

## 2.6.34

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**Question:** Find the area of region bounded by the triangle whose vertices are  $(-1, 1)$ ,  $(0, 5)$  and  $(3, 2)$ .

**Solution:**

Given:  $A(-1, 1)$ ,  $B(0, 5)$ ,  $C(3, 2)$ .

$$\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\|(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) \times (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})\| = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} |\mathbf{A}_{11} & \mathbf{B}_{23}| \\ |\mathbf{A}_{31} & \mathbf{B}_{31}| \\ |\mathbf{A}_{12} & \mathbf{B}_{12}| \end{pmatrix} \right\| = 15$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \|(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) \times (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})\| = 7.5$$

$\text{Area of Triangle } ABC = 7.5 \text{ sq.units}$
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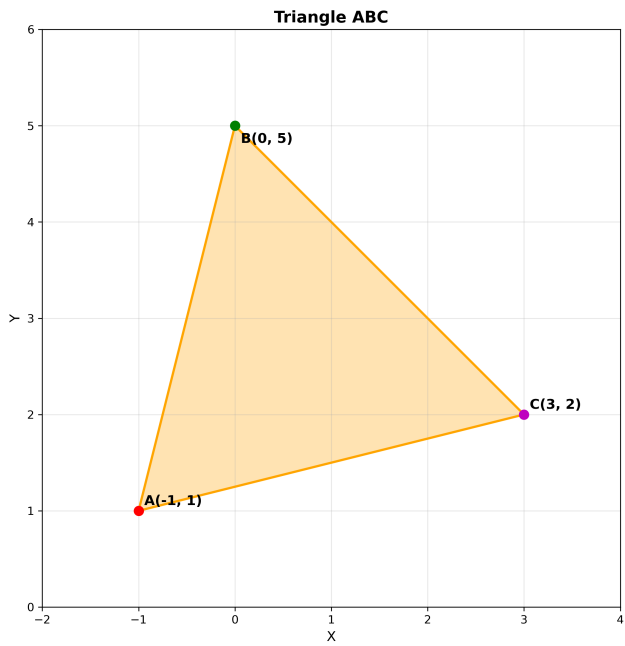


Fig. 0.1: Vector Representation