

12 - Parallel & Perpendicular Equations

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12) parallel & perpendicular equations

We Always Need Two Pieces of Information to Write Equations:

1. Slope of the line
2. Point or intercept

REMEMBER:

Parallel: **same slope**

Perpendicular: **negative reciprocal slope**

ex $\Rightarrow m = 5/3 \Rightarrow = 3/5$ & change the sign!

Example 1: Write the equation of a line **parallel** to $2x - 4y + 3 = 0$ with the point **(5, 1)** in general form.

① Find the slope of $2x - 4y + 3 = 0$

ie: put in $y = mx + b$ form

$$2x - 4y + 3 = 0$$

$$-4y = -2x - 3$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{4}$$

isolate y

no fractions - coefficient of x cannot be negative

Parallel: same slope. $\Rightarrow m = \frac{1}{2}$

Put in Slope-Point Form:

② use $m = \frac{1}{2}$ & given point (5, 1)

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 1 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 5)$$

$$2y - 2 = 1(x - 5)$$

$$2y - x = -3$$

$$0 = x - 2y - 3$$

Always use this form when you have slope & at least 1 point

Example 2: Write the equation of a line **perpendicular** to $5y - 15x = 1$ with the point **(7, -3)** in general form.

① Find slope: $5y - 15x = 1$

$$5y = 15x + 1$$

$$y = 3x + \frac{1}{5}$$

$\Rightarrow m = 3$ perp. $m = -\frac{1}{3}$

perpendicular slopes are the negative reciprocal.

② use $m = -\frac{1}{3}$ and (7, -3)

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - (-3) = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 7)$$

$$y + 3 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 7)$$

$$3y + 9 = -1(x - 7)$$

$$3y + 9 = -x + 7$$

$$x + 3y + 2 = 0$$

Example 3: Write the equation of a line **perpendicular** to the line through $(7,5)$ & $(10,9)$ passing through the point $(-1,8)$ in general form.

① If given 2 points use: $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{9 - 5}{10 - 7} = \frac{4}{3}$
 to find the slope
 perp. slope = $-\frac{3}{4}$

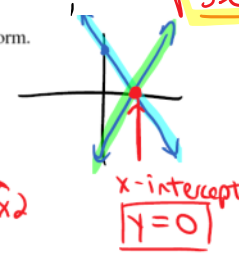
② use $m = -\frac{3}{4}$ & $(-1,8)$
 $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
 $y - 8 = -\frac{3}{4}(x - (-1))$
 solve \Rightarrow

$$4y - 32 = -3(x + 1)$$

$$4y - 32 = -3x - 3$$

$$+3x + 3 \quad +3x + 3$$

$$3x + 4y - 29 = 0$$



Example 4: Two **perpendicular** lines intersect on **x-axis**. One line is $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 5$ in general form.

① $m = \frac{2}{1}$ (perp. to $m = -\frac{1}{2}$)

② find **x-intercept** $\Rightarrow y = 0$
 $0 = -\frac{1}{2}x + 5$

③ use $m = \frac{2}{1}$ & $(10,0)$ \Rightarrow SOLVE $0 = -1x + 10$
 $-10 = -1x$ \Rightarrow $x = 10$
 Example 5: Write the equation of a line **parallel** to $-2y + x = 8$ with the **same y-intercept** as $10y + 32x = 100$ in general form.

① find slope of: $-2y + x = 8$
 $-2y = -x + 8$
 $y = \frac{1}{2}x - 4 \Rightarrow m = \frac{1}{2}$
 isolate y } if its parallel, it will have the same slope

② find point: find y-int
 $(0, 10)$ is where $x = 0$ (always)
 $10y + 32x = 100$
 $10y = 100$
 $y = 10$
 the y-int of the line is therefore $(0, 10)$

③ Use $m = \frac{1}{2}$ & $(0, 10)$
 $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
 $y - 10 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 0)$
 \Rightarrow solve

expand.

$$2y - 20 = 1(x - 0)$$

$$2y - 20 = x - 0$$

$$+2y + 20 \quad +2y + 20$$

$$x + 2y + 20 = 0$$

general form.

Homework

assignment #12
pages #43-48 questions #189-200

Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

Recall:

- Parallel lines have equal slopes.
- Perpendicular lines have slopes that are negative reciprocals.

