

Subject: Mathematics

1. If the vectors $\vec{AB} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{k}$ and $\vec{AC} = 5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ are the sides of a triangle ABC , then the length of the median through A is :

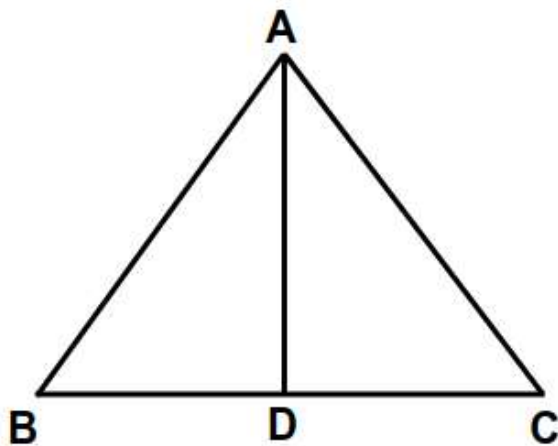
☐ A. $\sqrt{18}$

☐ B. $\sqrt{72}$

☒ C. $\sqrt{33}$

☐ D. $\sqrt{45}$

Median through any vertex divide the opposite side into two equal parts



$$\begin{aligned}\vec{AD} &= \frac{\vec{AB} + \vec{AC}}{2} \\ &= \frac{(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{k}) + (5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})}{2} \\ &= \frac{4\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}}{2} \\ \text{Hence, } |\vec{AD}| &= \sqrt{4^2 + (-1)^2 + 4^2} \\ &= \sqrt{33}\end{aligned}$$

2. A perpendicular is drawn from a point on the line $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-1} = \frac{z}{1}$ to the plane $x + y + z = 3$ such that the foot of the perpendicular Q also lies on the plane $x - y + z = 3$. Then the coordinates of Q are :

- ☒ A. (2, 0, 1)
☐ B. (1, 0, 2)
☐ C. (-1, 0, 4)
☐ D. (4, 0, -1)

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

Then the any point P on the line is
 $(2\lambda + 1, -\lambda - 1, \lambda)$

Let point $Q = (x_2, y_2, z_2)$ and $P = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$

Then, foot of perpendicular Q drawn from point P to the plane $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ is given by

$$\frac{x_2 - x_1}{a} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{b} = \frac{z_2 - z_1}{c} = -\frac{ax_1 + by_1 + cz_1 + d}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

Foot of perpendicular Q is given by

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

Q lies on $x + y + z = 3$ and $x - y + z = 3$

$$\Rightarrow x + z = 3 \text{ and } y = 0$$

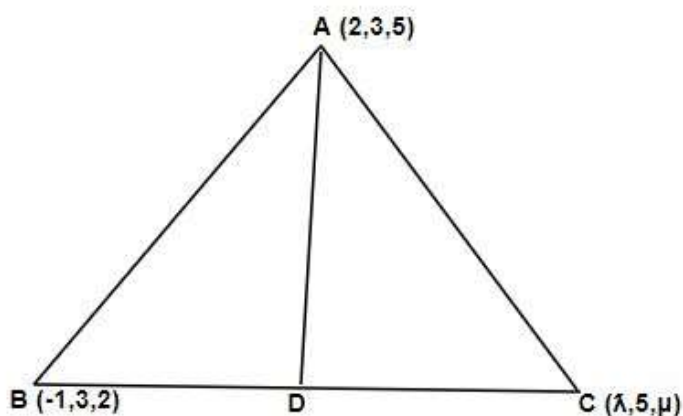
$$\therefore y = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda + 1 = \frac{-2\lambda + 3}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0$$

$$Q = (2, 0, 1)$$

3. ABC is a triangle in a plane with vertices $A(2, 3, 5)$, $B(-1, 3, 2)$ and $C(\lambda, 5, \mu)$. If the median through A is equally inclined to the coordinate axes, then the value of $(\lambda^3 + \mu^3 + 5)$ is:

- ☒ A. 1348
☐ B. 1130
☐ C. 1077
☐ D. 676



Coordinates of $D = \left(\frac{\lambda-1}{2}, 4, \frac{\mu+2}{2} \right)$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \overrightarrow{AD} &= \left(\frac{\lambda-1}{2} - 2 \right) \hat{i} + (4 - 3) \hat{j} + \left(\frac{\mu+2}{2} - 5 \right) \hat{k} \\ &= \left(\frac{\lambda-5}{2} \right) \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \left(\frac{\mu-8}{2} \right) \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Since, \overrightarrow{AD} makes equal angle with the coordinate axes, the direction ratios are equal.
 \Rightarrow Direction ratios are equal.

