Edexcel AS Mathematics Coordinate geometry

Topic assessment

1. A line l_1 has equation $5y + 4x = 3$.
   (i) Find the gradient of the line. [1]
   (ii) Find the equation of the line l_2 which is parallel to l_1 and passes through the point (1, -2). [3]

2. Describe fully the curve whose equation is $x^2 + y^2 = 4$. [2]

3. The coordinates of two points are A (-1, -3) and B (5, 7). Calculate the equation of the perpendicular bisector of AB. [4]

4. Show that the line $y = 3x - 10$ is a tangent to the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 10$. [4]

5. The line $y = 2x - 3$ meets the x-axis at the point P, and the line $3y + 4x = 8$ meets the x-axis at the point Q. The two lines intersect at the point R.
   (i) Find the coordinates of R. [4]
   (ii) Find the area of triangle PQR. [3]

6. The equation of a circle is $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 2y = 15$
   (i) Find the coordinates of the centre C of the circle, and the radius of the circle. [3]
   (ii) Show that the point P (4, -5) lies on the circle. [1]
   (iii) Find the equation of the tangent to the circle at the point P. [4]

7. The coordinates of four points are P (-2, -1), Q (6, 3), R (9, 2) and S (1, -2).
   (i) Calculate the gradients of the lines PQ, QR, RS and SP. [4]
   (ii) What name is given to the quadrilateral PQRS? [1]
   (iii) Calculate the length SR. [2]
   (iv) Show that the equation of SR is $2y = x - 5$ and find the equation of the line L through Q perpendicular to SR. [5]
   (v) Calculate the coordinates of the point T where the line L meets SR. [3]
   (vi) Calculate the area of the quadrilateral PQRS. [3]

8. AB is the diameter of a circle. A is (1, 3) and B is (7, -1).
   (i) Find the coordinates of the centre C of the circle. [2]
   (ii) Find the radius of the circle. [2]
   (iii) Find the equation of the circle. [2]
   (iv) The line $y + 5x = 8$ cuts the circle at A and again at a second point D. Calculate the coordinates of D. [4]
   (v) Prove that the line AB is perpendicular to the line CD. [3]

Total 60 marks

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Solutions to topic assessment

1. (i) $5y + 4x = 3$.

$5y = -4x + 3$

$y = -\frac{4}{5}x + \frac{3}{5}$

Gradient of line $= -\frac{4}{5}$

[1]

(ii) l_2 is parallel to l_1, so it has gradient $-\frac{4}{5}$.

Equation of line is $y - (-2) = -\frac{4}{5}(x-1)$

$5(y+2) = -4(x-1)$

$5y + 10 = -4x + 4$

$5y + 4x + 6 = 0$

[3]

2. The curve is a circle, centre O and radius 2.

[2]

3. Gradient of AB $= \dfrac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2} = \dfrac{-3-7}{-1-5} = \dfrac{-10}{-6} = \dfrac{5}{3}$

Gradient of line perpendicular to AB $= -\dfrac{3}{5}$.

The line passes through the midpoint of AB $= \left(\dfrac{-1+5}{2}, \dfrac{-3+7}{2}\right) = (2,2)$

Equation of line is $y - 2 = -\frac{3}{5}(x-2)$

$5(y-2) = -3(x-2)$

$5y - 10 = -3x + 6$

$5y + 3x = 16$

[4]

4. Substituting $y = 3x - 10$ into $x^2 + y^2 = 10$

gives $x^2 + (3x-10)^2 = 10$

$x^2 + 9x^2 - 60x + 100 = 10$

$10x^2 - 60x + 90 = 0$

$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0$

$(x-3)^2 = 0$

Since the equation has a repeated root, the line meets the circle just once, and so the line is a tangent to the circle.

[4]

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5. (i) Substituting $y = 2x - 3$ into $3y + 4x = 8$:

$3(2x-3)+4x = 8$

$6x - 9 + 4x = 8$

$10x = 17$

$x = 1.7$

When $x = 1.7$, $y = 2\times 1.7 - 3 = 3.4 - 3 = 0.4$

The coordinates of R are (1.7, 0.4)

[4]

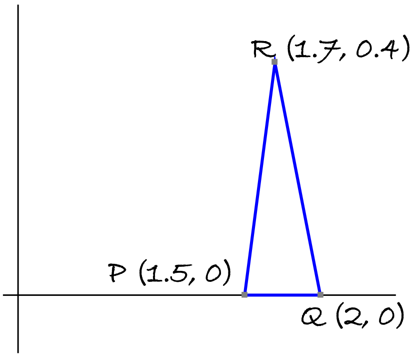
(ii) P is the point on $y = 2x - 3$ where $y = 0$, so P is (1.5, 0)

Q is the point on $3y + 4x = 8$ where $y = 0$, so Q is (2, 0).

Area $= \frac{1}{2}\times \text{base} \times \text{height}$

$= \frac{1}{2}\times 0.5 \times 0.4$

$= 0.1$



[3]

6. (i) $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 2y = 15$

$x^2 - 4x + y^2 + 2y = 15$

$(x-2)^2 - 4 + (y+1)^2 - 1 = 15$

$(x-2)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 20$

The centre C of the circle is (2, -1) and the radius is $\sqrt{20}$.

