# Euclid Preparation 2 Analytic Geometry

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### Formula 1

The standard form for a line with slope  $-\frac{A}{B}$  and intercepts  $\left(-\frac{C}{A},0\right)$  and  $\left(0,-\frac{C}{B}\right)$ 

$$Ax + By + C = 0$$

### Formula 2

The equation of the line with slope m through  $(x_0,y_0)$ 

$$y - y_0 = m(x - x_0)$$



The equation of the line with intercepts at (a,0) and (0,b)

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$$

The formula for the midpoint M of  $A(x_1, y_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2)$ 

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

# Formula 5

The distance D between the points  $A(x_1, y_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2)$ 

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



# Formula 6 Toolkit

The distance D between the line Ax+By+C=0 and the point  $(x_0,y_0)$ 

$$D = \frac{|Ax_0 + By_0 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$$

The area of the triangle  $A(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $B(x_2, y_2)$ ,  $C(x_3, y_3)$ 

$$A = \frac{1}{2}|x_1y_2 + x_2y_3 + x_3y_1 - x_2y_1 - x_3y_2 - x_1y_3|$$

The equation of the circle with centre  $\left(h,k\right)$  and radius r

$$(x-h)^2 + (y-k)^2 = r^2$$

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And that is our line.

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So the points are  $\left(\frac{19}{3},0\right)$  and  $\left(-\frac{41}{3},0\right)$ .

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$$2x + y - 2k = 0$$



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