2:3

$$P \equiv \left( \frac{2(1)-3(-2)}{2-3}, \frac{2(-4)-3(3)}{2-3}, \frac{2(6)-3(5)}{2-3} \right), \therefore P \equiv \left( \frac{8}{-1}, \frac{-17}{-1}, \frac{-3}{-1} \right) \equiv (-8, 17, 3)$$

7. Find the ratio in which the YZ plane divides the line segment formed by joining the points  $(-2, 4, 7)$  and  $(3, -5, 8)$ .

$$\text{Ans: Let YZ plane divide line segment joining the points } A \equiv (-2, 4, 7) \text{ and } B \equiv (3, -5, 8) \text{ at}$$

$$P \equiv (x, y, z) \text{ in the ratio } k: 1.$$

$$\therefore P \equiv \left( \frac{k(3)+1(-2)}{k+1}, \frac{k(-5)+1(4)}{k+1}, \frac{k(8)+1(7)}{k+1} \right)$$

$$\therefore P \equiv \left( \frac{3k-2}{k+1}, \frac{-5k+4}{k+1}, \frac{8k+7}{k+1} \right)$$

$$\text{Given that the point 'P' lies on YZ plane} \Rightarrow x \text{ coordinate of } P = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{3k-2}{k+1} = 0 \Rightarrow k = \frac{2}{3}.$$

Therefore ratio is 2:3.

8. The centroid of a  $\Delta ABC$  is the point  $(1, 1, 1)$ . If the coordinates of A and B are  $(3, -5, 7)$  and  $(-1, 7, -6)$

respectively. Find the coordinates of the point 'C'.

$$\text{Ans: Let } C \equiv (x, y, z); A \equiv (3, -5, 7) \text{ and } B \equiv (-1, 7, -6)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (1,1,1) \equiv \left( \frac{3-1+x}{3}, \frac{-5+7+y}{3}, \frac{7-6+z}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1,1,1) \equiv \left( \frac{2+x}{3}, \frac{2+y}{3}, \frac{1+z}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, y, z) \equiv (1, 1, 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow C \equiv (1, 1, 2).$$

9. The vertices of a triangle are (2, 4, 6) (0,-2,-5). If origin is the centroid of the triangle find the third vertex?

Ans: Let  $A \equiv (2, 4, 6)$  and  $B \equiv (0, -2, -5)$   $C \equiv (x, y, z)$  be the vertices of  $\triangle ABC$

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

$$\Rightarrow (0,0,0) \equiv \left( \frac{2+0+x}{3}, \frac{4-2+y}{3}, \frac{6-5+z}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (0,0,0) \equiv \left( \frac{2+x}{3}, \frac{2+y}{3}, \frac{1+z}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, y, z) \equiv (-2, -2, -1)$$

$$\Rightarrow C \equiv (-2, -2, -1).$$

10. If the distance between the points (k,-8, 4) and (3,-5, 4) is 5. Then find k.

Ans: Let  $A \equiv (k, -8, 4)$  and  $B \equiv (3, -5, 4)$

$$\text{Given } AB = 5 \Rightarrow \sqrt{(k-3)^2 + (-8+5)^2 + (4-4)^2} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{k^2 + 9 - 6k + 9} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 - 6k - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 - 7k + k - 7 = 0$$

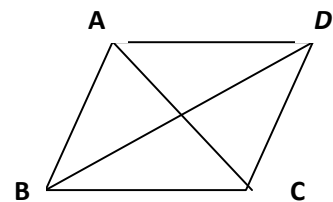
$$\Rightarrow k(k-7) + 1(k-7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = -1 \text{ or } k = 7.$$

11. Three consecutive vertices of a parallelogram ABCD are  $A \equiv (3, -1, 2)$   $B \equiv (1, 2, -4)$

and  $C \equiv (-1, 1, 2)$ . Find the coordinates of fourth vertex D.

Ans: Let  $D \equiv (x, y, z)$  be fourth vertex of parallelogram



$\Rightarrow$  Midpoint of AC = Midpoint of BD.

