

## Exercise 24.2

### 1. Solution:

Let  $\vec{o}$ ,  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be the position vector of the O, A and B.

P and Q are points of trisection of AB.

$$\text{Position vector of point P} = \frac{2\vec{a} + \vec{b}}{3}$$

$$\text{Position vector of point Q} = \frac{\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}}{3}$$

Now,

$$\vec{OP} = \frac{2\vec{a} + \vec{b}}{3} - \vec{o} = \frac{2\vec{a} + \vec{b} - 3\vec{o}}{3} = \frac{2\vec{OA} + \vec{OB}}{3}$$

$$\vec{OQ} = \frac{\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}}{3} - \vec{o} = \frac{\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} - 3\vec{o}}{3} = \frac{\vec{OA} + 2\vec{OB}}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} OP^2 + OQ^2 &= \left( \frac{2\vec{OA} + \vec{OB}}{3} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\vec{OA} + 2\vec{OB}}{3} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{5(OA^2 + OB^2) + 8(OA)(OB)\cos 90^\circ}{9} \\ &= \frac{5}{9}AB^2 \dots\dots\dots [\because OA^2 + OB^2 = AB^2 \text{ and } \cos 90^\circ = 0] \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore OP^2 + OQ^2 = 5/9 AB^2$$

### 2. Solution:

Let OACB be a quadrilateral such that its diagonal bisect each other at right angles.

We know that, if the diagonals of a quadrilateral bisect each other then it's a parallelogram.

Thus, OACB is a parallelogram

So,

$$OA = BC \text{ and } OB = AC$$

Now,

Taking O as the origin. Let  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be the position vector of A and B

AB and OC be the diagonals of quadrilateral which bisect each other at right angles.

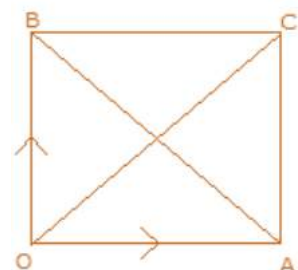
$$\Rightarrow (\vec{OC}) \cdot (\vec{AB}) = 0$$

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 0$$

$$|\vec{a}|^2 + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - |\vec{b}|^2 = 0$$

$$|\vec{a}|^2 = |\vec{b}|^2$$

$$OA = OB$$



Similarly,

$$OA = OB = BC = CA$$

Therefore, OACB is a rhombus.

### 3. Solution:

Let  $\triangle AOB$  be a right-angle triangle with right angle at O.

Required to prove:  $AB^2 = OA^2 + OB^2$

Taking O as the origin, we have

$\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  to be the position vector of A and B respectively.

Now, as OB is perpendicular to OA their dot product equals to zero

So, we have

$$(\vec{OA}) \cdot (\vec{OB}) = 0$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0 \dots\dots(i)$$

And,

$$(\vec{AB})^2 = (\vec{b} - \vec{a})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{AB})^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$$

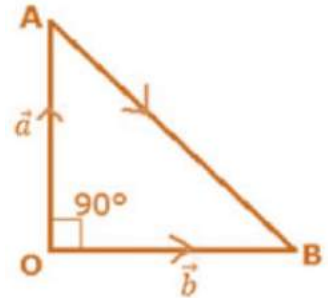
From equation (i), we have

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{AB})^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 0$$

Therefore,

$$AB^2 = OA^2 + OB^2$$

- Hence proved



### 4. Solution:

Let OAC be a right triangle, right angled at O.

Now, taking O as the origin

Let  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be the position vector of  $\vec{OA}$  and  $\vec{OB}$ .

$\vec{OA}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{OB}$

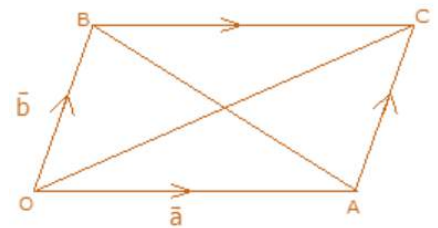
$$\therefore \vec{OA} \cdot \vec{OB} = 0$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

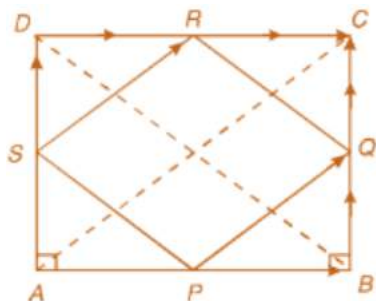
Now,

$$\vec{AB}^2 = (\vec{b} - \vec{a})^2 = (\vec{a})^2 + (\vec{b})^2 - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (\vec{a})^2 + (\vec{b})^2 - 0 = (\vec{OA})^2 + (\vec{OB})^2$$

- Hence proved



**5. Solution:**



Given, ABCD is a rectangle

Let P, Q, R and S be the mid points of the sides AB, BC, CD and DA respectively.

