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### Question

If the point (3, 4) lies on the line 3y = ax + 7, find the value of a.

#### Theoretical Solution

Given

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

$$(a -3) \mathbf{x} = -7$$
 (2)

Since point (3,4) lies on the line, substitute (1) in (2),we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & -3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{P} = -7 \tag{3}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = -7 \tag{4}$$

$$3a - 12 = -7 \implies a = \frac{5}{3} \tag{5}$$

 $\therefore$  The value of a is  $\frac{5}{3}$ .

#### C Code

```
#include <stdio.h>
 // Function to generate points on a line segment between A and B.
| // P(lambda) = A + lambda * (B - A)
 // Parameters:
/ // Ax, Ay: Coordinates of the starting point A.
B = 1/1 Bx, By: Coordinates of the end point B.
// num_points: The number of points to generate for the line.
// out_x: A pointer to an array to store the generated x-
     coordinates.
// out y: A pointer to an array to store the generated y-
     coordinates.
 void generate line points(double Ax, double Ay, double Bx, double
      By, int num points, double* out x, double* out y) {
     // Calculate the direction vector m = B - A
     double mx = Bx - Ax;
     double my = By - Ay;
```

#### C Code

```
// Generate 'num points' by varying lambda from 0.0 to 1.0
for (int i = 0; i < num points; i++) {</pre>
   // Calculate lambda, ensuring it spans from 0 to 1
       inclusive
   double lambda = (double)i / (num points - 1);
   // Calculate the point P using the parametric equation
   // P x = A x + lambda * m x
   // P y = A y + lambda * m y
   out x[i] = Ax + lambda * mx;
   out_y[i] = Ay + lambda * my;
```

```
import ctypes
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
# --- 1. Load the Shared C Library ---
# Make sure 'line_generator.so' is in the same directory
try:
    c_lib = ctypes.CDLL('./line.so')
except OSError as e:
    print(Error: Could not load 'line.so')
    print(Please compile 'line generator.c' first using:)
    print(gcc -shared -o line generator.so -fPIC line generator.c
    exit()
# --- 2. Define the Python Interface for the C Function ---
# Correctly define the argument types for the C function.
# The last two arguments are pointers to 1D NumPy arrays of
    doubles.
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c_lib.generate_line_points.argtypes = [
    ctypes.c_double, ctypes.c_double,
    ctypes.c_double, ctypes.c_double,
    ctypes.c_int,
   np.ctypeslib.ndpointer(dtype=np.double, ndim=1, flags='
       C CONTIGUOUS'),
   np.ctypeslib.ndpointer(dtype=np.double, ndim=1, flags='
       C CONTIGUOUS')
c_lib.generate_line_points.restype = None
# --- 3. Prepare Data for the Line and Point ---
# The line is 3y = (5/3)x + 7 or y = (5/9)x + 7/3
# To use our C function, we find two points on the line.
# Let's pick x = -12 and x = 5 to get a good range.
x1 = -12.5
```

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v1 = (5/9)*x1 + (7/3)
A = np.array([x1, y1])
x^2 = 5.0
y2 = (5/9)*x2 + (7/3)
B = np.array([x2, y2])
 # This is the specific point we want to show on the line
 P = np.array([3.0, 4.0])
 num points = 100 # Number of points to make the line smooth
 # Create empty NumPy arrays to be filled by the C function
 line_x = np.zeros(num_points, dtype=np.double)
 line y = np.zeros(num points, dtype=np.double)
```

```
# --- 4. Call the C Function ---
c_lib.generate_line_points(
   A[0], A[1], # Start point A
   B[0], B[1], # End point B
   num_points,
   line_x, # Output array for x-coords
   line_y # Output array for y-coords
# --- 5. Plot the Results ---
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
# Plot the line generated by the C code
a = 5/3
plt.plot(line_x, line_y, label=f'Line 3y = (\{a:.2f\})x + 7')
# Plot the specific point, ensuring coordinates are Python ints
    for the label
```

### Python Code

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from libs.funcs import line_norm # Import the required function
# The value of 'a' we calculated
a = 5/3
# Line equation: 3y = (5/3)x + 7
# Standard form: 5x - 9y + 21 = 0
# This is in the form n.T @ x + k = 0
# The normal vector n is [5, -9]
# The constant term is 21, so n.T @ x = -21
```

### Python Code

```
# 1. Define the line's properties for the plotting function
 n = np.array([5, -9]).reshape(-1, 1)
 c = -21
 # 2. Generate the coordinate data for the line
 # We use a large range (-10, 10) to ensure the line is long
     enough for the plot
 line_coords = line_norm(n, c, -10, 10)
 # 3. Define the point that lies on the line
 P = np.array([3, 4])
 # 4. Plot the results
 plt.plot(line_coords[0, :], line_coords[1, :], label=f'Line 3y =
     ({a:.2f})x + 7')
s |plt.plot(P[0], P[1], 'ro', label='Point (3, 4)') # 'ro' for red
     circle
```

# Python Code

```
# Add labels and a grid for better visualization
plt.xlabel(X-axis)
plt.ylabel(Y-axis)
plt.title(Verification Plot)
plt.grid(True)
plt.legend()
plt.axis('equal') # Ensures correct aspect ratio

# Display the plot
plt.show()
```

## Plot By C code and Python Code

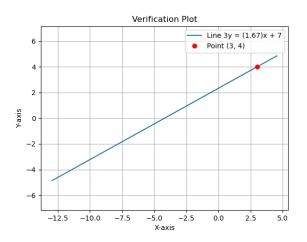


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