

Consider the points $P_1 = (-1, 3, 4)$ and $P_2 = (2, -1, 3)$.

1. Find an equation of the line through P_1 and P_2 .

For a line, we need a point and a direction.

For the point, can choose P_1 or P_2 .

I'll use $P_1 = (-1, 3, 4)$.

For the direction, can use $\overrightarrow{P_1P_2}$ or $\overrightarrow{P_2P_1}$.

I'll use $\overrightarrow{P_1P_2} = \langle 3, -4, -1 \rangle$.

A point (x, y, z) is on the line iff the vector $\langle x + 1, y - 3, z - 4 \rangle$ is parallel to $\langle 3, -4, -1 \rangle$, or in other words iff

$$\langle x + 1, y - 3, z - 4 \rangle = t \langle 3, -4, -1 \rangle$$

$$\implies x = -1 + 3t, y = 3 - 4t, z = 4 - t.$$

Consider the points $Q_1 = (2, 0, 3)$, $Q_2 = (4, 1, -2)$, and $Q_3 = (5, 1, 6)$.
2. Find an equation of the plane that contains Q_1 , Q_2 , and Q_3 .

For a plane, we need a point and a normal (orthogonal) vector.

For the point, can choose Q_1 , Q_2 , or Q_3 .

I'll use Q_1 .

Find a normal vect by taking $\overrightarrow{Q_1Q_2} \times \overrightarrow{Q_1Q_3}$ or any other combo.

I'll use $\overrightarrow{Q_1Q_2} \times \overrightarrow{Q_1Q_3}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{Q_1Q_2} &= \langle 2, 1, -5 \rangle, & \overrightarrow{Q_1Q_3} &= \langle 3, 1, 3 \rangle \\ \implies \overrightarrow{Q_1Q_2} \times \overrightarrow{Q_1Q_3} &= \langle 3 + 5, -(6 + 15), 2 - 3 \rangle = \langle 8, -21, -1 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

A point $P(x, y, z)$ is on the plane iff $\overrightarrow{PQ_1} \cdot \langle 8, -21, -1 \rangle = 0$, i.e. iff
 $\langle x - 2, y, z - 3 \rangle \cdot \langle 8, -21, -1 \rangle = 0 \implies 8x - 16 - 21y - z + 3 = 0$

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3. Find the point(s) where the line in #1 intersects the plane in #2.
4. Find the line of intersection of the plane in #2 with the plane $5x + y + 11z = 42$.