

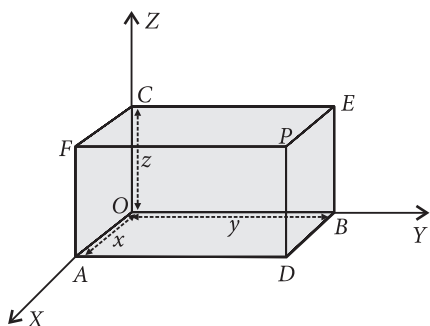
# Introduction to Three Dimensional Geometry

## OBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTIONS



### Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)

1. In the given figure, if  $P$  is  $(2, 4, 5)$ , then find the coordinates of  $F$ .



- (a)  $(2, 4, 5)$  (b)  $(4, 0, 5)$   
(c)  $(2, 0, 5)$  (d)  $(4, 2, 5)$

2. Find the octant in which the points  $(-3, 1, 2)$  and  $(-3, 1, -2)$  lie respectively.

- (a) second, fourth (b) sixth, second  
(c) fifth, sixth (d) second, sixth

3. Let  $L, M, N$  be the feet of the perpendiculars drawn from a point  $P(7, 9, 4)$  on the  $x, y$  and  $z$ -axes respectively. Find the coordinates of  $L, M$  and  $N$  respectively.

- (a)  $(7, 0, 0), (0, 9, 0), (0, 0, 4)$   
(b)  $(7, 0, 0), (0, 0, 9), (0, 4, 0)$   
(c)  $(0, 7, 0), (0, 0, 9), (4, 0, 0)$   
(d)  $(0, 0, 7), (0, 9, 0), (4, 0, 0)$

4. Let  $A, B, C$  be the feet of the perpendicular segments drawn from a point  $P(3, 4, 5)$  on the  $xy, yz$  and  $zx$ -planes, respectively. What are the coordinates of  $A, B$  and  $C$ ?

- (a)  $(3, 4, 0), (0, 4, 4), (3, 0, 5)$   
(b)  $(3, 0, 4), (4, 5, 0), (3, 5, 0)$   
(c)  $(3, 5, 0), (0, 5, 4), (0, 3, 4)$   
(d)  $(3, 4, 0), (0, 4, 5), (3, 0, 5)$

5. What is the perpendicular distance of the point  $P(6, 7, 8)$  from  $xy$ -plane?

- (a) 8 units (b) 7 units  
(c) 6 units (d) 5 units

6. Let  $A, B, C$  be the feet of the perpendicular segments drawn from a point  $P(3, 4, 5)$  on the  $xy, yz$  and  $zx$ -planes, respectively. The distance of the points  $A, B, C$  from the point  $P$  (in units) respectively are

- (a) 5, 2, 4 (b) 3, 4, 5  
(c) 5, 3, 4 (d) 3, 5, 4

7. Find the distance between the points  $P(1, -3, 4)$  and  $Q(-4, 1, 2)$ .

- (a)  $\sqrt{5}$  units (b)  $5\sqrt{3}$  units  
(c)  $3\sqrt{5}$  units (d)  $2\sqrt{2}$  units

8. Find the equation of set of points  $P$  such that  $PA^2 + PB^2 = 2k^2$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are the points  $(3, 4, 5)$  and  $(-1, 3, -7)$ , respectively.

- (a)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 4x - 14y + 4z = 2k^2 - 109$   
(b)  $2x^2 + 2y^2 - 2z^2 - 4x - 14y - 4z = 2k^2 + 109$   
(c)  $2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 - 4x - 14y + 4z = 2k^2 - 109$   
(d) None of these

9. Find the equation of the set of the points  $P$  such that its distances from the points  $A(3, 4, -5)$  and  $B(-2, 1, 4)$  are equal.

- (a)  $10x + 6y - 18z - 29 = 0$   
(b)  $10x + 18y - 6z - 29 = 0$   
(c)  $5x + 3y - 9z - 29 = 0$   
(d)  $10x + 6y - 18z - 45 = 0$

10. Find the coordinates of a point which is equidistant from the four points  $O(0, 0, 0), A(l, 0, 0), B(0, m, 0)$  and  $C(0, 0, n)$ .

- (a)  $(l, m, n)$  (b)  $\left(\frac{l}{2}, \frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2}\right)$   
(c)  $\left(\frac{l}{2}, m, \frac{n}{2}\right)$  (d)  $(2l, 2m, 2n)$

11. Find the coordinates of the point which divides the line segment joining the points  $(1, -2, 3)$  and  $(3, 4, -5)$  in the ratio  $2 : 3$  externally.

- (a)  $(-3, -14, 19)$  (b)  $(3, 14, 19)$   
(c)  $(-3, -14, -19)$  (d)  $(3, -14, -19)$

**12.** Find the ratio in which the line segment joining the points  $(4, 8, 10)$  and  $(6, 10, -8)$  is divided by the  $yz$ -plane.

- (a)  $2 : 3$  internally      (b)  $2 : 3$  externally  
(c)  $5 : 7$  internally      (d)  $5 : 7$  externally

**13.** The centroid of a triangle  $ABC$  is at the point  $(1, 1, 1)$ . If the coordinates of  $A$  and  $B$  are  $(3, -5, 7)$  and  $(-1, 7, -6)$ , respectively, then find the coordinates of the point  $C$ .

- (a)  $(2, 1, 1)$                       (b)  $(1, 2, 1)$   
(c)  $(1, 1, 2)$                       (d)  $(1, 2, 2)$

**14.** Find the ratio in which the line segment joining the points  $(2, 4, 5)$  and  $(3, 5, -4)$  is divided by the  $xz$ -plane.

- (a)  $4 : 5$  externally      (b)  $2 : 3$  externally  
(c)  $1 : 3$  externally      (d)  $4 : 5$  internally

**15.** Find the coordinate of the point  $P$  which is five-sixth of the way from  $A(-2, 0, 6)$  to  $B(10, -6, -12)$ .

- (a)  $(-8, 5, -9)$                       (b)  $(-8, -5, 9)$   
(c)  $(8, -5, -9)$                       (d)  $(8, 5, 9)$

**16.**  $M$  is the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the point  $A(6, 7, 8)$  on the  $yz$ -plane. What are the coordinates of point  $M$ ?

- (a)  $(6, 0, 0)$                       (b)  $(6, 7, 0)$   
(c)  $(6, 0, 8)$                       (d)  $(0, 7, 8)$

**17.**  $L$  is the foot of the perpendicular drawn from a point  $(3, 5, 6)$  on  $x$ -axis. The coordinates of  $L$  are

- (a)  $(3, 0, 0)$                       (b)  $(0, 6, 0)$   
(c)  $(0, 0, 5)$                       (d)  $(0, 5, 6)$

**18.** What is the locus of a point for which  $x = 0$ ,  $z = 0$ ?

- (a) equation of  $x$ -axis      (b) equation of  $y$ -axis  
(c) equation of  $z$ -axis      (d) None of these

**19.** Equation of  $YOZ$  plane is

- (a)  $x = 0$                               (b)  $y = 0$   
(c)  $z = 0$                               (d) None of these

**20.** The equations of  $x$ -axis are

- (a)  $x = 0, y = 0$                       (b)  $x = 0, z = 0$   
(c)  $y = 0, z = 0$                       (d)  $x = 0$

**21.** Find the point on  $x$ -axis which is equidistant from the point  $A(3, 2, 2)$  and  $B(5, 5, 4)$ .

- (a)  $(16, 0, 0)$                       (b)  $\left(\frac{5}{4}, 0, 0\right)$   
(c)  $(9, 0, 0)$                       (d)  $\left(\frac{49}{4}, 0, 0\right)$

**22.** Find the point on  $y$ -axis which is at a distance of  $\sqrt{10}$  units from the point  $(1, 2, 3)$ .

- (a)  $(0, 4, 0)$                               (b)  $(0, 3, 0)$   
(c)  $(0, 2, 0)$                               (d)  $(0, -1, 0)$

**23.** Determine the point in  $yz$ -plane which is equidistant from three points  $A(2, 0, 3)$ ,  $B(0, 3, 2)$  and  $C(0, 0, 1)$ .

- (a)  $(0, 1, 3)$                               (b)  $(1, 0, 3)$   
(c)  $(0, 2, 3)$                               (d)  $(0, 3, 1)$

**24.** The distance of the point  $A(2, 3, 2)$  from the  $x$ -axis is

- (a) 5 units                              (b)  $\sqrt{13}$  units  
(c)  $2\sqrt{5}$  units                              (d)  $5\sqrt{2}$  units

**25.** The perpendicular distance of the point  $(8, 15, 6)$  from  $y$ -axis is

- (a) 5 units                              (b) 6 units  
(c) 8 units                              (d) 10 units

**26.** The distance of the point  $P(a, b, c)$  from the  $x$ -axis is

- (a)  $\sqrt{b^2 + c^2}$                               (b)  $\sqrt{a^2 + c^2}$   
(c)  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$                               (d) None of these

**27.** The two vertices of a triangle are  $(4, 2, 1)$  and  $(5, 1, 4)$ . If the centroid is  $(5, 2, 3)$ , then the third vertex is

- (a)  $(3, 4, 5)$                               (b)  $(6, 2, 3)$   
(c)  $(6, 3, 2)$                               (d)  $(6, 3, 4)$

**28.** Ratio in which the  $xy$ -plane divides the join of  $(1, 2, 3)$  and  $(4, 2, 1)$  is

- (a)  $3 : 1$  internally      (b)  $3 : 1$  externally  
(c)  $2 : 1$  internally      (d)  $2 : 1$  externally

**29.** If  $P(3, 2, -4)$ ,  $Q(5, 4, -6)$  and  $R(9, 8, -10)$  are collinear, then  $R$  divides  $PQ$  in the ratio

- (a)  $3 : 2$  internally      (b)  $3 : 2$  externally  
(c)  $2 : 1$  internally      (d)  $2 : 1$  externally

**30.** Mid-point of the line joining the points  $(-1, 2, 3)$  and  $(2, -1, 3)$  is

- (a)  $(1, 1, 6)$                               (b)  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 3\right)$   
(c)  $(3, -3, 0)$                               (d)  $\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, 2\right)$

