



### EXERCISE.10.3

#### Question-1

Reduce the following equations into slope-intercept form and find their slopes and the y-intercepts.

(i)  $x + 7y = 0$  (ii)  $6x + 3y - 5 = 0$  (iii)  $y = 0$

Ans.

(i) The given equation is  $x + 7y = 0$ .

It can be written as

$$y = -\frac{1}{7}x + 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

This equation is of the form  $y = mx + c$ , where  $m = -\frac{1}{7}$  and  $c = 0$ .

Therefore, equation (1) is in the slope-intercept form, where the slope and the y-intercept are  $-\frac{1}{7}$  and 0 respectively.

(ii) The given equation is  $6x + 3y - 5 = 0$ .

It can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{1}{3}(-6x + 5) \\ y &= -2x + \frac{5}{3} \quad \dots(2) \end{aligned}$$

This equation is of the form  $y = mx + c$ , where  $m = -2$  and  $c = \frac{5}{3}$ .

Therefore, equation (2) is in the slope-intercept form, where the slope and the y-intercept are  $-2$  and  $\frac{5}{3}$  respectively.

(iii) The given equation is  $y = 0$ .

It can be written as

$$y = 0.x + 0 \quad \dots(3)$$

This equation is of the form  $y = mx + c$ , where  $m = 0$  and  $c = 0$ .

Therefore, equation (3) is in the slope-intercept form, where the slope and the y-intercept are 0 and 0 respectively.

#### Question-2

Reduce the following equations into intercept form and find their intercepts on the axes.

(i)  $3x + 2y - 12 = 0$  (ii)  $4x - 3y = 6$  (iii)  $3y + 2 = 0$ .

Ans.

(i) The given equation is  $3x + 2y - 12 = 0$ .

It can be written as

$$3x + 2y = 12$$

$$\frac{3x}{12} + \frac{2y}{12} = 1$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{x}{4} + \frac{y}{6} = 1 \quad \dots(1)$$

This equation is of the form  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$ , where  $a = 4$  and  $b = 6$ .

Therefore, equation (1) is in the intercept form, where the intercepts on the  $x$  and  $y$  axes are 4 and 6 respectively.

(ii) The given equation is  $4x - 3y = 6$ .

It can be written as

$$\frac{4x}{6} - \frac{3y}{6} = 1$$

$$\frac{2x}{3} - \frac{y}{2} = 1$$

$$\text{i.e., } \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{-y}{2}\right) = 1 \quad \dots(2)$$

This equation is of the form  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$ , where  $a = \frac{3}{2}$  and  $b = -2$ .

Therefore, equation (2) is in the intercept form, where the intercepts on the  $x$  and  $y$  axes are  $\frac{3}{2}$  and  $-2$  respectively.

(iii) The given equation is  $3y + 2 = 0$ .

It can be written as

$$3y = -2$$

$$\text{i.e., } \left(\frac{y}{-\frac{2}{3}}\right) = 1 \quad \dots(3)$$

This equation is of the form  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$ , where  $a = 0$  and  $b = -\frac{2}{3}$ .

Therefore, equation (3) is in the intercept form, where the intercept on the  $y$ -axis is  $-\frac{2}{3}$  and it has no intercept on the  $x$ -axis.

### Question-3

Reduce the following equations into normal form. Find their perpendicular distances from the origin and angle between perpendicular and the positive  $x$ -axis.

$$(i) \ x - \sqrt{3}y + 8 = 0 \quad (ii) \ y - 2 = 0 \quad (iii) \ x - y = 4$$

Ans.

(i) The given equation is  $x - \sqrt{3}y + 8 = 0$ .

It can be reduced as:

$$\begin{aligned}x - \sqrt{3}y &= -8 \\ \Rightarrow -x + \sqrt{3}y &= 8\end{aligned}$$

On dividing both sides by  $\sqrt{(-1)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2} = \sqrt{4} = 2$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}-\frac{x}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y &= \frac{8}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)x + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)y &= 4 \\ \Rightarrow x \cos 120^\circ + y \sin 120^\circ &= 4 \quad \dots(1)\end{aligned}$$

Equation (1) is in the normal form.

