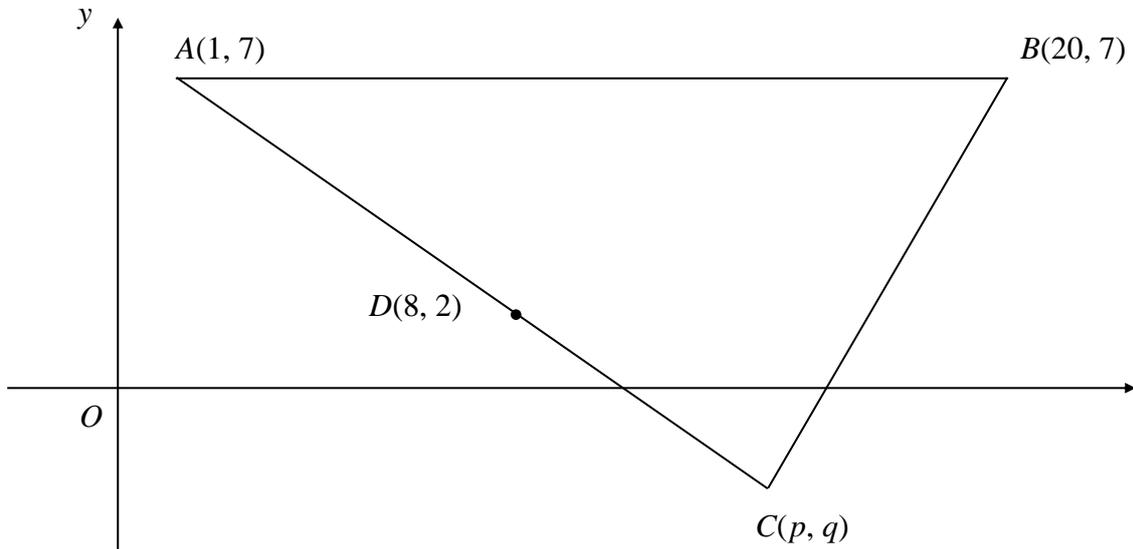

Straight line graphs - Edexcel Past Exam Questions

1.



The points $A(1, 7)$, $B(20, 7)$ and $C(p, q)$ form the vertices of a triangle ABC , as shown in Figure 2. The point $D(8, 2)$ is the mid-point of AC .

(a) Find the value of p and the value of q . (2)

The line l , which passes through D and is perpendicular to AC , intersects AB at E .

(b) Find an equation for l , in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a , b and c are integers. (5)

(c) Find the exact x -coordinate of E . (2)

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2. Given that

$$f(x) = x^2 - 6x + 18, \quad x \geq 0,$$

(a) express $f(x)$ in the form $(x - a)^2 + b$, where a and b are integers.

(3)

The curve C with equation $y = f(x)$, $x \geq 0$, meets the y -axis at P and has a minimum point at Q .

(b) Sketch the graph of C , showing the coordinates of P and Q .

(4)

The line $y = 41$ meets C at the point R .

(c) Find the x -coordinate of R , giving your answer in the form $p + q\sqrt{2}$, where p and q are integers.

(5)

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3. The line l_1 passes through the point $(9, -4)$ and has gradient $\frac{1}{3}$.

(a) Find an equation for l_1 in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a , b and c are integers.

(3)

The line l_2 passes through the origin O and has gradient -2 . The lines l_1 and l_2 intersect at the point P .

(b) Calculate the coordinates of P .

(4)

Given that l_1 crosses the y -axis at the point C ,

(c) calculate the exact area of $\triangle OCP$.

(3)

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4. The line L has equation $y = 5 - 2x$.

(a) Show that the point $P(3, -1)$ lies on L .

(1)

(b) Find an equation of the line perpendicular to L , which passes through P . Give your answer in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a , b and c are integers.