[3]

(ii) Substituting $x = 4$ and $y = -5$: $(4-2)^2 + (-5+1)^2 = 4 + 16 = 20$

so the point (4, -5) lies on the circle.

[1]

(iii) Gradient of CP $= \dfrac{-1-(-5)}{2-4} = \dfrac{4}{-2} = -2$

Tangent at P is perpendicular to CP, so gradient of tangent $= \frac{1}{2}$.

Equation of tangent is $y - (-5) = \frac{1}{2}(x-4)$

$2(y+5) = x - 4$

$2y + 10 = x - 4$

$2y = x - 14$

[4]

7. (i) Gradient of PQ $= \dfrac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2} = \dfrac{-1-3}{-2-6} = \dfrac{-4}{-8} = \dfrac{1}{2}$

Gradient of QR $= \dfrac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2} = \dfrac{3-2}{6-9} = \dfrac{1}{-3} = -\dfrac{1}{3}$

Gradient of RS $= \dfrac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2} = \dfrac{2-(-2)}{9-1} = \dfrac{4}{8} = \dfrac{1}{2}$

Gradient of SP $= \dfrac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2} = \dfrac{-2-(-1)}{1-(-2)} = \dfrac{-1}{3} = -\dfrac{1}{3}$ [4]

(ii) PQ is parallel to RS, and QR is parallel to SP, so the quadrilateral is a parallelogram.

[1]

(iii) $SR = \sqrt{(9-1)^2 + (2-(-2))^2} = \sqrt{64+16} = \sqrt{80}$

[2]

(iv) From (i), gradient of SR $= \frac{1}{2}$

Equation of SR is $y-(-2) = \frac{1}{2}(x-1)$

$$2(y+2) = x-1$$
$$2y+4 = x-1$$
$$2y = x-5$$

Line perpendicular to SR has gradient -2

Line L has gradient -2 and goes through (6, 3)

Equation of L is $y-3 = -2(x-6)$

$$y-3 = -2x+12$$
$$y+2x = 15$$

[5]

(v) Equation of L is $y = 15-2x$

Substituting into equation of SR gives $2(15-2x) = x-5$

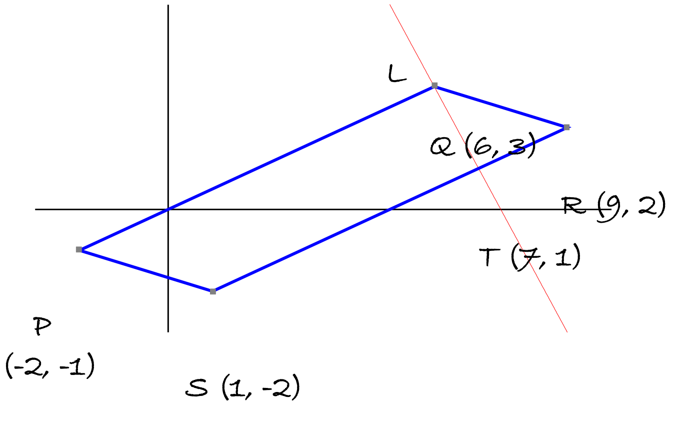
$$30-4x = x-5$$
$$35 = 5x$$
$$x = 7$$

When $x = 7$, $y = 15-2\times 7 = 1$

Coordinates of T are (7, 1)

[3]

(vi)



Length $QT = \sqrt{(7-6)^2 + (1-3)^2} = \sqrt{1+4} = \sqrt{5}$

Area of parallelogram $= SR \times QT$

$$= \sqrt{80}\sqrt{5}$$
$$= \sqrt{16}\sqrt{5}\sqrt{5}$$
$$= 4\times 5 = 20$$

[3]

8. (i) C is the midpoint of AB.

$$C=\left(\frac{1+7}{2},\frac{3+(-1)}{2}\right)=(4,1)$$

[2]

(ii) Radius of circle = CA $=\sqrt{(4-1)^2+(1-3)^2}=\sqrt{9+4}=\sqrt{13}$

[2]

(iii) Equation of circle is $(x-4)^2+(y-1)^2=13$

[2]

(iv) Substituting $y=-5x+8$ into equation of circle:

$$(x-4)^2+(-5x+8-1)^2=13$$
$$(x-4)^2+(-5x+7)^2=13$$
$$x^2-8x+16+25x^2-70x+49=13$$
$$26x^2-78x+52=0$$
$$x^2-3x+2=0$$
$$(x-1)(x-2)=0$$
$$x=1 \text{ or } x=2$$

x = 1 is point A, so point D is x = 2

When x = 2, $y=-5\times 2+8=-2$

The coordinates of D are (2, -2)

[4]

(v) Gradient of AB $=\frac{3-(-1)}{1-7}=\frac{4}{-6}=-\frac{2}{3}$

Gradient of CD $=\frac{1-(-2)}{4-2}=\frac{3}{2}$

Gradient of AB × gradient of CD $=-\frac{2}{3}\times\frac{3}{2}=-1$

so AB is perpendicular to CD.

[3]