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**CHAPTER - EQUATION OF A
PLANE**

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Solid Geometry (3D)ChapterEquation of a Plane

Problem-1 Find the equation of the plane which

i) cuts off intercepts a, b, c from the axes.

ii) passes through the points $A(0,1,1)$, $B(1,1,2)$ and $C(-1,2,-2)$

Soln:- i) we know that the equation of the plane in intercept form $\alpha x + \beta y + \gamma z + \delta = 0$ — ①

The plane cuts the axes at A, B, C s.t. $\begin{cases} \alpha A = a \\ \alpha B = b \\ \alpha C = c \end{cases}$

i.e. ① passes through the points $A(a,0,0)$, $B(0,b,0)$ and $C(0,0,c)$.

$$\text{so } \begin{aligned} \alpha x + \delta = 0 &\Rightarrow \alpha = -\frac{\delta}{x} \\ b\beta + \delta = 0 &\Rightarrow \beta = -\frac{\delta}{b} \\ c\gamma + \delta = 0 &\Rightarrow \gamma = -\frac{\delta}{c} \end{aligned} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{substituting these values} \\ \text{in eqn ①, we get} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\left(-\frac{\delta}{a}\right)x + \left(-\frac{\delta}{b}\right)y + \left(-\frac{\delta}{c}\right)z + \delta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$$

ii) we know that equation of the plane in three points-form (x_1, y_1, z_1)

$$a(x-x_1) + b(y-y_1) + c(z-z_1) = 0 \quad \text{--- ②}$$

any plane through $(0,1,1)$ is $a(x-0) + b(y-1) + c(z-1) = 0$ — ③

It will pass through $(1,1,2)$ and $(-1,2,-2)$

$$\text{if } a(1-0) + b(1-1) + c(2-1) = 0 \Rightarrow a + c = 0$$

$$\text{and } a(-1-0) + b(2-1) + c(-2-1) = 0 \Rightarrow -a + b - 3c = 0$$

$$\frac{a}{-1} = \frac{b}{2} = \frac{c}{1}$$

Solving the above two eqns (cross-multiply)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Putting these values in ③ } -1 \cdot x + 2(y-1) + 1(z-1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x - 2y - z + 3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

is the required eqn of the plane.

Problem-2 Find the eqn of the plane which passes through the point $(3, -3, 1)$ and is

- (i) parallel to the plane $2x + 3y + 5z + 6 = 0$
- (ii) normal to the line joining the points $(3, 2, -1)$ and $(2, -1, 5)$.
- (iii) perpendicular to the planes $7x + y + 2z = 6$
and $3x + 5y - 6z = 8$.

Sol:- (i) we know that any plane parallel to the plane $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ is $ax + by + cz + k = 0$

so any plane parallel to the given plane is
 $2x + 3y + 5z + k = 0$ which goes through $(3, -3, 1)$ if $k = -2$

Thus the required plane is $2x + 3y + 5z = 2$

- (ii) Any plane through (x_1, y_1, z_1) is $a(x-x_1) + b(y-y_1) + c(z-z_1) = 0$
i.e. through $(3, -3, 1)$ is $a(x-3) + b(y+3) + c(z-1) = 0$ ①
- The d.cs of the line joining the points $(3, 2, -1)$ and $(2, -1, 5)$ are proportional to $1, 3, -6$.

This line is normal to the plane ①

$\therefore a, b, c$ are proportional to $1, 3, -6$

$$\text{From ① } 1(x-3) + 3(y+3) - 6(z-1) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow x + 3y - 6z + 12 = 0$$

- (iii) Any plane through $(3, -3, 1)$ is $a(x-3) + b(y+3) + c(z-1) = 0$ which will be perpendicular to the plane.

$$7x + y + 2z = 6 \text{ and } 3x + 5y - 6z = 8$$

$$7a + b + 2c = 0 \text{ and } 3a + 5b - 6c = 0 \quad \text{Formula}$$

Solving by cross-multiplication

$$\frac{a}{1} = \frac{b}{-3} = \frac{c}{-2}$$

The plane $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ is \perp to $a'x + b'y + c'z + d' = 0$ if $aa' + bb' + cc' = 0$

Required eqn $1(x-3) - 3(y+3) - 2(z-1) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x - 3y - 2z - 10 = 0 \quad \square$

Problem-3 The plane $4x + 5y - z = 7$ is rotated through a right angle about its line of intersection with the plane $2x + 3y - 3z = 5$. Find the eqn of this plane in its new position.

