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Question

Question: Find the point A if AB is a diameter of the circle with center $C = (3, -1)$ and point $B = (2, 6)$.

given data

Point	Vector
B	$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$
C	$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Section Formula

If a point P divides the line joining A and B internally in the ratio $m : n$, then

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{k\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A}}{k + 1} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{k+1} \\ \frac{k}{k+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Express \mathbf{A} in terms of \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{C} :

$$\mathbf{C} = \frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}}{2} \Rightarrow 2\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A} = 2\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{B}.$$

Using matrix notation,

$$\mathbf{A} = 2\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{C} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

substitute values :

Given

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix},$$

we have

$$\mathbf{A} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}}.$$

Figure

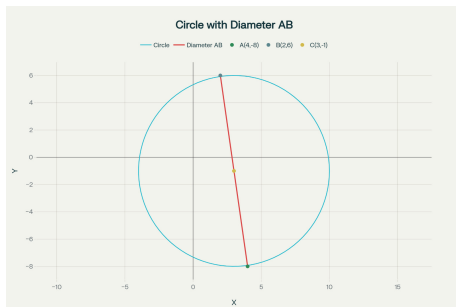


Figure:

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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Center C = (3, -1)
# B = (2, 6)
# Let A = (x, y). Midpoint formula: center = (A + B) / 2 =>
# 3 = (x + 2) / 2, -1 = (y + 6) / 2
# Solve for (x, y):
# x = 2*3 - 2 = 4
# y = 2*(-1) - 6 = -8

A = np.array([4, -8])
B = np.array([2, 6])
C = np.array([3, -1])
```


Python Code

```
# For the circle, radius = distance(center, B)
import numpy as np
def dist(P, Q):
    return np.sqrt((P[0] - Q[0])**2 + (P[1] - Q[1])**2)
radius = dist(C, B)

fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(7,7))

# Plot the circle
circle = plt.Circle(C, radius, color='blue', fill=False,
    linestyle='dotted', label='Circle')
ax.add_patch(circle)

# Plot A, B, C
ax.scatter(*A, color='red', label='A (unknown, solved)')
ax.scatter(*B, color='green', label='B (2, 6)')
ax.scatter(*C, color='orange', label='Center (3, -1)')
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# Plot line AC
ax.plot([A[0], C[0]], [A[1], C[1]], [A[2], C[2]], color='purple',
        label='Line AC')

# Annotate points
ax.text(*A, ' A', color='red', fontsize=10)
ax.text(*B, ' B', color='green', fontsize=10)
ax.text(*C, ' C', color='blue', fontsize=10)
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Python Code

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# Draw diameter AB
ax.plot([A[0], B[0]], [A[1], B[1]], color='purple', linewidth=2,
        linestyle='--', label='Diameter AB')

# Annotate
ax.annotate('A'+str(A), (A[0], A[1]), xytext=(10, -10),
            textcoords='offset points')
ax.annotate('B'+str(B), (B[0], B[1]), xytext=(-40, 10),
            textcoords='offset points')
ax.annotate('C'+str(C), (C[0], C[1]), xytext=(5, -10), textcoords
            ='offset points')

ax.set_xlim(C[0] - radius - 2, C[0] + radius + 2)
ax.set_ylim(C[1] - radius - 2, C[1] + radius + 2)
ax.set_aspect('equal')
ax.grid(True)
plt.legend()
plt.title('Circle with Diameter AB')
plt.xlabel('x')
```

C Code

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    // Given values
    int xB = 2, yB = 6;
    int xC = 3, yC = -1; // Center of the circle

    // Calculate coordinates of A using midpoint formula
    int xA = 2 * xC - xB;
    int yA = 2 * yC - yB;

    // Print result
    printf("Coordinates of point A are: (%d, %d)\n", xA, yA);

    // Verify midpoint
    float midX = (xA + xB) / 2.0;
    float midY = (yA + yB) / 2.0;
    printf("Midpoint of A and B is: (%.1f, %.1f)\n", midX, midY);
```

```
import subprocess

# Compile the C program
subprocess.run(["gcc", "midpoint.c", "-o", "midpoint"])

# Run the compiled C program
result = subprocess.run(["./midpoint"], capture_output=True, text=True)

# Print the output from the C program
print(result.stdout)
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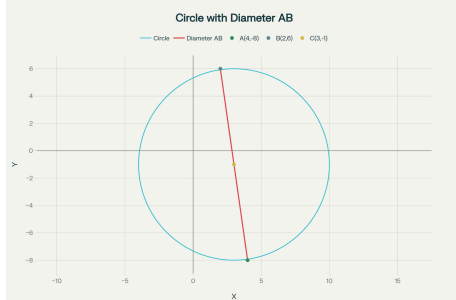


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