

1-Vector Arithmetic

EE1030:Matrix Theory

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Question:1.8.24

Find a relation between x and y such that the point (x,y) is equidistant from the points $(7,1)$ and $(3,5)$.

Solution:

Coordinates Given	Labeled as
$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$	A
$\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$	B
$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$	C

Table 1.8.24.1 0: Labeling given coordinates as **A**, **B**, **C**

A is said to be equidistant from **B** and **C** if

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| = \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\| \quad (0.1)$$

$$\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.2)$$

$$\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 - x \\ 1 - y \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.3)$$

$$(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})^\top = (7 - x \quad 1 - y) \quad (0.4)$$

$$\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.5)$$

$$\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 - x \\ 5 - y \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.6)$$

$$(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})^\top = (3 - x \quad 5 - y) \quad (0.7)$$

Given **A** is equidistant from **B** and **C**, so $\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| = \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\|$ from equation 0.1 ,
Therefore

$$\sqrt{(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})^\top (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})} = \sqrt{(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})^\top (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})} \quad (0.8)$$

Squaring the equation 0.8 on both sides,

$$(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})^T (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) = (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})^T (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}) \quad (0.9)$$

$$(7 - x \quad 1 - y) \begin{pmatrix} 7 - x \\ 1 - y \end{pmatrix} = (3 - x \quad 5 - y) \begin{pmatrix} 3 - x \\ 5 - y \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.10)$$

$$(7 - x)^2 + (1 - y)^2 = (3 - x)^2 + (5 - y)^2 \quad (0.11)$$

$$49 + x^2 - 14x + 1 + y^2 - 2y = 9 + x^2 - 6x + 25 + y^2 - 10y \quad (0.12)$$

$$8x - 8y - 16 = 0 \quad (0.13)$$

$$x - y - 2 = 0 \quad (0.14)$$

The relation between x and y is $x - y - 2 = 0$.

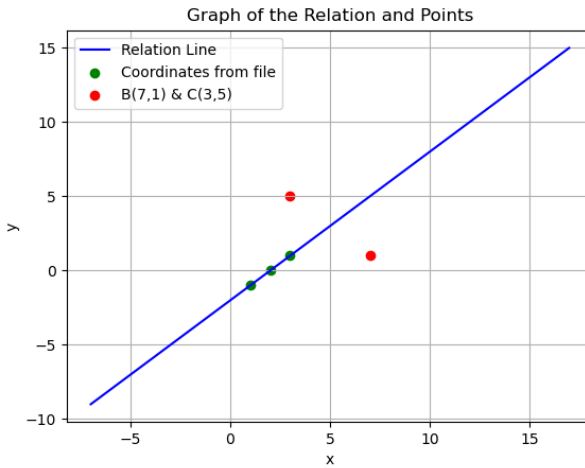


Fig. 0.1: Relation between x and y : $x - y - 2 = 0$