For each line below, state the slope of a line that would be (a) parallel (b) perpendicular.

189. $y = 3x - 5$

a)

b)

190. $y - 5 = -\frac{2}{3}x$

a)

b)

191. $5x - 3y = 14$

a)

b)

192. CHALLENGE.

Write the equation of the line parallel to $5x - 8y + 12 = 0$ and through the point $(-2, 3)$.

SOLUTION to Q. 192.

Write the equation of the line parallel to $5x - 8y + 12 = 0$ and through the point $(-2,3)$.

**Parallel means same slope. So we need to find slope of $5x - 8y + 12 = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} 5x - 8y + 12 &= 0 \\ -8y &= -5x - 12 \\ y &= \frac{5}{8}x + \frac{12}{8} \end{aligned}$$

Convert to slope intercept form.

This gives us the slope. $m = \frac{5}{8}$

Use the slope, $m = \frac{5}{8}$ and the point $(-2,3)$ to write the equation.

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

Fill in what you know. $m = \frac{5}{8}$. Substitute point $(-2,3)$

$$\frac{5}{8} = \frac{y-3}{x-(-2)}$$

Cross-Multiply.

$$\begin{aligned} 5(x+2) &= 8(y-3) \\ 5x+10 &= 8y-24 \end{aligned}$$

Simplify.

$$5x - 8y + 34 = 0$$

General Form

$$y = \frac{5}{8}x + \frac{17}{4}$$

Slope-Intercept Form

193. Write the equation of the line parallel to $4x - 6y + 12 = 0$ and through the point (5,7).

Explain your reasoning

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Eg.2. Write the equation of the line perpendicular to $3x + 2y - 4 = 0$ and through the point (2,3).

Perpendicular means slopes are negative reciprocals.

Step 1: Find the slope of $3x + 2y - 4 = 0$.

$3x + 2y - 4 = 0$ Convert to slope-intercept form.

$2y = -3x + 4$

$y = \frac{-3}{2}x - \frac{4}{2}$ This line has a slope, $m = \frac{-3}{2}$.

Negative reciprocal!

The perpendicular line will have a slope of $m = \frac{2}{3}$

Use: $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$

$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{y - 3}{x - 2}$ Fill in what you know. $m = \frac{2}{3}$. Substitute point (2,3)

$2(x - 2) = 3(y - 3)$ Cross-Multiply.

$2x - 4 = 3y - 9$ Simplify.

$2x - 3y + 5 = 0$ General Form

$y = \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{5}{3}$ Slope-Intercept Form

194. Write the equation of the line perpendicular to $4x + 3y - 24 = 0$ and through the point $(1,4)$.

Eg.3. Write an equation for the line through $C(2,4)$ that is perpendicular to the line through $A(1,2)$ and $B(4,8)$.

First find slope AB. $m = \frac{8-2}{4-1} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$ Therefore, the perpendicular line has slope, $m = \frac{-1}{2}$.

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

Fill in what you know: $m = \frac{-1}{2}$ & substitute point $(2,4)$

$$\frac{-1}{2} = \frac{y-4}{x-2}$$

Cross-Multiply.

$$-1(x-2) = 2(y-4)$$

Simplify.

$$-x + 2 = 2y - 8$$

$$x + 2y - 10 = 0$$

General Form

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 5$$

Slope-Intercept Form

Know which of these forms you are being asked to answer in. If it is not specified, you can choose.

Both describe the same line.

195. Write an equation for the line through $C(1,2)$ that is perpendicular to the line through $A(2,4)$ and $B(5,5)$.

Explain your reasoning

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196. Write an equation for the line through $Q(1,2)$ that is perpendicular to the line through $R(-2,0)$ and $S(3,5)$.

Determine the equation of the following lines. Answer in general form.

197. The line parallel to $2x - 3y + 1 = 0$ and passing through the point $(1, 2)$.

198. The line perpendicular to $x - 5y + 2 = 0$ and passing through the point $(-2, 5)$.

199. The line perpendicular to $3x - 12y + 16 = 0$ and having the same y -intercept as $14x - 13y - 52 = 0$.

200. Two perpendicular lines intersect on the x -axis. An equation of one line is $y = 3x + 9$. Find the equation of the other line.