Anglo European Sixth Form

Summer Transition Work

Subject: Mathematics

Exam Board: Edexcel

Qualification: A Level

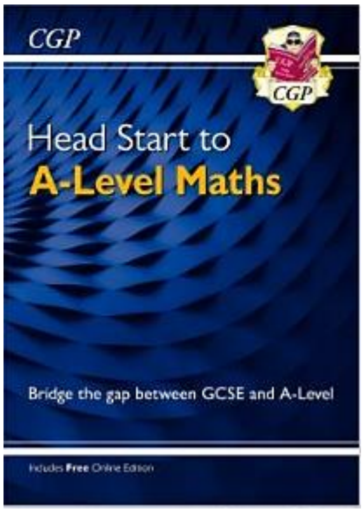
Compulsory tasks:

Complete **at least 5 questions from each section** of the 'A Level Mathematics Transition Work' booklet and check your answers.

If you score less than 80% in any section, use the notes, examples and further recommended resources in that section to help you revise the topic before completing and checking 5 more questions from that section.

Advisory tasks:

Purchase and complete the 'Head Start to A Level Maths' workbook published by CGP.



ANGLO EUROPEAN SCHOOL

A Level Mathematics Transition Work

Examples, Practice Questions & Answers:

10 Key Topics to prepare you for A level Maths:

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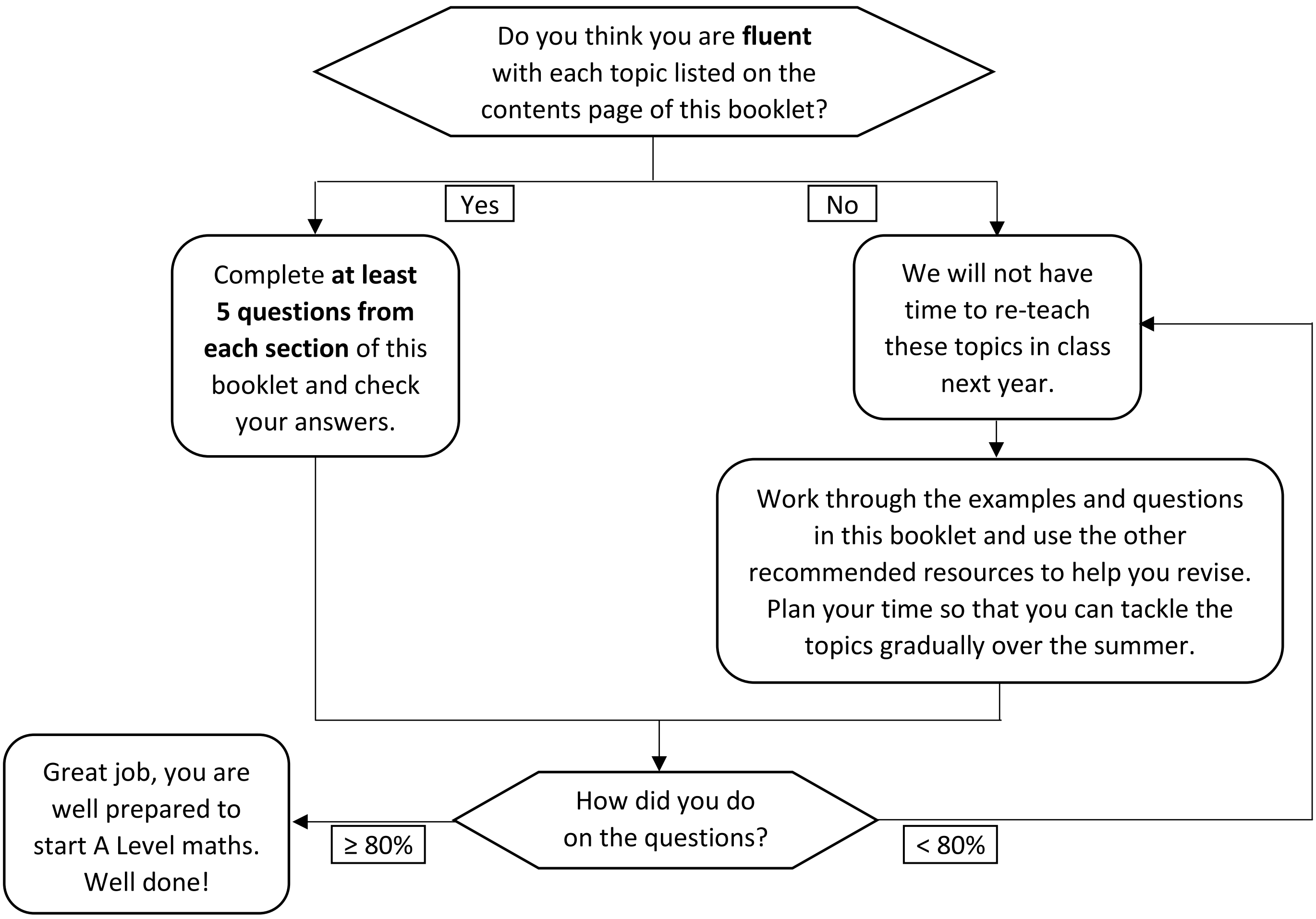
Introduction

Congratulations on choosing to study A Level Maths. This booklet will help you prepare by brushing up on some of the skills you have learned at GCSE. We will not have time to re-teach these topics in class, but you will need to be **fluent** in them to be able to learn the A Level content, so if you don't currently have a good grasp of these topics you need to work on them **NOW** so that you can start with confidence.

Mathematical fluency does not simply mean that you have met this topic before and think that you remember how to do it. To reach fluency, you must be able to **quickly** and **accurately** recall concepts and methods.

There will be a test on the topics from this booklet in the first week of term. It is expected that A Level students will demonstrate an excellent understanding of these topics.



Please bring your completed and self-marked work from this booklet to your first maths lesson in September to show your teacher.

Differences between GCSE and A Level maths:

GCSE Maths	A Level Maths
If you're naturally good at maths you can do well without much extra studying.	Everybody will need to do a lot of study outside of class.
It's the answer that matters most, but you should show working.	It's the method that matters, not the answer. Often you are given the answer and you need to show steps in the method.
You have an exercise book to keep all your work together.	You will need to keep neat, accurate and well-ordered notes and work in your folder.
How you present your work is not overly important, as long as you get there in the end.	How you present your work can make a big difference to whether you get the right answer at all and whether anyone can understand your method.

Additional website resources:

- Dr Frost – Click 'Practise' and choose 'Practise by Topic' (requires free sign-up if you don't yet have an account) https://www.drfrostmaths.com

- Maths Genie – GCSE questions with model solutions; also has videos. https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/gcse.html

- Corbett Maths – GCSE questions with model solutions; also has videos. https://corbettmaths.com/contents/

- Exam solutions – videos and GCSE questions with mark schemes https://www.examsolutions.net/gcse-maths/

- Khan academy – linked to American school syllabus, but has very clear videos for many topics https://www.khanacademy.org/math/algebra-home

- Mathswatch – interactive GCSE questions and videos. If you studied with us for Year 11 you will already have an account; click 'Videos' and search for the topic you wish to study then click 'Interactive questions' https://vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle/

Section 1

Video links:

1) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/12/23/expanding-brackets-video-13/
2) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/12/23/expanding-two-brackets-video-14/

Expanding brackets and simplifying expressions

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1a. Algebraic expressions – basic algebraic manipulation, indices and surds

Key points

- When you expand one set of brackets you must multiply everything inside the bracket by what is outside.
- When you expand two linear expressions, each with two terms of the form $ax + b$, where $a \neq 0$ and $b \neq 0$, you create four terms. Two of these can usually be simplified by collecting like terms.

Examples

Example 1 Expand $4(3x - 2)$

$4(3x - 2) = 12x - 8$	Multiply everything inside the bracket by the 4 outside the bracket

Example 2 Expand and simplify $3(x + 5) - 4(2x + 3)$

$3(x + 5) - 4(2x + 3)$ $= 3x + 15 - 8x - 12$	**1** Expand each set of brackets separately by multiplying $(x + 5)$ by 3 and $(2x + 3)$ by -4
$= 3 - 5x$	**2** Simplify by collecting like terms: $3x - 8x = -5x$ and $15 - 12 = 3$

Example 3 Expand and simplify $(x + 3)(x + 2)$

$(x + 3)(x + 2)$ $= x(x + 2) + 3(x + 2)$ $= x^2 + 2x + 3x + 6$	**1** Expand the brackets by multiplying $(x + 2)$ by x and $(x + 2)$ by 3
$= x^2 + 5x + 6$	**2** Simplify by collecting like terms: $2x + 3x = 5x$

Example 4 Expand and simplify $(x - 5)(2x + 3)$

$(x - 5)(2x + 3)$ $= x(2x + 3) - 5(2x + 3)$ $= 2x^2 + 3x - 10x - 15$	**1** Expand the brackets by multiplying $(2x + 3)$ by x and $(2x + 3)$ by -5
$= 2x^2 - 7x - 15$	**2** Simplify by collecting like terms: $3x - 10x = -7x$

Exercise 1

Watch out!

When multiplying (or dividing) positive and negative numbers, if the signs are the same the answer is ‘+’; if the signs are different the answer is ‘–’.

1 Expand.

a $3(2x - 1)$ **b** $-2(5pq + 4q^2)$

c $-(3xy - 2y^2)$

2 Expand and simplify.

a $7(3x + 5) + 6(2x - 8)$ **b** $8(5p - 2) - 3(4p + 9)$

c $9(3s + 1) - 5(6s - 10)$ **d** $2(4x - 3) - (3x + 5)$

3 Expand.

a $3x(4x + 8)$ **b** $4k(5k^2 - 12)$

c $-2h(6h^2 + 11h - 5)$ **d** $-3s(4s^2 - 7s + 2)$

4 Expand and simplify.

a $3(y^2 - 8) - 4(y^2 - 5)$ **b** $2x(x + 5) + 3x(x - 7)$

c $4p(2p - 1) - 3p(5p - 2)$ **d** $3b(4b - 3) - b(6b - 9)$

5* Expand $\frac{1}{2}(2y - 8)$

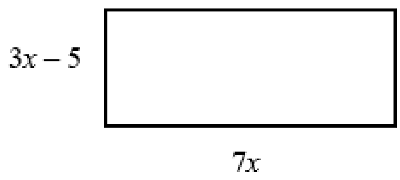
6* Expand and simplify.

a $13 - 2(m + 7)$ **b** $5p(p^2 + 6p) - 9p(2p - 3)$

7* The diagram shows a rectangle.

Write down an expression, in terms of x, for the area of the rectangle.