**31.** The ratio in which the join of  $(1, -2, 3)$  and  $(4, 2, -1)$  is divided by the  $xy$ -plane is

- (a)  $1 : 3$  externally      (b)  $3 : 1$  internally  
(c)  $1 : 3$  externally      (d) None of these

**32.** The point which divides the line joining the points (1, 3, 4) and (4, 3, 1) internally in the ratio 2 : 1, is

- (a) (2, -3, 3) (b) (2, 3, 3)  
(c)  $\left(\frac{5}{2}, 3, \frac{5}{2}\right)$  (d) (3, 3, 2)

**33.** Find the coordinates of the point which is three-fifth of the way from (3, 4, 5) to (-2, -1, 0).

- (a) (1, 0, 2) (b) (2, 0, 1)  
(c) (0, 2, 1) (d) (0, 1, 2)

**34.** The distance of the point A(2, 3, 4) from the y-axis is

- (a) 5 units (b)  $\sqrt{13}$  units  
(c)  $5\sqrt{2}$  units (d)  $2\sqrt{5}$  units

**35.** The perpendicular distance of the point (6, 5, 8) from z-axis is

- (a)  $\sqrt{15}$  units (b)  $\sqrt{61}$  units  
(c) 8 units (d) 9 units

**36.** If the distance between the points (a, 0, 1) and (0, 1, 2) is  $\sqrt{27}$ , then the value of a is

- (a) 5 (b)  $\pm 5$   
(c) -5 (d) None of these

**37.** The points (1, 2, 3), (-1, -1, -1) and (3, 5, 7) are the vertices of

- (a) an equilateral triangle  
(b) an isosceles triangle  
(c) a right triangle  
(d) None of these

**38.** Find the coordinates of the points which trisect the line segment AB where A(2, 1, -3) and B(5, -8, 3).

- (a) (4, -5, 1), (3, -2, -1)  
(b) (-4, 5, 1), (3, -2, -1)  
(c) (-5, 4, 1), (3, 2, 1)  
(d) (4, 5, -1), (3, 2, 1)

**39.** A point R with x-coordinate 4 lies on the line segment joining the points P(2, -3, 4) and Q(8, 0, 10). Find the coordinates of the point R.

- (a) (1, 2, 9) (b) (4, 2, 6)  
(c) (8, 2, 5) (d) (4, -2, 6)

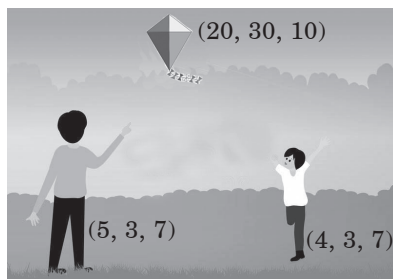
**40.** If the origin is the centroid of the triangle with vertices A(3a, 4, -5), B(-2, 4b, 6) and C(6, 10, c), then find the values of a, b, c.

- (a)  $-\frac{4}{3}, -\frac{7}{2}, -1$  (b)  $\frac{4}{3}, \frac{7}{2}, 1$   
(c)  $-\frac{4}{3}, -\frac{7}{2}, 1$  (d) None of these

## Case Based MCQs

**Case I :** Read the following passage and answer the questions from 41 to 45.

Raj and his father were walking in a large park. They saw a kite flying in the sky. The position of kite, Raj and Raj's father are at (20, 30, 10), (4, 3, 7) and (5, 3, 7) respectively.



**41.** The distance between Raj and kite is

- (a) 41.32 units (b) 31.52 units  
(c) 38.32 units (d) 40.39 units

**42.** The distance between Raj's father and kite is

- (a) 31.30 units (b) 38.43 units  
(c) 31.03 units (d) 29.00 units

**43.** The co-ordinates of Raj lie in

- (a) IV quadrant (b) III quadrant  
(c) II quadrant (d) I quadrant

**44.** If co-ordinates of kite, Raj and Raj's father form a triangle, then find the centroid of it.

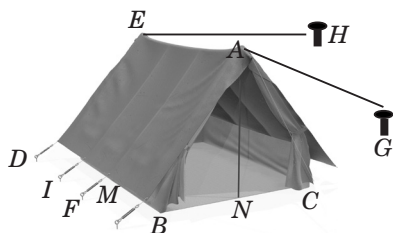
- (a) (9.67, 12, 8) (b) (9.6, 8, 12)  
(c) (12, 8, 10) (d) (7, 9, 7.2)

**45.** The co-ordinates of points in the XY-plane are of the form

- (a) (0, 0, z) (b) (x, y, 0)  
(c) (x, 0, y) (d) (0, x, y)

**Case II :** Read the following passage and answer the questions from 46 to 50.

Deepak and his friends went for camping for 2 or 3 days. There they set up a tent which is triangular in shape. The vertices of the tent are A(4, 5, 9), B(3, 2, 5), C(5, 2, 5), D(-3, 2, -5) and E(-4, 5, -9) respectively.



The vertex  $A$  is tied up by the rope at the ends  $F$  and  $G$  and the vertex  $E$  is tied up at the ends  $I$  and  $H$ .

46. The octant in which  $D$  lies is  
(a) II (b) III (c) V (d) VI

47. If  $M$  denotes the position of their bags inside the tent and it is just in middle of the vertices  $B$  and  $D$ , then the coordinates of  $M$  are  
(a)  $(0, 2, 0)$  (b)  $(3, 2, 0)$   
(c)  $(0, 2, 5)$  (d)  $(3, 2, 5)$

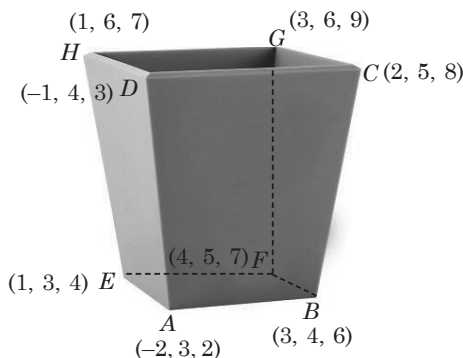
48. The length  $AE$  is  
(a)  $\sqrt{97}$  units (b)  $2\sqrt{97}$  units  
(c)  $3\sqrt{97}$  units (d)  $4\sqrt{97}$  units

49. If the length of the rope by which  $E$  is tied up with  $H$  is  $5\sqrt{2}$  units, then the equation denotes the set of point of  $H$  is  
(a)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 8x - 10y - 18z + 72 = 0$   
(b)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 8x - 10y - 18z - 72 = 0$   
(c)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 8x - 10y + 18z + 72 = 0$   
(d)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 8x + 10y + 18z + 72 = 0$

50. The length  $BC$  is  
(a) 4 units (b) 2 units  
(c) 16 units (d) 8 units

**Case III :** Read the following passage and answer the questions from 51 to 55.

Ravi makes a plan to gift his friend a hand made pen-stand of the trapezoidal shape given in the figure :



The vertices of the pen-stand are  $A(-2, 3, 2)$ ,  $B(3, 4, 6)$ ,  $C(2, 5, 8)$ ,  $D(-1, 4, 3)$ ,  $E(1, 3, 4)$ ,  $F(4, 5, 7)$ ,  $G(3, 6, 9)$  and  $H(1, 6, 7)$ .

51. The points  $A, B, E$  and  $F$  are the vertices of  
(a) Parallelogram (b) Rhombus  
(c) Isosceles trapezium (d) None of these.

52. If  $I$  and  $J$  are the mid-point of  $AB$  and  $EF$  respectively, then the length of  $IJ$  is  
(a)  $\sqrt{2}$  units (b)  $\sqrt{3}$  units  
(c)  $\sqrt{26}/2$  units (d)  $\sqrt{7}$  units

53. Find the coordinates of the point which divides the line segment  $EH$  in  $2 : 1$ .  
(a)  $(1, 3, 6)$  (b)  $(1, 5, 6)$   
(c)  $(1, 4, 6)$  (d)  $(1, 2, 6)$

54. The length of foot of perpendicular drawn from  $C$  on  $y$ -axis is  
(a)  $(2, 0, 0)$  (b)  $(0, 5, 0)$   
(c)  $(0, 0, 8)$  (d)  $(2, 5, 0)$

55. The ratio in which the line segment joining the vertices  $E$  and  $F$  is divided by  $yz$ -plane externally is  
(a)  $1 : 3$  (b)  $1 : 2$   
(c)  $1 : 4$  (d)  $4 : 1$

## ➡ Assertion & Reasoning Based MCQs

**Directions (Q.-56 to 60) :** In these questions, a statement of Assertion is followed by a statement of Reason is given. Choose the correct answer out of the following choices :

- (a) Assertion and Reason both are correct statements and Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion.  
(b) Assertion and Reason both are correct statements but Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion.  
(c) Assertion is correct statement but Reason is wrong statement.  
(d) Assertion is wrong statement but Reason is correct statement.

56. **Assertion :** The points  $A(1, -1, 3)$ ,  $B(2, -4, 5)$  and  $C(5, -13, 11)$  are collinear.

**Reason :** If  $AB + BC = AC$ , then  $A, B, C$  are collinear.

57. **Assertion :** Coordinates of centroid of a triangle formed by the vertices  $A(3, 2, 0)$ ,  $B(5, 3, 2)$  and  $C(0, 2, 4)$  is  $\left(\frac{8}{3}, \frac{8}{3}, \frac{8}{3}\right)$ .

**Reason :** Coordinates of centroid of a triangle with vertices  $A(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ ,  $B(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  and  $C(x_3, y_3, z_3)$  is

$$\left( \frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{3}, \frac{z_1 + z_2 + z_3}{3} \right).$$

**58. Assertion :** The foot of perpendicular drawn from the point  $A(1, 2, 8)$  on the  $xy$ -plane is  $(1, 2, 0)$ .

**Reason :** Equation of  $xy$ -plane is  $y = 0$ .

**59. Assertion :** The distance between the points  $(1 + \sqrt{11}, 0, 0)$  and  $(1, -2, 3)$  is  $2\sqrt{6}$  units.

**Reason :** Distance between any two points  $A(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  is,

$$|AB| = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$$

**60. Assertion :** The points  $A(3, -1, 2)$ ,  $B(1, 2, -4)$ ,  $C(-1, 1, 2)$  and  $D(1, -2, 8)$  are the vertices of a parallelogram.

