

STRAIGHT LINE IN SPACE (XII, R. S. AGGARWAL)

EXERCISE 27 A [Pg.No.: 1121]

1. A line passes through the point $(3, 4, 5)$ and is parallel to the vector $(2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$. Find the equations of the line in the vector as well as Cartesian forms

Sol. Position vector of point $A(3, 4, 5)$ is $\vec{OA} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$

Eqn. of line passing through A and parallel to the vector

$\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ is given by,

$$\vec{r} = \vec{OA} + r\vec{b}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) + r(2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}).$$

Cartesian form,

Eqn. of line passing through (α, β, γ) and parallel to the vector $\vec{b} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ is given by,

$$\frac{x - \alpha}{a} = \frac{y - \beta}{b} = \frac{z - \gamma}{c}$$

$$\text{Hence, required equation is, } \frac{x - 3}{2} = \frac{y - 4}{2} = \frac{z - 5}{-3}$$

2. A line passes through the point $(2, 1, -3)$ and is parallel to the vector $(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$. Find the equations of the line in vector and Cartesian forms.

Sol. Vector equation of the given.

The line passes through the point $A(2, 1, -3)$ and is parallel to the vector $\vec{m} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$ also the position vector of A is $\vec{r}_1 = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$.

\therefore Vector equation of the given line is $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda\vec{m}$

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

$$\text{Therefore, Cartesian equation of the given line, } \frac{x - 2}{1} = \frac{y - 1}{-2} = \frac{z + 3}{3}$$

3. Find the vector equation of the line passing through the point with position vector $(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$ and parallel to the vector $(\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k})$. Deduce the Cartesian equations of the line.

Sol. Vector equations of the given line passes through the point $A(2, 1, -5)$ and is parallel to the vector $\vec{m} = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k})$. Also the position vector of A is $\vec{r}_1 = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$.

\therefore Vector equation of the given line is $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda\vec{m}$

$$\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\text{Cartesian equation of the given line, } \frac{x - 2}{1} = \frac{y - 1}{3} = \frac{z - (-5)}{-1} \Rightarrow \frac{x - 2}{1} = \frac{y - 1}{3} = \frac{z + 5}{-1}$$

Hence $\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-1}{3} = \frac{z+5}{-1}$ are the required equations of the given line in the Cartesian form.

4. A line is drawn in the direction of $(\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$ and it passes through a point with position vector $(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$. Find the equations of the line in the vector as well as Cartesian forms

Sol. Eqn. of line passing through the point having position vector \vec{a} and parallel to the vector \vec{b} is given by, $\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \mu \vec{b}$

Hence, required vector equation of line is, $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

Now, $x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} = (2 + \mu)\hat{i} + (-1 + \mu)\hat{j} + (-4 - 2\mu)\hat{k}$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2 + \mu, y = -1 + \mu \text{ \& } z = -4 - 2\mu \Rightarrow \frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y+1}{1} = \frac{z+4}{-2} = \mu$$

Hence, Cartesian equation of line is $\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y+1}{1} = \frac{z+4}{-2}$

5. The Cartesian equations of a line are $\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y+2}{-5} = \frac{z-6}{4}$. Find the vector equation of the line.

Sol. Cartesian equations of the line is $\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y+2}{-5} = \frac{z-6}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y-(-2)}{-5} = \frac{z-6}{4}$

Here, $x_1 = 3, y_1 = -2, z_1 = 6$. So, $\vec{r}_1 = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

Here, $a = 2, b = -5, c = 4 \therefore \vec{m} = 2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

Vector equation of the given line is $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda \vec{m} \Rightarrow \vec{r} = (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$

6. The Cartesian equations of a line are $3x+1=6y-2=1-z$. Find the fixed point through which it passes, its direction ratios and also its vector equation.

Sol. Cartesian equations of the line is, $3x+1=6y-2=1-z$

$$\Rightarrow 3\left(x + \frac{1}{3}\right) = 6\left(y - \frac{2}{6}\right) = -(z-1) \Rightarrow \frac{x - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{y - \frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{6}} = \frac{z-1}{-1}$$

$$\text{Multiplying the denominator by 6, then } \frac{x - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)}{2} = \frac{y - \frac{1}{3}}{1} = \frac{z-1}{-6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}_1 = \left(-\frac{1}{3}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{3}\hat{j} + \hat{k}\right), \vec{m} = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 6\hat{k}). \text{ So, the fixed point } \left(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, 1\right)$$

The vector equations of the line is $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda \vec{m} \Rightarrow \vec{r} = \left(-\frac{1}{3}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{3}\hat{j} + \hat{k}\right) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 6\hat{k})$

7. Find the Cartesian equations of the line which passes through the point $(1, 3, -2)$ and is parallel to the line given by $\frac{x+1}{3} = \frac{y-4}{5} = \frac{z+3}{-6}$. Also, find the vector form of the equations so obtained.

Sol. The given equations of parallel line is $\frac{x+1}{3} = \frac{y-4}{5} = \frac{z+3}{-6}$

Here, $a = 3, b = 5, c = -6$

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Let be the points $\vec{r}_1 = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$, $\vec{m} = (3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 6\hat{k})$.

The vector equation of the line is $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda \vec{m}$.

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) \quad \dots(i)$$

Cartesian equation of the given line is, $\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y-3}{5} = \frac{z+2}{-6}$

Hence $\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y-3}{5} = \frac{z+2}{-6}$ are the required equation of the given line in Cartesian form.

8. Find the equations of the line passing through the point $(1, -2, 3)$ and parallel to the line

$$\frac{x-6}{3} = \frac{y-2}{-4} = \frac{z+7}{5}$$

Sol. Let the points be $\vec{r}_1 = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$

$$\frac{x-6}{3} = \frac{y-2}{-4} = \frac{z+7}{5} \Rightarrow \vec{m} = (3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$$

\Rightarrow Vector equation of a line is, $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda \vec{m} \Rightarrow \vec{r} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$

Cartesian equation of the given line is, $\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y+2}{-4} = \frac{z-3}{5}$

Hence, $\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y+2}{-4} = \frac{z-3}{5}$ are the Cartesian equation of the given line.

9. Find the Cartesian and vector equations of a line which passes through the point $(1, 2, 3)$ and is parallel

$$\text{to the line } \frac{-x-2}{1} = \frac{y+3}{7} = \frac{2z-6}{3}$$

Sol. Let be the points $\vec{r}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ and parallel to the line $\frac{-(x+2)}{1} = \frac{y+3}{7} = \frac{2(z-3)}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-x-2}{1} = \frac{y+3}{7} = \frac{2z-6}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{(x+2)}{-1} = \frac{(y+3)}{7} = \frac{(z-3)}{3/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+2}{-1} = \frac{y+3}{7} = \frac{z-3}{3/2} \Rightarrow \frac{x+2}{-2} = \frac{y+3}{14} = \frac{z-3}{3} \Rightarrow \vec{m} = -2\hat{i} + 14\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

Vector equation of the line $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda \vec{m} \Rightarrow \vec{r} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} + \lambda(-2\hat{i} + 14\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$

Hence, $\frac{x-1}{-2} = \frac{y-2}{14} = \frac{z-3}{3}$ are Cartesian equation of given the line.

10. Find the equations of the line passing through the point $(-1, 3, -2)$ and perpendicular to each of the

$$\text{line } \frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{3} \text{ and } \frac{x+2}{-3} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+1}{5}$$

Sol. Let the direction ratios of the required line be a, b, c

This line being perpendicular to each of the given lines, we have

$$a + 2b + 3c = 0$$

$$-3a + 2b + 5c = 0$$

Cross multiplying (i) and (iii), we have $\frac{a}{-10-6} = \frac{b}{-9-5} = \frac{c}{2+6} = k(\text{let})$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4k, b = -14k \text{ \& } c = 8k$$

Since, the line passes through $(-1, 3, -2)$ \therefore eqn. of line is, $\frac{x+1}{4k} = \frac{y-3}{-14k} = \frac{z+2}{8k}$

i.e., $\frac{x+1}{4} = \frac{y-3}{-14} = \frac{z+2}{8}$, this is the required eqn. of line.

11. Find the equations of the line passing through the point $(1, 2, -4)$ and perpendicular to each of the lines

$$\frac{x-8}{8} = \frac{y+9}{-16} = \frac{z-10}{7} \text{ and } \frac{x-15}{3} = \frac{y-29}{8} = \frac{z-5}{-5}$$

Sol. Let the direction ratio of the required line be a, b, c then, this line being perpendicular to each at the given lines, we have

$$8a - 16b + 7c = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$3a + 8b - 5c = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Cross multiplying (i) and (ii) we get, $\frac{a}{80-56} = \frac{b}{21+40} = \frac{c}{64+48} = \lambda$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{24} = \frac{b}{61} = \frac{c}{112} = \lambda \Rightarrow a = 24\lambda, b = 61\lambda, c = 112\lambda$$

Thus the required line has direction ratio $24\lambda, 61\lambda, 112\lambda$ and it passes through the point $(1, 2, -4)$.

Hence the required line equation is, $\frac{x-1}{24\lambda} = \frac{y-2}{61\lambda} = \frac{z+4}{112\lambda} \Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{24} = \frac{y-2}{61} = \frac{z+4}{112}$

12. Prove that the lines $\frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y+3}{-4} = \frac{z+1}{7}$ and $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-3} = \frac{z+10}{8}$ intersect each other and find the point of their intersection.

Sol. The given line are $\frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y+3}{-4} = \frac{z+1}{7} = \lambda$ (say) $\dots(i)$

and $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-3} = \frac{z+10}{8} = \mu$ (say) $\dots(ii)$

$P(\lambda+4, -4\lambda-3, 7\lambda+1)$ in any point on (i)

$Q(2\mu+1, -3\mu-1, 8\mu+10)$ in any point on (ii)

Thus, the given lines will intersect then $\lambda+4 = 2\mu+1, -4\lambda-3 = -3\mu-1, 7\lambda+1 = 8\mu+10$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda - 2\mu = -3 \quad \dots(i), \quad -4\lambda + 3\mu = 2 \quad \dots(ii), \quad 7\lambda - 8\mu = 9 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Solving equation (i) and (ii), we get $\lambda = 1$, and $\mu = 2$

Also these value of λ and μ satisfy (iii) hence the given lines intersect.

Putting $\lambda = 1$ in P or $\mu = 2$ in Q , we get the point of intersection of the given line as $(5, -7, 6)$

13. Show that the lines $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4}$ and $\frac{x-4}{5} = \frac{y-1}{2} = z$ intersect each other. Also, find the point of their intersection.

Sol. The given equation of a line are $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4} = \lambda$ (say) $\dots(1)$

and $\frac{x-4}{5} = \frac{y-1}{2} = z = k$ (say) $\dots(2)$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2\lambda+1, y = 3\lambda+2, z = 4\lambda+3$$

$\therefore P(2\lambda+1, 3\lambda+2, 4\lambda+3)$ in any point on (1) and $Q(5k+4, 2k+1, k)$ in any point on (2).

Thus, the given lines will intersect if

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda+1 = 5k+4 \Rightarrow 2\lambda-5k = 3 \quad \dots(i)$$

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$$\Rightarrow 3\lambda + 2 = 2k + 1 \Rightarrow 3\lambda - 2k = -1 \quad \dots(ii) \Rightarrow 4\lambda + 3 = k \Rightarrow 4\lambda - k = -3 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Solving equation (i) and (ii), then we get $\lambda = -1, k = -1$.

Also these value of λ and k satisfy (iii) hence the given lines intersect.

Hence, two lines intersect to each other putting the value of λ in point P , then putting $\lambda = -1$ in P or $k = -1$ in Q .

