Problem 1.8.8. Find the distance between the points A(0,6) and B(0,-2) . Solution.

Input variable	Value
A	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$
В	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$

Table 1

Represent the points as vectors:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

The distance between A and B is

$$d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| \tag{2}$$

Subtracting the vectors,

$$\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

Now, compute the Euclidean norm:

$$d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \sqrt{(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})}$$
(4)

$$d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \sqrt{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}} = \sqrt{64}$$
 (5)

$$d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = 8 \tag{6}$$

Final Answer:

$$d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| = 8 \tag{7}$$

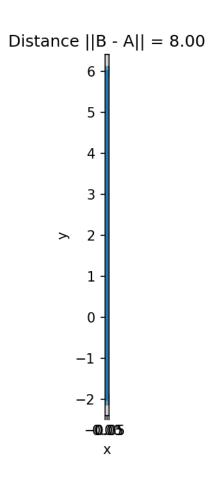


Figure 1