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Question

Check whether $(5,-2)$, $(6,4)$ and $(7,-2)$ are the vertices of an isosceles triangle.

For the points **ABC** to represent an isosceles triangle:

Property: The perpendicular bisector of a side passes through the opposite vertex.

Theoretical Solution

Given details:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Theoretical Solution

Midpoint of side **AC**:

$$\mathbf{M} = \frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{C}}{2} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

Theoretical Solution

Direction vector of side **AC**:

$$\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Vector from midpoint **M** to **B**:

$$\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

$$(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})^T(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{M}) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = 2(0) + 0(6) = 0 \quad (5)$$

B lies on the perpendicular bisector of side **AC**.

$\therefore \mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BC} \implies \triangle ABC$ is isosceles.

C Code (1) - Function to store the points

```
#include <stdio.h>

void isosceles_triangle(double *points, double *M) {
    double coords[8] = {5,-2, 6,4, 7,-2, 6,-2};

    for (int i = 0; i < 6; i++) {
        points[i] = coords[i];
    }
    M[0]=coords[6];
    M[1]=coords[7];
}
```


Python Code - Using Shared Object

```
import ctypes
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Load the shared object
triangle_lib = ctypes.CDLL("./triangle.so")

# Define function return type
triangle_lib.isosceles_triangle.argtypes = [np.ctypeslib.
    ndpointer(dtype=np.double, ndim=1, flags="C"), np.ctypeslib.
    ndpointer(dtype=np.double, ndim=1, flags="C")]
```

Python Code - Using Shared Object

```
# Create numpy array to hold 6 values (x,y for 3 points)
points = np.zeros(6, dtype=np.double)
M = np.zeros(2, dtype=np.double)

# Call C function to fill points
triangle_lib.isosceles_triangle(points,M)

# Reshape into (3,2)
points = points.reshape((3,2))

# Close the triangle (repeat first point)
points = np.vstack([points, points[0]])
```

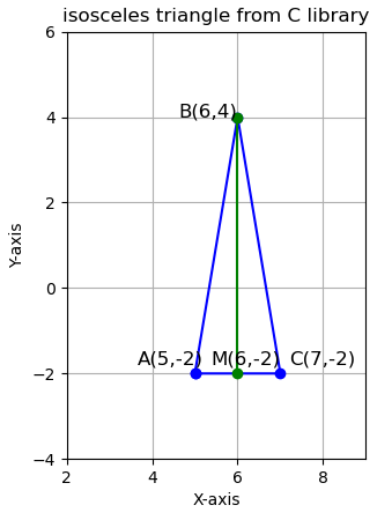
Python Code - Using Shared Object

```
#text
plt.text(points[0,0]+0.2, points[0,1]+0.2, "A(5,-2)", fontsize
        =12, ha='right')
plt.text(points[1,0], points[1,1], "B(6,4)", fontsize=12, ha='
right')
plt.text(points[2,0]+0.2, points[2,1]+0.2, "C(7,-2)", fontsize
        =12, ha='left')
plt.text(M[0]+0.2, M[1]+0.2, "M(6,-2)", fontsize=12, ha='center')
```

Python Code - Using Shared Object

```
# Plot isosceles triangle
plt.plot(points[:,0], points[:,1], "bo-")
plt.plot([M[0],points[1,0]], [M[1],points[1,1]], "go-")
plt.xlim([2,9])
plt.ylim([-4,6])
plt.title("isosceles triangle from C library")
plt.xlabel("X-axis")
plt.ylabel("Y-axis")
plt.gca().set_aspect("equal")
plt.grid(True)
plt.savefig('figs/triangle.png')
plt.show()
```

Plot-Using Both C and Python



```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Define the vertices of the triangle
points = np.array([
    [5, -2], # A
    [6, 4], # B
    [7, -2], # C
])
M=np.array([6,-2])
```

```
# Close the triangle (repeat first point)
points = np.vstack([points, points[0]])

#scatter
plt.text(points[0,0]+0.2, points[0,1]+0.2, "A(5,-2)", fontsize
        =12, ha='right')
plt.text(points[1,0], points[1,1], "B(6,4)", fontsize=12, ha='
        right')
plt.text(points[2,0]+0.2, points[2,1]+0.2, "C(7,-2)", fontsize
        =12, ha='left')
plt.text(M[0]+0.2, M[1]+0.2, "M(6,-2)", fontsize=12, ha='center')
```

```
#Plot
plt.plot([M[0],points[1,0]],[M[1],points[1,1]],"go-",linewidth=2)
plt.plot(points[:,0], points[:,1], "bo-", linewidth=2)
plt.xlim([2,9])
plt.ylim([-4,6])
plt.title("isosceles triangle")
plt.xlabel("X-axis")
plt.ylabel("Y-axis")
plt.gca().set_aspect("equal")
plt.grid(True)
plt.savefig('figs/triangle2.png')
plt.show()
```


Plot-Using only Python

