NCERT Solutions for Class 10 Chapter 7-Coordinate Geometry

## **EXERCISE 7.1**

## **Question 1:**

Find the distance between the following pairs of points:

- (i) (2, 3), (4, 1)
- (ii) (-5, 7), (-1, 3)
- (iii) (a, b), (-a, -b)

### **Solution**:

(i) Let the given points be P(2, 3) and Q(4, 1).

Then 
$$x_1 = 2$$
,  $y_1 = 3$ ,  $x_2 = 4$  and  $y_2 = 1$ 

:. Distance PQ = 
$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$
  
=  $\sqrt{(4 - 2)^2 + (1 - 3)^2}$   
=  $\sqrt{(2)^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 4}$   
=  $\sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}$  units.

(ii) Let the given points be P(-5, 7) and Q(-1, 3).

Then 
$$x_1 = -5$$
,  $y_1 = 7$ ,  $x_2 = -1$  and  $y_2 = 3$ 

:. Distance PQ = 
$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$
  
=  $\sqrt{(-1+5)^2 + (3-7)^2}$   
=  $\sqrt{(4)^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{16+16}$   
=  $\sqrt{32} = 4\sqrt{2}$  units.

(iii) Let the given points be P(a, b) and Q(-a, -b).

Then 
$$x_1 = a$$
,  $y_1 = b$ ,  $x_2 = -a$  and  $y_2 = -b$ 

: Distance PQ = 
$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$
  
=  $\sqrt{(-a - a)^2 + (-b - b)^2}$   
=  $\sqrt{(-2a)^2 + (-2b)^2}$   
=  $\sqrt{4a^2 + 4b^2}$   
=  $2\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$  units.

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## **Question 2:**

Find the distance between the points (0, 0) and (36, 15).

## **Solution:**

Let points be A (0, 0) and B (36, 15)

The distance between two points is

AB = 
$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(36 - 0)^2 + (15 - 0)^2}$$
  
=  $\sqrt{1296 + 225} = \sqrt{1521} = 39 \text{ units}$ 

## **Question 3:**

Determine if the points (1, 5), (2, 3) and (-2, -11) are collinear.

#### **Solution:**

Let the given points are A (1, 5), B (2, 3) and C (-2, -11). Then:

AB = 
$$\sqrt{(2-1)^2 + (3-5)^2} = \sqrt{(1)^2 + (-2)^2}$$
  
=  $\sqrt{1+4} = \sqrt{5}$ .  
BC =  $\sqrt{(-2-2)^2 + (-11-3)^2} = \sqrt{(-4)^2 + (-14)^2}$   
=  $\sqrt{16+196} = \sqrt{212} = 2\sqrt{53}$ .  
AC =  $\sqrt{(-2-1)^2 + (-11-5)^2} = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-16)^2}$   
=  $\sqrt{9+256} = \sqrt{265}$ .

Since AB + BC ≠ AC

Hence, the given points are not collinear.

#### **Question 4:**

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

### Solution:

Let points be A(5, -2), B (6, 4) and C (7, -2)

AB = 
$$\sqrt{(6-5)^2 + (4+2)^2} = \sqrt{1+36} = \sqrt{37}$$
  
BC =  $\sqrt{(7-6)^2 + (-2-4)^2} = \sqrt{1+36} = \sqrt{37}$   
AC =  $\sqrt{(7-5)^2 + (-2+2)^2} = \sqrt{4+0} = 2$ 

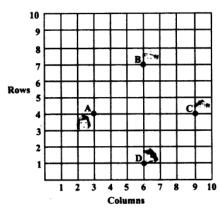
Here, AB = BC

ΔABC is an isosceles triangle.

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## **Question 5:**

In a classroom, 4 friends are seated at the points A, B, C and D as shown in the given figure. Champa and Chameli walk into the class and after observing for a few minutes Champa asks Chameli, "Don't you think ABCD is a square?" Chameli disagrees. Using distance formula, find which of them is correct.



### Solution:

From the figure, let the points along with coordinates be A (3, 4), B (6, 7), C (9, 4) and D (6, 1). Then by distance formula, we have:

AB = 
$$\sqrt{(6-3)^2 + (7-4)^2} = \sqrt{18} = 3\sqrt{2}$$
.  
BC =  $\sqrt{(9-6)^2 + (4-7)^2} = \sqrt{18} = 3\sqrt{2}$ .  
CD =  $\sqrt{(6-9)^2 + (1-4)^2} = \sqrt{18} = 3\sqrt{2}$ .  
DA =  $\sqrt{(3-6)^2 + (4-1)^2} = \sqrt{18} = 3\sqrt{2}$ .  
Also, diagonal AC =  $\sqrt{(9-3)^2 + (4-4)^2}$   
=  $\sqrt{(6)^2 + (0)^2} = \sqrt{36} = 6$ .  
and diagonal BD =  $\sqrt{(6-6)^2 + (1-7)^2}$   
=  $\sqrt{(0)^2 + (-6)^2} = \sqrt{36} = 6$ .

∴ AB = BC = CD = DA 
$$3\sqrt{2}$$
  
and diagonals AC = BD = 6

Thus, ABCD is a square and Champa is correct.

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## **Question 6:**

Name the type of quadrilateral formed, if any, by the following points, and give reasons for your answer.