Sols: Any plane through the line of intersection of
 $4x + 5y - z = 7$ and $2x + 3y - 3z = 5$ — (2)

$$\alpha(4+2k)x + (5+3k)y - (1+3k)z - (7+5k) = 0 \quad (3)$$

The new position of (1) when rotated through a rt. angle, is such that (1) and (3) are perpendicular. This requires that $4(4+2k) + 5(5+3k) + (1+3k) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 26k + 42 = 0 \Rightarrow k = -\frac{21}{13}$

$$\text{Put the value of } k \text{ in (3)} \quad 10x + 2y + 50z + 14 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow 5x + y + 25z + 7 = 0 \text{ is the required plane.}$$

Problem-4 Find the distance between the parallel lines $2x - 2y + z + 3 = 0$ and $4x - 4y + 2z + 9 = 0$. Find also the eqn of the parallel plane that lies mid-way between the given planes.

Sols: The distance between the given planes is the perpendicular distance of any point on one of the planes from the other.

A point on the first plane is $(0, 0, -3)$.

Required distance = \perp distance of $(0, 0, -3)$ from
 $4x - 4y + 2z + 9 = 0 = \frac{-6+9}{\sqrt{16+16+4}} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$

Let the equation of the parallel plane that lies mid-way between the given planes be $2x - 2y + z + k = 0$ — (1)

Now distance of any point $(0, 0, -3)$ on the first plane from (1) should be $\frac{1}{2}$

$$\therefore \pm \frac{-3+K}{\sqrt{4+4+1}} = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow K = \frac{15}{4} - \frac{9}{4}$$

Thus the required plane is $2x - 2y + z + \frac{15}{4} = 0$

Assume that $K = \frac{15}{4}$ and verify that the distance of a point on this plane $4x - 4y + 2z + 9 = 0$ is also $\frac{1}{4}$. A point on this plane is $(0, 0, -\frac{9}{4})$.

Its distance from the plane $\textcircled{1} = \frac{-9/2 + 15/4}{3} = \frac{1}{4}$
(in magnitude)

Thus $K = \frac{9}{4}$ is not admissible.

\therefore The required plane is $2x - 2y + z + \frac{15}{4} = 0$.

Problem-5 A variable plane is at a constant distance p from the origin and meets the axes at A, B, C . Find the locus of the centroid of the tetrahedron $OABC$.

Soln: As the given plane is at a \perp distance p from the origin, therefore its eqn is of the form
 $lx + my + nz = p \quad \textcircled{1}$ where l, m, n are the d.cs
 \perp the \perp from the origin.

$\textcircled{1}$ may be written as $\frac{x}{p/l} + \frac{y}{p/m} + \frac{z}{p/n} = 1$.

so that $OA = p/l, OB = p/m, OC = p/n$

$\therefore A = \left(\frac{p}{l}, 0, 0\right), B = \left(0, \frac{p}{m}, 0\right), C \left(0, 0, \frac{p}{n}\right)$

Formulae

Centroid of tetrahedron vertices are $(x_r, y_r, z_r), r=1, 2, 3, 4$

$$\left[\frac{x_r}{4}, \frac{y_r}{4}, \frac{z_r}{4} \right]$$

Thus the co-ordinates of the centroid G of tetrahedron $OABC$ are $(p/l_1, p/m_1, p/n_1)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_{1r}} + \frac{1}{y_{1r}} + \frac{1}{z_{1r}} = \frac{16}{p^2} (l^2 + m^2 + n^2) = \frac{16}{p^2}$$

$$[\because l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1]$$

Thus the locus of G are $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 16p^2$

(3)

Problem-6 A variable plane at a constant distance p from the origin meets the axes in A, B, C .
planes are drawn through A, B, C parallel to the co-ordinate planes, Show that the locus of their point of intersection is given by $\bar{x}^2 + \bar{y}^2 + \bar{z}^2 = p^2$.

Sols: Let the variable plane be $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$.

Its distance from the origin = $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}} = p$ (given)
i.e. $\bar{a}^2 + \bar{b}^2 + \bar{c}^2 = p^2$ — (1)

since $OA = a, OB = b, OC = c$
so eqns of the planes through A, B, C parallel to yz, zx and xy planes are $x = a, y = b, z = c$.
Let the point of intersection of these three planes be (x_1, y_1, z_1) . Then $x_1 = a, y_1 = b, z_1 = c$ — (2)

Putting the value from (2) in (1)

$$\bar{x}_1^2 + \bar{y}_1^2 + \bar{z}_1^2 = \bar{p}^2$$

Thus the locus of (x_1, y_1, z_1) is $\bar{x}^2 + \bar{y}^2 + \bar{z}^2 = \bar{p}^2$.

