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## *Analytical geometry*

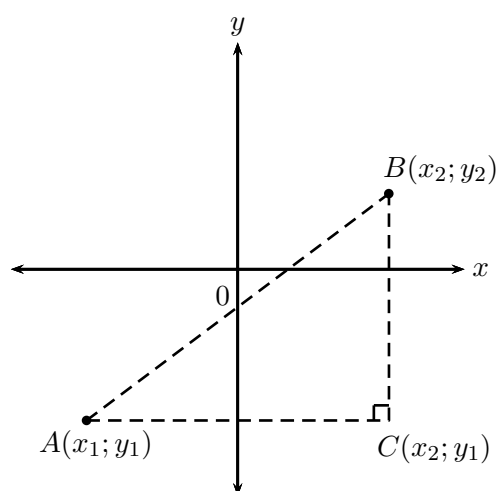
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Analytical geometry, also referred to as coordinate or Cartesian geometry, is the study of geometric properties and relationships between points, lines and angles in the Cartesian plane. Geometrical shapes are defined using a coordinate system and algebraic principles. In this chapter we deal with the equation of a straight line, parallel and perpendicular lines and inclination of a line.

## 4.1 Revision

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Points  $A(x_1; y_1)$ ,  $B(x_2; y_2)$  and  $C(x_2; y_1)$  are shown in the diagram below:



### Theorem of Pythagoras

$$AB^2 = AC^2 + BC^2$$

### Distance formula

Distance between two points:

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

Notice that  $(x_1 - x_2)^2 = (x_2 - x_1)^2$ .

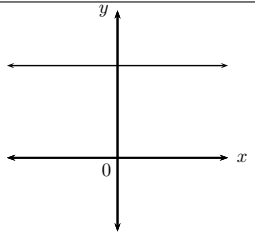
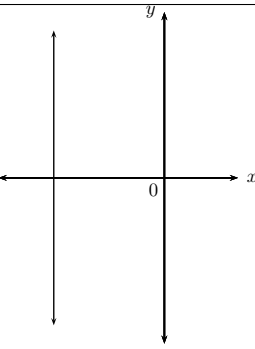
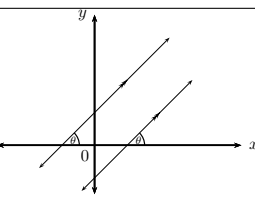
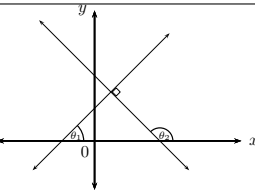
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### Gradient

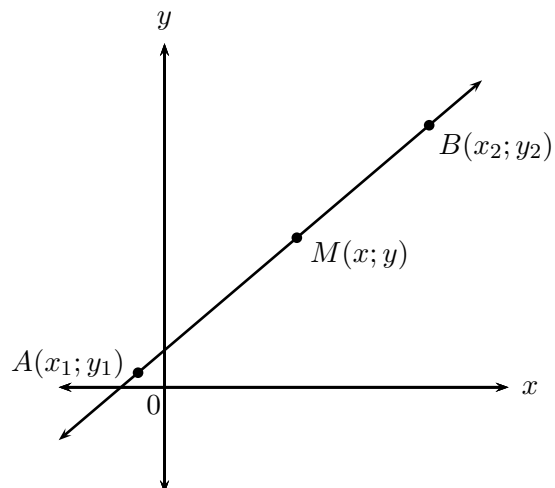
Gradient ( $m$ ) describes the slope or steepness of the line joining two points. The gradient of a line is determined by the ratio of vertical change to horizontal change.

$$m_{AB} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \quad \text{or} \quad m_{AB} = \frac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2}$$

Remember to be consistent:  $m \neq \frac{y_1 - y_2}{x_2 - x_1}$ .

