

**Lines and Planes (Equations, Angles Between and Intersection) (From OCR 4727)**

**Q1, (Jun 2007, Q2)**

A line  $l$  has equation  $\mathbf{r} = 3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k} + t(\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k})$  and a plane  $\Pi$  has equation  $8x - 7y + 10z = 7$ . Determine whether  $l$  lies in  $\Pi$ , is parallel to  $\Pi$  without intersecting it, or intersects  $\Pi$  at one point.

[5]

**Q2, (Jun 2007, Q6)**

Lines  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  have equations

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

respectively.

- (i) Find the equation of the plane  $\Pi_1$  which contains  $l_1$  and is parallel to  $l_2$ , giving your answer in the form  $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{n} = p$ . [5]
- (ii) Find the equation of the plane  $\Pi_2$  which contains  $l_2$  and is parallel to  $l_1$ , giving your answer in the form  $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{n} = p$ . [2]
- (iii) Find the distance between the planes  $\Pi_1$  and  $\Pi_2$ . [2]
- (iv) State the relationship between the answer to part (iii) and the lines  $l_1$  and  $l_2$ . [1]

**Q3, (Jun 2008, Q2)**

Find the acute angle between the line with equation  $\mathbf{r} = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{k} + t(\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k})$  and the plane with equation  $\mathbf{r} = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{k} + \lambda(\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}) + \mu(\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k})$ .

[7]

**Q4, (Jun 2008, Q5)**

Two lines have equations

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

where  $k$  is a constant.

- (i) Show that, for all values of  $k$ , the lines intersect, and find their point of intersection in terms of  $k$ . [6]
- (ii) For the case  $k = 1$ , find the equation of the plane in which the lines lie, giving your answer in the form  $ax + by + cz = d$ . [4]

**Q5, (Jun 2009, Q3)**

A line  $l$  has equation  $\frac{x-6}{-4} = \frac{y+7}{8} = \frac{z+10}{7}$  and a plane  $p$  has equation  $3x - 4y - 2z = 8$ .

- (i) Find the point of intersection of  $l$  and  $p$ . [3]
- (ii) Find the equation of the plane which contains  $l$  and is perpendicular to  $p$ , giving your answer in the form  $ax + by + cz = d$ . [5]

**Q6, (Jan 2011, Q2)**

Two intersecting lines, lying in a plane  $p$ , have equations

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

(i) Obtain the equation of  $p$  in the form  $2x - y + z = 3$ . [3]

(ii) Plane  $q$  has equation  $2x - y + z = 21$ . Find the distance between  $p$  and  $q$ . [3]

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**Q7, (Jun 2011, Q1)**

A line  $l$  has equation  $\frac{x-1}{5} = \frac{y-6}{6} = \frac{z+3}{-7}$  and a plane  $p$  has equation  $x + 2y - z = 40$ .

(i) Find the acute angle between  $l$  and  $p$ . [4]

(ii) Find the perpendicular distance from the point  $(1, 6, -3)$  to  $p$ . [2]

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**Q8, (Jun 2013, Q1)**

The plane  $\Pi$  passes through the points with coordinates  $(1, 6, 2)$ ,  $(5, 2, 1)$  and  $(1, 0, -2)$ .

(i) Find a vector equation of  $\Pi$  in the form  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda\mathbf{b} + \mu\mathbf{c}$ . [2]

(ii) Find a cartesian equation of  $\Pi$ . [4]

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**Q9, (Jun 2013, Q6i,ii)**

The plane  $\Pi$  has equation  $x + 2y - 2z = 5$ . The line  $l$  has equation  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{5} = \frac{z-2}{1}$ .

(i) Find the coordinates of the point of intersection of  $l$  with the plane  $\Pi$ . [3]

(ii) Calculate the acute angle between  $l$  and  $\Pi$ . [3]

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**Q10, (Jun 2015, Q3)**

The plane  $\Pi$  passes through the points  $(1, 2, 1)$ ,  $(2, 3, 6)$  and  $(4, -1, 2)$ .

(i) Find a cartesian equation of the plane  $\Pi$ . [5]

The line  $l$  has equation  $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(ii) Find the coordinates of the point of intersection of  $\Pi$  and  $l$ . [3]

(iii) Find the acute angle between  $\Pi$  and  $l$ . [3]

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