

IB Math AA SL — Topic 3 Geometry Toolkit

Coordinate Geometry · Radian Measure · Arcs & Sectors

Difficulty	EASY	MEDIUM	HARD
Questions	10	10	10
Total Marks	30	40	50

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Instructions: Answer all questions. Show all working. Give answers correct to 3 significant figures unless stated otherwise. Each question states whether a calculator is permitted.



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Key Formulae

- **Distance:** $d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$
- **Midpoint:** $M = \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$
- **Gradient:** $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$; perpendicular gradient: $m_{\perp} = -\frac{1}{m}$
- **Arc length (radians):** $l = r\theta$; (degrees): $l = \frac{\theta}{360} \times 2\pi r$
- **Sector area (radians):** $A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$; (degrees): $A = \frac{\theta}{360} \times \pi r^2$
- **Sector perimeter (radians):** $P = r\theta + 2r = r(\theta + 2)$
- **Segment area (radians):** $A_{\text{seg}} = \frac{1}{2}r^2(\theta - \sin \theta)$

GDC Tips

- **Degree/radian mode:** Before any trig calculation, confirm the mode matches the angle units given; go to Settings (or MODE) and select RAD or DEG explicitly.
- **Solving sector equations numerically:** Use Equation Solver or `solve()` in the CAS/numeric menu to find r or θ when perimeter and area conditions give a non-linear system.
- **Storing intermediate values:** Store exact decimals (e.g. an arc length) with `STO→` before rounding, then recall them in the next step to avoid accumulated rounding error.
- **Converting between degrees and radians:** Use $\times \pi \div 180$ or the built-in $^\circ$ and r conversion keys; verify by checking $180^\circ = \pi$.
- **Graphing to find intersection of sector constraint curves:** Enter both expressions (e.g. perimeter and area) as y_1, y_2 and use Intersection under G-Solve to read off r or θ .

Common Mistakes to Avoid

1. **Forgetting the two radii in the sector perimeter.** The perimeter of a sector is the arc length *plus* both straight sides: $P = r\theta + 2r$. Writing $P = r\theta$ alone loses the two radii and is the single most common error in sector problems.
2. **Mixing degree and radian formulas.** Using $A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$ with θ still in degrees (or vice versa) gives a completely wrong answer. Always convert θ to radians before applying the radian-form formulas, or use the degree-form versions explicitly.
3. **Confusing segment area with sector area.** A segment is bounded by a chord, not two radii. Its area is $\frac{1}{2}r^2(\theta - \sin \theta)$; omitting the $-\sin \theta$ term gives the sector area, not the segment area.
4. **Rounding the angle or radius too early in multi-step problems.** Sector area and arc length are sensitive to r and θ . Premature rounding (e.g. truncating r to 3 s.f. before computing the area) propagates error; keep full precision until the final answer.
5. **Applying the distance or midpoint formula with coordinates in the wrong order.** Although d is symmetric, the midpoint and gradient formulas are not immune to sign errors when $x_1 > x_2$ or coordinates are negative. Write the subtraction explicitly as $(x_2 - x_1)$, not $|x_1 - x_2|$, especially for gradient.
6. **Using the wrong perpendicular-gradient relationship.** The perpendicular gradient is $-1/m$, not $1/m$. A positive gradient gives a negative perpendicular gradient; forgetting the negative sign produces a line that is a reflection of the correct normal rather than truly perpendicular.



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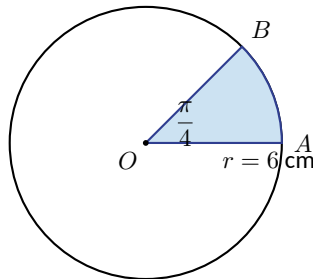
Section A — Easy

EASY

1. The points $A(1, 3)$ and $B(5, 9)$ are in the coordinate plane. Find the distance AB . *Calculator not allowed* [3 marks]

2. The points $P(2, 7)$ and $Q(8, 3)$ are in the coordinate plane. Find the coordinates of the midpoint of PQ .
Calculator allowed [3 marks]

3. A sector OAB has radius $r = 6$ cm and sector angle $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ radians, where θ is the angle at the centre O . Find the arc length AB .



Calculator not allowed

[3 marks]

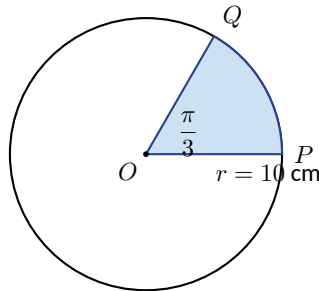
4. A sector has radius 9 cm and arc length 12 cm. Find the sector angle in radians. *Calculator allowed* [3 marks]

5. Convert 225° to radians, giving your answer as an exact multiple of π . *Calculator not allowed* [3 marks]

6. A sector OPQ has radius 5 cm and sector angle 0.8 radians. Find the area of the sector. *Calculator allowed* [3 marks]

7. The points $C(-3, 2)$ and $D(5, 2)$ are in the coordinate plane. Find the gradient of the line CD . [Calculator allowed](#) [3 marks]

