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Pure Maths - 3

Vectors

Exercise 1. Solution (Revision)

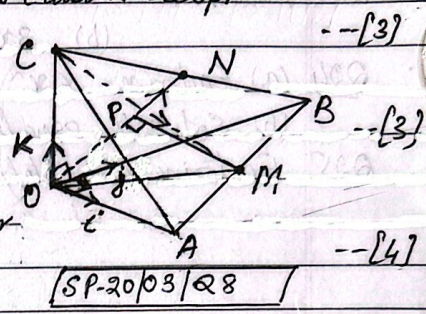
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Example 1: In the diagram, OABC is a pyramid in which OA = 2 units, OB = 4 units and OC = 2 units, the edge OC is vertical, the base OAB is horizontal and angle AOB = 90°. Unit vectors i, j, k are parallel to OA, OB and OC, respectively. The mid points of AB and BC are M and N resp.

- (a) Express the vectors \vec{ON} and \vec{CM} in terms of i, j and k.
- (b) Calculate the angle between the directions of \vec{ON} and \vec{CM} .
- (c) Show that the length of perpendicular from M to ON is $\frac{3\sqrt{5}}{5}$.



Solution: $\vec{OA} = 2i, \vec{OB} = 4j, \vec{OC} = 2k$

(a) $\vec{ON} = \vec{OC} + \vec{OB} = \frac{1}{2}(2k + 4j) = (2j + k) \checkmark$
 $\vec{OM} = \frac{\vec{OA} + \vec{OB}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(2i + 4j) = (i + 2j) \checkmark$
 $\vec{CM} = \vec{OM} - \vec{OC} = (i + 2j - 2k) \checkmark$

(b) Angle between \vec{ON} and \vec{CM} is θ .
 $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{ON} \cdot \vec{CM}}{|\vec{ON}| |\vec{CM}|} = \frac{(2j+k)(i+2j-2k)}{\sqrt{5} \sqrt{9}}$
 $= \frac{4-2}{3\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{15}$
 $\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{15}\right) = 72.7^\circ \checkmark$

(c) Let MP is perp. to ON.
 $\Rightarrow MP = \sqrt{OM^2 - ON^2} \text{ --- (1)}$
 Projection of \vec{OM} on $\vec{ON} = OP$
 $= \frac{\vec{OM} \cdot \vec{ON}}{|\vec{ON}| \sqrt{5}}$
 $OP = \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}} \checkmark$

In Δ Triangle OPM
 $MP = \sqrt{OM^2 - OP^2}$
 $= \sqrt{5 - \frac{16}{5}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}}$
 Req perp. distance = $\frac{3\sqrt{5}}{5} \checkmark$

Example 2:

In the diagram, $OABCDEFG$ is a cuboid in which $OA=2$ units,

$OC=3$ units and $OD=2$ units.

Unit vectors i, j and k are

parallel to OA, OC and OD ,

respectively. The point M on AB is such that $MB=2AM$.

The mid point of FG is N .

(a) Express the vectors \vec{OM} and \vec{MN} in terms of i, j and k . -- [3]

(b) Find a vector equation for the line through M and N . -- [2]

(c) Find the position vector of P , the foot of perpendicular from D to the line through M and N . -- [4]

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Solution:

(a) $\vec{AM} = \frac{1}{3} \vec{AB} = \frac{1}{3} \times 3j = j$

$\vec{OM} = \vec{OA} + \vec{AM} = (2i + j) \checkmark \text{--- (1)}$

$\vec{OF} = 2i + 3j + 2k; \vec{OG} = 3j + 2k$

$\Rightarrow \vec{ON} = \frac{1}{2} (\vec{OF} + \vec{OG})$

$= \frac{1}{2} (2i + 6j + 4k)$

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

for (1) and (2) $\vec{MN} = \vec{ON} - \vec{OM} = (-i + 2j + 2k) \checkmark$

(b) Vector Eqn of line MN .

$\vec{r} = \vec{OM} + \lambda (\vec{MN})$

$\vec{r} = (2i + j) + \lambda (-i + 2j + 2k) \checkmark \text{--- (3)}$

(c) Any point P on MN for (3)

$\vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda \\ 1+2\lambda \\ 2\lambda \end{pmatrix} \text{--- (4)}$

$\vec{OD} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{--- (5)}$

for (4) & (5) $\vec{DP} = \vec{OP} - \vec{OD}$
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda \\ 1+2\lambda \\ -2+2\lambda \end{pmatrix} \text{--- (6)}$

Now $\vec{DP} \perp \vec{MN}$

$\Rightarrow \vec{DP} \cdot \vec{MN} = 0$

$\begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda \\ 1+2\lambda \\ -2+2\lambda \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$

$\Rightarrow -2 + \lambda + 2 + 4\lambda - 4 + 4\lambda = 0$

$-4 + 9\lambda = 0$

$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{4}{9}$

\therefore from (4) put $\lambda = \frac{4}{9}$

$\vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 - \frac{4}{9} \\ 1 + 2 \times \frac{4}{9} \\ 2 \times \frac{4}{9} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{14}{9} \\ \frac{17}{9} \\ \frac{8}{9} \end{pmatrix}$

$\vec{OP} = \frac{14}{9}i + \frac{17}{9}j + \frac{8}{9}k \checkmark$

3. Two lines have equations; $r = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $q = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

(a) Show that the lines are skew. ---[5]

(b) Find the acute angle between the directions of the two lines. ---[3]

[M-21/32/Q7]

Solution(a). To show lines are skew $\begin{cases} \rightarrow \text{Non-parallel} \\ \rightarrow \text{Non-intersecting} \end{cases}$

The lines are not parallel as their directions are not proportional, $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \neq k \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}; k \neq 0$

Now for the intersection of L_1 and L_2 .

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1+2s \\ 3-s \\ 2+3s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2+t \\ 1+t \\ 4+4t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 1+2s = 2+t & \text{--- ①} \\ 3-s = 1+t & \text{--- ②} \\ 2+3s = 4+4t & \text{--- ③} \end{cases}$$

Solving equations ① & ② $\Rightarrow s = -1, t = -3$ ✓

but $s = -1$ and $t = -3$ in ③ $\Rightarrow 4 \times (-3) = 3(-1) - 2 \Rightarrow -12 = -5$ false ✓

\therefore Two lines have no point in common.

\therefore Two lines are skew lines.

(b) To find the acute angle between the two lines:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|}$$

$$\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}; \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \times 1 + (-1) \times 1 + 3 \times 4 = 2 + 1 + 12 = 15 \checkmark$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{4+1+9} = \sqrt{14} \text{ and } |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{1+1+16} = \sqrt{18}$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} = \frac{15}{\sqrt{14} \cdot \sqrt{18}} = \frac{15}{\sqrt{252}} = 0.9449$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} 0.9449 = \underline{19.1^\circ} \checkmark$$

4. The points A and B have position vectors $2i+j+k$ and $i-2j+2k$ respectively. The line l has vector equation, $r = (i+2j-3k) + \mu(i-3j-2k)$ --- [3]

- (a) Find the vector equation for the line through A and B
- (b) Find the acute angle between the directions of AB and l , giving your answer in degrees. --- [3]
- (c) Show that the line through A and B does not intersect the line l . --- [4]

[M-22/32/Q10]

Solution: $\vec{OA} = (2i+j+k)$, $\vec{OB} = (i-2j+2k) \Rightarrow \vec{AB} = (-i-3j+k)$ --- (1)
 \therefore Equation of line AB: $r = \vec{OA} + \lambda \vec{AB}$
 $\Rightarrow r = (2i+j+k) + \lambda(-i-3j+k)$ --- (2)

(b) $l: r = (i+2j-3k) + \mu(i-3j-2k)$ --- (3)

