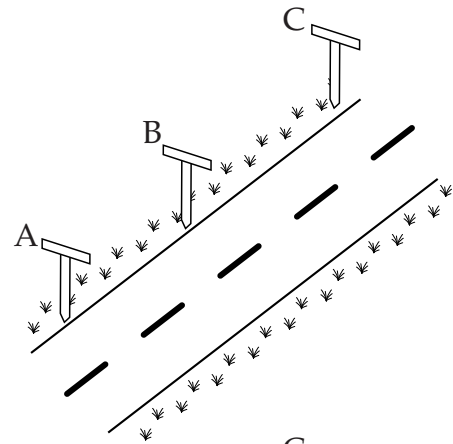


[SQA]

1. (a) Roadmakers look along the tops of a set of T-rods to ensure that straight sections of road are being created. Relative to suitable axes the top left corners of the T-rods are the points $A(-8, -10, -2)$, $B(-2, -1, 1)$ and $C(6, 11, 5)$.

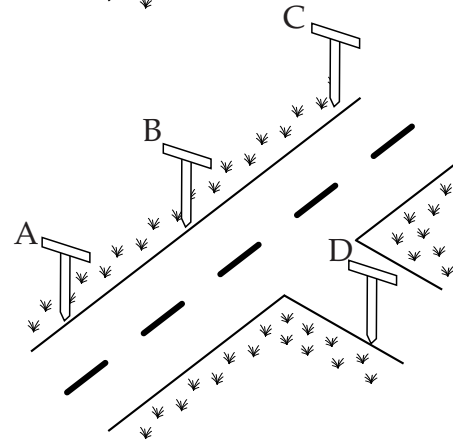
Determine whether or not the section of road ABC has been built in a straight line.



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- (b) A further T-rod is placed such that D has coordinates $(1, -4, 4)$.

Show that DB is perpendicular to AB.



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Part	Marks	Level	Calc.	Content	Answer	U3 OC1
(a)	3	C	CN	G23	the road ABC is straight	2001 P1 Q3
(b)	3	C	CN	G27, G17	proof	

- ¹ ic: interpret vector (e.g. \vec{AB})
- ² ic: interpret multiple of vector
- ³ ic: complete proof
- ⁴ ic: interpret vector (i.e. \vec{BD})
- ⁵ ss: state requirement for perpend.
- ⁶ ic: complete proof

•¹ e.g. $\vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 9 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

•² e.g. $\vec{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 12 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{4}{3}\vec{AB}$ or

$\vec{AB} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{BC} = 4 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

- ³ a common direction exists **and** a common point exists, so A, B, C collinear

•⁴ $\vec{BD} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

•⁵ $\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BD} = 0$

•⁶ $\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BD} = 18 - 27 + 9 = 0$

or

•⁵ $\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BD} = 18 - 27 + 9$

•⁶ $\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BD} = 0$ so AB is at right angles to

[SQA]

2. (a) Show that the points $L(-5, 6, -5)$, $M(7, -2, -1)$ and $N(10, -4, 0)$ are collinear.
 (b) Find the ratio in which M divides LN.

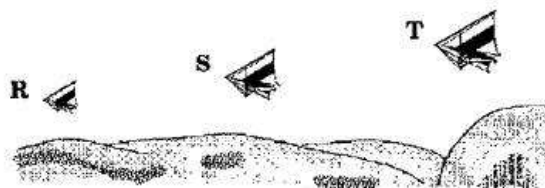
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Part	Marks	Level	Calc.	Content	Answer	U3 OC1
(a)	4	C	CN	G23		1991 P1 Q7
(b)	1	C	CN	G25		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •¹ $\vec{LM} = \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ -8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ or equivalent combinations for (a) •² $\vec{MN} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •³ $\vec{LM} = 4\vec{MN}$ •⁴ vectors are parallel and have common point so L, M, N are collinear •⁵ 4:1
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[SQA]

3. Relative to the top of a hill, three gliders have positions given by $R(-1, -8, -2)$, $S(2, -5, 4)$ and $T(3, -4, 6)$.
 Prove that R, S and T are collinear.

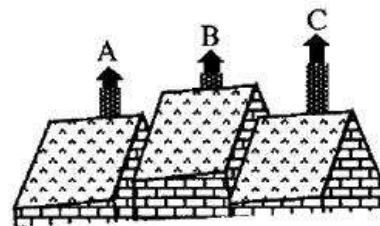


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Part	Marks	Level	Calc.	Content	Answer	U3 OC1
	3	C	CN	G23		1994 P1 Q4

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •¹ $\vec{ST} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ or equivalent and $\vec{RS} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ or equivalent •² $\vec{RS} = 3\vec{ST}$ or equiv. •³ $\vec{RS} \parallel \vec{ST}$ and S is common.

