



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- FIRST MIDTERM IS ON Sep 24, 2020  
FROM 5 - 7 pm PST
- PRACTICE EXAM AND REVIEW/ on Sep 22, 2020  
IN CLASS
- PRACTICE MIDTERM WILL BE AVAILABLE ON  
b COURSES on Fri, Sep 18 2020
- TOPICS COVERED: EVERYTHING WE COVERED SO FAR  
INCLUDING TODAY'S LECTURE WHICH WILL END  
WITH COVERING SECTION 12.5.  
( 12.6 WILL NOT BE COVERED )
- HOMEWORK 3 WILL BE POSTED LATER TODAY AND IS DUE  
MON Sep 21. THERE WILL BE A QUIZ ON THAT MONDAY
- NO HOMEWORK OR QUIZ WILL BE DUE ON MON, Sep 28 !

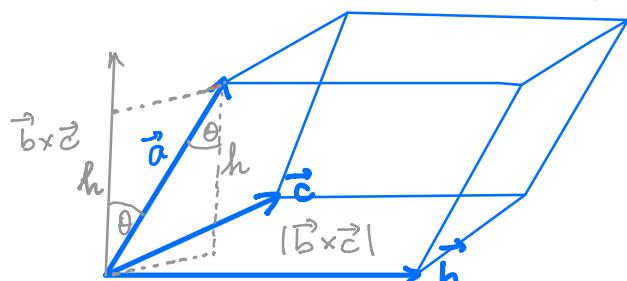
## TRIPLE PRODUCT $\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) &= (a_1 \vec{i} + a_2 \vec{j} + a_3 \vec{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = \\
 &= (a_1 \vec{i} + a_2 \vec{j} + a_3 \vec{k}) [(b_2 c_3 - b_3 c_2) \vec{i} + (b_3 c_1 - b_1 c_3) \vec{j} + (b_1 c_2 - b_2 c_1) \vec{k}] \\
 &= a_1 (b_2 c_3 - b_3 c_2) + a_2 (b_3 c_1 - b_1 c_3) + a_3 (b_1 c_2 - b_2 c_1) \\
 &\quad (\text{Like replacing } \vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k} \text{ with } a_1, a_2, a_3)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}}$$

SCALAR  
TRIPLE  
PRODUCT

## GEOMETRIC INTERPRETATION



$$V = |\vec{b} \times \vec{c}| \cdot h$$

$$h = \left| \underset{\vec{b} \times \vec{c}}{\text{comp}} \vec{a} \right| = \frac{|\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})|}{|\vec{b} \times \vec{c}|}$$

THUS:

$$V = |\vec{b} \times \vec{c}| \frac{|\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})|}{|\vec{b} \times \vec{c}|}$$

$$= \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

$|\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})|$  = VOLUME OF  
THE PARALLELEPIPED  
DETERMINED BY  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$ , AND  $\vec{c}$

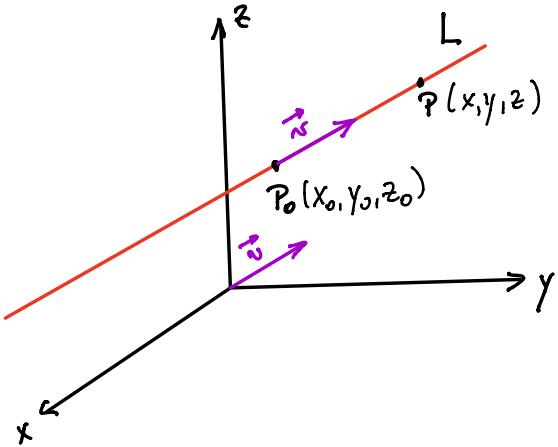
EXAMPLE: Use the scalar triple product to show that the vectors  $\vec{a} = \langle 1, 4, -7 \rangle$ ,  $\vec{b} = \langle 2, -1, 4 \rangle$ ,  $\vec{c} = \langle 0, -9, 18 \rangle$  are COPLANAR.

