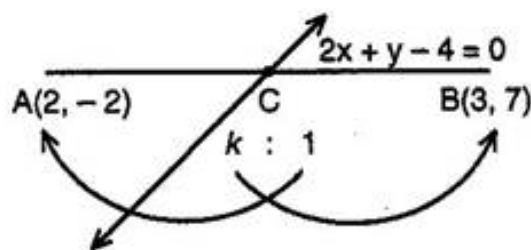




NCERT Solutions For Class 10 Chapter 7 Coordinate Geometry  
Exercise 7.4

**1.** Determine the ratio in which the line  $2x + y - 4 = 0$  divides the line segment joining the points  $A(2, -2)$  and  $B(3, 7)$ .

**Ans.** Let the line  $2x + y - 4 = 0$  divides the line segment joining  $A(2, -2)$  and  $B(3, 7)$  in the ratio  $k:1$  at point  $C$ . Then, the coordinates of  $C$  are  $\left(\frac{3k+2}{k+1}, \frac{7k-2}{k+1}\right)$ .



But  $C$  lies on  $2x + y - 4 = 0$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned} 2\left(\frac{3k+2}{k+1}\right) + \left(\frac{7k-2}{k+1}\right) - 4 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 6k + 4 + 7k - 2 - 4k - 4 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 9k - 2 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow k &= \frac{2}{9} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the required ratio is  $2:9$  internally.

**2.** Find a relation between  $x$  and  $y$  if the points  $(x, y)$ ,  $(1, 2)$  and  $(7, 0)$  are collinear.

**Ans.** The points  $A(x, y)$ ,  $B(1, 2)$  and  $C(7, 0)$  will be collinear if

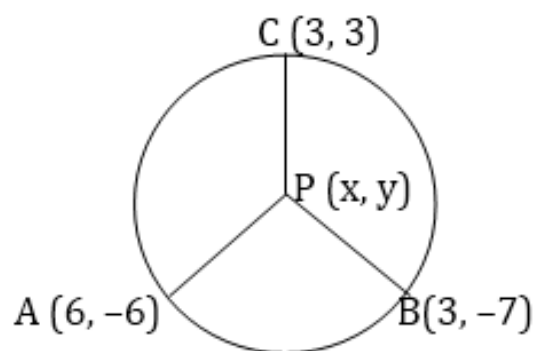
Area of triangle = 0

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} [x(2-0) + 1(0-y) + 7(y-2)] &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2x - y + 7y - 14 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2x + 6y - 14 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x + 3y - 7 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

3. Find the centre of a circle passing through the points  $(6, -6)$ ,  $(3, -7)$  and  $(3, 3)$ .

**Ans.** Let  $P(x, y)$ , be the centre of the circle passing through the points  $A(6, -6)$ ,  $B(3, -7)$  and  $C(3, 3)$ . Then  $AP = BP = CP$ .

Taking  $AP = BP$



$$\Rightarrow AP^2 = BP^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-6)^2 + (y+6)^2 = (x-3)^2 + (y+7)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$x^2 - 12x + 36 + y^2 + 12y + 36 = x^2 - 6x + 9 + y^2 + 14y + 49$$

$$\Rightarrow -12x + 6x + 12y - 14y + 72 - 58 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -6x - 2y + 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x + y - 7 = 0 \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

Again, taking  $BP = CP$

$$\Rightarrow BP^2 = CP^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)^2 + (y+7)^2 = (x-3)^2 + (y-3)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 + y^2 + 14y + 49 = x^2 - 6x + 9 + y^2 - 6y + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow -6x + 6x + 14y + 6y + 58 - 18 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 20y + 40 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -2$$

Putting the value of  $y$  in eq. (i),

$$3x + y - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3$$

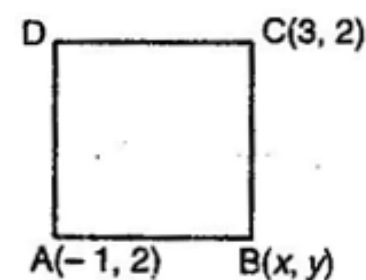
Hence, the centre of the circle is  $(3, -2)$ .