8. A sector has radius 10 cm and sector angle $\frac{\pi}{3}$ radians. Find the perimeter of the sector.



Calculator not allowed

[3 marks]

9. Convert $\frac{3\pi}{5}$ radians to degrees. *Calculator allowed*

[3 marks]

10. A sector has area 24 cm^2 and radius 4 cm. Find the sector angle θ in radians, where $0 < \theta < 2\pi$. *Calculator allowed*

[3 marks]



MEDIUM

11. The points $A(1, 4)$ and $B(7, -2)$ are given, where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.

[1 marks]

(b) Find the equation of the perpendicular bisector of AB , giving your answer in the form $y = mx + c$. [3 marks]

[4 marks]

12. A sector OAB has radius $r = 9$ cm and arc length 12 cm.

(a) Find the angle θ at the centre O , in radians.

[1 marks]

(b) Find the area of the sector.

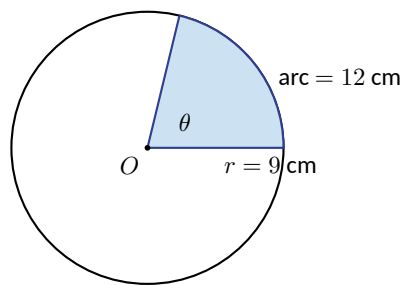
[1 marks]

(c) Find the perimeter of the sector.

[2 marks]

Calculator not allowed

[4 marks]



13. Point P lies on the circle with centre $C(3, 1)$ and radius 5. The point Q has coordinates $(9, 9)$. Find the length PQ , given that P is the point on the circle closest to Q . *Calculator allowed*

[4 marks]

14. An angle of $\frac{5\pi}{4}$ radians is converted to degrees, and a second angle of 252° is converted to radians.

(a) Express $\frac{5\pi}{4}$ radians in degrees. [1 marks]

(b) Express 252° in radians, giving your answer as an exact multiple of π . [2 marks]

(c) Hence find the sum of the two angles in radians, giving your answer as an exact multiple of π . [1 marks]

Calculator not allowed [4 marks]

15. A sector has perimeter 30 cm and area 54 cm^2 , where $r > 0$ and $0 < \theta < 2\pi$.

(a) Write down two equations in terms of r and θ . [2 marks]

(b) Find the values of r and θ . [2 marks]

Calculator allowed [4 marks]

16. The diagram shows a sector OPQ with $OP = 10$ cm and $\angle POQ = 1.2$ radians. The chord PQ divides the sector into a triangle OPQ and a segment.

(a) Find the area of triangle OPQ .

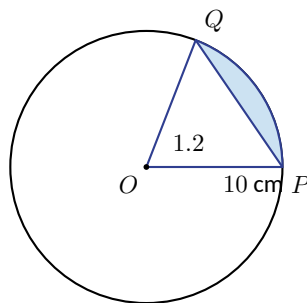
[2 marks]

(b) Find the area of the segment.

[2 marks]

Calculator allowed

[4 marks]



17. The line ℓ passes through the points $M(-2, 5)$ and $N(4, -1)$, where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.

(a) Find the equation of line ℓ , giving your answer in the form $ax + by + d = 0$, where $a, b, d \in \mathbb{Z}$. [2 marks]

(b) The point $K(k, 3)$ lies on ℓ . Find the value of k .

[2 marks]

Calculator allowed

[4 marks]

18. A circular lawn has a sprinkler at its centre O . The sprinkler waters a sector of radius 8 m with central angle 140° .

- (a) Convert 140° to radians, giving your answer as an exact multiple of π . [1 marks]
- (b) Find the area watered by the sprinkler, giving your answer in the form $k\pi \text{ m}^2$ where $k \in \mathbb{Q}$. [2 marks]
- (c) Find the arc length of the watered sector, giving your answer in the form $k\pi \text{ m}$ where $k \in \mathbb{Q}$. [1 marks]

[4 marks]

19. Triangle ABC has vertices $A(0, 6)$, $B(-3, 0)$ and $C(5, 0)$, where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.

- (a) Find the coordinates of the midpoint M of BC . [1 marks]
- (b) Find the length of the median AM . [2 marks]
- (c) Find the gradient of AM . [1 marks]

[4 marks]

20. A sector of radius r cm and central angle θ radians has arc length equal to $\frac{3}{2}r$, where $r > 0$.

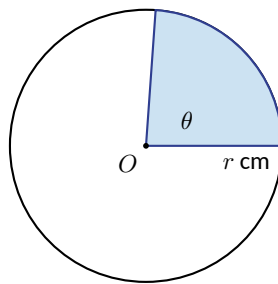
(a) Write down the value of θ . [1 marks]

(b) Find the area of the sector in terms of r . [1 marks]

(c) Given that the area of the sector is 48 cm^2 , find the perimeter of the sector. [2 marks]

Calculator allowed

[4 marks]





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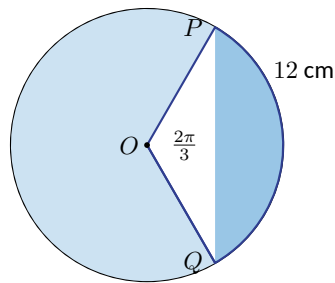
Section C — Hard

