

Chapter 1

GCSE Revision Questions - Vectors

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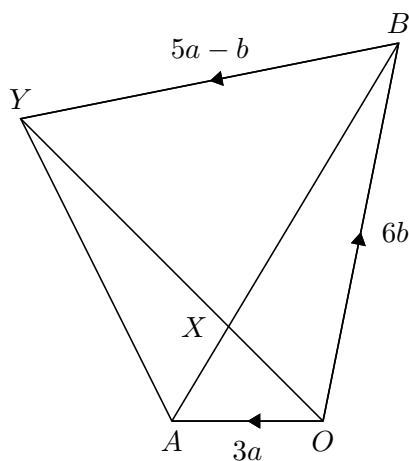


Diagram **NOT**
accurately drawn

OAYB is a quadrilateral. $\overrightarrow{OA} = 3\mathbf{a}$ and $\overrightarrow{OB} = 6\mathbf{b}$.

(a) Express \overrightarrow{AB} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . (1)

X is the point on AB such that $AX : XB = 1 : 2$ and $\overrightarrow{BY} = 5\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}$.

(b) Prove that $\overrightarrow{OX} = \frac{2}{5}\overrightarrow{OY}$. (1)

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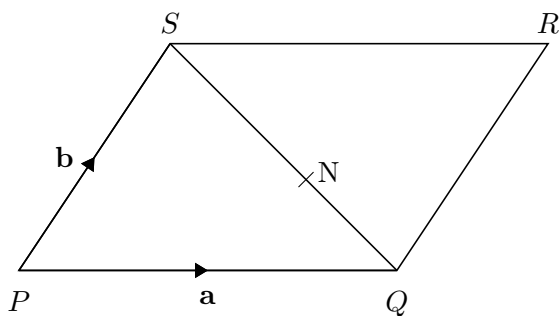


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PQRS is a parallelogram. N is the point on SQ such that $SN : NQ = 3 : 2$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \mathbf{a}$$

$$\overrightarrow{PS} = \mathbf{b}$$

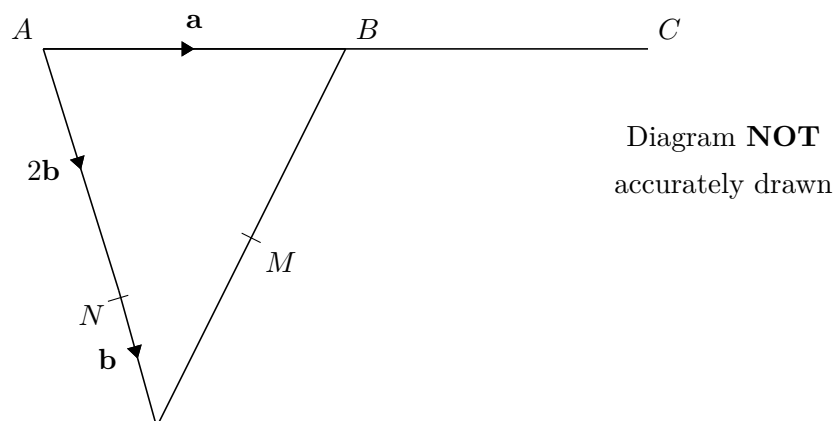
(a) Write down, in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} , an expression for \overrightarrow{SQ} . (1)

\overrightarrow{SQ}

(b) Express \overrightarrow{NR} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . (3)

\overrightarrow{NR}

3.



APB is a triangle. N is a point on AP .

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \mathbf{a} \quad \overrightarrow{AN} = 2\mathbf{b} \quad \overrightarrow{NP} = \mathbf{b}$$

- (a) Find the vector \overrightarrow{PB} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . (1)

- (b) B is the midpoint of AC . M is the midpoint of PB . Show that NMC is a straight line.

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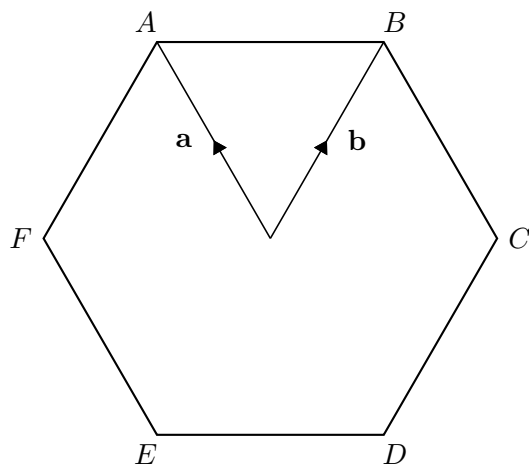


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$ABCDEF$ is a regular hexagon, with centre O .