- [SQA] 4. Relative to a suitable set of axes, the tops of three chimneys have coordinates given by $A(1, 3, 2)$, $B(2, -1, 4)$ and $C(4, -9, 8)$. Show that A , B and C are collinear.



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Part	Marks	Level	Calc.	Content	Answer	U3 OC1
	3	C	CN	G23		1997 P1 Q2

$\bullet^1 \vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$	$\bullet^2 \vec{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ AND $\vec{BC} = 2 \times \vec{AB}$
$\bullet^3 \vec{AB} \parallel \vec{BC}$ & B is common hence A, B, C collinear	

- [SQA] 5. Show that $P(2, 2, 3)$, $Q(4, 4, 1)$ and $R(5, 5, 0)$ are collinear and find the ratio in which Q divides PR .

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Part	Marks	Level	Calc.	Content	Answer	U3 OC1
	4	C	CN	G23, G25	$\vec{QR} = \frac{1}{2}\vec{PQ}$ $PQ : QR = 2 : 1$	1990 P1 Q4

$\bullet^1 \vec{PQ} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$	\bullet^3 vectors parallel and have pt in common so pts collinear
$\bullet^2 \vec{QR} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}\vec{PQ}$	\bullet^4 $PQ:QR = 2:1$

- [SQA] 6. A is the point $(2, -5, 6)$, B is $(6, -3, 4)$ and C is $(12, 0, 1)$. Show that A , B and C are collinear and determine the ratio in which B divides AC .

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Part	Marks	Level	Calc.	Content	Answer	U3 OC1
	4	C	CN	G23, G25	2 : 3 or equivalent	1996 P1 Q6

$\bullet^1 \vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ or $\vec{AC} = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 5 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$ or $\vec{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$	$\bullet^3 \vec{AB} \parallel \vec{BC}$ and B is point in common
$\bullet^2 \vec{AB} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{BC} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ or equivalent	\bullet^4 2:3 (or equivalent e.g. $1:1\frac{1}{2}$)

[SQA] 7. D, E and F have coordinates $(10, -8, -15)$, $(1, -2, -3)$ and $(-2, 0, 1)$ respectively.

(a) (i) Show that D, E and F are collinear.

(ii) Find the ratio in which E divides DF.

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(b) G has coordinates $(k, 1, 0)$.

Given that DE is perpendicular to GE, find the value of k .

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Part	Marks	Level	Calc.	Content	Answer	U3 OC1
(a)	4	C	CN	G23, G24	3 : 1	2009 P1 Q22
(b)	4	C	CN	G27	$k = 7$	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •¹ ss: use vector approach •² ic: compare two vectors •³ ic: complete proof •⁴ ic: state ratio •⁵ ss: use vector approach •⁶ ss: know scalar product = 0 for \perp vectors •⁷ pd: start to solve •⁸ pd: complete 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •¹ $\vec{DE} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ 6 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix}$ or $\vec{EF} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ •² 2nd column vector and $\vec{DE} = 3\vec{EF}$ •³ \vec{DE} and \vec{EF} have common point and common direction; hence D, E and F are collinear •⁴ 3 : 1 •⁵ $\vec{GE} = \begin{pmatrix} 1-k \\ -3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ •⁶ $\vec{DE} \cdot \vec{GE} = 0$ •⁷ $-9(1-k) + 6 \times (-3) + 12 \times (-3)$ •⁸ $k = 7$
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[SQA] 8. ABCD is a quadrilateral with vertices $A(4, -1, 3)$, $B(8, 3, -1)$, $C(0, 4, 4)$ and $D(-4, 0, 8)$.

- (a) Find the coordinates of M, the midpoint of AB. 1
- (b) Find the coordinates of the point T, which divides CM in the ratio 2 : 1. 3
- (c) Show that B, T and D are collinear and find the ratio in which T divides BD. 4

Part	Marks	Level	Calc.	Content	Answer	U3 OC1
(a)	1	C	CN	G6, G25		1989 P2 Q2
(b)	3	C	CN	G25		
(c)	4	C	CN	G23, G25		

<p>(a) •¹ (6,1,1)</p> <p>(b) •² e.g. $\vec{CM} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>•³ $\vec{CT} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>•⁴ $T = (4, 2, 2)$</p>	<p>(c) •⁵ e.g. $\vec{BT} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>•⁶ $\vec{TD} = \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ -2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \times \vec{BT}$</p> <p>•⁷ TD is parallel to BT, T is common point so B, T, D collinear</p> <p>•⁸ BT:TD = 1:2</p>
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[END OF QUESTIONS]