

# 1. Vectors

1. Given that  $4p - 3q = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $p + 2q = \begin{pmatrix} -14 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}$  find

a) (i)  $\underline{p}$  and  $\underline{q}$  (3 mks)

(ii)  $|p + 2q|$  (3 mks)

(b) Show that A (1, -1), B (3, 5) and C (5, 11) are collinear (4 mks)

2. Given the column vectors  $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -3 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and that  $\mathbf{p} = 2\mathbf{a} - \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}$

(c) (i) Express  $\mathbf{p}$  as a column vector (2mks)

(d) (ii) Determine the magnitude of  $\mathbf{p}$  (1mk)

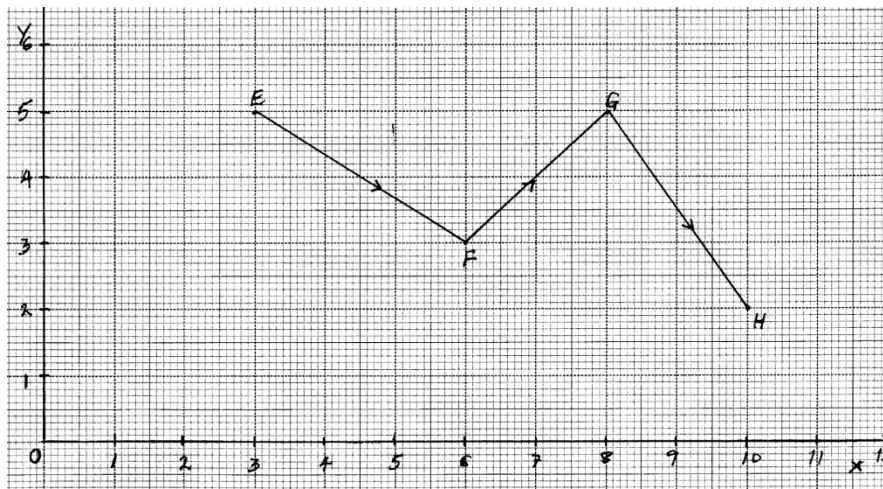
3. Given the points P(-6, -3), Q(-2, -1) and R(6, 3) express PQ and QR as column vectors. Hence show that the points P, Q and R are collinear. (3mks)

4. The position vectors of points x and y are  $x = 2i + j - 3k$  and  $y = 3i + 2j - 2k$  respectively. Find x y as a column vector (2 mks)

5. Given that  $\underline{\mathbf{a}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\underline{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\underline{\mathbf{c}} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{p}} = 2\underline{\mathbf{a}} + \underline{\mathbf{b}} - 3\underline{\mathbf{c}}$ . find  $|\underline{\mathbf{p}}|$  (3mks)

6. The position vectors of A and B are  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$  respectively. Find the coordinates of M which divides AB in the ratio 1:2. (3 marks)

7. The diagram shows the graph of vectors  $\underline{EF}$ ,  $\underline{FG}$  and  $\underline{GH}$ .



Find the column vectors;

(a)  $\underline{EH}$  (1mk)

(b)  $|\underline{EH}|$  (2mks)

8.  $\underline{OA} = 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{k}$  and  $\underline{OB} = -2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ . Find  $|\underline{AB}|$  (2mks)

9. Show that P (4, 0 -4), Q (8, 2, -1) and R (24, 10, 11) are collinear. (3 mks)

10. Given that  $\underline{p} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\underline{q} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ , determine

a.  $|\underline{p} + \underline{q}|$  (1 mk)

(b)  $|\frac{1}{2}\underline{p} - 2\underline{q}|$  (2 mks)

11. Express in surds form and rationalize the denominator.

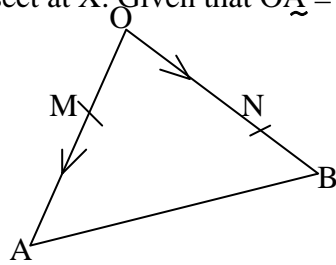
$$\frac{1}{\sin 60^\circ \sin 45^\circ - \sin 45^\circ}$$

12. If  $\underline{OA} = 12\hat{i} + 8\hat{j}$  and  $\underline{OB} = 16\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$ . Find the coordinates of the point which divides  $\underline{AB}$  internally in the ratio 1:3

13. Find scalars  $\underline{m}$  and  $\underline{n}$  such that

$$\underline{m} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \underline{n} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

14. In a triangle OAB, M and N are points on OA and OB respectively, such that OM: MA = 2:3 and ON: NB = 2:1. AN and BM intersect at X. Given that  $\underline{OA} = \underline{a}$  and  $\underline{OB} = \underline{b}$



