

COORDINATE GEOMETRYLEVEL – I (1 mark)

Q 1) Find the distance between the pairs of points : (-5,7) , (-1,3)

Sol. Let the given points be A(-5,7) and B(-1,3)

Using distance formula, we have

$$AB = \sqrt{(-1 + 5)^2 + (3 - 7)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4^2 + (-4)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{16 + 16}$$

$$= \sqrt{32} = 4\sqrt{2} \text{ units}$$

Q 2) Find the point on y-axis which is equidistant from the points (5,-2) and (-3, 2).

Sol .We know that a point on the y axis is the form (0,y).

So, let the points P(0,y) be equidistant from A (5,-2) and B(-3,2). Then

$$(5-0)^2 + (-2-y)^2 = (-3-0)^2 + (2-y)^2$$

$$25 + 4 + y^2 + 4y = 9 + 4 + y^2 - 4y$$

$$8y = -16$$

$$y = -2$$

Hence, the required point is (0,-2).

Checking :

$$AP = \sqrt{(5-0)^2 + (-2+2)^2} = \sqrt{25+0} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$BP = \sqrt{(-3-0)^2 + (-2-2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9+16} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

Q 3) Two vertices of a Triangle are (3, -5) and (-7, 4). If its centroid is (-2, 1), find the third vertex.

Solution: Let the coordinates of the third vertex be (x, y). Then,

$$\frac{x+3-7}{3}=2 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{y-5+4}{3}=-1$$

$$x-4=6 \quad \text{and} \quad y-1=-3$$

$$x=10 \quad \text{and} \quad y=-2$$

Hence, third vertex of triangle is (10, -2)

Q4) If the mid points of the line segment joining the points P (6, b-2) and Q (-2, 4) is (2, -3), find the value of b.

Solution: The coordinates of the mid-point of PQ are $\left[\frac{6-2}{2}, \frac{b-2+4}{2}\right]$

$$\text{i.e. } \left[2, \frac{b+2}{2}\right]$$

Equating it to (2, -3)

$$\left[\frac{b+2}{2}\right] = -3$$

$$b = -8$$

LEVEL – II (2 marks)

Q 5) The line joining the points (2,-1) and (5,-6) is bisected at P. If P lies on the line $2x + 4y + k = 0$. Find the value of k.

Sol. The coordinates of P are $\left[\frac{2+5}{2}, \frac{-1-6}{2}\right]$, i.e., $P\left[\frac{7}{2}, \frac{-7}{2}\right]$

Since P lies on the line $2x + 4y + k = 0$

$$2\left(\frac{7}{2}\right) + 4\left(\frac{-7}{2}\right) + k = 0$$

$$7 - 14 + k = 0$$

$$k = 7$$

Q 6) Find the co-ordinates of the point which divides the line segment joining the points (6, 3) and (-4, 5) in the ratio 3:2 internally.

$$3 : 2$$

$$A(6,3) \qquad P(x,y) \qquad B(-4,5)$$

Let P(x, y) divides the line segment joining A(6, 3) and B(-4, 5) in the ratio 3 : 2

$$P(x,y) = P \left[\frac{3(-4) + 2(6)}{3+2}, \frac{3(5) + 2(3)}{3+2} \right]$$

$$= P \left[\frac{-12+12}{5}, \frac{15+12}{5} \right]$$

$$= P \left[\frac{0}{5}, \frac{21}{5} \right]$$

Therefore, the coordinates of the point P are $\left(0, \frac{21}{5}\right)$

**Q7) In each of the following find the value of 'k', for which the points are collinear.
(7, -2), (5, 1), (3, -k)**

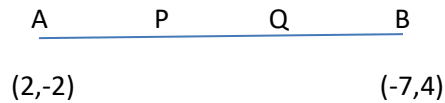
Solution -: For collinear points, area of triangle formed by them is zero
Therefore, for points (7, -2), (5, 1), and (3, k), area = 0

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} [7\{1-k\} + 5\{k-(-2)\} + 3\{(-2)-1\}] &= 0 \\ 7 - 7k + 5k + 10 - 9 &= 0 \\ -2k + 8 &= 0 \\ k &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Q8) Find the coordinates of the points of trisection of the line segment joining the points A(2, -2) and B(-7, 4).

Solution -: Let P and Q be the points of trisection of AB

Therefore, $AP = PQ = QB$



P divides AB internally in the ratio 1:2.

So, the coordinates of P, by applying the section formula are

$$\frac{1(-7) + 2(2)}{1 + 2}, \frac{1(4) + 2(-2)}{1 + 2}$$

i.e., (-1, 0)

now, Q also divides AB internally in the ratio 2:1. so, the coordinates of Q are

$$\frac{2(-7) + 1(2)}{1 + 2}, \frac{2(4) + 1(-2)}{1 + 2}$$

i.e. (-4, 2)

LEVEL – III (3 marks)

Q 9) If the vertices of a triangle are (1, k), (4, -3), (-9, 7) and its area is 15 sq units, find the value(s) of k.

Sol. Let A(1, k), B(4, -3) and C(-9, 7) be the vertices of triangle

$$\text{Area of } \Delta ABC = \frac{1}{2} [x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1) + x_3(y_1 - y_2)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [1(-3 - 7) + 4(7 - k) + (-9)(k + 3)] = 15$$

$$-10 + 28 - 4k - 9k - 27 = 30$$

$$-9 - 13k = 30$$

$$-13k = 30 + 9$$

$$k = \frac{39}{-13}$$

$$k = -3$$

10) Find the point on the x-axis which is equidistant from (2, -5) and (-2, 9).

Sol. We have to find a point on x -axis. Therefore, its y -coordinate will be 0.

