Co-ordinate Geometry Difficulty: Hard

Model Answers 1

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A line joins the points $A(-3, 8)$ and $B(2, -2)$.

(a) Find the co-ordinates of the midpoint of AB.   [2]

Midpoint is calculated as

$$M = \left(\frac{x_A + x_B}{2}, \frac{y_A + y_B}{2}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{-3 + 2}{2}, \frac{8 - 2}{2}\right)$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{2}, 3\right)$$

(b) Find the equation of the line through A and B.
   Give your answer in the form $y = mx + c$.   [3]

Gradient is found as $m = \frac{y_B - y_A}{x_B - x_A}$

$$= \frac{-2 - 8}{2 - -3}$$

$$= -\frac{10}{5}$$

$$= -2$$

Now use the straight-line equation with point A

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$\rightarrow y - 8 = -2(x + 3)$$

$$\rightarrow y = -2x - 6 + 8$$

$$\rightarrow \boldsymbol{y = -2x + 2}$$

(c)   Another line is parallel to *AB* and passes through the point (0, 7).

Write down the equation of this line.   [2]

Parallel so it has the same gradient.

Again, using the straight-line equation

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$\rightarrow y - 7 = -2(x - 0)$$

$$\rightarrow y = -2x + 7$$

(d) Find the equation of the line perpendicular to *AB* which passes through the point (1, 5).
Give your answer in the form $ax + by + c = 0$ where *a*, *b* and *c* are integers.   [4]

Perpendicular so the gradient is

$$m = -\frac{1}{-2}$$
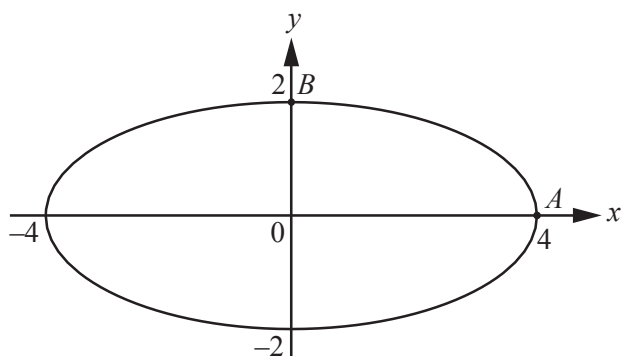
$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

Again, using the straight-line equation

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$\rightarrow y - 5 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 1)$$

$$\rightarrow 2y - 10 = x - 1$$

$$\rightarrow x - 2y + 9 = 0$$

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The diagram shows a curve with equation $\dfrac{x^2}{a^2} + \dfrac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$.

(a) *A* is the point (4, 0) and *B* is the point (0, 2).

(i) Find the equation of the straight line that passes through *A* and *B*.
Give your answer in the form $y = mx + c$. [3]

$$m\,(gradient) = \frac{-2}{4}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{-1}{2}x + 2$$

(ii)   Show that $a^2 = 16$ and $b^2 = 4$. [2]

When $x = 0, y = 2$

$$\frac{0^2}{a^2} + \frac{2^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{2^2}{b^2} = 1$$
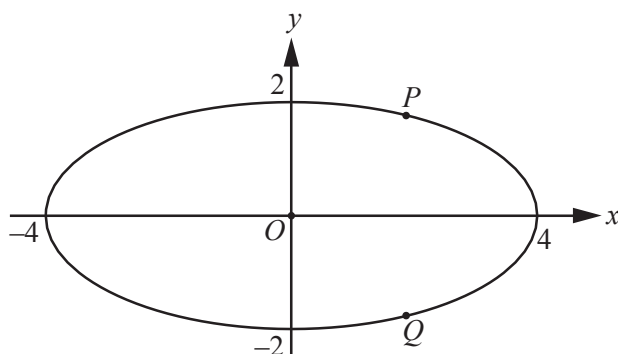
$$4 = b^2$$

$$\boldsymbol{b^2 = 4}$$

When $x = 4, y = 0$

$$\frac{4^2}{a^2} + \frac{0^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{4^2}{a^2} = 1$$

$$16 = a^2$$

$$\boldsymbol{a^2 = 16}$$

(b)

$P(2, k)$ and $Q(2, -k)$ are points on the curve $\dfrac{x^2}{16} + \dfrac{y^2}{4} = 1$.

(i) Find the value of k. [3]

$$\frac{2^2}{16} + \frac{k^2}{4} = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{k^2}{4} = 1$$

$$k^2 = 3$$

$$\boldsymbol{k = \sqrt{3}}$$

(ii) Calculate angle *POQ*. [3]

$$\tan x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$Angle\ POQ = 2x$$

$$= \boldsymbol{81.8°}$$

(c) The area enclosed by a curve with equation $\dfrac{x^2}{a^2} + \dfrac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is πab.

(i) Find the area enclosed by the curve $\dfrac{x^2}{16} + \dfrac{y^2}{4} = 1$.

Give your answer as a multiple of π. [1]

$Area = \pi ab$

$= \pi \times 4 \times 2$

$= \mathbf{8\pi}$

(ii) A curve, mathematically similar to the one in the diagrams, intersects the *x*-axis at (12, 0) and (-12, 0).

