

Vector intersection

Just like the regular functions,

- 1. Equate the two vector equations
- 2. Solve the parameter "t" or "s" by substitution
- 3. Put one of them into their vector equation
- 4. Write the answer as coordinates.



1. Line L_1 has equation $r_1 = \binom{-2}{1} + s \binom{3}{2}$ and line L_2 has equation $r_2 = \binom{15}{5} + t \binom{-4}{1}$.

Line L_1 and L_2 intersect at point A. Find the coordinates of A.



2. Line
$$L_1$$
 has equation $r_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and line L_2 has equation $r_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Line L_1 and L_2 intersect at point A. Find the coordinates of A.





A point lies on the vector

1.
$$L_1: \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The point A(7, p) lies on L_1 . Find the value of p.

2.
$$L_1: \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \\ q \end{pmatrix}$$

The point A(15, p, 17) lies on L_1 . Find the value of p and q.

Paper 1



1. The line *L* passes through the point (5, -4, 10) and is parallel to the vector $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$.

(a) Write down a vector equation for line *L*.

(b) The line *L* intersects the x-axis at the point P. Find the x-coordinate of P.



2. A line L_1 passes through points P(-1, 6, -1) and Q(0, 4, 1).

(a) (i) Show that
$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
.

(ii) Hence, write down an equation for L_1 in the form r = a + tb.

A second line
$$L_2$$
 has equation $r = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$.

(b) Find the cosine of the angle between \overrightarrow{PQ} and L_2 .

(c) The lines L_1 and L_2 intersect at the point R. Find the coordinates of R.



Paper 2



1. Line
$$L_1$$
 has equation $r_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 6 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ and line L_2 has equation $r_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Line L_1 and L_2 intersect at point A. Find the coordinates of A.

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2. Define L_1 passes through points A(1, -1, 4) and B(2, -2, 5). (a) Find \overrightarrow{AB} . (b) Find an equation for L_1 in the form r = a + tb. Line L_2 has equation $r = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$.

- (c) Find the angle between L_1 and L_2 .
- (d) The lines L_1 and L_2 intersect at point C. Find the coordinates of C.





3. The Consider the line L_1 and L_2 with equations

$$L_1: r = \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } L_2: r = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The lines intersect at point P.

(a) Find the coordinates of P.

(b) Show that the lines are perpendicular.

(c) The point Q(7, 5, 3) lies on L_1 . The point R is the reflection of Q in the line L_2 . Find the coordinates of R.