Show that the area of the rectangle can be written as $21x^2 - 35x$



8* Expand and simplify.

a $(x + 4)(x + 5)$ **b** $(x + 7)(x + 3)$

c $(x + 7)(x - 2)$ **d** $(x + 5)(x - 5)$

e $(2x + 3)(x - 1)$ **f** $(3x - 2)(2x + 1)$

g $(5x - 3)(2x - 5)$ **h** $(3x - 2)(7 + 4x)$

i $(3x + 4y)(5y + 6x)$ **j** $(x + 5)^2$

k $(2x - 7)^2$ **l** $(4x - 3y)^2$

Extension

9* Expand and simplify $(x + 3)^2 + (x - 4)^2$

10* Expand and simplify.

a $\left(x+\frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x-\frac{2}{x}\right)$ **b** $\left(x+\frac{1}{x}\right)^2$

ANSWERS 1

1 **a** $6x - 3$ **b** $-10pq - 8q^2$

c $-3xy + 2y^2$

2 **a** $21x + 35 + 12x - 48 = 33x - 13$

b $40p - 16 - 12p - 27 = 28p - 43$

c $27s + 9 - 30s + 50 = -3s + 59 = 59 - 3s$

d $8x - 6 - 3x - 5 = 5x - 11$

3 **a** $12x^2 + 24x$ **b** $20k^3 - 48k$

c $10h - 12h^3 - 22h^2$ **d** $21s^2 - 21s^3 - 6s$

4 **a** $-y^2 - 4$ **b** $5x^2 - 11x$

c $2p - 7p^2$ **d** $6b^2$

5 $y - 4$

6 **a** $-1 - 2m$ **b** $5p^3 + 12p^2 + 27p$

7 $7x(3x - 5) = 21x^2 - 35x$

8 **a** $x^2 + 9x + 20$ **b** $x^2 + 10x + 21$

c $x^2 + 5x - 14$ **d** $x^2 - 25$

e $2x^2 + x - 3$ **f** $6x^2 - x - 2$

g $10x^2 - 31x + 15$ **h** $12x^2 + 13x - 14$

i $18x^2 + 39xy + 20y^2$ **j** $x^2 + 10x + 25$

k $4x^2 - 28x + 49$ **l** $16x^2 - 24xy + 9y^2$

9 $2x^2 - 2x + 25$

10 **a** $x^2 - 1 - \dfrac{2}{x^2}$ **b** $x^2 + 2 + \dfrac{1}{x^2}$

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Section 2

Video links:
1) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/02/06/factorisation/
2) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/02/06/factorising-quadratics-1/

Factorising expressions

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1b. Quadratic functions – factorising, solving, graphs and the discriminants

Key points

- Factorising an expression is the opposite of expanding the brackets.
- A quadratic expression is in the form $ax^2 + bx + c$, where $a \neq 0$.
- To factorise a quadratic equation, find two numbers whose sum is b and whose product is ac.
- An expression in the form $x^2 - y^2$ is called the difference of two squares. It factorises to $(x - y)(x + y)$.

Examples

Example 1 Factorise $15x^2y^3 + 9x^4y$

$15x^2y^3 + 9x^4y = 3x^2y(5y^2 + 3x^2)$	The highest common factor is $3x^2y$. So take $3x^2y$ outside the brackets and then divide each term by $3x^2y$ to find the terms in the brackets

Example 2 Factorise $4x^2 - 25y^2$

$4x^2 - 25y^2 = (2x + 5y)(2x - 5y)$	This is the difference of two squares as the two terms can be written as $(2x)^2$ and $(5y)^2$

Example 3 Factorise $x^2 + 3x - 10$

$b = 3$, $ac = -10$	**1** Work out the two factors of $ac = -10$ which add to give $b = 3$ (5 and -2)
So $x^2 + 3x - 10 = x^2 + 5x - 2x - 10$	**2** Rewrite the b term ($3x$) using these two factors
$= x(x + 5) - 2(x + 5)$	**3** Factorise the first two terms and the last two terms
$= (x + 5)(x - 2)$	**4** $(x + 5)$ is a factor of both terms

Exercise 2

1* Factorise.

a $6x^4y^3 - 10x^3y^4$ **b** $21a^3b^5 + 35a^5b^2$

c $25x^2y^2 - 10x^3y^2 + 15x^2y^3$

Hint

Take the highest common factor outside the bracket.

2* Factorise

a $x^2 + 7x + 12$ **b** $x^2 + 5x - 14$

c $x^2 - 11x + 30$ **d** $x^2 - 5x - 24$

e $x^2 - 7x - 18$ **f** $x^2 + x - 20$

g $x^2 - 3x - 40$ **h** $x^2 + 3x - 28$

3* Factorise

a $36x^2 - 49y^2$ **b** $4x^2 - 81y^2$

c $18a^2 - 200b^2c^2$

Extension

4* Simplify $\sqrt{x^2 + 10x + 25}$

5* Simplify $\dfrac{(x+2)^2 + 3(x+2)^2}{x^2 - 4}$

ANSWERS 2

1 **a** $2x^3y^3(3x - 5y)$ **b** $7a^3b^2(3b^3 + 5a^2)$
c $5x^2y^2(5 - 2x + 3y)$

2 **a** $(x + 3)(x + 4)$ **b** $(x + 7)(x - 2)$
c $(x - 5)(x - 6)$ **d** $(x - 8)(x + 3)$
e $(x - 9)(x + 2)$ **f** $(x + 5)(x - 4)$
g $(x - 8)(x + 5)$ **h** $(x + 7)(x - 4)$

3 **a** $(6x - 7y)(6x + 7y)$ **b** $(2x - 9y)(2x + 9y)$
c $2(3a - 10bc)(3a + 10bc)$

4 $(x + 5)$

5 $\dfrac{4(x+2)}{x-2}$

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Section 3

Video links:
1) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/12/23/changing-the-subject-video-7/
2) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/12/28/changing-the-subject-advanced-video-8/

Rearranging equations

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 6a. Definition, differentiating polynomials, second derivatives
Textbook: Pure Year 1, 12.1 Gradients of curves

Key points

- To change the subject of a formula, get the terms containing the subject on one side and everything else on the other side.
- You may need to factorise the terms containing the new subject.

Examples

Example 1 Make t the subject of the formula $v = u + at$.

$v = u + at$	**1** Get the terms containing t on one side and everything else on the other side.
$v - u = at$ $t = \frac{v-u}{a}$	**2** Divide throughout by a.

Example 2 Make t the subject of the formula $r = 2t - \pi t$.

$r = 2t - \pi t$	**1** All the terms containing t are already on one side and everything else is on the other side.
$r = t(2 - \pi)$	**2** Factorise as t is a common factor.
$t = \frac{r}{2-\pi}$	**3** Divide throughout by $2 - \pi$.

Example 3 Make t the subject of the formula $\frac{t+r}{5} = \frac{3t}{2}$.

$\frac{t+r}{5} = \frac{3t}{2}$	**1** Remove the fractions first by multiplying throughout by 10.
$2t + 2r = 15t$ $2r = 13t$	**2** Get the terms containing t on one side and everything else on the other side and simplify.
$t = \frac{2r}{13}$	**3** Divide throughout by 13.

Example 4 Make t the subject of the formula $r = \frac{3t+5}{t-1}$.

$r = \frac{3t+5}{t-1}$	**1** Remove the fraction first by multiplying throughout by $t - 1$.
$r(t - 1) = 3t + 5$	**2** Expand the brackets.
$rt - r = 3t + 5$	**3** Get the terms containing t on one side and everything else on the other side.
$rt - 3t = 5 + r$	
$t(r - 3) = 5 + r$	**4** Factorise the LHS as t is a common factor.
$t = \frac{5+r}{r-3}$	**5** Divide throughout by $r - 3$.

Exercise 3

Change the subject of each formula to the letter given in the brackets.

1 $C = \pi d$ [d]

2 $P = 2l + 2w$ [w]

3 $D = \frac{S}{T}$ [T]

4 $p = \frac{q-r}{t}$ [t]

5 $u = at - \frac{1}{2}t$ [t]

6 $V = ax + 4x$ [x]

7 $\frac{y-7x}{2} = \frac{7-2y}{3}$ [y]

8 $x = \frac{2a-1}{3-a}$ [a]

9 $x = \frac{b-c}{d}$ [d]

10 $h = \frac{7g-9}{2+g}$ [g]

11 $e(9 + x) = 2e + 1$ [e]

12 $y = \frac{2x+3}{4-x}$ [x]

13 Make r the subject of the following formulae.

a $A = \pi r^2$ **b** $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ **c** $P = \pi r + 2r$ **d** $V = \frac{2}{3}\pi r^2 h$

14 Make x the subject of the following formulae.

a $\frac{xy}{z} = \frac{ab}{cd}$ **b** $\frac{4\pi cx}{d} = \frac{3z}{py^2}$

15 Make $\sin B$ the subject of the formula $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B}$

16 Make $\cos B$ the subject of the formula $b^2 = a^2 + c^2 - 2ac\cos B$.

Extension

17 Make x the subject of the following equations.

a $\frac{p}{q}(sx+t) = x-1$ **b** $\frac{p}{q}(ax+2y) = \frac{3p}{q^2}(x-y)$

ANSWERS 3

1 $d = \dfrac{C}{\pi}$

2 $w = \dfrac{P - 2l}{2}$

3 $T = \dfrac{S}{D}$

4 $t = \dfrac{q - r}{p}$

5 $t = \dfrac{2u}{2a - 1}$

6 $x = \dfrac{V}{a + 4}$

7 $y = 2 + 3x$

8 $a = \dfrac{3x + 1}{x + 2}$

9 $d = \dfrac{b - c}{x}$

10 $g = \dfrac{2h + 9}{7 - h}$

11 $e = \dfrac{1}{x + 7}$

12 $x = \dfrac{4y - 3}{2 + y}$

13 **a** $r = \sqrt{\dfrac{A}{\pi}}$ **b** $r = \sqrt[3]{\dfrac{3V}{4\pi}}$

c $r = \dfrac{P}{\pi + 2}$ **d** $r = \sqrt{\dfrac{3V}{2\pi h}}$

14 **a** $x = \dfrac{abz}{cdy}$ **b** $x = \dfrac{3dz}{4\pi cpy^2}$

15 $\sin B = \dfrac{b \sin A}{a}$

16 $\cos B = \dfrac{a^2 + c^2 - b^2}{2ac}$

17 **a** $x = \dfrac{q + pt}{q - ps}$ **b** $x = \dfrac{3py + 2pqy}{3p - apq} = \dfrac{y(3 + 2q)}{3 - aq}$

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Section 4

Video link:
https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/completing-the-square.php

Completing the square

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1b. Quadratic functions – factorising, solving, graphs and the discriminants

Key points

- Completing the square for a quadratic rearranges $ax^2 + bx + c$ into the form $p(x + q)^2 + r$
- If $a \neq 1$, then factorise using a as a common factor.

Examples

Example 1 Complete the square for the quadratic expression $x^2 + 6x - 2$

$x^2 + 6x - 2$ $= (x + 3)^2 - 9 - 2$ $= (x + 3)^2 - 11$	**1** Write $x^2 + bx + c$ in the form $\left(x+\frac{b}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2 + c$ **2** Simplify

Example 2 Write $2x^2 - 5x + 1$ in the form $p(x + q)^2 + r$

$2x^2 - 5x + 1$	**1** Before completing the square write $ax^2 + bx + c$ in the form $a\left(x^2+\frac{b}{a}x\right)+c$
$= 2\left(x^2-\frac{5}{2}x\right)+1$	
$= 2\left[\left(x-\frac{5}{4}\right)^2-\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^2\right]+1$	**2** Now complete the square by writing $x^2-\frac{5}{2}x$ in the form $\left(x+\frac{b}{2}\right)^2-\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2$
$= 2\left(x-\frac{5}{4}\right)^2-\frac{25}{8}+1$	**3** Expand the square brackets – don't forget to multiply $\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^2$ by the factor of 2
$= 2\left(x-\frac{5}{4}\right)^2-\frac{17}{8}$	**4** Simplify

Exercise 4

1* Write the following quadratic expressions in the form $(x + p)^2 + q$

a $x^2 + 4x + 3$ **b** $x^2 - 10x - 3$

c $x^2 - 8x$ **d** $x^2 + 6x$

e $x^2 - 2x + 7$ **f** $x^2 + 3x - 2$

2* Write the following quadratic expressions in the form $p(x + q)^2 + r$

a $2x^2 - 8x - 16$ **b** $4x^2 - 8x - 16$

c $3x^2 + 12x - 9$ **d** $2x^2 + 6x - 8$

3* Complete the square.

a $2x^2 + 3x + 6$ **b** $3x^2 - 2x$

c $5x^2 + 3x$ **d** $3x^2 + 5x + 3$

Extension

4* Write $(25x^2 + 30x + 12)$ in the form $(ax + b)^2 + c$.