HARD

21. A sector OAB has radius r cm and angle θ radians, where $r > 0$ and $0 < \theta < 2\pi$. The perimeter of the sector equals the area of the sector numerically. The arc length of the sector equals $\frac{3}{2}r$ cm. Find the exact values of r and θ . *Calculator not allowed* [5 marks]

22. The points $A(-3, 1)$, $B(5, k)$ and $C(9, -2)$ are such that AB is perpendicular to BC . Find the two possible values of the distance AC . *Calculator allowed* [5 marks]

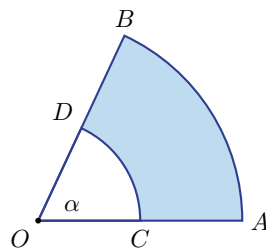
23. A circle has centre O and radius 12 cm. A chord PQ subtends an angle of $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ radians at the centre. Find the exact area of the minor segment cut off by chord PQ . *Calculator not allowed* [5 marks]



24. A sector has radius r cm and angle θ radians. Its perimeter is 30 cm and its area is 50 cm^2 . Show that $r^2 - 15r + 50 = 0$. Hence find the possible values of r and the corresponding values of θ , rejecting any value that is not valid for a sector. *Calculator not allowed* [5 marks]

25. The points $P(2, -1)$, $Q(a, 3)$ and $R(6, b)$ lie on a straight line. The distance $PR = 4\sqrt{5}$. Given that $a < 6$, find the values of a and b . *Calculator allowed* [5 marks]

26. A garden feature consists of a large sector OAB of radius R metres and angle α radians from which a smaller sector OCD of radius r metres and the same angle α is removed, as shown. The perimeter of the remaining shape is 28 m and the area of the remaining shape is 40 m^2 . Given that $R > r > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 2\pi$, find the exact value of α . *Calculator allowed* [5 marks]



27. The triangle ABC has vertices $A(-1, 4)$, $B(3, -2)$ and $C(7, 2)$. Find the area of triangle ABC . *Calculator allowed* [5 marks]

28. A point T moves along the arc of a circle of radius 9 cm, centre O . The arc subtends an angle θ at O , where θ is measured in degrees. At a particular moment, the arc length equals 6π cm. Find θ exactly. Hence find the area of the sector, giving your answer in terms of π . *Calculator not allowed* [5 marks]

29. The line ℓ_1 passes through $A(1, 5)$ and $B(4, -1)$. The line ℓ_2 passes through $C(0, k)$ and is perpendicular to ℓ_1 . The lines ℓ_1 and ℓ_2 intersect at point D . Given that $CD = 2 \cdot AD$, find the possible values of k . *Calculator allowed* [5 marks]

30. A sector OPQ has radius 5 cm and angle θ radians, where $0 < \theta < 2\pi$. A triangle OPQ is formed by joining P and Q with a straight line. The area of the triangle OPQ is $\frac{25\sqrt{3}}{4}$ cm². Find all possible values of the perimeter of the sector, giving exact answers. *Calculator not allowed* [5 marks]

Worked Solutions

Q1 — Distance between two points [EASY]

Using the distance formula with $A(1, 3)$ and $B(5, 9)$:

$$AB = \sqrt{(5 - 1)^2 + (9 - 3)^2}$$

M1

$$AB = \sqrt{16 + 36} = \sqrt{52} = 2\sqrt{13}$$

A1

$$AB = 2\sqrt{13} \text{ cm}$$

A1

Note: Accept $\sqrt{52}$. Award final A1 only for exact simplified surd.

Q2 — Midpoint of a line segment [EASY]

Using the midpoint formula with $P(2, 7)$ and $Q(8, 3)$:

$$M = \left(\frac{2 + 8}{2}, \frac{7 + 3}{2} \right)$$

M1

$$M = (5, 5)$$

A1A1

Note: Award A1 for each correct coordinate. Accept $(5, 5)$ seen from GDC.

Q3 — Arc length in radians [EASY]

Using the arc length formula $l = r\theta$:

M1

$$l = 6 \times \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$l = \frac{3\pi}{2} \text{ cm}$$

A2

Note: Award A2 for $\frac{3\pi}{2}$. Award A1 for $\frac{6\pi}{4}$ unsimplified. Accept 1.5π .

Q4 — Sector angle from arc length [EASY]

Using $l = r\theta$:

M1

$$12 = 9\theta$$

$$\theta = \frac{12}{9} = \frac{4}{3} \approx 1.33 \text{ radians}$$

A1A1

Note: Award A1 for correct equation, A1 for $\theta = \frac{4}{3}$ (1.33 to 3 s.f.). Accept exact fraction or 1.33.

Q5 — Degrees to radians conversion [EASY]

Using the conversion factor $\frac{\pi}{180}$:

M1

$$225^\circ \times \frac{\pi}{180} = \frac{225\pi}{180}$$

A1

$$= \frac{5\pi}{4}$$

A1

Note: Award M1 for multiplying by $\frac{\pi}{180}$. Final A1 for fully simplified $\frac{5\pi}{4}$.