Work out the area enclosed by this curve, giving your answer as a multiple of π. [2]

Original ellipse has been enlarged by a scale factor of 3 to for the new

Ellipse. (Eg. (4,0) maps to (12,0)).

Linear scale factor of the enlargement is 3, and hence the area scale factor

is $3^2 = 9$)

$Area = area\ of\ original\ ellipse\ x\ 9$

$= 8\pi \times 9$

$= \mathbf{72\pi}$

A line joins the points A (–2, –5) and B (4, 13).

(a) Calculate the length AB.   [3]

Length of a line is given by

$$\sqrt{(y_2 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - x_1)^2}$$

Here, that is

$$\sqrt{(13 + 5)^2 + (4 + 2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{324 + 36}$$

$$= \mathbf{18.97}$$

(b) Find the equation of the line through A and B.
   Give your answer in the form $y = mx + c$.   [3]

The gradient of the line can be found as

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$= \frac{13 + 5}{4 + 2}$$

$$= 3$$

Using the straight-line equation

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

With our gradient and the point B we get

$$y - 13 = 3(x - 4)$$

$$\rightarrow y = 3x - 12 + 13$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{y = 3x + 1}$$

(c) Another line is parallel to *AB* and passes through the point (0, –5).

Write down the equation of this line. [2]

Parallel means it has the same gradient. This new line, using the same straight-line equation as before, is

$$y + 5 = 3(x - 0)$$

$$\rightarrow y = 3x - 5$$

(d) Find the equation of the perpendicular bisector of *AB*. [5]

Perpendicular bisector means that it has a perpendicular gradient to line AB and it cuts through the midpoint. The perpendicular gradient is

$$-1 \div 3$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3}$$

The midpoint is

$$M = \left(\frac{4 - 2}{2}, \frac{13 - 5}{2} \right)$$

$$= (1, 4)$$

The perpendicular bisector then has the equation

$$y - 4 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 1)$$

$$\rightarrow 3y - 12 = -x + 1$$

$$\rightarrow x + 3y - 13 = 0$$

A line AB joins the points A $(3, 4)$ and B $(5, 8)$.

(a) Write down the co-ordinates of the midpoint of the line AB.

[2]

The midpoint is simply calculated by summing the coordinates of the two points (treating them as vectors) and dividing by 2.

$$\frac{1}{2}\left(\binom{3}{4} + \binom{5}{8}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\binom{8}{12} = \binom{4}{6}$$

Therefore the midpoint has co-ordinates **(4 , 6)**

(b) Calculate the distance AB.

[3]

First, calculate the line AB as if it was a vector (AB=BO-OA)

$$AB = \binom{5}{8} - \binom{3}{4} = \binom{2}{4}$$

Second, we calculate the distance AB by taking the square root of the sum of squares of components of vector AB.

$$|AB| = \sqrt{2^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{20} = 4.47$$

Hence the distance AB is **4.47**.

(c) Find the equation of the line AB. [3]

The general equation of a line is y=mx+c where m is the gradient and c is a constant.

The gradient is found as the change of y-coordinate over the change of x-coordinate

between points (3,4) and (5,8). Gradient: $m = \frac{8-(4)}{5-(3)} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$. Hence the gradient is 2.

We want the line to pass through point (3,4), therefore the equation must be satisfied:

$$4 = 2 \times 3 + c$$

Subtract 6 from both sides to get the answer:

$$-2 = c$$

Therefore the equation of the line passing through A and B is

$$y = 2x - 2.$$

(d) A line perpendicular to AB passes through the origin and through the point $(6, r)$.

Find the value of r. [3]

The gradient of line $y=2x-2$ is $m=2$ (it is the factor multiplying variable x).

The gradient of a perpendicular line n is found as negative reciprocal of the original gradient:

$$n = -\frac{1}{m}$$

Therefore the gradient of the new line is:

$$n = -\frac{1}{2}$$

The general equation for a line is $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + p$ where p is a constant. This constant is decided

by the point through which the equation passes.

We want the new line to pass through the origin (0,0), therefore $p=0$.

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x$$

When $x=6$, $y=r$.

$$r = -\frac{1}{2} \times 6$$

$$= -3$$

(a) A straight line joins the points $(-1, -4)$ and $(3, 8)$.

    (i) Find the midpoint of this line.   [2]

       The midpoint of a line is

$$M = \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{-1 + 3}{2}, \frac{-4 + 8}{2}\right)$$

$$= (1, 2)$$

    (ii) Find the equation of this line.
          Give your answer in the form $y = mx + c$.   [3]

