

Past Paper Questions – Vectors

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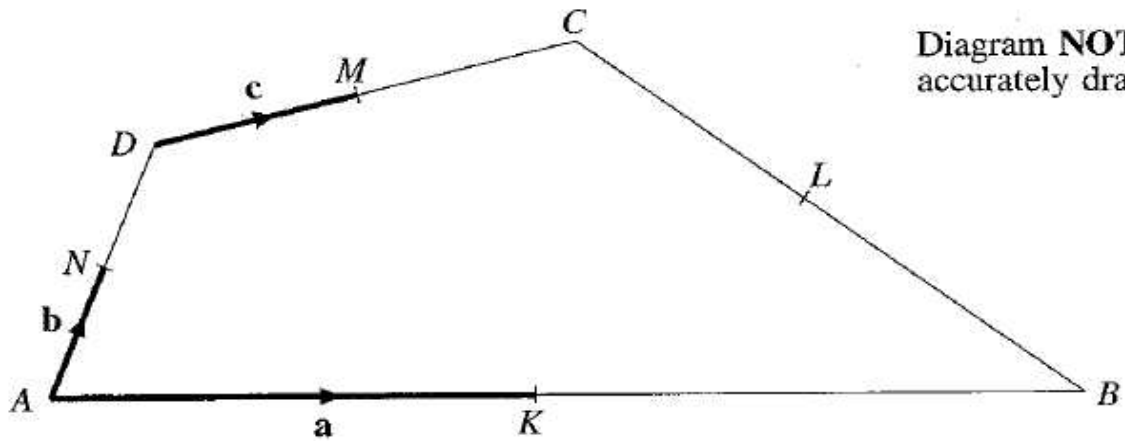


Diagram NOT accurately drawn

$ABCD$  is a quadrilateral.

$K$  is the midpoint of  $AB$ .

$L$  is the midpoint of  $BC$ .

$M$  is the midpoint of  $CD$ .

$N$  is the midpoint of  $AD$ .

$\vec{AK} = \mathbf{a}$ ,  $\vec{AN} = \mathbf{b}$  and  $\vec{DM} = \mathbf{c}$ .

(a) Find, in terms of  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$ , the vectors

(i)  $\vec{KN}$ ,

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(ii)  $\vec{AC}$ ,

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(iii)  $\vec{BC}$ ,

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(iv)  $\vec{LM}$ .

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(4)

(b) Write down two geometrical facts about the lines  $KN$  and  $LM$  which could be deduced from your answers to part (a).

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(2)

(Total 6 marks)

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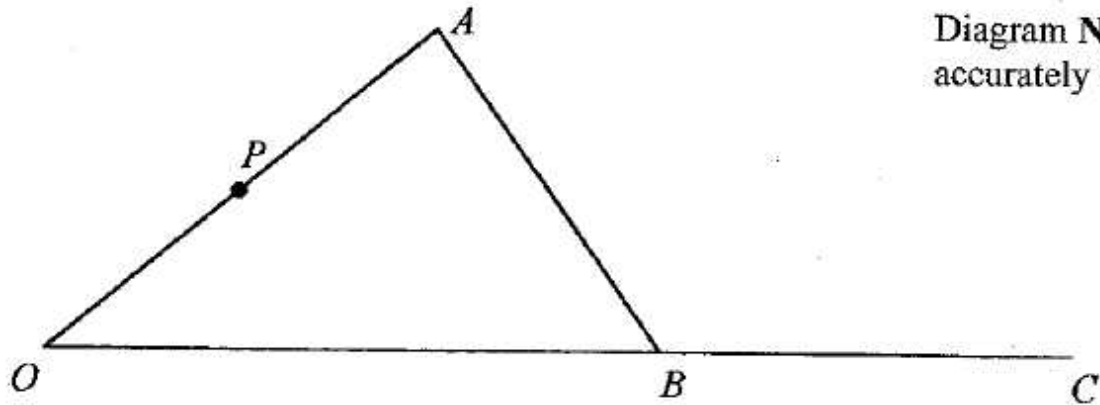


Diagram **NOT**  
accurately drawn

$OAB$  is a triangle.

$P$  is the mid point of  $OA$ .

$B$  is the mid point of  $OC$ .

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

(a) Find  $\vec{PB}$  in terms of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ .

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(2)

(b) Use vectors to show that  $AC$  is parallel to  $PB$ .

(3)

The length of  $PB$  is 8 cm.

(c) Write down the length of  $AC$ .

.....cm  
(1)

(Total 6 marks)

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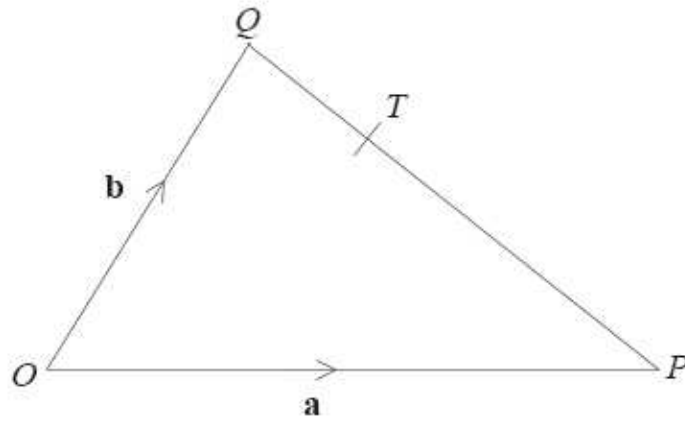


Diagram **NOT** accurately drawn

$OPQ$  is a triangle.

$T$  is the point on  $PQ$  for which  $PT : TQ = 2 : 1$

$\vec{OP} = \mathbf{a}$  and  $\vec{OQ} = \mathbf{b}$ .

(a) Write down, in terms of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ , an expression for  $\vec{PQ}$ .

$$\vec{PQ} = \dots\dots\dots \quad (1)$$

(b) Express  $\vec{OT}$  in terms of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ .  
Give your answer in its simplest form.

$$\vec{OT} = \dots\dots\dots \quad (2)$$

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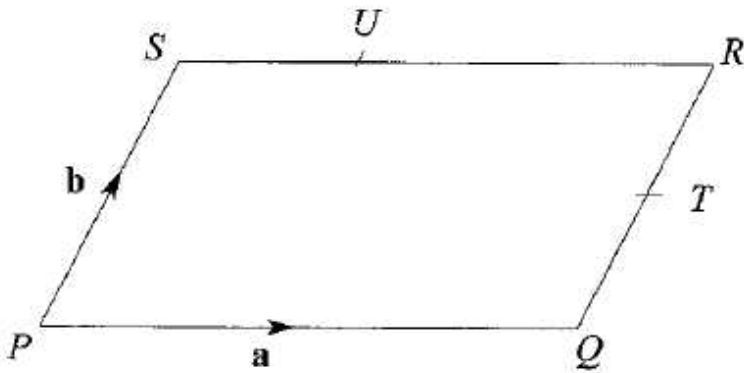


Diagram **NOT** accurately drawn.

$PQRS$  is a parallelogram.

$T$  is the midpoint of  $QR$ .

$U$  is the point on  $SR$  for which  $SU : UR = 1 : 2$

$\vec{PQ} = \mathbf{a}$  and  $\vec{PS} = \mathbf{b}$ .

Write down, in terms of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ , expressions for

(i)  $\vec{PT}$ ,

$\vec{PT} = \dots\dots\dots$

(ii)  $\vec{TU}$ .

$\vec{TU} = \dots\dots\dots$

**(Total 2 marks)**