ANSWERS 4

1 **a** $(x + 2)^2 - 1$ **b** $(x - 5)^2 - 28$

c $(x - 4)^2 - 16$ **d** $(x + 3)^2 - 9$

e $(x - 1)^2 + 6$ **f** $\left(x + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{17}{4}$

2 **a** $2(x - 2)^2 - 24$ **b** $4(x - 1)^2 - 20$

c $3(x + 2)^2 - 21$ **d** $2\left(x + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{25}{2}$

3 **a** $2\left(x + \frac{3}{4}\right)^2 + \frac{39}{8}$ **b** $3\left(x - \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{3}$

c $5\left(x + \frac{3}{10}\right)^2 - \frac{9}{20}$ **d** $3\left(x + \frac{5}{6}\right)^2 + \frac{11}{12}$

4 $(5x + 3)^2 + 3$

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Section 5a

Video link:
https://corbettmaths.com/2013/05/03/solving-quadratics-by-factorising/

Solving quadratic equations by factorisation

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1b. Quadratic functions – factorising, solving, graphs and the discriminants

Key points

- A quadratic equation is an equation in the form $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ where $a \neq 0$.
- To factorise a quadratic equation, find two numbers whose sum is b and whose products is ac.
- When the product of two numbers is 0, then at least one of the numbers must be 0.
- If a quadratic can be solved it will have two solutions (these may be equal).

Examples

Example 1 Solve $5x^2 = 15x$

$5x^2 = 15x$ $5x^2 - 15x = 0$	**1** Rearrange the equation so that all of the terms are on one side of the equation and it is equal to zero. Do not divide both sides by x as this would lose the solution $x = 0$.
$5x(x - 3) = 0$	**2** Factorise the quadratic equation. $5x$ is a common factor.
So $5x = 0$ or $(x - 3) = 0$	**3** When two values multiply to make zero, at least one of the values must be zero.
Therefore $x = 0$ or $x = 3$	**4** Solve these two equations.

Example 2 Solve $x^2 + 7x + 12 = 0$

$x^2 + 7x + 12 = 0$ $b = 7$, $ac = 12$	**1** Factorise the quadratic equation. Work out the two factors of $ac = 12$ which add to give you $b = 7$. (4 and 3)
$x^2 + 4x + 3x + 12 = 0$	**2** Rewrite the b term ($7x$) using these two factors.
$x(x + 4) + 3(x + 4) = 0$	**3** Factorise the first two terms and the last two terms.
$(x + 4)(x + 3) = 0$	**4** $(x + 4)$ is a factor of both terms.
So $(x + 4) = 0$ or $(x + 3) = 0$	**5** When two values multiply to make zero, at least one of the values must be zero.
Therefore $x = -4$ or $x = -3$	**6** Solve these two equations.

Example 3 Solve $9x^2 - 16 = 0$

$9x^2 - 16 = 0$ $(3x + 4)(3x - 4) = 0$ So $(3x + 4) = 0$ or $(3x - 4) = 0$ $x = -\frac{4}{3}$ or $x = \frac{4}{3}$	**1** Factorise the quadratic equation. This is the difference of two squares as the two terms are $(3x)^2$ and $(4)^2$. **2** When two values multiply to make zero, at least one of the values must be zero. **3** Solve these two equations.

Exercise 5a

1* Solve

a	$6x^2 + 4x = 0$	**b**	$28x^2 - 21x = 0$
c	$x^2 + 7x + 10 = 0$	**d**	$x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$
e	$x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$	**f**	$x^2 + 3x - 10 = 0$
g	$x^2 - 10x + 24 = 0$	**h**	$x^2 - 36 = 0$
i	$x^2 + 3x - 28 = 0$	**j**	$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0$
k	$2x^2 - 7x - 4 = 0$	**l**	$3x^2 - 13x - 10 = 0$

2* Solve

a	$x^2 - 3x = 10$	**b**	$x^2 - 3 = 2x$
c	$x^2 + 5x = 24$	**d**	$x^2 - 42 = x$
e	$x(x + 2) = 2x + 25$	**f**	$x^2 - 30 = 3x - 2$

Hint

Get all terms onto one side of the equation.

Answers at the end of Section 5

Section 5b

Video link:
https://corbettmaths.com/2013/12/29/completing-the-square-video-10/

Solving quadratic equations by completing the square

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1b. Quadratic functions – factorising, solving, graphs and the discriminants

Key points

- Completing the square lets you write a quadratic equation in the form $p(x+q)^2+r=0$.

Examples

Example 5 Solve $x^2 + 6x + 4 = 0$. Give your solutions in surd form.

$x^2 + 6x + 4 = 0$	**1** Write $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ in the form $\left(x+\frac{b}{2}\right)^2-\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2+c=0$
$(x + 3)^2 - 9 + 4 = 0$	
$(x + 3)^2 - 5 = 0$	**2** Simplify.
$(x + 3)^2 = 5$	**3** Rearrange the equation to work out x. First, add 5 to both sides.
$x + 3 = \pm\sqrt{5}$	**4** Square root both sides. Remember that the square root of a value gives two answers.
$x = \pm\sqrt{5}-3$	**5** Subtract 3 from both sides to solve the equation.
So $x = -\sqrt{5}-3$ or $x = \sqrt{5}-3$	**6** Write down both solutions.

Example 6 Solve $2x^2 - 7x + 4 = 0$. Give your solutions in surd form.

$2x^2 - 7x + 4 = 0$	**1** Before completing the square write $ax^2 + bx + c$ in the form $a\left(x^2+\frac{b}{a}x\right)+c$
$2\left(x^2-\frac{7}{2}x\right)+4=0$	
$2\left[\left(x-\frac{7}{4}\right)^2-\left(\frac{7}{4}\right)^2\right]+4=0$	**2** Now complete the square by writing $x^2-\frac{7}{2}x$ in the form $\left(x+\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2-\left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2$
$2\left(x-\frac{7}{4}\right)^2-\frac{49}{8}+4=0$	**3** Expand the square brackets.
$2\left(x-\frac{7}{4}\right)^2-\frac{17}{8}=0$	**4** Simplify.
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$2\left(x-\frac{7}{4}\right)^2=\frac{17}{8}$	**5** Rearrange the equation to work out x. First, add $\frac{17}{8}$ to both sides.
$\left(x-\frac{7}{4}\right)^2=\frac{17}{16}$	**6** Divide both sides by 2.
$x-\frac{7}{4}=\pm\frac{\sqrt{17}}{4}$	**7** Square root both sides. Remember that the square root of a value gives two answers.
$x=\pm\frac{\sqrt{17}}{4}+\frac{7}{4}$	**8** Add $\frac{7}{4}$ to both sides.
So $x=\frac{7}{4}-\frac{\sqrt{17}}{4}$ or $x=\frac{7}{4}+\frac{\sqrt{17}}{4}$	**9** Write down both the solutions.

Exercise 5b

3* Solve by completing the square.

a $x^2 - 4x - 3 = 0$

b $x^2 - 10x + 4 = 0$

c $x^2 + 8x - 5 = 0$

d $x^2 - 2x - 6 = 0$

e $2x^2 + 8x - 5 = 0$

f $5x^2 + 3x - 4 = 0$

4* Solve by completing the square.

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

b $2x^2 + 6x - 7 = 0$

c $x^2 - 5x + 3 = 0$

Hint

Get all terms onto one side of the equation.

Answers at the end of Section 5

Section 5c

Video link:
https://corbettmaths.com/2013/04/24/quadratic-formula/

Solving quadratic equations by using the formula

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1b. Quadratic functions – factorising, solving, graphs and the discriminants

Key points

- Any quadratic equation of the form $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ can be solved using the formula $x = \dfrac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$
- If $b^2 - 4ac$ is negative, then the quadratic equation does not have any real solutions.
- It is useful to write down the formula before substituting the values for a, b and c.

Examples

Example 7 Solve $x^2 + 6x + 4 = 0$. Give your solutions in surd form.

$a = 1, b = 6, c = 4$ $x = \dfrac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$	**1** Identify a, b and c and write down the formula. Remember that $-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}$ is all over $2a$, not just part of it.
$x = \dfrac{-6 \pm \sqrt{6^2 - 4(1)(4)}}{2(1)}$	**2** Substitute $a = 1$, $b = 6$, $c = 4$ into the formula.
$x = \dfrac{-6 \pm \sqrt{20}}{2}$	**3** Simplify. The denominator is 2, but this is only because $a = 1$. The denominator will not always be 2.
$x = \dfrac{-6 \pm 2\sqrt{5}}{2}$	**4** Simplify $\sqrt{20}$. $\sqrt{20} = \sqrt{4 \times 5} = \sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{5} = 2\sqrt{5}$
$x = -3 \pm \sqrt{5}$	**5** Simplify by dividing numerator and denominator by 2.
So $x = -3 - \sqrt{5}$ or $x = \sqrt{5} - 3$	**6** Write down both the solutions.

Example 8 Solve $3x^2 - 7x - 2 = 0$. Give your solutions in surd form.

$a = 3$, $b = -7$, $c = -2$ $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$	**1** Identify a, b and c, making sure you get the signs right and write down the formula. Remember that $-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}$ is all over $2a$, not just part of it.
$x = \frac{-(-7) \pm \sqrt{(-7)^2 - 4(3)(-2)}}{2(3)}$	**2** Substitute $a = 3$, $b = -7$, $c = -2$ into the formula.
$x = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{73}}{6}$	**3** Simplify. The denominator is 6 when $a = 3$. A common mistake is to always write a denominator of 2.
So $x = \frac{7 - \sqrt{73}}{6}$ or $x = \frac{7 + \sqrt{73}}{6}$	**4** Write down both the solutions.

Exercise 5c

5* Solve, giving your solutions in surd form.

a $3x^2 + 6x + 2 = 0$ **b** $2x^2 - 4x - 7 = 0$

6* Solve the equation $x^2 - 7x + 2 = 0$

Give your solutions in the form $\frac{a \pm \sqrt{b}}{c}$, where a, b and c are integers.

7* Solve $10x^2 + 3x + 3 = 5$

Give your solution in surd form.

> **Hint**
>
> Get all terms onto one side of the equation.