Angle θ between \vec{AB} and l
 { direction of \vec{AB} ; $\vec{V}_1 = (-i-3j+k)$
 direction of l ; $\vec{V}_2 = (i-3j-2k)$
 $|\vec{V}_1| = \sqrt{1^2+3^2+1^2} = \sqrt{11}$
 $|\vec{V}_2| = \sqrt{1^2+3^2+2^2} = \sqrt{14}$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{V}_1 \cdot \vec{V}_2}{|\vec{V}_1| |\vec{V}_2|}$$

$$= \frac{(-i-3j+k) \cdot (i-3j-2k)}{\sqrt{11} \sqrt{14}} = \frac{-1+9-2}{\sqrt{11} \sqrt{14} \sqrt{154}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{154}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{6}{\sqrt{154}} \right) = \cos^{-1}(0.4839) = 61.086^\circ$$

(c) Any point of line AB = $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda \\ 1-3\lambda \\ 1+\lambda \end{pmatrix}$ --- (4)

Any point of line $l = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+\mu \\ 2-3\mu \\ -3-2\mu \end{pmatrix}$ --- (5)

from (4) and (5)

for AB and l to intersect $\begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda \\ 1-3\lambda \\ 1+\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+\mu \\ 2-3\mu \\ -3-2\mu \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} \lambda + \mu = 1 & \text{--- (6)} \\ -3\lambda + 3\mu = 1 & \text{--- (7)} \\ \lambda + 2\mu = -4 & \text{--- (8)} \end{matrix}$

Solving (6) & (7), $\lambda = \frac{1}{3}, \mu = \frac{2}{3}$

but $\lambda = \frac{1}{3}, \mu = \frac{2}{3}$ in (8) $\Rightarrow \frac{5}{3} = -4$ false.

\therefore Equations (6), (7), (8) are not consistent \Rightarrow lines AB and l do not intersect.

5. With respect to the origin O, the points A, B, C and D have position vectors:
 $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{OD} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$.

- (a) Find the obtuse angle between the vectors \vec{OA} and \vec{OB} . --- [3]
 The line l passes through the points A and B.
 (b) Find the vector equation for the line l. --- [2]
 (c) Find the position vector of the point of intersection of the line l and the line passing through C and D. --- [1]

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Solution: $\vec{OA} \cdot \vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = 3 - 2 - 6 = -5$

(a) $|\vec{OA}| = \sqrt{3^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{14}$

$|\vec{OB}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-3)^2} = \sqrt{14}$

angle 'θ' between \vec{OA} and \vec{OB} :

$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{OA} \cdot \vec{OB}}{|\vec{OA}| \cdot |\vec{OB}|} = \frac{-5}{\sqrt{14} \cdot \sqrt{14}} = \frac{-5}{14}$

$\theta = \pi - 1.205 = -\cos^{-1} 205$

$\theta = 1.94$ radians ✓

(b) $\vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$

Equation of line l (\vec{AB})

$\vec{r} = \vec{OA} + \lambda \vec{AB}$ ✓

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

(c) Any point on line $\vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 3-2\lambda \\ -1+3\lambda \\ 2-5\lambda \end{pmatrix}$ --- (1)

Equation of line CD

$\vec{r} = \vec{OC} + \mu \vec{CD}$

$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$

Any point on $\vec{CD} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+4\mu \\ -2-4\mu \\ 5+6\mu \end{pmatrix}$ --- (2)

for the point of intersection of lines l and CD; from (1) & (2)

$\begin{pmatrix} 3-2\lambda \\ -1+3\lambda \\ 2-5\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+4\mu \\ -2-4\mu \\ 5+6\mu \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow 3-2\lambda = 1+4\mu \Rightarrow 2\lambda + 4\mu = 2$ --- (3)

$-1+3\lambda = -2-4\mu \Rightarrow 3\lambda + 4\mu = -1$ --- (4)

$2-5\lambda = 5+6\mu \Rightarrow 5\lambda + 6\mu = -3$ --- (5)

Solving (3) & (4) $\lambda = -3$ and $\mu = 2$ --- (6)

for $\lambda = -3$ and $\mu = 2$ put in (5)

$5(-3) + 6(2) = -3$ True

Hence the lines intersect

put $\lambda = -3$ in (1) (or $\mu = 2$ in (2))

$\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ -10 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix}$ ✓

∴ Required Point of Intersection = $9i - 10j + 17k$ ✓

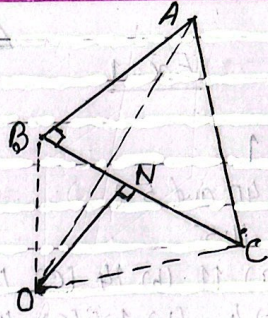
$\vec{CD} = \vec{OD} - \vec{OC}$
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$

Example 6: With respect to the origin O , the vertices of a triangle ABC have position vectors, $\vec{OA} = 2\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{k}$
 $\vec{OB} = 3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$, $\vec{OC} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$.

(a) Using a scalar product, show that angle ABC is a right angle.

(b) Show that triangle ABC is isosceles.

(c) Find the exact length of perpendicular from O to the line through B and C .



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Solution: $\vec{OA} = 2\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{k}$, $\vec{OB} = 3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$, $\vec{OC} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$

(a) $\vec{BA} = \vec{OA} - \vec{OB} = (2\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{k}) - (3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}) = (-\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k})$

$$\vec{BC} = \vec{OC} - \vec{OB} = (\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}) - (3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}) = (-2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$$

$$\text{Now } \vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC} = (-\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}) \cdot (-2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$$

$$= (-1)(-2) + (-2)(-1) + (2)(-2)$$

$$= 2 + 2 - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow \text{angle } ABC \text{ is a right angle.} \checkmark$$

(b) $|\vec{BA}| = |-\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} = 3$ — ①

$$|\vec{BC}| = | -2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k} | = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 2^2} = 3$$
 — ②

from ① & ② Sides $BA = BC$

hence triangle ABC is isosceles. \checkmark

(c) Let $\vec{ON} \perp \vec{BC}$ Req. is the length $ON = ?$

$$\text{Projection of } \vec{OC} \text{ on } \vec{BC} = \frac{|\vec{OC} \cdot \vec{BC}|}{|\vec{BC}|} = \frac{|(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}) \cdot (-2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})|}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 2^2}}$$

$$\text{or } |\vec{NC}| =$$

$$= \frac{|(-2 - 1 - 2)|}{3} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{and } |\vec{OC}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3}$$

In rt. triangle ONC .

$$ON = \sqrt{OC^2 - NC^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(\sqrt{3})^2 - \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{3 - \frac{25}{9}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{9}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \checkmark$$

Example 7: With respect to the origin O , the points A and B have position vectors given by $\vec{OA} = 6\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$ and $\vec{OB} = 2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$. The mid point of OA is M . The point N lying on AB , between A and B , is such that $AN = 2NB$.

- (a) Find a vector equation for the line through M and N . --- [5]
 The line through M and N intersects the line through O and B at the point P .
- (b) Find the position vector of P . --- [3]
- (c) Calculate angle OPM , giving your answer in degrees. -- [3]

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Solution (a) $\vec{OA} = 6\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$, $\vec{OB} = 2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$.

