

Past-paper walk-through

Vectors in two dimensions ■ E7.2

eXercise

Questions in this set

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Reading the mark scheme

- **B1** a mark that stands on its own – the point is either made or not.
- **M1** a *method* mark: the right approach, even if the number is wrong.
- **A1** an *answer* mark, and it usually needs its M mark first.
- **C1** a working mark on the way to the answer.
- **//** separates answers the examiner accepts equally.
- **ecf** = error carried forward: a later part is marked on your own earlier answer.
- **owtte** = “or words to that effect” – the wording need not match.

Question 8

0580/23 N25 ■ Q8 ■ 3 marks

$$8 \quad DE = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{} \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) Find $5\overrightarrow{DE}$.

$\begin{pmatrix} \\ \end{pmatrix}$ [1]

(b) Find $|\overrightarrow{DE}|$.

Question 8

(c) D is the point $(-2, -3)$.

Find the coordinates of the point E .

Question 8

Solution 8

(a)

Mark scheme

■ 1 5

Solution 8

(b)

Mark scheme

- 5
- 2 M1 for $32 + (-4)^2$ or better

Solution 8

(c)

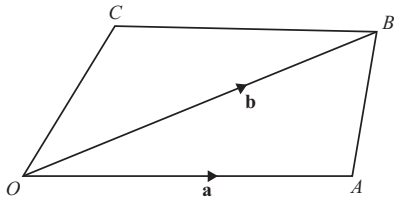
Mark scheme

- (1, 7)

Question 18

0580/42 N25 ■ Q18 ■ 4 marks

18

NOT TO
SCALE

In the diagram, OA is parallel to CB .

$$OA : CB = 4 : 3$$

$$\overrightarrow{OA} = \mathbf{a} \text{ and } \overrightarrow{OB} = \mathbf{b}.$$

- (a) Find $\overrightarrow{AB}$ in terms of $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$.

Question 18

Question 18

(b) M is the midpoint of OC .

Find $\overrightarrow{AM}$ in terms of $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$.

Give your answer in its simplest form.

Solution 18

(a)**Mark scheme**

- $b - a$
- 1

Solution 18

(b) Mark scheme

- 11
- 1
- 8
- 2
- —
- +
- a
- b oe simplified

Solution 18

- final answer
- 3 B2 for a correct unsimplified vector for
-
- AM seen
- or for
- 1
- 3
- 2
- 8
- =

Solution 18

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- OM
- b
- a oe soi
- or B1 for
- 3
- 4
- =
- —

Solution 18

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- OC
- b
- a oe soi
- or for a correct vector route for
-
- AM along lines on
- the diagram
- 19
- $3x^2 - 5x - 11 [= 0]$

Solution 18

- or $3y^2 - 20y - 19 [= 0]$ M2
- M1 for $3x^2 - 7x - 6 = 5 - 2x$
- or for $y =$
 - 2
 - 5
 - 5
 - 3
 - 7
 - 6
 - 2

Solution 18

■ 2

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Solution 18

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- (
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- (
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- y
- y
- 2

Solution 18

() 5

■ ([]5)

■ 4 3

■ 11

■ 2 3

■ — —

■ $\pm$

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■ — $\times \times$ —

■ $\times$

Solution 18

- OR
- 2
- 5
- 11
- 5
- 6
- 3
- 6
- (
-)

Solution 18

- —
- $= \pm$
- + (
-)
- (
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- x
- oe M1
- for [()]5
- oe

Solution 18

- 2 3

- — —

- +

- ×

- k

- or [()]5

- oe

- 2 3

- — —

- —

Solution 18

- $\times$
- k
- or for
- 2
- $([]5)$
- 4 3
- 11
- —
- $-\times\times-$
- oe

Solution 18

- OR **M1**

- for

- 2

- 5

- 6

- (

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- —

- (

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Solution 18

- (
-)
- x
- $x = 2.92, y = -0.84$
- and
- $x = -1.25, y = 7.51$ B2
- B1 for one correct solution for x and y
- or for $x = 2.92$ and -1.25
- or for $y = -0.84$ and 7.51
- If B0 scored and at least two method marks scored,

Solution 18

- SC1 for correct substitution shown of both of their
- x-values or their y-values into $y = 3x^2 - 7x - 6$ or
- $y = 5 - 2x$
- 20
- 620 nfw
- 3 M2 for 4810
- 5
- 7.7 to 7.8
- —
- or 4800 to 4810

Solution 18

- 7.7
- 0.05
- +
- oe
- or M1 for 4815 or 4805 or 7.75 or 7.65 oe seen
- 0580/42
- October/November 2025
- Partial Marks
- 21
- $y =$

Solution 18

- 2
- 242
- (6
- 2)
- +
- w
- oe final answer
- 4 M3
- for
- 2

Solution 18

- 2
- $8(3.5$
- $2)$
- 90
- 2
- 15 w
- +
- (
-)
- +

Solution 18

- (
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- (
-)
- may be done in stages
- or for correct answer seen then spoiled
- OR M2
- for $y =$
- 2
- 242

Solution 18

- (
- 2)
- +
- x
- or M1 for $y =$
- 2
- (
- 2)
- +
- k

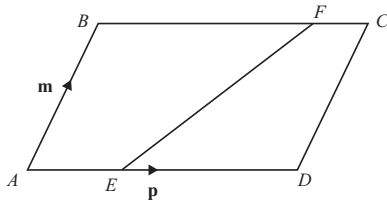
Solution 18

- x
- oe or better **B1**
- for $w =$
- 6
- x oe

Question 26

0580/43 N25 ■ Q26 ■ 5 marks

26

NOT TO
SCALE

$ABCD$ is a parallelogram.