We get the point of intersection of the given line as

$$P = \{2(-1) + 1, 3(-1) + 2, 4(-1) + 3\} = (-2 + 1, -3 + 2, -4 + 3) = (-1, -1, -1)$$

Hence required point is $(-1, -1, -1)$.

14. Show that the lines $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{3} = z$ and $\frac{x+1}{5} = \frac{y-2}{1}, z=2$ do not intersect each other.

Sol. The given line are $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{3} = \frac{z}{1} = \lambda$ (say) $\dots(1)$

$$\frac{x+1}{5} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \frac{z-2}{1} = \mu \text{ (say)} \quad \dots(2)$$

$P(2\lambda+1, 3\lambda-1, \lambda)$ in any point on (1). $Q(5\mu-1, \mu+2, \mu+2)$ in any point on (2).

If possible, let the given lines intersected.

Then, P and Q coincide form some particular value of λ and μ , in that case, we have,

$$2\lambda + 1 = 5\mu - 1, 3\lambda - 1 = \mu + 2, \text{ and } \lambda = \mu + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda - 5\mu = -2 \quad \dots(i), \quad 3\lambda - \mu = 3 \quad \dots(ii) \quad \& \quad \lambda - \mu = 2 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Solving equation (i) and (ii), we get $\lambda = \frac{17}{13}$ and $\mu = \frac{12}{13}$

However, these value of λ and μ do not satisfy (iii). Hence, the given lines do not intersect.

15. The Cartesian equations of a line are $3x+1=6y-2=1-z$. Find the fixed point through which it passes, its direction ratios and also its vector equation.

Sol. Cartesian equations of the line is, $3x+1=6y-2=1-z$

$$\Rightarrow 3\left(x + \frac{1}{3}\right) = 6\left(y - \frac{2}{6}\right) = -(z-1) \Rightarrow \frac{x - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{y - \frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{6}} = \frac{z-1}{-1}$$

$$\text{Multiplying the denominator by 6, then } \frac{x - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)}{2} = \frac{y - \frac{1}{3}}{1} = \frac{z-1}{-6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}_1 = \left(-\frac{1}{3}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{3}\hat{j} + \hat{k}\right), \vec{m} = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 6\hat{k}). \quad \text{So, the fixed point } \left(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, 1\right)$$

$$\text{The vector equations of the line is } \vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda \vec{m} \Rightarrow \vec{r} = \left(-\frac{1}{3}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{3}\hat{j} + \hat{k}\right) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 6\hat{k})$$

16. Find the length and the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the point $(2, -1, 5)$ to the line

$$\frac{x-11}{10} = \frac{y+2}{-4} = \frac{z+8}{-11}$$

Sol. The given equation of the line $\frac{x-11}{10} = \frac{y+2}{-4} = \frac{z+8}{-11} = \lambda$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10\lambda + 11, y = -4\lambda - 2, z = -11\lambda - 8$$

∴ Co-ordinate of $N(10\lambda + 11, -4\lambda - 2, -11\lambda - 8)$

∴ Direction ratios of PN

$$= (10\lambda + 11 - 2), (-4\lambda - 2 + 1), (-11\lambda - 8 - 5) \\ = (10\lambda + 9, -4\lambda - 1, -11\lambda - 13)$$

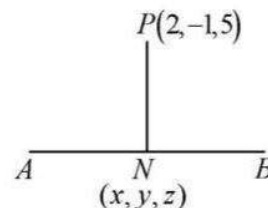
$PN \perp$ given line AB

$$10(10\lambda + 9) + (-4)(-4\lambda - 1) + (-11)(-11\lambda - 13) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 100\lambda + 90 + 16\lambda + 4 + 121\lambda + 143 = 0 \Rightarrow 237\lambda + 237 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -1$$

Co-ordinates of $N = 10(-1) + 11, -4(-1) - 2, -11(-1) - 8 = (-10 + 11, 4 - 2, 11 - 8) = (1, 2, 3)$

$$\Rightarrow \text{length of } PN = \sqrt{(1-2)^2 + (2+1)^2 + (3-5)^2} = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (3)^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{1+9+4} = \sqrt{14} \text{ units}$$



17. Find the vector and Cartesian equations of the line passing through the points $A(3, 4, -6)$ and $B(5, -2, 7)$.

Sol. Let, $\vec{A} = \vec{r}_1 = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k})$, $\vec{B} = \vec{r}_2 = (5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) - (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k})$$

$$\therefore \text{Vector equation of line is, } \vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) \Rightarrow \vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 13\hat{k})$$

$$\therefore \text{Cartesian equation of a line is, } \frac{x-x_1}{x_2-x_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{y_2-y_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{z_2-z_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{5-3} = \frac{y-4}{-2-4} = \frac{z-(-6)}{7+6} \Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y-4}{-6} = \frac{z+6}{13}$$

18. Find the vector and Cartesian equations of the line passing through the points $A(2, -3, 0)$ and $B(-2, 4, 3)$.

Sol. Vector equations of the given line

Let the position vector of A & B be \vec{r}_1 & \vec{r}_2 be the direction ratios respectively then

$$\vec{r}_1 = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}) \text{ and } \vec{r}_2 = (-2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (-2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}) = (-4\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

$$\therefore \text{Vector equation of a line } AB \text{ is, } \vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) \text{ for some scalar } \lambda$$

$$\text{i.e., } \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}) + \lambda(-4\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Cartesian equation of a line is, } \frac{x-x_1}{x_2-x_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{y_2-y_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{z_2-z_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-2}{-2-2} = \frac{y+3}{4+3} = \frac{z-0}{3-0} \Rightarrow \frac{x-2}{-4} = \frac{y+3}{7} = \frac{z}{3}$$

Hence, $\frac{x-2}{-4} = \frac{y+3}{7} = \frac{z}{3}$ are the Cartesian equation of the given line.

19. Find the vector and Cartesian equations of the line joining the points whose position vectors are $(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ and $(\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$.

Sol. Let the position vector of A & B be \vec{r}_1 & \vec{r}_2 respectively then, $\vec{r}_1 = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ & $\vec{r}_2 = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

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$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = (5\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$$

\therefore Vector equation of a line is, $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1)$ for some scalar λ .

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) + \lambda(5\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$$

Cartesian equation of the given line is, $\frac{x-x_1}{x_2-x_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{y_2-y_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{z_2-z_1}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{1-1} = \frac{y-(-2)}{3-(-2)} = \frac{z-1}{-2-1} \Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{0} = \frac{y+2}{5} = \frac{z-1}{-3}$$

Hence, $\frac{x-1}{0} = \frac{y+2}{5} = \frac{z-1}{-3}$ are the Cartesian equation of the given line.

20. Find the vector equation of a line passing through the point $A(3, -2, 1)$ and parallel to the line joining the points $B(-2, 4, 2)$ and $C(2, 3, 3)$. Also, find the Cartesian equations of the line.

Sol. Let be the points $\vec{r}_1 = (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ and parallel to the line joining the points $\vec{B} = (-2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$ & $\vec{C} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$

$\Rightarrow \vec{BC} =$ position vector of C - position vector of B

$$= (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - (-2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = (4\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \therefore \vec{m} = (4\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

\therefore Vector equation of a line is $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda \vec{m} \Rightarrow \vec{r} = (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) + \lambda(4\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$

Cartesian equation of the given line, $\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c} \Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{4} = \frac{y+2}{-1} = \frac{z-1}{1}$

Hence $\frac{x-3}{4} = \frac{y+2}{-1} = \frac{z-1}{1}$ are the Cartesian equations of the given line.

21. Find the vector equation of a line passing through the point having the position vector $(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$ and parallel to the line joining the points with position vector $(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$ and $(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$. Also, find the Cartesian equivalents of this equation.

Sol. Let be the points $\vec{r}_1 = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$ and parallel to the line joining the position vector $\vec{A} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$ and $\vec{B} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$.

$\Rightarrow \vec{AB} =$ Position vector of B - of position vector of A

$$= (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) = (\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 9\hat{k}) = \vec{m}$$

\therefore Vector equation of a line is, $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda \vec{m} \Rightarrow \vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 9\hat{k})$

\therefore Cartesian equation of the given line is, $\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c} \Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y-2}{4} = \frac{z+3}{-9}$

Hence, $\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y-2}{4} = \frac{z+3}{-9}$ are the Cartesian equations of the given line.

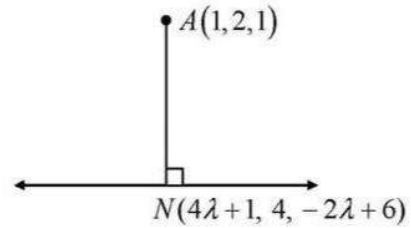
22. Find the coordinates of the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the point $A(1, 2, 1)$ to the line joining the points $B(1, 4, 6)$ and $C(5, 4, 4)$.

Sol. The equation of line BC is

$$\frac{x-1}{5-1} = \frac{y-4}{4-4} = \frac{z-6}{4-6} = \lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{4} = \frac{y-4}{0} = \frac{z-6}{-2} = \lambda \quad \dots(1)$$

The general point on this line is, $(4\lambda+1, 4, -2\lambda+6)$.



Let N be the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the point $A(1, 2, 1)$ to the given line.

Any point on line BC will be, $N(4\lambda+1, 4, -2\lambda+6)$ for some value of λ .

Direction ratio of AN are $(4\lambda+1-1, 4-2, -2\lambda+6-1) \Rightarrow (4\lambda, 2, -2\lambda+5)$

Direction of given line (1) are $4, 0, -2$.

Since, AN perpendicular to given line (1), we have,

$$4(4\lambda) + 0.2 - 2(-2\lambda+5) = 0 \Rightarrow 16\lambda + 4\lambda - 10 = 0 \Rightarrow 20\lambda = 10 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{2}$$

So, the required point of $N(3, 4, 5)$.

Hence, the required coordinates of foot of the perpendicular is $(3, 4, 5)$.

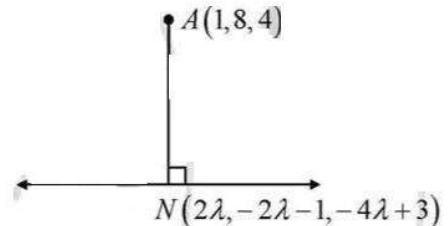
23. Find the coordinates of the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the point $A(1, 8, 4)$ to the line joining the points $B(0, -1, 3)$ and $C(2, -3, -1)$.

Sol. The given line BC is

$$\frac{x-0}{2-0} = \frac{y-(-1)}{-3-(-1)} = \frac{z-3}{-1-3} = \lambda$$

$$\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-2} = \frac{z-3}{-4} = \lambda \text{ (say)} \dots(i)$$

The general point on this line is $(2\lambda, -2\lambda-1, -4\lambda+3)$.



Let N be the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the point $A(1, 8, 4)$ to the given line.

Then, this point is $N(2\lambda, -2\lambda-1, -4\lambda+3)$ for some value of λ .

Direction ratio of AN are $(2\lambda-1, -2\lambda-1-8, -4\lambda+3-4) \Rightarrow (2\lambda-1, (-2\lambda-9), (-4\lambda-1))$

Direction ratio of given line (i) are $(2, -2, -4)$

Since $AN \perp$ given line (i) we have, $2(2\lambda-1) - 2(-2\lambda-9) - 4(-4\lambda-1) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 4\lambda - 2 + 4\lambda + 18 + 16\lambda + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow 24\lambda + 20 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{-20}{24} = \frac{-5}{6}$$

So, the required point of $N\left(\frac{-5}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{19}{3}\right)$.

Hence the required co-ordinate foot of the perpendicular is $\left(\frac{-5}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{19}{3}\right)$.

