Coordinate Geometry

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This is Problem-1(ii) from Exercise 7.3

1. Find the area of the triangle whose vertices are:

$$(-5,-1), (3,-5), (5,2)$$
 (1)

Solution:

Given Data:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -5\\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 5\\2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{4}$$

(5)

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{6}$$

$$\mathbf{AC} = \begin{pmatrix} 10\\3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{7}$$

(8)

AREA OF THE TRIANGLE:

$$= \frac{1}{2} \| \mathbf{AB} \times \mathbf{AC} \| \tag{10}$$

$$=\frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 10 \\ -4 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \tag{12}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \|24 + 40\| \tag{14}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \|64\| \tag{16}$$

$$= 32 sq.units \tag{18}$$

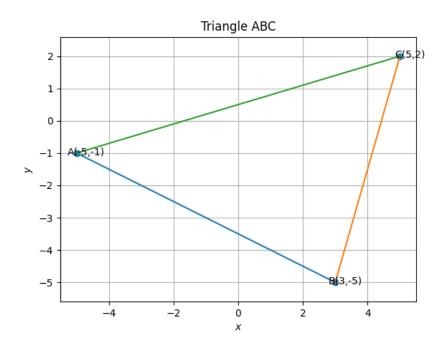


Figure 1: Triangle ABC