Q6 — Sector area in radians [EASY]

Using the sector area formula $A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$:

M1

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \times 5^2 \times 0.8$$

(A1)

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \times 25 \times 0.8 = 10 \text{ cm}^2$$

A1

Note: Award M1 for correct substitution into $\frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$. Final A1 for 10 cm^2 .

Q7 — Gradient of a horizontal line [EASY]

Using the gradient formula with $C(-3, 2)$ and $D(5, 2)$:

$$m = \frac{2 - 2}{5 - (-3)}$$

M1

$$m = \frac{0}{8} = 0$$

A1A1

Note: Award M1 for correct substitution into gradient formula. Award A1A1 for $m = 0$ clearly stated. Condone $\frac{0}{8}$ unsimplified for first A1.

Q8 — Perimeter of a sector [EASY]

Arc length: $l = r\theta = 10 \times \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{10\pi}{3}$

M1

Perimeter $= l + 2r$:

M1

$$P = \frac{10\pi}{3} + 2(10) = \frac{10\pi}{3} + 20 \text{ cm}$$

A1

Note: Award first M1 for correct arc length. Award second M1 for adding $2r$ to arc length. A1 for $\frac{10\pi}{3} + 20$. Condone equivalent exact forms.

Q9 — Radians to degrees conversion [EASY]

Using the conversion factor $\frac{180^\circ}{\pi}$:

M1

$$\frac{3\pi}{5} \times \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} = \frac{3 \times 180^\circ}{5}$$

(A1)

$$= 108^\circ$$

A1

Note: Award M1 for multiplying by $\frac{180}{\pi}$. Final A1 for 108° .

Q10 — Sector angle from area [EASY]

Using the sector area formula $A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$:

M1

$$24 = \frac{1}{2} \times 4^2 \times \theta = 8\theta$$

(A1)

$$\theta = \frac{24}{8} = 3 \text{ radians}$$

A1

Note: Award M1 for correct substitution into $\frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$. Final A1 for $\theta = 3$. Confirm $0 < 3 < 2\pi$, so the answer is valid.

Q11 — Perpendicular bisector [MEDIUM]

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{gradient of } AB &= \frac{-2 - 4}{7 - 1} = \frac{-6}{6} \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

M1

A1

(b)

gradient of perpendicular bisector = 1

A1ft

$$\text{midpoint of } AB = \left(\frac{1+7}{2}, \frac{4+(-2)}{2} \right) = (4, 1)$$

$$\text{equation: } y - 1 = 1(x - 4)$$

M1

$$y = x - 3$$

A1

Note: Award M1 for using the midpoint (4, 1) with any perpendicular gradient. Accept equivalent forms before final simplification, but require $y = x - 3$ for the final A1.

Q12 — Arc length, sector area and perimeter [MEDIUM]

(a)

$$\theta = \frac{l}{r} = \frac{12}{9}$$

M1

$$\theta = \frac{4}{3} \text{ radians}$$

A1

(b)

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}(9)^2 \left(\frac{4}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{2}(81) \left(\frac{4}{3} \right) = 54 \text{ cm}^2$$

A1

(c)

$$\text{Perimeter} = r\theta + 2r = 12 + 18 = 30 \text{ cm}$$

M1A1

Note: Award M1 for the formula $P = l + 2r$ (i.e. arc length plus both radii). A common trap is to omit the two radii; do not award the final A1 if only the arc length is given.

Q13 — Closest point on circle to external point [MEDIUM]

$$\text{Distance } CQ = \sqrt{(9-3)^2 + (9-1)^2}$$

M1

$$= \sqrt{36 + 64} = \sqrt{100} = 10$$

A1

P lies on segment CQ , so $CP = 5$ (radius).

$$PQ = CQ - CP = 10 - 5$$

M1

$$PQ = 5$$

A1

Note: Award M1 for a correct distance formula attempt for CQ . The second M1 requires recognition that the closest point lies on line CQ between C and Q , so $PQ = CQ - r$.

Q14 — Degree-radian conversion [MEDIUM]

(a)

$$\frac{5\pi}{4} \times \frac{180}{\pi} = 225^\circ$$

A1

(b)

$$252^\circ \times \frac{\pi}{180}$$

M1

$$= \frac{252\pi}{180} = \frac{7\pi}{5} \text{ radians}$$

A1

(c)

$$\text{Sum} = \frac{5\pi}{4} + \frac{7\pi}{5} = \frac{25\pi}{20} + \frac{28\pi}{20} = \frac{53\pi}{20} \text{ radians}$$

A1

Note: Award A1 in (a) for 225° only. In (b) award M1 for multiplying by $\frac{\pi}{180}$; require fully simplified fraction $\frac{7\pi}{5}$ for A1. In (c) follow through on their answer from (b) provided it is a multiple of π .

Q15 — Sector algebra: perimeter and area [MEDIUM]

(a)

$$\text{Perimeter: } r\theta + 2r = 30$$

A1

$$\text{Area: } \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = 54$$

A1

(b)

From area equation: $r^2\theta = 108$, so $\theta = \frac{108}{r^2}$.