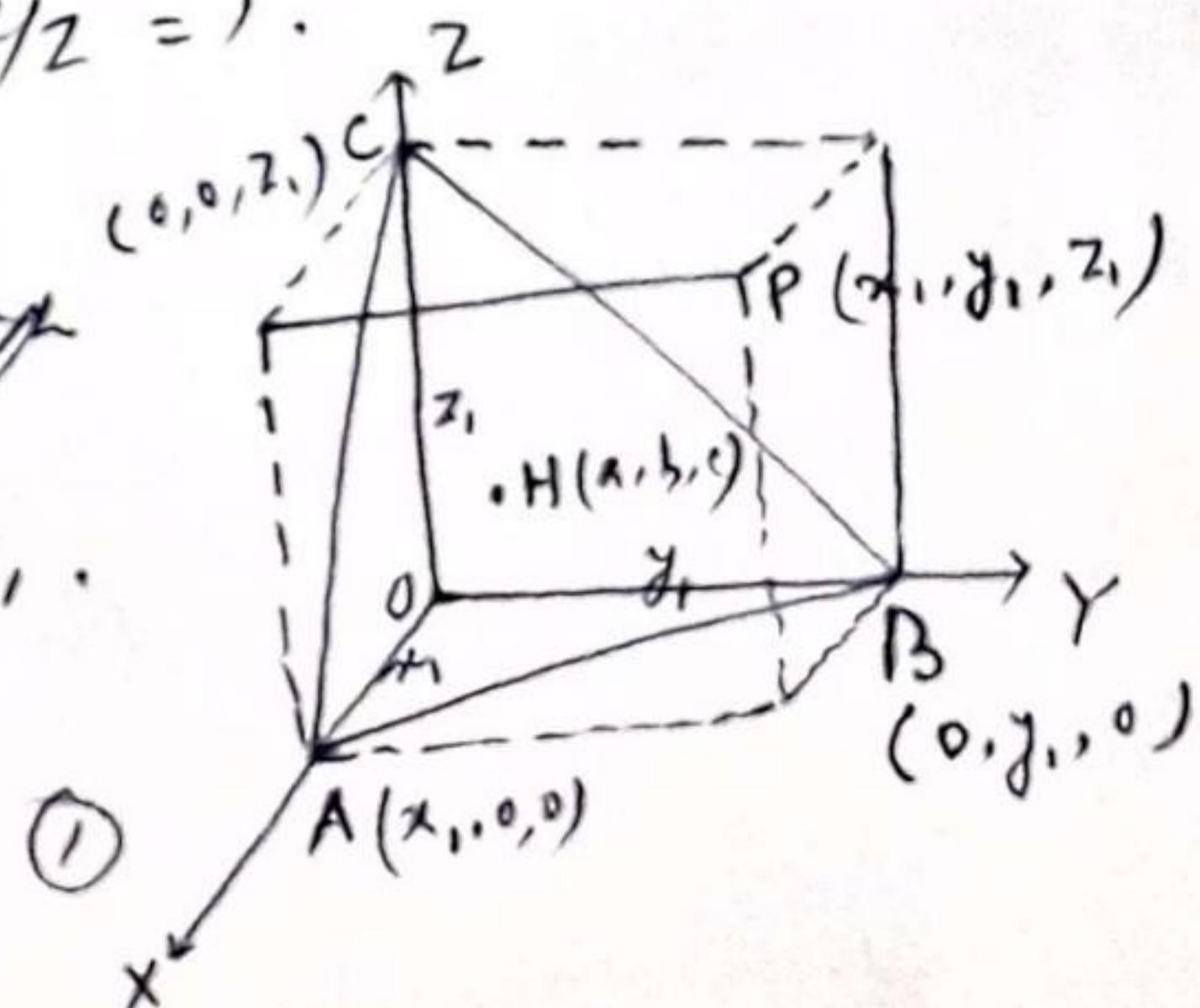
Problem-7 A variable plane passes through the fixed point (a, b, c) and meets the co-ordinate axes in A, B, C . Show that the locus of the point common to the planes through A, B, C parallel to the co-ordinate planes is $a/x + b/y + c/z = 1$.

Sols: Let ABC be any plane through the fixed point $H(a, b, c)$

$$\text{s.t. } OA = x_1, OB = y_1, OC = z_1.$$

Then its eqn is $\frac{x}{x_1} + \frac{y}{y_1} + \frac{z}{z_1} = 1$

$$1 \cdot \frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$$



The planes through A, B, C parallel to the co-ordination planes are $x = x_1$, $y = y_1$, $z = z_1$, which meet in P(x_1, y_1, z_1).