### Solution:

(i) Let points be A (-1, -2), B (1, 0), C (-1, 2) and D (-3, 0)

The distance between two points = 
$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$
  
AB =  $\sqrt{(1+1)^2 + (0+2)^2} = \sqrt{4+4} = \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}$   
BC =  $\sqrt{(-1-1)^2 + (2-0)^2} = \sqrt{4+4} = \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}$   
CD =  $\sqrt{(-3+1)^2 + (0-2)^2} = \sqrt{4+4} = \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}$   
AD =  $\sqrt{(-3+1)^2 + (0+2)^2} = \sqrt{4+4} = \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}$   
AC =  $\sqrt{(-1+1)^2 + (2+2)^2} = \sqrt{0+16} = \sqrt{16} = 4$   
BD =  $\sqrt{(-3-1)^2 + (0-0)^2} = \sqrt{16+0} = \sqrt{16} = 4$ 

Here, AC = BD, AB = BC = CD = AD

Hence, the quadrilateral ABCD is a square.

(ii) Let points be A (-3, 5), B (3, 1), C (0, 3) and D (-1, -4)

AB = 
$$\sqrt{(3+3)^2 + (1-5)^2} = \sqrt{36+16} = \sqrt{52} = 2\sqrt{13}$$
  
BC =  $\sqrt{(0-3)^2 + (3-1)^2} = \sqrt{9+4} = \sqrt{13}$   
CD =  $\sqrt{(-1-0)^2 + (-4-3)^2} = \sqrt{1+49} = 5\sqrt{2}$   
AD =  $\sqrt{(-3+1)^2 + (5+4)^2} = \sqrt{4+81} = \sqrt{85}$ 

The given points do not form any quadrilateral.

(iii) Let points be A(4, 5), B (7, 6), C (4, 3) and D (1, 2)

AB = 
$$\sqrt{(7-4)^2 + (6-5)^2} = \sqrt{9+1} = \sqrt{10}$$
  
BC =  $\sqrt{(4-7)^2 + (3-6)^2} = \sqrt{9+9} = 3\sqrt{2}$   
CD =  $\sqrt{(1-4)^2 + (2-3)^2} = \sqrt{9+1} = \sqrt{10}$   
AD =  $\sqrt{(1-4)^2 + (2-5)^2} = \sqrt{9+9} = 3\sqrt{2}$   
AC =  $\sqrt{(4-4)^2 + (3-5)^2} = \sqrt{4} = 2$   
BD =  $\sqrt{(1-7)^2 + (2-6)^2} = \sqrt{36+16} = \sqrt{52} = 2\sqrt{13}$ 

Here, AB = CD, BC = AD

and AC ≠ BD

The quadrilateral ABCD is a parallelogram.

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### **Question 7:**

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

## Solution:

Let A (2, -5) and B (-2, 9) be the given points. Also let P (x, 0) be the point on x-axis such that

PA = PB

Then

PA<sup>2</sup> = PB<sup>2</sup>

⇒ 
$$(x-2)^2 + (0+5)^2 = (x+2)^2 + (0-9)^2$$

⇒  $(x-2)^2 - (x+2)^2 = 81-25$ 

⇒  $(x-2+x+2)(x-2-x-2) = 56$ 

⇒  $(2x)(-4) = 56$ 

⇒  $-8x = 56$ 

⇒  $x = -7$ 

Hence, the required point is (-7, 0).

## **Question 8:**

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

### Solution:

Points P (2, -3), Q (10, y) and PQ = 10 units

The distance between two points is

$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = PQ \Rightarrow \sqrt{(10 - 2)^2 + (y + 3)^2} = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 64 + y^2 + 9 + 6y = 100 \Rightarrow y^2 + 6y + 73 - 100 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 6y - 27 = 0 \Rightarrow y^2 + 9y - 3y - 27 = 0$$

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

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

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

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### **Question 9:**

If Q (0, 1) is equidistant from P (5, -3), and R (x, 6), find the values of x. Also, find the distances QR and PR.

### **Solution**:

Given that Q(0, 1) is equidistant from P(5, -3) and R(x, 6)

$$\begin{array}{lll}
\therefore & \text{QP} = \text{QR} \implies & \text{QP}^2 = \text{QR}^2 \\
\Rightarrow & (5-0)^2 + (-3-1)^2 = (x-0)^2 + (6-1)^2 \\
\Rightarrow & 25 + 16 = x^2 + 25 \\
\Rightarrow & x^2 = 16 \implies x = \pm 4
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{lll}
\text{QR} = \sqrt{(x-0)^2 + (6-1)^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + 5^2} \\
& = \sqrt{(4)^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{16 + 25} = \sqrt{41}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{lll}
\text{PR} = \sqrt{(x-5)^2 + (6+3)^2} \\
& = \sqrt{(4-5)^2 + (6+3)^2} \\
& = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (9)^2} = \sqrt{1 + 81} = \sqrt{82}
\end{array}$$
Also, PR =  $\sqrt{(-4-5)^2 + (6+3)^2}$  [Taking  $x = -4$ ]
$$= \sqrt{(-9)^2 + (9)^2} = \sqrt{162} = 9\sqrt{2}$$
Hence, QR =  $\sqrt{41}$  and PR =  $\sqrt{82}$ ,  $9\sqrt{2}$ .

## **Question 10:**

Find a relation between x and y such that the point (x, y) is equidistant from the points (3, 6) and (-3, 4).

### Solution:

Points A(3, 6) and B(-3, 4) are equidistant from point P(x, y)

AP = BP 
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(x-3)^2 + (y-6)^2} = \sqrt{(x+3)^2 + (y-4)^2}$$
  
 $\Rightarrow (x-3)^2 + (y-6)^2 = (x+3)^2 + (y-4)^2$   
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + 9 - 6x + y^2 + 36 - 12y = x^2 + 9 + 6x + y^2 + 16 - 8y$   
 $\Rightarrow -6x - 6x - 12y + 8y + 45 - 25 = 0 \Rightarrow -12x - 4y + 20 = 0$   
Dividing by  $-4$ , we get  $3x + y - 5 = 0$