Edexcel A level Mathematics Vectors



Section 1: Vectors in three dimensions

Exercise level 1

1. The points M and N have position vectors
$$\overrightarrow{OM} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $\overrightarrow{ON} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$

- (i) Find the vector \overrightarrow{MN} .
- (ii) Find the magnitude of the vector \overrightarrow{MN} .
- 2. Given that $\mathbf{p} = 2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} 3\mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{q} = 3\mathbf{i} 2\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$, find
 - (i) $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}$
 - (ii) $\mathbf{p} \mathbf{q}$
 - (iii) $2\mathbf{p} + 3\mathbf{q}$
 - (iv) $2\mathbf{p} 5\mathbf{q}$
- 3. Three points are A (1, 2, 0), B (3, -1, 2) and C (-2, 4, 1).
 - (i) Find \overrightarrow{AB} , \overrightarrow{BC} and \overrightarrow{CA} .
 - (ii) Find the magnitudes of each of \overrightarrow{AB} , \overrightarrow{BC} and \overrightarrow{CA} .
 - (iii) Find a unit vector in the direction of \overrightarrow{AB} .