Answer on Question #46961 – Math – Analytic Geometry

Question:

Find the distance between the points to the nearest tenth.

$$L(-4, 11), M(-3, 4)$$

Solution.

Recall the formula for determining distance between two points $P_1(x_1, y_1)$ and $P_2(x_2, y_2)$:

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}.$$

In our case, $x_1 = -4$, $y_1 = 11$, $x_2 = -3$, $y_2 = 4$. Thus,

$$d = \sqrt{\left(-3 - (-4)\right)^2 + (4 - 11)^2} = \sqrt{1^2 + 7^2} = \sqrt{1 + 49} = \sqrt{50} \approx 7.071068 \approx 7.1.$$

Answer. The distance between points L(-4, 11) and M(-3, 4) is approximately equal to 7.1.