



Co-Ordinate Geometry Ex 14.5 Q8

Answer :

GIVEN: The area of triangle is 5. Two of its vertices are (2, 1) and (3, -2). The third vertex lies on $y = x+3$

TO FIND: The third vertex.

PROOF: Let the third vertex be (x, y)

We know area of triangle formed by three points $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$ and (x_3, y_3) is given by

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} |x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1) + x_3(y_1 - y_2)|$$

Now

Taking three points (x, y), (2, 1) and (3, -2)

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} |(x - 4 + 3y) - (2y + 3 - 2x)|$$

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} |3x + y - 7|$$

$$5 = \frac{1}{2} |3x + y - 7|$$

$$\pm 10 = 3x + y - 7$$

$$10 = 3x + y - 7 \quad \text{or} \quad -10 = 3x + y - 7$$

$$0 = 3x + y - 17 \quad \dots\dots(1) \quad \text{or} \quad 0 = 3x + y + 3 \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

Also it is given the third vertex lies on $y = x+3$

Substituting the value in equation (1) and (2) we get

$$\pm 10 = 3x + y - 7$$

$$10 = 3x + y - 7$$

$$0 = 3x + y - 17 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

$$0 = 3x + (x + 3) - 17$$

$$x = \frac{7}{2}$$

Again substituting the value of x in equation 1 we get

$$0 = 3x + y - 17 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

$$0 = 3\left(\frac{7}{2}\right) + y - 17$$

$$y = \frac{13}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence} \left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{13}{2}\right)$$

Similarly

$$-10 = 3x + y - 7$$

$$0 = 3x + y + 3 \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

$$0 = 3x + (x + 3)$$

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

Again substituting the value of x in equation 2 we get

$$0 = 3x + y + 3 \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

$$0 = 3\left(\frac{-3}{2}\right) + y + 3$$

$$y = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence} \left(\frac{-3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right)$$

Hence the coordinates of $\left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{13}{2}\right)$ and $\left(\frac{-3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right)$

Answer :

GIVEN: If $a \neq b \neq c$

TO PROVE: that the points $(a, a^2), (b, b^2), (c, c^2)$, can never be collinear.

PROOF:

We know three points $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$ and (x_3, y_3) are collinear when

$$\frac{1}{2} \|x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1) + x_3(y_1 - y_2)\| = 0$$

Now taking three points $(a, a^2), (b, b^2), (c, c^2)$,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area} &= \frac{1}{2} \|a(b^2 - c^2) + b(c^2 - a^2) + c(a^2 - b^2)\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|ab^2 - ac^2 + bc^2 - ba^2 + ca^2 - cb^2\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|(a^2c - a^2b) + (ab^2 - ac^2) + (bc^2 - b^2c)\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|(-a^2(b - c)) + (a(b^2 - c^2)) - (bc(b - c))\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|(b - c)(-a^2) + (a(b + c)) - bc\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|(b - c)(-a^2) + ab + ac - bc\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|(b - c)(-a)(a - b) + c(a - b)\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|(b - c)(a - b)(c - a)\|\end{aligned}$$

Also it is given that

$a \neq b \neq c$

Hence area of triangle made by these points is never zero. Hence given points are never collinear.

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