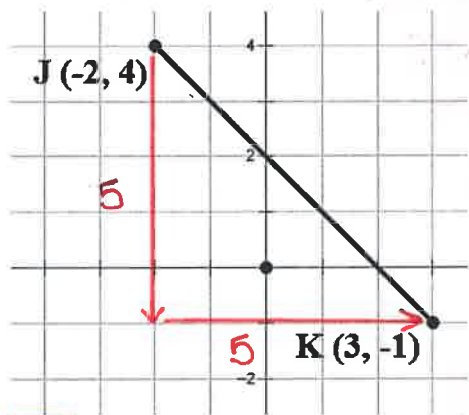


**Objective:** Determine the distance between two points.

**Warm Up:**

Find the length of  $\overline{JK}$



$\overline{JK} = 5\sqrt{2}$  units

Option 1:

Pythagorean Thm.

$$5^2 + 5^2 = c^2$$

$$25 + 25 = c^2$$

$$50 = c^2$$

$$c = \sqrt{50}$$

$$c = \sqrt{25 \cdot 2}$$

$$c = 5\sqrt{2}$$

Option 2:

Distance Formula

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

$$= \sqrt{5^2 + (-5)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{25 + 25}$$

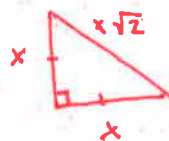
$$= \sqrt{50}$$

$$= 5\sqrt{2}$$

Option 3:

45-45-90 triangle

$$5\sqrt{2}$$



Key terms:

Pythagorean theorem:

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

\*careful: this can only be used on a right triangle!

Distance formula:

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

Examples:

1. Determine the distance between the following points.

A.) (3, 2) and (-5, 17)

$$\begin{aligned} d &= \sqrt{(3 - (-5))^2 + (2 - 17)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{8^2 + (-15)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{64 + 225} \\ &= \sqrt{289} \\ &= \boxed{17 \text{ units}} \end{aligned}$$

B.) (-1, 4) and (-4, 8)

$$\begin{aligned} d &= \sqrt{(-4 - (-1))^2 + (8 - 4)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} \\ &= \sqrt{9 + 16} \\ &= \sqrt{25} \\ &= \boxed{5 \text{ units}} \end{aligned}$$

2. Given the points and a distance, find the value of the variable.

a.  $(0,1), (x,4)$  and  $d = \sqrt{34}$

$$\sqrt{34} = \sqrt{(x-0)^2 + (4-1)^2}$$

$$\sqrt{34} = \sqrt{x^2 + 3^2}$$

$$(\sqrt{34})^2 = (\sqrt{x^2 + 9})^2$$

$$34 = x^2 + 9$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -9 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\pm\sqrt{25} = \sqrt{x^2}$$

$$x = \pm 5$$

b.  $(4,-8), (10,y)$  and  $d = 5\sqrt{5}$

$$5\sqrt{5} = \sqrt{(10-4)^2 + (y-(-8))^2}$$

$$5\sqrt{5} = \sqrt{6^2 + (y+8)^2}$$

$$(5\sqrt{5})^2 = (\sqrt{36 + (y+8)^2})^2$$

$$25 \cdot 5 = 36 + (y+8)^2$$

$$125 = 36 + (y+8)^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -36 \quad -36 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\pm\sqrt{89} = \sqrt{(y+8)^2}$$

$$\pm\sqrt{89} = y+8$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -8 \quad -8 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$y = \pm\sqrt{89} - 8$$

3. Classify the triangle by side lengths using the given coordinates:  $(4,6), (6,1)$  and  $(1,3)$ .

Side 1:  $(4,6)$  and  $(6,1)$

$$d = \sqrt{(6-4)^2 + (1-6)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2^2 + (-5)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4 + 25}$$

$$= \sqrt{29}$$

Side 2:  $(6,1)$  and  $(1,3)$

$$d = \sqrt{(1-6)^2 + (3-1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(-5)^2 + 2^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{25 + 4}$$

$$= \sqrt{29}$$

Side 3:  $(4,6)$  and  $(1,3)$

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

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

$$= \sqrt{9 + 9}$$

$$= \sqrt{18}$$

$$= \sqrt{9 \cdot 2}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{2}$$

Isosceles: two sides are congruent