On comparing equation (1) with the normal form of equation of line

$x \cos \omega + y \sin \omega = p$ , we obtain  $\omega = 120^\circ$  and  $p = 4$ .

Thus, the perpendicular distance of the line from the origin is 4, while the angle between the perpendicular and the positive x-axis is  $120^\circ$ .

(ii) The given equation is  $y - 2 = 0$ .

It can be reduced as  $0.x + 1.y = 2$

On dividing both sides by  $\sqrt{0^2 + 1^2} = 1$ , we obtain  $0.x + 1.y = 2$

$$\Rightarrow x \cos 90^\circ + y \sin 90^\circ = 2 \dots (1)$$

Equation (1) is in the normal form.

On comparing equation (1) with the normal form of equation of line

$x \cos \omega + y \sin \omega = p$ , we obtain  $\omega = 90^\circ$  and  $p = 2$ .

Thus, the perpendicular distance of the line from the origin is 2, while the angle between the perpendicular and the positive x-axis is  $90^\circ$ .

(iii) The given equation is  $x - y = 4$ .

It can be reduced as  $1.x + (-1)y = 4$

On dividing both sides by  $\sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x + \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)y &= \frac{4}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \Rightarrow x \cos \left(2\pi - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + y \sin \left(2\pi - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= 2\sqrt{2} \\ \Rightarrow x \cos 315^\circ + y \sin 315^\circ &= 2\sqrt{2} \quad \dots(1)\end{aligned}$$

Equation (1) is in the normal form.

On comparing equation (1) with the normal form of equation of line

$x \cos \omega + y \sin \omega = p$ , we obtain  $\omega = 315^\circ$  and  $p = 2\sqrt{2}$ .

Thus, the perpendicular distance of the line from the origin is  $2\sqrt{2}$ , while the angle between the perpendicular and the positive x-axis is  $315^\circ$ .

#### Question-4

Find the distance of the point  $(-1, 1)$  from the line  $12(x + 6) = 5(y - 2)$ .

Ans.

The given equation of the line is  $12(x + 6) = 5(y - 2)$ .

$$\Rightarrow 12x + 72 = 5y - 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x - 5y + 82 = 0 \dots (1)$$

On comparing equation (1) with general equation of line  $Ax + By + C = 0$ , we obtain  $A = 12$ ,  $B = -5$ , and  $C = 82$ .

It is known that the perpendicular distance ( $d$ ) of a line  $Ax + By + C = 0$  from a point  $(x_1, y_1)$  is given by  $d = \frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$ .

The given point is  $(x_1, y_1) = (-1, 1)$ .

Therefore, the distance of point  $(-1, 1)$  from the given line

$$= \frac{|12(-1) + (-5)(1) + 82|}{\sqrt{(12)^2 + (-5)^2}} \text{ units} = \frac{|-12 - 5 + 82|}{\sqrt{169}} \text{ units} = \frac{|65|}{13} \text{ units} = 5 \text{ units}$$

#### Question-5

Find the points on the  $x$ -axis, whose distances from the line  $\frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{4} = 1$  are 4 units.

Ans.

The given equation of line is

$$\frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{4} = 1$$

$$\text{or, } 4x + 3y - 12 = 0 \dots (1)$$

On comparing equation (1) with general equation of line  $Ax + By + C = 0$ , we obtain  $A = 4$ ,  $B = 3$ , and  $C = -12$ .

Let  $(a, 0)$  be the point on the  $x$ -axis whose distance from the given line is 4 units.

It is known that the perpendicular distance ( $d$ ) of a line  $Ax + By + C = 0$  from a point  $(x_1, y_1)$  is given by  $d = \frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$ .

