

Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

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Find the equation of line.

// parallel same slope

⊥ perpendicular $\frac{a}{b} \perp -\frac{b}{a}$ $\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-ab}{ab} = -1$

Eg 1) Find the slope of the line $2x + y - 4 = 0$
Hence find the **equation of the line** through the point $(2, 4)$ which is parallel to the given line.

When given the equation of the line use the $y = mx + c$ to find the slope.

$m = \text{slope}$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2x + y - 4 = 0 \\ -2x \quad | \quad y - 4 = -2x \quad | \quad -2x \\ +4 \quad | \quad y = -2x + 4 \quad | \quad +4 \\ y = mx + c \end{array}$$

Slope = $m = -2$ Point $(x_1, y_1) = (2, 4)$

Equation of line

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

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

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

$$\begin{array}{l} +2x \quad | \quad 2x + y - 4 = +4 \quad | \quad +2x \\ -4 \quad | \quad 2x + y - 8 = 0 \quad | \quad -4 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Ans} = 2x + y - 8 = 0$$

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Coordinate Geometry – The Line

Section 11.5 **Parallel and perpendicular lines**

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Example 1

Find the equation of the line through the point $(-2, 3)$ which is perpendicular to the line $2x - y + 5 = 0$.

Exercise 11.5

1. Find the slope of the line $2x + y - 4 = 0$.
Now find the equation of the line through the point $(2, 4)$ and which is parallel to the line $2x + y - 4 = 0$.

2. Find the equation of the line through the point $(1, -6)$ and which is parallel to the line $3x - y + 4 = 0$.

Slope = $y = mx + c$

$$3x - y + 4 = 0$$
$$+y \quad | \quad \overset{m}{3}x + 4 = y \quad | \quad +y$$

$m = 3$ slope
Equ of line
 $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

3. Find the slope of the line $2x - 3y + 1 = 0$.

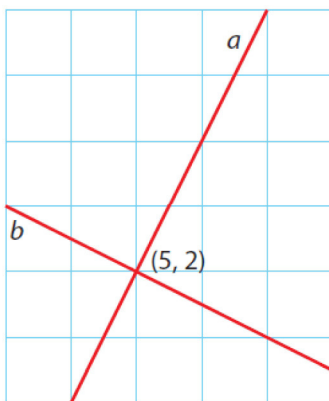
What is the slope of any line perpendicular to $2x - 3y + 1 = 0$?

Now find the equation of the line through the point $(4, -1)$ and which is perpendicular to the line $2x - 3y + 1 = 0$.

4. Find the equation of the line through $(-2, 1)$ and which is perpendicular to the line $3x + 2y - 4 = 0$.

5. Find the equation of the line through $(-4, 0)$ and which is parallel to the line $y = 3x - 5$.

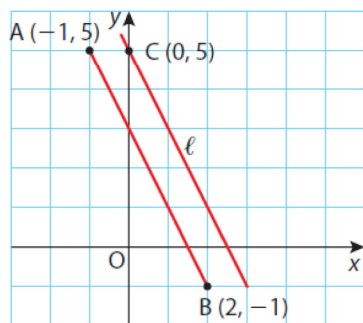
6. The given diagram shows the lines a and b intersecting at the point $(5, 2)$.



- (i) Use the grid to find the slopes of a and b .
- (ii) Investigate if a and b are perpendicular to each other.
- (iii) Find the equation of the line a .

7. The given diagram shows the points $A(-1, 5)$, $B(2, -1)$ and $C(0, 5)$.

The line ℓ is parallel to AB and contains the point C .
Find the equation of ℓ .



8. Which one of the following lines is parallel to $3x + y - 4 = 0$?

A: $y = 3x - 2$

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

C: $6x + 2y + 7 = 0$

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

9. The point A has coordinates (1, 7) and the point B has coordinates (3, 1).

The midpoint of [AB] is P.

Find the coordinates of P.

Now find the equation of the line which passes through P and which is perpendicular to the line $x + 5y - 7 = 0$.

10. The line $y = 2x + 5$ intersects the y -axis at the point P.

(i) Write down the slope of the line and the coordinates of P.

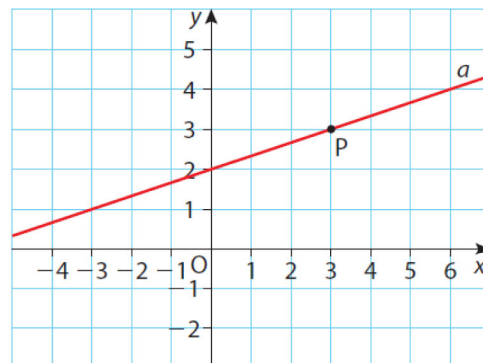
(ii) Find the equation of the line through P and which is perpendicular to $y = 2x + 5$.

11. Use the grid in the given diagram to

write down the slope of the line a .

Now write down the equation of a in the form $y = mx + c$.

Write down the coordinates of the point P and hence find the equation of the line through P which is perpendicular to a .



- 12.** The equation of the line AB is $5x - 3y = 26$.
- (i) Find the slope of AB.
 - (ii) The point A has coordinates $(4, -2)$ and a point C has coordinates $(-6, 4)$.
 - (a) Prove that AC is perpendicular to AB.
 - (b) Find the equation of the line AC, expressing your answer in the form $ax + by = c$.

Answers

Exercise 11.5

1. -2 ; $2x + y - 8 = 0$
2. $3x - y - 9 = 0$
3. $\frac{2}{3}$; $-\frac{3}{2}$; $3x + 2y - 10 = 0$
4. $2x - 3y + 7 = 0$
5. $3x - y + 12 = 0$
6. (i) Slope a : 2, Slope b : $-\frac{1}{2}$
(ii) Yes, perpendicular
(iii) $2x - y - 8 = 0$
7. $2x + y - 5 = 0$
8. C
9. $(2, 4)$; $5x - y - 6 = 0$
10. (i) Slope: 2, $P(0, 5)$ (ii) $x + 2y - 10 = 0$
11. $\frac{1}{3}$; $y = \frac{1}{3}x + 2$; $P(3, 3)$; $y = -3x + 12$
12. (i) $\frac{5}{3}$ (ii) (b) $3x + 5y = 2$