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{\lambda-5}{2} = 1 = \frac{\mu-8}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 7, \mu = 10$$

$$\therefore \lambda^3 + \mu^3 + 5 = 1348$$

4. The equation of the line passing through $(-4, 3, 1)$, parallel to the plane $x + 2y - z - 5 = 0$ and intersecting the line $\frac{x+1}{-3} = \frac{y-3}{2} = \frac{z-2}{-1}$ is:

- ☒ A. $\frac{x+4}{-1} = \frac{y-3}{1} = \frac{z-1}{1}$
- ☒ B. $\frac{x+4}{1} = \frac{y-3}{1} = \frac{z-1}{3}$
- ☒ C. $\frac{x+4}{3} = \frac{y-3}{-1} = \frac{z-1}{1}$
- ☒ D. $\frac{x+4}{2} = \frac{y-3}{1} = \frac{z-1}{4}$

Vector passing through $(-4, 3, 1)$ and $(-1, 3, 2) = 3\hat{i} + \hat{k}$

Normal vector of plane containing two intersecting lines is parallel to the vector.

$$\vec{r}_1 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -2\hat{i} + 6\hat{k}$$

\therefore Required line is parallel to the vector.

$$\vec{r}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

\therefore Required equation of line passing through $(-4, 3, 1)$ is $\frac{x+4}{3} = \frac{y-3}{-1} = \frac{z-1}{1}$

5. Volume of parallelepiped whose coterminous edges are given by

$\vec{u} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$, $\vec{v} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{w} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ is 1 cu. unit. If θ be the angle between the edges \vec{u} and \vec{w} , then $\cos \theta$ can be:

- ☒ A. $\frac{7}{6\sqrt{6}}$
- ☒ B. $\frac{5}{7}$
- ☒ C. $\frac{7}{6\sqrt{3}}$
- ☒ D. $\frac{5}{3\sqrt{3}}$

Volume of parallelepiped $= [\vec{u} \ \vec{v} \ \vec{w}]$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \lambda \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \pm 1$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2$ or 4

For $\lambda = 4$,

$$\cos \theta = \frac{2+1+4}{\sqrt{18}\sqrt{6}} = \frac{7}{6\sqrt{3}}$$

6. Let $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ be two vectors. If \vec{c} is a vector such that $\vec{b} \times \vec{c} = \vec{b} \times \vec{a}$ and $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$, then $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{b}$ is equal to :

- ☒ A. $\frac{1}{2}$
☒ B. $-\frac{3}{2}$
☒ C. $-\frac{1}{2}$
☒ D. -1

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

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

$$\vec{b} \times \vec{c} = \vec{b} \times \vec{a}$$

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow -4\vec{c} = 6(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) - 4(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{c} = -\frac{1}{2}(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\therefore \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

7. A plane which bisects the angle between the two given planes $2x - y + 2z - 4 = 0$ and $x + 2y + 2z - 2 = 0$, passes through the point :

- ☒ A. $(1, -4, 1)$
☒ B. $(2, 4, 1)$
☒ C. $(2, -4, 1)$
☒ D. $(1, 4, -1)$

Equation of angle bisectors are

$$\frac{2x - y + 2z - 4}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2}} = \pm \frac{x + 2y + 2z - 2}{\sqrt{1^2 + (2)^2 + 2^2}}$$

Taking positive sign, we get

$$x - 3y - 2 = 0 \quad \dots (1)$$

Taking negative sign, we get

$$3x + y + 4z - 6 = 0 \quad \dots (2)$$

Now by putting all the given options in the equation (1) and (2), we find that $(2, -4, 1)$ satisfies the equation (2)

8. Let P be the plane, which contains the line of intersection of the planes, $x + y + z - 6 = 0$ and $2x + 3y + z + 5 = 0$ and it is perpendicular to the xy -plane. Then the distance of the point $(0, 0, 256)$ from P is equal to :

