NCERT 12.10.5.9 1

Find the position vector of a point R which divides the line joining two points P and Q whose Position Vectors are $2\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ and $\vec{a} - 3\vec{b}$ externally in the ratio 1: 2.Also, Show that P is the mid point of the line segment QR

Solution: The coordinates and ratio are given as Using section formula

Symbol	Value
$ec{A}$	$2\vec{a} + \vec{b}$
\vec{B}	$\vec{a} - 3\vec{b}$
k	2

$$\vec{C} = \frac{\vec{B} - k.\vec{A}}{1 - k} \tag{1}$$

$$\vec{C} = \frac{(\vec{a} - 3\vec{b}) - 2(2\vec{a} + \vec{b})}{1 - 2}$$

$$\vec{C} = 3\vec{a} + 5\vec{b}$$
(2)

$$\vec{C} = 3\vec{a} + 5\vec{b} \tag{3}$$

Symbol	Value
$ec{C}$	$3\vec{a} + 5\vec{b}$

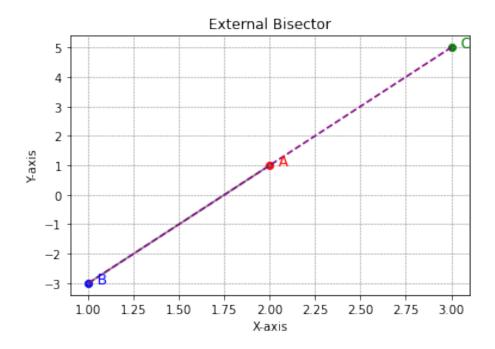


Figure 1: point vectors A,B,C