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24. Find the image of the point $(0, 2, 3)$ in the line $\frac{x+3}{5} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+4}{3}$.

Sol. The given line is $\frac{x+3}{5} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+4}{3}$... (1)

Let N be the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the point $P(0, 2, 3)$ to the given line.

$\therefore N$ has the co-ordinate $(5\lambda - 3, 2\lambda + 1, 3\lambda - 4)$

The direction ratio of PN are

$$5\lambda - 3 - 0, 2\lambda + 1 - 2, 3\lambda - 4 - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow (5\lambda - 3), (2\lambda - 1), (3\lambda - 7)$$

Also the direction ratio of the given line (i) are $5, 2, 3$ since PN is perpendicular to the given line (i) we have $5(5\lambda - 3) + 2(2\lambda - 1) + 3(3\lambda - 7) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 25\lambda - 15 + 4\lambda - 2 + 9\lambda - 21 = 0 \Rightarrow 38\lambda - 38 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

Putting $\lambda = 1$ we get the point $N(2, 3, -1)$

Let $M(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ be the image of $P(0, 2, 3)$, in the given line.

Then $N(2, 3, -1)$ is the mid point of PM .

$$\therefore \frac{\alpha + 0}{2} = 2, \frac{\beta + 2}{2} = 3 \text{ and } \frac{\gamma + 3}{2} = -1 \Rightarrow \alpha = 4, \beta = 4 \text{ and } \gamma = -5$$

Hence, the image of $P(0, 2, 3)$ is $M(4, 4, -5)$.

25. Find the image of the point $(5, 9, 3)$ in the line $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4}$.

Sol. The given equation of the line $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4} = \lambda$... (i)

$$\Rightarrow x = 2\lambda + 1, y = 3\lambda + 2, z = 4\lambda + 3$$

co-ordinate of $Q, (2\lambda + 1 - 5), (3\lambda + 2 - 9), (4\lambda + 3 - 3),$

$$Q = (2\lambda - 4, 3\lambda - 7, 4\lambda)$$

Since, PQ is perpendicular to the given line (i) we have

$$2(2\lambda - 4) + 3(3\lambda - 7) + 4(4\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\lambda - 8 + 9\lambda - 21 + 16\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow 29\lambda - 29 = 0 \Rightarrow 29\lambda = 29 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

Putting the value of $\lambda = 1$,

we get the point $Q = (2 + 1, 3 + 2, 4 + 3) = (3, 5, 7)$.

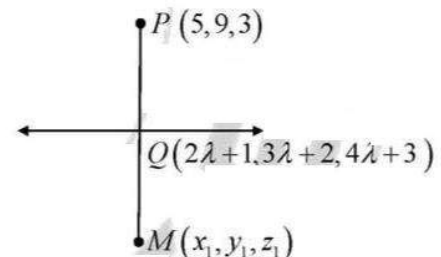
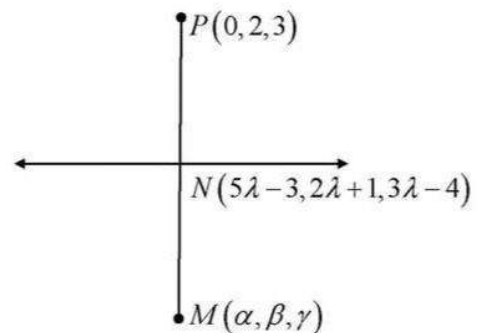
Let $M(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ be the image of $P(5, 9, 3)$ in the given line then $Q(3, 5, 7)$ is the mid point of PM .

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5 + x_1}{2} = 3 \Rightarrow 5 + x_1 = 6 \Rightarrow x_1 = 6 - 5 \Rightarrow x_1 = 1$$

$$\text{and } \frac{9 + y_1}{2} = 5 \Rightarrow 9 + y_1 = 10 \Rightarrow y_1 = 10 - 9 \Rightarrow y_1 = 1$$

$$\text{and } \frac{3 + z_1}{2} = 7 \Rightarrow 3 + z_1 = 14 \Rightarrow z_1 = 14 - 3 \Rightarrow z_1 = 11$$

Hence image of point is $(1, 1, 11)$



26. Find the image of the point $(2, -1, 5)$ in the line $\vec{r} = (11\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}) + \lambda(10\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 11\hat{k})$.

Sol. The given line is $\vec{r} = (11\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}) + \lambda(10\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 11\hat{k})$... (i)

Cartesian equation the given line.

$$\frac{x-11}{10} = \frac{y+2}{-4} = \frac{z+8}{-11} = \lambda \quad \dots (ii)$$

Let N be the foot at the perpendicular drawn from the point

$P(2, -1, 5)$ to the given line.

$\therefore M$ has the coordinate $(11+10\lambda, -2-4\lambda, -8-11\lambda)$

The direction ratio of PN are,

$$11+10\lambda-2, -2-4\lambda+1, -8-11\lambda-5 \quad \text{i.e., } (9+10\lambda), (-1-4\lambda), (-13-11\lambda)$$

Also the direction ratio at the given line are $10, -4, -11$.

Since PN is perpendicular to the given line (i), we have

$$10(9+10\lambda) - 4(-1-4\lambda) - 11(-13-11\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 90 + 100\lambda + 4 + 16\lambda + 143 + 121\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow 237\lambda + 237 = 0 \Rightarrow 237\lambda = -237 \Rightarrow \lambda = -1$$

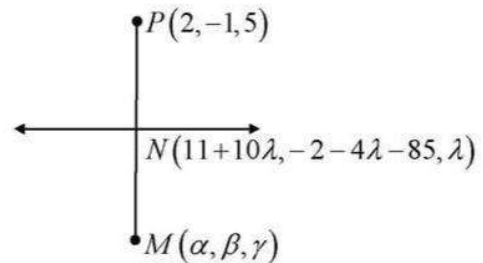
Putting $\lambda = -1$, we get the point $N(1, 2, 3)$.

Let $M(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ be the image of $P(2, -1, 5)$ in the given line.

The $N(1, 2, 3)$ is the mid point of $P.M$.

$$\therefore \frac{\alpha+2}{2} = 1, \frac{\beta-1}{2} = 2 \text{ and } \frac{\gamma+5}{2} = 3 \Rightarrow \alpha+2=2, \beta-1=4 \text{ and } \gamma+5=6$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha=0, \beta=5, \text{ and } \gamma=1. \text{ Hence, the image of } P(2, -1, 5) \text{ is } M(0, 5, 1).$$



EXERCISE 27 B [Pg.No.: 1129]

1. Prove that the points $A(2, 1, 3)$, $B(-4, 3, -1)$ and $C(5, 0, 5)$ are collinear.

Sol. Let $A = (2, 1, 3)$, $B = (-4, 3, -1)$ & $C = (5, 0, 5)$

The equation of the line AB are

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-2}{-4-2} = \frac{y-1}{3-1} = \frac{z-3}{-1-3} \Rightarrow \frac{x-2}{-6} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z-3}{-4} \quad \dots (i)$$

The given points A, B, C are collinear

\Rightarrow lies on the line $AB \Rightarrow C(5, 0, 5)$ satisfied (i)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5-2}{-6} = \frac{0-1}{2} = \frac{5-3}{-4} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{-6} = \frac{-1}{2} = \frac{2}{-4} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{-2} = \frac{-1}{2} = \frac{1}{-2}$$

Hence the given points A, B and C are collinear.

2. Show that the points $A(2, 3, -4)$, $B(1, -2, 3)$ and $C(3, 8, -11)$ are collinear

Sol. The eqn. of line AB is. $\frac{x-2}{1-2} = \frac{y-3}{-2-3} = \frac{z+4}{3-(-4)}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-2}{-1} = \frac{y-3}{-5} = \frac{z+4}{7} \quad \dots (i)$$

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Putting $x = 3, y = 8$ & $z = -11$ in eqn. (i), we have $\frac{3-2}{-1} = \frac{8-3}{-5} = \frac{-11+4}{7}$, which is true

Thus, the point $e(3, 8, -11)$ lies on the line AB.

\therefore Hence, the given points A, B and C are collinear.

3. Find the value of λ for which the points $A(2, 5, 1), B(1, 2, -1)$ and $C(3, \lambda, 3)$ are collinear

Sol. The equation of AB is,

$$\frac{x-2}{1-2} = \frac{y-5}{2-5} = \frac{z-1}{-1-1} \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

\therefore points A, B & C are collinear

$\therefore c(3, \lambda, 3)$ satisfies the equation (i).

$$\therefore \frac{3-2}{1-2} = \frac{\lambda-5}{2-5} = \frac{3-1}{-1-1} \Rightarrow -1 = \frac{\lambda-5}{-3} \Rightarrow 3 = \lambda - 5 \Rightarrow \lambda = 8 \text{ Ans.}$$

4. Find the values of λ and μ so that points $A(3, 2, -4), B(9, 8, -10)$ and $C(\lambda, \mu, -6)$ are collinear

Sol. Eqn. of line passing through $A(3, 2, -4)$ and $B(9, 8, -10)$ is given by

$$\frac{x-3}{9-3} = \frac{y-2}{8-2} = \frac{z+4}{-10+4}$$

Since, the line passes through $c(\lambda, \mu, -6)$

$$\therefore \frac{\lambda-3}{6} = \frac{\mu-2}{6} = \frac{-6+4}{-6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda - 3 = 2 \quad \& \quad \mu - 2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 5 \quad \& \quad \mu = 4 \text{ Ans.}$$

5. Using the vector method, find the values of λ and μ so that the points $A(-1, 4, -2), B(\lambda, \mu, 1)$ and $C(0, 2, -1)$ are collinear

Sol. Let, $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ be the position vector of the given point A, B, C respectively then

$$\vec{a} = (-\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}), \vec{b} = (\lambda\hat{i} + \mu\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \& \vec{c} = (0\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

$\Rightarrow \vec{AC} =$ Position vector of C - Position vector of A

$$= (2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) - (-\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

\therefore Vector equation of a line $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + t(\vec{AC})$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = (-\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) + (t\hat{i} - 2t\hat{j} + t\hat{k}) \Rightarrow \vec{r} = \hat{i}(-1+t) + \hat{j}(4-2t) + \hat{k}(-2+t) \dots(i)$$

If the line AC passes through the point B we have

$$\vec{b} = \hat{i}(-1+t) + \hat{j}(4-2t) + \hat{k}(-2+t) \text{ (for some scalar } t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda\hat{i} + \mu\hat{j} + \hat{k} = \hat{i}(-1+t) + \hat{j}(4-2t) + \hat{k}(-2+t)$$

Equating coefficient both side \hat{i}, \hat{j} and \hat{k} we get

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -1+t \quad \dots(A) \quad \mu = 4-2t \quad \dots(B)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = -2+t \Rightarrow t = 3$$

From equation (A), $\lambda = -1+3 \Rightarrow \lambda = 2$

From equation (B), $\mu = 4-2t \Rightarrow \mu = 4-2(3) \Rightarrow \mu = -2$. Hence $\lambda = 2$ and $\mu = -2$.

6. The position vectors of three points A, B and C are $(-4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$, $(\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$ and $(-9\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$ respectively. Show that the points A, B and C are collinear

Sol. The co-ordinates of given points are A(-4, 2, -3), B(1, 3, -2) and C(-9, 1, -4)

Eqn. of line passing through A (-4, 2, -3) and B(1, 3, -2) is

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+4}{5} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \frac{z+3}{1} \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

Putting x = -9, y = 1 & z = -4, we get

$$\frac{-9+4}{5} = \frac{1-2}{1} = \frac{-4+3}{1} \text{ which is true. thus, C(-9, 1, -4) lies on line AB}$$

Hence, the points A, B & C are Collinear.

