

➤ **Focusing event:**

✓ Consider the points $A(x_A)$ & $B(x_B)$. Write \overrightarrow{AB} in terms of abscissas of A & B .

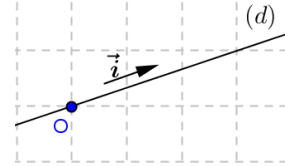
✓ How did you write it in this form?

➤ **What is an axis?**

Let O be any point on a straight line (d) with a directing vector \vec{i} (\vec{i} is collinear with (d)).

Then we call the pair (O, \vec{i}) the reference of (d) .

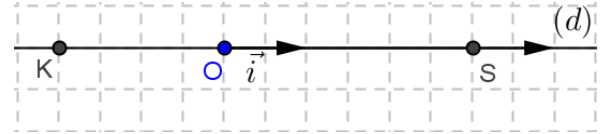
Thus, we define an **axis** by any straight line with a reference.



Ex1: Consider on the axis of reference (O, \vec{i}) the points $R(x_R), N(x_N)$ & $S(x_S)$.

1) Find abscissa of the points S & K

2) a) Trace the vectors: $\overrightarrow{OR} = 2\vec{i}$, & $\overrightarrow{ON} = -\vec{i}$.



b) Deduce the abscissas of points R & N

3) Express: \overrightarrow{OS} & \overrightarrow{OK} in terms of \vec{i}

4) Consider the vectors: \overrightarrow{RN} & \overrightarrow{RS}

i. Complete the following: If $\overrightarrow{RN} = \overrightarrow{ON} - \overrightarrow{OR}$ then, $\overrightarrow{RS} =$

ii. Deduce a writing of \overrightarrow{RN} , & \overrightarrow{RS} as a function of \vec{i} .

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iii. Deduce the abscissas of \overrightarrow{RN} & \overrightarrow{RS}

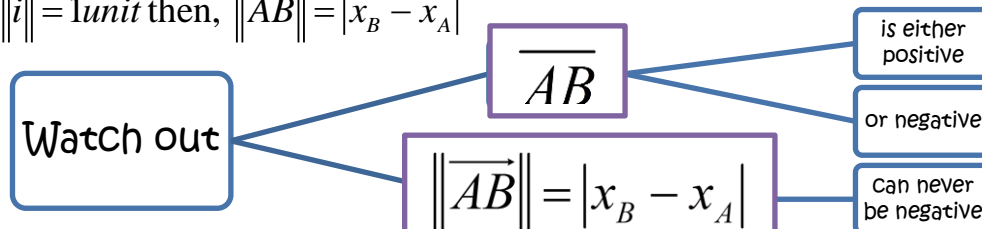
➤ **Algebraic measure:** The algebraic measure of a vector \overrightarrow{AB} (or a segment $[AB]$) denoted by \overline{AB} relative to a reference (O, \vec{i}) is the abscissa of \overrightarrow{AB} .

In other words,
$$\overline{AB} = \overline{OB} - \overline{OA} = x_B - x_A$$

❖ Thus, if $\overrightarrow{RN} = k \cdot \vec{i}$, $\forall k \in \mathbb{R}$ then k is the algebraic measure of \overrightarrow{RN}

➤ **Distance between two points:** If $A(x_A)$ & $B(x_B)$ are any two points on the axis of reference

(O, \vec{i}) such that $\|\vec{i}\| = 1 \text{ unit}$ then, $\|\overrightarrow{AB}\| = |x_B - x_A|$



Remark

To define the abscissa of a point we need a reference (O, \vec{i})

To define an algebraic measure it is enough to have a unit vector



The set of any two non-collinear vectors $\{\vec{i}, \vec{j}\}$ is called a basis of the plane