

## Numeric Response Questions

### 3D Geometry

Q.1 If the line  $\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y-4}{3} = \frac{z-5}{4}$  lies in the plane  $4x + 4y - kz - d = 0$ , then find the value of  $(k + d)$ .

Q.2 The distance of the point  $(-1, -5, -10)$  from the point of intersection of line  $\frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y+1}{4} = \frac{z-2}{12}$  and plane  $x - y + z = 5$  is ' $\lambda$ ' then find value of  $[\lambda/2]$  (where  $[ ]$  represents a greatest integer function)

Q.3 The plane passing through the point  $(-2, -2, 2)$  and containing the line joining the points  $(1, 1, 1)$  and  $(1, -1, 2)$  makes intercepts on the coordinate axes, the sum of whose length is  $\lambda$  then find value of  $\lambda$ .

Q.4 The volume of the tetrahedron included between the plane  $3x + 4y - 5z - 60 = 0$  and the coordinate planes is  $\lambda$  then find value of  $\frac{\lambda}{100}$ .

Q.5 A plane is parallel to two lines whose direction ratios are  $(1, 0, -1)$  and  $(-1, 1, 0)$  and it passes through the point  $(1, 1, 1)$ , cuts the axis at  $A, B, C$ , then find the volume of the tetrahedron  $OABC$ .

Q.6 If the reflection of the point  $P(1, 0, 0)$  in the line  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-3} = \frac{z+10}{8}$  is  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  then find value of  $-(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)$

Q.7 A line makes the same angle  $\theta$ , with each of the  $x$  and  $z$  axes. If the angle  $\beta$ , which it makes with  $y$ -axis is such that  $\sin^2 \beta = 3\sin^2 \theta$ , then find value of  $5\cos^2 \theta$ .

Q.8 If line joining  $A(8, 4, 5)$  and  $B(4, 3, 9)$  are parallel to plane  $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 5$  then find value of  $\lambda$ .

Q.9 A variable plane is at a distance 2 from origin  $O$  and meets co-ordinate axes at  $A, B$  and  $C$ . The centroid of tetrahedron  $OABC$  lies on  $\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} = k^2$  then find value of  $k$ .



Q.10 Find the distance of the point  $(1,2,3)$  from the line  $\frac{x-6}{3} = \frac{y-7}{2} = \frac{z-7}{-2}$ ,

Q.11 If the sum of the squares of the distance of a point from the three coordinate axes is 36, if its distance from the origin is  $k\sqrt{2}$  then find  $k$ .

Q.12 If the shortest distance between the lines  $\frac{x-3}{3} = \frac{y-8}{-1} = \frac{z-3}{1}$  and  $\frac{x+3}{-3} = \frac{y+7}{2} = \frac{z-6}{4}$  is  $k\sqrt{30}$  then find  $k$ .

Q.13 The image of point  $(1,2,-3)$  in the plane  $3x - 3y + 10z - 26 = 0$  is  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  then find  $(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)$ .

Q.14 Find algebraic sum of the intercepts made by the plane  $x + 3y - 4z + 6 = 0$  on the axes.

Q.15 If the straight line  $x = 1 + s, y = 3 - \lambda s, z = 1 + \lambda s$  and  $x = t/2, y = 1 + t, z = 2 - t$ , with parameters 's' and 't' respectively, are coplanar, then find the value of  $\lambda$ .

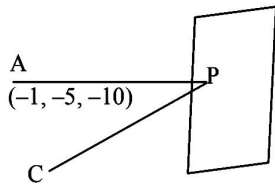
## ANSWER KEY

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## Hints & Solutions

1.  $4(2) + 4(3) - k(4) = 0$   
 $k = 5$   
 $(3, 4, 5)$  lies on plane  
 $4(3) + 4(4) - 5(5) - d = 0$   
 $d = 3$

2. Equation of plane  $x - y + z = 5$  ... (1)



equation of line PC  $\frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y+1}{4} = \frac{z-2}{12} = r$

$x = 3r + 2, y = 4r - 1, z = 12r + 2$   
 coordinate of P  $(3r + 2, 4r - 1, 12r + 2)$

Point P lies in plane (1)  
 $(3r + 2) - (4r - 1) + 12r + 2 = 5$   
 $11r + 5 = 5$

$r = 0$   
 coordinate of P  $(2, -1, 2)$   
 $AP = \sqrt{9 + 16 + 144} = 13$

3. Any plane passing through the point  $(-2, -2, 2)$  is

$a(x + 2) + b(y + 2) + c(z - 2) = 0$  ... (i)

equation of line joining the given points

$\frac{x-1}{0} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z-1}{-1}$  ... (ii)

plane containing the line

so  $(1, 1, 1)$  lie on the plane and normal is perpendicular to the line which direction-ratio is  $(0, 2, -1)$

$\therefore 3a + 3b - c = 0$

and a.  $0 + 2b - c = 0$

intercept on the coordinate axis is  $8, \frac{8}{3}, \frac{8}{6}$

respectively

sum  $= 8 + \frac{8}{3} + \frac{4}{3} = 12$

4. Equation of the given plane is

$\frac{x}{20} + \frac{y}{15} + \frac{z}{-12} = 1$

which meets the coordinate axes in points A(20, 0, 0), B(0, 15, 0), c(0, 0, -12)

and coordinate of the origine are  $(0, 0, 0)$

volume of the tetrahedron OABC is

$$= \frac{1}{6} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 20 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 15 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -12 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \left| \frac{1}{6} \times 20 \times 15 \times (-12) \right| = 600$$

