

# 1-1.8-18

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**Question:** If the distance between the points  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ p \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is 5, then the value of  $P$  is  
**Solution:**

Variable	Description
<b>A</b>	$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ p \end{pmatrix}$
<b>B</b>	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
<b>D</b>	$\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$

TABLE 0: Variables Used

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ p \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.1)$$

$$\|\mathbf{D}\|^2 = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{D}^\top \quad (0.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\mathbf{D}\|^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ p \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & p \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\mathbf{D}\|^2 = 3^2 + p^2 \quad (0.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\mathbf{D}\|^2 = 9 + p^2 \quad (0.5)$$

$$(0.6)$$

It has been given that the distance between the two points is 5, so

$$\|\mathbf{D}\|^2 = 25 \quad (0.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow 25 = 9 + p^2 \quad (0.8)$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \pm 4 \quad (0.9)$$