- ☐ A. $63\sqrt{5}$
- ☒ B. $\frac{11}{\sqrt{5}}$
- ☐ C. $\frac{205}{\sqrt{5}}$
- ☐ D. $\frac{17}{\sqrt{5}}$

Equation of plane P is :

$$(x + y + z - 6) + \lambda(2x + 3y + z + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + 2\lambda)x + (1 + 3\lambda)y + (1 + \lambda)z + (-6 + 5\lambda) = 0$$

Since plane P is perpendicular to xy -plane,

$$\therefore 1 + \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -1$$

Hence, equation of plane $P : x + 2y + 11 = 0$

$$\text{Perpendicular distance of plane from } (0, 0, 256) = \frac{11}{\sqrt{5}}$$

9. The perpendicular distance from the origin to the plane containing the two lines,
 $\frac{x+2}{3} = \frac{y-2}{5} = \frac{z+5}{7}$ and $\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y-4}{4} = \frac{z+4}{7}$, is:

- ☐ A. 11
☐ B. $11\sqrt{6}$
☒ C. $\frac{11}{\sqrt{6}}$
☐ D. $6\sqrt{11}$

The plane containing is the lines

$$L_1 : \frac{x+2}{3} = \frac{y-2}{5} = \frac{z+5}{7} \text{ and}$$

$$L_2 : \frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y-4}{4} = \frac{z+4}{7}$$

\therefore normal vector of plane is -

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{n} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 & 7 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(35 - 28) - \hat{j}(21 - 7) + \hat{k}(12 - 5) \\ &= 7\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} + 7\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Equation of plane is

$$7(x+2) - 14(y-2) + 7(z+5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x - 14y + 7z + 77 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 2y + z + 11 = 0$$

Now, perpendicular distance from $(0, 0, 0)$ to plane is given by -

$$d = \frac{|0 - 0 + 0 + 11|}{\sqrt{1 + 4 + 1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{11}{\sqrt{6}}$$

10. The equation of a plane containing the line of intersection of the planes $2x - y - 4 = 0$ and $y + 2z - 4 = 0$ and passing through the point $(1, 1, 0)$ is:

- ☒ A. $x - y - z = 0$
- ☐ B. $x + 3y + z = 4$
- ☐ C. $x - 3y - 2z = -2$
- ☐ D. $2x - z = 2$

Let equation of planes be P_1 and P_2

Now according to question,

$$\Rightarrow P_1 + \lambda P_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x - y - 4) + \lambda(y + 2z - 4) = 0 \quad \dots (1)$$

The plane passes through the point $(1, 1, 0)$

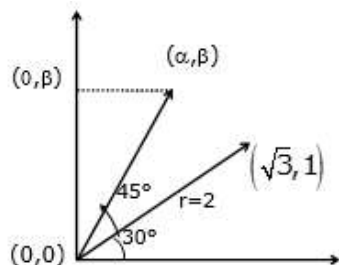
Put $(1, 1, 0)$ in equation (1)

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

$$\therefore x - y - z = 0$$

11. Let a vector $\alpha\hat{i} + \beta\hat{j}$ be obtained by rotating the vector $\sqrt{3}\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ by an angle 45° about the origin in counterclockwise direction in the first quadrant. Then the area of triangle having vertices (α, β) , $(0, \beta)$ and $(0, 0)$ is equal to:

- ☐ A. 1
- ☒ B. $\frac{1}{2}$
- ☐ C. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
- ☐ D. $2\sqrt{2}$



$$(\alpha, \beta) \equiv (2 \cos 75^\circ, 2 \sin 75^\circ)$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}(2 \cos 75^\circ)(2 \sin 75^\circ)$$

$$= \sin(150^\circ) = \frac{1}{2} \text{ sq. unit}$$

12. If vectors $\vec{a}_1 = x\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{a}_2 = \hat{i} + y\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ are collinear, then a possible unit vector parallel to the vector $x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is :

- ☒ A. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$
- ☒ B. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{i} - \hat{j})$
- ☒ C. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$
- ☒ D. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$