M is the mid point of OA .

$$\vec{OM} = (3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}) \quad \checkmark \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} = (-4\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{k})$$

$$\vec{BA} = (4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{k})$$

$$\vec{BN} = \frac{1}{3}\vec{BA} = \left(\frac{4}{3}\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{k}\right)$$

$$\vec{ON} = \vec{OB} + \vec{BN}$$

$$= (2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}) + \left(\frac{4}{3}\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{k}\right)$$

$$\vec{ON} = \left(\frac{10}{3}\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}\right) \quad \checkmark \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\vec{MN} = \vec{ON} - \vec{OM}$$

$$= \left(\frac{10}{3}\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}\right) - (3\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{j})$$

$$= \left(\frac{10}{3}\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}\right) \quad \checkmark$$

\therefore Equation of Line MN

$$\vec{r} = \vec{OM} + \lambda \vec{MN}$$

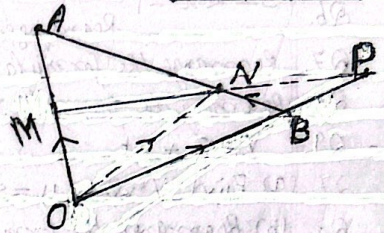
$$= (3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}) + \lambda \left(\frac{10}{3}\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}\right) \quad \checkmark \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

(b) Equation of OB , $\vec{r} = \mu(2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k})$ --- (4)

for the point of intersection of MN and OB

fr (3) & (4)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 + \frac{10}{3}\lambda \\ 1 + \lambda \\ 2\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\mu \\ 2\mu \\ 3\mu \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$



from (5)

$$1 + \lambda = 2\mu = 2\mu - \lambda = 1 \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

$$\text{and } 2\lambda = 3\mu \Rightarrow \mu = \frac{2}{3}\lambda \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

sub (6) and (7) $\lambda = 3, \mu = 2$

fr (5)

$$\vec{OP} = (4\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}) \quad \checkmark$$

(c) angle $OPM = \theta$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{PO} \cdot \vec{PN}}{|\vec{PO}| |\vec{NM}|} = \frac{\vec{PO} \cdot \vec{NM}}{|\vec{PO}| |\vec{NM}|}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{4}{3} + 4 + 12}{\sqrt{\frac{4}{9} + 1 + 4} \sqrt{16 + 16 + 36}}$$

$$= \frac{52/3}{\sqrt{\frac{46}{9} + 68}} = \frac{17.33}{18.64}$$

$$\cos \theta = 0.9297$$

$$\theta = 21.6^\circ \quad \checkmark$$

Example 8. Relative to the origin O , the points A, B and D have position vectors given by;

$$\vec{OA} = i + 2j + k, \quad \vec{OB} = 2i + 5j + 3k \text{ and } \vec{OD} = 3i + 2k$$

A fourth point C is such that $ABCD$ is a parallelogram.

(a) Find the position vector of C and verify that the parallelogram is not a rhombus. --- [5]

(b) Find the angle BAD , giving your answer in degrees. --- [3]

(c) Find the area of the parallelogram correct to 3 s.f. --- [2]

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Solution (a) $\vec{OA} = i + 2j + k, \vec{OB} = 2i + 5j + 3k$

$$\vec{OD} = 3i + 2k, \text{ let } \vec{OC} = (ai + bj + ck)$$

$$\vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} = (i + 3j + 2k)$$

$$\vec{DC} = \vec{OC} - \vec{OD} = ((a-3)i + bj + (c-2)k)$$

for given $ABCD$ is a parallelogram.

$$\vec{DC} = \vec{AB}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a-3 \\ b \\ c-2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a-3=1 \\ b=3 \\ c-2=2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} AB = \sqrt{14} \\ AD = 3 \\ AB \neq AD \end{cases}$$

$\therefore \vec{OC} = 4i + 3j + 4k$ ✓ $\therefore ABCD$ is not a rhombus

(b) let angle $BAD = \theta$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{AD}}{|\vec{AB}| |\vec{AD}|} = \frac{(i + 3j + 2k) \cdot (2i - 2j + k)}{\sqrt{1^2 + 3^2 + 2^2} \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + 1^2}}$$

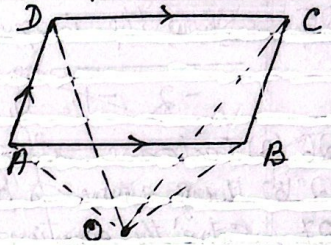
$$\cos \theta = \frac{2 + 6 + 2}{\sqrt{14} \sqrt{9}} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{126}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-2}{11.22} = -0.1781$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}(-0.1781)$$

$$= 180 - (79.74)$$

$$\theta = 100.3^\circ$$



(c) Area of Parallelogram $ABCD$

$$= AB \times AD \sin \theta$$

$$= \sqrt{14} \times 3 \times \sin 100.3^\circ$$

$$= 11.89 \text{ unit} \checkmark$$

$$= 11 \checkmark$$

9. With respect to the origin O , the points A and B have position vectors given by: $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ and the line l has equation: $\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- (a) Find the acute angle between the lines AB and l . [4]
- (b) Find the position vector of the point P on l such that $AP = BP$. [5]

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Solution: (a) $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ (1)

Line l : $\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (2)

Angle between the lines AB & l , θ

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2}{|\vec{v}_1| |\vec{v}_2|} = \frac{\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 3^2}}$$

$$|\vec{v}_2| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{14} \cdot \sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{(2 + 2 - 3)}{\sqrt{84}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{84}}$$

$$\cos \theta = 0.1091$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}(0.1091) = \underline{83.7^\circ}$$

(b) Any point P on l ;

$$\vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 2+\lambda \\ 3-2\lambda \\ 1+\lambda \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{AP} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+\lambda \\ 1-2\lambda \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{BP} = \begin{pmatrix} -1+\lambda \\ 2-2\lambda \\ 3+\lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Given } |\vec{AP}| = |\vec{BP}|$$

$$\Rightarrow AP^2 = BP^2$$

$$(1+\lambda)^2 + (1-2\lambda)^2 + \lambda^2 = (-1+\lambda)^2 + (2-2\lambda)^2 + (3+\lambda)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 + 6\lambda^2 - 2\lambda = 14 + 6\lambda^2 - 2\lambda$$

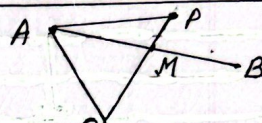
$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda = 12 \Rightarrow \lambda = 6$$

$$\text{From } \vec{OP} = (8i - 9j + 7k)$$

- 10 With respect to the origin O , the points A and B have position vectors given by $\vec{OA} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j}$ and $\vec{OB} = \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$.
- (a) Show that $OA = OB$ and use a scalar product to calculate angle AOB in degrees. ---[4]
- (b) The mid point of AB is M . The point P on the line through O and M is such that $PA : OA = \sqrt{7} : 1$.
- (b) Find the position vectors of P . ---[6]

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Solution (a) $\vec{OA} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j}$ --- (1) $\Rightarrow OA = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{5}$
 $\vec{OB} = \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$ --- (2) $\Rightarrow OB = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{5}$
 $\therefore OA = OB = \sqrt{5}$ ✓
 $\cos AOB = \frac{\vec{OA} \cdot \vec{OB}}{|\vec{OA}| |\vec{OB}|} = \frac{(2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \cdot (\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})}{\sqrt{5} \cdot \sqrt{5}}$
 $= \frac{0 - 1 + 0}{5} = -0.2$
 $\therefore \text{Angle } AOB = 180 - 78.46 = \underline{101.5^\circ}$

(b) 
 $\vec{OM} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{OA} + \vec{OB}) = \frac{1}{2}(2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k})$
 $\Rightarrow \vec{OM} = \hat{i} - \hat{k}$ --- (3)

P lies on \vec{OM} :
 $\Rightarrow \vec{OP} = \lambda(\hat{i} - \hat{k})$ --- (4)
 $\vec{PA} = (2 - \lambda)\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$
 $|\vec{PA}| = \sqrt{(2 - \lambda)^2 + 1^2 + \lambda^2}$
 $|\vec{PA}|^2 = (2\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 5)$ --- (5)
 and $OA^2 = 5$ --- (6)

Given $PA : OA = \sqrt{7} : 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{PA^2}{OA^2} = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 5}{5} = 7 \Rightarrow 2\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 5 = 35$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2\lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 30 = 0 \\ \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 15 = 0 \\ (\lambda - 5)(\lambda + 3) = 0 \\ \lambda = 5, \lambda = -3 \end{array} \right.$$

from (4)

