



Exercise 16D

Question 5:

The vertices of ΔABC are (a, b) , (b, c) and (c, a)

Centroid is

$$\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{3} \right) \text{ or } \left(\frac{a+b+c}{3}, \frac{b+c+a}{3} \right)$$

But centroid is $(0, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow a + b + c = 0$$

Question 6:

The vertices of ΔABC are $A(2, 2)$, $B(-4, -4)$ and $C(5, -8)$

Centroid of ΔABC is given by

$$\frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}{3} = \frac{2 - 4 + 5}{3} = 1$$

$$\frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{3} = \frac{2 - 4 - 8}{3} = \frac{-10}{3}$$

$$\therefore \text{Required centroid is } \left(1, \frac{-10}{3} \right)$$

Question 7:

Let the point $C(4, 5)$ divides the join of $A(2, 3)$ and $B(7, 8)$ in the ratio $k : 1$

$$\left(\frac{7k + 2}{k + 1}, \frac{8k + 3}{k + 1} \right)$$

The point C is

But C is $(4, 5)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{7k + 2}{k + 1} = 4 \text{ or } 7k + 2 = 4k + 4$$

$$\text{or } 3k = 2 \therefore k = \frac{2}{3}$$

Thus, C divides AB in the ratio $2 : 3$

Question 8:

The points $A(2, 3)$, $B(4, k)$ and $C(6, -3)$ are collinear if area of ΔABC is zero

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of } \Delta ABC &= \frac{1}{2} [2 \times (k + 3) + 4 \times (-3 - 3) + 6 \times (3 - k)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [2k + 6 - 24 + 18 - 6k] = \frac{1}{2} [-4k] \\ &= -2k \end{aligned}$$

But area of $ABC = 0$,

$\Rightarrow k = 0$

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