Collinear condition

$$\frac{x}{1} = -\frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{z} = \lambda \text{ (let)}$$

$$\text{Unit vector parallel to } x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} = \pm \frac{(\lambda\hat{i} - \frac{1}{\lambda}\hat{j} + \frac{1}{\lambda}\hat{k})}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + \frac{2}{\lambda^2}}}$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = 1, \text{ it is } \pm \frac{(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})}{\sqrt{3}}$$

13. If (x, y, z) be an arbitrary point lying on a plane P which passes through the points $(42, 0, 0)$, $(0, 42, 0)$ and $(0, 0, 42)$, then the value of the expression

$$3 + \frac{x-11}{(y-19)^2(z-12)^2} + \frac{y-19}{(x-11)^2(z-12)^2} + \frac{z-12}{(x-11)^2(y-19)^2} - \frac{x+y+z}{14(x-11)(y-19)(z-12)}$$
 is equal to :

- ☒ A. 3
- ☒ B. 0
- ☒ C. 39
- ☒ D. -45

Equation of plane is $x + y + z = 42$

$$\text{or, } (x-11) + (y-19) + (z-12) = 0$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{x-11}{(y-19)^2(z-12)^2} + \frac{y-19}{(x-11)^2(z-12)^2} + \frac{z-12}{(x-11)^2(y-19)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(x-11)^3 + (y-19)^3 + (z-12)^3}{(x-11)^2(y-19)^2(z-12)^2}$$

$$= \frac{3(x-11)(y-19)(z-12)}{(x-11)^2(y-19)^2(z-12)^2}$$

$$[\text{If } a + b + c = 0, \text{ then } a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 3abc]$$

$$= \frac{3}{(x-11)(y-19)(z-12)}$$

\therefore The given expression is equal to

$$3 + \frac{3}{(x-11)(y-19)(z-12)} - \frac{3}{(x-11)(y-19)(z-12)} = 3$$

14. Let $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 7\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$. If $\vec{r} \times \vec{a} = \vec{r} \times \vec{b}$, $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = -3$, then $\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ is equal to:

- ☐ A. 10
☐ B. 13
☒ C. 12
☐ D. 8

Given : $\vec{a} = (2, -3, 4)$, $\vec{b} = (7, 1, -6)$

Now,

$$\vec{r} \times \vec{a} = \vec{r} \times \vec{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \times \vec{a} - \vec{r} \times \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \times (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = \lambda(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = \lambda(-5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 10\hat{k})$$

We know that

$$\vec{r} \cdot (1, 2, 1) = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(-5 - 8 + 10) = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$\therefore (-5, -4, 10) \cdot (2, -3, 1) = 12$$

15. The equation of the plane which contains the y -axis and passes through the point $(1, 2, 3)$ is:

- ☐ A. $3x + z = 6$
☒ B. $3x - z = 0$
☐ C. $x + 3z = 10$
☐ D. $x + 3z = 0$

Let $A = (1, 2, 3)$ and O be the origin

D.R.'s of y -axis are $0, 1, 0$

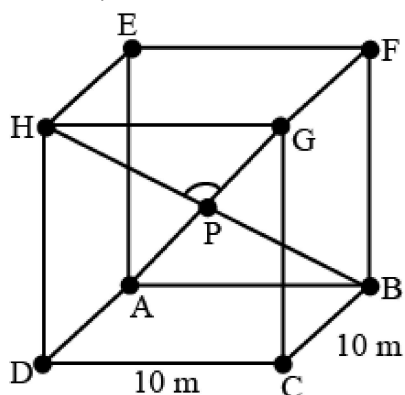
$$\vec{OA} = (1, 2, 3)$$

Therefore, the required equation of the plane

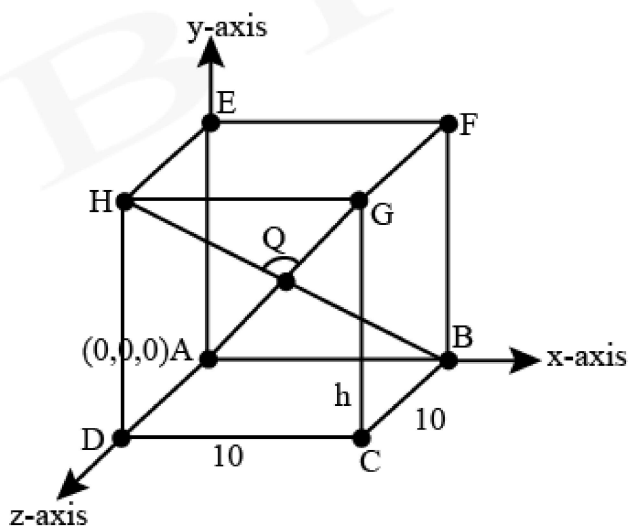
$$\begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - z = 0$$

