

Step-1

The area of triangle with corners $(0,0)$, $(6,0)$ and $(1,4)$ is

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} [6(4) - 0]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (24)$$

$$= 12 \text{ sq.units}$$

Step-2

When the axes are rotated by $\theta = 60^\circ$

The rotation matrix has determinant=1

$$\begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{vmatrix}$$

Since

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$

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

$$= 1$$

Step-3

The new coordinates of the corners of the triangle are

$$(6 \cos 60^\circ, -6 \sin 60^\circ), (\cos 60^\circ + 4 \sin 60^\circ, -\sin 60^\circ + 4 \cos 60^\circ)$$

$$= \left(6 \cdot \frac{1}{2}, -6 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right), \left(\frac{1}{2} + 4 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right), -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right)$$

$$= (3, -3\sqrt{3}), \left(\frac{1+4\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{4-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$

Step-4

Area of triangle with new coordinates is

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \left| \begin{array}{cc} 3 & -3\sqrt{3} \\ \frac{1+4\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{4-\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{array} \right|$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{12 - 3\sqrt{3} - (-3\sqrt{3} - 36)}{2} \right]$$

Step-5

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{12 + 36}{2} \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} (24)$$

$$\boxed{= 12 \text{ sq.units}}$$

So, by rotating the axes by 60° the area of the triangle is unaltered.