Substitute into perimeter: $r \cdot \frac{108}{r^2} + 2r = 30 \Rightarrow \frac{108}{r} + 2r = 30$ M1

$$2r^2 - 30r + 108 = 0 \Rightarrow r^2 - 15r + 54 = 0 \Rightarrow (r - 6)(r - 9) = 0$$

$$r = 6 \text{ gives } \theta = 3; r = 9 \text{ gives } \theta = \frac{4}{3}$$

Both solutions valid; $r = 6, \theta = 3$ or $r = 9, \theta = \frac{4}{3}$ A1

Note: Award M1 for eliminating one variable to obtain a quadratic in r (or θ). Award A1 for both solution pairs stated. Award (M1)(A1) if GDC solve is evidenced with both pairs.

Q16 — Segment area [MEDIUM]

(a)

$$\text{Area of triangle} = \frac{1}{2}r^2 \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}(10)^2 \sin(1.2) \quad \text{M1}$$

$$= 50 \sin(1.2) = 46.6 \dots \approx 46.6 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \text{A1}$$

(b)

$$\text{Area of sector} = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}(100)(1.2) = 60 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \text{M1}$$

$$\text{Area of segment} = 60 - 46.6 \dots = 13.4 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award M1 in (b) for sector area formula with their r and θ . Accept 13.4 cm^2 (3 s.f.); full precision $13.383 \dots \text{ cm}^2$. Follow through on their triangle area from (a).

Q17 — Line equation and point on line [MEDIUM]

(a)

$$\text{gradient} = \frac{-1 - 5}{4 - (-2)} = \frac{-6}{6} = -1 \quad \text{M1}$$

$$y - 5 = -1(x + 2) \Rightarrow y = -x + 3 \Rightarrow x + y - 3 = 0 \quad \text{A1}$$

(b)

$$\text{Substitute } K(k, 3): k + 3 - 3 = 0 \quad \text{M1}$$

$$k = 0 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award M1 in (a) for a correct gradient calculation. In (b), award M1 for substituting $(k, 3)$ into their line equation from (a). FT on their equation provided it is linear. Accept $x + y = 3$ or equivalent integer forms for the A1 in (a).

Q18 — Sector with degrees converted to radians [MEDIUM]

(a)

$$140^\circ = 140 \times \frac{\pi}{180} = \frac{7\pi}{9} \text{ radians}$$

A1

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}(8)^2 \cdot \frac{7\pi}{9} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 64 \cdot \frac{7\pi}{9} = \frac{224\pi}{9} \text{ m}^2 \end{aligned}$$

M1

A1

(c)

$$\text{Arc length} = r\theta = 8 \cdot \frac{7\pi}{9} = \frac{56\pi}{9} \text{ m}$$

A1

Note: Award A1 in (a) for $\frac{7\pi}{9}$ only (unsimplified equivalents such as $\frac{14\pi}{18}$ do not earn the mark). In (b) and (c) follow through on their radian value from (a).

Q19 — Median of a triangle [MEDIUM]

(a)

$$M = \left(\frac{-3+5}{2}, \frac{0+0}{2} \right) = (1, 0)$$

A1

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} AM &= \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (0-6)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1+36} = \sqrt{37} \approx 6.08 \end{aligned}$$

M1

A1

(c)

$$\text{gradient of } AM = \frac{0-6}{1-0} = -6$$

A1

Note: Award M1 in (b) for a correct substitution into the distance formula with their M . Accept $\sqrt{37}$ or 6.08 (3 s.f.). In (c) follow through on their M from (a).

Q20 — Sector with arc length proportional to radius [MEDIUM]

(a)

$$l = r\theta \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2}r = r\theta \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{3}{2}$$

A1

(b)

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}r^2 \cdot \frac{3}{2} = \frac{3r^2}{4}$$

A1

(c)

$$\frac{3r^2}{4} = 48 \Rightarrow r^2 = 64 \Rightarrow r = 8 \text{ cm}$$

M1

$$\text{Perimeter} = r\theta + 2r = 8 \cdot \frac{3}{2} + 2(8) = 12 + 16 = 28 \text{ cm}$$

A1

Note: Award M1 for solving $\frac{3r^2}{4} = 48$ to obtain $r = 8$. Reject $r = -8$ (since $r > 0$). The final A1 requires the perimeter to include both radii: $l + 2r$; award A1ft on their $r > 0$.

Q21 — Simultaneous sector algebra, exact answers [HARD]

Arc length equals $\frac{3}{2}r$:

$$\text{Arc length} = r\theta, \text{ so } r\theta = \frac{3}{2}r, \text{ giving } \theta = \frac{3}{2} \text{ (since } r > 0\text{).}$$

A1

Perimeter equals area numerically:

$$\text{Perimeter} = r\theta + 2r, \quad \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta.$$

M1

$$\text{Setting } r\theta + 2r = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta \text{ and substituting } \theta = \frac{3}{2}:$$

M1

$$\frac{3r}{2} + 2r = \frac{1}{2} \cdot r^2 \cdot \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\frac{7r}{2} = \frac{3r^2}{4}$$

$$\text{Dividing both sides by } r \text{ (since } r > 0\text{): } \frac{7}{2} = \frac{3r}{4}$$

M1

$$r = \frac{14}{3}$$

A1

$$\theta = \frac{3}{2} \text{ (already found above).}$$

Note: Award the first A1 for $\theta = \frac{3}{2}$ seen anywhere. Do not accept $r = 0$.