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{3-1}{2}, \frac{-1+1}{2}, \frac{2+2}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{1+x}{2}, \frac{2+y}{2}, \frac{-4+z}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1,0,2) = \left( \frac{1+x}{2}, \frac{2+y}{2}, \frac{-4+z}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, y = -2, \text{ and } z = 8$$

$$\therefore D \equiv (1, -2, 8)$$

12. If the origin is the centroid of the triangle PQR with the vertices

$P \equiv (2a, 2, 6), Q \equiv (-4, 3b, -10)$  and  $R \equiv (8, 14, 2c)$  then find the values of a, b, c.

Ans: Given origin = Centroid of a triangle PQR.

$$\Rightarrow (0,0,0) = \left( \frac{2a-4+8}{3}, \frac{2+3b+14}{3}, \frac{6-10+2c}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (0,0,0) = \left( \frac{2a+4}{3}, \frac{3b+16}{3}, \frac{2c-4}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -2, b = -\frac{16}{3}, c = 2.$$

13. Centroid of a triangle with vertices  $A \equiv (a, 1, 3), B \equiv (-2, b, -5)$  and  $C \equiv (4, 7, c)$  is the origin.

Find the values of a, b, c.

Ans: Given origin = Centroid of a triangle ABC.

$$\Rightarrow (0,0,0) = \left( \frac{a-2+4}{3}, \frac{1+b+7}{3}, \frac{3-5+c}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -2, b = -8, c = 2.$$

### III. FIVE MARKS QUESTIONS WITH ANSWERS:

1. Show that the points  $A \equiv (1, 2, 3)$   $B \equiv (-1, -2, -1)$   $C \equiv (2, 3, 2)$  and  $D \equiv (4, 7, 6)$  are the vertices of parallelogram ABCD but it is not a rectangle.

Ans: To show ABCD is a parallelogram we need to show that two opposite sides are equal.

$$AB = \sqrt{(1+1)^2 + (2+2)^2 + (3+1)^2} = \sqrt{4+16+16} = \sqrt{36} = 6.$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(-1-2)^2 + (-2-3)^2 + (-1-2)^2} = \sqrt{9+25+9} = \sqrt{43}$$

$$CD = \sqrt{(2-4)^2 + (3-7)^2 + (2-6)^2} = \sqrt{4+16+16} = \sqrt{36} = 6$$

$$DA = \sqrt{(1-4)^2 + (2-7)^2 + (3-6)^2} = \sqrt{9+25+9} = \sqrt{43}$$

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

$$BD = \sqrt{(-1-4)^2 + (-2-7)^2 + (-1-6)^2} = \sqrt{25 + 81 + 49} = \sqrt{155}.$$

$AC \neq BD$ . Diagonals are not equal.  $\therefore$  ABCD is not a rectangle.

2. Show that the points  $(-1, 2, 1)$ ,  $(1, -2, 5)$ ,  $(4, -7, 8)$  and  $(2, -3, 4)$  are the vertices of the parallelogram.

Ans: Let  $A \equiv (-1, 2, 1)$   $B \equiv (1, -2, 5)$   $C \equiv (4, -7, 8)$  and  $D \equiv (2, -3, 4)$

$$AB = \sqrt{(-1-1)^2 + (2+2)^2 + (1-5)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 16 + 16} = \sqrt{36} = 6.$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(1-4)^2 + (-2+7)^2 + (5+8)^2} = \sqrt{9 + 25 + 9} = \sqrt{43}$$

$$CD = \sqrt{(4-2)^2 + (-7+3)^2 + (8-4)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 16 + 16} = \sqrt{36} = 6$$

$$DA = \sqrt{(-1-2)^2 + (2+3)^2 + (1-4)^2} = \sqrt{9 + 25 + 9} = \sqrt{43}$$

$\therefore AB = CD$  and  $BC = DC$

$$AC = \sqrt{(-1-4)^2 + (2+7)^2 + (1-8)^2} = \sqrt{25 + 81 + 49} = \sqrt{155}$$

$$BD = \sqrt{(1-2)^2 + (-2+3)^2 + (5-4)^2} = \sqrt{1 + 1 + 1} = \sqrt{3}.$$

$AC \neq BD$ . Diagonals are not equal.  $\therefore$  ABCD is a Parallelogram.