Therefore,

$$4 = \frac{|4a + 3 \times 0 - 12|}{\sqrt{4^2 + 3^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 = \frac{|4a - 12|}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow |4a - 12| = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow \pm(4a - 12) = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow (4a - 12) = 20 \text{ or } -(4a - 12) = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 20 + 12 \text{ or } 4a = -20 + 12$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 8 \text{ or } -2$$

Thus, the required points on the  $x$ -axis are  $(-2, 0)$  and  $(8, 0)$ .

#### Question-6

Find the distance between parallel lines

(i)  $15x + 8y - 34 = 0$  and  $15x + 8y + 31 = 0$

(ii)  $l(x + y) + p = 0$  and  $l(x + y) - r = 0$

Ans.

It is known that the distance ( $d$ ) between parallel lines  $Ax + By + C_1 = 0$  and  $Ax + By + C_2 = 0$  is given by  $d = \frac{|C_1 - C_2|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$ .

(i) The given parallel lines are  $15x + 8y - 34 = 0$  and  $15x + 8y + 31 = 0$ .

Here,  $A = 15$ ,  $B = 8$ ,  $C_1 = -34$ , and  $C_2 = 31$ .

Therefore, the distance between the parallel lines is

$$d = \frac{|C_1 - C_2|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}} = \frac{|-34 - 31|}{\sqrt{(15)^2 + (8)^2}} \text{ units} = \frac{|-65|}{17} \text{ units} = \frac{65}{17} \text{ units}$$

(ii) The given parallel lines are  $l(x + y) + p = 0$  and  $l(x + y) - r = 0$ .

$lx + ly + p = 0$  and  $lx + ly - r = 0$

Here,  $A = l$ ,  $B = l$ ,  $C_1 = p$ , and  $C_2 = -r$ .

Therefore, the distance between the parallel lines is

$$d = \frac{|C_1 - C_2|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}} = \frac{|p + r|}{\sqrt{l^2 + l^2}} \text{ units} = \frac{|p + r|}{\sqrt{2}l} \text{ units} = \frac{|p + r|}{l\sqrt{2}} \text{ units} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left| \frac{p + r}{l} \right| \text{ units}$$

### Question-7

Find equation of the line parallel to the line  $3x - 4y + 2 = 0$  and passing through the point  $(-2, 3)$ .

Ans.

The equation of the given line is

$$3x - 4y + 2 = 0$$

$$\text{or } y = \frac{3x}{4} + \frac{2}{4}$$

$$\text{or } y = \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{1}{2}, \text{ which is of the form } y = mx + c$$

$$\therefore \text{ Slope of the given line} = \frac{3}{4}$$

It is known that parallel lines have the same slope.

$$\therefore \text{ Slope of the other line} = m = \frac{3}{4}$$

Now, the equation of the line that has a slope of  $\frac{3}{4}$  and passes through the point  $(-2, 3)$  is

$$(y - 3) = \frac{3}{4}\{x - (-2)\}$$

$$4y - 12 = 3x + 6$$

$$\text{i.e., } 3x - 4y + 18 = 0$$

### Question-8

Find equation of the line perpendicular to the line  $x - 7y + 5 = 0$  and having  $x$  intercept 3.

Ans.

The given equation of line is  $x - 7y + 5 = 0$ .

Or,  $y = \frac{1}{7}x + \frac{5}{7}$ , which is of the form  $y = mx + c$

$\therefore$  Slope of the given line  $= \frac{1}{7}$

The slope of the line perpendicular to the line having a slope of  $\frac{1}{7}$  is

$$m = -\frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{7}\right)} = -7$$

The equation of the line with slope  $-7$  and x-intercept  $3$  is given by

$$y = m (x - d)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -7 (x - 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -7x + 21$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x + y = 21$$

Question-9

Find angles between the lines  $\sqrt{3}x + y = 1$  and  $x + \sqrt{3}y = 1$

Ans.