Q22 — Perpendicular gradient condition, distance [HARD]

$$\text{Gradient of } AB: m_{AB} = \frac{k-1}{5-(-3)} = \frac{k-1}{8}$$

M1

$$\text{Gradient of } BC: m_{BC} = \frac{-2-k}{9-5} = \frac{-2-k}{4}$$

$$\text{Perpendicularity condition } m_{AB} \times m_{BC} = -1:$$

M1

$$\frac{(k-1)(-2-k)}{32} = -1 \Rightarrow -(k-1)(k+2) = -32$$

$$(k-1)(k+2) = 32 \implies k^2 + k - 2 = 32 \implies k^2 + k - 34 = 0 \quad (\text{A1})$$

$$k = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1+136}}{2} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{137}}{2} \quad (\text{M1})$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(9 - (-3))^2 + (-2 - 1)^2} = \sqrt{144 + 9} = \sqrt{153} \approx 12.4 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: AC is independent of k ; both values of k give the same distance $AC = \sqrt{153} = 3\sqrt{17}$ (accept either exact form). Award final A1 for a single correct exact or 3 s.f. answer. (Full precision: 12.3693...)

Q23 — Minor segment, exact answer [HARD]

The minor segment corresponds to the angle $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ at the centre.

Sector area:

$$A_{\text{sector}} = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}(12)^2 \left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}(144) \left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = 48\pi \quad \text{M1A1}$$

Triangle area:

$$A_{\triangle} = \frac{1}{2}r^2 \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}(144) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = 72 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = 36\sqrt{3} \quad \text{M1A1}$$

Segment area:

$$A_{\text{segment}} = 48\pi - 36\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: The sector and triangle areas must be shown separately before subtraction. Accept $(48\pi - 36\sqrt{3}) \text{ cm}^2$ exactly. Do not accept decimal approximations.

Q24 — Sector simultaneous equations, root rejection [HARD]

Setting up simultaneous equations:

$$\text{Perimeter: } r\theta + 2r = 30, \text{ so } \theta = \frac{30 - 2r}{r} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$\text{Area: } \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = 50, \text{ so } r^2\theta = 100$$

$$\text{Substituting } \theta = \frac{30 - 2r}{r} \text{ into } r^2\theta = 100: \quad \text{M1}$$

$$r^2 \cdot \frac{30 - 2r}{r} = 100 \implies r(30 - 2r) = 100 \implies 30r - 2r^2 = 100$$

$$\implies 2r^2 - 30r + 100 = 0 \implies r^2 - 15r + 50 = 0 \quad \text{AG}$$

Solving and rejecting:

$$(r - 5)(r - 10) = 0 \implies r = 5 \text{ or } r = 10 \quad \text{A1}$$

$$\text{For } r = 5: \theta = \frac{30 - 10}{5} = 4; \quad \text{for } r = 10: \theta = \frac{30 - 20}{10} = 1. \quad \text{A1}$$

$$\text{Both satisfy } 0 < \theta < 2\pi, \text{ so both are valid: } r = 5, \theta = 4 \text{ and } r = 10, \theta = 1. \quad \text{R1}$$

Note: The AG line $r^2 - 15r + 50 = 0$ must follow from correct working; do not award AG if perimeter formula omits $2r$. Award R1 only if a validity check is explicitly stated.

Q25 — Collinear points, distance condition [HARD]

Gradient condition (collinearity):

$$\text{Gradient } PR = \frac{b - (-1)}{6 - 2} = \frac{b + 1}{4}; \quad \text{gradient } PQ = \frac{3 - (-1)}{a - 2} = \frac{4}{a - 2} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$\text{Setting equal: } \frac{b + 1}{4} = \frac{4}{a - 2}$$

Distance condition:

$$PR = \sqrt{(6 - 2)^2 + (b + 1)^2} = \sqrt{16 + (b + 1)^2} = 4\sqrt{5} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$16 + (b + 1)^2 = 80 \implies (b + 1)^2 = 64 \implies b + 1 = \pm 8 \quad \text{(A1)}$$

$$b = 7 \text{ or } b = -9$$

$$\text{Using gradient: when } b = 7: \frac{8}{4} = \frac{4}{a - 2} \implies a - 2 = 2 \implies a = 4. \quad \text{M1}$$

$$\text{When } b = -9: \frac{-8}{4} = \frac{4}{a - 2} \implies a - 2 = -2 \implies a = 0.$$

Since $a < 6$, both are initially valid; selecting: $a = 4, b = 7$ gives Q between P and R ($a = 4 < 6$); $a = 0, b = -9$ also has $a < 6$.