Thus changing x_1 to x , y_1 to y and z_1 to z in the locus of the P is $a/x + b/y + c/z = 1$.

Problem-8 Find the eqns to the two planes which bisect the angles between the planes $3x - 4y + 5z = 3$, $5x + 3y - 4z = 9$.

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The eqns of the planes bisecting the angles between the given planes are $\frac{3x - 4y + 5z - 3}{\sqrt{(3)^2 + (-4)^2 + (5)^2}} = \pm \frac{5x + 3y - 4z - 9}{\sqrt{(5)^2 + (3)^2 + (-4)^2}}$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 7y - 9z - 6 = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$8x - y + z - 12 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

which are the required planes.

Let θ be the angle between (1) and (2) either of the given planes

$$5x + 3y - 4z = 9$$

$$\text{Then, } \cos \theta = \frac{2 \times 5 + 7 \times 3 + (-9) \times (-4)}{\sqrt{(2)^2 + (7)^2 + (-9)^2} \sqrt{(5)^2 + (3)^2 + (-4)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{67}{5\sqrt{118}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{2211}}{67} < 1 \Rightarrow \theta < 45^\circ.$$

Now, θ is half the angle between the given planes, so that (1) bisects that angle between the planes which is $2\theta < 90^\circ$.

Hence the plane $2x + 7y - 9z = 6$ bisects the acute angle θ

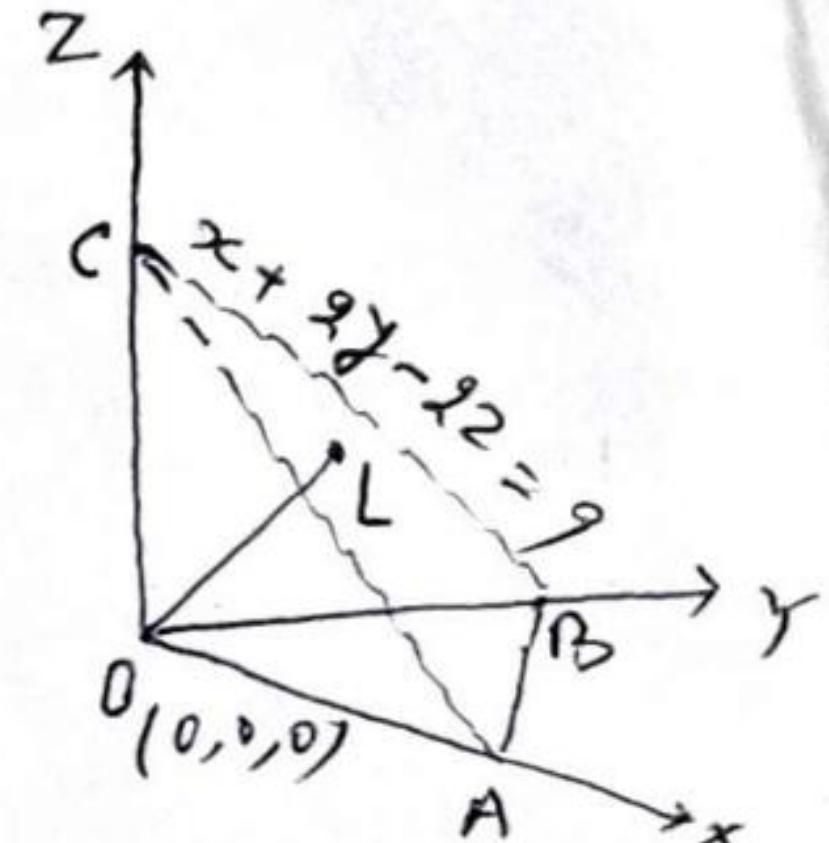
Problem-9 Find the intercepts made on the co-ordinate axes by the plane $x+2y-2z=9$ ④

Find the length of the normal from the origin to the plane $x+2y-2z=9$ and so the d.cs of the normal.

Sol: - Given $x+2y-2z=9$
 or $\frac{x}{9} + \frac{y}{9/2} + \frac{z}{-9/2} = 1$

which is of the form $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a = 9 \\ b = 9/2 \\ c = -9/2 \end{array} \right\} \text{are the intercepts on the axes.}$$



Now, From the given eqn proportional d.cs of the normal to the given plane are $1, 2, -2$.