       Gradient of a line is

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$= \frac{8 - -4}{3 - -1}$$

$$= \frac{12}{4}$$

$$= 3$$

       Straight-line equation is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

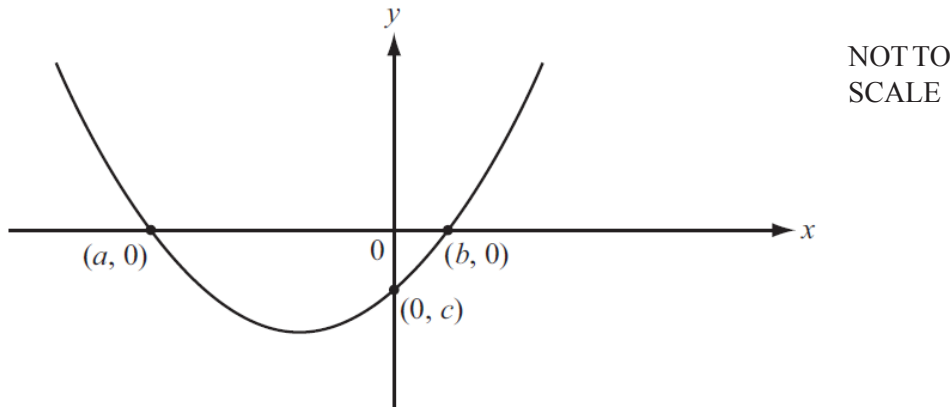$$\rightarrow y - 8 = 3(x - 3)$$

$$\rightarrow y = 3x - 9 + 8$$

$$\rightarrow y = 3x - 1$$

(b) (i) Factorise $x^2 + 3x - 10$. [2]

$(x + 5)(x - 2)$

(ii) The graph of $y = x^2 + 3x - 10$ is sketched below.

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Write down the values of a, b and c. [3]

a and b found by

$$x^2 + 3x - 10 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow (x + 5)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow a = -5, \qquad b = 2$$

c is found by

$$c = 0^2 + 3(0) - 10$$

$$\rightarrow c = -10$$

(iii) Write down the equation of the line of symmetry of the graph of $y = x^2 + 3x - 10$. [1]

The line of symmetry will be the midpoint of a and b
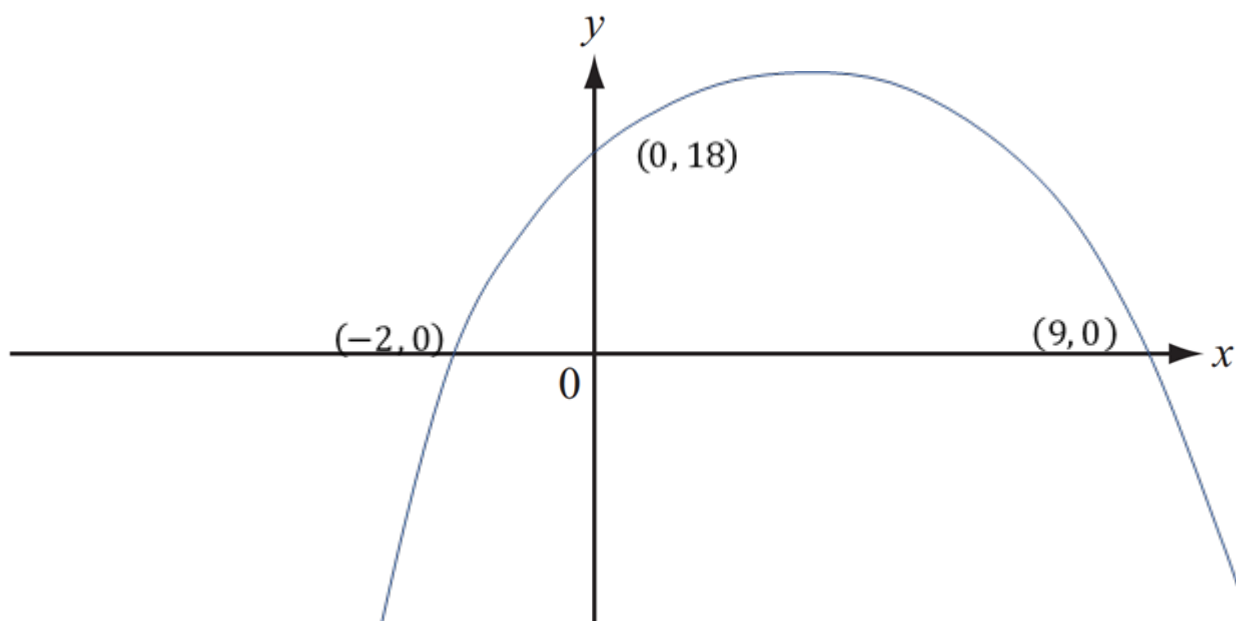
$$x = \frac{a + b}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow x = -\frac{3}{2}$$

(c) Sketch the graph of $y = 18 + 7x - x^2$ on the axes below.
Indicate clearly the values where the graph crosses the x and y axes. [4]

Factorise it to find x-axis intercepts

$$-(x^2 - 7x - 18)$$

$$= -(x - 9)(x + 2)$$

Hence intercepts at $x = 9, x = -2$.

(d) (i) $\qquad x^2 + 12x - 7 = (x + p)^2 - q$

Find the value of p and the value of q. [3]

Complete the square on the LHS

$$(x + 6)^2 - 36 - 7$$

$$= (x + 6)^2 - 43$$

Hence

$$p = 6$$

$$q = 43$$

(ii) Write down the minimum value of y for the graph of $\quad y = x^2 + 12x - 7$. [1]

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