5. Let equation of plane

$a(x - 1) + b(y - 1) + c(z - 1) = 0$

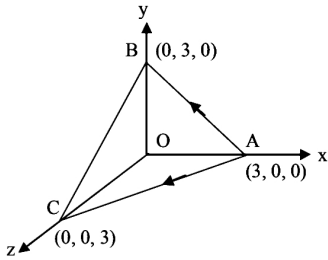
and  $a - c = 0$  ... (1)

$-a + b = 0$

$a = b = c = \lambda$ , from (1)

$\lambda(x - 1) + \lambda(y - 1) + \lambda(z - 1) = 0$

$x + y + z = 3$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volume} &= \frac{1}{6} [\vec{OA} \ \vec{OB} \ \vec{OC}] \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{3 \times 3 \times 3}{6} = \frac{9}{2} \end{aligned}$$

6. Let reflection of P(1, 0, 0) in the line

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-3} = \frac{z+10}{8} \text{ be } (\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$$

then  $(\frac{\alpha+1}{2}, \frac{\beta}{2}, \frac{\gamma}{2})$  lies on the line.

&  $(\alpha-1)\hat{i} + \beta\hat{j} + \gamma\hat{k}$  is perpendicular

to  $2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}$

$$\therefore \frac{\frac{\alpha+1}{2} - 1}{2} = \frac{\frac{\beta}{2} + 1}{-3} = \frac{\frac{\gamma}{2} + 10}{8} = \lambda$$

$$\text{and } 2(\alpha-1) - 3(\beta) + \gamma(8) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 5, \beta = -8, \gamma = -4$$

7.  $\cos^2\theta + \cos^2\beta + \cos^2\theta = 1$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos^2\theta = \sin^2\beta$$

$$\text{but } \sin^2\beta = 3\sin^2\theta$$

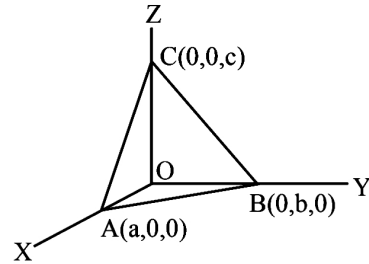
$$\text{So, } 3 \sin^2\theta = 2 \cos^2\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \cos^2\theta = 3$$

8.  $\vec{AB} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  must be perpendicular

$$\text{to } \hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + \hat{k} \Rightarrow \lambda = 5$$

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Let centroid of tetrahedron OABC  $\equiv (\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$

$$\frac{a}{4} = \alpha, \frac{b}{4} = \beta, \frac{c}{4} = \gamma$$

$$a = 4\alpha, b = 4\beta, c = 4\gamma$$

equation of plane

$$\frac{x}{4\alpha} + \frac{y}{4\beta} + \frac{z}{4\gamma} = 1$$

distance from origin

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{16\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{16\beta^2} + \frac{1}{16\gamma^2}}}$$

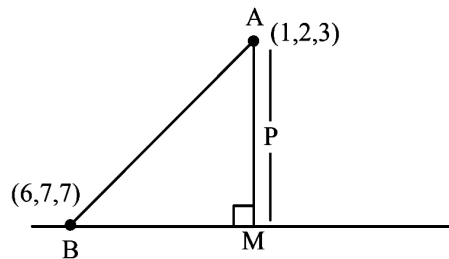
$$2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{16\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{16\beta^2} + \frac{1}{16\gamma^2}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{16\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{16\beta^2} + \frac{1}{16\gamma^2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} + \frac{1}{\gamma^2} = 4$$

So centroid lies on  $\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} = 4$

- 10.



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

$$BM = \ell(x_2 - x_1) + m(y_2 - y_1) + n(z_2 - z_1)$$

$$BM = \frac{3(6-1) + 2(7-2) + (-2)(7-3)}{\sqrt{17}}$$

$$BM = \frac{15+10-8}{\sqrt{17}} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$P = AM$$

$$= \sqrt{(AB)^2 - (BM)^2} = \sqrt{25 + 25 + 16 - 17}$$

$$P = 7$$

11. Let  $P(x, y, z)$  be the point. Now under given condition, we get

$$[\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}]^2 + [\sqrt{y^2 + z^2}]^2 + [\sqrt{z^2 + x^2}]^2$$

$$= 36$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 18$$

Then distance from the origin to the point  $(x, y, z)$  is

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = \sqrt{18} = 3\sqrt{2}$$

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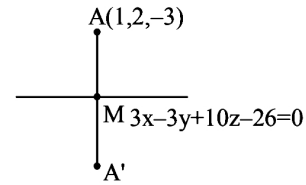
$$\text{Shortest distance} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3+3 & 8+7 & 3-6 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$= \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 6 & 15 & -3 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$= \frac{|\hat{i}(-6) + \hat{j}(-15) + \hat{k}(3)|}{\sqrt{36 + 225 + 9}}$$

$$= \frac{|-36 - 225 - 9|}{\sqrt{36 + 225 + 9}} = \sqrt{270} = 3\sqrt{30}$$

13. Equation of line AM be



$$\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y-2}{-3} = \frac{z+3}{10}$$

Let  $M$  is  $(3\lambda + 1, -3\lambda + 2, 10\lambda - 3)$

As  $M$  lies in plane

$$9\lambda + 3 + 9\lambda - 6 + 100\lambda - 30 - 26 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 118\lambda = 59 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence  $M$  is  $(5/2, 1/2, 2)$

Hence  $A'$  is  $(4, -1, 7)$

14.  $x + 3y - 4z + 6 = 0$

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

Algebraic sum of intercepts on axes  
 $= -6 - 2 + 3/2 = -13/2$ .

15. Given lines can be written as

$$\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y-3}{-\lambda} = \frac{z-1}{\lambda} = s$$

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

These lines are coplanar if

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -\lambda & \lambda \\ 1/2 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -2$$