EXERCISE 27 C [Pg.No.: 1134]

Find the angle between each of the following pairs of lines

1. $\vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$ and $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + \mu(3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$

Sol. The given lines are of the form,

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda \vec{b}_1 \text{ and } \vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu \vec{b}_2$$

$$\text{where, } \vec{b}_1 = \hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b}_2 = 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

Let, θ be the angle between the lines.

$$\therefore \cos^{-1} \frac{|\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2|}{|\vec{b}_1| |\vec{b}_2|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{|3+5+8|}{\sqrt{6}\sqrt{50}} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{16}{\sqrt{300}} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{16}{10\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{8\sqrt{3}}{15}$$

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

Sol. $\vec{r} = (3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + 3\hat{k})$ and $\vec{r} = 5\hat{i} + \mu(-\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$

$$\text{Let, } \vec{m}_1 = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) \text{ and } \vec{m}_2 = (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{|\vec{m}_1 \cdot \vec{m}_2|}{|\vec{m}_1| |\vec{m}_2|} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{(\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})}{\sqrt{(1)^2 + (3)^2} \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (1)^2 + (1)^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{-1+3}{\sqrt{1+9}\sqrt{1+1+1}} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{10}\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{30}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{30}} \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{30}} \times \frac{\sqrt{30}}{\sqrt{30}} \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{30}}{30} \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{30}}{15} \right)$$

Hence, the angle between the given line is $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{30}}{15} \right)$.

3. $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ and $\vec{r} = (3\hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

Sol. $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ and $\vec{r} = (3\hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

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Let $\vec{m}_1 = (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ & $\vec{m}_2 = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \left(\frac{\vec{m}_1 \cdot \vec{m}_2}{|\vec{m}_1| |\vec{m}_2|} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{(2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})}{\sqrt{(2)^2 + (-2)^2 + (1)^2} \sqrt{(1)^2 + (2)^2 + (-2)^2}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{2 - 4 - 2}{\sqrt{4 + 4 + 1} \sqrt{1 + 4 + 4}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{-4}{3 \times 3} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{-4}{9} \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-4}{9} \right)$$

Hence, the angle between the given line is $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-4}{9} \right)$.

Find the angle between each of the following pairs of lines:

4. $\frac{x+1}{1} = \frac{y-4}{1} = \frac{z-5}{2}$ and $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-2}{5} = \frac{z+5}{4}$

Sol. $\frac{x+1}{1} = \frac{y-4}{1} = \frac{z-5}{2}$ and $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-2}{5} = \frac{z+5}{4}$

The directions ratios of the given line (1, 1, 2) & (3, 5, 4)

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \left(\frac{a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{1(3) + 1(5) + 2(4)}{\sqrt{(1)^2 + (1)^2 + (2)^2} \sqrt{(3)^2 + (5)^2 + (4)^2}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{3 + 5 + 8}{\sqrt{1 + 1 + 4} \sqrt{9 + 25 + 16}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{16}{\sqrt{6} \sqrt{50}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{16}{\sqrt{300}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{16}{10\sqrt{3}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}} \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{5\sqrt{3}} \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{8\sqrt{3}}{15} \right)$$

Hence the angle between the given line $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{8\sqrt{3}}{15} \right)$.

5. $\frac{x-4}{3} = \frac{y+1}{4} = \frac{z-6}{5}$ and $\frac{x-5}{1} = \frac{2y+5}{-2} = \frac{z-3}{1}$

Sol. $\frac{x-4}{3} = \frac{y+1}{4} = \frac{z-6}{5}$ and $\frac{x-5}{1} = \frac{2y+5}{-2} = \frac{z-3}{1}$

The given equation of a line is, $\frac{x-4}{3} = \frac{y+1}{4} = \frac{z-6}{5}$ & $\frac{x-5}{1} = \frac{y+5/2}{-1} = \frac{z-3}{1}$

The directions ratio of the given line are (3, 4, 5) & (1, -1, 1)

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \left(\frac{a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{3(1) + 4(-1) + 5(1)}{\sqrt{(3)^2 + (4)^2 + (5)^2} \sqrt{(1)^2 + (-1)^2 + (1)^2}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{3 - 4 + 5}{\sqrt{9 + 16 + 25} \sqrt{1 + 1 + 1}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{50} \sqrt{3}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{150}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{4}{5\sqrt{6}} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{4}{5 \times \sqrt{6}} \times \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{15} \Rightarrow \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{15} \right)$$

Hence the angles between the given lines is $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{15}\right)$

6. $\frac{3-x}{-2} = \frac{y+5}{1} = \frac{1-z}{3}$ and $\frac{x}{3} = \frac{1-y}{-2} = \frac{z+2}{-1}$

Sol. $\frac{3-x}{-2} = \frac{y+5}{1} = \frac{1-z}{3}$ and $\frac{x}{3} = \frac{1-y}{-2} = \frac{z+2}{-1}$

The given equation of the line are, $\frac{3-x}{-2} = \frac{y+5}{1} = \frac{1-z}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-(x-3)}{-2} = \frac{y+5}{1} = \frac{-(z-1)}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y+5}{1} = \frac{z-1}{-3}$$

Another given equation of the line are, $\frac{x}{3} = \frac{1-y}{-2} = \frac{z+2}{-1} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{3} = \frac{-(y-1)}{-2} = \frac{z+2}{-1}$

The direction ratio of the given line are (2, 1, -3) & (3, -2, -1)

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \left(\frac{a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{2(3) + 1(2) + (-3)(-1)}{\sqrt{(2)^2 + (1)^2 + (-3)^2} \sqrt{(3)^2 + (2)^2 + (-1)^2}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{6+2+3}{\sqrt{4+1+9} \sqrt{9+4+1}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{11}{\sqrt{14}\sqrt{14}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{11}{14} \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{11}{14}\right)$$

Hence the angles between the given lines is $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{11}{14}\right)$

7. $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{z}{-1}, y = 0$ and $\frac{x}{3} = \frac{y}{4} = \frac{z}{5}$

Sol. Direction ratios of line $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{z}{-1}, y = 0$ are 1, 0, -1

Direction ratios of line $\frac{x}{3} = \frac{y}{4} = \frac{z}{5}$ are 3, 4, 5

Let, θ = Angle b/w the lines

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{|1 \times 3 + 0 \times 4 + (-1) \times 5|}{\sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + (-1)^2} \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{50}} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{2}{10} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{5} \text{ Ans.}$$

8. $\frac{5-x}{3} = \frac{y+3}{-2}, z = 5$ and $\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{1-y}{3} = \frac{z-5}{2}$

Sol. Given lines are,

$$\frac{5+x}{3} = \frac{y+3}{-2}, z = 5 \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{1-y}{3} = \frac{z-5}{2} \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\text{from (i) } \frac{x-5}{-3} = \frac{y+3}{-2} = \frac{z-5}{0}$$

Here, Direction ratios are -3, -2, 0

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from (ii), $\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y-1}{-3} = \frac{z-5}{2}$

Here, Direction ratios are 1, -3, 2

Let, θ = Angle between the lines.

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{-3 \times 1 + (-2) \times (-3) + 0 \times 2}{\sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-2)^2} \sqrt{1^2 + (-3)^2 + 2^2}} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{-3+6}{\sqrt{13}\sqrt{14}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{\sqrt{182}} \text{ Ans.}$$

9. Show that the lines $\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-3} = \frac{z-2}{4}$ and $\frac{x+2}{2} = \frac{y-4}{4} = \frac{z+5}{2}$ are perpendicular to each other.

Sol. The given equation of the line are $\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-3} = \frac{z-2}{4}$

Another equation of the line are $\frac{x+2}{2} = \frac{y-4}{4} = \frac{z+5}{2}$

The directions ratio of the given line are (2, -3, 4) & (2, 4, 2).

Two lines are perpendicular to each other. So, $a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2(2) + (-3)(4) + (4)(2) = 0 \Rightarrow 4 - 12 + 8 = 0 \Rightarrow 12 - 12 = 0$$

Hence, the given lines are perpendicular to each other.

10. Find the value of k for which the lines $\frac{x-1}{-3} = \frac{y-2}{2k} = \frac{z-3}{2}$ and $\frac{x-1}{3k} = \frac{y-1}{1} = \frac{6-z}{5}$ are perpendicular to each other.

Sol. The given equation of the line is $\frac{x-1}{-3} = \frac{y-2}{2k} = \frac{z-3}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Another equation of the line is } \frac{x-1}{3k} = \frac{y-1}{1} = \frac{6-z}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{3k} = \frac{y-1}{1} = \frac{-(z-6)}{5} \Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{3k} = \frac{y-1}{1} = \frac{z-6}{-5}$$

The direction ratios of the given line are -3, 2k, 2 and 3k, 1, -5.

Given lines are perpendicular to each other. So, $a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow -3(3k) + 2k(1) + 2(-5) = 0 \Rightarrow -9k + 2k - 10 = 0 \Rightarrow -7k = 10 \Rightarrow k = \frac{-10}{7}$$

11. Show that the lines $x = -y = 2z$ and $x+2 = 2y-1 = -z+1$ are perpendicular to each other

Hints : The given lines are $\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y}{-2} = \frac{z}{1}$ and $\frac{x+2}{2} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z-1}{-2}$

Sol. The given lines are $x = -y = 2z \Rightarrow \frac{x}{2} = \frac{y}{-2} = \frac{z}{1}$

and, $x+2 = 2y-1 = -z+1$

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

Direction ratios of line $x = -y = 2z$ are 2, -2, 1

Direction ratios of line $x+2 = 2y-1 = -z+1$ are 2, 1, -2

$$\text{Now, } 2 \times 2 + (-2) \times 1 + 1 \times (-2) = 4 - 2 - 2 = 0$$

Hence, both the lines are perpendicular.

12. Find the angle between two lines whose direction ratios are

(i) 2, 1, 2, and 4, 8, 1

(ii) 5, -12, 13, and -3, 4, 5

(iii) 1, 1, 2, and $(\sqrt{3}-1), (-\sqrt{3}-1), 4$

(iv) a, b, c and $(b-c), (c-a), (a-b)$

Sol. (i) Let, $A = (2, 1, 2)$ i.e., $(a_1 = 2, b_1 = 1, c_1 = 2)$ and $B = (4, 8, 1)$ i.e. $(a_2 = 4, b_2 = 8, c_2 = 1)$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{2(4) + 1(8) + 2(1)}{\sqrt{(2)^2 + (1)^2 + (2)^2} \sqrt{(4)^2 + (8)^2 + (1)^2}} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{8 + 8 + 2}{\sqrt{4 + 1 + 4} \sqrt{16 + 64 + 1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{18}{\sqrt{9} \sqrt{81}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{18}{3 \times 9} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{2}{3} \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)$$

Hence, the angle between the given line is $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)$.

(ii) 5, -12, 13 and -3, 4, 5

Direction ratio of the first line are 5, -12, 13

$$\cos \theta = \frac{5 \times (-3) + (-12)(4) + 13 \times 5}{\sqrt{(5)^2 + (-12)^2 + (13)^2} \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (4)^2 + (5)^2}} = \frac{-15 - 48 + 65}{13\sqrt{2} \times 5\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{2}{65.2} = \frac{1}{65} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{65} \right)$$

Hence, the angle between the given line is $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{65} \right)$.

