

## 4.13.51

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### Question:

One of the diameters of the circle circumscribing the rectangle  $ABCD$  is given by

$$4y = x + 7.$$

If  $\mathbf{A} = (-3, 4)$  and  $\mathbf{B} = (5, 4)$ , find the area of the rectangle.

### Solution:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Centre  $\mathbf{O}$  lies on the diameter and also on the perpendicular bisector of chord passing through  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ .

Perpendicular Bisector equation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}^T \mathbf{x} = 1 \quad (2)$$

Diameter equation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}^T \mathbf{x} = -7 \quad (3)$$

$$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{O} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 & -7 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow (-\frac{1}{4})R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{O} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

Radius of circumcircle

$$r = \|\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{A}\| = 2\sqrt{5} \quad (7)$$

Hence the Circumcircle equation is:

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + 2\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$\mathbf{c} = -\mathbf{O} \quad (9)$$

$$f = \|\mathbf{c}\|^2 - r^2 = -15 \quad (10)$$

$$\boxed{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - 15 = 0} \quad (11)$$

$$\mathbf{C} = 2\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (12)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = 2\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (13)$$

$$\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (14)$$

$$\text{Area} = |\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{A}| = \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \right| = |8(-4) - 0| = 32. \quad (15)$$

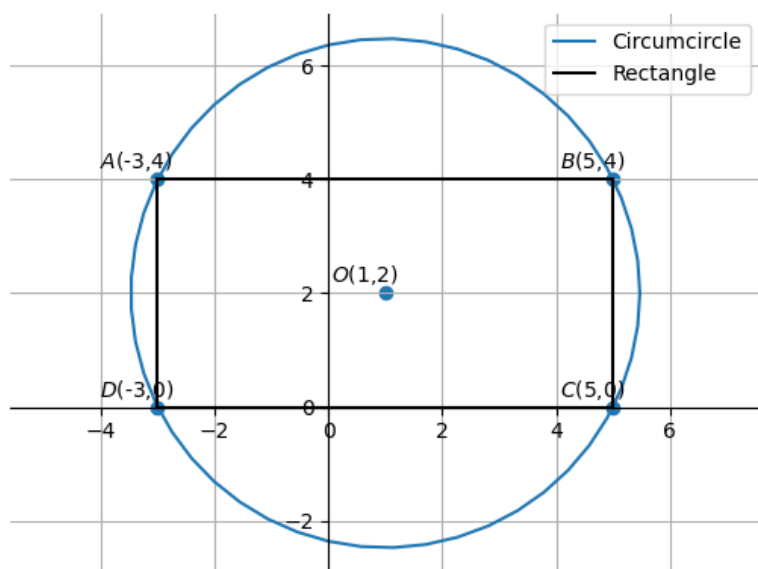


Figure 1