

Que → The points $(-a, -b)$, $(0, 0)$, (a, b) and (a^2, a^3) are
(1979).

(a) Collinear

(b) Vertices of a rectangle

(c) Vertices of a parallelogram

(d) None of the above

Solution :- A $(-a, -b)$, B $(0, 0)$, C (a, b) , D (a^2, a^3)

$$\text{slope of } AB = \frac{0 - (-b)}{0 - (-a)} = b/a$$

$$BC = \frac{b - 0}{a - 0} = b/a$$

$$CD = \frac{a^3 - b}{a^2 - a} = \frac{b(a-1)}{a(a-1)} = b/a.$$

$$AD = \frac{ab + b}{a^2 + a} = \frac{b(a+1)}{a(a+1)} = b/a.$$

Hence, they are collinear.