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Question:

If the points A(6,1),B(8,2),C(9,4) and D(p,3) are the vertices of a parallelogram,taken in order, find the value of p .

Solution:

The vector components of the given points $\mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{B} \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{C} \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{D} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

If ABCD be a parallelogram with AB || CD,

$$\mathbf{B-A} = \mathbf{C-D} \tag{0.1}$$

$$\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.2}$$

$$\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} p \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 - p \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.3}$$

By comparing

$$9 - p = 2 \tag{0.4}$$

We get

$$p = 7 \tag{0.5}$$

Hence the coordinates of **D** are $\binom{7}{3}$ and the value of p is 7.

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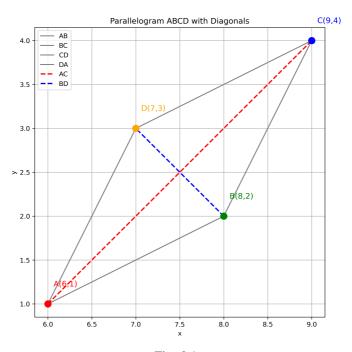


Fig. 0.1