The given lines are  $\sqrt{3}x + y = 1$  and  $x + \sqrt{3}y = 1$ .

$$y = -\sqrt{3}x + 1 \quad \dots(1) \quad \text{and} \quad y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \dots(2)$$

The slope of line (1) is  $m_1 = -\sqrt{3}$ , while the slope of line (2) is  $m_2 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ .

The acute angle i.e.,  $\theta$  between the two lines is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \theta &= \left| \frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} \right| \\ \tan \theta &= \left| \frac{-\sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{1 + (-\sqrt{3})\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)} \right| \\ \tan \theta &= \left| \frac{\frac{-3+1}{\sqrt{3}}}{1+1} \right| = \left| \frac{-2}{2 \times \sqrt{3}} \right| \\ \tan \theta &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \theta &= 30^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the angle between the given lines is either  $30^\circ$  or  $180^\circ - 30^\circ = 150^\circ$ .

Question-10

The line through the points  $(h, 3)$  and  $(4, 1)$  intersects the line  $7x - 9y - 19 = 0$  at right angle. Find the value of  $h$ .

Ans.

The slope of the line passing through points  $(h, 3)$  and  $(4, 1)$  is

$$m_1 = \frac{1-3}{4-h} = \frac{-2}{4-h}$$

The slope of line  $7x - 9y - 19 = 0$  or  $y = \frac{7}{9}x - \frac{19}{9}$  is  $m_2 = \frac{7}{9}$ .

It is given that the two lines are perpendicular.

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore m_1 \times m_2 &= -1 \\ \Rightarrow \left(\frac{-2}{4-h}\right) \times \left(\frac{7}{9}\right) &= -1 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{-14}{36-9h} &= -1 \\ \Rightarrow 14 &= 36-9h \\ \Rightarrow 9h &= 36-14 \\ \Rightarrow h &= \frac{22}{9}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the value of  $h$  is  $\frac{22}{9}$ .

#### Question-11

Prove that the line through the point  $(x_1, y_1)$  and parallel to the line  $Ax + By + C = 0$  is  $A(x - x_1) + B(y - y_1) = 0$ .

Ans.

The slope of line  $Ax + By + C = 0$  or  $y = \left(\frac{-A}{B}\right)x + \left(\frac{-C}{B}\right)$  is  $m = -\frac{A}{B}$

It is known that parallel lines have the same slope.

$$\therefore \text{Slope of the other line} = m = -\frac{A}{B}$$

The equation of the line passing through point  $(x_1, y_1)$  and having a slope

$$m = -\frac{A}{B} \text{ is}$$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - y_1 = -\frac{A}{B}(x - x_1)$$

$$B(y - y_1) = -A(x - x_1)$$

$$A(x - x_1) + B(y - y_1) = 0$$

Hence, the line through point  $(x_1, y_1)$  and parallel to line  $Ax + By + C = 0$  is

$$A(x - x_1) + B(y - y_1) = 0$$

#### Question-12

Two lines passing through the point  $(2, 3)$  intersect each other at an angle of  $60^\circ$ . If slope of one line is 2, find equation of the other line.

Ans.

It is given that the slope of the first line,  $m_1 = 2$ .

Let the slope of the other line be  $m_2$ .

The angle between the two lines is  $60^\circ$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \tan 60^\circ &= \left| \frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} \right| \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{3} &= \left| \frac{2 - m_2}{1 + 2m_2} \right| \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{3} &= \pm \left( \frac{2 - m_2}{1 + 2m_2} \right) \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{3} &= \frac{2 - m_2}{1 + 2m_2} \text{ or } \sqrt{3} = - \left( \frac{2 - m_2}{1 + 2m_2} \right) \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{3}(1 + 2m_2) &= 2 - m_2 \text{ or } \sqrt{3}(1 + 2m_2) = -(2 - m_2) \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3}m_2 + m_2 &= 2 \text{ or } \sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3}m_2 - m_2 = -2 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{3} + (2\sqrt{3} + 1)m_2 &= 2 \text{ or } \sqrt{3} + (2\sqrt{3} - 1)m_2 = -2 \\ \Rightarrow m_2 &= \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{(2\sqrt{3} + 1)} \text{ or } m_2 = \frac{-(2 + \sqrt{3})}{(2\sqrt{3} - 1)}\end{aligned}$$

