

COORDINATE GEOMETRY(III)

Form 6

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Part 4 – Shortest/farthest distance

1. Denote the centre of C by G .

Note that the coordinates of G are $(8,5)$.

Let $Q\left(q, -\frac{13q+115}{10}\right)$ be the point lying on L such that GQ is perpendicular to L .

$$\text{Slope of } GQ = (-1) \times \left(-\frac{10}{13}\right) = \frac{10}{13}$$

So, we have

$$\frac{5 + \frac{13q+115}{10}}{q-8} = -\frac{10}{13}$$

$$q = -5$$

$$\therefore Q(-5, -5)$$

Note that the distance from P to L attains its minimum as G , P and Q are collinear.

$$\text{The radius of } C = \sqrt{8^2 + 5^2 + \left(\frac{64}{2}\right)} = 11$$

$$\text{The distance between } G \text{ and } Q = \sqrt{(-5-8)^2 + (-5-5)^2} = \sqrt{269}$$

Therefore, the required distance is $\sqrt{269} - 11$.

Alternatively,

The coordinates of the centre of C are $(8,5)$.

$$\text{The radius of } C = \sqrt{8^2 + 5^2 + \left(\frac{64}{2}\right)} = 11$$

By the shortest distance formula, we have

Shortest distance from the centre of C to L

$$= \left| \frac{13(8) + 10(5) + 115}{\sqrt{13^2 + 10^2}} \right|$$

$$= \sqrt{269}$$

Therefore, the required distance is $\sqrt{269} - 11$.

$$2. \quad (a) \quad \text{Slope of } PQ = \frac{-18+8}{12-14} = 5$$

$$\text{Slope of } QR = \frac{-16+18}{2-12} = -\frac{1}{5}$$

$$\therefore \text{Slope of } PQ \times \text{Slope of } QR = 5 \times \left(-\frac{1}{5}\right) = -1$$

$$\therefore PQ \perp QR$$

Since $\angle PQR = 90^\circ$, G lies on PR .

$$\text{Thus, the coordinates of } G = \left(\frac{14+2}{2}, \frac{-8-16}{2}\right) = (8, -12)$$

(b) (i) Note that RA is perpendicular to L .

$$\text{Slope of } RA = (-1) \times \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Let the coordinates of } A \text{ be } \left(a, -\frac{3a+52}{2}\right).$$

$$\frac{-12 + \frac{3a+52}{2}}{8-a} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$a = -4$$

So, the coordinates of A are $(-4, -20)$.

The distance between A and R

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sqrt{(-4-2)^2 + (-20+16)^2} \\ &= 2\sqrt{13} \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{Slope of } PA = \frac{-8+12}{14-8} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\therefore \text{Slope of } PA = \text{Slope of } RA$$

So, A , R and P are collinear.

Note that G lies on PR .

Thus, A , R , G and P are collinear.

$$(iii) \quad \text{The radius of } C = \sqrt{(8-14)^2 + (-12+8)^2} = 2\sqrt{13}$$

$$\text{The distance between } A \text{ and } G = 2\sqrt{13} + 2\sqrt{13} = 4\sqrt{13}$$

$$\text{The distance between } P \text{ and } G = 2\sqrt{13}$$

The required ratio

$$= AG : PG$$

$$= 4\sqrt{13} : 2\sqrt{13}$$

$$= 2 : 1$$

Part 5A – 4 centre questions

1.

	Centre	Triangle	Inside triangle	On triangle	Outside triangle
(a)	Incentre	Obtuse-angled triangle	✓		
(b)	Circumcentre	Right-angled triangle		✓	
(c)	Orthocentre	Acute-angled triangle	✓		
(d)	Centroid	Obtuse-angled triangle	✓		
(e)	Orthocentre	Right-angled triangle		✓	
(f)	Circumcentre	Obtuse-angled triangle			✓
(g)	Centroid	Acute-angled triangle	✓		
(h)	Orthocentre	Obtuse-angled triangle			✓

2. (a) True
 (b) True
 (c) True
 (d) True
 (e) True
 (f) True

3. Note that OA is vertical.

The horizontal line $y=1$ passes through the orthocentre of $\triangle OAB$.