**Reason :** Coordinates of mid-point of a line joining the points  $A(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  is  $\left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2} \right)$ .

## SUBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTIONS

### ➡ Very Short Answer Type Questions (VSA)

- Determine the octant of  $(4, -3, -1)$ .
- If a point lies in  $yz$ -plane, then what is its  $x$ -coordinate?
- In which octant does  $(-1, -6, 5)$  lies?
- If a point lies on the  $y$ -axis, then what are its  $x$ -coordinate and  $z$ -coordinate?
- A point is on the  $x$ -axis. Write its  $y$ -coordinate and  $z$ -coordinate.
- Find the distance of the point  $P(4, -3, 5)$  from  $XY$  plane.
- Write the distance of the point  $A(3, 4, 5)$  from  $z$ -axis.
- Find the distance of  $(1, -2, 7)$  from the  $y$ -axis.
- Find the distance of  $(1, 2, 5)$  from  $x$ -axis.
- What is the distance of the point  $(3, 4, 5)$  from the  $YZ$  plane?

### ➡ Short Answer Type Questions (SA-I)

- Find the locus of the point which is equidistant from the points  $A(0, 2, 3)$  and  $B(2, -2, 1)$ .
- Verify that  $(3, -2, 4)$ ,  $(1, 0, -2)$ ,  $(-1, 2, -8)$  are collinear.
- Find the point on  $y$ -axis which is equidistant from the point  $A(3, 2, 2)$  and  $B(5, 5, 4)$ .
- Show that the points  $A(0, 7, 10)$ ,  $B(-1, 6, 6)$  and  $C(-4, 9, 6)$  form an isosceles right-angled triangle.
- Find the coordinates of the point which divides the join of  $P(2, -1, 4)$  and  $Q(4, 3, 2)$  in the ratio  $2 : 3$  internally.
- A point  $R$  with  $x$ -coordinate 4 lies on the line segment joining the points  $P(2, -6, 4)$  and  $Q(8, 6, 10)$ . Find the coordinates of the point  $R$ .
- Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be any two points. Find the coordinates of the point  $R$  which divides  $PQ$  externally in the ratio  $2 : 1$  and verify that  $Q$  is the mid-point of  $PR$ .
- Three vertices of a parallelogram  $PQRS$  are  $P(3, -1, 2)$ ,  $Q(1, 2, -4)$  and  $R(-1, 1, 2)$ . Find the coordinates of the fourth vertex.
- Find the coordinates of the point which divides the join of  $P(2, -1, 4)$  and  $Q(4, 3, 2)$  in the ratio  $2 : 3$  externally.
- Find the third vertex of triangle whose centroid is origin and two vertices are  $(2, 4, 6)$  and  $(0, -2, -5)$ .





## Short Answer Type Questions (SA-II)

**21.** Find the point in  $yz$ -plane which is equidistant from the points  $A(3, 2, -1)$ ,  $B(1, -1, 0)$  and  $C(2, 1, 2)$ .

**22.** Find the coordinates of the points which trisect the line segment joining the points  $P(4, 2, -6)$  and  $Q(10, -16, 6)$ .

**23.** Show that the triangle  $ABC$  with vertices  $A(0, 4, 1)$ ,  $B(2, 3, -1)$  and  $C(4, 5, 0)$  is right angled.

**24.** Show that the three points  $A(2, 3, 4)$ ,  $B(-1, 2, -3)$  and  $C(-4, 1, -10)$  are collinear and find the ratio in which  $C$  divides  $AB$ .

**25.** Find the coordinates of a point on the  $y$ -axis which are at a distance of  $5\sqrt{2}$  from the point  $P(3, -2, 5)$ .

**26.** Determine the values of  $a$  and  $b$  so that the points  $(a, b, 3)$ ,  $(2, 0, -1)$  and  $(1, -1, -3)$  are collinear.

**27.** Find the lengths of the medians of the triangle with vertices  $A(0, 0, 8)$ ,  $B(0, 6, 0)$  and  $C(6, 0, 0)$ .

**28.** Prove that the points  $(0, -1, -7)$ ,  $(2, 1, -9)$  and  $(6, 5, -13)$  are collinear. Find the ratio in which the first point divides the join of the other two.

**29.** Find the ratio in which  $YZ$ -plane divides the line segment joining points  $(-2, 4, 7)$  and  $(3, -5, 8)$ . Also, find the coordinates of the point of intersection.

**30.** If the origin is the centroid of the triangle  $PQR$  with vertices  $P(2a, 2, 6)$ ,  $Q(-4, 3b, -10)$  and  $R(8, 14, 2c)$ , then find the values of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .

**31.** Find the points of trisection of the segment joining the points  $A(1, 0, -6)$  and  $B(-5, 9, 6)$ .

**32.** Prove that the coordinates of the centroid of the triangle whose vertices are

$(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3, z_3)$  are  $\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{3}, \frac{z_1 + z_2 + z_3}{3}\right)$

**33.** Using section formula, show that the points  $A(2, -3, 4)$ ,  $B(-1, 2, 1)$  and  $C\left(0, \frac{1}{3}, 2\right)$  are collinear.

**34.** Find the equation of the set of points which are equidistant from the points  $(1, 2, 3)$  and  $(3, 2, -1)$ .

**35.** Let  $A(2, 2, -3)$ ,  $B(5, 6, 9)$ ,  $C(2, 7, 9)$  be the vertices of a triangle. The internal bisector of the angle  $A$  meets  $BC$  at the point  $D$ . Find the coordinates of  $D$ .



## Long Answer Type Questions (LA)

**36.** Determine the point in  $XY$  plane which is equidistant from three points  $A(2, 0, 3)$ ,  $B(0, 3, 2)$  and  $C(0, 0, 1)$ .

**37.** Find the point in the  $xy$ -plane which is equidistant from the points  $(5, 0, 6)$ ,  $(0, -3, 2)$  and  $(4, 5, 0)$ .

**38.** Find the equation of the set of points  $P$ , the sum of whose distances from  $A(4, 0, 0)$  and  $B(-4, 0, 0)$  is equal to 10.

**39.** The mid-points of the sides of a triangle are  $(1, 5, -1)$ ,  $(0, 4, -2)$  and  $(2, 3, 4)$ . Find its vertices.

**40.** Show that the points  $A(1, 2, 3)$ ,  $B(-1, -2, -1)$ ,  $C(2, 3, 2)$  and  $D(4, 7, 6)$  are the vertices of a parallelogram  $ABCD$ , but it is not a rectangle.

## ANSWERS

### OBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTIONS

- (c)** : For the point  $F$ , the distance measured along  $OY$  is zero. Therefore, the coordinates of  $F$  are  $(2, 0, 5)$ .
- (d)** : The point  $(-3, 1, 2)$  lies in second octant and the point  $(-3, 1, -2)$  lies in sixth octant.
- (a)** : Since  $L$  is the foot of perpendicular from  $P$  on the

$x$ -axis, so its  $y$  and  $z$ -coordinates are zero. So, the coordinates of  $L$  is  $(7, 0, 0)$ . Similarly, the coordinates of  $M$  and  $N$  are  $(0, 9, 0)$  and  $(0, 0, 4)$ , respectively.

**4.** **(d)** : Since  $A$  is the foot of perpendicular from  $P$  on  $xy$ -plane, so its  $z$ -coordinate is zero. Hence, coordinates of  $A$  is  $(3, 4, 0)$ . Similarly, the coordinates of  $B$  and  $C$  are  $(0, 4, 5)$  and  $(3, 0, 5)$  respectively.

5. (a) : Let  $L$  be the foot of perpendicular drawn from the point  $P(6, 7, 8)$  on the  $xy$ -plane.

Then coordinates of  $L \equiv (6, 7, 0)$

$\therefore$  Required distance  $PL$

$$= \sqrt{(6-6)^2 + (7-7)^2 + (8-0)^2} = 8 \text{ units.}$$

6. (c) : We have, coordinates of  $A \equiv (3, 4, 0)$ , coordinates of  $B \equiv (0, 4, 5)$ , coordinates of  $C \equiv (3, 0, 5)$   
Now,  $P \equiv (3, 4, 5)$

$$\therefore PA = \sqrt{(3-3)^2 + (4-4)^2 + (5-0)^2} = 5 \text{ units}$$

$$PB = \sqrt{(3-0)^2 + (4-4)^2 + (5-5)^2} = 3 \text{ units}$$

$$PC = \sqrt{(3-3)^2 + (4-0)^2 + (5-5)^2} = 4 \text{ units}$$

7. (c) : The distance between the points  $P(1, -3, 4)$  and  $Q(-4, 1, 2)$  is

$$PQ = \sqrt{(-4-1)^2 + (1+3)^2 + (2-4)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{25+16+4} = \sqrt{45} = 3\sqrt{5} \text{ units}$$

8. (c) : Let the coordinates of point  $P$  be  $(x, y, z)$ .

$$\text{Here } PA^2 = (x-3)^2 + (y-4)^2 + (z-5)^2$$

$$PB^2 = (x+1)^2 + (y-3)^2 + (z+7)^2$$

By the given condition  $PA^2 + PB^2 = 2k^2$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)^2 + (y-4)^2 + (z-5)^2 + (x+1)^2 + (y-3)^2 + (z+7)^2 = 2k^2$$

$$\text{i.e., } 2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 - 4x - 14y + 4z = 2k^2 - 109.$$

9. (a) : Let  $P(x, y, z)$  be any point such that  $PA = PB$

$$\text{Now } \sqrt{(x-3)^2 + (y-4)^2 + (z+5)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(x+2)^2 + (y-1)^2 + (z-4)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)^2 + (y-4)^2 + (z+5)^2 = (x+2)^2 + (y-1)^2 + (z-4)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10x + 6y - 18z - 29 = 0.$$

10. (b) : Let  $P(x, y, z)$  be the required point.

