H. Geom./HAP Ch 2.1

HAP 2.1 Distance and Midpoint Formulas

Formulas for 2 points

- If there are two points (a, b) and (c, d):
- Distance Formula:
- Midpoint Formula:
- Point-slope form of the line:
- 1. (a) Find the distance between the points (-3, 7) and (4, 10).
 - (b) Find the midpoint between the points (-3, 7) and (4, 10).
 - (c) Find the equation of the line that goes through (-3,7) and (4,10)
- 2. Consider points A = (-2, 2), B = (2, -1), and C = (5, 4)(a) AB =
 - (b) BC =
 - (c) AC =
 - (d) Determine whether the triangle formed by points A = (-2, 2), B = (2, -1), and C = (5, 4) form a right triangle.
- 3. Let M be the midpoint of $\overline{P_1P_2}$ where $P_1(6,-3)$ and $P_2(4,2)$.
 - (a) Find the coordinates of M, the midpoint of the line segment joining the points $P_1 = (6, -3)$ and $P_2 = (4, 2)$.
 - (b) Find the length of $\overline{P_1M}$

Answers:
(1a)
$$\sqrt{58}$$
 (1b) $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{17}{2}\right)$ (1c) $y - 7 = \frac{3}{7}(x+3)$ or $y - 10 = \frac{3}{7}(x-4)$ (2a) 5. (2b) $\sqrt{34}$ (2c) $\sqrt{53}$ (2d) $5^2 + 34 = 53 < 59$ so $\triangle ABC$ is acute (3a) $M(5, -\frac{1}{2})$ (3b) $\sqrt{29}/2$