Let the coordinates of the orthocentre of $\triangle OAB$ be $H(h,1)$.

$$\text{Slope of } AH = \frac{3-1}{0-h} = -\frac{2}{h}$$

$$\text{Slope of } OB = \frac{1-0}{4-0} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Note that the line passing through A and H is perpendicular to OB .

$$-\frac{2}{h} \times \frac{1}{4} = -1$$

$$h = \frac{1}{2}$$

Thus, the coordinates of the orthocentre of $\triangle OAB$ are $\left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$.

4. (a) The coordinates of C are $(4, -5)$.
 (b) Note that AC is vertical.
 The horizontal line $y = 7$ passes through K .
 Let the coordinates of K be $(k, 7)$.

$$\text{Slope of } BC = \frac{-5-7}{4-16} = 1$$

Note that the line passing through A and K is perpendicular to BC .

$$\frac{7-9}{k-4} = -1$$

$$k = 6$$

Thus, the coordinates of K are $(6, 7)$.

5. (a)
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{4}(x^2 - 16x) + 10$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}(x^2 - 16x + 8^2 - 8^2) + 10$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}(x-8)^2 - 6$$

Thus, the coordinates of A are $(8, -6)$.

- (b) The coordinates of B are $(8, -6+k)$.
 (c) The coordinates of C are $(0, 10)$.

Note that AB is vertical.

The horizontal line $y = 10$ passes through P .

Let the coordinates of P be $(h, 10)$.

Note that the line passing through A and P is perpendicular to BC .

$$\frac{10+6}{h-8} \times \frac{10+6-k}{0-8} = -1$$

$$h = 40 - 2k$$

Putting $x = 40 - 2k$, $y = 10$ in $y = f(x) + k$, we have

$$10 = \frac{1}{4}(40 - 2k - 8)^2 - 6 + k$$

$$k^2 - 31k + 240 = 0$$

$$k = 15 \text{ or } k = 16$$

So, P lies on $y = f(x) + k$ for $k = 15$ or $k = 16$.

The claim is agreed.

6. The coordinates of C are $(a, -a-8)$.

Since A lies on the line $x+3y-b=0$, we have

$$a+3a-b=0$$

$$b=4a$$

So, the coordinates of B are $(4a, 0)$.

Since B is the orthocentre of $\triangle ABC$, we have $AB \perp BC$.

$$\left(\frac{0-a}{4a-a}\right) \times \left(\frac{-a-8-0}{a-4a}\right) = -1$$

$$a=1$$

The perpendicular distance from B to $AC = 4(1)-1=3$.

$$AC = 1 - (-1-8) = 10$$

The area of $\triangle ABC$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(10)(3) = 15$$

7. Note that $\angle AOB = 90^\circ$.

The circumcentre of $\triangle OAB$ lies on AB .

The coordinates of the circumcentre of $\triangle OAB$

$$= \left(\frac{0+20}{2}, \frac{-8+0}{2}\right)$$

$$= (10, -4)$$

8. Let the coordinates of the circumcentre of $\triangle ABC$ be $G(h, k)$.

Note that $GA = GB = GC$. So, we have

$$\begin{cases} (h-2)^2 + (k-5)^2 = (h-8)^2 + (k-11)^2 \\ (h-2)^2 + (k-5)^2 = (h+4)^2 + (k-1)^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} 12h + 12k - 156 = 0 \\ 12h + 8k - 12 = 0 \end{cases}$$

By solving, we have $h = -23, k = 36$.

Thus, the coordinates of the circumcentre of $\triangle ABC$ are $(-23, 36)$.

9. Note that AC is horizontal.

The circumcentre of $\triangle ABC$ lies on the vertical line $x = -4$.