3. Show that the points  $(0, 7, -10)$ ,  $(1, 6, -6)$  and  $(4, 9, -6)$  are the vertices of an isosceles right angled triangle.

Ans: Let  $A \equiv (0, 7, -10)$ ,  $B \equiv (1, 6, -6)$  and  $C \equiv (4, 9, -6)$

$$\text{Now } AB = \sqrt{(0-1)^2 + (7-6)^2 + (-10+6)^2} = \sqrt{1 + 1 + 16} = \sqrt{18}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(1-4)^2 + (6-9)^2 + (-6+6)^2} = \sqrt{9 + 9 + 0} = \sqrt{18}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(0-4)^2 + (7-9)^2 + (-10+6)^2} = \sqrt{16 + 4 + 16} = \sqrt{36}$$

Clearly  $AB = BC$  and  $AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2$

$\therefore$  The given points are the vertices of an isosceles right angled triangle.

4. Show that the points  $(0, 7, 10)$ ,  $(-1, 6, 6)$  and  $(-4, 9, 6)$  are the vertices of an isosceles right angled triangle.

Ans: Let  $A \equiv (0, 7, 10)$ ,  $B \equiv (-1, 6, 6)$  and  $C \equiv (-4, 9, 6)$

$$\text{Now } AB = \sqrt{(0+1)^2 + (7-6)^2 + (10-6)^2} = \sqrt{1 + 1 + 16} = \sqrt{18}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(-1+4)^2 + (6-9)^2 + (6-6)^2} = \sqrt{9+9+0} = \sqrt{18}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(0+4)^2 + (7-9)^2 + (10-6)^2} = \sqrt{16+4+16} = \sqrt{36}$$

Clearly  $AB = BC$  and  $AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2$

∴ The given points are the vertices of an isosceles right angled triangle.

5. Find the lengths of the medians of the triangle with the vertices A(0,0,6) B(0,4,0) and C (6,0,0).

Ans: Let  $D$  = Midpoint of BC

$$\therefore D = \left( \frac{0+6}{2}, \frac{4+0}{2}, \frac{0+0}{2} \right) = (3, 2, 0)$$

$$\therefore \text{Length of median } AD = \sqrt{(0-3)^2 + (0-2)^2 + (6-0)^2} = \sqrt{9+4+36} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

Let  $E$  = Midpoint of CA

$$\therefore E = \left( \frac{6+0}{2}, \frac{0+0}{2}, \frac{0+6}{2} \right) = (3, 0, 3)$$

$$\therefore \text{Length of median } BE = \sqrt{(0-3)^2 + (4-0)^2 + (0-3)^2} = \sqrt{9+16+9} = \sqrt{34}$$

Let  $F$  = Midpoint of AB

$$\therefore F = \left( \frac{0+0}{2}, \frac{0+4}{2}, \frac{6+0}{2} \right) = (0, 2, 3)$$

$$\therefore \text{Length of median } CF = \sqrt{(6-0)^2 + (0-2)^2 + (0-3)^2} = \sqrt{36+4+9} = \sqrt{49} = 7.$$

6. Show that the points (0, 4, 1), (2, 3, -1), (4, 5, 0) and (2, 6, 2) are the vertices of the square.

Ans. Let  $A \equiv (0, 4, 1)$ ,  $B \equiv (2, 3, -1)$ ,  $C \equiv (4, 5, 0)$  and  $D \equiv (2, 6, 2)$

$$\text{Now } AB = \sqrt{(0-2)^2 + (4-3)^2 + (1+1)^2} = \sqrt{4+1+4} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(2-4)^2 + (3-5)^2 + (-1-0)^2} = \sqrt{4+4+1} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

$$CD = \sqrt{(4-2)^2 + (5-6)^2 + (0-2)^2} = \sqrt{4+1+4} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

$$DA = \sqrt{(2-0)^2 + (6-4)^2 + (2-1)^2} = \sqrt{4+4+1} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

$$\therefore AB = BC = CD = DA = 3$$

∴ All the sides are equal.