16. A hall has a square floor of dimension $10\text{ m} \times 10\text{ m}$ (see the figure) and vertical walls. If the angle GPH between the diagonals AG and BH is $\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{5}$, then the height of the hall (in meters) is



- ☐ A. $2\sqrt{10}$
- ☒ B. $5\sqrt{2}$
- ☐ C. $5\sqrt{3}$
- ☐ D. 5



Let height be h .

$$A \equiv (0, 0, 0)$$

$$G \equiv (10, h, 10)$$

$$B \equiv (10, 0, 0)$$

$$H \equiv (0, h, 10)$$

$$\text{DRs of } AG \equiv (10, h, 10)$$

$$\text{DRs of } BH \equiv (10, -h, -10)$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{10 \times 10 + h(-h) + 10(-10)}{\sqrt{10^2 + h^2 + 10^2} \times \sqrt{10^2 + h^2 + 10^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{5} = \frac{h^2}{200 + h^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow h = 5\sqrt{2}$$

17. If for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, the lines $L_1 : \frac{x+1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{-1} = \frac{z-1}{1}$ and $L_2 : \frac{x+2}{\alpha} = \frac{y+1}{5-\alpha} = \frac{z+1}{1}$ coplanar, then the line L_2 passes through the point:

☒ A. $(2, -10, -2)$

☐ B. $(10, -2, -2)$

☐ C. $(10, 2, 2)$

☐ D. $(-2, 10, 2)$

$A(-1, 2, 1), B(-2, -1, -1)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{AB} & \vec{b_1} & \vec{b_2} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -3 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ \alpha & 5-\alpha & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -1(-1 + \alpha - 5) + 3(2 - \alpha) - 2(10 - 2\alpha + \alpha) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - \alpha + 6 - 3\alpha + 2\alpha - 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -8 - 2\alpha = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -4$$

Checking Point satisfies L_2

$$L_2 : \frac{x+2}{-4} = \frac{y+1}{9} = \frac{z+1}{1}$$

Any point on L_2 is $(-4k - 2, 9k - 1, k - 1)$

From given options, for point $(2, -10, -2)$:

$$\frac{4}{-4} = \frac{-9}{9} = \frac{-1}{1}$$

Therefore, option (a) is correct.

18. The mirror image of the point $(1, 2, 3)$ in a plane is $\left(-\frac{7}{3}, -\frac{4}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$. Which of the following points lies on this plane?

- ☒ A. $(1, -1, 1)$
☐ B. $(-1, -1, 1)$
☐ C. $(1, 1, 1)$
☐ D. $(-1, -1, -1)$

Image of point $P(1, 2, 3)$ w.r.t. a plane $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ is

$$Q\left(-\frac{7}{3}, -\frac{4}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Direction ratios of } PQ &: \left(-\frac{7}{3} - 1, -\frac{4}{3} - 2, -\frac{1}{3} - 3\right) \\ &= \left(-\frac{10}{3}, -\frac{10}{3}, -\frac{10}{3}\right) = (1, 1, 1)\end{aligned}$$

Direction ratios of normal to plane is $(1, 1, 1)$

Mid-point of line PQ lies on the plane.

$$\therefore \text{The mid-point of } PQ = \left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{4}{3}\right)$$

$$\therefore \text{Equation of plane is } x + \frac{2}{3} + y - \frac{1}{3} + z - \frac{4}{3} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y + z = 1$$

Hence point $(1, -1, 1)$ satisfies the equation of the plane.

