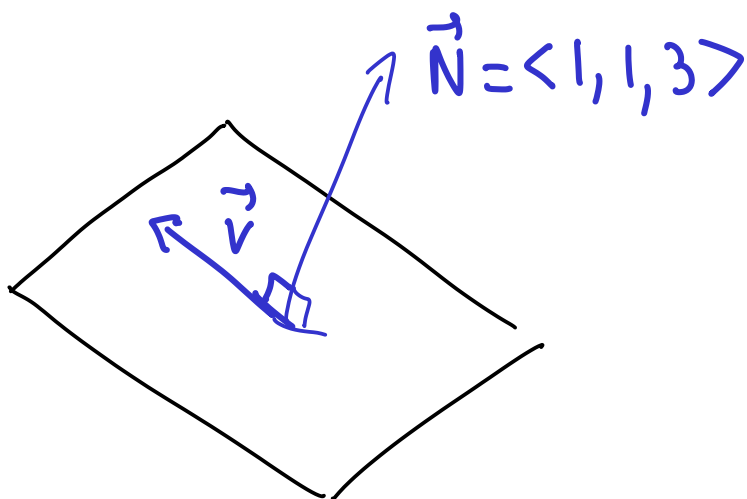


The vector $\vec{v} = \langle 1, 2, -1 \rangle$ and the plane $x + y + 3z = 5$ are

① parallel

~~② perpendicular~~

~~③ neither~~



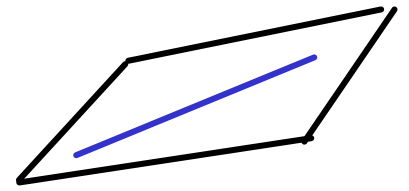
\vec{v} not $\parallel \vec{N}$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} \cdot \vec{N} &= \langle 1, 2, -1 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 1, 3 \rangle \\ &= 1 + 2 - 3 = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{v} \perp \vec{N}$$

A LINE AND A PLANE:

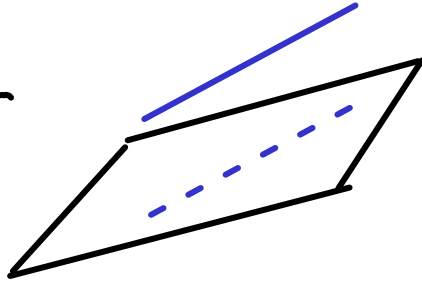
→ The line can be contained in the plane



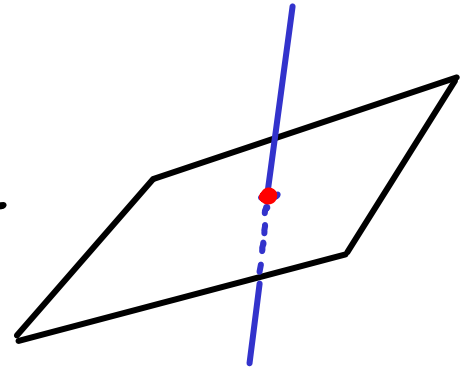
$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{N} = 0$$

(in line) (normal)

→ or parallel to it



→ or intersects the plane in a point



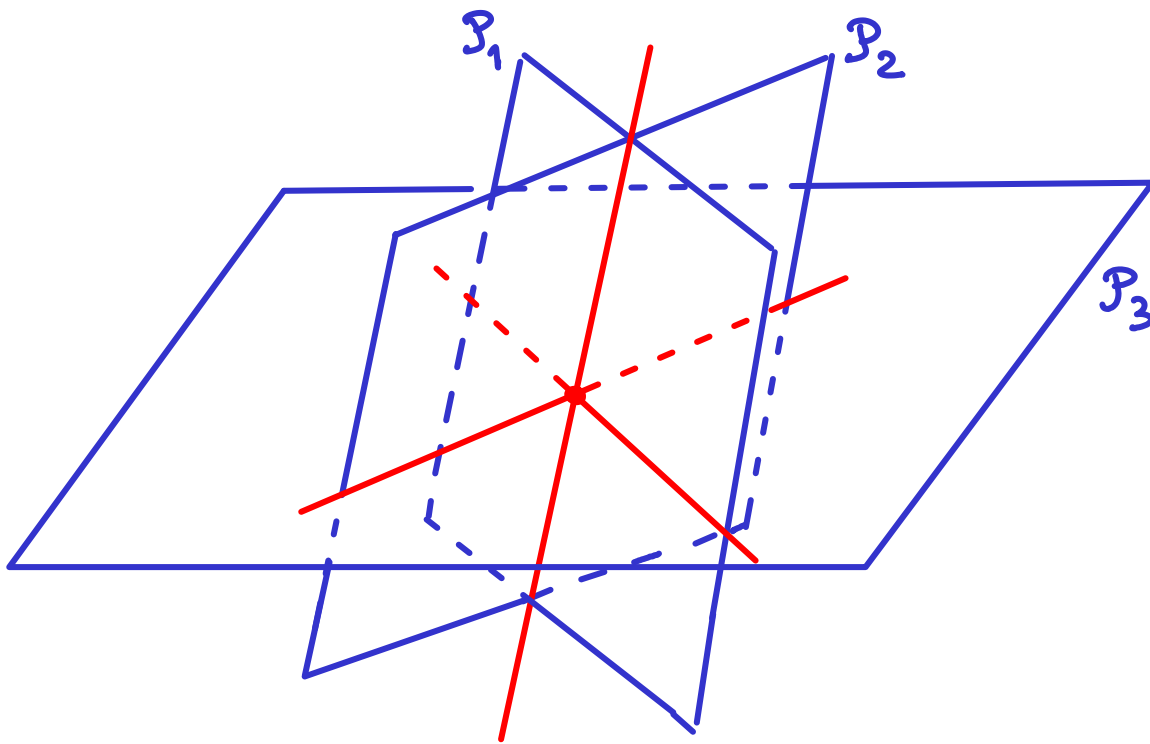
This has to do with: 3×3 linear systems!