Then  $OP = PA = PB = PC$ .

$$\text{Now } OP = PA \Rightarrow OP^2 = PA^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = (x-l)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (z-0)^2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{l}{2}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } OP = PB \Rightarrow y = \frac{m}{2} \text{ and } OP = PC$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{n}{2}$$

Hence, the coordinates of the required point are

$$\left( \frac{l}{2}, \frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2} \right).$$

11. (a) : Let  $P(x, y, z)$  be the point which divides the line joining the points  $A(1, -2, 3)$  and  $B(3, 4, -5)$  externally in the ratio  $2 : 3$ . Then

$$x = \frac{2(3)-(3)(1)}{2-3} = -3, y = \frac{2(4)-(3)(-2)}{2-3} = -14,$$

$$z = \frac{2(-5)-(3)(3)}{2-3} = 19$$

Therefore, the required point is  $(-3, -14, 19)$ .

12. (b) : Let  $yz$ -plane divides the line segment joining  $A(4, 8, 10)$  and  $B(6, 10, -8)$  at  $P(x, y, z)$  in the ratio  $k : 1$ . Then the coordinates of  $P$  are

$$\left( \frac{4+6k}{k+1}, \frac{8+10k}{k+1}, \frac{10-8k}{k+1} \right)$$

Since  $P$  lies on the  $yz$ -plane, so, its  $x$ -coordinate is zero

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{4+6k}{k+1} = 0 \Rightarrow k = -\frac{2}{3}$$

Therefore,  $yz$ -plane divides  $AB$  externally in the ratio  $2 : 3$ .

13. (c) : Let the coordinates of  $C$  be  $(x, y, z)$ . Coordinates of the centroid is  $(1, 1, 1)$ . Then

$$\frac{x+3-1}{3} = 1, \frac{y-5+7}{3} = 1, \frac{z+7-6}{3} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, y = 1, z = 2.$$

Hence, coordinates of  $C$  are  $(1, 1, 2)$ .

14. (a) : Let the join of  $P(2, 4, 5)$  and  $Q(3, 5, -4)$  be divided by  $xz$ -plane in the ratio  $k : 1$  at the point  $R(x, y, z)$ .

$$\text{Therefore } x = \frac{3k+2}{k+1}, y = \frac{5k+4}{k+1}, z = \frac{-4k+5}{k+1}$$

Since the point  $R(x, y, z)$  lies on  $xz$ -plane, its  $y$ -coordinate

$$\text{is zero, i.e., } \frac{5k+4}{k+1} = 0 \Rightarrow k = -\frac{4}{5}$$

Hence, the  $xz$ -plane divide the line joining given points in  $4 : 5$  externally.

15. (c) : Let  $P(x, y, z)$  be the required point, i.e.,  $P$  divides  $AB$  in the ratio  $5 : 1$ . Then

$$P(x, y, z) = \left( \frac{5 \times 10 + 1 \times (-2)}{5+1}, \frac{5 \times (-6) + 1 \times 0}{5+1}, \frac{5 \times (-12) + 1 \times 6}{5+1} \right)$$

$$= (8, -5, -9).$$

16. (d) : Since  $M$  is the foot of perpendicular from  $A$  on the  $yz$ -plane, so its  $x$ -coordinate is zero. Hence, coordinates of  $M$  are  $(0, 7, 8)$ .

17. (a) : Since  $L$  is the foot of perpendicular from point  $(3, 5, 6)$  on  $x$ -axis. So, its  $y$  and  $z$ -coordinates are zero. Hence, the coordinates of  $L$  are  $(3, 0, 0)$ .

18. (b) : Locus of the point for which  $x = 0, z = 0$  is  $y$ -axis, since on  $y$ -axis both  $x = 0$  and  $z = 0$ .

19. (a) : On  $yz$ -plane,  $x = 0$ .

20. (c) : Equations of  $x$ -axis are  $y = 0$  and  $z = 0$ .

21. (d) : The point on the  $x$ -axis is of the form  $P(x, 0, 0)$ . Since the points  $A$  and  $B$  are equidistant from  $P$ . Therefore  $PA^2 = PB^2$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)^2 + (0-2)^2 + (0-2)^2 = (x-5)^2 + (0-5)^2 + (0-4)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 25 + 25 + 16 - 17 \Rightarrow x = \frac{49}{4}$$

Thus, the point  $P$  on the  $x$ -axis is  $\left( \frac{49}{4}, 0, 0 \right)$  which is equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ .

**22. (c) :** Let the point  $P$  be on  $y$ -axis. Therefore, it is of the form  $P(0, y, 0)$ .

The point  $(1, 2, 3)$  is at a distance  $\sqrt{10}$  units from  $(0, y, 0)$ .

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (2-y)^2 + (3-0)^2} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 4y + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow (y-2)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow y = 2$$

Hence the required point is  $(0, 2, 0)$ .

**23. (a) :** Since  $x$ -coordinate of every point in  $yz$ -plane is zero. Let  $P(0, y, z)$  be a point in the  $yz$ -plane such that

$$PA = PB = PC.$$

$$\text{Now } PA^2 = PB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (0-2)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (z-3)^2 = (0-0)^2 + (y-3)^2 + (z-2)^2$$

$$\text{i.e., } z-3y=0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } PB^2 = PC^2 \Rightarrow y^2 + 9 - 6y + z^2 + 4 - 4z = y^2 + z^2 + 1 - 2z$$

$$\text{i.e., } 3y + z = 6 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Solving (i) and (ii), we get  $y = 1, z = 3$   
Hence, the coordinates of the point  $P$  are  $(0, 1, 3)$ .

**24. (b) :** We have to take the distance of point  $A(2, 3, 2)$  from  $x$ -axis.

So, we have to take the distance of  $y$  and  $z$  coordinate of the point from origin  $= \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{13}$  units.

**25. (d) :** Perpendicular distance of the point  $(8, 15, 6)$  from  $y$ -axis is  $\sqrt{8^2 + 0^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{64 + 36} = \sqrt{100}$

$$= 10 \text{ units.}$$

**26. (a) :** The coordinates of the foot of the perpendicular from  $P$  on  $x$ -axis are  $(a, 0, 0)$ . Therefore, the required distance is  $\sqrt{(a-a)^2 + (b-0)^2 + (c-0)^2} = \sqrt{b^2 + c^2}$ .

**27. (d) :** Let the third vertex be  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ .

$$\therefore 5 = \frac{4+5+\alpha}{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = 6, 2 = \frac{2+1+\beta}{3} \Rightarrow \beta = 3,$$

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

$\therefore$  The third vertex is  $(6, 3, 4)$ .

**28. (b) :** Suppose  $xy$ -plane divides the join of  $(1, 2, 3)$  and  $(4, 2, 1)$  in the ratio  $\lambda : 1$ . Then the coordinates of the point of division are  $\left(\frac{4\lambda+1}{\lambda+1}, \frac{2\lambda+2}{\lambda+1}, \frac{\lambda+3}{\lambda+1}\right)$ . This point

lies on  $xy$ -plane. So, its  $z$ -coordinate  $= 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\lambda+3}{\lambda+1} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -3$$

Hence,  $xy$ -plane divides the join of  $(1, 2, 3)$  and  $(4, 2, 1)$  externally in the ratio  $3 : 1$ .

**29. (b) :** Let  $R(9, 8, -10)$  divides the join of  $P(3, 2, -4)$  and  $Q(5, 4, -6)$  in the ratio  $k : 1$ .

$$\text{Then, } 9 = \frac{5k+3}{k+1} \Rightarrow 9k+9 = 5k+3 \Rightarrow 4k = -6 \Rightarrow k = \frac{-3}{2}$$

$\therefore$  Required ratio is  $3 : 2$  externally.

$$\mathbf{30. (b) :} \text{Mid-point is } \left(\frac{-1+2}{2}, \frac{2-1}{2}, \frac{3+3}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 3\right).$$

**31. (b) :** Let  $A(1, -2, 3)$  and  $B(4, 2, -1)$ .  
Let  $xy$ -plane meet the line  $AB$  at the point  $C$  such that  $C$  divides  $AB$  in the ratio  $k : 1$ , then

$$C \equiv \left(\frac{4k+1}{k+1}, \frac{2k-2}{k+1}, \frac{-k+3}{k+1}\right).$$

Since  $C$  lies in the  $xy$  plane.  $\therefore z = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-k+3}{k+1} = 0 \Rightarrow k = 3$$

$\therefore$  Required ratio is  $3 : 1$  internally.

**32. (d) :** Let the point  $(x, y, z)$  divides the join of  $(1, 3, 4)$  and  $(4, 3, 1)$  in the ratio  $2 : 1$ . Then,

$$x = \frac{1 \times 1 + 4 \times 2}{1+2} = \frac{9}{3} = 3, y = \frac{1 \times 3 + 4 \times 3}{1+2} = \frac{9}{3} = 3$$

$$z = \frac{1 \times 4 + 4 \times 1}{1+2} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$$

$\therefore$  Required point is  $(3, 3, 2)$ .

**33. (d) :** Let  $A \equiv (3, 4, 5)$ ,  $B \equiv (-2, -1, 0)$  and  $P(x, y, z)$  be the required point. As  $P$  is three-fifth of the way from  $A$  to  $B$ . So,  $P$  divides  $AB$  in the ratio  $3 : 2$ .

$$\therefore P \equiv \left(\frac{3 \times (-2) + 2 \times 3}{3+2}, \frac{3 \times (-1) + 2 \times 4}{3+2}, \frac{3 \times 0 + 2 \times 5}{3+2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow P \equiv (0, 1, 2).$$

**34. (d) :** We have to take the distance of point  $A(2, 3, 4)$  from  $y$ -axis.

So, we have to take the distance of  $x$  and  $z$  coordinate of the point from origin  $= \sqrt{2^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{20} = 2\sqrt{5}$  units.

**35. (b) :** Perpendicular distance of the point  $(6, 5, 8)$  from  $z$ -axis  $= \sqrt{6^2 + 5^2 + 0^2} = \sqrt{36 + 25} = \sqrt{61}$  units.