**Case I :**  $m_2 = \left( \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{3} + 1} \right)$

The equation of the line passing through point (2, 3) and having a slope of  $\frac{(2 - \sqrt{3})}{(2\sqrt{3} + 1)}$  is

$$\begin{aligned}(y - 3) &= \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{3} + 1}(x - 2) \\ (2\sqrt{3} + 1)y - 3(2\sqrt{3} + 1) &= (2 - \sqrt{3})x - 2(2 - \sqrt{3}) \\ (\sqrt{3} - 2)x + (2\sqrt{3} + 1)y &= -4 + 2\sqrt{3} + 6\sqrt{3} + 3 \\ (\sqrt{3} - 2)x + (2\sqrt{3} + 1)y &= -1 + 8\sqrt{3}\end{aligned}$$

In this case, the equation of the other line is  $(\sqrt{3} - 2)x + (2\sqrt{3} + 1)y = -1 + 8\sqrt{3}$ .

**Case II :**  $m_2 = \frac{-(2 + \sqrt{3})}{(2\sqrt{3} - 1)}$

The equation of the line passing through point (2, 3) and having a slope of  $\frac{-(2 + \sqrt{3})}{(2\sqrt{3} - 1)}$  is

$$\begin{aligned}(y - 3) &= \frac{-(2 + \sqrt{3})}{(2\sqrt{3} - 1)}(x - 2) \\ (2\sqrt{3} - 1)y - 3(2\sqrt{3} - 1) &= -(2 + \sqrt{3})x + 2(2 + \sqrt{3}) \\ (2\sqrt{3} - 1)y + (2 + \sqrt{3})x &= 4 + 2\sqrt{3} + 6\sqrt{3} - 3 \\ (2 + \sqrt{3})x + (2\sqrt{3} - 1)y &= 1 + 8\sqrt{3}\end{aligned}$$

In this case, the equation of the other line is  $(2 + \sqrt{3})x + (2\sqrt{3} - 1)y = 1 + 8\sqrt{3}$ .

Thus, the required equation of the other line is  $(\sqrt{3} - 2)x + (2\sqrt{3} + 1)y = -1 + 8\sqrt{3}$  or  $(2 + \sqrt{3})x + (2\sqrt{3} - 1)y = 1 + 8\sqrt{3}$ .

### Question-13

Find the equation of the right bisector of the line segment joining the points (3, 4) and (-1, 2).



Ans.

The right bisector of a line segment bisects the line segment at  $90^\circ$ .

The end-points of the line segment are given as A (3, 4) and B (-1, 2).

Accordingly, mid-point of AB =  $\left(\frac{3-1}{2}, \frac{4+2}{2}\right) = (1, 3)$

$$\text{Slope of AB} = \frac{2-4}{-1-3} = \frac{-2}{-4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Slope of the line perpendicular to AB} = -\frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} = -2$$

The equation of the line passing through (1, 3) and having a slope of -2 is

$$(y-3) = -2(x-1)$$

$$y-3 = -2x+2$$

$$2x+y=5$$

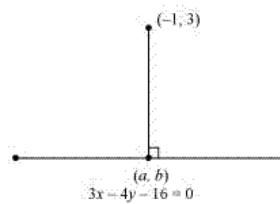
Thus, the required equation of the line is  $2x+y=5$ .

#### Question-14

Find the coordinates of the foot of perpendicular from the point (-1, 3) to the line  $3x-4y-16=0$ .

Ans.

