

# Invariant Points and Lines

Question Paper

- 1** Find the equation of the line of invariant points under the transformation given by the matrix  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . [3]



- 2 Find the invariant line of the transformation of the  $x$ - $y$  plane represented by the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . [4]



3 The matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  is given by  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \end{pmatrix}$ .

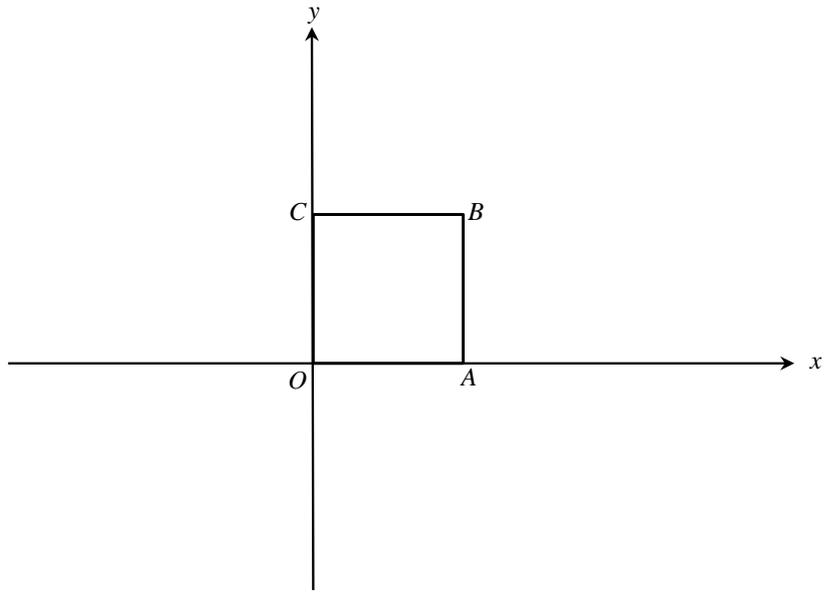
(i) The diagram in the Printed Answer Booklet shows the unit square  $OABC$ . The image of the unit square under the transformation represented by  $\mathbf{M}$  is  $OA'B'C'$ . Draw and clearly label  $OA'B'C'$ . [3]

(ii) Find the equation of the line of invariant points of this transformation. [3]

(iii) (a) Find the determinant of  $\mathbf{M}$ . [1]

(b) Describe briefly how this value relates to the transformation represented by  $\mathbf{M}$ . [2]

**5(i)**



**5(ii)**

4 (i) The matrix  $\mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  represents a transformation.

(A) Show that the point  $(1, 1)$  is invariant under this transformation. [1]

(B) Calculate  $\mathbf{S}^{-1}$ . [2]

(C) Verify that  $(1, 1)$  is also invariant under the transformation represented by  $\mathbf{S}^{-1}$ . [1]

(ii) Part (i) may be generalised as follows.

If  $(x, y)$  is an invariant point under a transformation represented by the non-singular matrix  $\mathbf{T}$ , it is also invariant under the transformation represented by  $\mathbf{T}^{-1}$ .

Starting with  $\mathbf{T} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ , or otherwise, prove this result. [2]















8 You are given that the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  represents a transformation T.

(a) You are given that the line with equation  $y = kx$  is invariant under T.

Determine the value of  $k$ .

[4]

(b) Determine whether the line with equation  $y = kx$  in part (a) is a line of invariant points under T.

[1]







10 P, Q and T are three transformations in 2-D.

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P is a reflection in the  $y$ -axis. **A** is the matrix that represents P.

**EXAMINABLE ON THE EDEXCEL [1]**

(a) Write down the matrix **A**.

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Q is a shear in which the  $y$ -axis is invariant and the point  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is transformed to the point  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . **B** is the matrix that represents Q.

(b) Find the matrix **B**. [2]

T is P followed by Q. **C** is the matrix that represents T.

(c) Determine the matrix **C**. [2]

$L$  is the line whose equation is  $y = x$ .

(d) Explain whether or not  $L$  is a line of invariant points under  $T$ . [2]

An object parallelogram,  $M$ , is transformed under  $T$  to an image parallelogram,  $N$ .

