

Q. Find the equations of AD , BE and CF .

Solution: : D, E, F are the midpoints of BC, CA, AB respectively, then

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-7}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-3}{2} \\ \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

1) The normal equation for the median AD is

$$\mathbf{n}^\top (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A}) = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{A} \quad (5)$$

We have to find the \mathbf{n} so that we can find \mathbf{n}^\top . Since,

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} \quad (6)$$

Here $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{A}$ for median AD

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-7}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-9}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (8)$$

Since,

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} \quad (9)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-9}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (10)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (11)$$

Hence the normal equation of median AD is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} & \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} & \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (12)$$

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} & \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = -3 \quad (13)$$

2) The normal equation for the median BE is

$$\mathbf{n}^\top (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (14)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{B} \quad (15)$$

Here $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{E} - \mathbf{B}$ for median BE

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad (16)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} \quad (17)$$

Since,

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} \quad (18)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} \quad (19)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (20)$$

Hence the normal equation of median BE is

$$\begin{pmatrix} -9 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad (21)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -9 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 18 \quad (22)$$

3) The normal equation for the median CF is

$$\mathbf{n}^\top (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{C}) = 0 \quad (23)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{C} \quad (24)$$

Here $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{F} - \mathbf{C}$ for median CF

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-3}{2} \\ \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \quad (25)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{13}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (26)$$

Since,

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} \quad (27)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{13}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (28)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{13}{2} \\ -\frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (29)$$

Hence the normal equation of median CF is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{13}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{13}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \quad (30)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{13}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = -15 \quad (31)$$

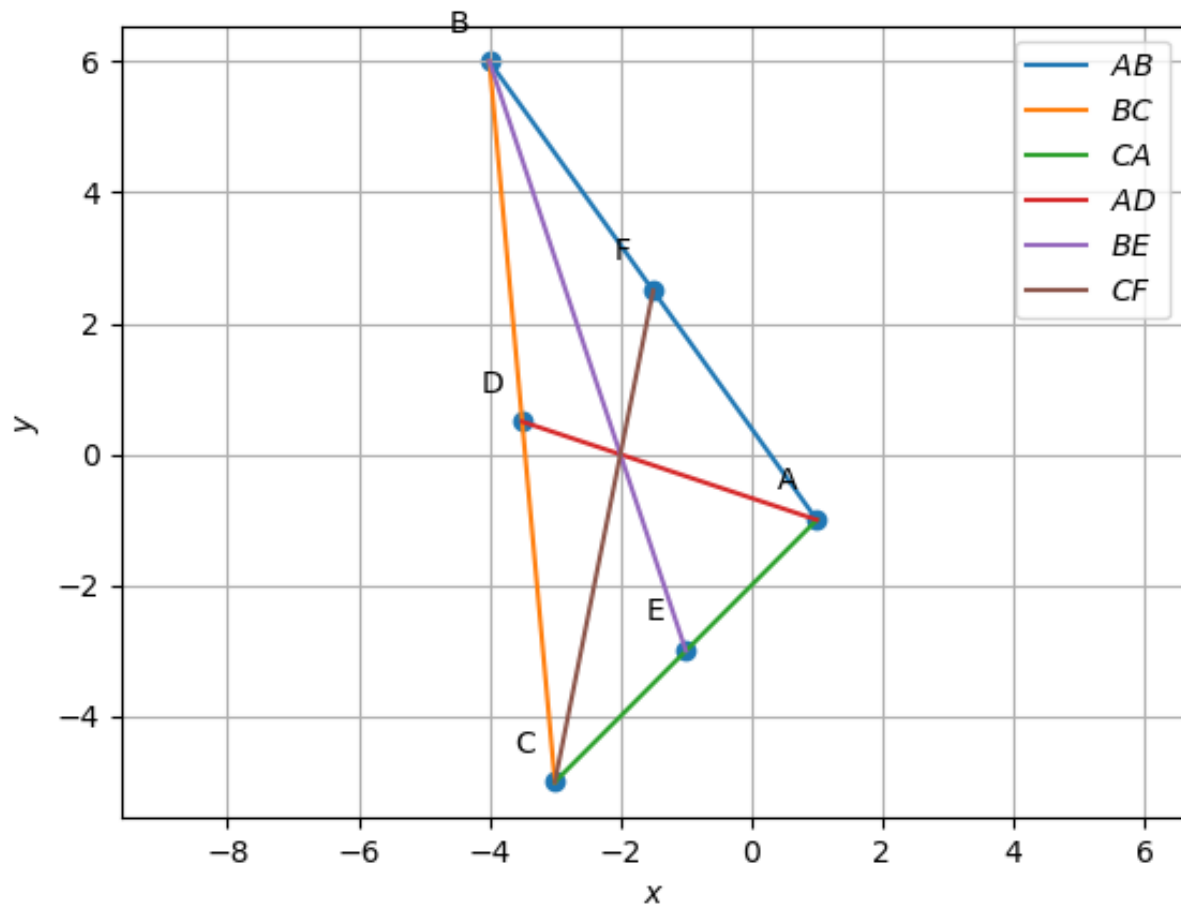


Fig. 3. Medians AD , BE and CF