1.3 Distance Formula Notes

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- I can perform calculations using the distance formula.
 - o I can calculate the distance between two points.
 - o I can apply the distance formula to solve a context problem.

Distance Formula: 1 dimension

$$D = |x_2 - x_1|$$

1. Find the length of the line segment.

Distance Formula: 2 dimensions

$$D = \sqrt{\left(x_{2} - x_{1}\right)^{2} + \left(y_{2} - y_{1}\right)^{2}}$$

2. Find the distance between two given points.

a)
$$A(3,5)$$
 and $B(5,7)$

b)
$$R(2,3)$$
 and $S(4,-1)$

$$D = \sqrt{(5-3)^2 + (7-5)^2}$$

$$=\sqrt{(2)^2+(2)^2}$$

$$D = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$RS = \sqrt{(4-2)^2 + (-1-3)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(2)^2 + (-4)^2}$$

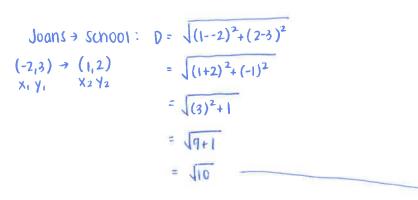
$$= \sqrt{4+16}$$

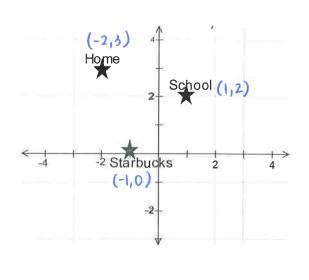
$$= \sqrt{20}$$

Extension: Is $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{RS}$? Explain \odot

No, $\overline{AB} \not= \overline{RS}$ because they are not the same length.

3. In the diagram to the right, is the distance from Joan's home to school the same as the distance from Starbuck's to Joan's home? Explain.





Starbucks \Rightarrow Joans: $D = \sqrt{(-2-1)^2 + (3-0)^2}$ (-1,0) (-2,3) $= \sqrt{(-2+1)^2 + (3)^2}$ $= \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (3)^2}$ $= \sqrt{1+9}$ $= \sqrt{10}$ Yes, the distances are the same