Solution: Calculate the volume of the parallelepiped determined by  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$ , and  $\vec{c}$ :

DONE!

MOVING ON !

## 12.5. EQUATIONS OF LINES AND PLANES



A LINE THROUGH THE POINT  
 $P_0(x_0, y_0, z_0)$

PARALLEL TO THE VECTOR  
 $\vec{v} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$

Describe all the points  $P(x, y, z)$  that belong to the line  $L$ :

Notice: if  $P(x, y, z)$  is on the line  $L$ , then  $\vec{P_0P}$  is PROPORTIONAL to  $\vec{v}$ :  $\vec{P_0P} = t \vec{v}$

THIS IS THE CONDITION FROM WHICH THE EQUATION OF THE LINE WILL FOLLOW

In components:

$$\vec{P_0P} = \langle x - x_0, y - y_0, z - z_0 \rangle$$

$$t \vec{v} = \langle ta, tb, tc \rangle$$

We use the following:

TWO VECTORS ARE EQUAL IF AND ONLY IF CORRESPONDING COMPONENTS ARE EQUAL

So,  $\vec{P_0P} = t \vec{v}$  means: 
$$\begin{cases} x - x_0 = ta \\ y - y_0 = tb \\ z - z_0 = tc \end{cases}$$
 where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

This defines PARAMETRIC EQUATIONS OF THE LINE  $L$ :

$$x = x_0 + ta, \quad y = y_0 + tb, \quad z = z_0 + tc, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

(\*)

By eliminating  $t$  we get SYMMETRIC EQUATIONS of  $L$ :

$$\frac{x - x_0}{a} = \frac{y - y_0}{b} = \frac{z - z_0}{c}$$

(\*)

(Line through  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  parallel with  $\langle a, b, c \rangle$ )

### VECTOR EQUATIONS OF $L$ :

Denote by  $\vec{r}$  the POSITION VECTOR of  $P(x, y, z)$ :  $\vec{r} = \langle x, y, z \rangle$

Denote by  $\vec{r}_0$  the POSITION VECTOR of  $P_0(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ :  $\vec{r}_0 = \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle$

Then (\*) can be written as:

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$$

(\*\*\*)

Example: Find a vector equation and parametric equations of the line that passes through the point  $(5, 1, 3)$  and is parallel to  $\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$ .

(b) Also find two other points on the line.

Solution:

$$(a) \text{ Here } \vec{r}_0 = \langle 5, 1, 3 \rangle = 5\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{v} = \langle 1, 4, -2 \rangle = \vec{i} + 4\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Vector equation: } \vec{r} - \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v} &= (5\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 3\vec{k}) + t(\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}) \\ &= (5+t)\vec{i} + (1+4t)\vec{j} + (3-2t)\vec{k}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, a vector equation of the line is:

$$\boxed{\vec{r} = (5+t)\vec{i} + (1+4t)\vec{j} + (3-2t)\vec{k}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}}$$

Parametric equations:

$$\boxed{\begin{cases} x = 5+t \\ y = 1+4t \\ z = 3-2t \end{cases} \quad t \in \mathbb{R}}$$

(b) Two other points: each choice of  $t$  defines one point.

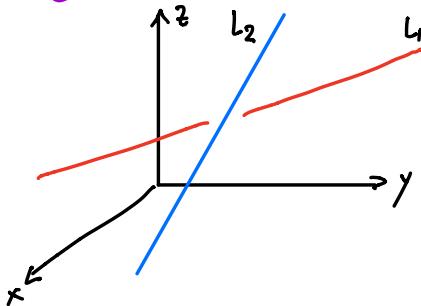
So, take, e.g.,  $t=1 \Rightarrow P_1(x, y, z) = (6, 5, 1)$

$t=-1 \Rightarrow P_2(x, y, z) = (4, -3, 5)$

REMARK: The vector equations, the parametric equations, and the symmetric equations are NOT unique!

