Equation of Unit Vector

1 12th Maths - Chapter 11

This is Problem-2 from Exercise 3.2

1. Find the vector equation of a plane which is at a distance of 7 units from the origin and normal to the vector $3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$

2 Solution

Normal vector to the plane is

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

unit vector

$$d = \frac{\left| \mathbf{n}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{n} - \mathbf{c} \right|}{\|n\|} \tag{2}$$

$$7 = \frac{|\mathbf{c}|}{\|n\|} \tag{3}$$

$$\|\mathbf{n}\| = \sqrt{\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}} \tag{4}$$

$$=\sqrt{70}\tag{5}$$

vector equation of plane is

$$|\mathbf{c}| = 7\sqrt{70} \tag{6}$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \pm 7\sqrt{70} \tag{7}$$