

Line Assignment

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Problem Statement - Find a point on the x-axis, which is equidistant from the points $\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\| \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{P} \| = (3 - x)^2 + 16$$

5. From equation 1

1. finding the point on x-axis which is equidistant from the points

$$(7 - x)^2 + 36 = (3 - x)^2 + 16$$

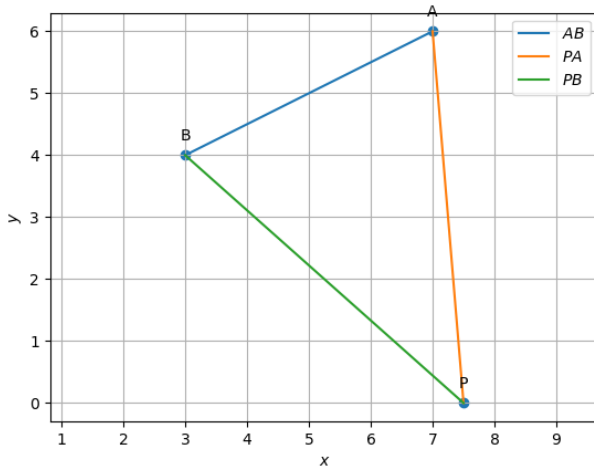
$$(7 - x)^2 + 20 = (3 - x)^2$$

$$49 + x^2 - 14x + 20 = 9 + x^2 - 6x$$

$$60 = 8x$$

$$x = 60/8$$

$$x = 7.5$$



Solution

1. Given points $A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$
2. If the point is lying on x-axis then y-axis will be zero i.e.. $y=0$
3. Distance between the points $\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is equal to distance between the points $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
4. Consider P on x-axis $P = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\| \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P} \| = \| \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{P} \| \quad (1)$$

$$\| \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P} \| = \sqrt{(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P})^\top (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P})}$$

$$\| \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P} \| = \sqrt{\begin{pmatrix} 7-x \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7-x & 6 \end{pmatrix}}$$

$$\| \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P} \| = \sqrt{(7-x)^2 + 36}$$

$$\| \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{P} \| = \sqrt{(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{P})^\top (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{P})}$$

$$\| \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{P} \| = \sqrt{\begin{pmatrix} 3-x \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3-x & 4 \end{pmatrix}}$$