(iii) Let $A (1, 1, 2)$ i.e. $(a_1 = 1, b_1 = 1, c_1 = 2)$ and $[(\sqrt{3}-1), (-\sqrt{3}-1), 4]$

i.e., $[a_2 = (\sqrt{3}-1), b_2 = (-\sqrt{3}-1), c_2 = 4]$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{1(\sqrt{3}-1) + 1(-\sqrt{3}-1) + 2(4)}{\sqrt{(1)^2 + (1)^2 + (2)^2} \sqrt{(\sqrt{3}-1)^2 + (-\sqrt{3}-1)^2 + (4)^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}-1-\sqrt{3}-1+8}{\sqrt{1+1+4} \sqrt{3+1-2\sqrt{3}+3+1+2\sqrt{3}+16}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{-2+8}{\sqrt{6} \sqrt{24}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{6}{\sqrt{144}} \right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{6}{12} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Hence, the angle between the given line is $\frac{\pi}{3}$.

(iv) $A(a, b, c)$ i.e., $(a_1 = a, b_1 = b, c_1 = c)$

and $[(b-c), (c-a), (a-b)]$ i.e., $[a_2 = (b-c), b_2 = (c-a), c_2 = (a-b)]$

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$$\therefore \cos \theta = \left(\frac{a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}} \right) = \left(\frac{a(b-c) + b(c-a) + c(a-b)}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \sqrt{(b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2 + (a-b)^2}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{ab - ac + bc + ac - ab - bc}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \sqrt{b^2 + c^2 + c^2 - 2bc + a^2 - 2ac + a^2 + b^2 + 2abb}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}(0) \therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Hence, the angle between the given line is $\frac{\pi}{2}$.

13. If $A(1, 2, 3)$, $B(4, 5, 7)$, $C(-4, 3, -6)$ and $D(2, 9, 2)$ are four given points then find the angle between the lines AB and CD

Sol. Direction ratios of AB are $4-1, 5-2, 7-3$

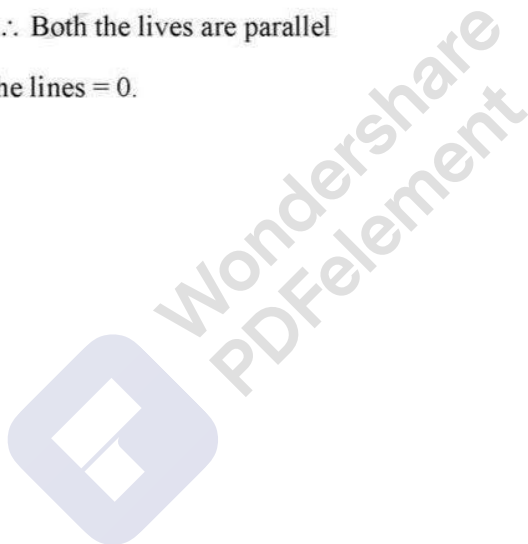
i.e, 3, 3, 4

Direction ratios of CD are $2-(-4), 9-3, 2-(-6)$

i.e, 6, 6, 8

Here, $\frac{3}{6} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{4}{8} \therefore$ Both the lines are parallel

Hence, Angle between the lines = 0.



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In problems 1–8, find the shortest distance between the given lines.

1. $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}), \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$.

Sol. $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}), \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

$$\text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) \cdot (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2)|}{|\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2|}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + \hat{j}) = (\hat{i} - \hat{k})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2) &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & -5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(-2+5) - \hat{j}(2-3) + \hat{k}(-10+3) = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2| = \sqrt{(3)^2 + (-1)^2 + (-7)^2} = \sqrt{9+1+49} = \sqrt{59}$$

$$\therefore \text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|(\hat{i} - \hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 7\hat{k})|}{\sqrt{59}} = \frac{|3+7|}{\sqrt{59}} = \frac{10}{\sqrt{59}} \text{ units.}$$

2. $\vec{r} = (-4\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}), \vec{r} = (-3\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$

Sol. $\vec{r} = (-4\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}), \vec{r} = (-3\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$

$$\text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) \cdot (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2)|}{|\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2|}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (-3\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) - (-4\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = (\hat{i} - 12\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2) &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(3+3) - \hat{j}(3+2) + \hat{k}(3-2) = (6\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2| = \sqrt{(6)^2 + (-5)^2 + (1)^2} = \sqrt{36+25+1} = \sqrt{62}$$

$$\therefore \text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|(\hat{i} - 12\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (6\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + \hat{k})|}{\sqrt{62}} = \frac{|6+60-4|}{\sqrt{62}} = \frac{62}{\sqrt{62}} = \sqrt{62} \text{ units}$$

3. $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}), \vec{r} = (4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

Sol. $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}), \vec{r} = (4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

$$\text{shortets distance} = \frac{|(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) \cdot (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2)|}{|\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2|}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

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$$\Rightarrow (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(-3-6) - \hat{j}(1-4) + \hat{k}(3+6) = (-9\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 9\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2| = \sqrt{(-9)^2 + (3)^2 + (9)^2} = \sqrt{81+9+81} = \sqrt{171} = 3\sqrt{19}$$

$$\therefore \text{Shortest distance} = \left| \frac{(3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (-9\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 9\hat{k})}{3\sqrt{19}} \right| = \left| \frac{-27+9+27}{3\sqrt{19}} \right| = \left| \frac{9}{3\sqrt{19}} \right| = \frac{3}{\sqrt{19}} \text{ units.}$$

4. $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$
 $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

Sol. The given lines are

$$L_1: \vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$L_2: \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

The equations are at the form $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$, where

$$\vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}, \quad \vec{a}_2 = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_1 = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{b}_2 = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now } \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$\text{And } \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \hat{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \hat{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{k}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{9+9} = \sqrt{18} = 3\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{Now } (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = (\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (-3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) = -3 - 6 = -9$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right| = \left| \frac{-9}{3\sqrt{2}} \right| \text{ units}$$

$$= \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ units} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} \text{ units}$$

5. $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}), \vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + \mu(-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$

Sol. Comparing the given equation with the standard equations $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \lambda\vec{m}_1$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_2 + \mu\vec{m}_2$

$$\therefore \vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1 = (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 6 \\ -2 & 3 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(9-18) - \hat{j}(6+12) + \hat{k}(6+6) = -9\hat{i} - 18\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2| = \sqrt{(-9)^2 + (-18)^2 + (12)^2} = \sqrt{81 + 324 + 144} = \sqrt{549}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{S.D.} &= \left| \frac{(-9\hat{i} - 18\hat{j} + 12\hat{k})(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})}{\sqrt{549}} \right| = \left| \frac{-9 \times 2 + (-18) \times (1) + 12 \times (-1)}{3\sqrt{61}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{-18 - 18 - 12}{3\sqrt{61}} \right| = \left| \frac{-18 - 18 - 12}{3\sqrt{61}} \right| = \frac{16}{\sqrt{61}} \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

6. $\vec{r} = (6\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 6\hat{k}), \vec{r} = (-9\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 10\hat{k}) + \mu(4\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$

Sol. $\vec{r} = (6\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 6\hat{k}), \vec{r} = (-9\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 10\hat{k}) + \mu(4\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$

$$\text{Shortest distance} = \left| \frac{(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) \cdot (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2)}{|\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2|} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (-9\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 10\hat{k}) - (6\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = (-15\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 13\hat{k})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2) &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 4 & 1 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 6 \\ 1 & 6 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 4 & 6 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(-6 - 4) - \hat{j}(12 - 16) + \hat{k}(2 + 4) = (-10\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2| = \sqrt{(-10)^2 + (4)^2 + (6)^2} = \sqrt{100 + 16 + 36} = \sqrt{152} = 2\sqrt{38}$$

$$\therefore \text{Shortest distance} = \left| \frac{(-15\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 13\hat{k}) \cdot (-10\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})}{2\sqrt{38}} \right| = \left| \frac{150 + 4 - 78}{2\sqrt{38}} \right| = \left| \frac{76}{2\sqrt{38}} \right| = \sqrt{38}$$

7. $\vec{r} = (3 - t)\hat{i} + (4 + 2t)\hat{j} + (t - 2)\hat{k}, \vec{r} = (1 + s)\hat{i} + (3s - 7)\hat{j} + (2s - 2)\hat{k}$

Sol. $\vec{r} = (3 - t)\hat{i} + (4 + 2t)\hat{j} + (t - 2)\hat{k}$ i.e., $\vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) + t(-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

$$\vec{r} = (1 + s)\hat{i} + (3s - 7)\hat{j} + (2s - 2)\hat{k} \text{ i.e., } \vec{r} = (\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) + s(\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$\text{Shortest distance} = \left| \frac{(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) \cdot (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2)}{|\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2|} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) - (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) = (-2\hat{i} - 11\hat{j})$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(4 - 3) - \hat{j}(-2 - 1) + \hat{k}(-3 - 2) = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2| = \sqrt{(1)^2 + (3)^2 + (-5)^2} = \sqrt{1 + 9 + 25} = \sqrt{35}$$

$$\therefore \text{Shortest distance} = \left| \frac{(-2\hat{i} - 11\hat{j}) \cdot (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})}{\sqrt{35}} \right| = \left| \frac{-2 - 33}{\sqrt{35}} \right| = \frac{35}{\sqrt{35}} = \sqrt{35} \text{ units}$$

8. $\vec{r} = (\lambda - 1)\hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j} - (\lambda + 1)\hat{k}, \vec{r} = (1 - \mu)\hat{i} + (2\mu - 1)\hat{j} + (\mu + 2)\hat{k}$

Sol. $\vec{r} = (\lambda - 1)\hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j} - (\lambda + 1)\hat{k}$ i.e., $\vec{r} = (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$

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$$\vec{r} = (1-\mu)\hat{i} + (2\mu-1)\hat{j} + (\mu+2)\hat{k} \text{ i.e., } \vec{r} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \mu(-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) \cdot (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2)|}{|\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2|}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) - (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) = (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2| = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2| = \sqrt{(3)^2 + (3)^2} = \sqrt{9+9} = 3\sqrt{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|(2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k})|}{3\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|(2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k})|}{3\sqrt{2}} = \frac{|6+9|}{3\sqrt{2}} = \frac{15}{3\sqrt{2}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ i.e., } \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

9. Compute the shortest distance between the lines

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - \hat{k}) \text{ and } \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) + \mu(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

Determine whether these lines intersect or not

- Sol. Comparing the given equations with the standard equations

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1 \text{ and } \vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2$$

$$\text{We get } \vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} - \hat{j}, \vec{b}_1 = 2\hat{i} - \hat{k}, \vec{a}_2 = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j}, \vec{b}_2 = \hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now } \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) - (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \Rightarrow \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = \hat{i}$$

$$\text{And } \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{k} = -\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 1^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{1+1+4} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\text{Here } (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = \hat{i} \cdot (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) = -1 \neq 0$$

Hence the given lines do not intersect

$$\text{Now S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} = \frac{|-1|}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

10. Show that the lines $\vec{r} = (3\hat{i} - 15\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$, and $\vec{r} = (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 9\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$ do not intersect.

$$\text{Sol. } \vec{r} = (3\hat{i} - 15\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) \text{ and } \vec{r} = (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 9\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$$

$$\text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) \cdot (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2)|}{|\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2|}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (-\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 9\hat{k}) - (3\hat{i} - 15\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}) = (-4\hat{i} + 16\hat{j})$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & -7 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(21-5) - \hat{j}(-6-10) + \hat{k}(2+14) = (16\hat{i} + 16\hat{j} + 16\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2| = \sqrt{(16)^2 + (16)^2 + (16)^2} = 16\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore \text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|(-4\hat{i} + 16\hat{j}) \cdot (16\hat{i} + 16\hat{j} + 16\hat{k})|}{16\sqrt{3}} = \frac{|-64 + 256|}{16\sqrt{3}} = \frac{192}{16\sqrt{3}} \neq 0$$

Hence the given lines are don't intersect proved.