$$\text{Also } AC = \sqrt{(0-4)^2 + (4-5)^2 + (1-0)^2} = \sqrt{16+1+1} = \sqrt{18}$$

$$BD = \sqrt{(2-2)^2 + (3-6)^2 + (-1-2)^2} = \sqrt{0+9+9} = \sqrt{18}$$

$\therefore AC = BD$   $\therefore$  The diagonals are equal.  $\therefore ABCD$  is a square.

7. Show that the points  $A \equiv (1, 3, 4)$ ,  $B \equiv (-1, 6, 10)$ ,  $C \equiv (-7, 4, 7)$  and  $D \equiv (-5, 1, 1)$  are the vertices of rhombus.

Ans:  $AB = \sqrt{(1+1)^2 + (3-6)^2 + (4-10)^2} = \sqrt{4+9+36} = \sqrt{49} = 7$

$$BC = \sqrt{(-1+7)^2 + (6-4)^2 + (10-7)^2} = \sqrt{36+4+9} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$CD = \sqrt{(-7+5)^2 + (4-1)^2 + (7-1)^2} = \sqrt{4+9+36} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$DA = \sqrt{(-5-1)^2 + (1-3)^2 + (1-4)^2} = \sqrt{36+4+9} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$\therefore AB = BC = CD = DA = 7$$

$\therefore$  All the sides are equal.

$$\text{Also } AC = \sqrt{(1+7)^2 + (3-4)^2 + (4-7)^2} = \sqrt{64+1+9} = \sqrt{74}$$

$$BD = \sqrt{(-1+5)^2 + (6-1)^2 + (10-1)^2} = \sqrt{16+25+81} = \sqrt{122}$$

$\therefore AC \neq BD$   $\therefore$  The diagonals are not equal.  $\therefore$  The given points form a rhombus.

8. Derive an expression for the coordinates of a point that divides the line joining the points.

$A \equiv (x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $B \equiv (x_2, y_2, z_2)$  Internally in the ratio  $m:n$  Hence find the coordinates of the midpoint of AB. where  $A \equiv (1, 2, 3)$  and  $B \equiv (5, 6, 7)$

Ans: Let the  $P \equiv (x, y, z)$  divide the line segment

Joining the two points  $A \equiv (x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and

$B \equiv (x_2, y_2, z_2)$  Internally in the ratio  $m:n$ .

Draw  $AL$ ,  $BM$  and  $PN \perp$  to  $XY$  plane.

Clearly  $AL$ ,  $BM$  and  $PN$  lie on the plane containing  $AB$

But  $\perp$  to  $XY$  plane.

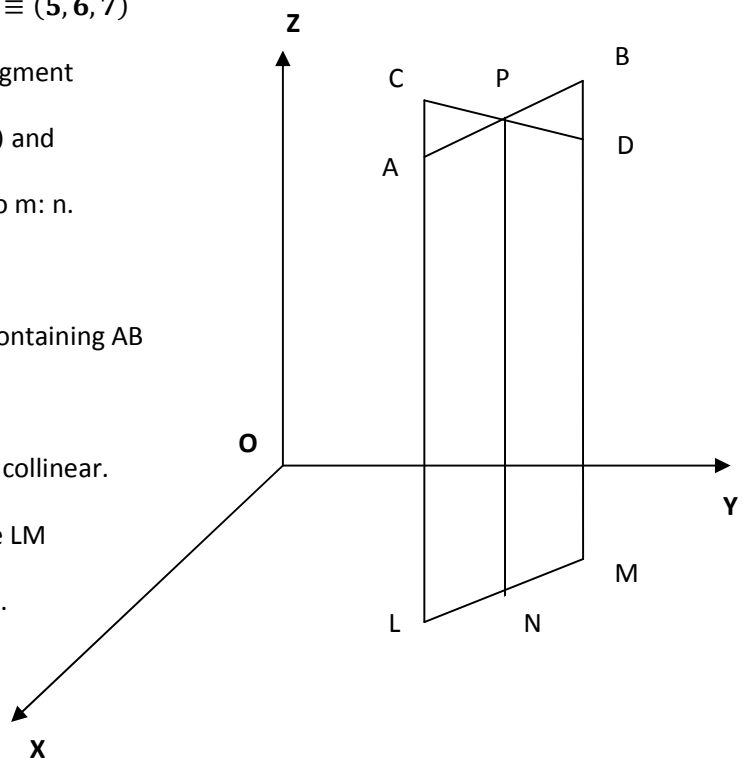
The feet of perpendiculars  $L$ ,  $M$  and  $N$  are collinear.

