Coordinate Geometry

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This is Problem-7 from Exercise 7.4

1. Let A(4, 2), B(6,5) and C(1, 4) be the vertices of triangle ABC (ii) Find the coordinates of the point P on the AD, such that AP: PD = 2: 1.

Solution: Median AD of the triangle will divide the side BC in two equal parts. So D is the midpoint of side BC

$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{(m)\mathbf{B} + (n)\mathbf{C}}{m+n} \tag{1}$$

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$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{1\binom{6}{5} + 1\binom{1}{4}}{2}\mathbf{D} = \binom{\frac{7}{2}}{\frac{9}{2}}$$
(2)

Point P divides the side AD in a ratio 2:1

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{(m)\mathbf{D} + (n)\mathbf{A}}{m+n}\mathbf{P} = \frac{(2)\left(\frac{7}{2}\right) + (1)\left(\frac{4}{2}\right)}{3}\mathbf{P} = \left(\frac{11}{3}\right)$$
(3)

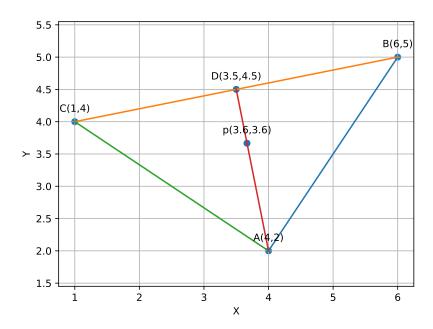


Figure 1: Triangle ABC