

Higher Maths  
SQA 2019 Paper 1  
Question 9



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Vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  have components  $\begin{pmatrix} p \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 2p+16 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- (a) (i) Find an expression for  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ . 1
- (ii) Determine the values of  $p$  for which  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are perpendicular. 3
- (b) Determine the value of  $p$  for which  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are parallel. 2
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Answers:

- (a) (i)  $p(2p + 16) + 30$  or equivalent
- (ii)  $p = -5$  and  $p = -3$
- (b)  $p = -32$