If  $\vec{v} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$  describes direction of  $L$ , the numbers  $a, b$ , and  $c$  are called DIRECTION NUMBERS.

EXAMPLE: Show that the lines  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are SKew LINES, i.e., they do not intersect and are not parallel:



$$L_1: x = 1+t, y = -2+3t, z = 4-t$$

$$L_2: x = 2s, y = 3+s, z = -3+4s$$

Solution: 1. Parallel? Compare direction vectors:  $\begin{cases} \vec{v}_1 = \langle 1, 3, -1 \rangle \\ \vec{v}_2 = \langle 2, 1, 4 \rangle \end{cases}$

They are not a scalar multiple of each other.  $\Rightarrow$  NOT PARALLEL!

You can double check that the system:

$$\langle 1, 3, -1 \rangle = \alpha \langle 2, 1, 4 \rangle, \alpha = ?$$

does not have a solution.

2. Intersect?

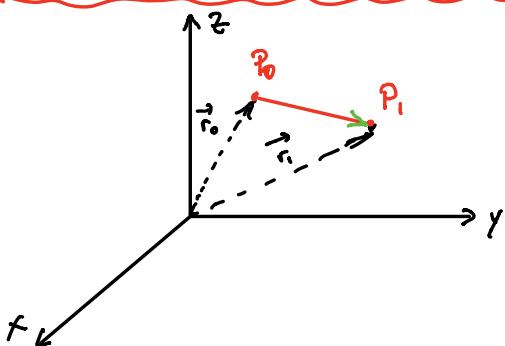
$$\begin{cases} 1+t = 2s \\ -2+3t = 3+s \\ 4-t = -3+4s \end{cases} \quad \begin{aligned} \Rightarrow t &= 2s-1 \\ \Rightarrow -2+3(2s-1) &= 3+s \\ -2+6s-3 &= 3+s \\ 5s &= 8 \\ s &= \frac{8}{5} \end{aligned}$$

Third equation:  $4 - \frac{11}{5} = -3 + \frac{32}{5} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{17}{5} \Rightarrow \text{NO INTERSECTION!}$

From  $t = 2s-1 \Rightarrow t = \frac{16}{5} - 1 = \frac{11}{5}$

CONCLUSION:  $L_1$  AND  $L_2$  ARE SKEW LINES.

### THE LINE SEGMENT FROM $P_0$ TO $P_1$



Let  $P_0$  and  $P_1$  be given.  
What is the vector equation  
for the Line segment from  
 $P_0$  to  $P_1$ ?

1.  $P_0$  and  $P_1$  determine a line with direction vector  $\vec{v} = \vec{P_0P_1}$ :

$$\vec{v} = \vec{P_0P_1} = \vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_0 = \langle x_1 - x_0, y_1 - y_0, z_1 - z_0 \rangle$$

2. All the points on the line through  $P_0$ , with direction vector  $\vec{v}$  are:

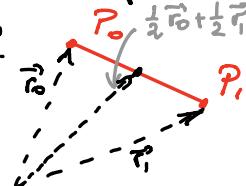
$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0 + t(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_0), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

OR

$$\boxed{\vec{r} = (1-t)\vec{r}_0 + t\vec{r}_1}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

3. We see that  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for } t=0 \text{ we get } \vec{r} = \vec{r}_0, \text{ which corresponds to } P_0 \\ \text{for } t=1 \text{ we get } \vec{r} = \vec{r}_1, \text{ which corresponds to } P_1 \end{array} \right.$