(i) for $\lambda = 5$

$$\vec{PA} = (5\hat{i} - 5\hat{k}) \checkmark$$

and for $\lambda = -3$

$$\vec{PA} = (-3\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) \checkmark$$

11 The quadrilateral ABCD is a trapezium in which AB and DC are parallel. With respect to the origin O, the position vectors of A, B and C are given by $\vec{OA} = -i + 2j + 3k$, $\vec{OB} = i + 3j + k$ and $\vec{OC} = 2i + 2j - 3k$

- (a) Given that $\vec{DC} = 3\vec{AB}$, find the position vector of D. ---[3]
 (b) State a vector equation for the line through A and B. ---[1]
 (c) Find the distance between the parallel sides and hence find the area of the trapezium. ---[5]

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Solution: $\vec{OA} = -i + 2j + 3k$; $\vec{OB} = i + 3j + k$, $\vec{OC} = 2i + 2j - 3k$

(a) $\vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} = 2i + j - 2k$ and $\vec{DC} = 3\vec{AB}$
 Let the position vector of D, $\vec{OD} = (ai + bj + ck)$ --- (2)

$\Rightarrow \vec{DC} = (2-a)i + (2-b)j + (-3-c)k$ --- (3)

Given $\vec{DC} = 3\vec{AB} \Rightarrow (2-a)i + (2-b)j + (-3-c)k = 3(2i + j - 2k)$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2-a=6 & \Rightarrow a=-4 \\ 2-b=3 & \Rightarrow b=-1 \\ -3-c=-6 & c=3 \end{cases}$$

\therefore from (2) position vector of D,

$\vec{OD} = -4i - j + 3k$ --- (4)

(b) Vector equation of line AB, $\vec{r} = \vec{OA} + \lambda(\vec{AB})$

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

(c) Let 'P' is any point of AB $\rightarrow \vec{OP} = (-1 + 2\lambda, 2 + \lambda, 3 - 2\lambda)$

$\vec{OC} = (2i + 2j - 3k)$

$\Rightarrow \vec{PC} = (3 - 2\lambda, -\lambda, -6 + 2\lambda)$ --- (6)

for $\vec{PC} \perp \vec{AB} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3-2\lambda \\ -\lambda \\ -6+2\lambda \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow 6-4\lambda - \lambda + 12-4\lambda = 0$

$\vec{PC} \cdot \vec{AB} = 0 \Rightarrow -9\lambda = -18 \Rightarrow \lambda = 2$ ✓

for $\lambda = 2$, $\vec{PC} = (-i - 2j - 2k)$ (distance between the

$\therefore |\vec{PC}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} = 3$ (parallel lines AB & DC).

$|\vec{AB}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 2^2} = 3$; $|\vec{DC}| = 3|\vec{AB}| = 3 \times 3 = 9$ ✓

\therefore Area of Trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times (3+9) = 18$ sq units.

- 12 The diagram OABCDEF is a cuboid in which $OA=2$ units, $OC=4$ and $OG=2$ units.

Unit vectors i, j, k are parallel to OA, OC and OG respectively.

The point M is the midpoint of DF .
The point N is on AB such that

$$AN = 3NB,$$

- (a) Express the vectors \vec{OM} and \vec{MN} in terms of i, j and k [3]
(b) Find a vector equation for the line through M and N [2]
(c) Show that the length of perpendicular from O to the line through M and N is $\frac{\sqrt{53}}{6}$ [4]

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Solution:

$$\vec{OM} = \vec{OD} + \vec{OF}$$

$$= (2i + 2k) + (4j + 2k)$$

$$\vec{OM} = i + 2j + 2k \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now:

$$\vec{MN} = \vec{ON} - \vec{OM}$$

$$(\vec{AN} = \frac{3}{4}\vec{AB}) \Rightarrow \vec{ON} = (2i + 3j) - (i + 2j + 2k)$$

$$= i + j - 2k \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

(b) Vector equation of line $\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda\vec{v}$

Vector equation of MN

$$\vec{r} = \vec{ON} + \lambda\vec{MN} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

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

(c) Let \vec{OP} is perpendicular to \vec{MN}

P is the foot of perp. on MN

$$\vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 2+\lambda \\ 3+\lambda \\ -2\lambda \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} P \text{ lies on } \vec{MN} \\ \text{from (3)} \end{array} \right] \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$\vec{OP} \perp \vec{MN} = \vec{OP} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

$$\vec{v} = (i + j - 2k)$$

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

$$6\lambda + 5 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{5}{6}$$

from (4)

$$\vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 - 5/6 \\ 3 - 5/6 \\ -2 \cdot (-5/6) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7/6 \\ 13/6 \\ 10/6 \end{pmatrix}$$

\therefore length $OP = |\vec{OP}|$

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{7}{6}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{13}{6}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{10}{6}\right)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{318}{36}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{53}}{6} \quad \checkmark$$

13. The lines l and m have vector equations:
 $\vec{r} = -i + 3j + 4k + \lambda(2i - j - k)$ and $\vec{r} = 5i + 4j + 3k + \mu(a i + b j + k)$
 respectively, where a and b are constants.
- (a) Given l and m intersect, show that $2b - a = 4$ --- [4]
 (b) Given also that l and m are perpendicular, find the values of a and b . [4]
 (c) When a and b have these values, find the position vector of the point of intersection of l and m . --- [9]

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Solution: $l: \vec{r} = -i + 3j + 4k + \lambda(2i - j - k)$ --- (1) any point on $l: \begin{pmatrix} -1+2\lambda \\ 3-\lambda \\ 4-\lambda \end{pmatrix}$ --- (3)
 $m: \vec{r} = 5i + 4j + 3k + \mu(a i + b j + k)$ --- (2) any point of $m: \begin{pmatrix} 5+a\mu \\ 4+b\mu \\ 3+\mu \end{pmatrix}$ --- (4)

Now for l and m to intersect,

from (3) & (4) $\begin{pmatrix} -1+2\lambda \\ 3-\lambda \\ 4-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5+a\mu \\ 4+b\mu \\ 3+\mu \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} -1+2\lambda = 5+a\mu & 2\lambda - a\mu = 6 \text{ --- (5)} \\ 3-\lambda = 4+b\mu & -\lambda - b\mu = 1 \text{ --- (6)} \\ 4-\lambda = 3+\mu & \lambda + \mu = 1 \text{ --- (7)} \end{cases}$

Equation (5) + 2*(6) $\Rightarrow -\mu(a+2b) = 8 \Rightarrow \mu(a+2b) = -4$ --- (8)

(6) + (7) $\Rightarrow \mu(1-b) = 2 \Rightarrow \mu = \frac{2}{1-b}$ --- (9)

from (8) & (9) $\frac{2}{1-b}(a+2b) = -4 \Rightarrow a+2b = -4(1-b)$
 $\Rightarrow a+2b = -4+4b$

$\Rightarrow 2b - a = 4$ ✓ --- (10)

(b) $l \perp m \Rightarrow (2i - j - k) \cdot (a i + b j + k) = 0 \Rightarrow 2a - b - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow b = 2a - 1$ --- (11)
 for (10) and (11) $2(2a-1) - a = 4 \Rightarrow 3a = 6 \Rightarrow a = 2$ ✓
 for (11) $b = 2 \times 2 - 1 = 3$ ✓

(c) from (9) $\mu = \frac{2}{1-b} = \frac{2}{1-3} = -1$ (for $b=3$)

from (7) $\lambda + \mu = 1 \Rightarrow \lambda - 1 = 1 \Rightarrow \lambda = 2$ ✓ ($\mu = -1$)

put $\lambda = 2$ in (3) point of intersection = $\begin{pmatrix} -1+4 \\ 3-2 \\ 4-2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