(a) Express in terms of  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$

- (i)  $\underline{BM}$
- (ii)  $\underline{AN}$

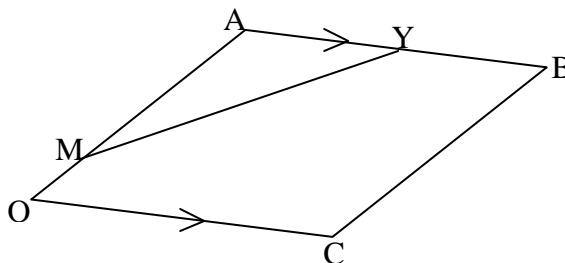
(b) By taking  $\underline{BX} = \underline{t}$  and  $\underline{AX} = \underline{h}$  AN, where  $\underline{t}$  and  $\underline{h}$  are scalars, express  $\underline{OX}$  in two different ways

(c) Find the values of the scalars  $\underline{t}$  and  $\underline{h}$

(d) Determine the ratios in which  $\underline{X}$  divides :-

- (i)  $\underline{BM}$
- (ii)  $\underline{AN}$

15. OABC is a parallelogram, M is the mid-point of OA and  $\underline{AX} = \frac{2}{7}\underline{AC}$ ,  $\underline{OA} = \underline{a}$  and  $\underline{OC} = \underline{c}$



(a) Express the following in terms of  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{c}$

- (i)  $\underline{MA}$
- (ii)  $\underline{AB}$
- (iii)  $\underline{AC}$
- (iv)  $\underline{AX}$

(b) Using triangle  $MAX$ , express  $\underline{MX}$  in terms of  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{c}$

(c) The co-ordinates of  $A$  and  $B$  are  $(1, 6, 8)$  and  $(3, 0, 4)$  respectively. If  $O$  is the origin and  $P$  the midpoint of  $AB$ . Find;

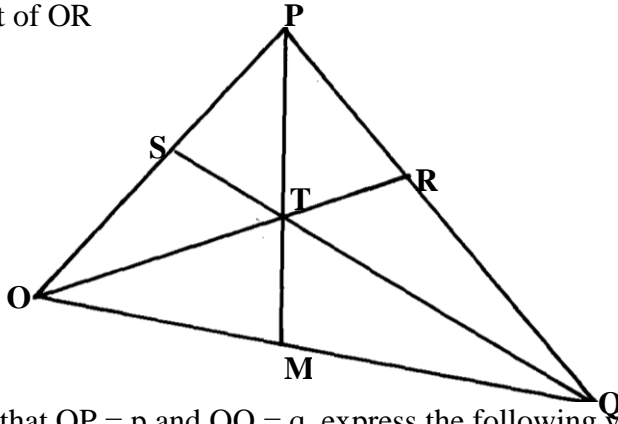
- (i) Length of  $OP$
- (ii) How far are the midpoints of  $OA$  and  $OB$ ?

16. a) If  $A, B$  &  $C$  are the points  $(2, -4), (4, 0)$  and  $(1, 6)$  respectively, use the vector method to find the coordinates of point  $D$  given that  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram.

b) The position vectors of points  $P$  and  $Q$  are  $\underline{p}$  and  $\underline{q}$  respectively.  $R$  is another point with position vector  $\underline{r} = \frac{3}{2}\underline{q} - \frac{1}{2}\underline{p}$ . Express in terms of  $P$  and  $q$

- (i)  $\underline{PR}$
- (ii)  $\underline{PQ}$ , hence show that  $P, Q$  &  $R$  are collinear.
- (iii) Determine the ratio  $PQ : QR$

17. The figure shows a triangle of vectors in which  $OS:SP = 1:3$ ,  $PR:RQ = 2:1$  and  $T$  is the midpoint of  $OR$



a) Given that  $OP = \underline{p}$  and  $OQ = \underline{q}$ , express the following vectors in terms of  $\underline{p}$  and  $\underline{q}$

- i)  $\underline{OR}$
- ii)  $\underline{QT}$

b) Express  $\underline{TS}$  in terms of  $\underline{p}$  and  $\underline{q}$  and hence show that the points  $Q, T$  and  $S$  are collinear

c)  $M$  is a point on  $OQ$  such that  $OM = kOQ$  and  $PTM$  is a straight line. Given that  $PT:TM = 5:1$ , find the value of  $k$

18. Given that  $\underline{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\underline{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\underline{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and that  $\underline{p} = 3\underline{a} - \frac{1}{2}\underline{b} + \frac{1}{10}\underline{c}$   
Express  $\underline{p}$  as a column vector and hence calculate its magnitude  $|\underline{p}|$  correct to two decimal places

19. In a triangle  $OAB$ ,  $M$  and  $N$  are points on  $OA$  and  $OB$  respectively, such that  $OM:MA = 2:3$  and  $ON:NB = 2:1$ .  $AN$  and  $BM$  intersect at  $X$ . Given that  $\underline{OA} = \underline{a}$  and  $\underline{OB} = \underline{b}$

(a) Express in terms of  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$ :-

