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**Chapter 29**  
**Ex 29.4**

### The Plane Ex 29.4 Q1

Here, it is given that, the required plane is at a distance of 3 unit from origin and  $\hat{k}$  is unit vector normal to it. We know that, vector equation of a plane normal to unit vector  $\hat{n}$  and at distance  $d$  from origin, is

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = d$$

So, here  $d = 3$  unit

$$\hat{n} = \hat{k}$$

The equation of the required plane is,

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{k} = 3$$

### The Plane Ex 29.4 Q2

We know that, vector equation of a plane which is at a distance  $d$  unit from origin and normal to unit vector  $\hat{n}$  is given by

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = d \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Here,  $d = 5$  unit

$$\vec{n} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|}$$

$$= \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(1)^2 + (-2)^2 + (-2)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{9}}$$

$$\hat{n} = \frac{1}{3}(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$$

Put, value of  $d$  and  $\hat{n}$  in equation (i),

The equation of required plane is,

$$\vec{r} \cdot \frac{1}{3}(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) = 5$$

**The Plane Ex 29.4 Q3**

Given equation of plane is,

$$2x - 3y - 6z = 14$$

$$(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) = 14$$

Dividing the equation by  $\sqrt{(2)^2 + (-3)^2 + (-6)^2}$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \frac{(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k})}{\sqrt{4 + 9 + 36}} = \frac{14}{\sqrt{4 + 9 + 36}}$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} - \frac{6}{7}\hat{k} \right) = \frac{14}{7}$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} - \frac{6}{7}\hat{k} \right) = 2 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

We know that the vector equation of a plane with distance  $d$  from origin and normal to unit vector  $\hat{n}$  is given by

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = d \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Comparing (i) and (ii),

$d = 2$  and

$$\hat{n} = \frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} - \frac{6}{7}\hat{k}$$

So, distance of plane from origin = 2 unit

Direction cosine of normal to plane =  $\frac{2}{7}, -\frac{3}{7}, \frac{6}{7}$

### The Plane Ex 29.4 Q4

Given equation of plane is,

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + 6 = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = -6$$

Multiplying both the sides by  $(-1)$ ,

$$\vec{r} \cdot (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) = 6$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = 6 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\text{Here, } \vec{n} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{n}| &= \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (2)^2 + (-2)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1 + 4 + 4} \\ &= \sqrt{9} \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Dividing equation (i) by  $|\vec{n}| = 3$  both the sides,

$$\vec{r} \cdot \frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} = \frac{6}{|\vec{n}|}$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \frac{1}{3}(-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) = \frac{6}{3}$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left(-\frac{\hat{i}}{3} + \frac{2}{3}\hat{j} - \frac{2}{3}\hat{k}\right) = 2 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

We know that, equation of a plane at distance  $d$  from origin and normal to unit vector  $\hat{n}$  is

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = d \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

Comparing equation (ii) and (iii),

$$d = 2$$

$$\hat{n} = -\frac{\hat{i}}{3} + \frac{2}{3}\hat{j} - \frac{2}{3}\hat{k}$$

### The Plane Ex 29.4 Q5

Given equation of plane is,

$$2x - 3y + 6z + 14 = 0$$

$$(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) = -14$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) = -14$$

Multiplying by  $(-1)$  both the sides,

$$\vec{r} \cdot (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) = 14 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\text{So, } \vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = 14$$

$$\vec{n} = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{n}| &= \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (3)^2 + (-6)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{4 + 9 + 36} \\ &= \sqrt{49} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{n}| = 7$$

Dividing equation (i) by  $|\vec{n}| \Rightarrow$  both the sides,

$$\vec{r} \cdot \frac{(-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k})}{7} = \frac{14}{7}$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{7}\hat{i} + \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} - \frac{6}{7}\hat{k}\right) = 2$$

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

Given, direction ratios of perpendicular from origin to a plane is 12, -3, 4

So,

$$\text{Normal vector} = 12\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{n} = 12\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{n}| &= \sqrt{(12)^2 + (-3)^2 + (4)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{144 + 9 + 16} \\ &= \sqrt{169} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{n}| = 13$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Normal unit vector } \hat{n} &= \frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} \\ &= \frac{1}{13} (12\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

Given that, perpendicular distance of plane from origin is 5 unit.

$$\Rightarrow d = 5 \text{ unit}$$

We know that, equation of a plane at a distance  $d$  from origin and normal unit vector  $\hat{n}$  is

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = d$$

So, vector equation of required plane is

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{12}{13}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{13}\hat{j} + \frac{4}{13}\hat{k} \right) = 5$$

$$\text{Put, } \vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$$

$$(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot \left( \frac{12}{13}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{13}\hat{j} + \frac{4}{13}\hat{k} \right) = 5$$

$$(x) \left( \frac{12}{13} \right) + (y) \left( -\frac{3}{13} \right) + (z) \left( \frac{4}{13} \right) = 5$$

$$\frac{12}{13}x - \frac{3}{13}y + \frac{4}{13}z = 5$$

### The Plane Ex 29.4 Q7

Given equation of plane is

$$x + 2y + 3z - 6 = 0$$

$$(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - 6 = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 6 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = 6$$

$$\text{So, } \vec{n} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{n}| &= \sqrt{(1)^2 + (2)^2 + (3)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1 + 4 + 9} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{n}| = \sqrt{14}$$

Dividing equation (i) by  $\sqrt{14}$ , we get

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{j} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{k} \right) = \frac{6}{\sqrt{14}} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

We know that, vector equation of a plane at distance  $d$  unit from origin and normal to unit vector  $\hat{n}$  is

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = d \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

Comparing (ii) and (iii), we get

$$\text{Normal unit vector} = \hat{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{j} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}\hat{k}$$



We know that, vector equation of a plane which is at a distance  $d$  from origin and normal to unit vector  $\hat{n}$  is given by

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = d \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Here, given  $\vec{d} = 3\sqrt{3}$  unit.

$$\text{Let, } \vec{a} = (p\hat{i} + q\hat{j} + r\hat{k})$$

Where  $\vec{a}$  is normal vector.

