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1 Problem

Find the equation of line passing through the points $\begin{pmatrix} -1\\1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 2\\-4 \end{pmatrix}$

2 Solution

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -1\\1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.1}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.2}$$

(2.0.3)

Direction vector,

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} \tag{2.0.4}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -3\\5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.5}$$

Normal vector,

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.6}$$

Equation of line is,

$$\mathbf{n}^{\mathsf{T}}(\mathbf{x}) = c \tag{2.0.7}$$

$$(5 \quad 3)(\mathbf{x}) = c \tag{2.0.8}$$

Point A lies on the line,

$$(5 \quad 3) \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = c$$
 (2.0.9)

$$\implies c = -2 \tag{2.0.10}$$

:. the equation of given line is

$$(5 \ 3)(\mathbf{x}) = -2$$
 (2.0.11)

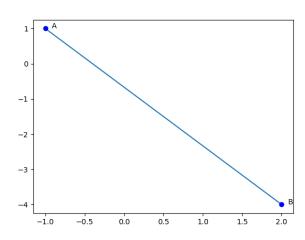


Fig. 0: Line joing points A and B