Through  $P$  draw a line parallel to the line  $LM$

Meets  $AL$  produced and  $BM$  at  $C$  and  $D$ .

Clearly  $\Delta PAC$  and  $\Delta PDB$  are equiangular

And hence similar.





$$\therefore \frac{PA}{PB} = \frac{AC}{BD} \quad \text{————— (1)}$$

$$\text{Now } AC = CL - AL = PN - AL = z - z_1$$

$$BD = BM - DM = BM - PN = z_2 - z$$

Now (1) becomes

$$\frac{m}{n} = \frac{z - z_1}{z_2 - z}$$

$$\Rightarrow n(z - z_1) = m(z_2 - z)$$

$$\Rightarrow nz - nz_1 = mz_2 - mz$$

$$\Rightarrow (m + n)z = mz_2 + nz_1$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{mz_2 + nz_1}{m + n}.$$

Similarly we can prove that

$$x = \frac{mx_2 + nx_1}{m + n}, \quad y = \frac{my_2 + ny_1}{m + n}$$

$$\therefore P \equiv \left( \frac{mx_2 + nx_1}{m + n}, \frac{my_2 + ny_1}{m + n}, \frac{mz_2 + nz_1}{m + n} \right).$$

$$\text{Midpoint of } AB \equiv \left( \frac{1+5}{2}, \frac{2+6}{2}, \frac{3+7}{2} \right)$$

9. Find the distance between two points in a three dimensional plane and hence find the distance between the points  $P \equiv (-2, 3, 5)$  and  $Q \equiv (1, 2, 3)$ .

Ans: Let 'O' be the origin. OX, OY, OZ be the axes

Let  $A \equiv (x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $B \equiv (x_2, y_2, z_2)$

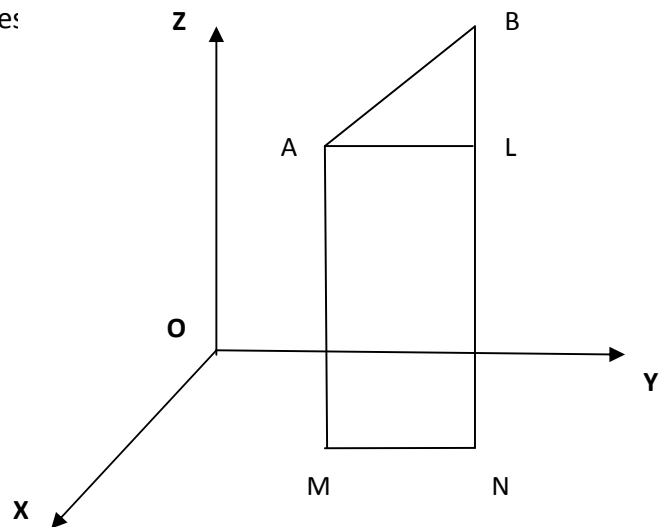
Be any two points in the 3D-plane.