**36. (b) :** Distance between the points  $(a, 0, 1)$  and  $(0, 1, 2)$

$$= \sqrt{27}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(a-0)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (1-2)^2} = \sqrt{27}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$a^2 + 1 + 1 = 27 \Rightarrow a^2 = 25 \Rightarrow a = \pm 5$$

**37. (d) :** Let the given points be  $A(1, 2, 3)$ ,  $B(-1, -1, -1)$  and  $C(3, 5, 7)$ .

$$|AB| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{29},$$

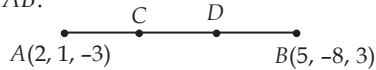
$$|BC| = \sqrt{4^2 + 6^2 + 8^2} = \sqrt{116} = 2\sqrt{29}$$

$$\text{and } |CA| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{29}.$$

So,  $|BC| = |AB| + |CA|$   
 $\Rightarrow$  The points  $A, B, C$  are collinear.



38. (a) : Let  $C$  and  $D$  be the two points which trisect the join of  $AB$ .



$\therefore$   $C$  divides the join of  $AB$  in the ratio  $1 : 2$ .

$\therefore$  Coordinates of  $C$  is

$$\left( \frac{1 \times 5 + 2 \times 2}{1+2}, \frac{1 \times (-8) + 2 \times 1}{1+2}, \frac{1 \times 3 + 2 \times (-3)}{1+2} \right) \\ \equiv (3, -2, -1).$$

Also,  $D$  divides the join of  $AB$  in the ratio  $2 : 1$

$\therefore$  Coordinates of  $D$  is

$$\left( \frac{2 \times 5 + 1 \times 2}{1+2}, \frac{2 \times (-8) + 1 \times 1}{1+2}, \frac{2 \times 3 + 1 \times (-3)}{1+2} \right) \equiv (4, -5, 1).$$

39. (d) : Let  $R(4, y, z)$  be any point which divides the join of  $P(2, -3, 4)$  and  $Q(8, 0, 10)$  in the ratio  $k : 1$  internally.

$$\therefore \text{Coordinates of } R \text{ is } \left( \frac{8k+2}{k+1}, \frac{-3}{k+1}, \frac{10k+4}{k+1} \right)$$

But  $x$ -coordinate of  $R$  is  $4$ .

$$\text{So, } \frac{8k+2}{k+1} = 4 \Rightarrow 8k+2 = 4k+4 \Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Now, } y = \frac{-3}{\frac{1}{2}+1} = \frac{-3}{\frac{3}{2}} = -2 \text{ and } z = \frac{\frac{10 \times 1}{2} + 4}{\frac{1}{2}+1} = \frac{9}{\frac{3}{2}} = 6$$

Thus, coordinates of  $R$  is  $(4, -2, 6)$ .

40. (a) : Here  $A(3a, 4, -5)$ ,  $B(-2, 4b, 6)$  and  $C(6, 10, c)$  are the three vertices of  $\triangle ABC$ , then coordinates of

$$\text{centroid are } \left[ \frac{3a-2+6}{3}, \frac{4+4b+10}{3}, \frac{-5+6+c}{3} \right].$$

But it is given that coordinates of centroid are  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

$$\therefore \frac{3a-2+6}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow 3a = -4 \Rightarrow a = -\frac{4}{3}, \\ \frac{4+4b+10}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow 4b = -14 \Rightarrow b = -\frac{7}{2}, \\ \frac{-5+6+c}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow c = -1$$

41. (b) : Required distance

$$= \sqrt{(20-4)^2 + (30-3)^2 + (10-7)^2} \\ = \sqrt{16^2 + 27^2 + 3^2} \\ = \sqrt{256 + 729 + 9} = \sqrt{994} = 31.52 \text{ units}$$

42. (c) : Required distance

$$= \sqrt{(20-5)^2 + (30-3)^2 + (10-7)^2} \\ = \sqrt{15^2 + 27^2 + 3^2} \\ = \sqrt{225 + 729 + 9} = \sqrt{963} = 31.03 \text{ units}$$

43. (d) : Because in  $(4, 3, 7)$  ; all are positive. Thus, the coordinate lie in the I quadrant.

$$44. (a) : \text{Centroid} = \left( \frac{20+4+5}{3}, \frac{30+3+3}{3}, \frac{10+7+7}{3} \right) \\ = (9.67, 12, 8)$$

45. (b) : For  $XY$ -plane,  $z = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  The co-ordinates are of the form  $(x, y, 0)$ .

46. (d)

47. (a) : As,  $M$  is the middle point of  $B(3, 2, 5)$  and  $D(-3, 2, -5)$

$\therefore$  The coordinates of  $M$  are

$$\left( \frac{3-3}{2}, \frac{2+2}{2}, \frac{5-5}{2} \right) = (0, 2, 0)$$

48. (b) : The length  $AE$  is

$$= \sqrt{(-4-4)^2 + (5-5)^2 + (-9-9)^2} \\ = \sqrt{64+0+324} \\ = \sqrt{388} = 2\sqrt{97} \text{ units.}$$

49. (c) : As, the distance of  $H(x, y, z)$  from  $E(-4, 5, -9)$  is  $5\sqrt{2}$  units.

$$\therefore EH = 5\sqrt{2} \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{(x+4)^2 + (y-5)^2 + (z+9)^2} = 5\sqrt{2}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(x+4)^2 + (y-5)^2 + (z+9)^2 = 25 \times 2 \\ x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 8x - 10y + 18z + 122 = 50 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 8x - 10y + 18z + 72 = 0$$

$$50. (a) : \text{The length } BC = \sqrt{(5-3)^2 + (2-2)^2 + (5-5)^2} \\ = \sqrt{4+0+0} = 4 \text{ units}$$

$$51. (d) : \text{Now, } AB = \sqrt{(3+2)^2 + (4-3)^2 + (6-2)^2} = \sqrt{42}$$

$$\text{and } EF = \sqrt{(4-1)^2 + (5-3)^2 + (7-4)^2} = \sqrt{22}$$

$$AF = \sqrt{(4+2)^2 + (5-3)^2 + (7-2)^2} = \sqrt{65}$$

$$BE = \sqrt{(1-3)^2 + (3-4)^2 + (4-6)^2} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow AB \neq EF$$

52. (c) : As,  $I$  is the mid-point of  $A$  and  $B$

$$\therefore \text{Coordinates of } I = \left( \frac{3-2}{2}, \frac{4+3}{2}, \frac{6+2}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{2}, 4 \right)$$

and  $J$  is midpoint of  $E$  and  $F$

$$\therefore \text{Coordinates of } J = \left( \frac{4+1}{2}, \frac{5+3}{2}, \frac{7+4}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{5}{2}, 4, \frac{11}{2} \right)$$

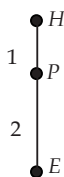
$$\therefore IJ = \sqrt{\left( \frac{5}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + \left( 4 - \frac{7}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{11}{2} - 4 \right)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{26}}{2} \text{ units.}$$

53. (b): Let  $P$  be the point which divides  $EH$  in  $2 : 1$ .

∴ The coordinates of  $P$  are

$$\left(\frac{2+1}{2+1}, \frac{12+3}{2+1}, \frac{14+4}{2+1}\right) = (1, 5, 6)$$



54. (b): As we know, on  $y$ -axis  $x = 0, z = 0$

∴ The coordinates of foot of perpendicular drawn from  $C$  are  $(0, 5, 0)$

55. (c): Let  $YZ$  plane divides the line segment joining  $E(1, 3, 4)$  and  $F(4, 5, 7)$  in  $h : 1$  at  $P(x, y, z)$

$$\therefore \text{Coordinates of } P = \left(\frac{4h+1}{h+1}, \frac{5h+3}{h+1}, \frac{7h+4}{h+1}\right)$$

Since  $P$  is in  $YZ$  plane

∴ Its  $x$  coordinates is zero.

$$\therefore 4h + 1 = 0$$

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

∴  $YZ$ -plane divides  $EF$  externally in the ratio  $1 : 4$

$$56. (a): |AB| = \sqrt{(1)^2 + (-3)^2 + (2)^2} = \sqrt{1+9+4} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$|BC| = \sqrt{(3)^2 + (-9)^2 + (6)^2} = \sqrt{9+81+36} = 3\sqrt{14}$$

$$|AC| = \sqrt{(4)^2 + (-12)^2 + (8)^2} = \sqrt{16+144+64} = 4\sqrt{14}$$

$$\therefore AB + BC = 4\sqrt{14} = AC$$

∴ Points  $A, B$  and  $C$  are collinear.

57. (d): Coordinates of centroid of a triangle with vertices  $A(3, 2, 0)$ ,  $B(5, 3, 2)$  and  $C(0, 2, 4)$  is

$$\left(\frac{3+5+0}{3}, \frac{2+3+2}{3}, \frac{0+2+4}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{8}{3}, \frac{7}{3}, 2\right)$$

∴ Assertion is wrong but Reason is correct.

58. (c): We know that in  $xy$ -plane,  $z$ -coordinate is 0. So, coordinate of foot of perpendicular drawn from point  $A(1, 2, 8)$  on  $xy$ -plane is  $(1, 2, 0)$ .

Equation of  $xy$ -plane is  $z = 0$

∴ Reason is wrong.

59. (c): Let  $A \equiv (1 + \sqrt{11}, 0, 0)$  and  $B \equiv (1, -2, 3)$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore AB &= \sqrt{(1 - 1 - \sqrt{11})^2 + (-2 - 0)^2 + (3 - 0)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{11 + 4 + 9} = \sqrt{24} = 2\sqrt{6} \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

∴ Assertion is correct but Reason is wrong.

$$\begin{aligned} 60. (a): \text{Mid-point of } AC &= \left(\frac{3-1}{2}, \frac{-1+1}{2}, \frac{2+2}{2}\right) \\ &= (1, 0, 2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Mid-point of } BD = \left(\frac{1+1}{2}, \frac{2-2}{2}, \frac{-4+8}{2}\right) = (1, 0, 2)$$

∴ Mid-points of  $AC$  and  $BD$  coincides.

∴  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram.

## SUBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTIONS

1. Since,  $x$  coordinate is positive while  $y$  and  $z$ , coordinates are negative.

∴  $(4, -3, -1)$  lies in VIII octant.

2. If a point lies in  $yz$ -plane, then its  $x$ -coordinate is 0.

3. Since,  $x$  and  $y$  coordinates are negative while  $z$  coordinate is positive.

∴  $(-1, -6, 5)$  lies in III octant.

4. If a point lies on  $y$ -axis, then its  $x$ -coordinate is 0 and  $z$ -coordinate is 0.

5. A point on the  $x$ -axis is of the form  $(x, 0, 0)$ .

∴  $y$ -coordinate = 0 and  $z$ -coordinate = 0.

6. The coordinates of foot of perpendicular  $L$  from  $P(4, -3, 5)$  on  $XY$ -plane is given by  $L(4, -3, 0)$

∴ Required distance

$$= \sqrt{(4-4)^2 + (-3+3)^2 + (0-5)^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5 \text{ units.}$$

7. The coordinates of foot of perpendicular  $R$  from  $A(3, 4, 5)$  on  $z$ -axis is given by  $R(0, 0, 5)$

$$\therefore \text{Required distance} = \sqrt{(0-3)^2 + (0-4)^2 + (5-5)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9+16+0} = \sqrt{25} = 5 \text{ units.}$$

8. The coordinates of foot of perpendicular from  $(1, -2, 7)$  on  $y$ -axis are  $(0, -2, 0)$

$$\therefore \text{Required distance} = \sqrt{(0-1)^2 + (-2+2)^2 + (0-7)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1+0+49} = \sqrt{50} = 5\sqrt{2} \text{ units.}$$

9. Let  $L$  be the foot of perpendicular drawn from  $A(1, 2, 5)$  to the  $x$ -axis.

Then, coordinates of  $L \equiv (1, 0, 0)$ .

∴ Required distance  $AL$

$$= \sqrt{(1-1)^2 + (2-0)^2 + (5-0)^2} = \sqrt{4+25}$$

$$= \sqrt{29} \text{ units.}$$

10. The coordinates of foot of perpendicular from the point  $(3, 4, 5)$  on  $YZ$  plane are  $(0, 4, 5)$ .

$$\therefore \text{Required distance} = \sqrt{(0-3)^2 + (4-4)^2 + (5-5)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9+0+0} = 3 \text{ units.}$$

11. Let  $P(x, y, z)$  be any point which is equidistant from  $A(0, 2, 3)$  and  $B(2, -2, 1)$ .

Then,  $PA = PB \Rightarrow PA^2 = PB^2$

$$\Rightarrow (x-0)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (z-3)^2 = (x-2)^2 + (y+2)^2 + (z-1)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 8y - 4z + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x - 2y - z + 1 = 0$$

Hence, the required locus is  $x - 2y - z + 1 = 0$

12. Let  $A(3, -2, 4)$ ,  $B(1, 0, -2)$  and  $C(-1, 2, -8)$  be given points.

∴ By distance formula,

$$AB = \sqrt{(1-3)^2 + (0+2)^2 + (-2-4)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4+4+36} = \sqrt{44} = 2\sqrt{11} \text{ units}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(-1-1)^2 + (2-0)^2 + (-8+2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4+4+36} = \sqrt{44} = 2\sqrt{11} \text{ units}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(-1-3)^2 + (2+2)^2 + (-8-4)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{16+16+144} = \sqrt{176} = 4\sqrt{11} \text{ units}$$

$$\therefore AB + BC = 4\sqrt{11} \text{ units} = AC$$

Thus, the given points are collinear.

13. The point on the  $y$ -axis is of the form  $P(0, y, 0)$ . Since the points  $A(3, 2, 2)$  and  $B(5, 5, 4)$  are equidistant from  $P$ .

$$\therefore PA = PB \Rightarrow PA^2 = PB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (0-3)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (0-2)^2 = (0-5)^2 + (y-5)^2 + (0-4)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x = 25 + 25 + 16 - 17 \text{ i.e., } y = \frac{49}{6}$$

Thus, the point  $P\left(0, \frac{49}{6}, 0\right)$ , on the  $y$ -axis is equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ .

14. Given,  $A(0, 7, 10)$ ,  $B(-1, 6, 6)$  and  $C(-4, 9, 6)$

∴ Using distance formula, we get,

$$AB = \sqrt{(-1-0)^2 + (6-7)^2 + (6-10)^2} = \sqrt{18} = 3\sqrt{2}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(-4+1)^2 + (9-6)^2 + (6-6)^2} = \sqrt{18} = 3\sqrt{2}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(-4-0)^2 + (9-7)^2 + (6-10)^2} = \sqrt{36} = 6$$

Clearly,  $AB = BC$  and  $AB^2 + BC^2 = 18 + 18 = 36 = AC^2$ . Hence, triangle  $ABC$  is an isosceles right-angled triangle.

15. Let  $R(x, y, z)$  be the required point.

If  $R$  divides  $PQ$  internally in the ratio  $2 : 3$ , then

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

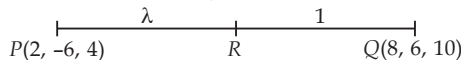
$$\text{and } z = \frac{2 \times 2 + 3 \times 4}{2+3}$$

$$\left[ \because (x, y, z) = \left( \frac{mx_2 + nx_1}{m+n}, \frac{my_2 + ny_1}{m+n}, \frac{mz_2 + nz_1}{m+n} \right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{14}{5}, y = \frac{3}{5} \text{ and } z = \frac{16}{5}$$

So, the coordinates of point  $R$  are  $\left(\frac{14}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{16}{5}\right)$ .

16. Suppose  $R(4, y, z)$  be any point which divides  $PQ$  in the ratio  $\lambda : 1$  internally.



Then, the coordinates of  $R$  are

$$\left( \frac{8\lambda+2}{\lambda+1}, \frac{6\lambda-6}{\lambda+1}, \frac{10\lambda+4}{\lambda+1} \right)$$

Since  $x$ -coordinate of  $R$  is 4.

$$\therefore \frac{8\lambda+2}{\lambda+1} = 4 \Rightarrow 8\lambda+2 = 4\lambda+4 \Rightarrow 4\lambda = 2 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{6\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)-6}{\frac{1}{2}+1} = -2 \text{ and } z = \frac{10\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)+4}{\frac{1}{2}+1} = 6$$

Hence, the coordinates of  $R$  are  $(4, -2, 6)$ .

17. Let the coordinates of points  $P$  and  $Q$  be  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  respectively.

Then, the coordinates of the point  $R$  which divides  $PQ$  externally in the ratio  $2 : 1$  are

$$\left( \frac{2x_2 - x_1}{2-1}, \frac{2y_2 - y_1}{2-1}, \frac{2z_2 - z_1}{2-1} \right)$$

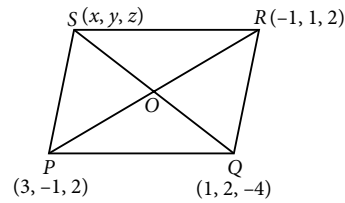
$$= (2x_2 - x_1, 2y_2 - y_1, 2z_2 - z_1)$$

The coordinates of the mid-point of  $PR$  are

$$\left( \frac{x_1 + 2x_2 - x_1}{2}, \frac{y_1 + 2y_2 - y_1}{2}, \frac{z_1 + 2z_2 - z_1}{2} \right) = (x_2, y_2, z_2)$$

Clearly, these are the coordinates of point  $Q$ . Hence,  $Q$  is the mid-point of  $PR$ .

18. Let the required vertex be  $S(x, y, z)$



In a parallelogram, diagonals bisect each other.

∴ Mid point of  $PR$  = Mid point of  $QS$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{3-1}{2}, \frac{-1+1}{2}, \frac{2+2}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{x+1}{2}, \frac{y+2}{2}, \frac{z-4}{2} \right)$$

$$\left[ \because (x, y, z) = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow (1, 0, 2) = \left( \frac{x+1}{2}, \frac{y+2}{2}, \frac{z-4}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+1}{2} = 1, \frac{y+2}{2} = 0, \frac{z-4}{2} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, y = -2, z = 8$$

∴ The coordinates of fourth vertex is  $(1, -2, 8)$ .

19. Let  $R(x, y, z)$  be any point which divides  $PQ$  externally in the ratio  $2 : 3$ , then

$$x = \frac{2 \times 4 - 3 \times 2}{2-3}, y = \frac{2 \times 3 - 3 \times (-1)}{2-3},$$

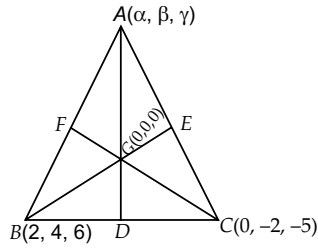
$$z = \frac{2 \times 2 - 3 \times 4}{2-3}$$

$$\left[ \because (x, y, z) = \left( \frac{mx_2 - nx_1}{m-n}, \frac{my_2 - ny_1}{m-n}, \frac{mz_2 - nz_1}{m-n} \right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -2, y = -9, z = 8$$

So, the coordinates of  $R$  are  $(-2, -9, 8)$ .

20. Let third vertex of  $\Delta ABC$  be  $A(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$



Since the coordinates of centroid  $G$  are  $(0, 0, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{\alpha + 2 + 0}{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{\beta + 4 - 2}{3} \Rightarrow \beta = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{\gamma + 6 - 5}{3} \Rightarrow \gamma = -1$$

So, the third vertex of the triangle is  $A(-2, -2, -1)$ .