Extension

8* Choose an appropriate method to solve each quadratic equation, giving your answer in surd form when necessary.

a $4x(x - 1) = 3x - 2$

b $10 = (x + 1)^2$

c $x(3x - 1) = 10$

ANSWERS 5

1 **a** $x = 0$ or $x = -\frac{2}{3}$

b $x = 0$ or $x = \frac{3}{4}$

c $x = -5$ or $x = -2$

d $x = 2$ or $x = 3$

e $x = -1$ or $x = 4$

f $x = -5$ or $x = 2$

g $x = 4$ or $x = 6$

h $x = -6$ or $x = 6$

i $x = -7$ or $x = 4$

j $x = 3$

k $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ or $x = 4$

l $x = -\frac{2}{3}$ or $x = 5$

2 **a** $x = -2$ or $x = 5$

b $x = -1$ or $x = 3$

c $x = -8$ or $x = 3$

d $x = -6$ or $x = 7$

e $x = -5$ or $x = 5$

f $x = -4$ or $x = 7$

3 **a** $x = 2 + \sqrt{7}$ or $x = 2 - \sqrt{7}$

b $x = 5 + \sqrt{21}$ or $x = 5 - \sqrt{21}$

c $x = -4 + \sqrt{21}$ or $x = -4 - \sqrt{21}$

d $x = 1 + \sqrt{7}$ or $x = 1 - \sqrt{7}$

e $x = -2 + \sqrt{6.5}$ or $x = -2 - \sqrt{6.5}$

f $x = \frac{-3 + \sqrt{89}}{10}$ or $x = \frac{-3 - \sqrt{89}}{10}$

4 **a** $x = 1 + \sqrt{14}$ or $x = 1 - \sqrt{14}$

b $x = \frac{-3 + \sqrt{23}}{2}$ or $x = \frac{-3 - \sqrt{23}}{2}$

c $x = \frac{5 + \sqrt{13}}{2}$ or $x = \frac{5 - \sqrt{13}}{2}$

5 **a** $x = -1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$ or $x = -1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$

b $x = 1 + \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$ or $x = 1 - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$

6 $x = \frac{7 + \sqrt{41}}{2}$ or $x = \frac{7 - \sqrt{41}}{2}$

7 $x = \frac{-3 + \sqrt{89}}{20}$ or $x = \frac{-3 - \sqrt{89}}{20}$

8 **a** $x = \frac{7 + \sqrt{17}}{8}$ or $x = \frac{7 - \sqrt{17}}{8}$

b $x = -1 + \sqrt{10}$ or $x = -1 - \sqrt{10}$

c $x = -1\frac{2}{3}$ or $x = 2$

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Section 6a

Rules of indices

Video links:

1) https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/indices.php
2) https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/indices2.php

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1a. Algebraic expressions – basic algebraic manipulation, indices and surds

Key points

- $a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$
- $\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$
- $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$
- $a^0 = 1$
- $a^{-m} = \frac{1}{a^m}$
- $a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}$ i.e. the nth root of a
- $a^{\frac{m}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a^m} = (\sqrt[n]{a})^m$
- The square root of a number produces two solutions, e.g. $\sqrt{16} = \pm 4$

Examples

Example 1 Evaluate 10^0

$10^0 = 1$	Any value raised to the power of zero is equal to 1

Example 2 Evaluate $9^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$9^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{9}$ $= 3$	Use the rule $a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}$

Example 3 Evaluate $27^{\frac{2}{3}}$

$27^{\frac{2}{3}} = \left(\sqrt[3]{27}\right)^2$ $= 3^2$ $= 9$	**1** Use the rule $a^{\frac{m}{n}} = \left(\sqrt[n]{a}\right)^m$ **2** Use $\sqrt[3]{27} = 3$

Example 4 Evaluate 4^{-2}

$4^{-2} = \frac{1}{4^2}$ $= \frac{1}{16}$	**1** Use the rule $a^{-m} = \frac{1}{a^m}$ **2** Use $4^2 = 16$

Example 5 Simplify $\frac{6x^5}{2x^2}$

$\frac{6x^5}{2x^2} = 3x^3$	6 ÷ 2 = 3 and use the rule $\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$ to give $\frac{x^5}{x^2} = x^{5-2} = x^3$

Example 6 Simplify $\frac{x^3 \times x^5}{x^4}$

$\frac{x^3 \times x^5}{x^4} = \frac{x^{3+5}}{x^4} = \frac{x^8}{x^4}$ $= x^{8-4} = x^4$	**1** Use the rule $a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$ **2** Use the rule $\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$

Example 7 Write $\frac{1}{3x}$ as a single power of x

$\frac{1}{3x} = \frac{1}{3}x^{-1}$	Use the rule $\frac{1}{a^m} = a^{-m}$, note that the fraction $\frac{1}{3}$ remains unchanged

Example 8 Write $\frac{4}{\sqrt{x}}$ as a single power of x

$\frac{4}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{4}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ $= 4x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	**1** Use the rule $a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}$ **2** Use the rule $\frac{1}{a^m} = a^{-m}$

Exercise 6a

1 Evaluate.

a 14^0 **b** 3^0 **c** 5^0 **d** x^0

2* Evaluate.

a $49^{\frac{1}{2}}$ **b** $64^{\frac{1}{3}}$ **c** $125^{\frac{1}{3}}$ **d** $16^{\frac{1}{4}}$

3* Evaluate.

a $25^{\frac{3}{2}}$ **b** $8^{\frac{5}{3}}$ **c** $49^{\frac{3}{2}}$ **d** $16^{\frac{3}{4}}$

4* Evaluate.

a 5^{-2} **b** 4^{-3} **c** 2^{-5} **d** 6^{-2}

5* Simplify.

a $\frac{3x^2 \times x^3}{2x^2}$ **b** $\frac{10x^5}{2x^2 \times x}$

c $\frac{3x \times 2x^3}{2x^3}$ **d** $\frac{7x^3y^2}{14x^5y}$

e $\frac{y^2}{y^{\frac{1}{2}} \times y}$ **f** $\frac{c^{\frac{1}{2}}}{c^2 \times c^{\frac{3}{2}}}$

g $\frac{(2x^2)^3}{4x^0}$ **h** $\frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}} \times x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{x^{-2} \times x^3}$

Watch out!

Remember that any value raised to the power of zero is 1. This is the rule $a^0 = 1$.

6* Evaluate.

a $4^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ **b** $27^{-\frac{2}{3}}$ **c** $9^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times 2^3$

d $16^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 2^{-3}$ **e** $\left(\frac{9}{16}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ **f** $\left(\frac{27}{64}\right)^{-\frac{2}{3}}$

7* Write the following as a single power of x.

a $\frac{1}{x}$ **b** $\frac{1}{x^7}$ **c** $\sqrt[4]{x}$

d $\sqrt[5]{x^2}$ **e** $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}}$ **f** $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$

8* Write the following without negative or fractional powers.

a x^{-3} **b** x^0 **c** $x^{\frac{1}{5}}$

d $x^{\frac{2}{5}}$ **e** $x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ **f** $x^{-\frac{3}{4}}$

9* Write the following in the form ax^n.

a $5\sqrt{x}$ **b** $\dfrac{2}{x^3}$ **c** $\dfrac{1}{3x^4}$

d $\dfrac{2}{\sqrt{x}}$ **e** $\dfrac{4}{\sqrt[3]{x}}$ **f** 3

Extension

10* Write as sums of powers of x.

a $\dfrac{x^5+1}{x^2}$ **b** $x^2\left(x+\dfrac{1}{x}\right)$ **c** $x^{-4}\left(x^2+\dfrac{1}{x^3}\right)$

ANSWERS 6a

1	**a**	1	**b**	1	**c**	1	**d**	1
2	**a**	7	**b**	4	**c**	5	**d**	2
3	**a**	125	**b**	32	**c**	343	**d**	8
4	**a**	$\frac{1}{25}$	**b**	$\frac{1}{64}$	**c**	$\frac{1}{32}$	**d**	$\frac{1}{36}$
5	**a**	$\frac{3x^3}{2}$	**b**	$5x^2$				
	c	$3x$	**d**	$\frac{y}{2x^2}$				
	e	$y^{\frac{1}{2}}$	**f**	c^{-3}				
	g	$2x^6$	**h**	x				
6	**a**	$\frac{1}{2}$	**b**	$\frac{1}{9}$	**c**	$\frac{8}{3}$		
	d	$\frac{1}{4}$	**e**	$\frac{4}{3}$	**f**	$\frac{16}{9}$		
7	**a**	x^{-1}	**b**	x^{-7}	**c**	$x^{\frac{1}{4}}$		
	d	$x^{\frac{2}{5}}$	**e**	$x^{-\frac{1}{3}}$	**f**	$x^{-\frac{2}{3}}$		
8	**a**	$\frac{1}{x^3}$	**b**	1	**c**	$\sqrt[5]{x}$		
	d	$\sqrt[5]{x^2}$	**e**	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$	**f**	$\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{x^3}}$		
9	**a**	$5x^{\frac{1}{2}}$	**b**	$2x^{-3}$	**c**	$\frac{1}{3}x^{-4}$		
	d	$2x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	**e**	$4x^{-\frac{1}{3}}$	**f**	$3x^0$		
10	**a**	$x^3 + x^{-2}$	**b**	$x^3 + x$	**c**	$x^{-2} + x^{-7}$		

Video links:

1) https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/surds.php
2) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/05/11/surds-addition/
3) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/05/11/rationalising-denominators/

Section 6b

Surds and rationalising the denominator

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1a. Algebraic expressions – basic algebraic manipulation, indices and surds

Key points

- A surd is the square root of a number that is not a square number, for example $\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5},$ etc.
- Surds can be used to give the exact value for an answer.
- $\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{a} \times \sqrt{b}$
- $\sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} = \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b}}$
- To rationalise the denominator means to remove the surd from the denominator of a fraction.
- To rationalise $\frac{a}{\sqrt{b}}$ you multiply the numerator and denominator by the surd $\sqrt{b}$
- To rationalise $\frac{a}{b+\sqrt{c}}$ you multiply the numerator and denominator by $b-\sqrt{c}$

Examples

Example 1 Simplify $\sqrt{50}$

$\sqrt{50} = \sqrt{25 \times 2}$	**1** Choose two numbers that are factors of 50. One of the factors must be a square number
$= \sqrt{25} \times \sqrt{2}$	**2** Use the rule $\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{a} \times \sqrt{b}$
$= 5 \times \sqrt{2}$	**3** Use $\sqrt{25} = 5$
$= 5\sqrt{2}$	

Example 2 Simplify $\sqrt{147} - 2\sqrt{12}$

$\sqrt{147} - 2\sqrt{12}$ $= \sqrt{49 \times 3} - 2\sqrt{4 \times 3}$	**1** Simplify $\sqrt{147}$ and $2\sqrt{12}$. Choose two numbers that are factors of 147 and two numbers that are factors of 12. One of each pair of factors must be a square number
$= \sqrt{49} \times \sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{3}$	**2** Use the rule $\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{a} \times \sqrt{b}$
$= 7 \times \sqrt{3} - 2 \times 2 \times \sqrt{3}$	**3** Use $\sqrt{49} = 7$ and $\sqrt{4} = 2$
$= 7\sqrt{3} - 4\sqrt{3}$ $= 3\sqrt{3}$	**4** Collect like terms

Example 3 Simplify $\left(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{2}\right)\left(\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{2}\right)$

$\left(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{2}\right)\left(\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{2}\right)$ $= \sqrt{49}-\sqrt{7}\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{2}\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{4}$ $= 7 - 2$ $= 5$	**1** Expand the brackets. A common mistake here is to write $\left(\sqrt{7}\right)^2 = 49$ **2** Collect like terms: $-\sqrt{7}\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{2}\sqrt{7}$ $=-\sqrt{7}\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{7}\sqrt{2}=0$

Example 4 Rationalise $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\times\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$ $=\frac{1\times\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{9}}$ $=\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$	**1** Multiply the numerator and denominator by $\sqrt{3}$ **2** Use $\sqrt{9}=3$

Example 5 Rationalise and simplify $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{12}}$