Draw AM and BN  $\perp$  to XY-plane and

AL  $\perp$  to BN.

$$\text{Clearly } MN = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

$$\text{Now } AL = MN = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$



$$\text{Also } BL = BN - LN = BN - AM = z_2 - z_1.$$

From the right angled  $\Delta ALB$  we have,

$$AB^2 = AL^2 + BL^2 = (x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2$$

$$\therefore AB = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Distance } PQ &= \sqrt{(-2 - 1)^2 + (3 - 2)^2 + (5 - 3)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{9 + 1 + 4} = \sqrt{14}. \end{aligned}$$

10. The midpoints of the sides of a triangle are  $(5, 7, 11)$ ,  $(0, 8, 5)$  and  $(2, 3, -1)$  Find its vertices.

Ans: Let  $D = \text{Midpoint of } AB = (5, 7, 11)$

$$E = \text{Midpoint of } BC = (0, 8, 5)$$

$$F = \text{Midpoint of } AC = (2, 3, -1)$$

Where  $A \equiv (x_1, y_1, z_1)$ ,  $B \equiv (x_2, y_2, z_2)$  and  $C \equiv (x_3, y_3, z_3)$

Are the vertices of  $\Delta ABC$ .

$$\text{Now } (5, 7, 11) = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 = 10 \quad \text{————— (1)}$$

$$y_1 + y_2 = 14 \quad \text{————— (2)}$$

$$z_1 + z_2 = 22 \quad \text{————— (3)}$$

$$(2, 3, -1) = \left( \frac{x_2 + x_3}{2}, \frac{y_2 + y_3}{2}, \frac{z_2 + z_3}{2} \right)$$

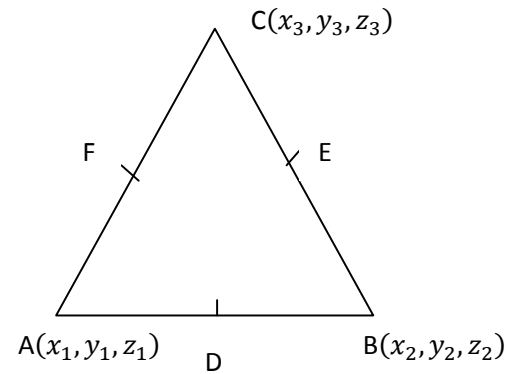
$$\Rightarrow x_2 + x_3 = 4 \quad \text{————— (4)}$$

$$y_2 + y_3 = 6 \quad \text{————— (5)}$$

$$z_2 + z_3 = -2 \quad \text{————— (6)}$$

$$\text{Also, } (0, 8, 5) = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_3}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_3}{2}, \frac{z_1 + z_3}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 + x_3 = 0 \quad \text{————— (7)}$$



$$y_1 + y_3 = 16 \quad \text{—————} \quad (8)$$

$$z_1 + z_3 = 10 \quad \text{—————} \quad (9)$$

Adding (1) + (4) + (7)

$$\Rightarrow 2x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 10 + x_3 = 7 \Rightarrow x_3 = -3$$

From (7)

$$x_1 + x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 3$$

$$\text{From (1)} \quad x_1 + x_2 = 10 \Rightarrow x_2 = 7$$

(2) + (5) + (8) gives,

$$\Rightarrow 2y_1 + 2y_2 + 2y_3 = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow 14 + y_3 = 18 \Rightarrow y_3 = 4$$

$$\text{From (8), } y_1 + y_3 = 16 \Rightarrow y_1 = 12$$

$$\text{From (2), } y_1 + y_2 = 14 \Rightarrow y_2 = 2$$

(3) + (6) + (9) gives,

$$\Rightarrow 2z_1 + 2z_2 + 2z_3 = 30$$

$$\Rightarrow z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow 10 + z_3 = 15 \Rightarrow z_3 = 5$$

$$\text{From (9), } z_1 + z_3 = 10 \Rightarrow z_1 = 5$$

$$\text{From (3), } z_1 + z_2 = 22 \Rightarrow z_2 = 17$$

$$A \equiv (x_1, y_1, z_1) \equiv (3, 12, 5)$$

$$B \equiv (x_2, y_2, z_2) \equiv (7, 2, 17)$$

$$C \equiv (x_3, y_3, z_3) \equiv (-3, 4, 5) \text{ are the required points.}$$