The position vector of the point of intersection of l and m is, $(3i + j + 2k)$

14 With respect to the origin O , the point A has position vector given by $\vec{OA} = i + 5j + 6k$. The line l has vector equation:
 $\vec{r} = 4i + k + \lambda(-i + 2j + 3k)$

- (a) Find in degrees the acute angle between the directions of \vec{OA} and l [3]
 (b) Find the position vector of the foot of perpendicular from A to l [4]
 (c) Hence find the position vectors of the reflection of A in l [2]

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Solution: $\vec{OA} = i + 5j + 6k$... (1)

(a) line l : $\vec{r} = 4i + k + \lambda(-i + 2j + 3k)$... (2) [$\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \lambda\vec{v}$]

angle θ , between \vec{OA} & l : $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{OA} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{OA}| |\vec{v}|} = \frac{(i + 5j + 6k) \cdot (-i + 2j + 3k)}{\sqrt{1^2 + 5^2 + 6^2} \cdot \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}}$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{-1 + 10 + 18}{\sqrt{62} \sqrt{14}} = \frac{27}{\sqrt{868}} = 0.9164$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} 0.9164 = 23.6^\circ \checkmark$$

(b) Any point P on line l

$P(4 - \lambda, 2\lambda, 1 + 3\lambda)$ and $A(1, 5, 6)$... (3)

$\Rightarrow \vec{AP}$ has components $(3 - \lambda, -5 + 2\lambda, -5 + 3\lambda)$

$\vec{AP} \perp$ line $l \Rightarrow \vec{AP} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (3 - \lambda, -5 + 2\lambda, -5 + 3\lambda) \cdot (-1, 2, 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -3 + \lambda - 10 + 4\lambda - 15 + 9\lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 14\lambda - 28 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 2$$

for $\lambda = 2 \Rightarrow$ from (3) $\vec{OP} = (4 - 2)i + 2 \times 2j + (1 + 3 \times 2)k = 2i + 4j + 7k \checkmark$

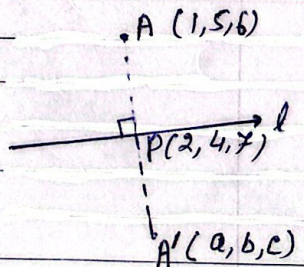
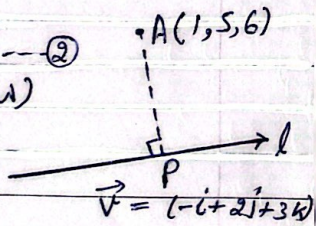
(c) $A(1, 5, 6)$, $P(2, 4, 7)$

let $A'(a, b, c)$ be reflection A in l .

Then P is the mid point of AA' .

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{a+1}{2} = 2 \\ \frac{b+5}{2} = 4 \\ \frac{c+6}{2} = 7 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = 3 \\ b = 3 \\ c = 8 \end{cases}$$

\therefore position vector of A' is $i + 3j + 8k \checkmark$



15 Relative to the origin O , the point A, B and C have position vectors given by $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$.

The quadrilateral $ABCD$ is a parallelogram.

- (a) Find the position vector of D . ---[3]
 (b) The angle between BA and BC is θ ; Find the exact value of $\cos \theta$. ---[3]
 (c) Hence find the area of $ABCD$, answer in the form $p\sqrt{q}$; p, q are integers. [S-23/31/26] ---[4]

Solution: Let $\vec{OD} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$

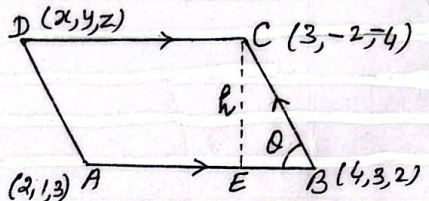
(a) $ABCD$ is a parallelogram $\rightarrow \vec{AB} = \vec{DC}$ --- (1)

$$\vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 4-2 \\ 3-1 \\ 2-3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ \& } \vec{DC} = \begin{pmatrix} 3-x \\ -2-y \\ -4-z \end{pmatrix}$$

from (1) $\vec{DC} = \vec{AB} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3-x \\ -2-y \\ -4-z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow 3-x=2 \Rightarrow x=1, \quad -2-y=2 \Rightarrow y=-4 \\ \text{and } -4-z=-1 \Rightarrow z=-3$$

$$\therefore \vec{OD} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = (i - 4j - 3k) \checkmark$$



(b) $\vec{BA} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC} = 2 + 10 - 6 = 6 \checkmark$$

$$|\vec{BA}| = \sqrt{4+4+1} = 3 \text{ \& } |\vec{BC}| = \sqrt{1+25+36} = \sqrt{62} \text{ --- (2)}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC}}{|\vec{BA}| |\vec{BC}|} = \frac{6}{3 \times \sqrt{62}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{62}} \checkmark \text{ --- (3)}$$

(c) Area of parallelogram = $BA \times h$

from (2) $= |\vec{BA}| \cdot |\vec{BC}| \sin \theta$

$$= 3 \times \sqrt{62} \times \frac{\sqrt{58}}{\sqrt{62}}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{3\sqrt{58} \checkmark}}$$

from (3) $\cos \theta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{62}}$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta} \\ = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4}{62}} = \sqrt{\frac{58}{62}} = \frac{\sqrt{58}}{\sqrt{62}}$$

- 16 The points A and B have position vectors $i+2j-2k$ and $2i-j+k$ respectively. The line l has equation $r = i-j+3k + \mu(2i-3j+4k)$.
- (a) Show that l does not intersect the line passing through A and B. ---[5]
 (b) Find the position vector of the foot of perpendicular from A to l . ---[4]

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Solution: Line $l: r = i-j+3k + \mu(2i-3j+4k)$ (1)

$$\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}; \vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}; \vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Equation of line } \vec{AB} \Rightarrow \vec{r} = \vec{OA} + \lambda \vec{AB}$$

$$\text{Eqn of } \vec{AB}: \vec{r} = (i+2j-2k) + \lambda(i-3j+3k) \text{ --- (2)}$$

$$\text{Any point on line } \vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+\lambda \\ 2-3\lambda \\ -2+3\lambda \end{pmatrix} \text{ --- (3)}$$

$$\text{Any point of line } l = \begin{pmatrix} 1+2\mu \\ -1-3\mu \\ 3+4\mu \end{pmatrix} \text{ --- (4)}$$

In case line \vec{AB} and line l intersect:

$$\text{from (3) \& (4)} \begin{pmatrix} 1+\lambda \\ 2-3\lambda \\ -2+3\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+2\mu \\ -1-3\mu \\ 3+4\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+\lambda = 1+2\mu \Rightarrow \lambda - 2\mu = 0 \text{ --- (5)}$$

$$2-3\lambda = -1-3\mu \Rightarrow -3\lambda + 3\mu = -3 \text{ --- (6)}$$

$$-2+3\lambda = 3+4\mu \Rightarrow 3\lambda - 4\mu = 5 \text{ --- (7)}$$

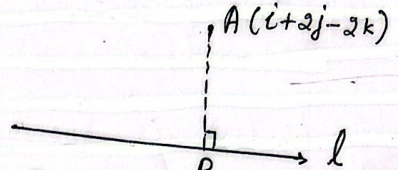
$$\text{Solving (6) \& (7)} \Rightarrow \lambda = -1 \text{ \& } \mu = -2$$

Put the values of λ \& μ in (5)

$$-1 - 2(-2) = 0 \Rightarrow 3 = 0 \text{ false}$$

\therefore There is no common point between the lines l and line \vec{AB} .
 Hence the two lines don't intersect.