21. Let  $P$  be a point in the  $yz$  plane. The point in the  $yz$  plane is of the form  $P(0, y, z)$ .

$\therefore P$  is equidistant from  $A(3, 2, -1)$ ,  $B(1, -1, 0)$  and  $C(2, 1, 2)$

$$\therefore AP = BP = CP \Leftrightarrow AP^2 = BP^2 \text{ and } BP^2 = CP^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (0 - 3)^2 + (y - 2)^2 + (z + 1)^2 = (0 - 1)^2 + (y + 1)^2 + (z - 0)^2$$

$$\text{and } (0 - 1)^2 + (y + 1)^2 + (z - 0)^2 = (0 - 2)^2 + (y - 1)^2 + (z - 2)^2$$

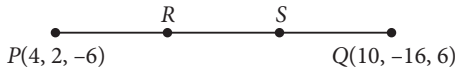
$$\Rightarrow 3y - z - 6 = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } 4y + 4z - 7 = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

On solving (i) and (ii), we get  $y = \frac{31}{16}$  and  $z = \frac{-3}{16}$

Hence, the required point is  $\left(0, \frac{31}{16}, \frac{-3}{16}\right)$ .

22. (b): Let  $R$  and  $S$  be two points which trisect the join of  $PQ$ .



$\therefore$  Point  $R$  divides the join of  $PQ$  in the ratio  $1 : 2$ .

$\therefore$  Coordinates of  $R$  is

$$\left( \frac{1 \times 10 + 2 \times 4}{1 + 2}, \frac{1 \times (-16) + 2 \times 2}{1 + 2}, \frac{1 \times 6 + 2 \times (-6)}{1 + 2} \right)$$

$$= (6, -4, -2)$$

Also point  $S$  divides the join of  $PQ$  in the ratio  $2 : 1$ .

$\therefore$  Coordinates of  $S$  is

$$\left( \frac{2 \times 10 + 1 \times 4}{1 + 2}, \frac{2 \times (-16) + 1 \times 2}{1 + 2}, \frac{2 \times 6 + 1 \times (-6)}{1 + 2} \right)$$

$$= (8, -10, 2).$$

23. We have given  $A(0, 4, 1)$ ,  $B(2, 3, -1)$  and  $C(4, 5, 0)$ .

By using distance formula, we get

$$AB = \sqrt{(0-2)^2 + (4-3)^2 + (1+1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4+1+4} = \sqrt{9} = 3 \text{ units}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(2-4)^2 + (3-5)^2 + (-1-0)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4+4+1} = \sqrt{9} = 3 \text{ units}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(0-4)^2 + (4-5)^2 + (1-0)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{16+1+1} = \sqrt{18} \text{ units}$$

Now,  $AB^2 + BC^2 = 9 + 9 = 18 = AC^2$ .

Hence,  $\Delta ABC$  is a right angled triangle.

24. We have given,  $A(2, 3, 4)$ ,  $B(-1, 2, -3)$  and  $C(-4, 1, -10)$ .

$$\text{Now, } AB = \sqrt{(2+1)^2 + (3-2)^2 + (4+3)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9+1+49} = \sqrt{59} \text{ units}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(-1+4)^2 + (2-1)^2 + (-3+10)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9+1+49} = \sqrt{59} \text{ units}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(2+4)^2 + (3-1)^2 + (4+10)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{36+4+196} = \sqrt{236} = 2\sqrt{59} \text{ units}$$

Now,  $AC = AB + BC$

So, the points  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are collinear.

Also,  $AC : BC = 2\sqrt{59} : \sqrt{59} = 2 : 1$

Hence,  $C$  divides  $AB$  in the ratio  $2:1$  externally.

25. Let  $Q(0, y, 0)$  be any point on  $y$ -axis.

$$\text{Then, } PQ = \sqrt{(0-3)^2 + (y+2)^2 + (0-5)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9+y^2+4+4y+25} = \sqrt{y^2+4y+38}$$

Given,  $PQ = 5\sqrt{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{y^2+4y+38} = 5\sqrt{2}.$$

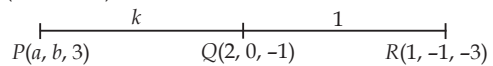
On squaring both sides, we get

$$y^2 + 4y + 38 = 50 \Rightarrow y^2 + 4y - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y-2)(y+6) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 2, -6$$

Thus, coordinates of point  $Q$  are  $(0, 2, 0)$  and  $(0, -6, 0)$ .

26. Suppose the given points are  $P(a, b, 3)$ ,  $Q(2, 0, -1)$  and  $R(1, -1, -3)$



Let  $Q$  divides the line segment  $PR$  in the ratio  $k : 1$ .

Then coordinates of  $Q$  are  $\left( \frac{k+a}{k+1}, \frac{-k+b}{k+1}, \frac{-3k+3}{k+1} \right)$

But coordinates of  $Q$  are  $(2, 0, -1)$

$$\therefore (2, 0, -1) = \left( \frac{k+a}{k+1}, \frac{-k+b}{k+1}, \frac{-3k+3}{k+1} \right)$$

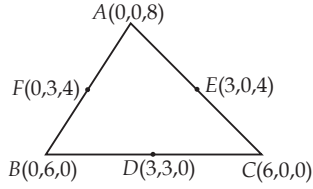
$$\Rightarrow \frac{k+a}{k+1} = 2, \frac{-k+b}{k+1} = 0, \frac{-3k+3}{k+1} = -1$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{-3k+3}{k+1} = -1 \Rightarrow -3k+3 = -k-1 \Rightarrow k = 2$$

$$\therefore \frac{k+a}{k+1} = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{2+a}{3} = 2 \Rightarrow a = 6 - 2 = 4$$

$$\text{and } \frac{-k+b}{k+1} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{-2+b}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow b = 2.$$

27. Let  $D$ ,  $E$  and  $F$  be the mid-points of sides  $BC$ ,  $CA$  and  $AB$  respectively.



The coordinates of  $D$ ,  $E$  and  $F$  are

$$D\left(\frac{0+6}{2}, \frac{6+0}{2}, \frac{0+0}{2}\right) = (3, 3, 0)$$

$$E\left(\frac{6+0}{2}, \frac{0+0}{2}, \frac{0+8}{2}\right) = (3, 0, 4)$$

$$\text{and } F\left(\frac{0+0}{2}, \frac{0+6}{2}, \frac{8+0}{2}\right) = (0, 3, 4) \text{ respectively.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore AD &= \sqrt{(0-3)^2 + (0-3)^2 + (8-0)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{9+9+64} = \sqrt{82} \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} BE &= \sqrt{(0-3)^2 + (6-0)^2 + (0-4)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{9+36+16} = \sqrt{61} \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and, } CF &= \sqrt{(6-0)^2 + (0-3)^2 + (0-4)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{36+9+16} = \sqrt{61} \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

28. Let the given points be  $A(0, -1, -7)$ ,  $B(2, 1, -9)$  and  $C(6, 5, -13)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } AB &= \sqrt{(0-2)^2 + (-1-1)^2 + (-7+9)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{4+4+4} = 2\sqrt{3} \text{ units} \\ BC &= \sqrt{(2-6)^2 + (1-5)^2 + (-9+13)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{16+16+16} = 4\sqrt{3} \text{ units} \\ AC &= \sqrt{(0-6)^2 + (-1-5)^2 + (-7+13)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{36+36+36} = 6\sqrt{3} \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $AC = AB + BC$

$\therefore$  The points  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are collinear.

$$\text{Now, } AB : AC = 2\sqrt{3} : 6\sqrt{3} = 1 : 3$$

Hence, point  $A$  divides  $B$  and  $C$  in the ratio  $1 : 3$  externally.

29. Let point  $R(x, y, z)$  divides the join of  $(-2, 4, 7)$  and  $(3, -5, 8)$  in the ratio  $k : 1$ , then point of division is

$$R\left(\frac{3k-2}{k+1}, \frac{-5k+4}{k+1}, \frac{8k+7}{k+1}\right) \quad \dots(i)$$

As the point  $R$  lies on  $YZ$ -plane,  $\Rightarrow x = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3k-2}{k+1} = 0 \Rightarrow k = \frac{2}{3}$$

$\therefore$  Required ratio is  $2 : 3$  internally.

Substituting the value of  $k$  in (i), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{point of division as } &\left(0, \frac{\frac{-10}{\frac{2}{3}+1} + 4}{\frac{3}{3}+1}, \frac{\frac{16}{\frac{2}{3}+1} + 7}{\frac{3}{3}+1}\right) \\ \text{i.e., } &\left(0, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{37}{5}\right). \end{aligned}$$

30. Vertices of  $\Delta PQR$  are  $P(2a, 2, 6)$ ,  $Q(-4, 3b, -10)$  and  $R(8, 14, 2c)$ .

Centroid of  $\Delta PQR$  is :

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{x_1+x_2+x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1+y_2+y_3}{3}, \frac{z_1+z_2+z_3}{3}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{2a-4+8}{3}, \frac{2+3b+14}{3}, \frac{6-10+2c}{3}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{2a+4}{3}, \frac{3b+16}{3}, \frac{2c-4}{3}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Also, centroid is at origin i.e.,  $(0, 0, 0)$

$$\therefore \frac{2a+4}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow a = -2$$

$$\frac{3b+16}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow b = \frac{-16}{3}$$

$$\frac{2c-4}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow c = 2$$

Thus,  $a = -2$ ,  $b = \frac{-16}{3}$  and  $c = 2$

31. Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be the points of trisection of the segment  $[AB]$ , then  $P$  divides  $[AB]$  in the ratio  $1 : 2$  and  $Q$  divides  $[AB]$  in the ratio  $2 : 1$ .

$$\therefore P \equiv \left(\frac{1 \times (-5) + 2 \times 1}{1+2}, \frac{1 \times 9 + 2 \times 0}{1+2}, \frac{1 \times 6 + 2 \times (-6)}{1+2}\right),$$

i.e.,  $P$  is  $(-1, 3, -2)$

$$\text{and } Q \equiv \left(\frac{2 \times (-5) + 1 \times 1}{2+1}, \frac{2 \times 9 + 1 \times 0}{2+1}, \frac{2 \times 6 + 1 \times (-6)}{2+1}\right),$$

i.e.,  $Q$  is  $(-3, 6, 2)$ .

Hence, the required points of trisection are  $P(-1, 3, -2)$  and  $Q(-3, 6, 2)$ .

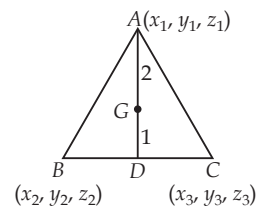
32. Let  $G$  be the centroid of a triangle  $ABC$ . We know, centroid of a triangle divides each median in the ratio  $2 : 1$ .

