## Ex 11E Vectors

4 OABC is a square. M is the midpoint of OA, and Q divides BC in the ratio 1:3.

AC and MQ meet at P.

- **a** If  $\overrightarrow{OA} = \mathbf{a}$  and  $\overrightarrow{OC} = \mathbf{c}$ , express  $\overrightarrow{OP}$  in terms of **a** and **c**.
- **b** Show that P divides AC in the ratio 2:3.

$$\overrightarrow{OP} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{AP}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OP} = \underline{a} + \lambda \overrightarrow{AC}$$

$$(\overrightarrow{AC} = \underline{C} - \underline{a})$$

$$\overrightarrow{OP} = \underline{a} + \lambda (\underline{C} - \underline{a})$$

$$= \underline{a} + \lambda \underline{C} - \lambda \underline{a}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OP} = (1 - \lambda)\underline{a} + \lambda \underline{C}$$

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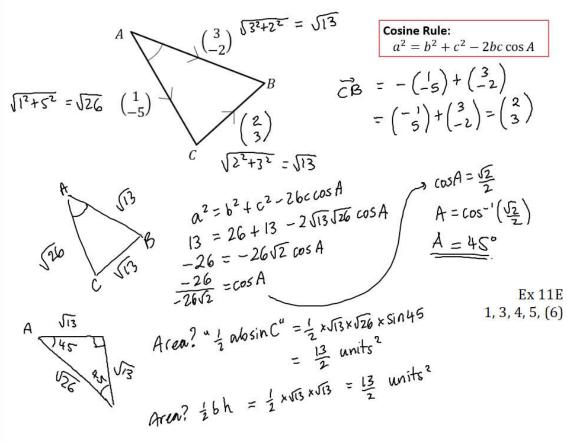
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#### Area of a Triangle

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = 3i - 2j$$
 and  $\overrightarrow{AC} = i - 5j$ . Determine  $\angle BAC$ .

Strategy: Find 3 lengths of triangle then use cosine rule to find angle.



#### EXIIE

- 5 In triangle ABC the position vectors of the vertices A, B and C are  $\binom{5}{8}$ ,  $\binom{4}{3}$  and  $\binom{7}{6}$ . Find:
  - $\mathbf{a} \mid \overrightarrow{AB} \mid$
- $\mathbf{b} \mid \overrightarrow{AC} \mid$
- $c \mid \overrightarrow{BC} \mid$

Mixed Exercise Q7.

## Modelling

In Mechanics, you will see certain things can be represented as a simple number (without direction), or as a vector (with direction):

Remember a 'scalar' just means a normal number (in the context of vectors). It can be obtained using the magnitude of the vector.

# **Equivalent Scalar Quantity Vector Quantity** Velocity Speed = 5 km/hDisplacement Distance



e.g. 
$$\binom{-5}{12}$$
  $km$ 

 $= 13 \, km$ 

### Scalar

Find the distance moved by a particle which travels for:

- a 5 hours at velocity (8i + 6j) km h<sup>-1</sup>
- **b** 10 seconds at velocity  $(5\mathbf{i} \mathbf{j}) \,\mathrm{m} \,\mathrm{s}^{-1}$
- c 45 minutes at velocity (6i + 2j) km h<sup>-1</sup>
- d 2 minutes at velocity (-4i 7j) cm s<sup>-1</sup>.

a) 
$$y = {8 \choose 6}$$
  $|y| = \sqrt{8^2 + 6^2} = 10 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$   
 $d = |y| \times t$ 

$$d = 10 \times 5 = 50 \text{ km}$$

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All answers

to 35f.

b) 
$$|Y| = \sqrt{5^2 + 1^2} = 2\sqrt{10}$$
  $d = 2\sqrt{10} \times \frac{3}{4} = 4.74 \text{ km}$   
c)  $|Y| = \sqrt{6^2 + 2^2} = 2\sqrt{10}$   $d = 2\sqrt{10} \times \frac{3}{4} = 4.74 \text{ km}$ 

c) 
$$|y| = \sqrt{6^2 + 7^2} = \sqrt{65}$$
  $d = \sqrt{65} \times \sqrt{120} = 967 \text{ cm}$   
d)  $|y| = \sqrt{4^2 + 7^2} = \sqrt{65}$   $d = \sqrt{65} \times \sqrt{120} = 967 \text{ cm}$