Problem Solution

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Question

If (a,b) is the mid-point of the line segment joining the points A (10,-6) and B (k,4) and a-2b=18, find the value of a, b and the distance AB .

Solution Outline

Find mid-point $M = \frac{A+B}{2}$

Substitute in the relation between a and b.

Solve for k and find the distance using distance formula.

Variables Used

Variable name	Description	Formula
А	(10, -6).	$M = \frac{A+B}{2}$
В	(k,4)	
M	The midpoint of line-segment AB	

Table: Variables Used

Solution

We know that if M is the mid-point of AB, then

$$\mathbf{M} = \frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}}{2} \tag{1}$$

$$\binom{a}{b} = \frac{\binom{10}{-6} + \binom{k}{4}}{2} \tag{2}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \lfloor \mathbf{b} = -1 \rfloor \tag{3}$$

$$a = 18 + 2b$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{16} \right] \tag{5}$$

$$k = 2a - 10 \tag{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\mathsf{k} = 22} \tag{7}$$

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(4)

Solution

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| = \sqrt{(B - A)^T (B - A)} \tag{9}$$

$$=\sqrt{\begin{pmatrix}12 & 10\end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix}12\\10\end{pmatrix}}\tag{10}$$

$$\|\mathbf{AB}\| = 2\sqrt{61} \tag{11}$$

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Plot

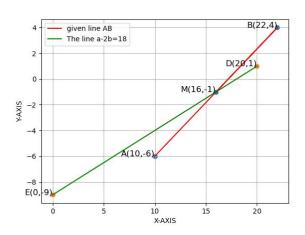


Figure:

Functions defined

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>
float mp(float a, float b)
 return (a+b)*0.5;
float norm(float a, float b, float c, float d)
{
    return sqrt(pow(a-c,2) + pow(b-d,2));
}
```

C-Code

```
int main(void)
FILE *ptr;
ptr=fopen("main.txt", "w");
float mp(float, float); //function prototype
float norm(float, float, float, float);
float midp1, midp2, dist;
midp1 = (float) mp(10,22);
midp2 = (float) mp(-6,4);
dist = (float) norm(10, -6.22.4);
       fprintf(ptr, "%f\n", midp1 );
fprintf(ptr, "%f\n", midp2 );
fprintf(ptr, "%f", dist );
       fclose(ptr);
return 0;
```

Python Code

```
from ctypes import*
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
rel = CDLL('./func.so')
a = 10
b = -6
c = 22
d = 4
mp = rel.mp
mp.restype = c_float
norm = rel.norm
norm.restype = c_float
filename = 'main.txt'
with open(filename, 'r') as file:
    data = file.readlines()
    print (data)
```

Python Code

```
dist = norm(c_float(a), c_float(b), c_float(c), c_float(d))
print(dist)
x = [10, 22, mp(c_float(a), c_float(c))]
v = [-6, 4, mp(c_float(b), c_float(d))]
label = ['A(10,-6)', 'B(22,4)', 'M(16,-1)']
plt.scatter(x,v)
plt.text(x[0], y[0], label[0], fontsize=12, ha='right')
plt.text(x[1], y[1], label[1], fontsize=12, ha='right')
plt.text(x[2], y[2], label[2], fontsize=12, ha='right')
w = [20, 0]
z = [1, -9]
labell = ['D(20,1)', 'E(0,-9)']
plt.scatter(w,z)
plt.text(w[0], z[0], labell[0], fontsize=12, ha='right')
plt.text(w[1], z[1], labell[1], fontsize=12, ha='right')
```

Python Code

```
plt.plot (x,y,color='red', linestyle='-', label='given-line-AB')
plt.plot (w,z,color='green', linestyle='-', label='The-line-a-2b=18')
plt.xlabel('X-AXIS')
plt.ylabel('Y-AXIS')
plt.grid()
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```