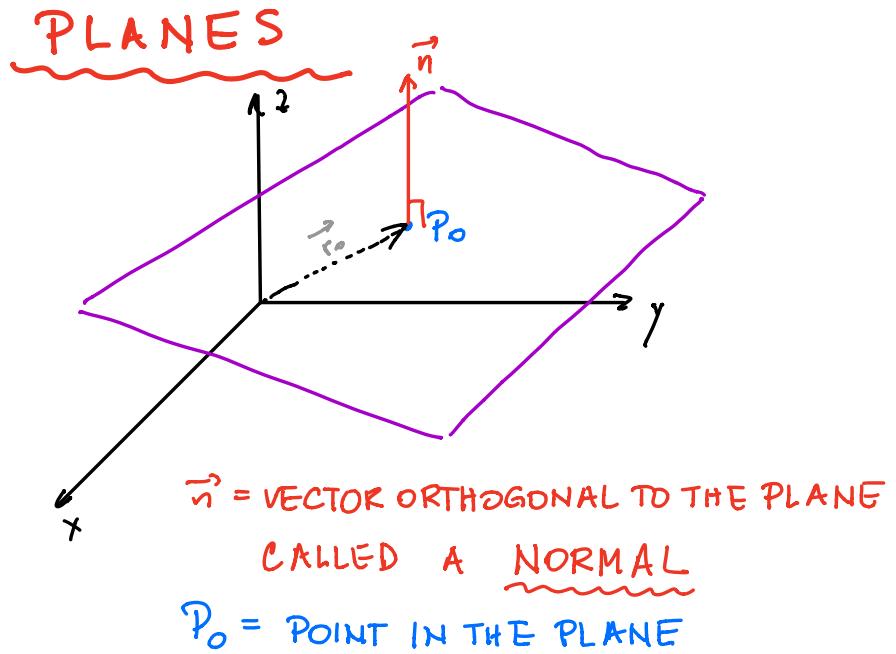
Notice that for  $t = \frac{1}{2}$ , we get  $\vec{r} = \frac{1}{2}\vec{r}_0 + \frac{1}{2}\vec{r}_1$ .



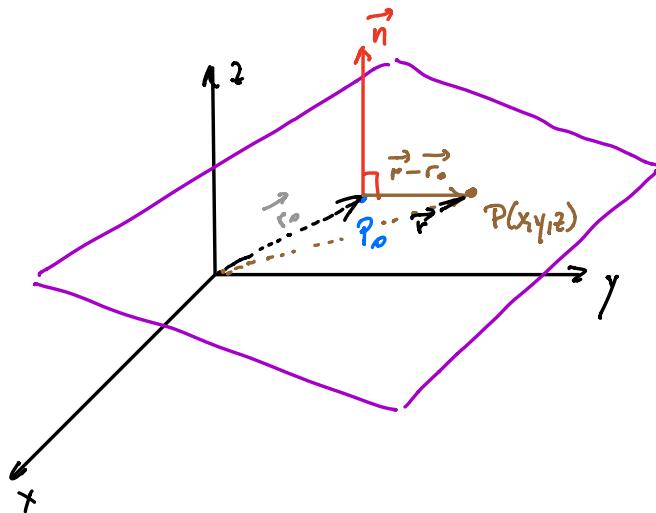
So, for  $t$  between  $t=0$  and  $t=1$  we  
get all the points inside the segment  
from  $P_0$  to  $P_1$ . So, THE LINE SEGMENT FROM  $P_0$  TO  $P_1$  is given by

$$\boxed{\vec{r} = (1-t)\vec{r}_0 + t\vec{r}_1, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1}$$

where  $\vec{r}_0$  and  $\vec{r}_1$  are  
position vectors of  $P_0$   
and  $P_1$ .



Want to find the equations that would describe all the points in the plane orthogonal to  $\vec{n}$ , passing through  $P_0$ .