11. Show that the lines $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$ and $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$ intersect

Also, find their point of intersection

Sol. Comparing the given equation with the standard equation

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}_1 \text{ and } \vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}_2 \text{ we get } \vec{a}_1 = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{k}, \vec{b}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 = 2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b}_2 = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now, } \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = (2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{k}) = 6\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\text{And } \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \hat{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \hat{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \hat{k}$$

$$= (8-9)\hat{i} - (4-6)\hat{j} + (3-4)\hat{k} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\text{Here } (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = (6\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 12 - 6 = 6 \neq 0$$

Thus the lines do not intersect

12. Show that the lines $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$ and $\vec{r} = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + \mu(5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

Intersect

Also, find the their point of intersection

$$\text{Sol. } \vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \text{ and } \vec{r} = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + \mu(5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) \cdot (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2)|}{|\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2|}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(3-8) - \hat{j}(2-20) + \hat{k}(4-15) = (-5\hat{i} + 18\hat{j} - 11\hat{k})$$

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$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m}_1 \times \vec{m}_2| = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (18)^2 + (-11)^2} = \sqrt{25 + 324 + 121} = \sqrt{470}$$

$$\therefore \text{Shortest distance} = \left| \frac{(3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) \cdot (-5\hat{i} + 18\hat{j} - 11\hat{k})}{\sqrt{470}} \right| = \left| \frac{-15 - 18 + 33}{\sqrt{470}} \right| = 0$$

Hence, the given lines are intersect to each other. $\vec{r} = \vec{r}$

$$\Rightarrow (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + \mu(5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{i}(1 + 2\lambda) + \hat{j}(2 + 3\lambda) + \hat{k}(3 + 4\lambda) = \hat{i}(4 + 5\mu) + \hat{j}(1 + 2\mu) + \hat{k}(\mu)$$

Equating co-efficient both side \hat{i} , \hat{j} and \hat{k} we get

$$1 + 2\lambda = 4 + 5\mu, 2 + 3\lambda = 1 + 2\mu, 3 + 4\lambda = \mu$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda - 5\mu = 4 - 1, 3\lambda - 2\mu = 1 - 2, 4\lambda - \mu = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda - 5\mu = 3 \dots (A), 3\lambda - 2\mu = -1 \dots (B), 4\lambda - \mu = 3 \dots (C)$$

Solving equation A and B, we get $\lambda = -1, \mu = -1$

Putting the value of λ in

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r} &= (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - 1(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \\ &= \hat{i}(1 - 2) + \hat{j}(2 - 3) + \hat{k}(3 - 4) = (-\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \quad \therefore \text{Point } (-1, -1, -1) \end{aligned}$$

13. Find the shortest distance between the lines L_1 and L_2 whose vector equations are

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

Sol. The given lines are

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

These equations are of the form $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b}$ and $\vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b}$

Where $\vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$, $\vec{a}_2 = 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

Clearly the given lines are parallel

$$\text{Now, } \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \vec{b} \times (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{k} \\ &= (-3 - 6)\hat{i} - (-2 - 12)\hat{j} + (2 - 6)\hat{k} = -9\hat{i} + 14\hat{j} - 4\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now } |\vec{b} \times (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)| = \sqrt{(-9)^2 + 14^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{81 + 196 + 16} = \sqrt{293}$$

$$\text{And } |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

Shortest distance between L_1 and L_2 ,

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|\vec{b} \times (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)|}{|\vec{b}|} = \frac{\sqrt{293}}{7} \text{ units}$$

14. Find the distance between the parallel lines L_1 and L_2 whose vector equations are

$$\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \text{ and } \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}).$$

Sol. $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}), \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$

$$\text{Shortest distance} = \frac{|\vec{m} \times (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1)|}{|\vec{m}|} \Rightarrow (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = (\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{m} \times (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -3 & -4 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(4+3) - \hat{j}(-4-1) + \hat{k}(-3+1) = (7\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m} \times (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1)| = \sqrt{(7)^2 + (5)^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{49 + 25 + 4} = \sqrt{78}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{m}| = \sqrt{(1)^2 + (-1)^2 + (1)^2} = \sqrt{3} \quad \therefore \text{Shortest distance} = \frac{\sqrt{78}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}\sqrt{26}}{\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{26} \text{ units.}$$

15. Find the vector equation of a line passing through the point $(2, 3, 2)$ and parallel to the line $\vec{r} = (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$. Also find the distance between these lines

Sol. The vector equation of line passing through the point $(2, 3, 2)$ and parallel to the line

$$\vec{r} = (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \text{ is given by}$$

$$\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

Comparing the given equations with the standard equations

$$\vec{r} = \vec{a}_1 + \lambda\vec{b} \text{ and } \vec{r} = \vec{a}_2 + \mu\vec{b} \text{ we get } \vec{a}_1 = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}, \vec{a}_2 = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now, } \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) - (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\text{And } \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \vec{b} \times (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & -3 & 6 \\ 4 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 4 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -6\hat{i} - (4 - 24)\hat{j} + 12\hat{k} = -6\hat{i} + 20\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now } |\vec{b} \times (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)| = \sqrt{(-6)^2 + 20^2 + 12^2} = \sqrt{36 + 400 + 144} = \sqrt{580}$$

$$\text{And } |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 6^2} = 7$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|\vec{b} \times (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)|}{|\vec{b}|} = \frac{\sqrt{580}}{7} \text{ units}$$

16. Write the vector equation of each of the following lines and hence determine the distance between them

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z+4}{6} \text{ and } \frac{x-3}{4} = \frac{y-3}{6} = \frac{z+5}{12}$$

Sol. Given lines are

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$$L_1: \frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z+4}{6} \text{ and } L_2: \frac{x-3}{4} = \frac{y-3}{6} = \frac{z+5}{12}$$

Vector equations of the lines are

$$L_1: \vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

$$\text{And } L_2: \vec{r} = (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + 2\mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

Clearly the given lines are parallel Here $\vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$, $\vec{a}_2 = 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$

$$\text{And } \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now, } \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \vec{b} \times (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{k}$$

$$= (-3-6)\hat{i} - (-2-12)\hat{j} + (2-6)\hat{k} = -9\hat{i} + 14\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now } |\vec{b} \times (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1)| = \sqrt{(-9)^2 + 14^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{81 + 96 + 16} = \sqrt{293}$$

$$\text{And } |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

17. Write the vector equations of the following lines and hence find the shortest distance between them

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4} \text{ and } \frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y-3}{4} = \frac{z-5}{5}$$

Sol. Given lines are $L_1: \frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4}$, $L_2: \frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y-3}{4} = \frac{z-5}{5}$

Vector equations of the lines are

$$L_1: \vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$$

$$\text{And } L_2: \vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) + \delta(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$$

$$\text{Here } \vec{a}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}, \vec{a}_2 = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}, \vec{b}_1 = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}, \vec{b}_2 = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now } \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\text{And } \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \hat{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \hat{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \hat{k}$$

$$= (15-16)\hat{i} - (10-12)\hat{j} + (8-9)\hat{k} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\therefore (\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) = -1 + 2 - 2 = -1$$

$$\text{And } |\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} = \frac{|-1|}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \times \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}} \text{ units}$$

Find the shortest distance between the lines given below

18. $\frac{x-1}{-1} = \frac{y+2}{1} = \frac{z-3}{-2}$ and $\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z+1}{-2}$

Sol. Given lines are

$$L_1: \frac{x-1}{-1} = \frac{y+2}{1} = \frac{z-3}{-2}, \quad L_2: \frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z+1}{-2}$$

The shortest distance between the skew lines

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a_1} = \frac{y-y_1}{b_1} = \frac{z-z_1}{c_1} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{x-x_2}{a_2} = \frac{y-y_2}{b_2} = \frac{z-z_2}{c_2}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_2-x_1 & y_2-y_1 & z_2-z_1 \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Is given by S.D.

$$\frac{\begin{vmatrix} x_2-x_1 & y_2-y_1 & z_2-z_1 \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{(a_1b_2-a_2b_1)^2 + (b_1c_2-b_2c_1)^2 + (a_1c_2-a_2c_1)^2}}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-1 & 1-2 & 1-(-3) \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{S.D.} &= \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1-1 & 1-2 & 1-(-3) \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{(-1 \times 2 - 1 \times 1)^2 + (1 \times -2 - 2 \times -2)^2 + (-1 \times -2 - 1 \times -2)^2}} \\ &= \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 4 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{9+4+16}} = \frac{(2+2)+4(-2-1)}{\sqrt{29}} \text{ units} \\ &= \left| \frac{4-12}{\sqrt{29}} \right| \text{ units} = \left| \frac{-8}{\sqrt{29}} \right| \text{ units} = \frac{8}{\sqrt{29}} \times \frac{\sqrt{29}}{\sqrt{29}} \text{ units} = \frac{8\sqrt{29}}{29} \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

19. $\frac{x-12}{-9} = \frac{y-1}{4} = \frac{z-5}{2}$ and $\frac{x-23}{-6} = \frac{y-19}{-4} = \frac{z-25}{3}$

Sol. Given lines are $L_1: \frac{x-12}{-9} = \frac{y-1}{4} = \frac{z-5}{2}$ and $L_2: \frac{x-23}{-6} = \frac{y-19}{-4} = \frac{z-25}{3}$

Vector equations of the lines are

$$L_1: \vec{r} = (12\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) + \delta(-9\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}), \quad L_2: \vec{r} = (23\hat{i} + 19\hat{j} + 25\hat{k}) + \mu(-6\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

Here, $\vec{a}_1 = 12\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$, $\vec{a}_2 = 23\hat{i} + 19\hat{j} + 25\hat{k}$, $\vec{b}_1 = -9\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b}_2 = -6\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

Now, $\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = (23\hat{i} + 19\hat{j} + 25\hat{k}) - (12\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) = 11\hat{i} + 18\hat{j} + 20\hat{k}$

$$\text{And } \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -9 & 4 & 2 \\ -6 & -4 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -4 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \hat{i} - \begin{vmatrix} -9 & 2 \\ -6 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \hat{j} + \begin{vmatrix} -9 & 4 \\ -6 & -4 \end{vmatrix} \hat{k}$$

$$= (12+8)\hat{i} - (-27+12)\hat{j} + (36+24)\hat{k} = 20\hat{i} + 15\hat{j} + 60\hat{k}$$

Now $(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2) = (11\hat{i} + 18\hat{j} + 20\hat{k}) \cdot (20\hat{i} + 15\hat{j} + 60\hat{k})$

$$= 11 \times 20 + 18 \times 15 + 20 \times 60 = 220 + 270 + 1200 = 1690$$

And $|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2| = \sqrt{20^2 + 15^2 + 60^2} = \sqrt{5^2(4^2 + 3^2 + 12^2)} = 5\sqrt{169} = 5 \times 13 = 65$

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$$\text{S.D.} = \left| \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right| = \left| \frac{1690}{65} \right| \text{ units} = 26 \text{ units}$$

EXERCISE 27 E [Pg.No.: 1150]

Find the length and the equations of the line of shortest distance between the lines given by

1. $\frac{x-3}{3} = \frac{y-8}{-1} = z-3$ and $\frac{x+3}{-3} = \frac{y+7}{2} = \frac{z-6}{4}$

Sol. The given equations are

$$\frac{x-3}{3} = \frac{y-8}{-1} = \frac{z-3}{1} = \lambda \quad \dots (i) \quad \frac{x+3}{-3} = \frac{y+7}{2} = \frac{z-6}{4} = \mu \quad \dots (ii)$$

$P(3\lambda+3, -\lambda+8, \lambda+3)$ is any point on (i)