$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{12}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{12}}\times\frac{\sqrt{12}}{\sqrt{12}}$ $=\frac{\sqrt{2}\times\sqrt{4\times3}}{12}$ $=\frac{2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3}}{12}$ $=\frac{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3}}{6}$	**1** Multiply the numerator and denominator by $\sqrt{12}$ **2** Simplify $\sqrt{12}$ in the numerator. Choose two numbers that are factors of 12. One of the factors must be a square number **3** Use the rule $\sqrt{ab}=\sqrt{a}\times\sqrt{b}$ **4** Use $\sqrt{4}=2$ **5** Simplify the fraction: $\frac{2}{12}$ simplifies to $\frac{1}{6}$

Example 6 Rationalise and simplify $\dfrac{3}{2+\sqrt{5}}$

$\dfrac{3}{2+\sqrt{5}} = \dfrac{3}{2+\sqrt{5}} \times \dfrac{2-\sqrt{5}}{2-\sqrt{5}}$	**1** Multiply the numerator and denominator by $2-\sqrt{5}$
$= \dfrac{3\left(2-\sqrt{5}\right)}{\left(2+\sqrt{5}\right)\left(2-\sqrt{5}\right)}$	**2** Expand the brackets
$= \dfrac{6-3\sqrt{5}}{4+2\sqrt{5}-2\sqrt{5}-5}$	**3** Simplify the fraction
$= \dfrac{6-3\sqrt{5}}{-1}$	**4** Divide the numerator by −1 Remember to change the sign of all terms when dividing by −1
$= 3\sqrt{5}-6$	

Exercise 6b

1 Simplify.

a $\sqrt{45}$ **b** $\sqrt{125}$

c $\sqrt{48}$ **d** $\sqrt{175}$

e $\sqrt{300}$ **f** $\sqrt{28}$

g $\sqrt{72}$ **h** $\sqrt{162}$

> **Hint**
>
> One of the two numbers you choose at the start must be a square number.

2 Simplify.

a $\sqrt{72}+\sqrt{162}$ **b** $\sqrt{45}-2\sqrt{5}$

c $\sqrt{50}-\sqrt{8}$ **d** $\sqrt{75}-\sqrt{48}$

e $2\sqrt{28}+\sqrt{28}$ **f** $2\sqrt{12}-\sqrt{12}+\sqrt{27}$

> **Watch out!**
>
> Check you have chosen the highest square number at the start.

3 Expand and simplify.

a $(\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3})$ **b** $(3+\sqrt{3})(5-\sqrt{12})$

c $(4-\sqrt{5})(\sqrt{45}+2)$ **d** $(5+\sqrt{2})(6-\sqrt{8})$

4 Rationalise and simplify, if possible.

a $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$ **b** $\frac{1}{\sqrt{11}}$

c $\frac{2}{\sqrt{7}}$ **d** $\frac{2}{\sqrt{8}}$

e $\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}$ **f** $\frac{5}{\sqrt{5}}$

g $\frac{\sqrt{8}}{\sqrt{24}}$ **h** $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{45}}$

5 Rationalise and simplify.

a $\frac{1}{3-\sqrt{5}}$ **b** $\frac{2}{4+\sqrt{3}}$ **c** $\frac{6}{5-\sqrt{2}}$

Extension

6 Expand and simplify $\left(\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y}\right)\left(\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y}\right)$

7 Rationalise and simplify, if possible.

a $\frac{1}{\sqrt{9}-\sqrt{8}}$ **b** $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y}}$

ANSWERS 6b

1 **a** $3\sqrt{5}$ **b** $5\sqrt{5}$
c $4\sqrt{3}$ **d** $5\sqrt{7}$
e $10\sqrt{3}$ **f** $2\sqrt{7}$
g $6\sqrt{2}$ **h** $9\sqrt{2}$

2 **a** $15\sqrt{2}$ **b** $\sqrt{5}$
c $3\sqrt{2}$ **d** $\sqrt{3}$
e $6\sqrt{7}$ **f** $5\sqrt{3}$

3 **a** -1 **b** $9-\sqrt{3}$
c $10\sqrt{5}-7$ **d** $26-4\sqrt{2}$

4 **a** $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}$ **b** $\frac{\sqrt{11}}{11}$
c $\frac{2\sqrt{7}}{7}$ **d** $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$
e $\sqrt{2}$ **f** $\sqrt{5}$
g $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$ **h** $\frac{1}{3}$

5 **a** $\frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{4}$ **b** $\frac{2(4-\sqrt{3})}{13}$ **c** $\frac{6(5+\sqrt{2})}{23}$

6 $x-y$

7 **a** $3+2\sqrt{2}$ **b** $\frac{\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y}}{x-y}$

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Section 7a

Video link:
https://corbettmaths.com/2013/03/05/simultaneous-equations-elimination-method/

Solving linear simultaneous equations using the elimination method

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1c. Equations – quadratic/linear simultaneous

Key points

- Two equations are simultaneous when they are both true at the same time.
- Solving simultaneous linear equations in two unknowns involves finding the value of each unknown which works for both equations.
- Make sure that the coefficient of one of the unknowns is the same in both equations.
- Eliminate this equal unknown by either subtracting or adding the two equations.

Examples

Example 1 Solve the simultaneous equations $3x + y = 5$ and $x + y = 1$

$3x + y = 5$ $-\quad x + y = 1$ $2x \quad = 4$ So $x = 2$	**1** Subtract the second equation from the first equation to eliminate the y term.
Using $x + y = 1$ $2 + y = 1$ So $y = -1$	**2** To find the value of y, substitute $x = 2$ into one of the original equations.
Check: equation 1: $3 \times 2 + (-1) = 5$ YES equation 2: $2 + (-1) = 1$ YES	**3** Substitute the values of x and y into both equations to check your answers.

Example 2 Solve $x + 2y = 13$ and $5x - 2y = 5$ simultaneously.

$x + 2y = 13$ $+\quad 5x - 2y = 5$ $6x \quad = 18$ So $x = 3$	**1** Add the two equations together to eliminate the y term.
Using $x + 2y = 13$ $3 + 2y = 13$ So $y = 5$	**2** To find the value of y, substitute $x = 3$ into one of the original equations.
Check: equation 1: $3 + 2 \times 5 = 13$ YES equation 2: $5 \times 3 - 2 \times 5 = 5$ YES	**3** Substitute the values of x and y into both equations to check your answers.

Example 3 Solve $2x + 3y = 2$ and $5x + 4y = 12$ simultaneously.

$(2x + 3y = 2) \times 4 \rightarrow \quad 8x + 12y = 8$ $(5x + 4y = 12) \times 3 \rightarrow \quad 15x + 12y = 36$ $7x = 28$ So $x = 4$	**1** Multiply the first equation by 4 and the second equation by 3 to make the coefficient of y the same for both equations. Then subtract the first equation from the second equation to eliminate the y term.
Using $2x + 3y = 2$ $2 \times 4 + 3y = 2$ So $y = -2$	**2** To find the value of y, substitute $x = 4$ into one of the original equations.
Check: equation 1: $2 \times 4 + 3 \times (-2) = 2$ YES equation 2: $5 \times 4 + 4 \times (-2) = 12$ YES	**3** Substitute the values of x and y into both equations to check your answers.

Exercise 7a

Solve these simultaneous equations.

1 $4x + y = 8$
$x + y = 5$

2 $3x + y = 7$
$3x + 2y = 5$

3 $4x + y = 3$
$3x - y = 11$

4 $3x + 4y = 7$
$x - 4y = 5$

5 $2x + y = 11$
$x - 3y = 9$

6 $2x + 3y = 11$
$3x + 2y = 4$

ANSWERS 7a

1 $x = 1, y = 4$

2 $x = 3, y = -2$

3 $x = 2, y = -5$

4 $x = 3, y = -\frac{1}{2}$

5 $x = 6, y = -1$

6 $x = -2, y = 5$

Section 7b

Video link: https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/simultaneous-quadratic.php

Solving linear and quadratic simultaneous equations

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1c. Equations – quadratic/linear simultaneous

Key points

- Make one of the unknowns the subject of the linear equation (rearranging where necessary).
- Use the linear equation to substitute into the quadratic equation.
- There are usually two pairs of solutions.

Examples

Example 1 Solve the simultaneous equations $y = 1 - 2x$ and $x^2 + y = 0$

$x^2 + 1 - 2x = 0$	**1** Substitute $2x + 1$ for y into the second equation.
$x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$ $(x - 1)(x - 1) = 0$	**2** Factorise the quadratic equation.
So $x = 1$	**3** Work out the value of x.
Using $y = 1 - 2x$ When $x = 1$, $y = 1 - 2(1) = -1$	**4** To find the value of y, substitute the value of x into one of the original equations.
So the solutions are $x = 1,\ y = -1$	
Check: equation 1: $-1 = 1 - 2(1)$ YES equation 2: $1^2 + (-1) = 0$ YES	**5** Substitute the values of x and y into both equations to check your answers.

Example 2 Solve $2x - y + 4 = 0$ and $y = x^2 + x - 2$ simultaneously.

$y = 2x + 4$	**1** Rearrange the first equation for y. Notice it is easier to rearrange for y than x.
$2x + 4 = x^2 + x - 2$	**2** Substitute $2x + 4$ for y into the second equation.
$x^2 - x - 6 = 0$	**3** Rearrange for '= 0'.
$(x - 3)(x + 2) = 0$	**4** Factorise the quadratic equation.
$x = 3$ or $x = -2$	**5** Work out the values of x.
Using $y = 2x + 4$ When $x = 3$, $y = 2 \times 3 + 4$, $y = 10$ When $x = -2$, $y = 2 \times (-2) + 4$, $y = 0$ So the solutions are $x = 3$, $y = 10$ and $x = -2$, $y = 0$	**6** To find the values of y, substitute both values of x into one of the earlier equations.
Check: equation 1: $2 \times 3 - 10 + 4 = 0$ YES and $2 \times (-2) - 0 + 4 = 0$ YES equation 2: $10 = 3^2 + 3 - 2$ YES and $0 = (-2)^2 + (-2) - 2$ YES	**7** Substitute both pairs of values of x and y into both equations to check your answers.

Exercise 7b

Solve these simultaneous equations.

1 $y = 3x - 5$
$y = x^2 - 2x + 1$

2 $y = x - 5$
$y = x^2 - 5x - 12$

3 $y = 2x$
$y^2 - xy = 8$

4 $10x = y + 39$
$y = x^2 - 3x + 3$

Extension

5 $x - y = 1$
$x^2 + y^2 = 3$

12 $y - x = 4$
$x^2 + xy = 6$

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1 $x = 3, y = 4$
$x = 2, y = 1$

2 $x = 7, y = 2$
$x = -1, y = -6$

3 $x = -2, y = -4$
$x = 2, y = 4$

4 $x = 6, y = 21$
$x = 7, y = 31$

5 $x = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, y = \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$
$x = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}, y = \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$

6 $x = 1, y = 5$
$x = -3, y = 1$

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Section 8

Video links:
1) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/05/07/solving-inequalities-one-sign-corbettmaths/
2) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/05/12/solving-inequalities-two-signs/

Linear inequalities

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 1d. Inequalities – linear and quadratic (including graphical solutions)

Key points

- Solving linear inequalities uses similar methods to those for solving linear equations.
- When you multiply or divide an inequality by a negative number you need to reverse the inequality sign, e.g. < becomes >.

Examples

Example 1 Solve $-8 \le 4x < 16$

$-8 \le 4x < 16$ $-2 \le x < 4$	Divide all three terms by 4.

