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Problem Statement

Question:

Find the ratio in which the segment joining the points $(1, 3)$ and $(4, 5)$ is divided by the X axis. Also find the coordinates of this point on the X axis.

Solution

Using the section formula, the coordinates of the point dividing the line segment are given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + k \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}}{1 + k} \quad (1)$$

Solution (Continued)

Solving for x , we first get

$$\frac{5k + 3}{k + 1} = 0 \quad (2)$$

Solution (Continued)

Solving for k , we get

$$k = \frac{-3}{5} \quad (3)$$

Solution (Continued)

Now substituting the value of k in the equation for x , we get

$$x = \frac{1}{k+1} + \frac{4k}{k+1} \quad (4)$$

Solution (Continued)

Simplifying the expression for x , we get

$$x = \frac{1 + 4\left(\frac{-3}{5}\right)}{\left(\frac{-3}{5}\right) + 1} \quad (5)$$

Solution (Final Result)

Finally, we obtain

$$x = \frac{-7}{2} \quad (6)$$

Therefore, the ratio in which the line segment joining the points $(1, 3)$ and $(4, 5)$ is divided by the X axis is $-3 : 5$. The point on the X axis which divides the line segment in the ratio is $(\frac{-7}{2}, 0)$.

Plot of Points and Line

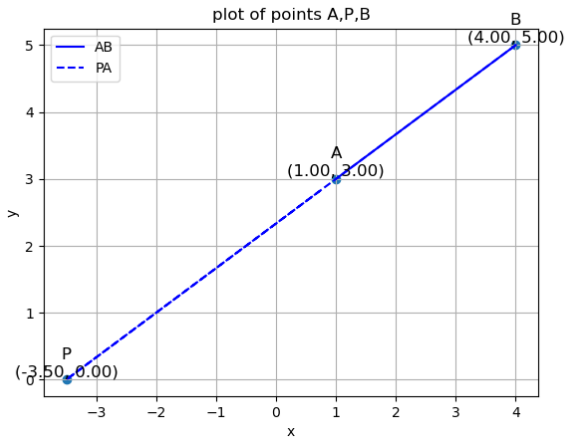


Figure: Plot of points A, B, and P, and the line joining them.

C Code (Part 1)

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <math.h>
#include <sys/socket.h>
#include <netinet/in.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include "libs/matfun.h"
#include "libs/geofun.h"

void points(FILE *fptr, double **a, double **b, int num_points) {
    for (int i = 0; i <= num_points; i++) {
        double temp = (double)i/(double)num_points;
        double **output = Matadd(Matscale(a,2,1,1-temp),Matscale(b
            ,2,1,temp),2,1);
        printf(" %lf,%lf\n",output[0][0],output[1][0]);
        fprintf(fptr, " %lf %lf\n", output[0][0], output[1][0]);
    }
}
```

C Code (Part 2)

```
int main() {  
    double x1,y1,x2,y2,x3,y3;  
    x1 = 1;  
    y1 = 3;  
    x2 = 4;  
    y2 = 5;  
    x3 = -3.5;  
    y3 = 0;  
    int m = 2, n = 1;  
    double **A = createMat(m,n);  
    double **B = createMat(m,n);  
    double **P = createMat(m,n);  
    A[0][0] = x1;  
    A[1][0] = y1;  
    B[0][0] = x2;  
    B[1][0] = y2;  
    P[0][0] = x3;
```

```
points(fp_ptr, A, B, 20);  
points(fp_ptr, P, A, 20);  
fclose(fp_ptr);  
return 0;
```

```
}
```

Python Code (Part 1)

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import os

# Load the points from the text file
points = np.loadtxt("points.txt", delimiter=',', max_rows=len(list(open(
    "/points.txt"))-1))
```

Python Code (Part 2)

```
# Extract the x and y coordinates  
x1 = points[:21, 0]  
y1 = points[:21, 1]  
x2 = points[20:, 0]  
y2 = points[20:, 1]  
A = np.array([1, 3]).reshape(-1,1)  
P = np.array([-3.5, 0]).reshape(-1,1)  
B = np.array([4, 5]).reshape(-1,1)  
  
plt.figure()  
plt.plot(x1, y1, label='AB', linestyle='-', color='blue')  
plt.plot(x2, y2, label='PA', linestyle='--', color='blue')
```

Python Code (Part 3)

```
tri_coords = np.block([A,P,B])
plt.scatter(tri_coords[0,:], tri_coords[1, :])
vert_labels = ['A','P','B'];
for i, txt in enumerate(vert_labels):
    # Annotate each point with its label and coordinates
    plt.text(tri_coords[0, i], tri_coords[1, i], f'{txt}\n({tri_coords[0,i]:.2f},-
        {tri_coords[1,i]:.2f})',
        fontsize=12, color = 'black', ha='center', va='bottom')
plt.xlabel("x")
plt.ylabel("y")
plt.title("plot-of-points-A,P,B")
plt.grid(True)
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```