VECTORS

$1 \quad 12^{th} \text{ Maths}$ - EXERCISE-10.3

1. Find $|\overrightarrow{a}|$ and $|\overrightarrow{b}|$, if $(\overrightarrow{a} + \overrightarrow{b}) \cdot (\overrightarrow{a} - \overrightarrow{b}) = 8$ and $\overrightarrow{a} = 8 |\overrightarrow{b}|$.

Solution: Given points are

$$(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})^{\top} (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}) = 8 \tag{1}$$

$$|\mathbf{a}| = 8|\mathbf{b}|\tag{2}$$

$$(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})^{\top} (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}) = 8 \tag{3}$$

$$\mathbf{a}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{a}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{b}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{b} = 8 \tag{4}$$

$$(|\mathbf{a}|)^2 - (|\mathbf{b}|)^2 = 8 \tag{5}$$

$$(|8\mathbf{b}|)^2 - (|\mathbf{b}|)^2 = 8 \tag{6}$$

$$64\mathbf{b}^2 - \mathbf{b}^2 = 8 \tag{7}$$

$$63\mathbf{b}^2 = 8\tag{8}$$

$$\mathbf{b}^2 = \frac{8}{63} \tag{9}$$

$$|\mathbf{b}| = \sqrt{\frac{8}{63}} \tag{10}$$

$$|\mathbf{b}| = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3\sqrt{7}}\tag{11}$$

$$|\mathbf{a}| = 8 \, |\mathbf{b}| \tag{12}$$

$$|\mathbf{a}| = 8.\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3\sqrt{7}}\tag{13}$$

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \frac{16\sqrt{2}}{3\sqrt{7}}\tag{14}$$