If  $P(x, y, z)$  = arbitrary point in the plane, then  $\vec{P_0P}$  must be orthogonal to  $\vec{n}$ :

$$\vec{P_0P} \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

or

$$(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) \cdot \vec{n} = 0 \quad \text{VECTOR EQUATION}$$

In components: if  $\vec{n} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$ ,  $\vec{r}_0 = \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle$  and  $\vec{r} = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ , then:

$$\vec{n} \cdot (\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) = 0$$

implies

$$a(x - x_0) + b(y - y_0) + c(z - z_0) = 0$$

**SCALAR EQUATION OF THE PLANE THROUGH  $P_0(x_0, y_0, z_0)$**   
**WITH NORMAL  $\vec{n} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$**

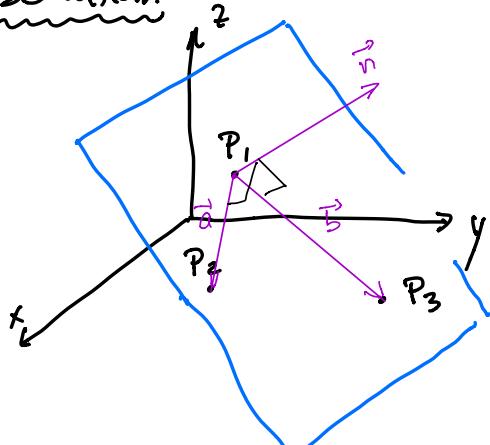
We can simplify it to obtain:

$$ax + by + cz + d = 0, \quad d = -(ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0)$$

**LINEAR EQUATION OF THE PLANE**

EXAMPLE: Find an equation of the plane that passes through  $P_0(1, 3, 2)$ ,  $P_1(3, -1, 6)$  and  $P_2(5, 2, 0)$ .

Solution:



We need normal  $\vec{n}$ .

$$\vec{n} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{P_0P_1} \times \vec{P_0P_2}$$

$$\vec{a} = \vec{P_0P_1} = \langle 2, -4, 4 \rangle$$

$$\vec{b} = \vec{P_0P_2} = \langle 4, -1, -2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 2 & -4 & 4 \\ 4 & -1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 12, 20, 14 \rangle = \vec{n}$$

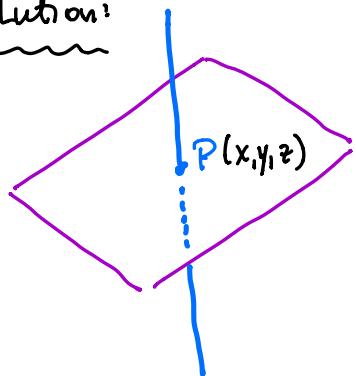
Thus, the plane through  $P_0(1, 3, 2)$  with normal  $\vec{n} = \langle 12, 20, 14 \rangle$  is:

$$12(x-1) + 20(y-3) + 14(z-2) = 0 \quad \text{OR} \quad 6x + 10y + 7z = 50$$

EXAMPLE: Find the point at which the line intersects the plane  $4x + 5y - 2z = 18$ .

$$\begin{cases} x = 2 + 3t \\ y = -4t \\ z = 5t \end{cases}$$

Solution:



The point of intersection belongs to both the line and the plane. Thus, it must satisfy both equations:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 2 + 3t \\ y &= -4t \quad \text{and} \quad 4x + 5y - 2z = 18 \\ z &= 5t \end{aligned}$$

We plug the coordinates  $\begin{aligned} x &= 2 + 3t \\ y &= -4t \\ z &= 5t \end{aligned}$  into the plane equation

$4x + 5y - 2z = 18$ , to find the value of  $t$  which determines the point of intersection, i.e., satisfies both sets of equations.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We get } 4(2 + 3t) + 5(-4t) - 2(5t) &= 18 \\ 8 + 12t - 20t - 10t - 2t &= 18 \\ -10t &= 18 - 8 \\ -10t &= 10 \Rightarrow \boxed{t = -1} \end{aligned}$$

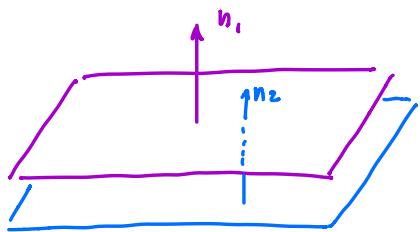
This determines the coordinates of the point P:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 2 + 3 \cdot (-1) = -1 \\ y &= -4 \cdot (-1) = 4 \\ z &= 5 + (-1) = +4 \end{aligned}$$