$Q(-3\mu-3, 2\mu-7, 4\mu+6)$ is any point on (ii)

The direction ratios of PQ are $(-3\mu-3\lambda-6, 2\mu+\lambda-15, 4\mu-\lambda+3)$

If PQ is the shortest distance then PQ is perpendicular to each of (i) and (ii)

$$\therefore 3(-3\mu-3\lambda-6) + (-1)(2\mu+\lambda-15) + 1(4\mu-\lambda+3) = 0$$

$$\text{And } -3(-3\mu-3\lambda-6) + 2(2\mu+\lambda-15) + 4(4\mu-\lambda+3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -11\lambda - 7\mu = 0 \text{ and } 7\lambda + 29\mu = 0$$

Solving these equation we get $\lambda = 0$ and $\mu = 0$

Thus PQ will be the line of shortest distance when $\lambda = 0$ and $\mu = 0$

Substituting $\lambda = 0$ and $\mu = 0$ in P and Q respectively we get the points

$P(3, 8, 3)$ and $Q(-3, -7, 6)$

\therefore shortest distance = PQ

$$= \sqrt{(-3-3)^2 + (-7-8)^2 + (6-3)^2} = \sqrt{36+225+9} = 3\sqrt{30} \text{ units}$$

$$\text{Equation of line of shortest distance is } \frac{x-3}{-3-3} = \frac{y-8}{-7-8} = \frac{z-3}{6-3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{-6} = \frac{y-8}{-15} = \frac{z-3}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y-8}{5} = \frac{z-3}{-1}$$

2. $\frac{x-3}{-1} = \frac{y-4}{2} = \frac{z+2}{1}$ and $\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y+7}{3} = \frac{z+2}{2}$

Sol. The given equations are

$$\frac{x-3}{-1} = \frac{y-4}{2} = \frac{z+2}{1} = \lambda (\text{say}) \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y+7}{3} = \frac{z+2}{2} = \mu (\text{say}) \quad \dots (ii)$$

$P(-\lambda+3, 2\lambda+4, \lambda-2)$ is any point on (i), $Q(\mu+1, 3\mu-7, 2\mu-2)$ is any point on (ii).

The direction ratio of PQ are $(-\lambda+3-\mu-1, 2\lambda+4-3\mu-7, \lambda-2-2\mu-2)$

$$\Rightarrow (-\lambda-\mu+2, 2\lambda-3\mu+11, \lambda-2\mu-2)$$

If PQ is the line of shortest distance then PQ is perpendicular to each of (i) and (ii).

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore -1(-\lambda - \mu + 2) + 2(2\lambda - 3\mu + 11) + 1(\lambda - 2\mu) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda + \mu - 2 + 4\lambda - 6\mu + 22 + \lambda - 2\mu &= 0 \Rightarrow 6\lambda - 7\mu + 20 = 0 \quad \dots(iii) \\ \therefore 1(-\lambda - \mu + 2) + 3(2\lambda - 3\mu + 11) + 2(\lambda - 2\mu) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow -\lambda - \mu + 2 + 6\lambda - 9\mu + 33 + 2\lambda - 4\mu &= 0 \Rightarrow 7\lambda - 14\mu + 35 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda - 2\mu + 5 &= 0 \quad \dots(iv)\end{aligned}$$

Solving equation (iii) and (iv) then we get $\lambda = -1$, $\mu = 2$

Thus, PQ will be the line of shortest distance when $\lambda = -1$ and $\mu = 2$.

Substituting $\lambda = -1$ and $\mu = 2$ in P and Q respectively. We get the point $P(4, 2, -3)$ and $Q(3, -1, 2)$.

$$\therefore \text{S.D.} = PQ = \sqrt{(3-4)^2 + (-1-2)^2 + (2+3)^2} = \sqrt{1+9+25} = \sqrt{35} \text{ unit}$$

Equation of the line of shortest distance means equation of PQ given by

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{x-4}{3-4} = \frac{y-2}{-1-2} = \frac{z+3}{2+3} &\Rightarrow \frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y-2}{-3} = \frac{z+3}{5} \\ 3. \quad \frac{x+1}{2} = \frac{y-1}{1} = \frac{z-9}{-3} \text{ and } \frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y+15}{-7} = \frac{z-9}{5}\end{aligned}$$

Sol. The given equation are

$$\frac{x+1}{2} = \frac{y-1}{1} = \frac{z-9}{-3} = \lambda \text{ (say)} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y+15}{-7} = \frac{z-9}{5} = \mu \text{ (say)} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$P(2\lambda - 1, \lambda + 1, -3\lambda + 9)$ is any point on (i), $Q(2\mu + 3, -7\mu - 15, 5\mu + 9)$ is any point on (ii).

The direction ratio of PQ are $(2\lambda - 1 - 2\mu - 3, \lambda + 1 + 7\mu + 15, -3\lambda + 9 - 5\mu - 9)$.

$$\Rightarrow (2\lambda - 2\mu - 4, \lambda + 7\mu + 16, -3\lambda - 5\mu)$$

If PQ is the line of shortest distance then PQ is perpendicular to each of (i) and (ii).

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore 2(2\lambda - 2\mu - 4) + 1(\lambda + 7\mu + 16) - 3(-3\lambda - 5\mu) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 4\lambda - 4\mu - 8 + \lambda + 7\mu + 16 + 9\lambda + 15\mu &= 0 \Rightarrow 14\lambda + 18\mu + 8 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow 7\lambda + 9\mu + 4 &= 0 \quad \dots(iii) \\ \therefore 2(2\lambda - 2\mu - 4) - 7(\lambda + 7\mu + 16) + 5(-3\lambda - 5\mu) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 4\lambda - 4\mu - 8 - 7\lambda - 49\mu - 112 - 15\lambda - 25\mu &= 0 \Rightarrow -18\lambda - 78\mu - 120 = 0 \Rightarrow 9\lambda + 39\mu + 60 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow 3\lambda + 13\mu + 20 &= 0 \quad \dots(iv)\end{aligned}$$

Solving equation (iii) and (iv) we get $\lambda = 2$, and $\mu = -2$.

Thus, PQ will be the line of shortest distance When $\lambda = 2$ and $\mu = -2$.

Substituting $\lambda = 2, \mu = -2$ in P and Q respectively. We get the point $P(3, 3, 3)$ and $Q(-1, -1, -1)$.

$$\therefore \text{S.D.} = PQ = \sqrt{(-1-3)^2 + (-1-3)^2 + (-1-3)^2} = \sqrt{16+16+16} = \sqrt{48} = 4\sqrt{3} \text{ units}$$

Equation of the line of shortest distance means equation of PQ given by

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{x-3}{-1-3} = \frac{y-3}{-1-3} = \frac{z-3}{-1-3} &\Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{-4} = \frac{y-3}{-4} = \frac{z-3}{-4} \Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-3}{1} = \frac{z-3}{1} \\ \therefore x=3, y=3, z=3 &\text{ Hence, } x=y=z.\end{aligned}$$

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4. $\frac{x-6}{3} = \frac{y-7}{-1} = \frac{z-4}{1}$ and $\frac{x}{-3} = \frac{y+9}{2} = \frac{z-2}{4}$

Sol. The given equation are

$$\frac{x-6}{3} = \frac{y-7}{-1} = \frac{z-4}{1} = \lambda \text{ (say)} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\frac{x}{-3} = \frac{y+9}{2} = \frac{z-2}{4} = \mu \text{ (say)} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$P(3\lambda+6, -\lambda+7, \lambda+4)$ is any point on (i), $Q(-3\mu, 2\mu-9, 4\mu+2)$ is any point on (ii).

The direction ratio of PQ are, $(3\lambda+6+3\mu, -\lambda+7-2\mu+9, \lambda+4-4\mu-2)$.

$$PQ(3\lambda+3\mu+6, -\lambda-2\mu+16, \lambda-4\mu+2)$$

If PQ is the line of shortest distance then PQ is perpendicular to each of (i) and (ii).

$$\therefore 3(3\lambda+3\mu+6) - 1(-\lambda-2\mu+16) + 1(\lambda-4\mu+2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9\lambda+9\mu+18+\lambda+2\mu-16+\lambda-4\mu+2=0$$

$$\Rightarrow 11\lambda+7\mu+4=0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$\therefore -3(3\lambda+3\mu+6) + 2(-\lambda-2\mu+16) + 4(\lambda-4\mu+2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -9\lambda-9\mu-18-2\lambda-4\mu+32+4\lambda-16\mu+8=0$$

$$\Rightarrow -7\lambda-29\mu+22=0 \quad \dots(iv)$$

Solving equation (iii) and (iv) then we get $\lambda=-1, \mu=1$.

Thus, PQ will be the line of shortest distance when $\lambda=-1, \mu=1$.

Substituting $\lambda=-1$, and $\mu=1$ in P and Q respectively.

We get from point $P(3, 8, 3)$ and $Q(-3, -7, 6)$.

$$\therefore \text{S.D.} = PQ = \sqrt{(-3-3)^2 + (-7-8)^2 + (6-3)^2} = \sqrt{36+225+9} = \sqrt{270} = 3\sqrt{30} \text{ units}$$

Equations of the line of shortest distance means equation of PQ given by

$$\frac{x-3}{-3-3} = \frac{y-8}{-7-8} = \frac{z-3}{6-3} \Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{-6} = \frac{y-8}{-15} = \frac{z-3}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y-8}{5} = \frac{z-3}{-1}$$

5. Show that the lines $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y-2}{2} = \frac{z+3}{3}$ and $\frac{x-2}{2} = \frac{y-6}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4}$ intersect and find their point of intersection.

Sol. The given lines are $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y-2}{2} = \frac{z+3}{3} = \lambda \text{ (say)} \quad \dots(i)$

$$\frac{x-2}{2} = \frac{y-6}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4} = \mu \text{ (say)} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$P(\lambda, 2\lambda+2, 3\lambda+3)$ is any point on (i) $Q(2\mu+2, 3\mu+6, 4\mu+3)$ is any point on (ii) if the lines (i) and (ii) intersect, then P and Q must coincide for same particular value of λ and μ .

This give, $\lambda=2\mu+2, 2\lambda+2=3\mu+6, 3\lambda+3=4\mu+3$

$$\lambda-2\mu=2 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$2\lambda-3\mu=4 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$3\lambda-4\mu=6 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Solving (i) and (ii) we get $\lambda=2, \mu=0$ and these value of λ and μ also satisfying (iii).

Hence, the given lines intersect. The point of intersection of the given lines is $(2, 6, 3)$, which is obtained by putting $\lambda = 2$ in P or $\mu = 0$ in Q .