Horizontal lines		$m = 0$
Vertical lines		$m$ is undefined
Parallel lines		$m_1 = m_2$
Perpendicular lines		$m_1 \times m_2 = -1$

### Mid-point of a line segment



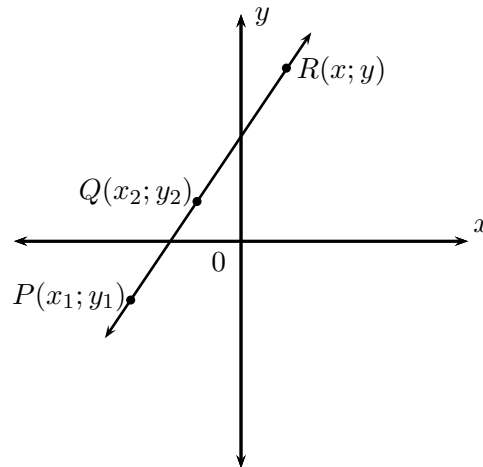
The coordinates of the mid-point  $M(x; y)$  of a line between any two points  $A(x_1; y_1)$  and  $B(x_2; y_2)$ :

$$M(x; y) = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$$

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### Points on a straight line

The diagram shows points  $P(x_1; y_1)$ ,  $Q(x_2; y_2)$  and  $R(x; y)$  on a straight line.



We know that  $m_{PR} = m_{QR} = m_{PQ}$ .

Using  $m_{PR} = m_{PQ}$ , we obtain the following for any point  $(x; y)$  on a straight line

$$\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

### Worked example 1: Revision

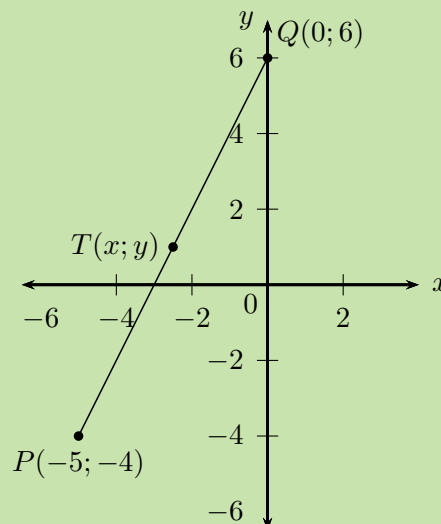
#### QUESTION

Given the points  $P(-5; -4)$  and  $Q(0; 6)$ :

1. Determine the length of the line segment  $PQ$ .
2. Determine the mid-point  $T(x; y)$  of the line segment  $PQ$ .
3. Show that the line passing through  $R(1; -\frac{3}{4})$  and  $T(x; y)$  is perpendicular to the line  $PQ$ .

#### SOLUTION

**Step 1: Draw a sketch**



**Step 2: Assign variables to the coordinates of the given points**

Let the coordinates of  $P$  be  $(x_1; y_1)$  and  $Q(x_2; y_2)$

$$x_1 = -5; \quad y_1 = -4; \quad x_2 = 0; \quad y_2 = 6$$

Write down the distance formula

$$\begin{aligned}PQ &= \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} \\&= \sqrt{(0 - (-5))^2 + (6 - (-4))^2} \\&= \sqrt{25 + 100} \\&= \sqrt{125} \\&= 5\sqrt{5}\end{aligned}$$

The length of the line segment  $PQ$  is  $5\sqrt{5}$  units.

**Step 3: Write down the mid-point formula and substitute the values**

$$\begin{aligned}T(x; y) &= \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}; \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right) \\x &= \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} \\&= \frac{-5 + 0}{2} \\&= -\frac{5}{2} \\y &= \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \\&= \frac{-4 + 6}{2} \\&= \frac{2}{2} \\&= 1\end{aligned}$$

The mid-point of  $PQ$  is  $T(-\frac{5}{2}; 1)$ .

**Step 4: Determine the gradients of  $PQ$  and  $RT$** 

$$\begin{aligned}m &= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \\m_{PQ} &= \frac{6 - (-4)}{0 - (-5)} \\&= \frac{10}{5} \\&= 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{RT} &= \frac{-\frac{3}{4} - 1}{1 - (-\frac{5}{2})} \\
 &= \frac{-\frac{7}{4}}{\frac{7}{2}} \\
 &= -\frac{7}{4} \times \frac{2}{7} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

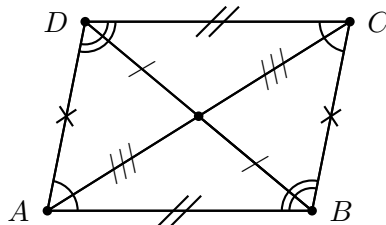
Calculate the product of the two gradients:

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{RT} \times m_{PQ} &= -\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \\
 &= -1
 \end{aligned}$$

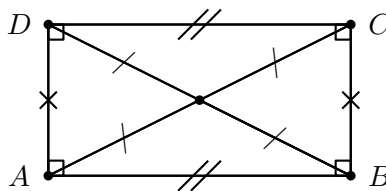
Therefore  $PQ$  is perpendicular to  $RT$ .