Let (a, b) be the coordinates of the foot of the perpendicular from the point (-1, 3) to the line  $3x-4y-16=0$ .



$$\text{Slope of the line joining } (-1, 3) \text{ and } (a, b), m_1 = \frac{b-3}{a+1}$$

$$\text{Slope of the line } 3x-4y-16=0 \text{ or } y=\frac{3}{4}x-4, m_2 = \frac{3}{4}$$

Since these two lines are perpendicular,  $m_1 m_2 = -1$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \left(\frac{b-3}{a+1}\right) \times \left(\frac{3}{4}\right) &= -1 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{3b-9}{4a+4} &= -1 \\ \Rightarrow 3b-9 &= -4a-4 \\ \Rightarrow 4a+3b &= 5 \quad \dots(1)\end{aligned}$$

Point (a, b) lies on line  $3x-4y=16$ .

$$\therefore 3a-4b=16 \dots (2)$$

On solving equations (1) and (2), we obtain

$$a = \frac{68}{25} \text{ and } b = -\frac{49}{25}$$

Thus, the required coordinates of the foot of the perpendicular are  $\left(\frac{68}{25}, -\frac{49}{25}\right)$ .

#### Question-15

The perpendicular from the origin to the line  $y = mx + c$  meets it at the point

$(-1, 2)$ . Find the values of  $m$  and  $c$ .

Ans.

The given equation of line is  $y = mx + c$ .

It is given that the perpendicular from the origin meets the given line at  $(-1, 2)$ .

Therefore, the line joining the points  $(0, 0)$  and  $(-1, 2)$  is perpendicular to the given line.

$$\therefore \text{Slope of the line joining } (0, 0) \text{ and } (-1, 2) = \frac{2}{-1} = -2$$

The slope of the given line is  $m$ .

$$\therefore m \times -2 = -1 \quad \left[ \text{The two lines are perpendicular} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{1}{2}$$

Since point  $(-1, 2)$  lies on the given line, it satisfies the equation  $y = mx + c$ .

$$\therefore 2 = m(-1) + c$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = \frac{1}{2}(-1) + c$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 2 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{2}$$

Thus, the respective values of  $m$  and  $c$  are  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{5}{2}$ .

#### Question-16

If  $p$  and  $q$  are the lengths of perpendiculars from the origin to the lines  $x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta = k \cos 2\theta$  and  $x \sec \theta + y \operatorname{cosec} \theta = k$ , respectively, prove that  $p^2 + 4q^2 = k^2$ .

Ans.

The equations of given lines are

$$x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta = k \cos 2\theta \dots (1)$$

$$x \sec \theta + y \operatorname{cosec} \theta = k \dots (2)$$

The perpendicular distance ( $d$ ) of a line  $Ax + By + C = 0$  from a point  $(x_1, y_1)$  is

$$\text{given by } d = \frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}.$$

On comparing equation (1) to the general equation of line i.e.,  $Ax + By + C = 0$ , we obtain  $A = \cos \theta$ ,  $B = -\sin \theta$ , and  $C = -k \cos 2\theta$ .

It is given that  $p$  is the length of the perpendicular from  $(0, 0)$  to line (1).

$$\therefore p = \frac{|A(0) + B(0) + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}} = \frac{|C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}} = \frac{|-k \cos 2\theta|}{\sqrt{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta}} = |-k \cos 2\theta| \quad \dots (3)$$

On comparing equation (2) to the general equation of line i.e.,  $Ax + By + C = 0$ , we obtain  $A = \sec \theta$ ,  $B = \operatorname{cosec} \theta$ , and  $C = -k$ .

