

Assignment 1

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1 PROBLEM

A ray of light passing through the point $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ reflects on the x-axis at point **A** and the reflected ray passes through the point $\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$. Find the coordinates of **A**.

2 EXPLANATION

Since, point **A** is on x-axis, its y-coordinate is zero. Let point A be $\begin{pmatrix} k \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
Let MA be the normal to the x-axis. In case of reflection, angle of incidence = angle of reflection

Let $\angle QAX = \theta$

$\implies \angle PAX = 180^\circ - \theta$

Slope of line QA = $\tan \theta$

Slope of line PA = $\tan (180^\circ - \theta) = -\tan \theta$

which means,

Slope of line PA = $-(\text{Slope of line QA})$
 $\implies \frac{-2}{k-1} = \frac{-3}{k-5}$

3 SOLUTION

Solving the equation:

$$\frac{-2}{k-1} = \frac{-3}{k-5}$$

we get,

$$k = \frac{13}{5}$$