

## 1.5.8

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Question:

Find the ratio in which **P** (4, 5) divides the line segment joining **A** (2, 3) and **B** (7, 8).

**Solution:**

Point	matrix
<b>A</b>	$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$
<b>B</b>	$\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$
<b>P</b>	$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$

Table: Given Data

Using Section Formula,

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{k\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A}}{k + 1} \quad (0.1)$$

$$\binom{4}{5} = \frac{k \binom{7}{8} + \binom{2}{3}}{k+1} \quad (0.2)$$

$$3k \binom{1}{1} = 2 \binom{1}{1} \quad (0.3)$$

$$\text{or, } k = \frac{2}{3} \quad (0.4)$$