## Quadrilaterals

- A quadrilateral is a closed shape consisting of four straight line segments.
- A parallelogram is a quadrilateral with both pairs of opposite sides parallel.

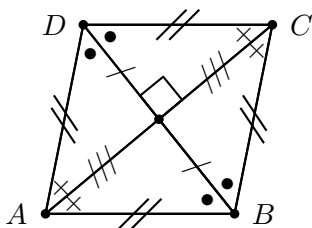


- Both pairs of opposite sides are equal in length.
  - Both pairs of opposite angles are equal.
  - The diagonals bisect each other.
- A rectangle is a parallelogram that has all four angles equal to  $90^\circ$ .



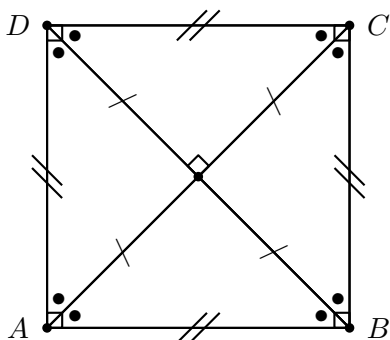
- Both pairs of opposite sides are equal and parallel.
- The diagonals bisect each other.
- The diagonals are equal in length.

- A rhombus is a parallelogram that has all four sides equal in length.



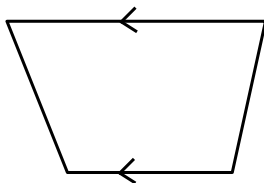
- Both pairs of opposite sides are equal and parallel.
- The diagonals bisect each other at  $90^\circ$ .
- The diagonals of a rhombus bisect both pairs of opposite angles.

- A square is a rhombus that has all four interior angles equal to  $90^\circ$ .

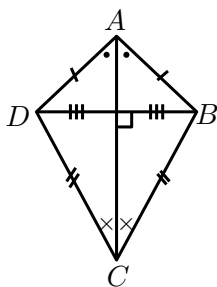


- Both pairs of opposite sides are equal and parallel.
- The diagonals bisect each other at  $90^\circ$ .
- The diagonals are equal in length.
- The diagonals bisect both pairs of interior opposite angles (that is, all angles are  $45^\circ$ ).

- A trapezium is a quadrilateral with one pair of opposite sides parallel.



- A kite is a quadrilateral with two pairs of adjacent sides equal.



- One pair of opposite angles are equal (the angles are between unequal sides).
- The diagonal between equal sides bisects the other diagonal.
- The diagonal between equal sides bisects the interior angles.
- The diagonals intersect at  $90^\circ$ .

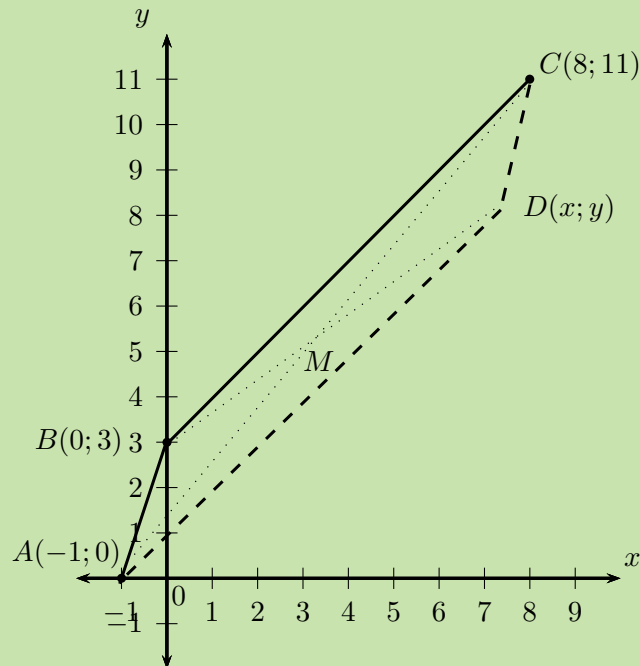
## Worked example 2: Quadrilaterals

### QUESTION

Points  $A(-1; 0)$ ,  $B(0; 3)$ ,  $C(8; 11)$  and  $D(x; y)$  are points on the Cartesian plane. Determine  $D(x; y)$  if  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram.