19. The angle between the straight lines, whose direction cosines are given by the equations $2l + 2m - n = 0$ and $mn + nl + lm = 0$, is

- ☐ A. $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- ☒ B. $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- ☐ C. $\pi - \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{9}\right)$
- ☐ D. $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{8}{9}\right)$

$$\therefore 2l + 2m - n = 0 \dots (i)$$

$$\text{and } mn + nl + lm = 0 \dots (ii)$$

From equation (i) and (ii)

$$(m + l)(2l + 2m) + lm = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2l^2 + 5lm + 2m^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2l^2 + 4lm + lm + 2m^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2l(l + 2m) + m(l + 2m) = 0$$

$$\therefore (2l + m)(l + 2m) = 0$$

Direction ratios of lines are $(1, -2, -2)$ and $(2, -1, 2)$.

$$\text{Here } l_1l_2 + m_1m_2 + n_1n_2 = 0$$

\therefore Lines are perpendicular to each other.

20. Let $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$. If \vec{c} is a vector such that $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = |\vec{c}|$, $|\vec{c} - \vec{a}| = 2\sqrt{2}$ and the angle between $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$ and \vec{c} is $\frac{\pi}{6}$, then the value of $\left| (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c} \right|$ is

☐ A. 4

☐ B. $\frac{2}{3}$

☒ C. $\frac{3}{2}$

☐ D. 3

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

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{4 + 1 + 4} = 3$$

$$\text{Now, } |\vec{c} - \vec{a}| = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{c} - \vec{a}|^2 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{c}|^2 + |\vec{a}|^2 - 2\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{c}|^2 + 9 - 2|\vec{c}| = 8 \quad (\because \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = |\vec{c}|)$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{c}|^2 - 2|\vec{c}| + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (|\vec{c}| - 1)^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore |\vec{c}| = 1$$

$$\text{And angle between } \vec{a} \times \vec{b} \text{ and } \vec{c} \text{ is } \theta = \frac{\pi}{6} \text{ then } \left| (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c} \right| = |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| \cdot |\vec{c}| \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$= |2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}| \cdot 1 \cdot \sin \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2}$$

21. The shortest distance between the lines $\frac{x-1}{0} = \frac{y+1}{-1} = \frac{z}{1}$ and $x+y+z+1=0, 2x-y+z+3=0$ is:

- ☒ A. 1
- ☒ B. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
- ☒ C. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$
- ☒ D. $\frac{1}{2}$

Plane through line of intersection is
 $x+y+z+1+\lambda(2x-y+z+3)=0$

It should be parallel to given line
 $0(1+2\lambda) - 1(1-\lambda) + 1(1+\lambda) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \lambda = 0$

Plane : $x+y+z+1=0$

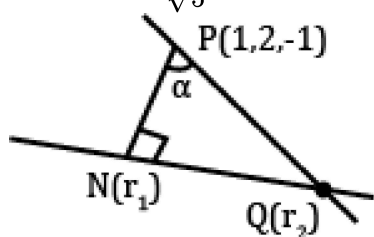
Shortest distance of $(1, -1, 0)$ from this plane

$$= \frac{|1-1+0+1|}{\sqrt{1^2+1^2+1^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

22. Let the foot of perpendicular from a point $P(1, 2, -1)$ to the straight line $L : \frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{0} = \frac{z}{-1}$ be N .

Let a line be drawn from P parallel to the plane $x + y + 2z = 0$ which meets L at point Q . If α is the acute angle between the lines PN and PQ , then $\cos \alpha$ is equal to

- ☒ A. $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
☐ B. $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}$
☒ C. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$
☐ D. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$



$$L : \frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{0} = \frac{z}{-1} = r$$

$$N \equiv (r_1, 0, -r_1)$$

$$P(1, 2, -1)$$

$$\text{D.R's of } NP = (r_1 - 1, -2, -r_1 + 1) \perp \text{ with D.R's } (1, 0, -1)$$

$$\Rightarrow r_1 - 1 + 0 + r_1 - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r_1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow N(1, 0, -1)$$

$$Q(r_2, 0, -r_2)$$

$$\text{D.R's of normal of plane } x + y + 2z = 0 \text{ are } (1, 1, 2)$$

$$\text{D.R's of } PQ = (r_2 - 1, -2, -r_2 + 1) \text{ are perpendicular to } (1, 1, 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow r_2 - 1 - 2 - 2r_2 + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r_2 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow Q(-1, 0, 1)$$

$$NP = 2, PQ = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{NP}{PQ} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