\therefore Actual d.cs of the normal are $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2+2^2+(-2)^2}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{1^2+2^2+(-2)^2}}, -\frac{2}{\sqrt{1^2+2^2+(-2)^2}}$
 $= \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}$

Let us now write the eqn of the given plane in the normal form $lx+my+nz=p$.
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$$\text{So } \frac{x}{3} + \frac{2y}{3} - \frac{2z}{3} = \frac{9}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{3} + \frac{2y}{3} - \frac{2z}{3} = 3.$$

Hence the length of the normal from the origin to the plane is 3.

Problem-10 Find the eqn to the plane through $P(2,3,-1)$

at right angles to OP , O being the origin.

Sol: The d.cs of OP are proportional

$$\text{to } (2-0, 3-0, -1-0) \text{ i.e. } (2, 3, -1).$$

As OP is normal to the required plane,

the equation to any plane whose normal

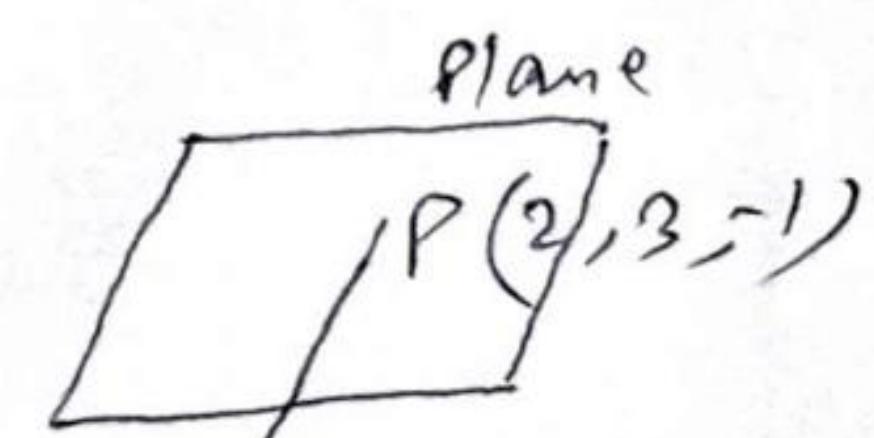
is OP can be taken as $2x+3y-2z+d=0$.

But the plane passes through $P(2,3,-1)$.

$$\text{So } 2(2)+3(3)-(-1)+d=0 \Rightarrow d=-14$$

\therefore the equation of the required plane is

$$2x+3y-2z-14=0. \quad \text{or}$$



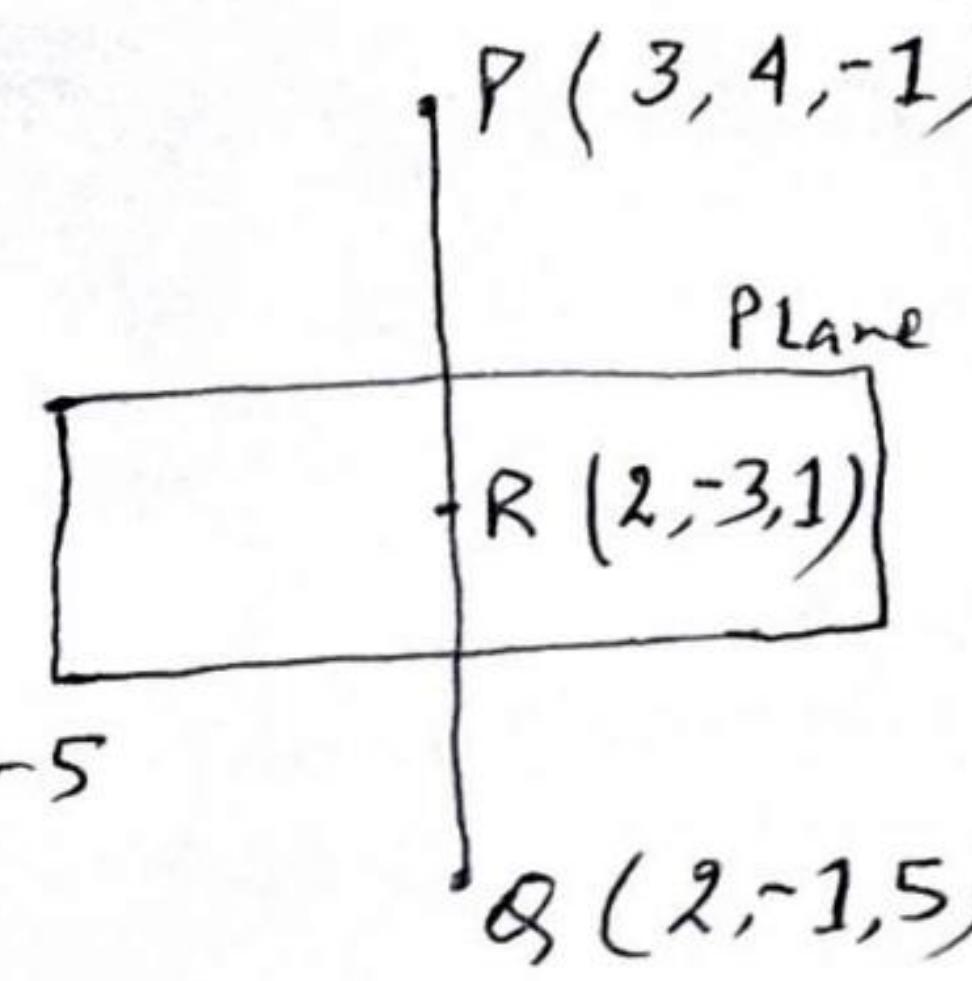
Problem-11 Find the eqn of the plane that passes through $(2, -3, 1)$ and is perpendicular to the line joining the points $(3, 4, -1)$ and $(2, -1, 5)$.