Example 2 Solve $4 \le 5x < 10$

$4 \le 5x < 10$ $\frac{4}{5} \le x < 2$	Divide all three terms by 5.

Example 3 Solve $2x - 5 < 7$

$2x - 5 < 7$ $2x < 12$ $x < 6$	**1** Add 5 to both sides. **2** Divide both sides by 2.

Example 4 Solve $2 - 5x \ge -8$

$2 - 5x \ge -8$ $-5x \ge -10$ $x \le 2$	**1** Subtract 2 from both sides. **2** Divide both sides by −5. Remember to reverse the inequality when dividing by a negative number.

Example 5 Solve $4(x - 2) > 3(9 - x)$

$4(x - 2) > 3(9 - x)$ $4x - 8 > 27 - 3x$ $7x - 8 > 27$ $7x > 35$ $x > 5$	**1** Expand the brackets. **2** Add $3x$ to both sides. **3** Add 8 to both sides. **4** Divide both sides by 7.

Exercise 8

1 Solve these inequalities.

a $4x > 16$ **b** $5x - 7 \leq 3$ **c** $1 \geq 3x + 4$

d $5 - 2x < 12$ **e** $\frac{x}{2} \geq 5$ **f** $8 < 3 - \frac{x}{3}$

2 Solve these inequalities.

a $\frac{x}{5} < -4$ **b** $10 \geq 2x + 3$ **c** $7 - 3x > -5$

3 Solve

a $2 - 4x \geq 18$ **b** $3 \leq 7x + 10 < 45$ **c** $6 - 2x \geq 4$

d $4x + 17 < 2 - x$ **e** $4 - 5x < -3x$ **f** $-4x \geq 24$

4 Solve these inequalities.

a $3t + 1 < t + 6$ **b** $2(3n - 1) \geq n + 5$

5 Solve.

a $3(2 - x) > 2(4 - x) + 4$ **b** $5(4 - x) > 3(5 - x) + 2$

Extension

6 Find the set of values of x for which $2x + 1 > 11$ and $4x - 2 > 16 - 2x$.

ANSWERS 8

1	**a**	$x > 4$	**b**	$x \leq 2$	**c**	$x \leq -1$
	d	$x > -\frac{7}{2}$	**e**	$x \geq 10$	**f**	$x < -15$
2	**a**	$x < -20$	**b**	$x \leq 3.5$	**c**	$x < 4$
3	**a**	$x \leq -4$	**b**	$-1 \leq x < 5$	**c**	$x \leq 1$
	d	$x < -3$	**e**	$x > 2$	**f**	$x \leq -6$
4	**a**	$t < \frac{5}{2}$	**b**	$n \geq \frac{7}{5}$		
5	**a**	$x < -6$	**b**	$x < \frac{3}{2}$		

6 $x > 5$ (which also satisfies $x > 3$)

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Section 9a

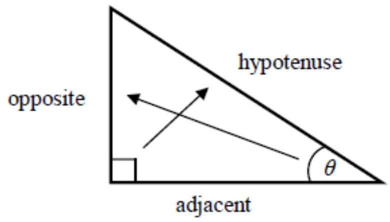
Video links:
1) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/03/30/trigonometry-missing-sides/
2) https://corbettmaths.com/2013/03/30/trigonometry-missing-angles/

Trigonometry in right-angled triangles

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 4a. Trigonometric ratios and graphs

Key points

- In a right-angled triangle:
  - the side opposite the right angle is called the hypotenuse
  - the side opposite the angle θ is called the opposite
  - the side next to the angle θ is called the adjacent.

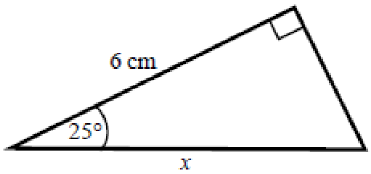


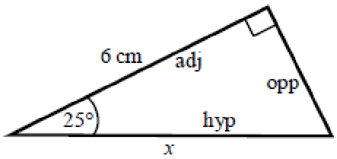
- In a right-angled triangle:
  - the ratio of the opposite side to the hypotenuse is the sine of angle θ, $\sin\theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}}$
  - the ratio of the adjacent side to the hypotenuse is the cosine of angle θ, $\cos\theta = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$
  - the ratio of the opposite side to the adjacent side is the tangent of angle θ, $\tan\theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$
- If the lengths of two sides of a right-angled triangle are given, you can find a missing angle using the inverse trigonometric functions: $\sin^{-1}$, $\cos^{-1}$, $\tan^{-1}$.
- The sine, cosine and tangent of some angles may be written exactly.

	0	30°	45°	60°	90°
sin	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	1
cos	1	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
tan	0	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$	1	$\sqrt{3}$	

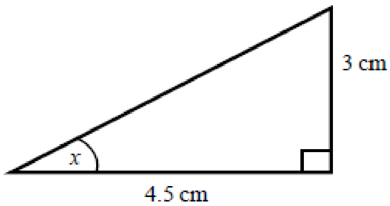
Examples

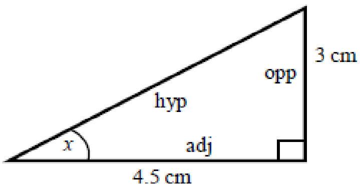
Example 1 Calculate the length of side x.
Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.



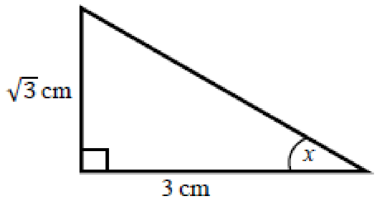
	**1** Always start by labelling the sides.
$\cos\theta = \dfrac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$	**2** You are given the adjacent and the hypotenuse so use the cosine ratio.
$\cos 25° = \dfrac{6}{x}$	**3** Substitute the sides and angle into the cosine ratio.
$x = \dfrac{6}{\cos 25°}$	**4** Rearrange to make x the subject.
$x = 6.620\,267\,5...$	**5** Use your calculator to work out $6 \div \cos 25°$.
$x = 6.62$ cm	**6** Round your answer to 3 significant figures and write the units in your answer.

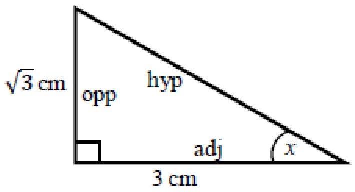
Example 2 Calculate the size of angle x.
Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.



	**1** Always start by labelling the sides.
$\tan\theta = \dfrac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$	**2** You are given the opposite and the adjacent so use the tangent ratio.
$\tan x = \dfrac{3}{4.5}$	**3** Substitute the sides and angle into the tangent ratio.
$x = \tan^{-1}\left(\dfrac{3}{4.5}\right)$	**4** Use $\tan^{-1}$ to find the angle.
$x = 33.690\,067\,5...$	**5** Use your calculator to work out $\tan^{-1}(3 \div 4.5)$.
$x = 33.7°$	**6** Round your answer to 3 significant figures and write the units in your answer.

Example 3 Calculate the exact size of angle x.

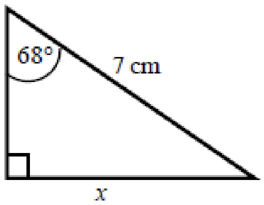


	**1** Always start by labelling the sides.
$\tan\theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$	**2** You are given the opposite and the adjacent so use the tangent ratio.
$\tan x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$	**3** Substitute the sides and angle into the tangent ratio.
$x = 30°$	**4** Use the table from the key points to find the angle.

Exercise 9a

1 Calculate the length of the unknown side in each triangle.
Give your answers correct to 3 significant figures.

a



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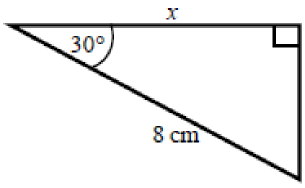

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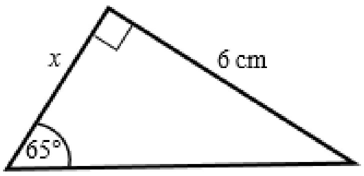

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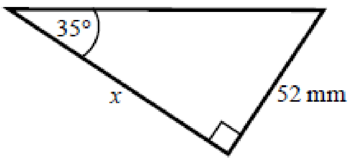

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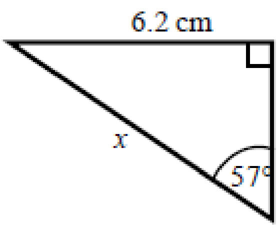

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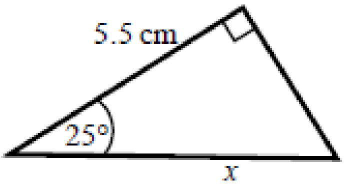

2 Calculate the size of angle x in each triangle.
Give your answers correct to 1 decimal place.

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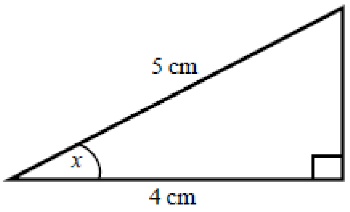

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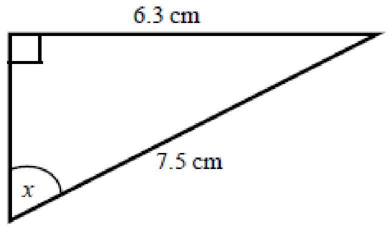

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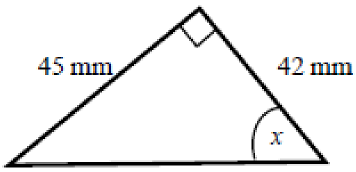

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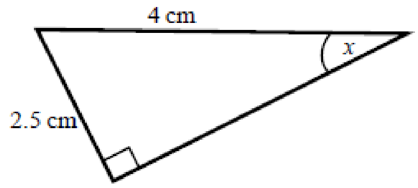
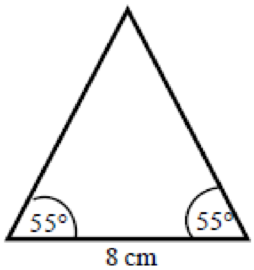


3 Work out the height of the isosceles triangle.
Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

Hint:

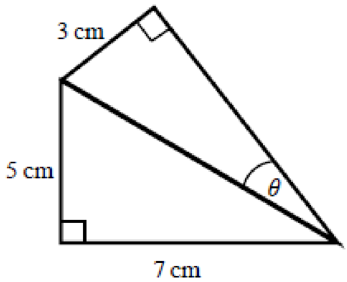
Split the triangle into two right-angled triangles.



4 Calculate the size of angle θ.
Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.

Hint:

First work out the length of the common side to both triangles, leaving your answer in surd form.



