

2. Relative to a fixed origin O ,

the point A has position vector $(2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k})$,

the point B has position vector $(4\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k})$,

and the point C has position vector $(a\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$, where a is a constant and $a < 0$

D is the point such that $\vec{AB} = \vec{BD}$.

(a) Find the position vector of D .

(2)

Given $|\vec{AC}| = 4$

(b) find the value of a .

(3)

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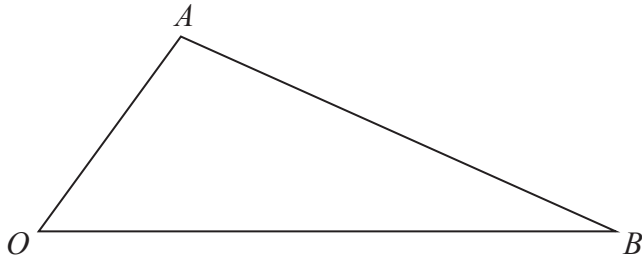


Figure 7

Figure 7 shows a sketch of triangle OAB .

The point C is such that $\vec{OC} = 2\vec{OA}$.

The point M is the midpoint of AB .

The straight line through C and M cuts OB at the point N .

Given $\vec{OA} = \mathbf{a}$ and $\vec{OB} = \mathbf{b}$

(a) Find \vec{CM} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} (2)

(b) Show that $\vec{ON} = \left(2 - \frac{3}{2}\lambda\right)\mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2}\lambda\mathbf{b}$, where λ is a scalar constant. (2)

(c) Hence prove that $ON:NB = 2:1$ (2)

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2. Relative to a fixed origin, points P , Q and R have position vectors \mathbf{p} , \mathbf{q} and \mathbf{r} respectively.

Given that

- P , Q and R lie on a straight line
- Q lies one third of the way from P to R

show that

$$\mathbf{q} = \frac{1}{3}(\mathbf{r} + 2\mathbf{p})$$

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14. $ABCD$ is a parallelogram with AB parallel to DC and AD parallel to BC .
The position vectors of A , B , C , and D relative to a fixed origin O are \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} , \mathbf{c} and \mathbf{d} respectively.

Given that

$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}, \quad \mathbf{b} = 3\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}, \quad \mathbf{c} = -\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$$

(a) find the position vector \mathbf{d} , (3)

(b) find the angle between the sides AB and BC of the parallelogram, (4)

(c) find the area of the parallelogram $ABCD$. (2)

The point E lies on the line through the points C and D , so that D is the midpoint of CE .

(d) Use your answer to part (c) to find the area of the trapezium $ABCE$. (2)

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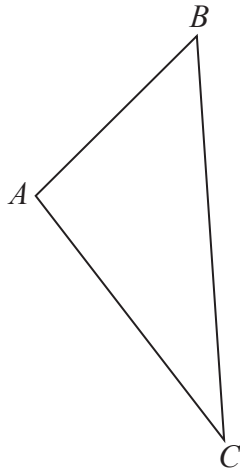


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of a triangle ABC .

Given $\vec{AB} = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$ and $\vec{AC} = 5\mathbf{i} - 6\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$,

(a) find the size of angle CAB , giving your answer in degrees to 2 decimal places, (3)

(b) find the area of triangle ABC , giving your answer to 2 decimal places. (2)

Using your answer to part (b), or otherwise,

(c) find the shortest distance from A to BC , giving your answer to 2 decimal places. (3)

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