Sol: The plane is perpendicular to the line joining $P(3, 4, -1)$ and $Q(2, -1, 5)$

Proportional d.c.s of the normal PQ

to the given plane are $3-2, 4-(-1), -1-5$

i.e. $1, 5, -6$



Let the plane be $x + 5y - 6z + d = 0$ from the formula $ax + by + cz + d = 0$.

It passes through $(2, -3, 1)$ so $d = -9$

\therefore Required plane is $x + 5y - 6z - 9 = 0$

Problem-12 Show that the four points $(0, -1, -1)$, $(4, 5, 1)$, $(3, 9, 4)$ and $(-4, 4, 4)$ lie in a plane.

Sol: Let the equation of the plane be $Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$ ①

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If it goes through the points $(0, -1, 1)$, $(4, 5, 1)$, $(3, 9, 4)$

$$-B - C + D = 0 \quad \text{--- } ②$$

$$4A + 5B + C + D = 0 \quad \text{--- } ③$$

$$3A + 9B + 4C + D = 0 \quad \text{--- } ④$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{--- } ② \text{ and } ③ - ④ \\ & \Rightarrow 4A + 6B + 2C = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{--- } 2A + 3B + C = 0 \\ & \text{and } A - 4B - 3C = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solving by cross-multiplication

$$\Rightarrow \frac{A}{-5} + \frac{B}{7} = \frac{C}{-11} = K \text{ (say)}$$

$$\frac{A}{-9+4} = \frac{B}{1+6} = \frac{C}{-8-3}$$

$$\therefore A = -5K, B = 7K, C = -11K$$

$$\text{From } ② \quad D = -4K$$

Hence, from ①, the equation of the plane is

$$5x - 7y + 11z + 4 = 0$$

The fourth point $(-4, 4, 4)$ clearly lies on this plane.

Hence the given points are coplanar. ✓

Prob. (13) Prove that the points $(0, -1, 0), (2, 1, -1), (1, 1, 1), (3, 3, 0)$ are coplanar.

Prob. (14) Prove that the four points $(1, 3, -1), (3, 5, 1), (0, 2, -2), (2, 1, -2)$ are coplanar and find the eqn of the plane.

$$[Ans: 20x + 23y + 21z - 69 = 0]$$

Prob. (15) Find the eqn to the plane through the points $P(1, 1, 1), Q(3, -1, 2)$ and $R(-3, 5, -4)$.

Soln:- Let the eqn of the plane be $ax + by + cz + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$
 It passes through $P(1, 1, 1), Q(3, -1, 2)$ and $R(-3, 5, -4)$

$$\begin{cases} a + b + c + d = 0 & \text{--- (2)} \\ 3a - b + 2c + d = 0 & \text{--- (3)} \\ -3a + 5b - 4c + d = 0 & \text{--- (4)} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3) - (2) &\Rightarrow 2a - 2b + c = 0 & \text{--- (5)} \\ (3) - (4) &\Rightarrow a - b + c = 0 & \text{--- (6)} \end{aligned}$$

Solving (5) & (6) $\frac{a}{-1} = \frac{b}{-1} = \frac{c}{0} = k \text{ (say)}$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} \Rightarrow a = -k \\ b = -k \\ c = 0 \end{array} \quad \text{From (2) } d = 2k$$

Put the value of a, b, c, d in (1)
 $-kx - ky + 0 + 2k = 0 \Rightarrow x + y - 2 = 0$ \leftarrow the required
 eqn of the plane.

