

VECTOR-GEOMETRY REVIEW EXERCISES

1. Find an equation for each of the following planes:

- (a) through the point  $P(0, 5, 6)$  and perpendicular to the vector  $4\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$ .  
 (b) through  $P(2, -1, 3)$  and perpendicular to  $L : x = -1 + 2t, y = 1 + 3t, z = -4t$ .  
 (c) through  $P(1, -2, -1)$  and parallel to the plane  $3x + 2y - z + 4 = 0$ .  
 (d) containing  $A(1, -2, 1), B(2, 0, 3)$  and  $C(0, 1, -1)$ .  
 (e) containing  $A(3, -1, 2), B(1, 2, -1)$  and  $C(2, 3, 1)$ .

(f) containing  $L_1 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, L_2 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$

(g) containing  $L_1 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, L_2 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

(h) containing  $L_1 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, L_2 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (L_1 \parallel L_2).$

(i) containing  $P(3, -1, 2)$  and  $L : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$

2. Find equations for each of the following lines:

(a) through  $P(1, 0, -1)$  with direction  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}.$

(b) through  $P(4, 0, 0)$  parallel to  $2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$ .

(c) through  $P(2, -1, 3)$  parallel to  $L : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$

(d) through  $A(1, 2, -1)$  and  $B(3, -1, 2)$ .

(e) through  $A(2, 3, 4)$  and  $B(-1, -3, 2)$ .

(f) through  $P(-2, 3, 1)$  and perpendicular to the plane  $2x + 3y + z = 3$ .

(g) of intersection of the planes  $3(x + 2) - 2(y - 1) + 2(z + 1) = 0$  and  $(x + 2) + 2(y - 1) - 3(z + 1) = 0$ .

(h) of intersection of the planes  $2(x - 1) + 3(y + 1) - 4(z - 2) = 0$  and  $3(x - 1) - 4(y + 1) + 2(z - 2) = 0$ .

(i) through  $P(3, -1, 2)$  that is perpendicular to and intersects  $L : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$

(j) through  $P(0, 2, 4)$  that is perpendicular to and intersects  $L : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$

(k) through  $P(2, 1, 3)$  that is perpendicular to  $\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$  and to  $2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$ .

3. Find the following distances:

(a) from  $P(2, 1, -1)$  to the plane  $x - 2y + 2z + 5 = 0$ .

(b) from  $P(-1, 3, 2)$  to the plane  $2x - 3y + 4z - 5 = 0$ .

(c) from  $A(1, -2, 3)$  to  $BC$  where  $B$  is  $(3, 1, 2)$  and  $C$  is  $(2, 3, -1)$  (Also find the area of  $\triangle ABC$ ).

(d) from  $A(2, -1, 1)$  to  $BC$  where  $B$  is  $(3, 2, -1)$  and  $C$  is  $(-1, 3, 2)$  (Also find the area of  $\triangle ABC$ ).

(e) between  $L_1 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $L_2 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (L_1 \parallel L_2).$

(f) between  $L_1 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $L_2 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(g) between  $L_1 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $L_2 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(h) between the parallel planes  $3(x-1) + 2(y-1) - 6(z+1) = 0$  and  $3(x+2) + 2y - 6(z-1) = 0$ .

(i) between the parallel planes  $x + 2y - 3z = 1$  and  $x + 2y - 3z = 5$ .

4. Find the following points of intersection:

(a) of  $L : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$  with the plane  $x + y - 3z = 7$ .

(b) of  $L : x = 2 - t, y = 1 + 2t, z = 3 + t$  with the plane  $2x - y + z = 2$ .

ANSWERS

1. (a)  $4x + 2y - z = 4$ , (b)  $2x + 3y - 4z + 11 = 0$ , (c)  $3x + 2y - z = 0$ , (d)  $2x - z = 1$ , (e)  $9x + y - 5z = 16$ ,  
 (f)  $2x - 2y - z = 4$ , (g)  $2x - y - z + 3 = 0$ , (h)  $x - 4y - 10z = 6$ , (i)  $2x - 2y - z = 6$ .

2. (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ , (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ , (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , (e)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , (f)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

(g)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 11 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$ , (h)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 16 \\ 17 \end{bmatrix}$ , (i)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

(j)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 29 \\ 1 \\ -22 \end{bmatrix}$ , (k)  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

3. (a) 1. (b)  $8/\sqrt{29}$ . (c)  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{42}, \frac{7}{2}\sqrt{3}$ . (d)  $\frac{3}{26}\sqrt{910}, \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{35}$ . (e)  $4\sqrt{2}$ . (f)  $\frac{13}{10}\sqrt{6}$ . (g)  $\frac{68}{3\sqrt{78}}$ . (h)  $\frac{23}{7}$ . (i)  $\frac{2}{7}\sqrt{14}$ .

4. (a)  $(\frac{31}{10}, -\frac{3}{10}, -\frac{7}{5})$ , (b)  $(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{11}{3}, \frac{13}{3})$ .

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