(b)



from (4) any point of line l (8)

$$\text{say } \vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+2\mu \\ -1-3\mu \\ 3+4\mu \end{pmatrix} \text{ \& } \vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{PA} = \vec{OA} - \vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} -2\mu \\ 3+3\mu \\ -5-4\mu \end{pmatrix} \text{ --- (9)}$$

Direction vector of line l

$$\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \text{ --- (10)}$$

for 'P' is the foot of perpendicular from point 'A' to line 'l'.

$$\vec{PA} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \text{ from (9) \& (10)}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2\mu \\ 3+3\mu \\ -5-4\mu \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -4\mu - 9 - 9\mu - 20 - 16\mu = 0$$

$$-29\mu - 29 = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = -1$$

$$\text{put } \mu = -1 \text{ in (8)} \Rightarrow \vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 1-2 \\ -1+3 \\ 3-4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

\therefore Position vector of the required foot of perpendicular is:

$$\underline{\underline{(-i + 2j - k)}}$$

- 17 The lines l and m have equations, $l: r = ai + 3j + bk + \lambda(ci - 2j + 4k)$
and $m: r = i + 2j + 3k + \mu(2i - 3j + k)$
Relative to the origin O , the position vector of the point P is $4i + 7j - 2k$.
- (a) Given that l is perpendicular to m and P lies on l , find the values of the constants a, b and c . --- [4]
- (b) The perpendicular from P meets the line m at Q . The R lies on PQ extended, with $PQ:QR = 2:3$. Find the position vector of R . --- [6]

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Solution: Line $l: r = ai + 3j + bk + \lambda(ci - 2j + 4k)$ --- (1)

(a) line $m: r = i + 2j + 3k + \mu(2i - 3j + k)$ --- (2)

Point $P: \vec{OP} = (4i + 7j - 2k)$ --- (3)

$l \perp m \Rightarrow u \cdot v = 0$ (direction of $l = u$
(direction of $m = v$)

$\Rightarrow (ci - 2j + 4k) \cdot (2i - 3j + k) = 0$

$\Rightarrow 2c + 6 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow c = -5$ ✓ --- (4)

Any point of line $l: \vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} a + c\lambda \\ 3 - 2\lambda \\ b + 4\lambda \end{pmatrix}$ --- (5)

$\vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ --- (6)

P lies on line $l \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a + c\lambda = 4 \\ 3 - 2\lambda = 7 \\ b + 4\lambda = -2 \end{cases}$ for (5) & (6)

for $\lambda = -2 \Rightarrow a - 2c = 4$ and $b + 4\lambda = -2$

from (4) $c = -5 \Rightarrow a - 2(-5) = 4 \Rightarrow a = -6$ ✓
and $b = 6$ ✓

$\therefore a = -6, b = 6$ and $c = -5$ ✓

Now $PQ:QR = 2:3 \Rightarrow \vec{OR} = \frac{5}{2} \vec{PQ}$ ←

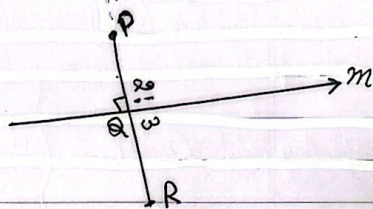
$\therefore \vec{OR} = \vec{OP} + \frac{5}{2} \vec{PQ}$

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

$= \left(\frac{-17}{2}i + 2j + 8k \right)$ ✓

(b)

(4, 7, -2)



Any point Q on line m , from (2)

$\vec{OQ} = r = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + 2\mu \\ 2 - 3\mu \\ 3 + \mu \end{pmatrix}$ --- (7)

$\vec{PQ} = \vec{OQ} - \vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + 2\mu - 4 \\ 2 - 3\mu - 7 \\ 3 + \mu - 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\mu - 3 \\ -3\mu - 5 \\ \mu + 5 \end{pmatrix}$ --- (8)

as \vec{PQ} perpendicular to line m

$\vec{PQ} \cdot \vec{PQ} = 0$ [direction of m
 $\vec{v} = (2i - 3j + k)$

$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2\mu - 3 \\ -3\mu - 5 \\ \mu + 5 \end{pmatrix} = 0$

$2(2\mu - 3) - 3(-3\mu - 5) + 1(\mu + 5) = 0$

$\Rightarrow 14\mu + 14 = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = -1$ ✓

from (7) $\vec{OQ} = (-i + 5j + 2k)$ ---

and $\vec{PQ} = (-5i - 2j + 4k)$ --- (9)

18. Two lines have equations $r = i + 2j + k + \lambda(ai + 2j - k)$ and $r = 2i + j - k + \mu(2i - j + k)$, where a is a constant.

- (a) Given that the two lines intersect, find the value of a and the position vector of the point of intersection. --- [5?]
 (b) Given instead that the acute angle between the directions of the two lines is $\cos^{-1}(\frac{1}{6})$, find the two possible values of a . --- [6?]

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Solution 1: $L_1: r = i + 2j + k + \lambda(a + 2j - k) = \begin{pmatrix} 1+a\lambda \\ 2+2\lambda \\ 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- (1)}$

(a) $L_2: r = (2i + j - k) + \mu(2i - j + k) = \begin{pmatrix} 2+2\mu \\ 1-\mu \\ -1+\mu \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- (2)}$

for L_1 and L_2 to intersect $\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1+a\lambda \\ 2+2\lambda \\ 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2+2\mu \\ 1-\mu \\ -1+\mu \end{pmatrix}$

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

$2+2\lambda = 1-\mu \Rightarrow 2\lambda + \mu = -1 \quad \text{--- (4)}$

$1-\lambda = -1+\mu \Rightarrow \lambda + \mu = 2 \quad \text{--- (5)}$

Solving (4) & (5) $\Rightarrow \lambda = -3$ and $\mu = 5$

\therefore from (3) $1 + (-3)a = 2 + 2 \times 5 \Rightarrow a = -\frac{11}{3} \checkmark$

\therefore from (2) the point of intersection for $\mu = 5 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$

\therefore position vector of the point of intersection $\begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = 12i - 4j + 6k \checkmark$

(b) Angle between the two lines with directions $(a + 2j - k)$ & $(2i - j + k)$

$\cos \alpha = \frac{2a - 2 - 1}{\sqrt{a^2 + 5} \cdot \sqrt{6}} = \pm \frac{1}{6} \quad \left[\cos \alpha = \frac{a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \cdot \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}} \right]$

Square:

$\Rightarrow \frac{(2a-3)^2}{6(a^2+5)} = \frac{1}{36} \Rightarrow 6(2a-3)^2 = a^2+5$

$\Rightarrow 23a^2 - 72a + 49 = 0$

$23a^2 - 23a - 49a + 49 = 0$

$23a(a-1) - 49(a-1) = 0$

$(a-1)(23-49) = 0$

$\Rightarrow a = 1 ; a = \frac{49}{23} \checkmark$

19 With respect to the origin O, the position vectors of the points A, B, C and D are:

$$\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{OD} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Show that $AB = 2CD$ --- [3]
- (b) Find the angle between the directions of \vec{AB} and \vec{CD} --- [3]
- (c) Show that the line through A and B does not intersect the line through C and D [W-20/32/Q8] -- [4]

Solution: $\vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow AB = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{24}$ --- (1)

$\vec{CD} = \vec{OD} - \vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow CD = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{6}$ --- (2)

from (1) $AB = \sqrt{24} = 2\sqrt{6} = 2CD$ from (2) $\Rightarrow AB = 2CD$ ✓

(b) angle α , between \vec{AB} and \vec{CD} ,

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{2 \times 2 + (-2) \times 1 + (-4) \times 1}{\sqrt{24} \sqrt{6}} = \frac{-2}{12} = -\frac{1}{6}$$

$$\cos \alpha = -\frac{1}{6} = -\cos 80.4$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 180 - 80.4$$

\therefore Angle between \vec{AB} and $\vec{CD} = 99.6^\circ$ ✓

(c) Equation of line AB; $\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2+2\lambda \\ 1-2\lambda \\ 5-4\lambda \end{pmatrix}$ --- (3)

