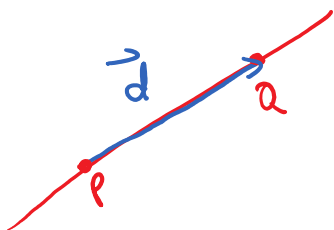


## 1.3 Lines and Planes Cont'd

### Lines in $\mathbb{R}^3$

EX: Vector and parametric form  
of the line through

$P(2, 1, 12)$  and  $Q(0, -3, 6)$ ?



$$\vec{d} = \vec{PQ} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Vector form  $\vec{x} = \vec{p} + t\vec{d}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Parametric Form

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2t \\ -4t \\ -6t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} x = 2 - 2t \\ y = 1 - 4t \\ z = 12 - 6t \end{cases}$$

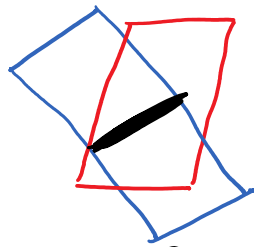
**FACT**

$ax + by + cz = d$  is a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$



Plane = infinite, flat surface

Note: A line in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is an intersection of 2 planes



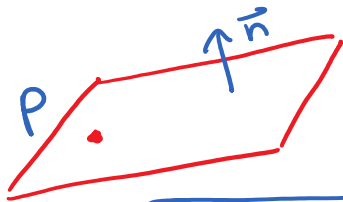
General form of a line in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :

$$\begin{cases} 2x - y + z = 3 \\ x + y - 4z = 9 \end{cases} \quad (\text{for example})$$

General and normal form are not useful for lines in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

Planes in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

Ex: Normal and general forms for the plane through  $P(1, -1, 3)$  with normal  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ?



Normal form  $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{p}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

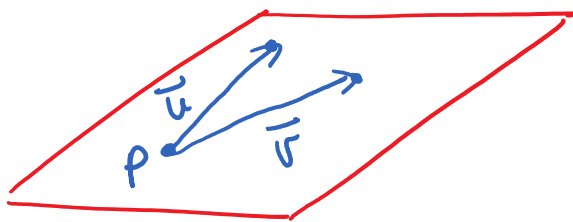
General form  $1x + 1y + 2z = 6$

Def

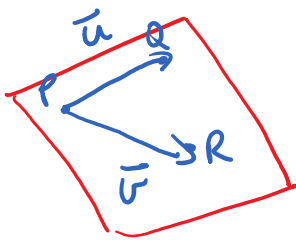
Vector form of a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is

$$\vec{x} = \vec{p} + s\vec{u} + t\vec{v}$$

where  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  are nonparallel direction vectors  
 $s, t$  are any real numbers



Ex: Vector and parametric form  
of the plane through  
 $P(6, 0, 0)$ ,  $Q(0, 6, 0)$   
and  $R(0, 0, 3)$ ?



Direction vectors  $\vec{u} = \vec{PQ} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\vec{v} = \vec{PR} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Not parallel

(not multiples of one another) ✓

Vector Form  $\vec{x} = \vec{p} + s\vec{u} + t\vec{v}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Parametric Form  $\begin{cases} x = 6 - 6s - 6t \\ y = 6s \\ z = 3t \end{cases}$

Lines in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

Lines in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

Planes in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

GENERAL

$$ax + by = c$$

No

$$ax + by + cz = d$$

NORMAL

$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{p}$$

NO

$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{p}$$

VECTOR

$$\vec{x} = \vec{p} + t\vec{d}$$

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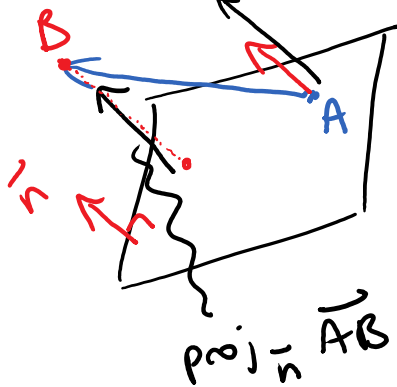
PARAMETRIC

$$\begin{cases} x = \\ y = \end{cases}$$

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Ex: Find the distance between point B and plane?



$$\text{distance} = \|\text{proj}_{\vec{n}} \vec{AB}\|$$