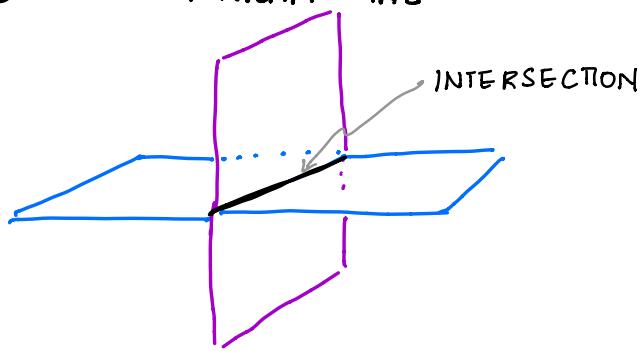
Thus, the point of intersection is:  $P(-1, 4, 4)$

PARALLEL PLANES: if their normal vectors are parallel

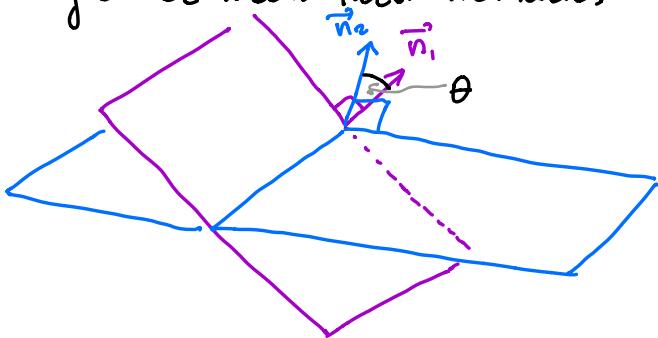
$$\vec{n}_1 \parallel \vec{n}_2$$



INTERSECTION OF PLANES: if two planes are not parallel, they intersect in a STRAIGHT LINE



ANGLE BETWEEN TWO PLANES is determined by the acute angle between their normals



EXAMPLE: Find the angle between the planes  $x+y+z=1$  and  $x-2y+3z=1$ . Then find the symmetric equations for the line of intersection of the two planes.

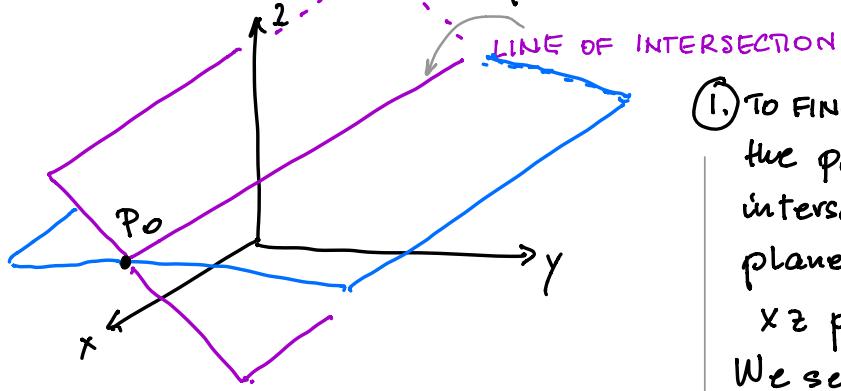
Solution: •  $\vec{n}_1 = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$ ,  $\vec{n}_2 = \langle 1, -2, 3 \rangle$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2}{\|\vec{n}_1\| \|\vec{n}_2\|} = \frac{\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, -2, 3 \rangle}{\sqrt{3+1+1} \sqrt{1+4+9}} \\ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3 \cdot 14}} \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, -2, 3 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{42}} (1-2+3) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{42}}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{42}}\right) \approx 72^\circ //$$

- Line of intersection:

Need to find one point on the line and the direction vector.