Let the point on x -axis be $(x, 0)$

$$\text{Distance between } (x, 0) \text{ and } (2, -5) = \sqrt{(x-2)^2 + (0-(-5))^2} = \sqrt{(x-2)^2 + (5)^2}$$

$$\text{Distance between } (x, 0) \text{ and } (-2, 9) = \sqrt{(x-(-2))^2 + (0-(-9))^2} = \sqrt{(x+2)^2 + (9)^2}$$

By the given condition, these distances are equal in measure.

$$\sqrt{(x-2)^2 + (5)^2} = \sqrt{(x+2)^2 + (9)^2}$$

$$(x-2)^2 + 25 = (x+2)^2 + 81$$

$$x^2 + 4 - 4x + 25 = x^2 + 4 + 4x + 81$$

$$8x = 25 - 81$$

$$8x = -56$$

$$x = -7$$

11) Determine the ratio in which the point $P(m, 6)$ divides the join of $A(-4, 3)$ and $B(2, 8)$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & & & \\ \hline A(-4, 3) & & k & & P(m, 6) & & 1 & & B(2, 8) \end{array}$$

Let required ratio = $k:1$

Using section formula $\left(\frac{mx_1 + nx_2}{m+n}, \frac{my_1 + ny_2}{m+n} \right)$

$$\text{For } y\text{-coordinate } 6 = \left(\frac{8k+3}{k+1} \right)$$

$$6(k+1) = 8k + 3$$

$$6k + 6 = 8k + 3$$

$$6k - 8k = 3 - 6$$

$$-2k = -3$$

$$k = 3/2$$

Therefore required ratio = $3:2$

12) Find the value of k so that the points $A(-2, 3)$, $B(3, -1)$ and $C(5, k)$ are collinear.

Sol. Here, $x_1 = -2, x_2 = 3, x_3 = 5 ; y_1 = 3, y_2 = -1, y_3 = k$

$$\text{Area of } \Delta ABC = \frac{1}{2} [x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1) + x_3(y_1 - y_2)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [-2(-1 - k) + 3(k - 3) + 5(3 - 1)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [2 + 2k + 3k - 9 + 10]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [5k + 3]$$

Now, the three points will be collinear

If the area of $\Delta ABC = 0$, i.e, if $\frac{1}{2} [5k + 3] = 0$

$$5k + 3 = 0$$

$$k = -\frac{3}{5}$$

LEVEL IV (4 marks)

Q13) Find the value of y for which the distance between the points P(2,-3) and Q(10,y) is 10 units.

Sol. Given P(2,-3) and Q(10,y)

P Q

10 units

$$PQ = 10$$

$$PQ^2 = 10^2 = 100$$

Using distance formula

$$(10-2)^2 + (y-(-3))^2 = 100$$

$$8^2 + (y+3)^2 = 100$$

$$64 + y^2 + 6y + 9 = 100$$

$$y^2 + 6y - 27 = 0$$

$$y^2 + 9y - 3y - 27 = 0$$

$$y(y+9)-3(y+9) = 0$$

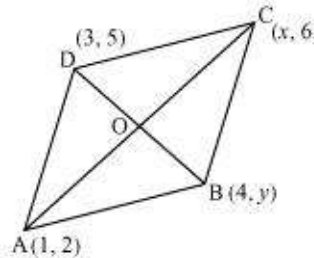
$$(y+9)(y-3) = 0$$

$$y+9=0 \text{ or } y-3=0$$

$$\text{Either } y = -9 \text{ or } y = 3$$

Hence the required value of y can be -9 or 3

Q 14) If $(1, 2)$, $(4, y)$, $(x, 6)$ and $(3, 5)$ are the vertices of a parallelogram taken in order, find x and y .



Let $(1, 2)$, $(4, y)$, $(x, 6)$, and $(3, 5)$ are the coordinates of A, B, C, D vertices of a parallelogram ABCD. Intersection point O of diagonal AC and BD also divides these diagonals. Therefore, O is the mid-point of AC and BD.

If O is the mid-point of AC, then the coordinates of O are

$$\left(\frac{1+x}{2}, \frac{2+6}{2} \right) \Rightarrow \left(\frac{x+1}{2}, 4 \right)$$

If O is the mid-point of BD, then the coordinates of O are

$$\left(\frac{4+3}{2}, \frac{5+y}{2} \right) \Rightarrow \left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{5+y}{2} \right)$$

Since both the coordinates are of the same point O,

$$\therefore \frac{x+1}{2} = \frac{7}{2} \text{ and } 4 = \frac{5+y}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x+1=7 \text{ and } 5+y=8$$

$$\Rightarrow x=6 \text{ and } y=3$$

Q15. Do the points (3,2), (-2,-3) and (2,3) form a triangle? If so, name the type of triangle formed.

Solution.-: Applying the distance formula to find the distances PQ, QR, and PR, where P(3,2), Q(-2,-3) and R(2,3) then

$$\begin{aligned} PQ &= \sqrt{(-2-3)^2 + (-3-2)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (-5)^2} = \sqrt{25+25} = \sqrt{50} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} QR &= \sqrt{(2+2)^2 + (3+3)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(4)^2 + (6)^2} = \sqrt{16+36} = \sqrt{52} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} PR &= \sqrt{(2-3)^2 + (3-2)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (1)^2} = \sqrt{1+1} = \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

Since the sum of any two of these distances is greater than the third distance, the points P, Q and R form a triangle.

$$\text{Also, } PQ^2 + PR^2 = QR^2$$

By the converse of Pythagoras Theorem, we have $\angle P = 90^\circ$

Therefore, PQR is a right triangle.

Q16. Do the points (3,2) ,(-2,-3) and (2,3) form a triangle? If so, name the type of triangle formed.

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