5 Find the exact value of x in each triangle.

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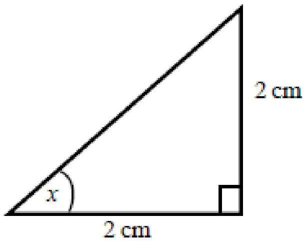

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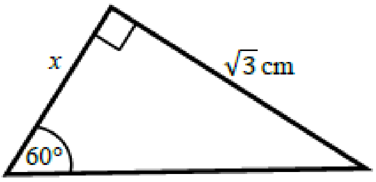

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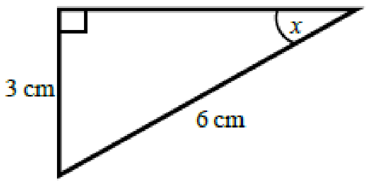

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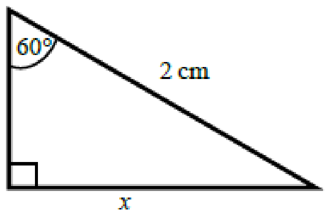

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Section 9b

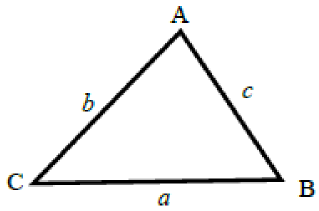
Video link:
https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/cosine-rule.php

The cosine rule

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 4a. Trigonometric ratios and graphs
Textbook: Pure Year 1, 9.1 The cosine rule

Key points

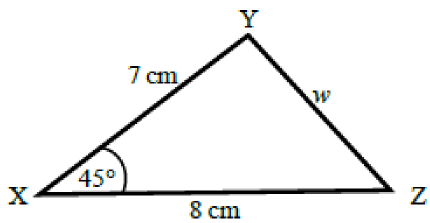
- *a* is the side opposite angle A.
  b is the side opposite angle B.
  c is the side opposite angle C.

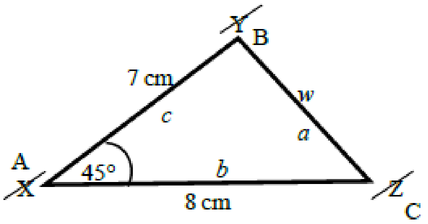


- You can use the cosine rule to find the length of a side when two sides and the included angle are given.
- To calculate an unknown side, use the formula $a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc\cos A$.
- Alternatively, you can use the cosine rule to find an unknown angle if the lengths of all three sides are given.
- To calculate an unknown angle, use the formula $\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$.

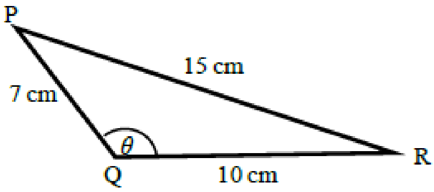
Examples

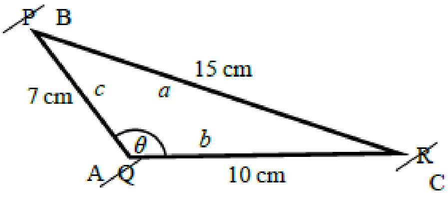
Example 4 Work out the length of side *w*.
Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.



	**1** Always start by labelling the angles and sides.
$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc\cos A$	**2** Write the cosine rule to find the side.
$w^2 = 8^2 + 7^2 - 2 \times 8 \times 7 \times \cos 45°$	**3** Substitute the values *a*, *b* and *A* into the formula.
$w^2 = 33.804\,040\,51...$ $w = \sqrt{33.80404051}$ $w = 5.81$ cm	**4** Use a calculator to find w^2 and then *w*. **5** Round your final answer to 3 significant figures and write the units in your answer.

Example 5 Work out the size of angle θ.
Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.





1 Always start by labelling the angles and sides.

$$\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$$

2 Write the cosine rule to find the angle.

$$\cos\theta = \frac{10^2 + 7^2 - 15^2}{2 \times 10 \times 7}$$

3 Substitute the values *a*, *b* and *c* into the formula.

$$\cos\theta = \frac{-76}{140}$$

4 Use $\cos^{-1}$ to find the angle.

$\theta = 122.878\ 349...$

5 Use your calculator to work out $\cos^{-1}(-76 \div 140)$.

$\theta = 122.9°$

6 Round your answer to 1 decimal place and write the units in your answer.

Exercise 9b

6 Work out the length of the unknown side in each triangle.
Give your answers correct to 3 significant figures.

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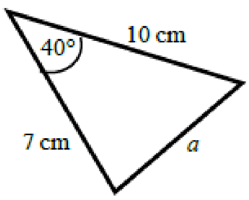

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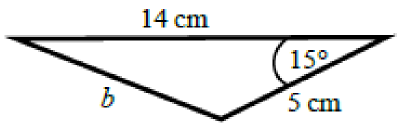

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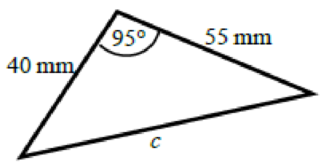

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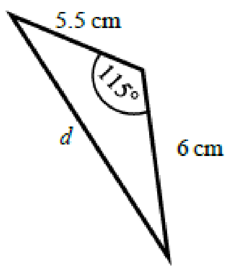

7 Calculate the angles labelled θ in each triangle.
Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.

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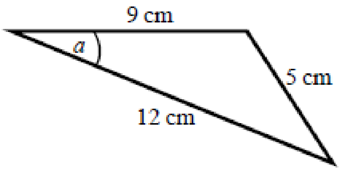

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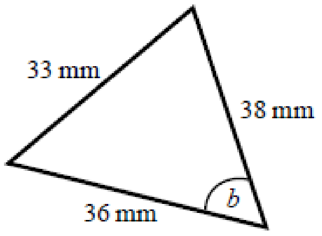

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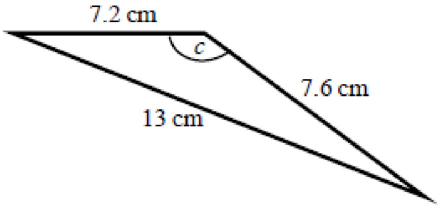

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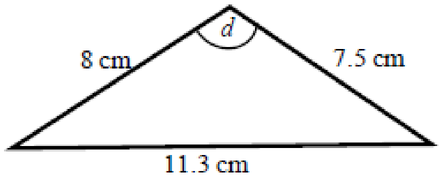
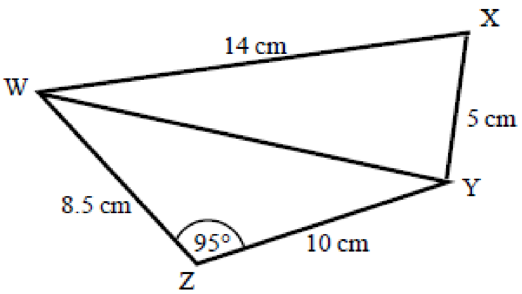


8 **a** Work out the length of WY.
Give your answer correct to
3 significant figures.

b Work out the size of angle WXY.
Give your answer correct to
1 decimal place.



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Section 9c

Video link:
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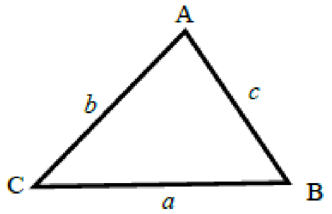
The sine rule

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 4a. Trigonometric ratios and graphs
Textbook: Pure Year 1, 9.2 The sine rule

Key points

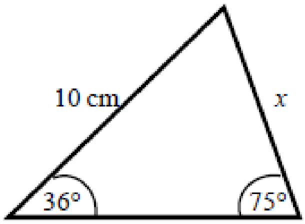
- *a* is the side opposite angle A.
  b is the side opposite angle B.
  c is the side opposite angle C.

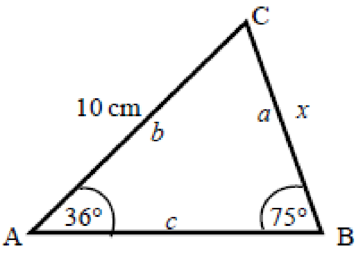


- You can use the sine rule to find the length of a side when its opposite angle and another opposite side and angle are given.
- To calculate an unknown side, use the formula $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$.
- Alternatively, you can use the sine rule to find an unknown angle if the opposite side and another opposite side and angle are given.
- To calculate an unknown angle, use the formula $\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$.

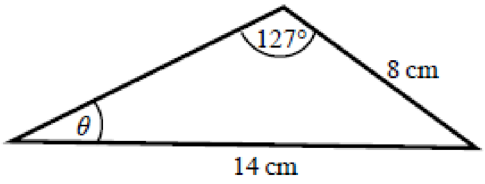
Examples

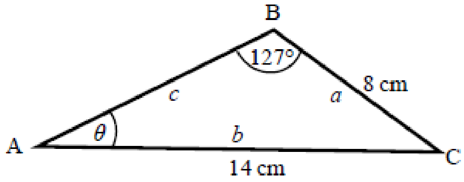
Example 6 Work out the length of side x.
Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.



	**1** Always start by labelling the angles and sides.
$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B}$	**2** Write the sine rule to find the side.
$\frac{x}{\sin 36°} = \frac{10}{\sin 75°}$	**3** Substitute the values a, b, A and B into the formula.
$x = \frac{10 \times \sin 36°}{\sin 75°}$	**4** Rearrange to make x the subject.
x = 6.09 cm	**5** Round your answer to 3 significant figures and write the units in your answer.

Example 7 Work out the size of angle θ.
Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.



	**1** Always start by labelling the angles and sides.
$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b}$	**2** Write the sine rule to find the angle.
$\frac{\sin \theta}{8} = \frac{\sin 127°}{14}$	**3** Substitute the values *a*, *b*, *A* and *B* into the formula.
$\sin \theta = \frac{8 \times \sin 127°}{14}$	**4** Rearrange to make sin θ the subject.
$\theta = 27.2°$	**5** Use $\sin^{-1}$ to find the angle. Round your answer to 1 decimal place and write the units in your answer.

Exercise 9c

9 Find the length of the unknown side in each triangle.
Give your answers correct to 3 significant figures.

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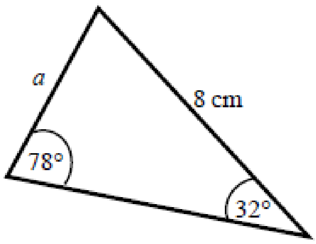

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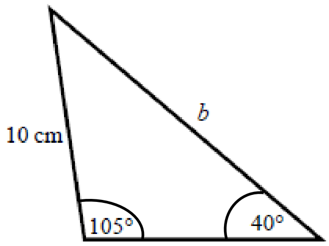

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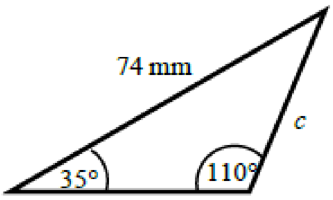

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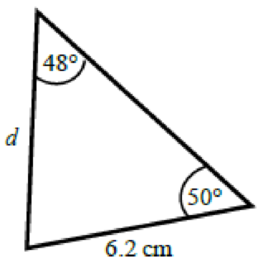

10 Calculate the angles labelled θ in each triangle.
Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.

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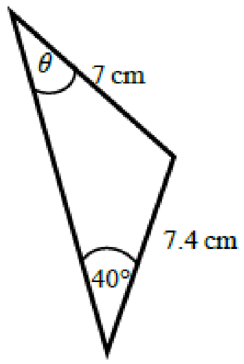

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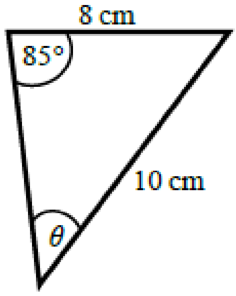

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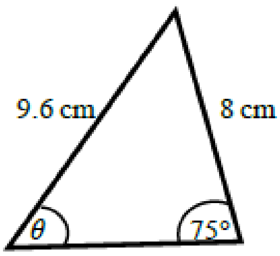

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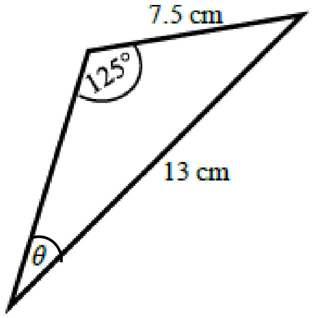
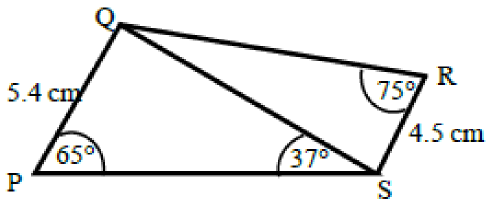


11 **a** Work out the length of QS.
Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

b Work out the size of angle RQS.
Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.



