



$$\Rightarrow a = -7k, b = 8k, c = -3k$$

Substituting the values of a , b , and c in equation (1), we obtain

$$-7k(x+1) + 8k(y-3) - 3k(z-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (-7x-7) + (8y-24) - 3z + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -7x + 8y - 3z - 25 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x - 8y + 3z + 25 = 0$$

This is the required equation of the plane.

Question 14:

If the points $(1, 1, p)$ and $(-3, 0, 1)$ be equidistant from the plane

$$\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}) + 13 = 0, \text{ then find the value of } p.$$

Answer

The position vector through the point $(1, 1, p)$ is $\vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + p\hat{k}$

Similarly, the position vector through the point $(-3, 0, 1)$ is

$$\vec{a}_2 = -4\hat{i} + \hat{k}$$

The equation of the given plane is $\vec{r} \cdot (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}) + 13 = 0$

It is known that the perpendicular distance between a point whose position vector is

$$D = \frac{|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{N} - d|}{|\vec{N}|}$$

\vec{a} and the plane, $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{N} = d$, is given by,

Here, $\vec{N} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}$ and $d = -13$

Therefore, the distance between the point $(1, 1, p)$ and the given plane is

$$D_1 = \frac{|(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + p\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}) + 13|}{|3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}|}$$

$$\Rightarrow D_1 = \frac{|3 + 4 - 12p + 13|}{\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + (-12)^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow D_1 = \frac{|20 - 12p|}{13} \quad \dots(1)$$

Similarly, the distance between the point $(-3, 0, 1)$ and the given plane is

$$D_2 = \frac{|(-3\hat{i} + \hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}) + 13|}{|3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}|}$$

$$\Rightarrow D_2 = \frac{|-9 - 12 + 13|}{\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + (-12)^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow D_2 = \frac{8}{13} \quad \dots(2)$$

It is given that the distance between the required plane and the points, $(1, 1, p)$ and $(-3, 0, 1)$, is equal.

$$\therefore D_1 = D_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|20 - 12p|}{13} = \frac{8}{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 - 12p = 8 \text{ or } -(20 - 12p) = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 12p = 12 \text{ or } 12p = 28$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 1 \text{ or } p = \frac{7}{3}$$

Question 15:

Find the equation of the plane passing through the line of intersection of the planes

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 4 = 0 \quad \text{and parallel to } x\text{-axis.}$$

Answer

The given planes are

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) - 1 = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 4 = 0$$

The equation of any plane passing through the line of intersection of these planes is

$$[\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) - 1] + \lambda [\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 4] = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot [(2\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + (3\lambda + 1)\hat{j} + (1 - \lambda)\hat{k}] + (4\lambda + 1) = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

Its direction ratios are $(2\lambda + 1)$, $(3\lambda + 1)$, and $(1 - \lambda)$.

The required plane is parallel to x-axis. Therefore, its normal is perpendicular to x-axis.

The direction ratios of x-axis are 1, 0, and 0.

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

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Substituting $\lambda = -\frac{1}{2}$ in equation (1), we obtain

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot \left[-\frac{1}{2}\hat{j} + \frac{3}{2}\hat{k} \right] + (-3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot (\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + 6 = 0$$

Therefore, its Cartesian equation is $y - 3z + 6 = 0$

This is the equation of the required plane.

Question 16:

If O be the origin and the coordinates of P be $(1, 2, -3)$, then find the equation of the plane passing through P and perpendicular to OP.

Answer

The coordinates of the points, O and P, are $(0, 0, 0)$ and $(1, 2, -3)$ respectively.

Therefore, the direction ratios of OP are $(1 - 0) = 1$, $(2 - 0) = 2$, and $(-3 - 0) = -3$

It is known that the equation of the plane passing through the point (x_1, y_1, z_1) is

$$a(x - x_1) + b(y - y_1) + c(z - z_1) = 0 \text{ where, } a, b, \text{ and } c \text{ are the direction ratios of normal.}$$

Here, the direction ratios of normal are 1, 2, and -3 and the point P is $(1, 2, -3)$.

Thus, the equation of the required plane is

$$1(x - 1) + 2(y - 2) - 3(z + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 2y - 3z - 14 = 0$$

Question 17:

Find the equation of the plane which contains the line of intersection of the planes

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - 4 = 0, \quad \vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 5 = 0 \text{ and which is perpendicular to the plane}$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) + 8 = 0$$

Answer

The equations of the given planes are

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - 4 = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 5 = 0 \quad \dots(2)$$

The equation of the plane passing through the line intersection of the plane given in equation (1) and equation (2) is

$$[\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - 4] + \lambda [\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + 5] = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot [(2\lambda + 1)\hat{i} + (\lambda + 2)\hat{j} + (3 - \lambda)\hat{k}] + (5\lambda - 4) = 0 \quad \dots(3)$$

The plane in equation (3) is perpendicular to the plane, $\vec{r} \cdot (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) + 8 = 0$

$$\therefore 5(2\lambda + 1) + 3(\lambda + 2) - 6(3 - \lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 19\lambda - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{7}{19}$$

Substituting $\lambda = \frac{7}{19}$ in equation (3), we obtain

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot \left[\frac{33}{19}\hat{i} + \frac{45}{19}\hat{j} + \frac{50}{19}\hat{k} \right] - \frac{41}{19} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot (33\hat{i} + 45\hat{j} + 50\hat{k}) - 41 = 0 \quad \dots(4)$$

This is the vector equation of the required plane.

The Cartesian equation of this plane can be obtained by substituting $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ in

The Cartesian equation of this plane can be obtained by substituting $x = 33z + 45y - 41$ in equation (3).

$$\begin{aligned} (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (33\hat{i} + 45\hat{j} + 50\hat{k}) - 41 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 33x + 45y + 50z - 41 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Question 18:

Find the distance of the point $(-1, -5, -10)$ from the point of intersection of the line

$$\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \text{ and the plane } \vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5.$$

Answer

The equation of the given line is

$$\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \quad \dots(1)$$

The equation of the given plane is

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5 \quad \dots(2)$$

Substituting the value of \vec{r} from equation (1) in equation (2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} [2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k} + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})] \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) &= 5 \\ \Rightarrow [(3\lambda + 2)\hat{i} + (4\lambda - 1)\hat{j} + (2\lambda + 2)\hat{k}] \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) &= 5 \\ \Rightarrow (3\lambda + 2) - (4\lambda - 1) + (2\lambda + 2) &= 5 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting this value in equation (1), we obtain the equation of the line as

$$\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

This means that the position vector of the point of intersection of the line and the plane

$$\text{is } \vec{r} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

This shows that the point of intersection of the given line and plane is given by the

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