No calculators, cell phones, computers, notes, etc.

Circle your answer. Make your work correct, complete and coherent.

The quiz is worth 5 points. The solutions will be posted on my website later today.

Quiz 8, February 17, 2020

What kind of geometric object is the intersection of the set of all points in 3-space which satisfy x + y + 3z = 6 and the set of all points in 3-space which satisfy 2x + y + z = 3? Parameterize this object.

The geometric object is a line. We find two points on the line. When x = 0, we solve y + 3z = 6 and y + z = 3. Equation 1 minus equation two gives 2z = 3; hence $z = \frac{3}{2}$. It follows that $y = 3 - \frac{3}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$. Observe that $(0, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2})$ does satisfy both equations.

When z = 0, we solve x + y = 6 and 2x + y = 3. Equation 1 minus equation 2 is -x = 3or x = -3. We compute that y = 6 - x = 6 + 3 = 9. Observe that (-3,9,0) does satisfy both equations. The vector from $(0, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2})$ to (-3,9,0) is $\overrightarrow{v} = -3\overrightarrow{i} + \frac{15}{2}\overrightarrow{j} - \frac{3}{2}\overrightarrow{k}$. The line through (-3,9,0) and parallel to \overrightarrow{v} is

$$\begin{cases} x = -3 - 3t \\ y = 9 + \frac{15}{2}t \\ z = 0 - \frac{3}{2}t \end{cases}$$

Check. Observe that our proposed answer is always on the first plane:

$$(-3-3t)+9+\frac{15}{2}t-3(\frac{3}{2}t)=6, \checkmark$$

and our proposed line is always on the second plane

$$2(-3-3t) + 9 + \frac{15}{2}t - \frac{3}{2}t = 3 \checkmark.$$