23. Let P be a plane passing through the points $(2, 1, 0)$, $(4, 1, 1)$ and $(5, 0, 1)$ and R be any point $(2, 1, 6)$. Then the image of R in the plane P is:

- ☐ A. $(6, 5, 2)$
☒ B. $(6, 5, -2)$
☐ C. $(4, 3, 2)$
☐ D. $(3, 4, -2)$

Points $A(2, 1, 0)$, $B(4, 1, 1)$, $C(5, 0, 1)$

$$\vec{AB} = (2, 0, 1)$$

$$\vec{AC} = (3, -1, 1)$$

$$\vec{n} = \vec{AB} \times \vec{AC} = (1, 1, -2)$$

$$\text{Equation of the plane is } x + y - 2z = 3 \quad \dots(1)$$

Let the image of point $(2, 1, 6)$ is (l, m, n)

$$\frac{l-2}{1} = \frac{m-1}{1} = \frac{n-6}{-2} = \frac{-2(-12)}{6} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 6, m = 5, n = -2$$

Hence the image of R in the plane P is $(6, 5, -2)$

24. If the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the point $(1, 0, 3)$ on a line passing through $(\alpha, 7, 1)$ is $\left(\frac{5}{3}, \frac{7}{3}, \frac{17}{3}\right)$, then α is equal to

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Solution:

Given points $P(1, 0, 3)$ and $Q\left(\frac{5}{3}, \frac{7}{3}, \frac{17}{3}\right)$

Direction ratios of PQ : $\left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{7}{3}, \frac{8}{3}\right)$

Direction ratios of line L : $\left(\alpha - \frac{5}{3}, 7 - \frac{7}{3}, 1 - \frac{17}{3}\right)$

$$= \left(\frac{3\alpha - 5}{3}, \frac{14}{3}, -\frac{14}{3}\right)$$

As line L is perpendicular to PQ ,

$$\text{so, } \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{3\alpha - 5}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{7}{3}\right)\left(\frac{14}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)\left(-\frac{14}{3}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6\alpha - 10 + 98 - 112 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6\alpha = 24 \Rightarrow \alpha = 4$$

25. Let \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} be three vectors such that $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$, $|\vec{b}| = 5$, $\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 10$ and the angle between \vec{b} and \vec{c} is $\frac{\pi}{3}$.

If \vec{a} is perpendicular to vector $\vec{b} \times \vec{c}$, then $|\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})|$ is equal to

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Solution:

$$|\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})| = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b} \times \vec{c}| \sin \theta \text{ where } \theta \text{ is angle between } \vec{a} \text{ and } \vec{b} \times \vec{c}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ (given)}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})| = \sqrt{3} |\vec{b} \times \vec{c}| \sin \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})| = \sqrt{3} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \sin \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})| = \sqrt{3} \times 5 \times |\vec{c}| \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})| = \frac{15}{2} |\vec{c}|$$

$$\text{Now, } |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \cos \theta = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 |\vec{c}| \frac{1}{2} = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{c}| = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})| = 30$$

26. If the vector $\vec{p} = (a+1)\hat{i} + a\hat{j} + a\hat{k}$, $\vec{q} = a\hat{i} + (a+1)\hat{j} + a\hat{k}$ and $\vec{r} = a\hat{i} + a\hat{j} + (a+1)\hat{k}$, ($a \in R$) are coplanar and $3(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q})^2 - \lambda|\vec{r} \times \vec{q}|^2 = 0$, then value of λ is

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Solution:

As $\vec{p}, \vec{q}, \vec{r}$ are coplanar,

$$\begin{vmatrix} a+1 & a & a \\ a & a+1 & a \\ a & a & a+1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 3a+1 & 3a+1 & 3a+1 \\ a & a+1 & a \\ a & a & a+1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3a+1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & a+1 & a \\ a & a & a+1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1, C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow (3a+1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ a & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a+1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\vec{p} = \frac{1}{3}(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}), \vec{q} = \frac{1}{3}(-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}),$$

$$\vec{r} = \frac{1}{3}(-\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{r} \times \vec{q} = \frac{1}{9} \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r} \times \vec{q} &= \frac{1}{9}(-3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{3}(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{r} \times \vec{q}|^2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = \frac{1}{9}(-2 - 2 + 1) = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$3(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q})^2 - \lambda |\vec{r} \times \vec{q}|^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} - \lambda \times \frac{1}{3} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