4. The two opposite vertices of a square are  $(-1, 2)$  and  $(3, 2)$ . Find the coordinates of the other two vertices.

**Ans.** Let ABCD be a square and  $B(x, y)$  be the unknown vertex.

$$AB = BC$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = BC^2$$



$$\Rightarrow (x+1)^2 + (y-2)^2 = (x-3)^2 + (y-2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x+1 = -6x+9$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ .....(i)}$$

$$\text{In } \triangle ABC, AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2x - 4y - 6x - 4y + 1 + 4 + 9 + 4 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 2y^2 - 4x - 8y + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 4y + 1 = 0 \text{ .....(ii)}$$

Putting the value of  $x$  in eq. (ii),

$$1 + y^2 - 2 - 4y + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 4y = 0$$

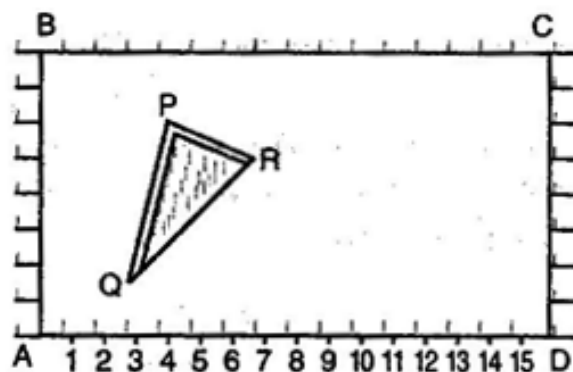
$$\Rightarrow y(y-4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 0 \text{ or } 4$$

Hence, the required vertices of the square are  $(1, 0)$  and  $(1, 4)$ .

5. The class X students of a secondary school in Krishinagar have been allotted a rectangular plot of land for their gardening activity. Saplings of Gulmohar are planted on the boundary at a

distance of 1 m from each other. There is a triangular grassy lawn in the plot as shown in the figure. The students are to sow seeds of flowering plants on the remaining area of the plot.



(i) Taking A as origin, find the coordinates of the vertices of the triangle.

(ii) What will be the coordinates of the vertices of  $\Delta PQR$  if C is the origin? Also calculate the area of the triangle in these cases. What do you observe?

**Ans. (i)** Taking A as the origin, AD and AB as the coordinate axes. Clearly, the points P, Q and R are (4, 6), (3, 2) and (6, 5) respectively.

**(ii)** Taking C as the origin, CB and CD as the coordinate axes. Clearly, the points P, Q and R are given by (12, 2), (13, 6) and (10, 3) respectively.

We know that the area of the triangle =

$$\frac{1}{2} [x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1) + x_3(y_1 - y_2)]$$

$\therefore$  Area of  $\Delta PQR$  (First case) =

$$\frac{1}{2} [4(2 - 5) + 3(5 - 6) + 6(6 - 2)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [4(-3) + 3(-1) + 6(4)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [-12 - 3 + 24] = \frac{9}{2} \text{ sq. units}$$

And Area of  $\Delta PQR$  (Second case) =

$$\frac{1}{2} [12(6 - 3) + 13(3 - 2) + 10(2 - 6)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [12(3) + 13(1) + 10(-4)]$$

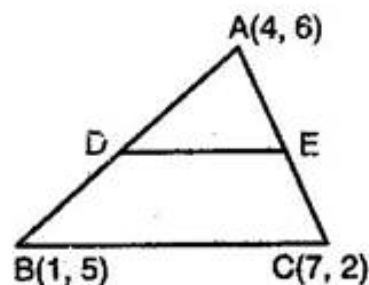
$$= \frac{1}{2} [36 + 13 - 40] = \frac{9}{2} \text{ sq. units}$$

Hence, the areas are same in both the cases.

**6.** The vertices of a  $\triangle ABC$  are A (4, 6), B (1, 5) and C (7, 2). A line is drawn to intersect sides AB and AC at D and E respectively such that

$\frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{AE}{AC} = \frac{1}{4}$ . Calculate the area of the  $\triangle ADE$  and compare it with the area of  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Ans.** Since,  $\frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{AE}{AC} = \frac{1}{4}$



$\therefore DE \parallel BC$  [By Thales theorem]

$\therefore \triangle ADE \sim \triangle ABC$

$$\frac{\text{Area}(\triangle ADE)}{\text{Area}(\triangle ABC)} = \frac{AD^2}{AB^2}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{AD}{AB}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{16} \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

Now, Area ( $\triangle ABC$ ) =

$$\frac{1}{2} [4(5-2) + 1(2-6) + 7(6-5)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [12 - 4 + 7] = \frac{15}{2} \text{ sq. units} \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

From eq. (i) and (ii),

$$\text{Area}(\triangle ADE) = \frac{1}{16} \times \text{Area}(\triangle ABC) =$$

$$\frac{1}{16} \times \frac{15}{2} = \frac{15}{32} \text{ sq. units}$$

$\therefore \text{Area}(\triangle ADE) : \text{Area}(\triangle ABC) = 1 : 16$

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