It is given that  $q$  is the length of the perpendicular from  $(0, 0)$  to line (2).

$$\therefore q = \frac{|A(0) + B(0) + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}} = \frac{|C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}} = \frac{|-k|}{\sqrt{\sec^2 \theta + \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}} \quad \dots(4)$$

From (3) and (4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} p^2 + 4q^2 &= (|-k \cos 2\theta|)^2 + 4 \left( \frac{|-k|}{\sqrt{\sec^2 \theta + \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}} \right)^2 \\ &= k^2 \cos^2 2\theta + \frac{4k^2}{(\sec^2 \theta + \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta)} \\ &= k^2 \cos^2 2\theta + \frac{4k^2}{\left( \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta} + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \right)} \\ &= k^2 \cos^2 2\theta + \frac{4k^2}{\left( \frac{\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta} \right)} \\ &= k^2 \cos^2 2\theta + \frac{4k^2}{\left( \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta} \right)} \\ &= k^2 \cos^2 2\theta + 4k^2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta \\ &= k^2 \cos^2 2\theta + k^2 (2 \sin \theta \cos \theta)^2 \\ &= k^2 \cos^2 2\theta + k^2 \sin^2 2\theta \\ &= k^2 (\cos^2 2\theta + \sin^2 2\theta) \\ &= k^2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we proved that  $p^2 + 4q^2 = k^2$ .

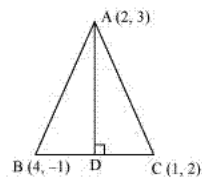
#### Question-17

In the triangle ABC with vertices A (2, 3), B (4, -1) and C (1, 2), find the equation and length of altitude from the vertex A.

Ans.

Let AD be the altitude of triangle ABC from vertex A.

Accordingly,  $AD \perp BC$



The equation of the line passing through point (2, 3) and having a slope of 1 is

$$(y - 3) = 1(x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow x - y + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y - x = 1$$

Therefore, equation of the altitude from vertex A =  $y - x = 1$ .

Length of AD = Length of the perpendicular from A (2, 3) to BC

The equation of BC is

$$\begin{aligned}
 (y+1) &= \frac{2+1}{1-4}(x-4) \\
 \Rightarrow (y+1) &= -1(x-4) \\
 \Rightarrow y+1 &= -x+4 \\
 \Rightarrow x+y-3 &= 0 \quad \dots(1)
 \end{aligned}$$

The perpendicular distance ( $d$ ) of a line  $Ax + By + C = 0$  from a point  $(x_1, y_1)$  is given by  $d = \frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$ .

On comparing equation (1) to the general equation of line  $Ax + By + C = 0$ , we obtain  $A = 1$ ,  $B = 1$ , and  $C = -3$ .

$$\therefore \text{Length of AD} = \frac{|1 \times 2 + 1 \times 3 - 3|}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2}} \text{ units} = \frac{|2|}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ units} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ units} = \sqrt{2} \text{ units}$$

Thus, the equation and the length of the altitude from vertex A are  $y - x = 1$  and  $\sqrt{2}$  units respectively.

#### Question-18

If  $p$  is the length of perpendicular from the origin to the line whose intercepts on the axes are  $a$  and  $b$ , then show that  $\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}$ .

Ans.

It is known that the equation of a line whose intercepts on the axes are  $a$  and  $b$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} &= 1 \\
 \text{or } bx + ay &= ab \\
 \text{or } bx + ay - ab &= 0 \quad \dots(1)
 \end{aligned}$$

The perpendicular distance ( $d$ ) of a line  $Ax + By + C = 0$  from a point  $(x_1, y_1)$  is given by  $d = \frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$ .

On comparing equation (1) to the general equation of line  $Ax + By + C = 0$ , we obtain  $A = b$ ,  $B = a$ , and  $C = -ab$ .

Therefore, if  $p$  is the length of the perpendicular from point  $(x_1, y_1) = (0, 0)$  to line (1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 p &= \frac{|A(0) + B(0) - ab|}{\sqrt{b^2 + a^2}} \\
 \Rightarrow p &= \frac{|-ab|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

On squaring both sides, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 p^2 &= \frac{(-ab)^2}{a^2 + b^2} \\
 \Rightarrow p^2 (a^2 + b^2) &= a^2 b^2 \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2 b^2} &= \frac{1}{p^2} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{p^2} &= \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we showed that  $\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}$ .

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