27. Let P be a plane containing the line $\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y+6}{4} = \frac{z+5}{2}$ and parallel to the line $\frac{x-3}{4} = \frac{y-2}{-3} = \frac{z+5}{7}$. If the point $(1, -1, \alpha)$ lies on the plane P , then the value of $|5\alpha|$ is equal to

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Solution:

Let $L_1 : \frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y+6}{4} = \frac{z+5}{2}$ and $L_2 : \frac{x-3}{4} = \frac{y-2}{-3} = \frac{z+5}{7}$

The plane contains the points

$(1, -6, -5)$ and $(1, -1, \alpha)$

Vector joining both points is

$$\vec{V} = 5\hat{j} + (\alpha + 5)\hat{k}$$

So, $\vec{V} \cdot \vec{n} = 0$, where \vec{n} is normal vector to the plane

Now,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 5 & \alpha + 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -5(13) + (\alpha + 5)(-25) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -13 - 25 - 5a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5a = -38$$

$$\therefore |5a| = 38$$

28. Let the plane $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ bisect the line joining the points $(4, -3, 1)$ and $(2, 3, -5)$ at the right angles. If a, b, c, d are integers, then the minimum value of $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2)$ is

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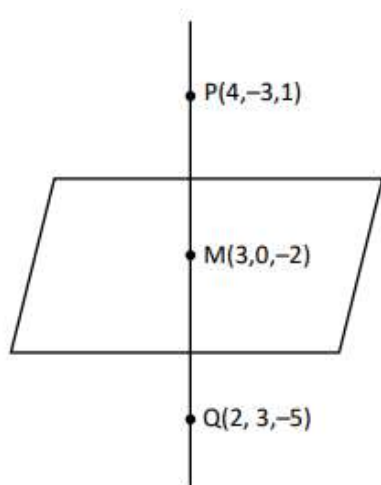
Solution:

Normal of plane $= \overrightarrow{PQ} = -2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$

$a = -2, b = 6, c = -6$

Equation of plane is

$$-2x + 6y - 6z + d = 0$$



Mid point of $P(4, -3, 1)$ and $Q(2, 3, -5)$ is $M(3, 0, -2)$.

Since, plane passes through M ,

$$\therefore d = -6$$

So, equation of plane is

$$-2x + 6y - 6z - 6 = 0$$

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

$$(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2)_{\min} = 1^2 + 9 + 9 + 9 = 28$$

29. Let the line L be the projection of the line $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-3}{1} = \frac{z-4}{2}$ in the plane $x - 2y - z = 3$. If d is the distance of the point $(0, 0, 6)$ from L , then d^2 is equal to

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Solution:

$$L : \frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-3}{1} = \frac{z-4}{2}$$

$$P_1 : x - 2y - z = 3$$

Equation of a plane P_2 which contains L and perpendicular to P_1 ,

$$\begin{vmatrix} x-1 & y-3 & z-4 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x + 4y - 5z + 5 = 0$$

Distances of point $(0, 0, 6)$ from P_1 and P_2 are

$$d_1 = \frac{25}{\sqrt{50}} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{2}} \text{ and } d_2 = \frac{9}{\sqrt{6}} = \sqrt{\frac{27}{2}}$$

$$\therefore d^2 = d_1^2 + d_2^2 = 26$$

30. If the projection of the vector $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ on the sum of the two vectors $2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ and $-\lambda\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ is 1, then λ is equal to

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Solution:

$$\vec{v}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k},$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k},$$

$$\vec{v}_3 = -\lambda\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3 = (2 - \lambda)\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 2\hat{k} = \vec{v}_4$$

$$\text{Projection of } \vec{v}_1 \text{ on } \vec{v}_4 = \vec{v}_1 \cdot \frac{\vec{v}_4}{|\vec{v}_4|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 \times (2 - \lambda) + 2 \times 6 + 1 \times (-2)}{\sqrt{(2 - \lambda)^2 + 6^2 + (-2)^2}} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (12 - \lambda)^2 = (2 - \lambda)^2 + 40$$

On solving, we get

$$\lambda = 5$$