(4)

Jan 06 Q3

5. The line l_1 passes through the points $P(-1, 2)$ and $Q(11, 8)$.
- (a) Find an equation for l_1 in the form $y = mx + c$, where m and c are constants. (4)

The line l_2 passes through the point $R(10, 0)$ and is perpendicular to l_1 . The lines l_1 and l_2 intersect at the point S .

- (b) Calculate the coordinates of S . (5)
- (c) Show that the length of RS is $3\sqrt{5}$. (2)
- (d) Hence, or otherwise, find the exact area of triangle PQR . (4)

June 06 Q11

6. The curve C has equation $y = x^2(x - 6) + \frac{4}{x}$, $x > 0$.

The points P and Q lie on C and have x -coordinates 1 and 2 respectively.

- (a) Show that the length of PQ is $\sqrt{170}$. (4)

June 07 Q10

7. The line l_1 has equation $y = 3x + 2$ and the line l_2 has equation $3x + 2y - 8 = 0$.

- (a) Find the gradient of the line l_2 . (2)

The point of intersection of l_1 and l_2 is P .

- (b) Find the coordinates of P . (3)

The lines l_1 and l_2 cross the line $y = 1$ at the points A and B respectively.

- (c) Find the area of triangle ABP . (4)

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8. The point $A(-6, 4)$ and the point $B(8, -3)$ lie on the line L .
- (a) Find an equation for L in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a , b and c are integers. (4)
- (b) Find the distance AB , giving your answer in the form $k\sqrt{5}$, where k is an integer. (3)

Jan 08 Q4

9.

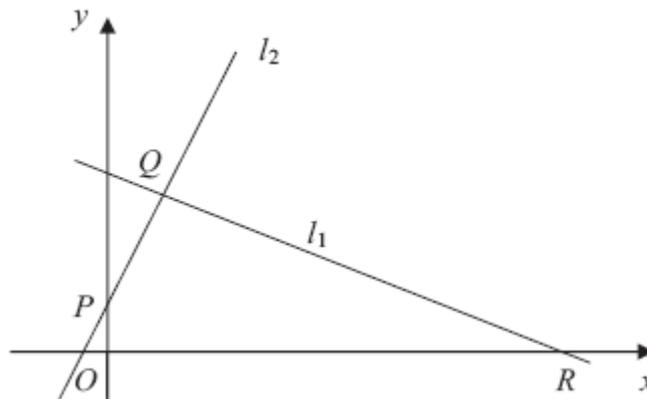


Figure 2

The points $Q(1, 3)$ and $R(7, 0)$ lie on the line l_1 , as shown in Figure 2.

The length of QR is $a\sqrt{5}$.

- (a) Find the value of a . (3)
- The line l_2 is perpendicular to l_1 , passes through Q and crosses the y -axis at the point P , as shown in Figure 2. Find
- (b) an equation for l_2 , (5)
- (c) the coordinates of P , (1)
- (d) the area of $\triangle PQR$. (4)

June 08 Q10

10. The line l_1 passes through the point $A(2, 5)$ and has gradient $-\frac{1}{2}$.

(a) Find an equation of l_1 , giving your answer in the form $y = mx + c$. (3)

The point B has coordinates $(-2, 7)$.

(b) Show that B lies on l_1 . (1)

(c) Find the length of AB , giving your answer in the form $k\sqrt{5}$, where k is an integer. (3)

