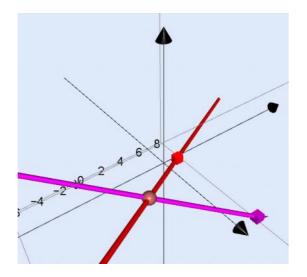
## Intersection of 2 lines

Find the coordinates of the point of intersection of the following two lines

$$\boldsymbol{r_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2\\-3\\1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \boldsymbol{r_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 5\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 1\\2\\-1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$r_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1} \\ y_{1} \\ z_{1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad r_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{2} \\ y_{2} \\ z_{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

For two lines to intersect

 $\begin{array}{l} x_1 = x_2 \\ y_1 = y_2 \\ z_1 = z_2 \end{array}$ 

$x_1 = 1 + 2\lambda$	$x_2 = 5 + \mu$
$y_1 = 0 - 3\lambda$	$y_2 = 1 + 2\mu$
$z_1 = 1 + \lambda$	$z_2 = 0 - \mu$

 $1 + 2\lambda = 5 + \mu$  $-3\lambda = 1 + 2\mu$  $1 + \lambda = 0 - \mu$ 

$$2\lambda - \mu = 4 \qquad A$$
  
$$-3\lambda - 2\mu = 1 \qquad B$$
  
$$\lambda + \mu = -1 \qquad C$$

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A+C  

$$\lambda = 3$$
  
Sub in C  
 $\lambda = 1$   
 $1 + \mu = -1$   
 $\mu = -2$ 

Check that these values hold true for *B* 

$$-3\lambda - 2\mu = -3 - 2(-2) = 1$$

Find coordinates of point of intersection

$x_1 = 1 + 2\lambda$	$x_2 = 5 + \mu$
$y_1 = 0 - 3\lambda$	$y_2 = 1 + 2\mu$
$z_1 = 1 + \lambda$	$z_2 = 0 - \mu$

Hence the two lines intersect at (3, -3, 2)