

# 1-1.5-8

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Question:

Find the ratio in which  $P(4, 5)$  divides the line segment joining  $A(2, 3)$  and  $B(7, 8)$

sol :  $P(4, 5)$  divides  $A$  and  $B$  in the ratio  $k: 1$

$$P = \frac{\mathbf{A} + k\mathbf{B}}{k + 1} \quad (1)$$

(2)

$$P = \frac{\mathbf{A}}{k + 1} + \frac{k\mathbf{B}}{k + 1} \quad (3)$$

(4)

$$p = (\mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{B}) \left( \frac{1}{\frac{k+1}{k}} \right) \quad (5)$$

(6)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 3 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\frac{k+1}{k}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

(8)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{\frac{k+1}{k}} + \frac{7k}{k+1} \\ \frac{3}{\frac{k+1}{k}} + \frac{8k}{k+1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (9)$$

(10)

(11)

$$4 = \frac{2 + 7k}{k + 1} \quad (12)$$

(13)

$$4k + 4 = 2 + 7k \quad (14)$$

(15)

$$3k = 2 \quad (16)$$

(17)

$$k = \frac{2}{3} \quad (18)$$

(19)

$\therefore P(4, 5)$  divides  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  in the ratio  $\frac{2}{3}: 1$

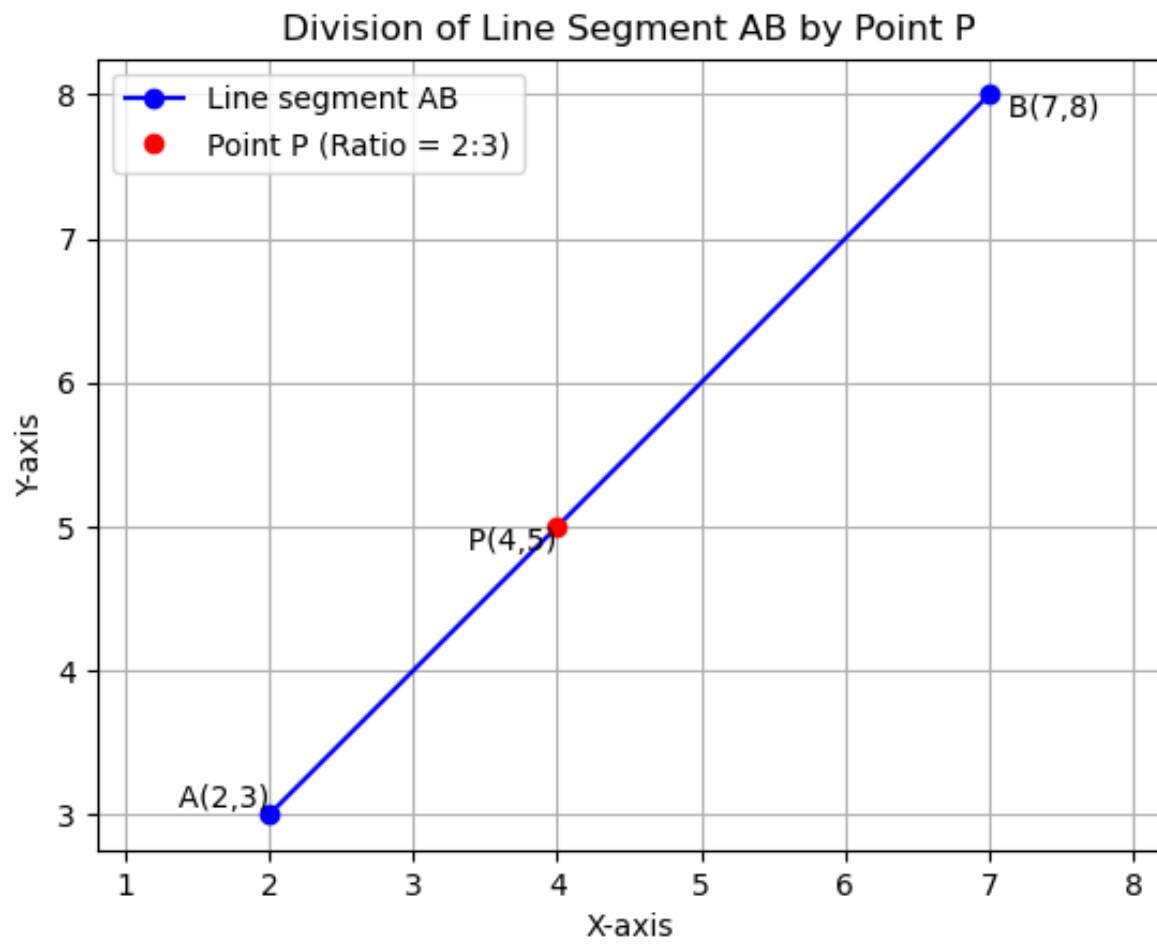


Fig. 0. plot of A,B and P