Given that,  $\vec{a}$  is equally inclined to the coordinate axes

If  $l, m, n$  are direction cosines of  $\vec{n}$ ,

$$\text{Here, } l = m = n \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

We know that,

$$l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1$$

$$l^2 + l^2 + l^2 = 1 \quad \text{[Using (ii)]}$$

$$3l^2 = 1$$

$$l = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{So, } l = m = n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Here,

$$l = \frac{p}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$m = \frac{q}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$n = \frac{r}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Now,

$$\vec{a} = p\hat{i} + q\hat{j} + r\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{a} &= \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|} \\ &= \frac{p}{|\vec{a}|}\hat{i} + \frac{q}{|\vec{a}|}\hat{j} + \frac{r}{|\vec{a}|}\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{j} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{k}$$

Put the value of  $d = 3\sqrt{3}$  unit and  $\hat{n} = \hat{a} = \frac{\hat{i}}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\hat{j}}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\hat{k}}{\sqrt{3}}$  in equation (i),  
vector equation of the required plane is

$$\vec{r} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\vec{r}(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 9$$

$$x + y + z = 9$$

Here, we have to find equation of a plane passing through  $A(1, 2, 1)$  and perpendicular to line joining  $B(1, 4, 2)$  and  $C(2, 3, 5)$ .

We know that, the vector equation of a plane passing through a point  $\vec{a}$  and perpendicular to vector  $\vec{n}$  is given by,

$$(\vec{r} - \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{n} = 0 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\text{Here, } \vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{n} = \overrightarrow{BC}$$

$$= \text{Position vector of } C - \text{Position vector of } B$$

$$= (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$= 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} - \hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{n} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

Put,  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{n}$  in equation (i),

Vector equation of plane is

$$[\vec{r} - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})] \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - [(1)(1) + (2)(-1) + (1)(3)] = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - [1 - 2 + 3] = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - (4 - 2) = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - 2 = 0$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 2 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\vec{r}| &= \sqrt{(1)^2 + (-1)^2 + (3)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{1+1+9} \\
 &= \sqrt{11}
 \end{aligned}$$

Dividing equation (i) by  $\sqrt{11}$ ,

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{11}} \hat{i} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{11}} \hat{j} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{11}} \hat{k} \right) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}}$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = d$$

So, perpendicular distance of plane from origin =  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{11}}$  units

$$\text{Equation of plane, } \vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = 2$$

$$\text{Equation of plane, } x - y + 3z - 2 = 0$$

## The Plane 29.4 Q10

We know that the vector equation of a plane at a distance 'p' from the origin and normal to the unit vector  $\hat{n}$  is  $\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = p$

Vector normal to the plane is  $\vec{n} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

The unit vector normal to the plane is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{n} &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 4^2}} \hat{i} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 4^2}} \hat{j} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 4^2}} \hat{k} \\
 \Rightarrow \hat{n} &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{4+9+16}} \hat{i} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{4+9+16}} \hat{j} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{4+9+16}} \hat{k} \\
 \Rightarrow \hat{n} &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{29}} \hat{i} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{29}} \hat{j} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{29}} \hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

Here, given that  $p = \frac{6}{\sqrt{29}}$

Thus, the vector equation of the plane is

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{29}} \hat{i} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{29}} \hat{j} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{29}} \hat{k} \right) = \frac{6}{\sqrt{29}}$$

The Cartesian equation of the plane is

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{29}} \hat{i} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{29}} \hat{j} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{29}} \hat{k} \right) &= \frac{6}{\sqrt{29}} \\
 \Rightarrow \left( \frac{2x}{\sqrt{29}} - \frac{3y}{\sqrt{29}} + \frac{4z}{\sqrt{29}} \right) &= \frac{6}{\sqrt{29}} \\
 \Rightarrow \left( \frac{2x - 3y + 4z}{\sqrt{29}} \right) &= \frac{6}{\sqrt{29}} \\
 \Rightarrow 2x - 3y + 4z &= 6
 \end{aligned}$$

## The Plane 29.4 Q11

The Cartesian equation of the given plane is

$$2x - 3y + 4z - 6 = 0.$$

The above equation can be rewritten as

$$2x - 3y + 4z = 6$$

Therefore, the vector equation of the plane is

$$(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) = 6 \dots (1)$$

We know that the vector equation of a plane at a distance

'p' from the origin and normal to unit vector  $\hat{n}$  is  $\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} = p$

We have,  $\vec{n} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ .

$$\text{Thus } |\vec{n}| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{29}$$

Dividing the equation (1) by  $|\vec{n}| = \sqrt{29}$ , we have,

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}}{\sqrt{29}} \right) = \frac{6}{\sqrt{29}}$$

Hence the normal form of the equation of the plane is

$$\vec{r} \cdot \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{29}}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{29}}\hat{j} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{29}}\hat{k} \right) = \frac{6}{\sqrt{29}}$$

Hence the perpendicular distance of the

origin from the plane is  $p = \frac{6}{\sqrt{29}}$ .