Now,

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \overrightarrow{PB} + \overrightarrow{BQ} = \frac{1}{2}(\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}) = \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{AC} \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

$$\overrightarrow{SR} = \overrightarrow{SD} + \overrightarrow{DR} = \frac{1}{2}(\overrightarrow{AD} + \overrightarrow{DC}) = \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{AC} \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \overrightarrow{SR}$  i.e. sides PQ and SR are equal and parallel.

$\therefore$  PQRS is a parallelogram.

Now,

$$(\overrightarrow{PQ})^2 = \overrightarrow{PQ} \cdot \overrightarrow{PQ} = (\overrightarrow{PB} + \overrightarrow{BQ}) \cdot (\overrightarrow{PB} + \overrightarrow{BQ}) = |\overrightarrow{PB}|^2 + |\overrightarrow{BQ}|^2 \dots\dots\dots (iii)$$

$$(\overrightarrow{PS})^2 = \overrightarrow{PS} \cdot \overrightarrow{PS} = (\overrightarrow{PA} + \overrightarrow{AS}) \cdot (\overrightarrow{PA} + \overrightarrow{AS}) = |\overrightarrow{PA}|^2 + |\overrightarrow{AS}|^2 = |\overrightarrow{PB}|^2 + |\overrightarrow{BQ}|^2 \dots\dots\dots (iv)$$

From (iii) and (iv), we get

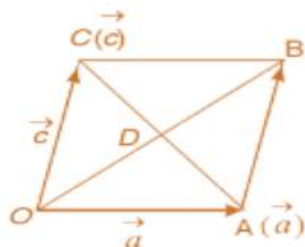
$$(\overrightarrow{PQ})^2 = (\overrightarrow{PS})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow PQ = PS$$

So, the adjacent sides of PQRS are equal

Hence, PQRS is rhombus.

**6. Solution:**



Let OABC be a rhombus, whose diagonals OB and AC intersect at point D

And, let O be the origin

Let the position vector of A and C be  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{c}$  respectively then,

$$\vec{OA} = \vec{a} \text{ and } \vec{OC} = \vec{c}$$

$$\vec{OB} = \vec{OA} + \vec{AB} = \vec{OA} + \vec{OC} = \vec{a} + \vec{c} \dots\dots\dots [\because \vec{AB} = \vec{OC}]$$

$$\text{Position vector of mid-point of } \vec{OB} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{a} + \vec{c})$$

$$\text{Position vector of mid-point of } \vec{AC} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{a} + \vec{c})$$

$\therefore$  Midpoints of OB and AC coincide.

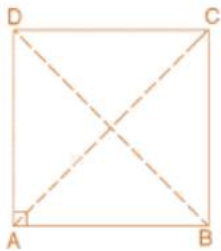
$\therefore$  Diagonal OB and AC bisect each other.

$$\vec{OB} \cdot \vec{AC} = (\vec{a} + \vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{c} - \vec{a}) = (\vec{c} + \vec{a}) \cdot (\vec{c} - \vec{a}) = |\vec{c}|^2 - |\vec{a}|^2 = \vec{OC} \cdot \vec{OA} = 0$$

$[\because \text{OC and OA are sides of the rhombus}]$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{OB} \perp \vec{AC}$$

### 7. Solution:



Let ABCD be a rectangle

Taking A as the origin, we have position vectors of point B and D to be  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  respectively

By parallelogram law,

$$\vec{AC} = \vec{a} + \vec{b} \text{ and } \vec{BD} = \vec{a} - \vec{b}$$

As ABCD is a rectangle,  $AB \perp AD$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0 \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

Now, diagonals AC and BD are perpendicular iff  $\vec{AC} \cdot \vec{BD} = 0$

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b})(\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 0$$

$$(\vec{a})^2 - (\vec{b})^2 = 0$$

$$|\vec{AB}|^2 = |\vec{AD}|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |AB| = |AD|$$

Hence, ABCD is a square.