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Question:

The position vector of the point which divides the join of points $2a - 3b$ and $a + b$ in the ratio 3 : 1 is:

Solution:

Using Section Formula($k=3$)

If C divides A and B in the ratio $k:1$, then $C = (kB + A)/k + 1$

$$C = \frac{1}{3+1} (3B + A) \quad (0.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{1}{4} ((3a + 3b) + (2a - 3b)) \quad (0.2)$$

$$C = \frac{5}{4}a \quad (0.3)$$

Vector	Coordinates
A	$2a - 3b$
B	$a + b$
C	$\frac{5}{4}a$

TABLE 0: Given Values

Original a	Vector obtained after applying section formula $\frac{5}{4}a$	Verification
1.0000	1.2500	True
2.0000	2.5000	True

TABLE 0: Verified values