

HL

A plane has vector equation $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Show that the Cartesian equation of the plane is $x - 5y + 3z + 9 = 0$

a point in the plane

a direction vector
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Find the normal to the plane

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \cdot (-1) - 1 \cdot 0 \\ -(2 \cdot (-1) - 1 \cdot 3) \\ 2 \cdot 0 - 1 \cdot 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{n}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(-1) \cdot x + 5 \cdot y + (-3) \cdot z = 1 \cdot (-1) + 2 \cdot 5 + 0 \cdot (-3)$$

$$-x + 5y - 3z = 9$$

$$x - 5y + 3z = -9$$

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