Coordinate-Geomentry

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This is Problem-8 from Exercise 7.2

1. if **A** and **B** $\operatorname{are}\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$, respectively, find the coordinates of **P** such that $\mathbf{AP} = \frac{3}{7}\mathbf{AB}$ and **P** lies on the segment \mathbf{AB}

Solution:

Given

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \ m_1 : m_2 = 3 : 4$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{m_1 B + m_2 A}{m_1 + m_2} \tag{1}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{3\begin{pmatrix} 2\\ -4 \end{pmatrix} + 4\begin{pmatrix} -2\\ -2 \end{pmatrix}}{3+4} \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{\binom{6-8}{-12-8}}{3+4} \tag{3}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{6-8}{3+4} \\ \frac{-12-8}{3+4} \end{pmatrix} \tag{4}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-2}{7} \\ \frac{-20}{7} \end{pmatrix} \tag{5}$$

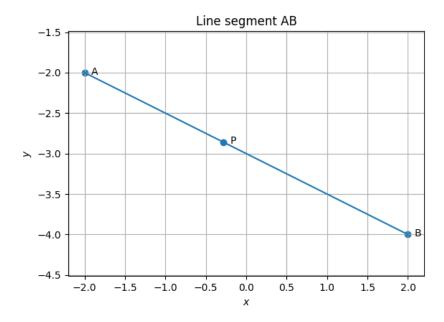


Figure 1: Line segment AB