

Matrices in Geometry 1.9.27

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Question: Find the value of P, if the point A (0, 2) is equidistant from point B (3, P) and c (p, 5)

Given: A $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, B $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ P \end{pmatrix}$ and a point C $\begin{pmatrix} P \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ such that P is equidistant from A and B.

$$\therefore \|A - B\| = \|A - C\| \quad (1)$$

On squaring both the sides, we get (2)

$$\|A - B\|^2 = \|A - C\|^2 \quad (3)$$

$$(A - B)^\top (A - B) = (A - C)^\top (A - C) \quad (4)$$

$$A^\top A - 2A^\top B + B^\top B = A^\top A - 2A^\top C + C^\top C \quad (5)$$

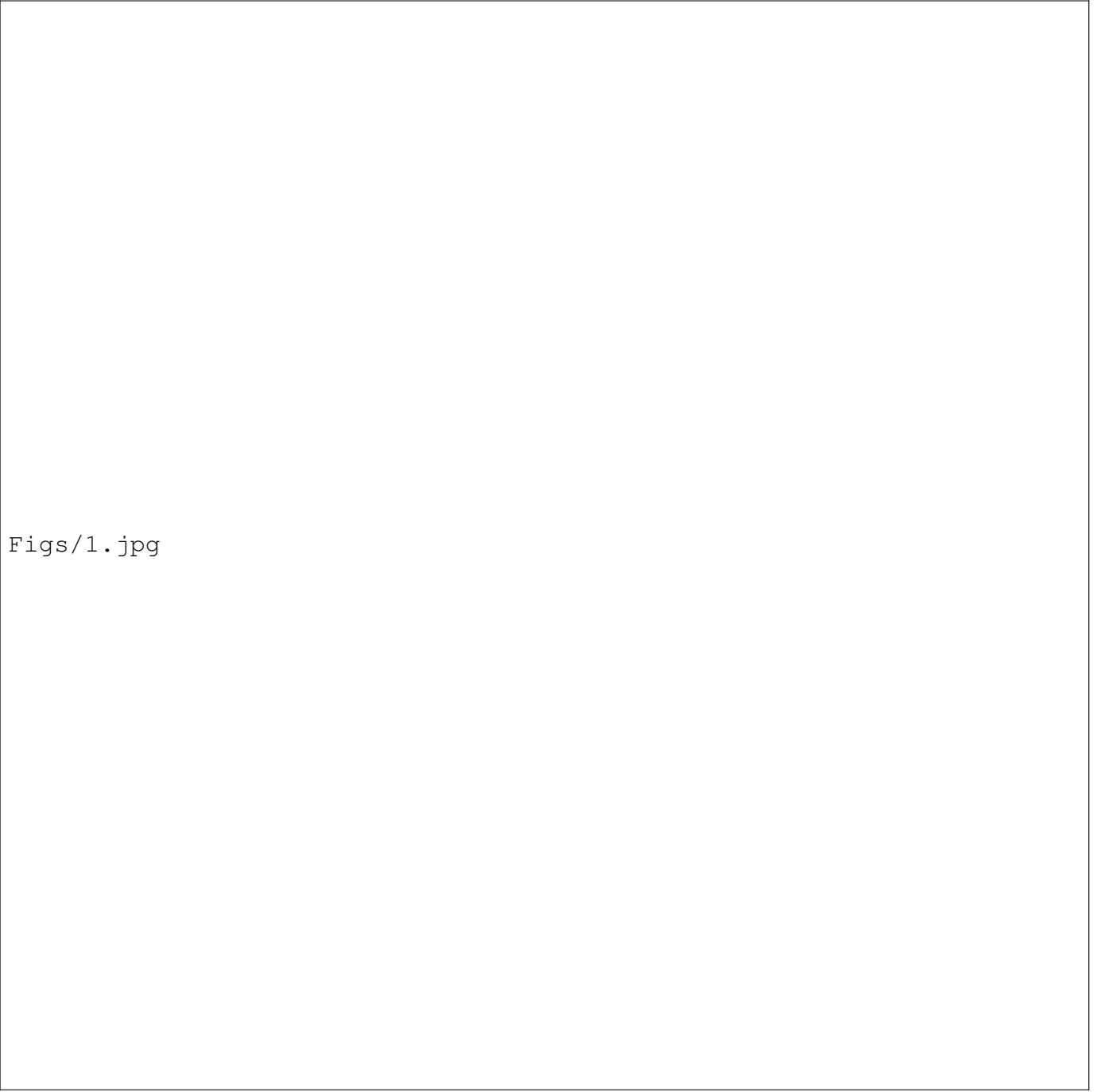
$$\|B\|^2 - \|C\|^2 = 2A^\top (B - C) \quad (6)$$

$$\left\| \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ P \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 - \left\| \begin{pmatrix} P \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 - P \\ P - 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

$$9 + P^2 - P^2 - 25 = 2(0 + 2P - 10) \quad (8)$$

$$-16 = 4P - 20 \implies 4P = 4 \implies P = 1 \quad (9)$$

Hence, the final answer is p = 1 (10)



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Fig. 1: Plot for 1.9.27