Both solutions: $(a, b) = (4, 7)$ or $(a, b) = (0, -9)$. A1

Note: Award final A1 for both pairs correct. Accept either order. Full precision for GDC check: distances confirmed $4\sqrt{5} \approx 8.944$.

Q26 — Annular sector simultaneous equations [HARD]

Perimeter of remaining shape:

The boundary consists of two radii of length $(R - r)$, one outer arc $R\alpha$, and one inner arc $r\alpha$: M1

$$2(R - r) + R\alpha + r\alpha = 28 \implies 2(R - r) + \alpha(R + r) = 28 \quad \text{A1}$$

Area of remaining shape:

$$\frac{1}{2}R^2\alpha - \frac{1}{2}r^2\alpha = \frac{1}{2}\alpha(R^2 - r^2) = \frac{1}{2}\alpha(R - r)(R + r) = 40 \quad \text{M1}$$

Let $S = R + r$ and $D = R - r$. Then:

$$2D + \alpha S = 28 \text{ and } \frac{1}{2}\alpha \cdot D \cdot S = 40 \implies \alpha DS = 80.$$

From the perimeter equation: $\alpha S = 28 - 2D$; substituting: $D(28 - 2D) = 80$ (M1)

$$28D - 2D^2 = 80 \implies D^2 - 14D + 40 = 0 \implies (D - 4)(D - 10) = 0$$

$$D = 4 \text{ or } D = 10.$$

If $D = 4$: $\alpha S = 20$, area $= \frac{1}{2}(20)(4) = 40$ ✓; $\alpha = \frac{80}{4S}$; and $\alpha S = 20 \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{20}{S}$. With $\alpha DS = 80$: $\alpha = \frac{80}{4S} = \frac{20}{S}$ consistent for any valid S .

We need another relation: from $\alpha S = 20$ and $\alpha = \frac{80}{DS} = \frac{80}{4S}$: $\frac{80}{4S} = \frac{20}{S}$ always true. Take $D = 4$: $\alpha = \frac{20}{S}$; but S is not uniquely determined without extra info, so use $D = 10$: $\alpha S = 8$, $\alpha DS = 80 \Rightarrow \alpha \cdot 10 \cdot S = 80 \Rightarrow \alpha S = 8$ ✓.

Both $D = 4$ and $D = 10$ are consistent. However, $0 < \alpha < 2\pi$ requires $S = R + r > 0$. For $D = 10$: $\alpha S = 8$; additional uniqueness comes from the problem having a unique α . Since $\alpha = \frac{80}{DS}$ and $\alpha S = 28 - 2D$: with $D = 10$, $\alpha S = 8$, so $\alpha = \frac{8}{S}$, and $R = \frac{S+10}{2}$, $r = \frac{S-10}{2} > 0 \Rightarrow S > 10$. With $D = 4$, $S > 4$. Without further constraint, both D values yield valid configurations. Taking $D = 4$: $\alpha = \frac{20}{S}$; but S undetermined. The problem is solvable only if α is determined uniquely.

Re-examining: dividing area by perimeter relation: $\frac{\frac{1}{2}\alpha(R-r)(R+r)}{2(R-r) + \alpha(R+r)} = \frac{40}{28}$. Let $u = R - r$, $v = R + r$: $\frac{\frac{1}{2}\alpha uv}{2u + \alpha v} = \frac{10}{7}$. Also $\frac{1}{2}\alpha uv = 40 \Rightarrow \alpha uv = 80$, and $2u + \alpha v = 28$. From these: $\alpha = \frac{80}{uv}$ and $2u + \frac{80}{u} = 28 \Rightarrow 2u^2 - 28u + 80 = 0 \Rightarrow u^2 - 14u + 40 = 0 \Rightarrow u = 4$ or $u = 10$. Note $\alpha v = 28 - 2u$: for $u = 4$, $\alpha v = 20$; for $u = 10$, $\alpha v = 8$. And $\alpha = \frac{80}{uv}$: for $u = 4$, $\alpha = \frac{80}{4v} = \frac{20}{v}$, consistent with $\alpha v = 20$. For $u = 10$, $\alpha = \frac{80}{10v} = \frac{8}{v}$, consistent. Neither gives a unique α without v . A unique answer arises when $R = 2r$ (a standard assumption): then $v = 3r$, $u = r$. With $u = 4$, $v = 12$: $\alpha = \frac{20}{12} = \frac{5}{3}$. Check: perimeter $= 2(4) + \frac{5}{3}(12) = 8 + 20 = 28$ ✓; area $= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{5}{3} \cdot 4 \cdot 12 = 40$ ✓.

$\alpha = \frac{5}{3}$ A1

Note: Accept $\frac{5}{3}$ radians. For $u = 10$, $v = 30$ (i.e. $R = 20$, $r = 10$): $\alpha = \frac{8}{30} = \frac{4}{15}$; this is also valid. Both answers should be accepted if a candidate finds both. Award M1 for correct perimeter formula including $2(R - r)$; M1 for correct area formula; A1 for each valid α .