$\vec{AB} = \mathbf{m}$ and $\vec{AD} = \mathbf{p}$.

F is a point on BC and $BF = 4FC$.

E is a point on AD and $AE : ED = 1 : 2$.

Question 26

- (a) Find $\overrightarrow{EF}$, in terms of $\mathbf{m}$ and $\mathbf{p}$, in its simplest form.

Question 26

(b) EF and DC are extended to meet at the point G .

Find $\overrightarrow{CG}$, in terms of $\mathbf{m}$ and/or $\mathbf{p}$, in its simplest form.

Solution 26

(a)

Mark scheme

- $m + 7/15 p$
- 3 M2 for correct unsimplified expression in terms of m and p
- or M1 for a correct route

Solution 26

(b) Mark scheme

- 3
- 7
- m
- 2 M1 for using the ratio
- 2
- 3 p :
- 1
- 5 p

Question 8

0580/21 J25 ■ Q8 ■ 4 marks

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

(a) Find $2\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{n}$.

Question 8

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ \sqrt{y} \end{pmatrix} \quad [2]$$

- (b) The vector $\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ \sqrt{y} \end{pmatrix}$ has a magnitude of 7.

Find the value of y .

Question 8

Solution 8

(a) Mark scheme

■ 14

■ 13

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■ (

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Solution 8

- 2 B1 for 14

- (

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- (

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- k

- or for 13

- (

Solution 8

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- (
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- (
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- k
- or for $22/10$ (
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- (
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Solution 8

- (
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Solution 8

(b)

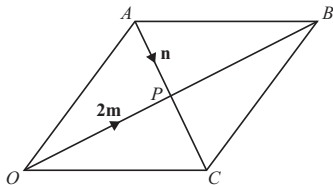
Mark scheme

- 24
- 2 M1 for $y + 52 = 72$ or better

Question 21

0580/21 J25 ■ Q21 ■ 5 marks

21

NOT TO
SCALE

$OABC$ is a rhombus and O is the origin.
The diagonals of the rhombus intersect at P .
 $\vec{OP} = 2\mathbf{m}$ and $\vec{AP} = \mathbf{n}$.

(a) Find, in terms of $\mathbf{m}$ and $\mathbf{n}$, in its simplest form

(i) $\vec{OA}$

Question 21

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Question 21

(ii) $\overrightarrow{OC}$.

Question 21

(b) D is the point such that $\overrightarrow{AD} = 10\mathbf{m} - 3\mathbf{n}$.

Show that $OADC$ is a trapezium.

Question 21

[3]

Solution 21

(a)(i)

Mark scheme

- $2m - n$
- 1

Solution 21

(a)(ii)

Mark scheme

- $2m + n$
- 1
- 0580/21
- May/June 2025
- Partial Marks

Solution 21

(b) Mark scheme

- $CD = 10m - 5n$ (M2)
- Allow M2 for equivalents
- $CD = -2n + 10m - 3n$
- or $CD = ($
- $)$
- 2
- 2
- 10

Solution 21

- 3

- —

- +

- +

- —

- +

- —

- m

- n

- m

Solution 21

- n
- m
- n
- For M2, FT their (a) e.g.
- 1 0
- 3
- CD
- their CO
- their OA
- =

Solution 21

- +
- +
- —
- m
- n
- or M1 for correct route for CD using the lines
- of the diagram with AD
- e.g.
- CD
- CA

Solution 21

- AD
- =
- +
- oe
- $CD = 5 OA$
- leading to CD is parallel to OA

trapezium **A1**

- Dependent on **M2**

Question 9

0580/22 J25 ■ Q9 ■ 6 marks

- 9** A is the point $(3, -1)$.

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) $\overrightarrow{AC} = 2\overrightarrow{AB}$

Find the coordinates of the point C .

Question 9

(b) The length of AB is $k\sqrt{5}$.

Find the value of k .

Question 9

(c) P is a point on AB .

$$AP : PB = 1 : 3$$

Find the position vector of P .

Question 9

() [2]

Solution 9

(a) Mark scheme

- $(7, -9)$

- 2 B1

- for $(7, k)$ or $(k, -9)$ or $7/9$ (

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Solution 9

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- or for $4/8$ (
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- (
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- seen
- or M1 for $3/2$

Solution 9

■ 2

■ 1

■ 4

■ (

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■ (

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■ +

■ (

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Solution 9

■ (

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Solution 9

(b)

Mark scheme

- 2
- 2 M1 for $22 + ([-]4)^2$ oe or better

Solution 9

(c) Mark scheme

■ 3.5

■ 2

■ (

■)

■ (

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■ (

Solution 9

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- oe
- 2 **B1**
- for answer 3.5
- (
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- (
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- (
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Solution 9

- k

- or

- 2

- (

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- (

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- (

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Solution 9

- k
- or for 0.5
- 1
- (
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- (
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- —
- (
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Solution 9

- or

- 1

- 2

- 1

- (

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Solution 9

- (
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- —
- (
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- seen
- or M1 for $3/1$ (
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- (
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Solution 9

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■ (

■)

■ +

■ 2

■ 1

■ 4

■ 4

■ (

■)

Solution 9

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- —
- (
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- oe
- 10
- 9
- 2 oe
- 2 M1 for

Solution 9

- 45
- 2
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- 18
- $360 \times \times$
- $\times$
- oe