

VECTOR QUESTIONS

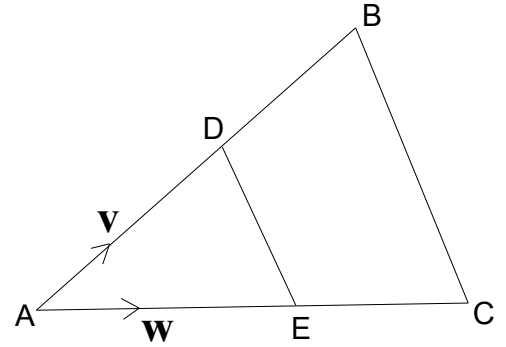
1) In this diagram, D is the midpoint of AB and E is the midpoint of AC.

$\vec{AD} = \mathbf{v}$ and $\vec{AE} = \mathbf{w}$.

Express the following vectors in terms of \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} :

(a) \vec{AB} (b) \vec{AC} (c) \vec{DE} and (d) \vec{BC}

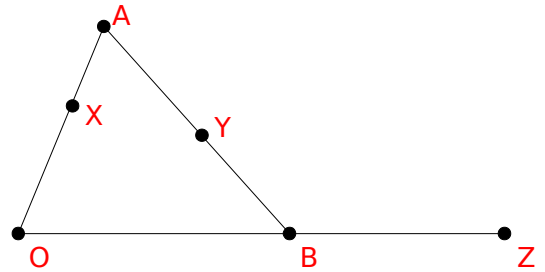
What can you deduce about BC and DE?



2) In the diagram, X is the point on OA such that $OX = 2XA$, Y is the midpoint of AB and B is the midpoint of OZ. $\vec{OA} = \mathbf{a}$ and $\vec{OB} = \mathbf{b}$.

Express \vec{OX} , \vec{OY} , \vec{OZ} , \vec{XY} and \vec{YZ} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} .

What can you deduce about the point X, Y and Z?



3) On a coordinate system with origin at O, $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

(a) Find the magnitude of \vec{OA}

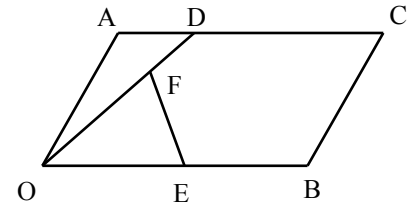
(b) C is the point (1,3), and $\vec{CB} = \vec{OA}$. Find the coordinates of B.

(c) Write \vec{AC} as a column vector, and find $|\vec{AC}|$

(d) What shape is OABC?

4) In this diagram, OACB is a parallelogram. $\vec{OA} = \mathbf{a}$, $\vec{OB} = \mathbf{b}$

E is the midpoint of OB, $AD = \frac{1}{4} AC$, and $OF:OD = 2:3$.



Express the following vectors in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} :

(a) \vec{AC} (b) \vec{OE} (c) \vec{OD} (d) \vec{OF} (e) \vec{AF} (f) \vec{FE}

(g) Explain why your answers to (e) and (f) demonstrate that A, F and E lie in a straight line.

(h) What is the ratio AF:FE?

5) In the diagram on the right,

$\vec{OA} = \mathbf{a}$ and $\vec{OB} = \mathbf{b}$, P is the midpoint of OB, and $AQ:QB = 1:2$

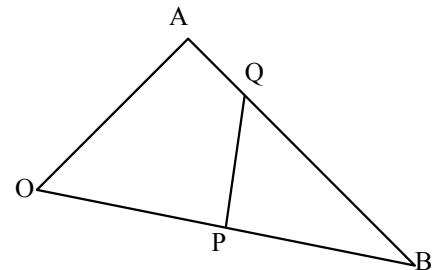
(a) Express \vec{AB} in terms of \mathbf{a} and/or \mathbf{b} .

(b) Express \vec{PQ} in terms of \mathbf{a} and/or \mathbf{b} .

(c) OA is extended to a point R, such that $OA:OR = 1:4$.

Express \vec{BR} in terms of \mathbf{a} and/or \mathbf{b} .

(d) What two facts can you deduce by comparing your answers to (b) and (c)



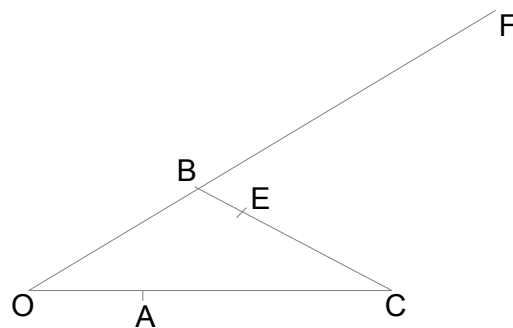
6) In this diagram, A divides OC in the ratio 1:2 and E divides BC in the ratio 1:3. $OF = 3OB$. $\mathbf{OA} = \mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{OB} = \mathbf{b}$.

Express in terms of A and B the vectors:

(a) \mathbf{BC} (b) \mathbf{BE} (c) \mathbf{AB} (d) \mathbf{AE} (e) \mathbf{EF} (f) \mathbf{CF}

State what you can deduce about:

(g) the lines AB and CF (h) the points A, E and F



7) Draw triangle ABC. Mark M and N as the midpoints of BC and AC respectively. Draw AM and BN, and extend BN to D such that $BD:BN = 4:3$. $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{p}$ and $\mathbf{BM} = \mathbf{q}$. Express \mathbf{AM} , \mathbf{AC} , \mathbf{NC} , \mathbf{NB} , \mathbf{DB} and \mathbf{DC} in terms of \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{q} . What can you deduce about AM and DC? What is the ratio AM:DC?