

# Handout 11

**Recall:** parametric curves  $(x,y)=(f(t),g(t))$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$  describe the curve by describing each point in the xy plane

**Similarly in 3D:**  $(x,y,z)=(f(t),g(t),h(t))$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$

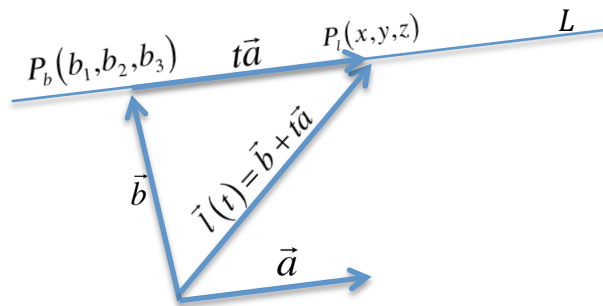
**Similarly in vector form:**  $\vec{r}(t)=\langle f(t),g(t),h(t)\rangle$

**Equations of line:**

$$\text{Functional form: } y = ax + b = \frac{A}{\tilde{A}}x + \frac{B - \tilde{B}}{\tilde{A}}$$

$$\text{Parametric form: } (x,y) = (\tilde{A}t + \tilde{B}, At + B); (x,y,z) = (a_1t + b_1, a_2t + b_2, a_3t + b_3)$$

$$\text{Vector form: } \vec{l}(t) = \langle a_1t + b_1, a_2t + b_2, a_3t + b_3 \rangle = t\langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle + \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle = \vec{a}t + \vec{b}$$



Yet another way to express line in 3D is by

$$(x,y,z) = (x_0 + at, y_0 + bt, z_0 + ct) \Rightarrow \frac{x-x_0}{a} = \frac{y-y_0}{b} = \frac{z-z_0}{c} (=t)$$

**Parallel lines:** The lines  $\vec{l}_1(t) = \vec{a}t + \vec{b}$ ,  $\vec{l}_2(t) = \vec{c}t + \vec{d}$  are parallel iff  $\vec{c} = k\vec{a}$ .

**Intersecting lines:** The lines  $\vec{l}_1(t) = \vec{a}t + \vec{b}$ ,  $\vec{l}_2(t) = \vec{c}t + \vec{d}$  if there is  $t_0$  such that  $\vec{l}_1(t_0) = \vec{l}_2(t_0)$

**Equation of Plane:**

- $Ax + By + Cz = D$
- $\langle A, B, C \rangle \cdot (\langle x, y, z \rangle - \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle) = 0$  or
- $\langle A, B, C \rangle \cdot \langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle A, B, C \rangle \cdot \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle = D$
- $\vec{n} = \langle A, B, C \rangle, x \equiv \langle x, y, z \rangle, x_0 = \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle$  gives  $\vec{n}(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0) = 0$  or  $\vec{n}\vec{x} = \vec{n}\vec{x}_0$ .

**Theorem:** The angle between planes is the angle between their normal vectors.

**Definition:** The distance between a point  $P_1(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and a plane

$n_1x + n_2y + n_3z + d = 0$  is given by  $D = \frac{|n_1x_1 + n_2y_1 + n_3z_1 + d|}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + n_3^2}}$

**Notes:**

- To find distance between parallel planes choose a point on one and use previous formula.
- To find distance between skew lines find the distance between their planes.