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

(a) Write the vector \overrightarrow{AB} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . (1)

(b) The line AB is extended to the point K so that $AB : BK = 1 : 2$. Write the vector \overrightarrow{CK} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . Give your answer in its simplest form.. (3)

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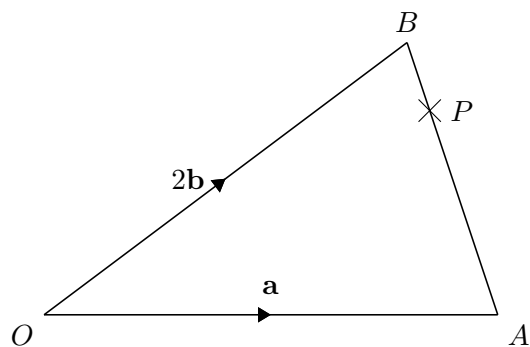


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OAB is a triangle. $\overrightarrow{OA} = \mathbf{a}$, $\overrightarrow{OB} = \mathbf{b}$.

(a) Find \overrightarrow{AB} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . (1)

(b) P is the point on AB such that $AP : PB = 3 : 1$. Find \overrightarrow{OP} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . Give your answer in its simplest form. (3)

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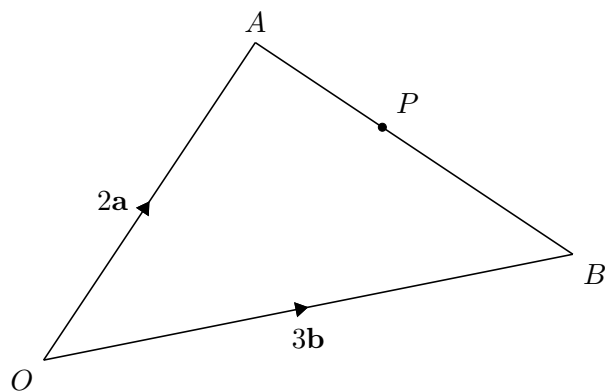


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OAB is a triangle. $\overrightarrow{OA} = 2\mathbf{a}$, $\overrightarrow{OB} = 3\mathbf{b}$.

(a) Find AB in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . (1)

$\overrightarrow{AB} = \dots\dots\dots$

(b) P is the point on AB such that $AP : PB = 2 : 3$. Show that \overrightarrow{OP} is parallel to the vector $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$. (3)

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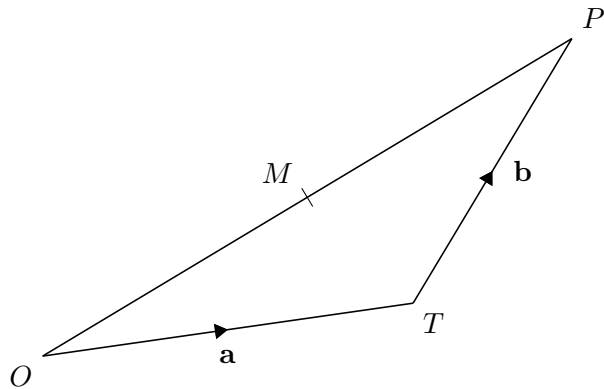


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OPT is a triangle. M is the midpoint of OP .

$\overrightarrow{OT} = \mathbf{a}$, $\overrightarrow{TP} = \mathbf{b}$.

(a) Express \overrightarrow{OM} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . (2)

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(b) Express \overrightarrow{TM} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . Give your answer in its simplest form. (2)

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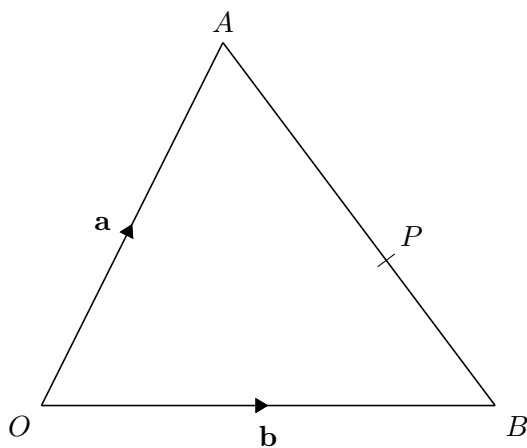


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(a) Find the vector \overrightarrow{AB} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . (1)

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(b) P is the point on AB such that $AP : PB = 3 : 2$. Show that $\overrightarrow{OP} = \frac{1}{5}(2\mathbf{a} + 3\mathbf{b})$. (3)