(1) To find one point we can find the point at which the line intersects one of the coordinate planes. For example, the  $xz$  plane  $y=0$ . We set  $y=0$  in both equations:

$$x+z=1$$

$$x+3z=1$$

and solve this system:

$$2z=0 \Rightarrow z=0$$

$$x=1 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{P_0(1,0,0)}}$$

(2) To find the direction vector  $\vec{v}$  notice that  $\vec{v}$  must be orthogonal to both normals  $\vec{n}_1$  and  $\vec{n}_2$ .

Thus  $\vec{v} = \vec{n}_1 \times \vec{n}_2$ !

$$\vec{v} = \vec{n}_1 \times \vec{n}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \dots = \langle 5, -2, -3 \rangle$$

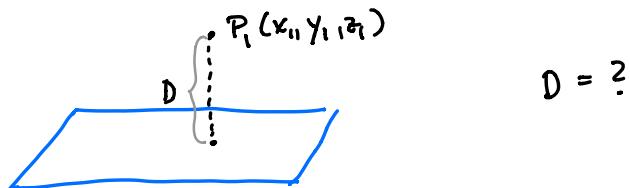
CONCLUSION: The symmetric equations of the line of intersection:

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

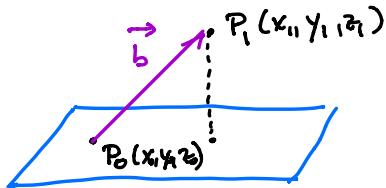
(Notice:  $\infty$  many different forms of symmetric equations)

EXAMPLE: Find the formula for the distance of point  $P_1(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  from the plane  $ax + by + cz = d$ .

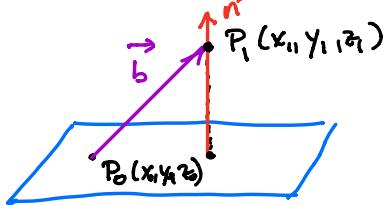
Solution:



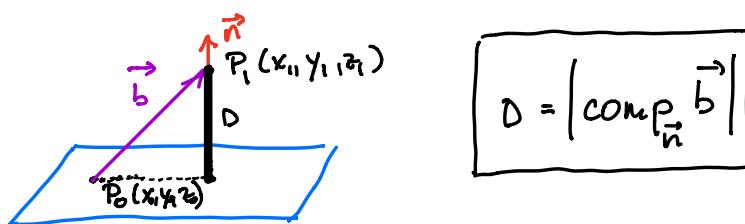
1. Take an arbitrary point  $P_0(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  in the plane.
2. Denote by  $\vec{b}$  the vector  $\vec{P_0 P_1}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \vec{P_0 P_1}$



3. Consider the normal  $\vec{n}$  to the plane, and imagine it passing through the point  $P_1$ .



4. Then  $D$  is the LENGTH OF THE PROJECTION OF  $\vec{b}$  ONTO  $\vec{n}$  !



5. We know how to calculate  $\text{comp}_{\vec{n}} \vec{b}$ :

$$\text{comp}_{\vec{n}} \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} = \frac{\vec{b} \cdot \vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|}$$

6. Thus:

$$D = \left| \frac{\vec{b} \cdot \vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} \right|$$

In components:  $\vec{n} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$

$$\vec{b} = \langle x_1 - x_0, y_1 - y_0, z_1 - z_0 \rangle$$

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \frac{|a(x_1 - x_0) + b(y_1 - y_0) + c(z_1 - z_0)|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \\ &= \frac{|ax_1 + by_1 + cz_1 - (ax_0 + bx_0 + cx_0)|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \\ &= \frac{|ax_1 + by_1 + cz_1 + d|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \end{aligned}$$

7. In conclusion, the distance of  $P_1(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  from the plane  $ax + by + cz + d = 0$  is given by

$$D = \frac{|ax_1 + by_1 + cz_1 + d|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

Suggestion (STRONGLY RECOMMEND): Solve examples  
9 and 10 on page 830 !

WE ARE DONE !