Equation of line CD, $\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+2\mu \\ 1+\mu \\ 2+\mu \end{pmatrix}$ --- (4)

for Intersection of \vec{AB} and \vec{CD} from (3) & (4)

$$2 + 2\lambda = 1 + 2\mu \Rightarrow 2\lambda - 2\mu = -1$$
 --- (5)

$$1 - 2\lambda = 1 + \mu \Rightarrow 2\lambda + \mu = 0$$
 --- (6)

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

Solving (5) & (6) $\lambda = -\frac{1}{6}$ and $\mu = \frac{1}{3}$

Put λ & μ in (7) $\Rightarrow 4 \times (-\frac{1}{6}) - \frac{1}{3} = -3 \Rightarrow -1 = -3$ false ✓

\therefore lines AB does not intersect line CD. ✓

20. Two lines l and m have equations: $\vec{r} = 3i + 2j + 5k + s(4i - j + 3k)$
and $\vec{r} = i - j - 2k + t(-i + 2j + 2k)$ respectively.
- (a) Show that l and m are perpendicular. ---[2]
- (b) Show that l and m intersect and state the position vector of the point of intersection. ---[5]
- (c) Show that the length of perpendicular from the origin to the line m is $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{5}$. ---[4]

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Solution: $l: \vec{r} = 3i + 2j + 5k + s(4i - j + 3k)$ --- (1) $\vec{r} = a + s\vec{v}_1$
line $m: \vec{r} = i - j - 2k + t(-i + 2j + 2k)$ --- (2) $\vec{r} = b + t\vec{v}_2$

(a) Consider $\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 = (4i - j + 3k) \cdot (-i + 2j + 2k)$ (Check $\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 = 0$)
 $= -4 - 2 + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow$ l and m are perpendicular.

(b) Any point on $l: \vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 3+4s \\ 2-s \\ 5+3s \end{pmatrix}$; Any point on $m: \vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1-t \\ -1+2t \\ -2+2t \end{pmatrix}$ --- (4)

for the intersection of l and m , equating (3), (4) respective components.

$$\begin{cases} 3+4s = 1-t & \Rightarrow t+4s = -2 \quad \text{--- (5)} \\ 2-s = -1+2t & \Rightarrow 2t+s = 3 \quad \text{--- (6)} \\ 5+3s = -2+2t & \Rightarrow 2t-3s = 7 \quad \text{--- (7)} \end{cases}$$

Solving (5) & (6) $\Rightarrow s = -1$ and $t = 2$, put these values
in (7) $2 \times 2 - 3(-1) = 7$ True

\therefore All three equations are consistent $\Rightarrow l$ & m intersect,
for the point of intersection of l and $m \rightarrow$ put $s = -1$ in (3) (or $t = 2$ in (4))
 \therefore Req. point of intersection is $(-i + 3j + 2k)$ \checkmark

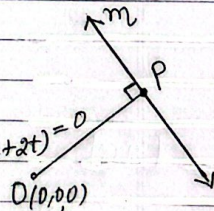
(c) Any point P on $m: \vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 1-t \\ -1+2t \\ -2+2t \end{pmatrix}$ --- (4)

direction of $m: \vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Now $\vec{OP} \perp m \Rightarrow \vec{OP} \cdot \vec{v}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow -1(1-t) + 2(-1+2t) + 2(-2+2t) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow -7 + 9t = 0 \Rightarrow t = \frac{7}{9}$

from (4) $t = \frac{7}{9}$

$\therefore \vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 2/9 \\ 5/9 \\ -1/9 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow |\vec{OP}| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2}{9}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{5}{9}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{5}{9}} = \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{5} \checkmark$



21. With respect to the origin O , the position vectors of the points A and B are given by: $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

- (a) Find the vector equation for the line l through A and B --- [3]
 (b) The point C lies on l and is such that $\vec{AC} = 3\vec{AB}$
 Find the position vector of C . --- [2]
 (c) Find the possible position vectors of the point P on l such that $OP = \sqrt{14}$. --- [5]

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Solution:
 (a) $\vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = (-i + j + 2k)$; $\vec{OA} = (i + 2j - k)$
 $\vec{r} = \vec{OA} + \lambda \vec{AB}$

\therefore Equation of line through A & B ; l : $\vec{r} = (i + 2j - k) + \lambda(-i + j + 2k)$ --- (1)

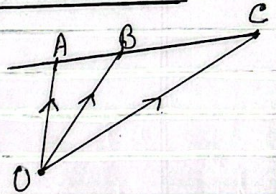
(b) $\vec{OC} = \vec{OA} + \vec{AC}$ --- (2)

$\vec{AC} = 3\vec{AB} = 3(-i + j + 2k) = (-3i + 3j + 6k)$

from (2)

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

$\therefore \vec{OC} = (-2i + 5j + 5k)$ ✓



(c) from (1) let P is any point on l ; $\vec{OP} = (1-\lambda)i + (2+\lambda)j + (-1+2\lambda)k$ --- (2)

$|\vec{OP}| = \sqrt{(1-\lambda)^2 + (2+\lambda)^2 + (-1+2\lambda)^2} = \sqrt{14}$

$\Rightarrow 1 + \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 4 + \lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 1 + 4\lambda^2 - 4\lambda = 14$

$\Rightarrow 6\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 6 = 14$

$\Rightarrow 3\lambda^2 - \lambda - 4 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (3\lambda - 4)(\lambda + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{4}{3}; \lambda = -1$

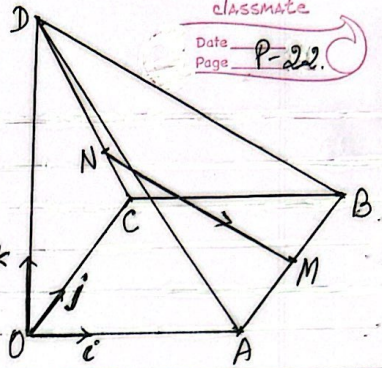
from (2) for $\lambda = \frac{4}{3}$

$\vec{OP} = -\frac{1}{3}i + \frac{10}{3}j + \frac{5}{3}k$ ✓

and for $\lambda = -1$ in (2)

$\vec{OP} = 2i + j - 3k$ ✓

22. In the diagram, $OABCD$ is a pyramid with vertex D . The horizontal base $OABC$ is a square of side 4 units. The edge OD is vertical and $OD = 4$ units. The unit vectors i, j, k are parallel to OA, OC , and OD respectively.



The mid point of AB is M and the point N on CD is such that $DN = 3NC$.

- (a) Find a vector equation for the line through M and N . --- [5]
 (b) Show that the length of the perpendicular from O to MN is $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{82}$ --- [4]

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Solution: $\vec{OA} = 4i$; $\vec{OB} = 4i + 4j$; $\vec{OC} = 4j$; $\vec{OD} = 4k$

$$\vec{OM} = \vec{OA} + \vec{AM} = 4i + 2j \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\vec{CD} = (4k - 4j); \quad \vec{CN} = \frac{1}{4}\vec{CD} \quad (\because DN = 3NC \text{ given})$$

$$\vec{CN} = \frac{1}{4}(4k - 4j) = (-j + k) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\vec{ON} = \vec{OC} + \vec{CN} = 4j + (-j + k) = 3j + k \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\therefore \text{from (1) \& (3) } \vec{NM} = \vec{OM} - \vec{ON} = (4i + 2j) - (3j + k) = (4i - j - k) \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

\therefore Equation of line through M and N ;

$$r = (3j + k) + \lambda(4i - j - k) \rightarrow [r = \vec{ON} + \lambda(\vec{NM})] \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