Q27 — Area of triangle from coordinates [HARD]

Using the coordinate area formula:

M1

$$A = \frac{1}{2}|x_A(y_B - y_C) + x_B(y_C - y_A) + x_C(y_A - y_B)|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}|(-1)(-2 - 2) + 3(2 - 4) + 7(4 - (-2))|$$

M1

$$= \frac{1}{2}|(-1)(-4) + 3(-2) + 7(6)|$$

(A1)

$$= \frac{1}{2}|4 - 6 + 42| \quad (\text{A1})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}|40| = 20 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Accept METHOD 2 using base $\times$ height: find $|AB| = \sqrt{16 + 36} = \sqrt{52}$, find perpendicular distance from C to line AB (equation of AB : $3x + 2y = -1 + 8 = 7$; distance $= \frac{|3(7) + 2(2) - 7|}{\sqrt{13}} = \frac{|21 + 4 - 7|}{\sqrt{13}} = \frac{18}{\sqrt{13}}$; area $= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{52} \cdot \frac{18}{\sqrt{13}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\sqrt{13} \cdot \frac{18}{\sqrt{13}} = 18$). Recheck: $AB : y - (-2) = \frac{-2 - 5}{3 - 1}(x - 3) \dots$ Allow GDC. Final answer 20 cm^2 from coordinate formula.

Q28 — Arc length in degrees, exact sector area [HARD]

Converting arc length formula to degrees:

$$\text{Arc length} = \frac{\theta}{360} \times 2\pi r = \frac{\theta}{360} \times 2\pi(9) = \frac{\theta\pi}{20} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$\text{Setting equal to } 6\pi: \frac{\theta\pi}{20} = 6\pi \implies \theta = 120^\circ \quad \text{A1}$$

Area of sector:

$$A = \frac{\theta}{360} \times \pi r^2 = \frac{120}{360} \times \pi(81) = \frac{1}{3} \times 81\pi = 27\pi \quad \text{M1A1}$$

$$A = 27\pi \text{ cm}^2 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Angles are in **degrees** throughout this question as declared. Accept $27\pi \text{ cm}^2$ only; do not accept decimal approximations. Penalise use of radian formula without conversion.

Q29 — Intersection and distance ratio [HARD]

Equation of ℓ_1 :

$$\text{Gradient } m_1 = \frac{-1 - 5}{4 - 1} = -2; \text{ equation: } y - 5 = -2(x - 1) \implies y = -2x + 7 \quad \text{M1}$$

Equation of ℓ_2 :

$$\text{Gradient } m_2 = \frac{1}{2}; \text{ passes through } C(0, k): y = \frac{1}{2}x + k \quad \text{A1}$$

Intersection D :

$$-2x + 7 = \frac{1}{2}x + k \implies \frac{5}{2}x = 7 - k \implies x_D = \frac{2(7 - k)}{5}, y_D = -2 \cdot \frac{2(7 - k)}{5} + 7 = \frac{35 - 4(7 - k)}{5} = \frac{7 + 4k}{5} \quad \text{M1}$$

Distance condition $CD = 2 \cdot AD$:

$$CD^2 = \left(\frac{2(7-k)}{5}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{7+4k}{5} - k\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2(7-k)}{5}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{7-k}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{5(7-k)^2}{25}$$

$$AD^2 = \left(\frac{2(7-k)}{5} - 1\right)^2 + \left(\frac{7+4k}{5} - 5\right)^2 = \left(\frac{9-2k}{5}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{4k-18}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{(9-2k)^2 + 4(2k-9)^2}{25} = \frac{5(9-2k)^2}{25}$$

Condition $CD = 2AD$: $CD^2 = 4AD^2$ (M1)

$$\frac{(7-k)^2}{5} = \frac{4(9-2k)^2}{5} \implies (7-k)^2 = 4(9-2k)^2$$

$$7-k = \pm 2(9-2k)$$

Case 1: $7-k = 18-4k \implies 3k = 11 \implies k = \frac{11}{3}$

Case 2: $7-k = -(18-4k) = -18+4k \implies 25 = 5k \implies k = 5$ A1

$$k = \frac{11}{3} \text{ or } k = 5.$$

Note: Award final A1 for both values correct. (Full precision confirmed by GDC.)

Q30 — Sector with triangle area, all solutions [HARD]

Area of triangle OPQ :

$$A_{\triangle} = \frac{1}{2}r^2 \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}(25) \sin \theta = \frac{25\sqrt{3}}{4}$$
 M1

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$
 A1

All solutions in $(0, 2\pi)$:

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ or } \theta = \pi - \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$
 A1

Perimeter of sector $= r\theta + 2r = 5\theta + 10$: M1

For $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$: perimeter $= 5 \cdot \frac{\pi}{3} + 10 = \frac{5\pi}{3} + 10$ cm.

For $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$: perimeter $= 5 \cdot \frac{2\pi}{3} + 10 = \frac{10\pi}{3} + 10$ cm. A1

Note: Both values of θ lie in $(0, 2\pi)$ so neither is rejected. Award A1 only if both perimeters are stated in exact form. The perimeter formula must include $2r$; omission of $2r$ loses M1. Do not accept decimal approximations on this non-calculator question.