As,  $D$  is mid-point of  $BC$ .

$\therefore$  Coordinates of  $D$  are

$$\left(\frac{x_2+x_3}{2}, \frac{y_2+y_3}{2}, \frac{z_2+z_3}{2}\right)$$

Since,  $G$  divides  $AD$  in the ratio  $2 : 1$ .





∴ Coordinates of G are

$$\left( \frac{1 \cdot x_1 + 2 \left( \frac{x_2 + x_3}{2} \right)}{1+2}, \frac{1 \cdot y_1 + 2 \left( \frac{y_2 + y_3}{2} \right)}{1+2}, \frac{1 \cdot z_1 + 2 \left( \frac{z_2 + z_3}{2} \right)}{1+2} \right)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{3}, \frac{z_1 + z_2 + z_3}{3} \right)$$

33. Suppose the given points are collinear

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & & B & & C \\ (2, -3, 4) & \xrightarrow{k} & (-1, 2, 1) & \xrightarrow{1} & \left(0, \frac{1}{3}, 2\right) \end{array}$$

Let the ratio in which B divides AC be  $k : 1$ .

$$\text{Coordinates of B are } \left( \frac{2}{k+1}, \frac{\frac{1}{3}k-3}{k+1}, \frac{2k+4}{k+1} \right)$$

But coordinates of B are  $(-1, 2, 1)$

$$\therefore \frac{2}{k+1} = -1, \frac{\frac{1}{3}k-3}{k+1} = 2, \frac{2k+4}{k+1} = 1$$

From each of these equations, we get  $k = -3$

Since each of these equations give the same value of  $k$ .

∴ The given points are collinear.

34. Let  $A(x, y, z)$  be any point which is equidistant from points  $B(1, 2, 3)$  and  $C(3, 2, -1)$ .

$$\text{Then } AB = \sqrt{(x-1)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (z-3)^2}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(x-3)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (z+1)^2}$$

It is given that  $AB = AC$

$$\sqrt{(x-1)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (z-3)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(x-3)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (z+1)^2}$$

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

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

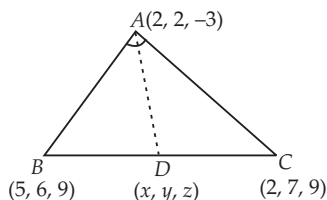
$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 - 2x + z^2 + 9 - 6z = x^2 + 9 - 6x + z^2 + 1 + 2z$$

$$\Rightarrow -2x - 6z + 10 = -6x + 2z + 10$$

$$\Rightarrow -2x - 6z + 6x - 2z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 8z = 0 \Rightarrow x - 2z = 0$$

35. Let the coordinates of D be  $(x, y, z)$



$$AB = \sqrt{9 + 16 + 144} = \sqrt{169} = 13 \text{ units}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{0 + 25 + 144} = \sqrt{169} = 13 \text{ units}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{13}{13} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow BD = DC$$

Since, D divides the line BC in two equal parts. So, D is the mid-point of BC.

∴ By using the mid-point formula,

$$x = \frac{5+2}{2} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{6+7}{2} = \frac{13}{2} \text{ and } z = \frac{9+9}{2} = 9$$

Hence, the coordinates of D are  $\left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{13}{2}, 9\right)$

36. Let P be the point equidistant from three given points. The point in XY plane is of the form  $P(x, y, 0)$ .

According to question,  $AP = BP = CP$

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

Now,  $AP^2 = BP^2$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (0-3)^2 = (x-0)^2 + (y-3)^2 + (0-2)^2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 6y = 4x \Rightarrow x = \frac{6}{4}y \quad \dots(i)$$

Again,  $BP^2 = CP^2$

$$\Rightarrow (x-0)^2 + (y-3)^2 + (0-2)^2 = (x-0)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (0-1)^2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 6y = 12 \Rightarrow y = 2$$

$$\text{Put } y = 2 \text{ in (i) we get, } x = \frac{6}{4} \times 2 = 3$$

∴ Required point is  $(3, 2, 0)$

37. Any point in xy-plane is of the form  $(x, y, 0)$ .

Let  $P(x, y, 0)$  be equidistant from  $A(5, 0, 6)$ ,  $B(0, -3, 2)$  and  $C(4, 5, 0)$ .

$$\therefore PA = PB \Rightarrow PA^2 = PB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-5)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (0-6)^2 = (x-0)^2 + (y+3)^2 + (0-2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 25 - 10x + y^2 + 36 = x^2 + y^2 + 9 + 6y + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x + 3y = 24 \quad \dots(i)$$

Also,  $PB = PC \Rightarrow PB^2 = PC^2$

$$\Rightarrow (x-0)^2 + (y+3)^2 + (0-2)^2 = (x-4)^2 + (y-5)^2 + (0-0)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + 9 + 6y + 4 = x^2 + 16 - 8x + y^2 + 25 - 10y$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 4y = 7 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{Solving (i) and (ii), we get, } x = \frac{75}{14} \text{ and } y = \frac{-13}{14}.$$

∴ Coordinates of P are  $\left(\frac{75}{14}, \frac{-13}{14}, 0\right)$

38. Let  $P(x, y, z)$  be any point.

$$\text{Then, } PA = \sqrt{(x-4)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (z-0)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + 16 - 8x + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\text{and } PB = \sqrt{(x+4)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (z-0)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + 16 + 8x + y^2 + z^2}$$

It is given that  $PA + PB = 10$

$$\therefore \sqrt{x^2 + 16 - 8x + y^2 + z^2} + \sqrt{x^2 + 16 + 8x + y^2 + z^2} = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + 16 - 8x + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= 10 - \sqrt{x^2 + 16 + 8x + y^2 + z^2} \quad \dots(i)$$

Squaring (i) on both sides, we get

$$x^2 + 16 - 8x + y^2 + z^2 = 100 + x^2 + 16 + 8x + y^2 + z^2$$

$$-20\sqrt{x^2 + 16 + 8x + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 20\sqrt{x^2 + 16 + 8x + y^2 + z^2} = 16x + 100$$

$$\Rightarrow 5\sqrt{x^2 + 16 + 8x + y^2 + z^2} = 4x + 25 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Squaring (ii) on both sides, we get

$$25(x^2 + 16 + 8x + y^2 + z^2) = 16x^2 + 625 + 200x$$

$$\Rightarrow 25x^2 + 400 + 200x + 25y^2 + 25z^2 - 16x^2 - 625 - 200x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x^2 + 25y^2 + 25z^2 - 225 = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Required equation is } 9x^2 + 25y^2 + 25z^2 - 225 = 0$$

**39.** Let  $A(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ ,  $B(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  and  $C(x_3, y_3, z_3)$  be the vertices of the given triangle, and let  $D(1, 5, -1)$ ,  $E(0, 4, -2)$  and  $F(2, 3, 4)$  be the mid-points of the sides  $BC$ ,  $CA$  and  $AB$  respectively.

As,  $D$  is the mid-point of  $BC$

$$\therefore \frac{x_2 + x_3}{2} = 1, \frac{y_2 + y_3}{2} = 5, \frac{z_2 + z_3}{2} = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 + x_3 = 2, y_2 + y_3 = 10, z_2 + z_3 = -2 \quad \dots(i)$$

As,  $E$  is the mid-point of  $CA$

$$\therefore \frac{x_1 + x_3}{2} = 0, \frac{y_1 + y_3}{2} = 4, \frac{z_1 + z_3}{2} = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 + x_3 = 0, y_1 + y_3 = 8, z_1 + z_3 = -4 \quad \dots(ii)$$

As,  $F$  is the mid-point of  $AB$

$$\therefore \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} = 2, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} = 3, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 = 4, y_1 + y_2 = 6, z_1 + z_2 = 8 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Adding first three equations in (i), (ii) and (iii), we get,

$$2(x_1 + x_2 + x_3) = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 3 \quad \dots(iv)$$

Solving first equations in (i), (ii) and (iii) with (iv), we get,  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 3, x_3 = -1$

Adding second equations in (i), (ii) and (iii), we get,

$$2(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) = 10 + 8 + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = 12 \quad \dots(v)$$

Solving second equations in (i), (ii) and (iii) with (v), we get,  $y_1 = 2, y_2 = 4, y_3 = 6$

Adding last equations in (i), (ii) and (iii), we get,

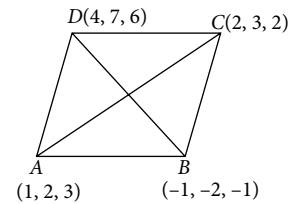
$$2(z_1 + z_2 + z_3) = -2 - 4 + 8 \Rightarrow z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 1 \quad \dots(vi)$$

Solving last equations in (i), (ii) and (iii) with (vi),

we get,  $z_1 = 3, z_2 = 5, z_3 = -7$

Thus, the vertices of the triangle are  $A(1, 2, 3)$ ,  $B(3, 4, 5)$  and  $C(-1, 6, -7)$ .

**40.** Given vertices are  $A(1, 2, 3)$ ,  $B(-1, -2, -1)$ ,  $C(2, 3, 2)$  and  $D(4, 7, 6)$ .



Coordinates of mid-point of  $AC$  are

$$\left( \frac{1+2}{2}, \frac{2+3}{2}, \frac{3+2}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2} \right)$$

Coordinates of mid-point of  $BD$  are

$$\left( \frac{-1+4}{2}, \frac{-2+7}{2}, \frac{-1+6}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2} \right)$$

As mid points of  $AC$  and  $BD$  are same

So,  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  are the vertices of a parallelogram.

$$\text{Now, } AC = \sqrt{(2-1)^2 + (3-2)^2 + (2-3)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1+1+1} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$BD = \sqrt{(4+1)^2 + (7+2)^2 + (6+1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{25+81+49} = \sqrt{155}$$

As,  $AC \neq BD \Rightarrow$  Diagonals are not equal.

$\therefore ABCD$  is not a rectangle

Hence,  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  are vertices of a parallelogram but not rectangle.