Prob. (16) Find the eqn of the plane passing through the intersection of the planes $x + y + z = 6$ and $2x + 3y + 4z + 5 = 0$ and the pt $(1, 1, 1)$.
 Soln: Any plane through the intersection of the given plane be

$$x + y + z - 6 + k(2x + 3y + 4z + 5) = 0$$

If it passes through $(1, 1, 1)$ so $k = 3/14$

Hence the required eqn of the plane is
 $x + y + z - 6 + \frac{3}{14}(2x + 3y + 4z + 5) = 0 \Rightarrow 20x + 23y + 26z - 69 = 0$

Prob. (17) Find the eqn of the plane through the point $(2, -1, 1)$ and the line $4x - 3y + 5 = 0 = y - 2z - 5$.

Soln:- Eqn to the plane through AB

$$4x - 3y + 5 + k(y - 2z - 5) = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

(1) passes through $P(2, -1, 1)$ so $k = 2$

Put the value of k in (1) $4x - y - 4z - 5 = 0$,

which is the required eqn of the plane.

$P(2, -1, 1)$
$A \frac{4x - 3y + 5 = 0}{= y - 2z - 5} B$

Prob-18 Find the eqn to the plane through $(1, 2, 3)$ parallel to $3x + 4y + 5z + 6 = 0$

Soln: Eqn of the plane (given)

$$3x + 4y + 5z + 6 = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$\bullet P(1, 2, 3)$

Eqn of the plane parallel to (1) is

$$3x + 4y + 5z + K = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$\boxed{\quad}$

$$3x + 4y + 5z + 6 = 0$$

Since (2) passes through $(1, 2, 3)$, so

$$3 + 8 + 15 + K = 0 \Rightarrow K = -26$$

Put the value of K in (2) $3x + 4y + 5z = 26$ is the required eqn of the plane.

Prob-19

Find the eqn of the plane through $(2, 3, -4)$ and $(1, -1, 3)$ and parallel to the x -axis.

Soln: Let the eqn of the plane be

$$ax + by + cz + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

It passes through $(2, 3, -4)$ and $(1, -1, 3)$

$$2a + 3b - 4c + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{and } a - b + 3c + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$\bullet P(2, 3, -4)$
 $\bullet Q(1, -1, 3)$

$$(2) - (3) \Rightarrow a + 4b - 7c = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Since (1) is parallel to the x -axis whose d.cs are $(1, 0, 0)$.

$$\therefore a \cdot 1 + b \cdot 0 + c \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$$

$$\therefore a \cdot 1 + b \cdot 0 + c \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow b = \frac{7}{4}c$$

Putting this value in (4) $4b - 7c = 0 \Rightarrow d = -\frac{5}{4}c$

$$\text{From (1), } 2(0) + 3\left(\frac{7}{4}c\right) - 4c + d = 0 \Rightarrow d = -\frac{5}{4}c$$

From (1), $\frac{7}{4}cy + cz - \frac{5}{4}c = 0 \Rightarrow 7y + 4z - 5c = 0$
is the required eqn of the plane

Prob. (20) Find the eqn of the plane through the point $(2, 2, 1)$ and $(9, 3, 6)$ and perpendicular to the plane $2x + 6y + 6z = 9$ (6)

Sols: Eqn of the given plane is $2x + 6y + 6z = 9 \quad \text{--- (1)}$

Let the eqn of the plane perpendicular to (1) be
 $ax + by + cz + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$

Formula $\boxed{aa_1 + bb_1 + cc_1 = 0} \Rightarrow 2a + 6b + 6c = 0 \Rightarrow a + 3b + 3c = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$

From question, (2) passes through $(2, 2, 1)$ and $(9, 3, 6)$
 $\therefore 2a + 2b + c + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)}$ and $9a + 3b + 6c + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (5)}$

$$(5) - (4) \Rightarrow 7a + b + 5c = 0 \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Solving (3) & (6): $\frac{a}{3b-f} = \frac{b}{42-10} = \frac{c}{2-42}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{a}{3} = \frac{b}{4} = \frac{c}{-5} = K \text{ (say)}$

$$\therefore a = 3K, b = 4K, c = -5K$$

Put the value in (4) $d = -9K$.