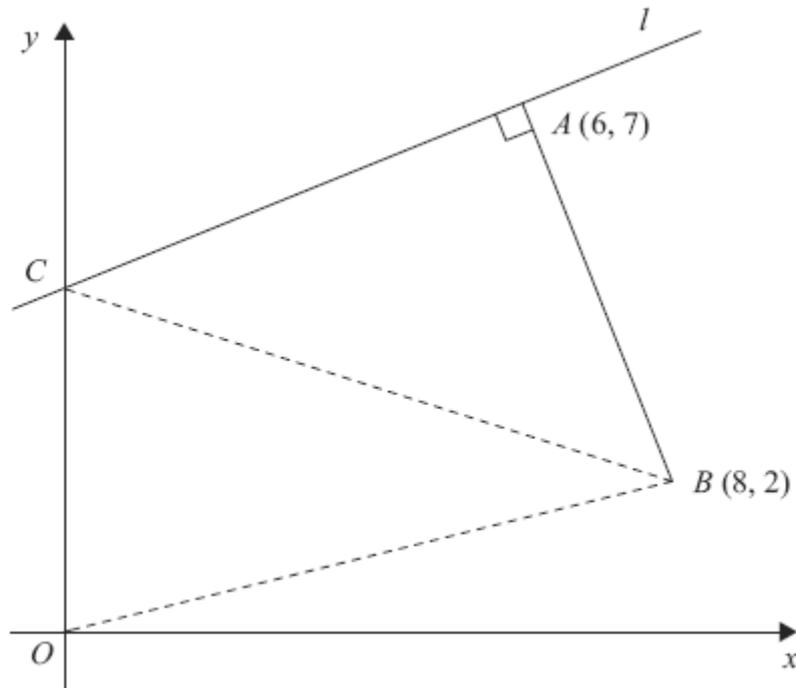
The point C lies on l_1 and has x -coordinate equal to p .

The length of AC is 5 units.

(d) Show that p satisfies $p^2 - 4p - 16 = 0$. (4)

Jan 09 Q10

11.

**Figure 1**

The points A and B have coordinates $(6, 7)$ and $(8, 2)$ respectively.

The line l passes through the point A and is perpendicular to the line AB , as shown in Figure 1.

(a) Find an equation for l in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a , b and c are integers. (4)

Given that l intersects the y -axis at the point C , find

(b) the coordinates of C , (2)

(c) the area of $\triangle OCB$, where O is the origin. (2)

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12. The line l_1 has equation $3x + 5y - 2 = 0$.

(a) Find the gradient of l_1 .

(2)

The line l_2 is perpendicular to l_1 and passes through the point $(3, 1)$.

(b) Find the equation of l_2 in the form $y = mx + c$, where m and c are constants.

(3)

Jan 10 Q3

13. (a) Factorise completely $x^3 - 4x$.

(3)

(b) Sketch the curve C with equation

$$y = x^3 - 4x,$$

showing the coordinates of the points at which the curve meets the axis.

(3)

The point A with x -coordinate -1 and the point B with x -coordinate 3 lie on the curve C .

(c) Find an equation of the line which passes through A and B , giving your answer in the form $y = mx + c$, where m and c are constants.

(5)

(d) Show that the length of AB is $k\sqrt{10}$, where k is a constant to be found.

(2)

Jan 10 Q9

14. (a) Find an equation of the line joining $A(7, 4)$ and $B(2, 0)$, giving your answer in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a , b and c are integers.

(3)

(b) Find the length of AB , leaving your answer in surd form.

(2)

The point C has coordinates $(2, t)$, where $t > 0$, and $AC = AB$.

(c) Find the value of t .

(1)

(d) Find the area of triangle ABC .

(2)

June 10 Q8

15. The line L_1 has equation $2y - 3x - k = 0$, where k is a constant.

Given that the point $A(1, 4)$ lies on L_1 , find

(a) the value of k , (1)

(b) the gradient of L_1 . (2)

The line L_2 passes through A and is perpendicular to L_1 .

(c) Find an equation of L_2 giving your answer in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a , b and c are integers. (4)

The line L_2 crosses the x -axis at the point B .

(d) Find the coordinates of B . (2)

(e) Find the exact length of AB . (2)

Jan 11 Q9

16. The points P and Q have coordinates $(-1, 6)$ and $(9, 0)$ respectively.

The line l is perpendicular to PQ and passes through the mid-point of PQ .

Find an equation for l , giving your answer in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a , b and c are integers.

(5)

June 11 Q3