- (i)  $\underline{BM}$
- (ii)  $\underline{AN}$

(b) Taking  $\underline{BX} = k\underline{BM}$  and  $\underline{AX} = h\underline{AN}$  where  $k$  and  $h$  are constants express  $\underline{OX}$  in terms of

- (i)  $\underline{a}$ ,  $\underline{b}$  and  $k$  only
- (ii)  $\underline{a}$ ,  $\underline{b}$  and  $h$  only

(c) Use the expressions in (b) above to find values of  $k$  and  $h$

20. In the figure below  $OAB$  is a triangle in which  $M$  divides  $OA$  in the ratio  $2:3$  and  $N$  divides  $OB$  in the ratio  $4:1$ .  $AN$  and  $BM$  intersect at  $X$



(a) Given that  $\vec{OA} = \vec{a}$  and  $\vec{OB} = \vec{b}$ , express in terms of  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$

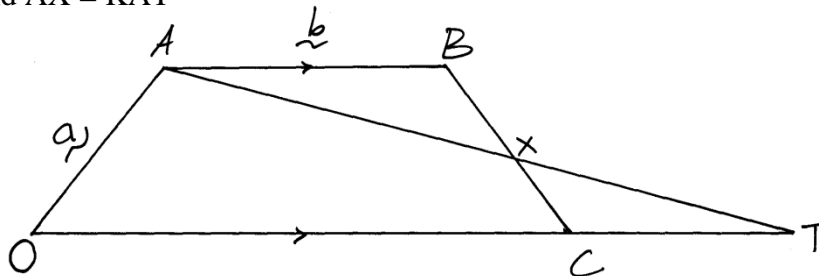
- (i)  $\vec{AN}$
- (ii)  $\vec{BM}$
- (iii)  $\vec{AB}$

(b) If  $\vec{AX} = s\vec{AN}$  and  $\vec{BX} = t\vec{BM}$ , where  $s$  and  $t$  are constants, write two expressions for  $\vec{OX}$  in terms of  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$ ,  $s$  and  $t$ . Find the value of  $s$  and  $t$  hence write  $\vec{OX}$  in terms of  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$

21. A student traveling abroad for further studies sets aside Kshs. 115800 to be converted into US dollars through a bank at the rate of 76.84 per dollar. The bank charges a commission of  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  of the amount exchanged. If he plans to purchase text books and stationery worth US\$270, how much money, to the nearest dollar, will he be left with?

22. Given that:  $\vec{r} = 5\vec{i} - 2\vec{j}$  and  $\vec{m} = -2\vec{i} + 6\vec{j} - \vec{k}$  are the position vectors for R and M respectively. Find the length of vector  $\vec{RM}$ .

23. OABC is a trapezium in which  $\vec{OA} = \vec{a}$  and  $\vec{AB} = \vec{b}$ .  $\vec{AB}$  is parallel to  $\vec{OC}$  with  $2\vec{AB} = \vec{OC}$ . T is a point on  $\vec{OC}$  produced so that  $\vec{OC} : \vec{CT} = 2 : 1$ .  $\vec{AT}$  and  $\vec{BC}$  intersect at X so that  $\vec{BX} = h\vec{BC}$  and  $\vec{AX} = k\vec{AT}$



(a) Express the following in terms of  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ :-

- (i)  $\vec{OB}$
- (ii)  $\vec{BC}$

(b) Express  $\vec{CX}$  in terms of  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $h$

(c) Express  $\vec{CX}$  in terms of  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $k$

(d) Hence calculate the values of  $h$  and  $k$

24. Given that  $\vec{a} = 2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = -3\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} - \vec{k}$  find :-

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|.$$

25. In the figure below, E is the mid-point of BC.  $\vec{AD} : \vec{DC} = 3 : 2$  and F is the meeting point of  $\vec{BD}$  and  $\vec{AE}$



If  $\vec{AB} = \mathbf{b}$  and  $\vec{AC} = \mathbf{c}$ ;

- (i) Express  $\vec{BD}$  and  $\vec{AE}$  in terms of  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$
- (ii) If  $\vec{BF} = t\vec{BD}$  and  $\vec{AF} = n\vec{AE}$ , find the values of  $t$  and  $n$
- (iii) State the ratios in which  $F$  divides  $\vec{BD}$  and  $\vec{AE}$

26. The coordinates of point  $O$ ,  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(3, 4)$ ,  $(11, 6)$  and  $(8, 2)$  respectively.  
A point  $P$  is such that the vector  $\vec{OP}$ ,  $\vec{BA}$ ,  $\vec{BC}$  satisfy the vector equation  $\vec{OP} = \vec{BA} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{BC}$   
Find the coordinates of  $P$
27. A point  $Q$  divides  $AB$  in the ratio  $7:2$ . Given that  $A$  is  $(-3, 4)$  and  $B(2, -1)$ .  
Find the co-ordinates of  $Q$