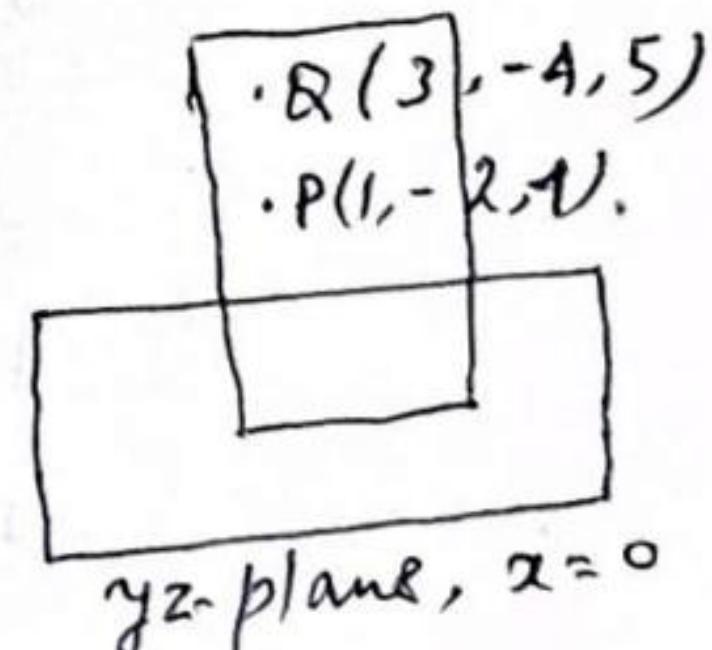
From (2) $3x + 4y - 5z = 9$ is the required eqn of the plane.

Prob. (21) Find the eqn of the plane through the points $(1, -2, 4)$ and $(3, -4, 5)$ and perpendicular to the yz -plane.

Sols: Eqn of the given yz -plane, $x=0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$

Eqn of the plane perpendicular to (1) be
 $ax + by + cz + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$

$$\text{Then } a \cdot 1 + b \cdot 0 + c \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$



Formula $\boxed{aa_1 + bb_1 + cc_1 = 0}$
 $\therefore Q$ (2) passes through the points $(1, -2, 4)$ and $(3, -4, 5)$

$$\therefore a - 2b + 4c + d = 0 \Rightarrow -2b + 4c + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{using (3).}$$

$$\text{and } 3a - 4b + 5c + d = 0 \Rightarrow -4b + 5c + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

Solving (4) and (5) $\frac{b}{4-5} = \frac{c}{-4+2} = \frac{d}{-10+16}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b}{-1} = \frac{c}{-2} = \frac{d}{6} = K \text{ (say)} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} b = -K \\ c = -2K \\ d = 6K \end{cases}$$

$\therefore y + 2z - 6 = 0$ is the required eqn of the plane.

Prob. (22) Find the eqn of the plane through the point $(-1, 3, 2)$ and perpendicular to the plane $x + 2y + 2z = 5$ and $3x + 3y + 2z = 8$.

Soln: Let the eqn of the plane be

$$ax + by + cz + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

If it passes through $(-1, 3, 2)$ then

$$-a + 3b + 2c + d = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Subtracting (2) from (1) $a(x+1) + b(y-3) + c(z-2) = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$

Since plane (3) is perpendicular to the given planes

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore a + 2b + 2c &= 0 \\ \text{and } 3a + 3b + 2c &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Solving these} \\ \text{we get} \end{array} \right. \quad \frac{a}{2} = \frac{b}{-4} = \frac{c}{3} = k \text{ (say).}$$

$$\therefore a = 2k, b = -4k, c = 3k.$$

$$\text{From (3) } 2k(x+1) - 4k(y-3) + 3k(z-2) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow 2x - 4y + 3z + 8 = 0$ is the required eqn of the plane.

H.W. Prob (23) Find the eqn of the plane through the point $(-4, 3, 7)$ and perpendicular to the planes $x + 2y + 2z = 7$ and $3x + 3y + 2z = 9$.

$$\text{Ans. } 3x + 3y + 2z = 9.$$

$$\boxed{2x - 4y + 3z - 1 = 0}$$

Prob. (24) Find the equation of the plane through the intersection of the planes $x + 2y + 3z = 4$ and $2x + y - z + 5 = 0$ and perpendicular to the plane $5x + 3y + 6z + 8 = 0$.

Soln: Any plane through the intersection of the given planes be

$$x + 2y + 3z - 4 + k(2x + y - z + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1+2k)x + (2+k)y + (3-k)z - (4-5k) = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

The plane (1) is perpendicular to the given plane

$$5x + 3y + 6z + 8 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 5(1+2k) + 3(2+k) + 6(3-k) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = -\frac{29}{7}$$

So $5(1+2k) + 3(2+k) + 6(3-k) = 0 \Rightarrow 51x + 15y - 50z + 173 = 0$

Put the value of k in (1), we get the required eqn of the plane
 $-51x - 15y + 50z - 173 = 0 \Rightarrow 51x + 15y - 50z + 173 = 0$

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