



Co-Ordinate Geometry Ex 14.3 Q29

Answer :

We have to find the lengths of the medians of a triangle whose co-ordinates of the vertices are A (5, 1); B (1, 5) and C (-3, -1).

So we should find the mid-points of the sides of the triangle.

In general to find the mid-point $P(x, y)$ of two points $A(x_1, y_1)$ and $B(x_2, y_2)$ we use section formula as,

$$P(x, y) = \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$$

Therefore mid-point P of side AB can be written as,

$$P(x, y) = \left(\frac{5+1}{2}, \frac{1+5}{2} \right)$$

Now equate the individual terms to get,

$$x = 3$$

$$y = 3$$

So co-ordinates of P is (3, 3)

Similarly mid-point Q of side BC can be written as,

$$Q(x, y) = \left(\frac{1-3}{2}, \frac{5-1}{2} \right)$$

Now equate the individual terms to get,

$$x = -1$$

$$y = 2$$

So co-ordinates of Q is $(-1, 2)$

Similarly mid-point R of side AC can be written as,

$$R(x, y) = \left(\frac{5-3}{2}, \frac{1-1}{2} \right)$$

Now equate the individual terms to get,

$$x = 1$$

$$y = 0$$

So co-ordinates of R is $(1, 0)$

Therefore length of median from A to the side BC is,

$$\begin{aligned} AQ &= \sqrt{(5+1)^2 + (1-2)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{36+1} \\ &= \boxed{\sqrt{37}} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly length of median from B to the side AC is,

$$\begin{aligned} BR &= \sqrt{(1-1)^2 + (5-0)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{25} \\ &= \boxed{5} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly length of median from C to the side AB is

$$\begin{aligned} CP &= \sqrt{(-3-3)^2 + (-1-3)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{36+16} \\ &= \boxed{2\sqrt{13}} \end{aligned}$$

Co-Ordinate Geometry Ex 14.3 Q30

Answer :

The co-ordinates of the midpoint (x_m, y_m) between two points (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is given by,

$$(x_m, y_m) = \left(\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} \right), \left(\frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right) \right)$$

Here we are supposed to find the points which divide the line joining $A(-4,0)$ and $B(0,6)$ into 4 equal parts.

We shall first find the midpoint $M(x, y)$ of these two points since this point will divide the line into two equal parts

$$(x_m, y_m) = \left(\left(\frac{-4+0}{2} \right), \left(\frac{0+6}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$(x_m, y_m) = (-2, 3)$$

So the point $M(-2,3)$ splits this line into two equal parts.

Now, we need to find the midpoint of $A(-4,0)$ and $M(-2,3)$ separately and the midpoint of $B(0,6)$ and $M(-2,3)$. These two points along with $M(-2,3)$ split the line joining the original two points into four equal parts.

Let $M_1(e, d)$ be the midpoint of $A(-4,0)$ and $M(-2,3)$.

$$(e, d) = \left(\left(\frac{-4-2}{2} \right), \left(\frac{0+3}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$(e, d) = \left(-3, \frac{3}{2} \right)$$

Now let $M_2(g, h)$ be the midpoint of $B(0, 6)$ and $M(-2, 3)$.

$$(g, h) = \left(\left(\frac{0-2}{2} \right), \left(\frac{6+3}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$(g, h) = \left(-1, \frac{9}{2} \right)$$

Hence the co-ordinates of the points which divide the line joining the two given points are

$$\left(-3, \frac{3}{2} \right), (-2, 3) \text{ and } \left(-1, \frac{9}{2} \right).$$

Co-Ordinate Geometry Ex 14.3 Q31

Answer :

We have two points A (5, 7) and B (3, 9) which form a line segment and similarly C (8, 6) and D (0, 10) form another line segment.

We have to prove that mid-point of AB is also the mid-point of CD.

In general to find the mid-point $P(x, y)$ of two points $A(x_1, y_1)$ and $B(x_2, y_2)$ we use section formula as,

$$P(x, y) = \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$$

Therefore mid-point P of line segment AB can be written as,

$$P(x, y) = \left(\frac{5+3}{2}, \frac{7+9}{2} \right)$$

Now equate the individual terms to get,

$$x = 4$$

$$y = 8$$

So co-ordinates of P is (4, 8)

Similarly mid-point Q of side CD can be written as,

$$Q(x, y) = \left(\frac{8+0}{2}, \frac{6+10}{2} \right)$$

Now equate the individual terms to get,

$$x = 4$$

$$y = 8$$

So co-ordinates of Q is (4, 8)

Hence the point P and Q coincides.

Thus mid-point of AB is also the mid-point of CD.

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