Let the coordinates of the circumcentre of $\triangle ABC$ be $(-4, k)$.

$$(-1+4)^2 + (10-k)^2 = (5+4)^2 + (-2-k)^2$$

$$24k - 24 = 0$$

$$k = 1$$

Thus, the coordinates of the circumcentre of $\triangle ABC$ are $(-4, 1)$

10. The equation of the perpendicular bisector of AB is

$$(x-2)^2 + (y-3)^2 = (x-5)^2 + (y-7)^2$$

$$6x + 8y - 61 = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} 6x + 8y - 61 = 0 \\ 5x + y - 3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

By solving, we have $x = -\frac{37}{34}$, $y = \frac{287}{34}$

So, the coordinates of the circumcentre of $\triangle ABC$ are $\left(-\frac{37}{34}, \frac{287}{34}\right)$.

The equation of the locus of C is

$$\left(x + \frac{37}{34}\right)^2 + \left(y - \frac{287}{34}\right)^2 = \left(-\frac{37}{34} - 2\right)^2 + \left(\frac{287}{34} - 3\right)^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + \frac{37}{17}x - \frac{287}{17}y + \frac{566}{17} = 0$$

$$17x^2 + 17y^2 + 37x - 287y + 566 = 0$$

11. Since A lies on $y = \frac{1}{2}x$, we have $a = 2k$.

Since B lies on $y = -\frac{4}{5}x$, we have $b = -\frac{5}{4}k$.

Note that AB is horizontal.

The circumcentre of $\triangle OAB$ lies on the vertical line $x = \frac{3}{8}k$.

Let the coordinates of the circumcentre of $\triangle OAB$ be $K\left(\frac{3}{8}k, c\right)$.

Putting $x = \frac{3}{8}k$, $y = c$ in $6x - 7y + h = 0$, we have

$$6\left(\frac{3}{8}k\right) - 7c + h = 0$$

$$c = \frac{9}{28}k + \frac{1}{7}h$$

Note that $KA = KO$.

$$\left(\frac{3}{8}k - 2k\right)^2 + \left(\frac{9}{28}k + \frac{1}{7}h - k\right)^2 = \left(\frac{3}{8}k - 0\right)^2 + \left(\frac{9}{28}k + \frac{1}{7}h - 0\right)^2$$

$$\frac{20}{7}k^2 - \frac{2}{7}kh = 0$$

Since $k \neq 0$, we have $10k - h = 0$.

Thus, we have $h:k = 10:1$.

12. Slope of $AB = (-1) \times (1) = -1$

The equation of AB is

$$y + 5 = -(x + 5)$$

$$y = -x - 10$$

$$\begin{cases} y = -x - 10 \\ x - y + 10 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solving, we have $x = -10, y = 0$.

So, the coordinates of the mid-point of AB are $(-10, 0)$.

Thus, the coordinates of B are $(-15, 5)$.

$$\text{Slope of } BC = (-1) \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{3}$$

The equation of BC is

$$y - 5 = -\frac{1}{3}(x + 15)$$

$$x = -3y$$

$$\begin{cases} x = -3y \\ 3x - y + 10 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solving, we have $x = -3, y = 1$.

So, the coordinates of the mid-point of BC are $(-3, 1)$.

Thus, the coordinates of C are $(9, -3)$.

$$\text{Slope of } AC = \frac{-3 + 5}{9 + 5} = \frac{1}{7}$$

The coordinates of the mid-point of AC are $(2, -4)$.

Therefore, the equation of the perpendicular bisector of AC is

$$y + 4 = -7(x - 2)$$

$$7x + y - 10 = 0$$

13. Note that $A(12,0)$ and $B(0,8)$.

Let the coordinates of the circumcentre of $\triangle ABC$ be $(4,k)$.

$$(12-4)^2 + (0-k)^2 = (0-4)^2 + (8-k)^2$$

$$k = 1$$

So, the coordinates of the circumcentre of $\triangle ABC$ are $(4,1)$.

Let the coordinates of C be $\left(c, \frac{11c+24}{3}\right)$.

$$(c-4)^2 + \left(\frac{11c+24}{3}-1\right)^2 = (0-4)^2 + (8-1)^2$$

$$\frac{130}{9}c^2 + \frac{130}{3}c = 0$$

$$c(c+3) = 0$$

$$c = 0(\text{rej.}) \text{ or } c = -3$$

Thus, the coordinates of C are $(-3,-3)$.