$$\begin{cases} x + y + 2z = 7 & (P_1) \\ 2x + y - z = 4 & (P_2) \\ x + 2y + 3z = 3 & (P_3) \end{cases}$$

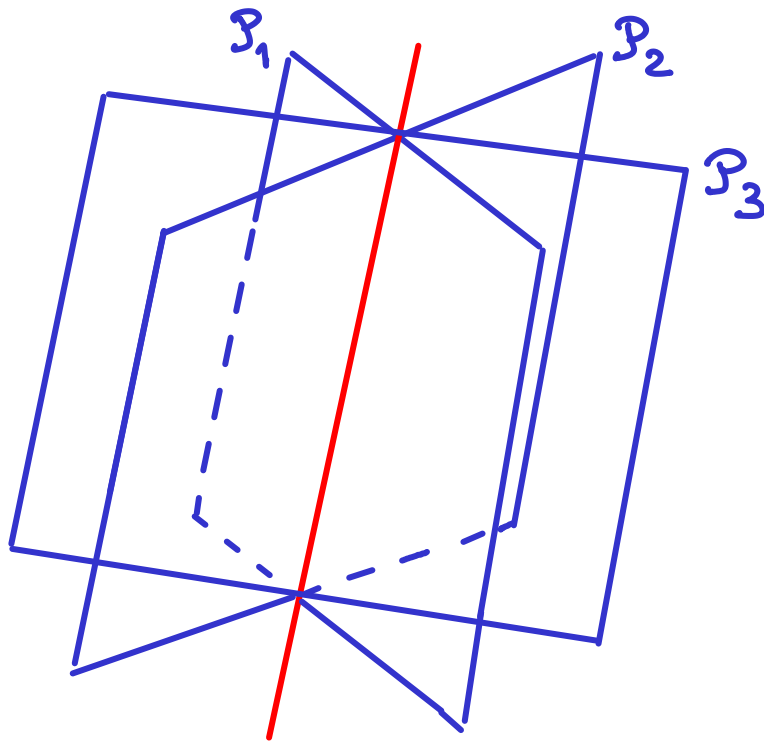
3 planes: where do they intersect?

How many solutions?

If the first 2 planes are not parallel, they intersect in a line.

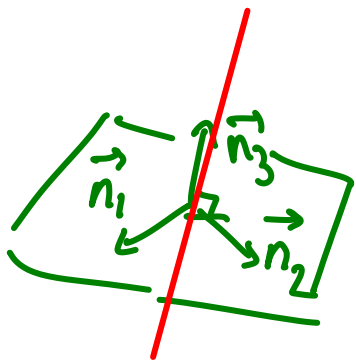


Line and P_3
intersect in a point
(1 solution)



Line $\parallel P_3$
(no solution)

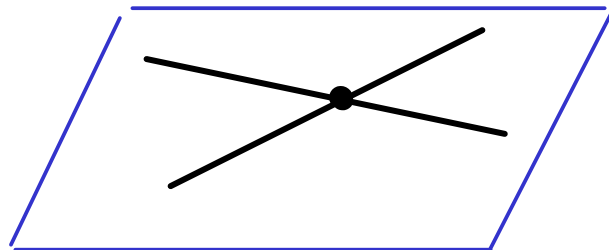
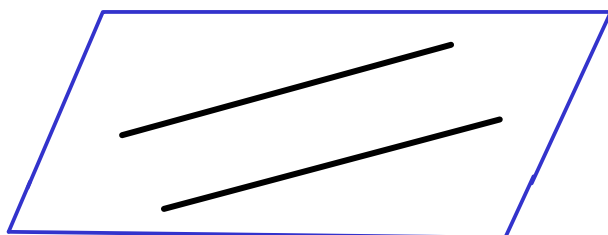
Line contained in P_3
(∞ solutions)



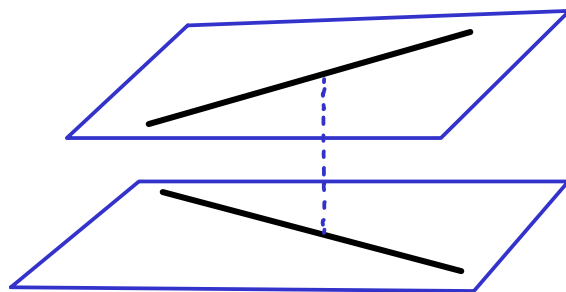
(Note: then the normal vectors to the 3 planes are all \perp the line, hence coplanar.)

RELATIVE POSITIONS OF 2 LINES:

→ parallel } in both cases, a unique plane
→ intersecting } containing both lines



→ skew lines = neither parallel nor intersecting
Then they lie on parallel planes



Distance between the 2 planes = shortest distance
between points on the skew lines.