- (b) Let P is any point on \vec{NM} line

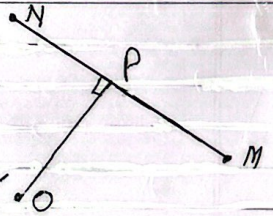
$$\vec{OP} = (4\lambda i + (3-\lambda)j + (1-\lambda)k) \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

$$\vec{OP} \perp \vec{NM} \Rightarrow \vec{OP} \cdot \vec{NM} = 0 \quad \text{(4 \& 6)}$$

$$(4\lambda i + (3-\lambda)j + (1-\lambda)k) \cdot (4i - j - k) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16\lambda - 3 + \lambda - 1 + \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow 18\lambda = 4 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{2}{9}$$

from (6) Now for $\lambda = \frac{2}{9} \Rightarrow \vec{OP} = \frac{8}{9}i + \frac{25}{9}j + \frac{7}{9}k$

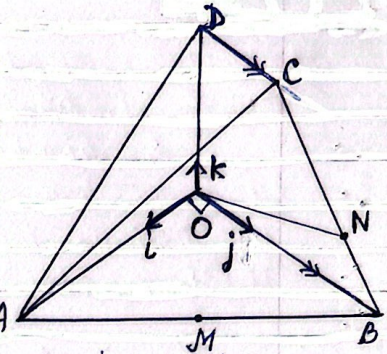


\therefore length of perpendicular from O to line $NM = |\vec{OP}|$

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{8}{9}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{25}{9}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{7}{9}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{738}{81}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{82}{9}} = \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{82} \quad \checkmark$$

23 In the diagram, OABCD is a solid figure in which $OA=OB=4$ units and $OD=3$. The edge OD is vertical, DC is parallel to OB and $DC=1$ unit. The base OAB is horizontal and angle $AOB=90^\circ$. Unit vectors i, j and k are parallel to OA, OB and OD respectively. The mid point of AB is M and the point N on BC is such that $CN=2NB$.



- (a) Express vectors \vec{MD} and \vec{ON} in terms of i, j and k . --- [4]
 (b) Calculate the angle in degrees between the directions of \vec{MD} and \vec{ON} . --- [3]
 (c) Show that the length of perpendicular from M to ON is $\sqrt{\frac{23}{5}}$. --- [4]

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Solution:

$$\vec{MD} = \vec{OD} - \vec{OM}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 3k - (4i + 4j) \\ &= \underline{(-2i - 4j + 3k)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{ON} = \vec{OC} + \frac{2}{3} \vec{CB}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (\vec{OD} + \vec{DC}) + \frac{2}{3}(\vec{OB} - \vec{OC}) \\ &= (3k + j) + \frac{2}{3}(4j - (3k + j)) \\ &= (3k + j) + \frac{2}{3}(4j - 3k + j) \\ &= \underline{(3j + k)} \end{aligned}$$

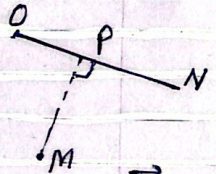
Angle θ between \vec{MD} and \vec{ON}

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \frac{\vec{MD} \cdot \vec{ON}}{|\vec{MD}| |\vec{ON}|} \\ &= \frac{(-2i - 4j + 3k) \cdot (3j + k)}{\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 3^2} \cdot \sqrt{3^2 + 1^2}} \\ &= \frac{-6 + 3}{\sqrt{17} \sqrt{10}} = \frac{-3}{\sqrt{170}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos \theta = -\cos \alpha \quad ; \quad (\alpha = \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{\sqrt{170}} = \cos^{-1} 0.23)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= 180 - \alpha = 180 - 76.7^\circ \\ &= \underline{103.3^\circ} \end{aligned}$$

(c)



Let P is any point on \vec{ON}

$$\vec{OP} = \lambda(3j + k) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\vec{OM} = (2i + 2j)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \vec{MP} &= \lambda(3j + k) - (2i + 2j) \quad \text{--- (2)} \\ &= (-2i + (-2+3\lambda)j + \lambda k) \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{MP} \perp \vec{OP}$$

$$\vec{MP} \cdot \vec{OP} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2+3\lambda \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -6 + 9\lambda + \lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{3}{5} \checkmark$$

from (2)

$$\vec{MP} = (-2i - \frac{1}{5}j + \frac{3}{5}k)$$

$$\begin{aligned} MP &= \sqrt{2^2 + (\frac{1}{5})^2 + (\frac{3}{5})^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{110}{25}} = \underline{\underline{\sqrt{\frac{23}{5}}}} \end{aligned}$$

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Relative to the origin O , the points A, B and C have position vectors given by: $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$

- (a) Using scalar product, find the cosine of angle BAC . --- [4]
 (b) Hence find the area of triangle ABC . Give your answer in a simplified exact form. --- [4]

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Solution:
(a)

Given $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$

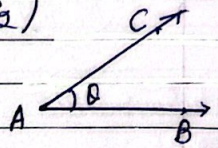
$$\vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} = 2i - 2j + k$$

$$\vec{AC} = \vec{OC} - \vec{OA} = 4i - 3k$$

$$\cos BAC = \frac{\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{AC}}{|\vec{AB}| |\vec{AC}|} = \frac{(2i - 2j + k) \cdot (4i - 3k)}{\sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2}}$$

$$= \frac{8 - 3}{\sqrt{9} \sqrt{25}} = \frac{5}{3 \times 5} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$\therefore \cos BAC = \frac{1}{3}$ ✓



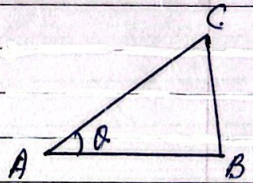
(b) Area of $\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} AB \times AC \sin \theta$ --- (1)

$$AB = |\vec{AB}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} = 3$$

$$AC = |\vec{AC}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = 5$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{8}{9}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

Hence from (1) Area of $\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times 5 \times \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} = 5\sqrt{2}$ ✓



25 With respect to the origin O, the position vectors of the points A, B and C are given by: $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$.

The mid point of AC is M and the point N lies on BC, and is such that $BN = 2NC$.

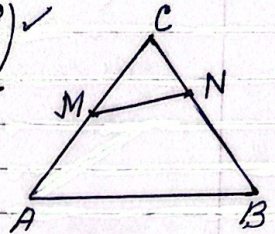
- (a) Find the position vectors of M and N. ---[3]
 (b) Find the vector equation for the line through M and N. ---[2]
 (c) Find the position vector of the point Q where the line through M and N intersects the line through A and B. ---[4]

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Solution: $\vec{OM} = \frac{\vec{OA} + \vec{OC}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0+4 \\ 5-3 \\ 2-2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ✓

(a)

$\vec{ON} = \vec{OC} + \frac{1}{3} \vec{CB}$
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1-4 \\ 0+3 \\ 1+2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$
 $\vec{ON} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ✓



(b) Equation of line through MN: $\vec{r} = \vec{OM} + \lambda \vec{MN}$
 $\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ --- (1) $\{\vec{MN} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}\}$

(c) Equation of line AB is $\vec{r} = \vec{OB} + \mu \vec{AB}$
 $\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ --- (2) $\{\vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}\}$

for (1) any point on $\vec{MN} = \begin{pmatrix} 2+\lambda \\ 1-3\lambda \\ -\lambda \end{pmatrix}$ --- (3)

and any point on $\vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+\mu \\ -5\mu \\ 1-\mu \end{pmatrix}$ --- (4)

for the intersection of lines \vec{MN} and \vec{AB}

$\begin{pmatrix} 2+\lambda \\ 1-3\lambda \\ -\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+\mu \\ -5\mu \\ 1-\mu \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda - \mu = -1 & \text{--- (5)} \\ -3\lambda + 5\mu = 1-1 & \text{--- (6)} \\ -\lambda + \mu = 1 & \text{--- (7)} \end{cases}$ Solving (5) & (6) $\lambda = -3, \mu = -2$

Put $\lambda = -3$, point of intersection Q $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 10 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ ✓
 in (3)