6. Show that the lines $\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z-1}{5}$ and $\frac{x-2}{2} = \frac{y-1}{3} = \frac{z+1}{-2}$

Do not intersect each other

Sol. The equations of the given lines are

$$L_1: \frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z-1}{5} = \lambda \quad \dots (i)$$

$$L_2: \frac{x-2}{2} = \frac{y-1}{3} = \frac{z+1}{-2} = \mu \quad \dots (ii)$$

Any point on the line (i) is $P(3\lambda+1, 2\lambda-1, 5\lambda+1)$

Any point on the line (ii) is $Q(2\mu+2, 3\mu+1, -2\mu+1)$

If both the lines intersect the P and Q must coincide for some particular values of λ and μ

$$\text{Now } 3\lambda+1 = 2\mu+2 \Rightarrow 3\lambda-2\mu=1 \quad \dots (iii)$$

$$2\lambda-1 = 3\mu+1 \Rightarrow 2\lambda-3\mu=2 \quad \dots (iv)$$

$$5\lambda+1 = -2\mu+1 \Rightarrow 5\lambda+2\mu=0 \quad \dots (v)$$

Adding (iii) and (v) we have $6\lambda=1 \Rightarrow \lambda=\frac{1}{6}$

Putting $\lambda=\frac{1}{6}$ in equation (iii) $3 \times \frac{1}{6} - 2\mu=1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} - 1 = 2\mu \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} = 2\mu \Rightarrow \mu = -\frac{1}{4}$$

Putting $\lambda=\frac{1}{6}$ & $\mu=-\frac{1}{4}$ in (iv) $2 \times \frac{1}{6} - 3 \times \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right) = 2$

$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{4} = 2$ which is false Hence, the given lines do not intersect each other

EXERCISE 27 F [Pg.No.: 1151]

1. If a line has direction ratios $2, -1, -2$ then what are its direction cosines?

Sol. Direction ratios of the line are $2, -1, -2$

$$\text{Now } \sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{9} = 3 \quad \therefore l = \frac{2}{3}, m = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ and } n = -\frac{2}{3}$$

Hence direction cosines are $\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}$

2. Find the direction cosines of the $\frac{4-x}{2} = \frac{y}{6} = \frac{1-z}{3}$

Sol. Given line is $\frac{4-x}{2} = \frac{y}{6} = \frac{1-z}{3}$ i.e. $\frac{x-4}{-2} = \frac{y}{6} = \frac{z-1}{-3}$

here, direction ratios of the line are $-2, 6, -3$

$$\text{Now } \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 6^2 + (-3)^2} = 7$$

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$$\therefore \ell = -\frac{2}{7}, m = \frac{6}{7} \text{ and } n = -\frac{3}{7}$$

$$\text{Hence direction cosines are } -\frac{2}{7}, \frac{6}{7}, -\frac{3}{7}$$

3. if the equations of a line are $\frac{3-x}{-3} = \frac{y+2}{-2} = \frac{z+2}{6}$, find the direction cosines of line parallel to the given line

Sol. Given line is $\frac{3-x}{-3} = \frac{y+2}{-2} = \frac{z+2}{6}$ i.e. $\frac{x-3}{3} = \frac{y+2}{-2} = \frac{z+2}{6}$

Direction ratios at a line parallel to given line are 3, -2, 6

$$\text{Now } \sqrt{3^2 + (-2)^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$\therefore \ell = \frac{3}{7}, m = -\frac{2}{7} \text{ and } n = \frac{6}{7}$$

$$\text{Hence direction cosines are } \frac{3}{7}, -\frac{2}{7}, \frac{6}{7}$$

4. Write the equations of a line parallel to the line $\frac{x-2}{-2} = \frac{y+3}{2} = \frac{z+5}{6}$ and passing through the point (1, -2, 3)

Sol. Equation line parallel to the line $\frac{x-\alpha}{a} = \frac{y-\beta}{b} = \frac{z-\gamma}{c}$ and passing through the point (x, y, z) is given by

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c}$$

Therefore equation of line parallel the line $\frac{x-2}{-3} = \frac{y+3}{2} = \frac{z+5}{6}$ and passing through the point (1, -2, 3) is

$$\frac{x-1}{-3} = \frac{y+2}{2} = \frac{z-3}{6}$$

Now, position vector of the point (1, -2, 3), $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

And a vector ll to the line is $\vec{b} = -3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

Hence vector equation of line $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \mu(-3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$

5. find the Cartesian equations of the line which posses through the point (-2, 4, -5) and which is parallel to the line $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-4}{-5} = \frac{z+5}{6}$

Sol. Equation of line parallel to the line $\frac{x-\alpha}{a} = \frac{y-\beta}{b} = \frac{z-\gamma}{c}$ passing through the point (x₁, y₁, z₁) is given by

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c}$$

There force equation of line parallel to the line $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-4}{-5} = \frac{z+5}{6}$ and passing through the point m(-2, 4, -5) is given by

$$\frac{x+2}{3} = \frac{y-4}{-5} = \frac{z+5}{6}$$

6. Write the vector equation of a line whose Cartesian equations are $\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{6-z}{2}$

Sol. Given line is $L: \frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{6-z}{2}$ i.e. $L: \frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-6}{-2}$

Clearly $(5, -4, 6)$ line on the line position vector of $A(5, -4, 6)$ is $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

A vector parallel to the line $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

Hence the vector equation of line is $\vec{r} = (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) + \mu(3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

7. the Cartesian equations of a line are $\frac{3-x}{5} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{2z-6}{4}$, write the vector equation of the line

Sol. Given line is $\frac{3-x}{5} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{2z-6}{4}$ i.e. $\frac{x-3}{-5} = \frac{y+4}{7} = \frac{z-3}{2}$

Clearly $(3, -4, 3)$ lies on the line

Now position vector of $(3, -4, 3)$ is $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

A vector parallel to the given line $\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

Hence equation of line is $\vec{r} = (3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \mu(-5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

8. Write the vector equation of a line passing through the point $(1, -1, 2)$ and parallel to the line whose equations are $\frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+1}{-2}$

Sol. Position vector of the point $(1, -1, 2)$ is $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

A vector parallel to the line whose equations are $\frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+1}{-2}$ is $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

Hence vector equation of line is $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

9. If $P(1, 5, 4)$ and $Q(4, 1, -2)$ be two given points find the direction ratios of PQ

Sol. Given points are $P(1, 5, 4)$ and $Q(4, 1, -2)$

Direction ratios of PQ are $4-1, 1-5, -2-4$ i.e. $3, -4, -6$

10. The equations of a line are $\frac{4-x}{2} = \frac{y+3}{2} = \frac{z+2}{1}$. Find the direction cosines of a line parallel to this line

Sol. Given line is $\frac{4-x}{2} = \frac{y+3}{2} = \frac{z+2}{1}$ i.e. $\frac{x-4}{-2} = \frac{y+3}{2} = \frac{z+2}{1}$

D.r's of line parallel to the line are $-2, 2, 1$

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

$\therefore l = -\frac{2}{3}, m = \frac{2}{3}$ and $n = \frac{1}{3}$

Hence direction cosines are $-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}$

11. the Cartesian equations of a line are $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+2}{3} = \frac{5-z}{1}$ Find its vector equation

Sol. Given line is $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+2}{3} = \frac{5-z}{1}$ i.e. $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+2}{3} = \frac{z-5}{-1}$

Clearly $(1, -2, 5)$ lies on the position vector of point $(1, -2, 5)$ is $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$

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D.r.'s of line are 2, 3, -1

∴ A vector parallel to the line is $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}$

Hence vector equation of line is $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) + \mu(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k})$

12. Find the vector equation of a line passing through the point (1, 2, 3) and parallel to the vector $(3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

Sol. Position vector of the point (1, 2, 3) is $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

Equation $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$ is vector parallel to the line

Hence required equation at line is $\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \mu\vec{b}$ i.e. $\vec{r} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \mu(3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

13. The vector equation of a line is $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k})$. Find its cartesian equation

Sol. Given line is $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k})$

$$\Rightarrow x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} = (2 + \lambda)\hat{i} + (1 - \lambda)\hat{j} + (-4 - \lambda)\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2 + \lambda, y = 1 - \lambda \text{ and } z = -4 - \lambda \Rightarrow \frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-1}{-1} = \frac{z+4}{-1} = \lambda$$

Hence Cartesian equation of line is $\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-1}{-1} = \frac{z+4}{-1}$

14. Find the Cartesian equation of a line which passes through the point (-2, 4, -5) and which is parallel to the line $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-4}{5} = \frac{z+8}{6}$

Sol. Equation of line passes through the point (α, β, γ) and parallel to the line $\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c}$ is given by

$$\frac{x-\alpha}{a} = \frac{y-\beta}{b} = \frac{z-\gamma}{c}$$

∴ equation of line passes through (-2, 4, -5) and parallel to the line $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-4}{5} = \frac{z+5}{6}$

15. Find the Cartesian equation of a line which passes through the point having position vector $(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$ and is in the direction of the vector $(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$

Sol. The required line passes through the point (2, -1, 4) and it has direction ratios 1, 2, -1

$$\therefore \text{it equation is } \frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z-4}{-1}$$

16. Find the angle between the lines $\vec{r} = (2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + \hat{k}) + \lambda(3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$ and $\vec{r} = (7\hat{i} - 6\hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

Sol. The angle between the lines and $\vec{r} = a_1 + \lambda b_1$ and $\vec{r} = a_2 + \lambda b_2$ is given by $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2}{|\vec{b}_1| |\vec{b}_2|}$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{|(3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})|}{\{\sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2}\} \{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2}\}} = \frac{(3+4+12)}{(7 \times 3)} = \frac{19}{21} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{19}{21}\right)$$

17. Find the angle between the lines $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y-1}{5} = \frac{z+3}{4}$ and $\frac{x+1}{1} = \frac{y-4}{1} = \frac{z-5}{2}$

Sol. Hence $(a_1) = 3, b_1 = 5, c_1 = 4$ and $(a_2 = 1, b_2 = 1, c_2 = 2)$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \cos \theta &= \frac{|a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2|}{\left\{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2}\right\} \left\{\sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}\right\}} \\ &= \frac{|(3 \times 1) + (5 \times 1) + (4 \times 2)|}{\left\{\sqrt{3^2 + 5^2 + 4^2}\right\} \left\{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2}\right\}} = \frac{16}{(\sqrt{15} \times \sqrt{6})} = \frac{16}{10\sqrt{3}} = \frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}} \\ \Rightarrow \theta &= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{8}{5\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{8\sqrt{3}}{15} \right)\end{aligned}$$

18. Show that the lines $\frac{x-5}{7} = \frac{y+2}{-5} = \frac{z}{1}$ and $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{3}$ are at right angles

Sol. Here $(a_1 = 7, b_1 = -5, c_1 = 1)$ and $(a_2 = 1, b_2 = 2, c_2 = 3)$

$$(a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2) = (7 \times 1) + (-5) \times 2 + (1 \times 3) = 0$$

Hence the given lines are at right angles

19. The direction ratios of a line are 2, 6, -6. What are its direction cosines?

Sol. We have $\sqrt{2^2 + 6^2 + (-6)^2} = \sqrt{121} = 11$

$$\therefore \text{d.c.'s of the given line are } \frac{2}{11}, \frac{6}{11}, \frac{-6}{11}$$

20. A line makes angle $90^\circ, 135^\circ$ and 45° with the positive directions of x-axis y-axis and z-axis respectively. What are the direction cosines of the line?

Sol. D.c.'s of the line are $\cos 90^\circ, \cos 135^\circ$ and $\cos 45^\circ$, i.e. $\left(0, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$

21. What are the direction cosines of the y-axis?

Sol. Clearly, the y-axis makes an angle of $90^\circ, 0^\circ, 90^\circ$ with the x-axis y-axis and z-axis respectively

So, its d.c.'s are $\cos 90^\circ, \cos 0^\circ, \cos 90^\circ$, i.e. 0, 1, 0

22. What are the direction cosines of the vector $(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$?

Sol. D.r.'s of the given vector are 2, 1, -2 and $\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{9} = 3$

$$\therefore \text{d.c.'s of the given vector are } \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}$$

23. What is the angle between the vector $\vec{r} = (4\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ and the x-axis?

Sol. D.r.'s of the given vector are 4, 8, 1 and $\sqrt{4^2 + 8^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{81} = 9$

$$\therefore \text{d.c.'s of the given vector are } \frac{4}{9}, \frac{8}{9}, \frac{1}{9}$$

Let α be the angle between the given vectors and the x-axis

$$\text{The } \cos \alpha = \frac{4}{9} \Rightarrow \alpha = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{9} \right)$$