(e) Explain what the value of the determinant of **C** means about

- the area of  $N$  compared to the area of  $M$ ,
- the orientation of  $N$  compared to the orientation of  $M$ .

[3]



11. (i)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & a \\ a - 4 & b \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are non-zero constants.

Given that the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is self-inverse,

- (a) determine the value of  $b$  and the possible values for  $a$ . (5)

The matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  represents a linear transformation  $M$ .

Using the smaller value of  $a$  from part (a),

- (b) show that the invariant points of the linear transformation  $M$  form a line, stating the equation of this line. (3)

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12 You are given that matrix  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 8 \\ -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(i) Prove that, for all positive integers  $n$ ,  $\mathbf{M}^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1-4n & 8n \\ -2n & 1+4n \end{pmatrix}$ . [6]

(ii) Determine the equation of the line of invariant points of the transformation represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{M}$ . [3]

It is claimed that the answer to part (ii) is also a line of invariant points of the transformation represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{M}^n$ , for any positive integer  $n$ .

(iii) Explain *geometrically* why this claim is true. [2]

(iv) Verify *algebraically* that this claim is true. [3]



**13** A linear transformation  $T$  of the  $x$ - $y$  plane has an associated matrix  $\mathbf{M}$ , where  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & k \\ 1 & \lambda - k \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\lambda$  and  $k$  are real constants.

(a) You are given that  $\det \mathbf{M} > 0$  for all values of  $\lambda$ .

(i) Find the range of possible values of  $k$ . [3]

(ii) What is the significance of the condition  $\det \mathbf{M} > 0$  for the transformation  $T$ ? [1]

For the remainder of this question, take  $k = -2$ .

(b) Determine whether there are any lines through the origin that are invariant lines for the transformation  $T$ . [4]

(c) The transformation  $T$  is applied to a triangle with area 3 units<sup>2</sup>. The area of the resulting image triangle is 15 units<sup>2</sup>.  
Find the possible values of  $\lambda$ . [3]







- 15** A transformation  $T$  of the plane is represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} k+1 & -1 \\ 1 & k \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $k$  is a constant.

Show that, for all values of  $k$ ,  $T$  has no invariant lines through the origin.

**[6]**



**16** The matrix **A** is given by  $\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{13} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 12 \\ 12 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$ .

You are given that **A** represents the transformation **T** which is a reflection in a certain straight line. You are also given that this straight line, the mirror line, passes through the origin, *O*.

- (a) Explain why there must be a line of invariant points for **T**. State the geometric significance of this line. [2]
- (b) By considering the line of invariant points for **T**, determine the equation of the mirror line. Give your answer in the form  $y = mx + c$ . [4]

The coordinates of the point *P* are (1, 5).

- (c) By considering the image of *P* under the transformation **T**, or otherwise, determine the coordinates of the point on the mirror line which is closest to *P*. [3]
- (d) The line with equation  $y = ax + 2$  is an invariant line for **T**. Determine the value of *a*. [2]



**17** The  $2 \times 2$  matrix **A** represents a transformation T which has the following properties.

- The image of the point  $(0, 1)$  is the point  $(3, 4)$ .
- An object shape whose area is 7 is transformed to an image shape whose area is 35.
- T has a line of invariant points.

**(i)** Find a possible matrix for **A**. **[8]**

The transformation S is represented by the matrix **B** where  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**(ii)** Find the equation of the line of invariant points of S. **[2]**

**(iii)** Show that any line of the form  $y = x + c$  is an invariant line of S. **[3]**



**18** A transformation  $T$  of the plane has matrix  $\mathbf{M}$ , where  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 2 \cos \theta - \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & 2 \sin \theta + \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ .

**(a)** Show that  $T$  leaves areas unchanged for all values of  $\theta$ . **[2]**

**(b)** Find the value of  $\theta$ , where  $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi$ , for which the  $y$ -axis is an invariant line of  $T$ . **[4]**

The matrix  $\mathbf{N}$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**(c) (i)** Find  $\mathbf{MN}^{-1}$ . **[2]**

**(ii)** Hence describe fully a sequence of two transformations of the plane that is equivalent to  $T$ . **[4]**