Answers at the end of Section 9

Section 9d

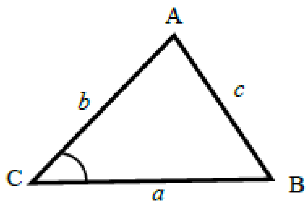
Video link:
https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/area-of-any-triangle.php

Areas of triangles

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 4a. Trigonometric ratios and graphs
Textbook: Pure Year 1, 9.3 Areas of triangles

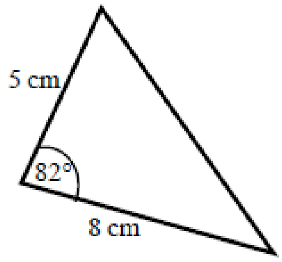
Key points

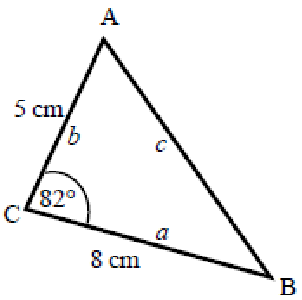
- *a* is the side opposite angle A.
  b is the side opposite angle B.
  c is the side opposite angle C.
- The area of the triangle is $\frac{1}{2}ab\sin C$.



Examples

Example 8 Find the area of the triangle.



	**1** Always start by labelling the sides and angles of the triangle.
Area = $\frac{1}{2}ab\sin C$	**2** State the formula for the area of a triangle.
Area = $\frac{1}{2}\times 8\times 5\times \sin 82°$	**3** Substitute the values of *a*, *b* and *C* into the formula for the area of a triangle.
Area = 19.805 361...	**4** Use a calculator to find the area.
Area = 19.8 cm^2	**5** Round your answer to 3 significant figures and write the units in your answer.

Exercise 9d

12 Work out the area of each triangle.
Give your answers correct to 3 significant figures.

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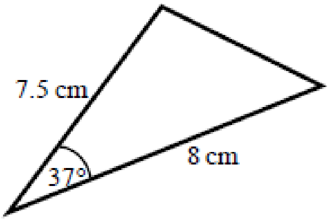

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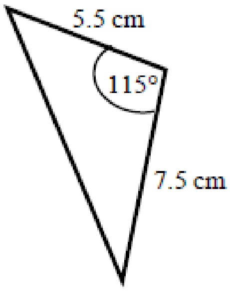

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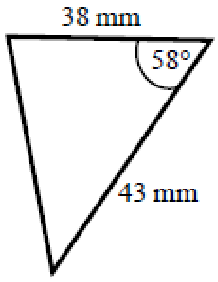
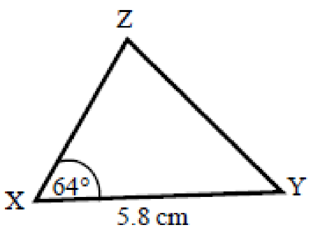


13 The area of triangle XYZ is 13.3 cm^2.
Work out the length of XZ.



Extension

Hint:

For each one, decide whether to use the cosine or sine rule.

14 Find the size of each lettered angle or side.
Give your answers correct to 3 significant figures.

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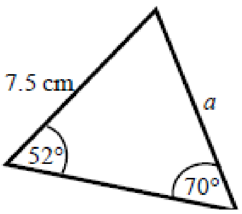

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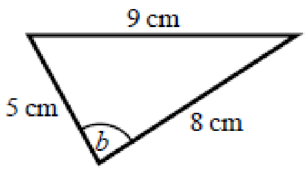

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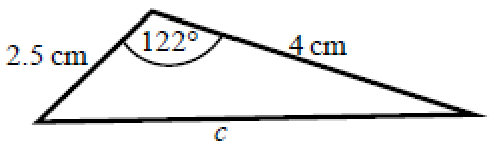

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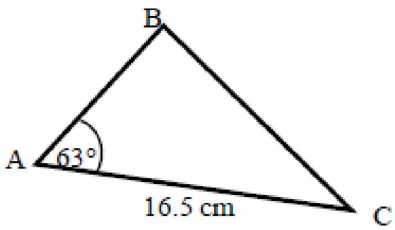
Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.



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1	**a**	6.49 cm	**b**	6.93 cm	**c**	2.80 cm		
	d	74.3 mm	**e**	7.39 cm	**f**	6.07 cm		
2	**a**	36.9°	**b**	57.1°	**c**	47.0°	**d**	38.7°
3	5.71 cm							
4	20.4°							
5	**a**	45°	**b**	1 cm	**c**	30°	**d**	$\sqrt{3}$ cm
6	**a**	6.46 cm	**b**	9.26 cm	**c**	70.8 mm	**d**	9.70 cm
7	**a**	22.2°	**b**	52.9°	**c**	122.9°	**d**	93.6°
8	**a**	13.7 cm	**b**	76.0°				
9	**a**	4.33 cm	**b**	15.0 cm	**c**	45.2 mm	**d**	6.39 cm
10	**a**	42.8°	**b**	52.8°	**c**	53.6°	**d**	28.2°
11	**a**	8.13 cm	**b**	32.3°				
12	**a**	18.1 cm^2	**b**	18.7 cm^2	**c**	693 mm^2		
13	5.10 cm							
14	**a**	6.29 cm	**b**	84.3°	**c**	5.73 cm	**d**	58.8°
15	15.3 cm							

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Section 10

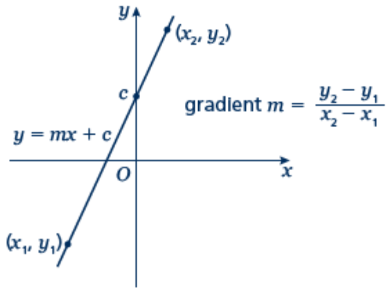
Video link:
https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/equation-of-a-line.php

Straight line graphs

A LEVEL LINKS
Scheme of work: 2a. Straight-line graphs, parallel/perpendicular, length and area problems

Key points

- A straight line has the equation $y = mx + c$, where m is the gradient and c is the y-intercept (where $x = 0$).
- The equation of a straight line can be written in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a, b and c are integers.
- When given the coordinates (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) of two points on a line the gradient is calculated using the formula $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$



Examples

Example 1 A straight line has gradient $-\frac{1}{2}$ and y-intercept 3.

Write the equation of the line in the form $ax + by + c = 0$.

$m = -\frac{1}{2}$ and $c = 3$ So $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 3$ $\frac{1}{2}x + y - 3 = 0$ $x + 2y - 6 = 0$	**1** A straight line has equation $y = mx + c$. Substitute the gradient and y-intercept given in the question into this equation. **2** Rearrange the equation so all the terms are on one side and 0 is on the other side. **3** Multiply both sides by 2 to eliminate the denominator.

Example 2 Find the gradient and the y-intercept of the line with the equation $3y - 2x + 4 = 0$.

$3y - 2x + 4 = 0$ $3y = 2x - 4$ $y = \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{4}{3}$ Gradient $= m = \frac{2}{3}$ y-intercept $= c = -\frac{4}{3}$	**1** Make y the subject of the equation. **2** Divide all the terms by three to get the equation in the form $y = \ldots$ **3** In the form $y = mx + c$, the gradient is m and the y-intercept is c.

Example 3 Find the equation of the line which passes through the point (5, 13) and has gradient 3.

$m = 3$ $y = 3x + c$	**1** Substitute the gradient given in the question into the equation of a straight line $y = mx + c$.
$13 = 3 \times 5 + c$	**2** Substitute the coordinates $x = 5$ and $y = 13$ into the equation.
$13 = 15 + c$ $c = -2$	**3** Simplify and solve the equation.
$y = 3x - 2$	**4** Substitute $c = -2$ into the equation $y = 3x + c$

Example 4 Find the equation of the line passing through the points with coordinates (2, 4) and (8, 7).

$x_1 = 2$, $x_2 = 8$, $y_1 = 4$ and $y_2 = 7$ $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{7-4}{8-2} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$	**1** Substitute the coordinates into the equation $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$ to work out the gradient of the line.
$y = \frac{1}{2}x + c$	**2** Substitute the gradient into the equation of a straight line $y = mx + c$.
$4 = \frac{1}{2} \times 2 + c$	**3** Substitute the coordinates of either point into the equation.
$c = 3$	**4** Simplify and solve the equation.
$y = \frac{1}{2}x + 3$	**5** Substitute $c = 3$ into the equation $y = \frac{1}{2}x + c$

Exercise 10

1 Find the gradient and the y-intercept of the following equations.

a $y = 3x + 5$ **b** $y = -\frac{1}{2}x - 7$

c $2y = 4x - 3$ **d** $x + y = 5$

e $2x - 3y - 7 = 0$ **f** $5x + y - 4 = 0$

> **Hint**
> Rearrange the equations to the form $y = mx + c$

2 Copy and complete the table, giving the equation of the line in the form $y = mx + c$.

Gradient	y-intercept	Equation of the line
5	0	
–3	2	
4	–7	

3 Find, in the form $ax + by + c = 0$ where a, b and c are integers, an equation for each of the lines with the following gradients and y-intercepts.

a gradient $-\frac{1}{2}$, y-intercept –7 **b** gradient 2, y-intercept 0

c gradient $\frac{2}{3}$, y-intercept 4 **d** gradient –1.2, y-intercept –2

4 Write an equation for the line which passes though the point (2, 5) and has gradient 4.

5 Write an equation for the line which passes through the point (6, 3) and has gradient $-\frac{2}{3}$

6 Write an equation for the line passing through each of the following pairs of points.

a (4, 5), (10, 17) **b** (0, 6), (–4, 8)

c (–1, –7), (5, 23) **d** (3, 10), (4, 7)

Extension

7 The equation of a line is $2y + 3x - 6 = 0$.
Write as much information as possible about this line.

ANSWERS 10

1 **a** $m = 3, c = 5$ **b** $m = -\frac{1}{2}, c = -7$

c $m = 2, c = -\frac{3}{2}$ **d** $m = -1, c = 5$

e $m = \frac{2}{3}, c = -\frac{7}{3}$ or $-2\frac{1}{3}$ **f** $m = -5, c = 4$

2

Gradient	*y*-intercept	Equation of the line
5	0	$y = 5x$
–3	2	$y = -3x + 2$
4	–7	$y = 4x - 7$

3 **a** $x + 2y + 14 = 0$ **b** $2x - y = 0$

c $2x - 3y + 12 = 0$ **d** $6x + 5y + 10 = 0$

4 $y = 4x - 3$

5 $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 7$

6 **a** $y = 2x - 3$ **b** $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 6$

c $y = 5x - 2$ **d** $y = -3x + 19$

7 $y = -\frac{3}{2}x + 3$, the gradient is $-\frac{3}{2}$ and the *y*-intercept is 3.

The line intercepts the axes at (0, 3) and (2, 0).

Students may sketch the line or give coordinates that lie on the line such as $\left(1, \frac{3}{2}\right)$ or $(4, -3)$.

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