

7 Transformations and vectors

7.1 Transformations

Recognise, describe and draw the following transformations:

- 1 Reflection of a shape in a straight line.
- 2 Rotation of a shape about a centre through multiples of 90° .
- 3 Enlargement of a shape from a centre by a scale factor.
- 4 Translation of a shape by a vector $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$.

Notes and examples

Questions may involve combinations of transformations. A ruler must be used for all straight edges.

Positive, fractional and negative scale factors may be used.

7.2 Vectors in two dimensions

- 1 Describe a translation using a vector represented by $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$, \overrightarrow{AB} or \mathbf{a} .
- 2 Add and subtract vectors.
- 3 Multiply a vector by a scalar.

Notes and examples

Vectors will be printed as \overrightarrow{AB} or \mathbf{a} .

7.3 Magnitude of a vector

Calculate the magnitude of a vector $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ as $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

Notes and examples

The magnitudes of vectors will be denoted by modulus signs, e.g.

- $|\mathbf{a}|$ is the magnitude of \mathbf{a}
- $|\overrightarrow{AB}|$ is the magnitude of \overrightarrow{AB} .

7.4 Vector geometry

- 1 Represent vectors by directed line segments.
- 2 Use position vectors.
- 3 Use the sum and difference of two or more vectors to express given vectors in terms of two coplanar vectors.
- 4 Use vectors to reason and to solve geometric problems.

Examples include:

- show that vectors are parallel
- show that 3 points are collinear
- solve vector problems involving ratio and similarity.