### SOLUTION

**Step 1: Draw a sketch**



The mid-point of  $AC$  will be the same as the mid-point of  $BD$ . We first find the mid-point of  $AC$  and then use it to determine the coordinates of point  $D$ .

**Step 2: Assign values to  $(x_1; y_1)$  and  $(x_2; y_2)$**

Let the mid-point of  $AC$  be  $M(x; y)$

$$x_1 = -1; \quad y_1 = 0; \quad x_2 = 8; \quad y_2 = 11$$

**Step 3: Write down the mid-point formula**

$$M(x; y) = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}; \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$$

**Step 4: Substitute the values and calculate the coordinates of  $M$**

$$\begin{aligned} M(x; y) &= \left( \frac{-1 + 8}{2}; \frac{0 + 11}{2} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{7}{2}; \frac{11}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$



**Step 5: Use the coordinates of  $M$  to determine  $D$**

$M$  is also the mid-point of  $BD$  so we use  $M\left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{11}{2}\right)$  and  $B(0; 3)$  to find  $D(x; y)$

**Step 6: Substitute values and determine  $x$  and  $y$**

$$M = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$$
$$\therefore \left( \frac{7}{2}, \frac{11}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{0 + x}{2}, \frac{3 + y}{2} \right)$$

$$\frac{7}{2} = \frac{0 + x}{2}$$
$$7 = 0 + x$$
$$\therefore x = 7$$

$$\frac{11}{2} = \frac{3 + y}{2}$$
$$11 = 3 + y$$
$$\therefore y = 8$$

**Step 7: Alternative method: inspection**

Since we are given that  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram, we can use the properties of a parallelogram and the given points to determine the coordinates of  $D$ .

From the sketch we expect that point  $D$  will lie below  $C$ .

Consider the given points  $A, B$  and  $C$ :

- Opposite sides of a parallelogram are parallel, therefore  $BC$  must be parallel to  $AD$  and their gradients must be equal.
- The vertical change from  $B$  to  $C$  is 8 units up.
- Therefore the vertical change from  $A$  to  $D$  is also 8 units up ( $y = 0 + 8 = 8$ ).
- The horizontal change from  $B$  to  $C$  is 8 units to the right.
- Therefore the horizontal change from  $A$  to  $D$  is also 8 units to the right ( $x = -1 + 8 = 7$ ).

or

- Opposite sides of a parallelogram are parallel, therefore  $AB$  must be parallel to  $DC$  and their gradients must be equal.
- The vertical change from  $A$  to  $B$  is 3 units up.

- Therefore the vertical change from  $C$  to  $D$  is 3 units down ( $y = 11 - 3 = 8$ ).
- The horizontal change from  $A$  to  $B$  is 1 unit to the right.
- Therefore the horizontal change from  $C$  to  $D$  is 1 unit to the left ( $x = 8 - 1 = 7$ ).

**Step 8: Write the final answer**

The coordinates of  $D$  are  $(7; 8)$ .

**Exercise 4 – 1: Revision**

- Determine the length of the line segment between the following points:
  - $P(-3; 5)$  and  $Q(-1; -5)$
  - $R(0,75; 3)$  and  $S(0,75; -4)$
  - $T(2x; y - 2)$  and  $U(3x + 1; y - 2)$
- Given  $Q(4; 1)$ ,  $T(p; 3)$  and length  $QT = \sqrt{8}$  units, determine the value of  $p$ .
- Determine the gradient of the line  $AB$  if:
  - $A(-5; 3)$  and  $B(-7; 4)$
  - $A(3; -2)$  and  $B(1; -8)$
- Prove that the line  $PQ$ , with  $P(0; 3)$  and  $Q(5; 5)$ , is parallel to the line  $5y + 5 = 2x$ .
- Given the points  $A(-1; -1)$ ,  $B(2; 5)$ ,  $C(-1; -\frac{5}{2})$  and  $D(x; -4)$  and  $AB \perp CD$ , determine the value of  $x$ .
- Calculate the coordinates of the mid-point  $P(x; y)$  of the line segment between the points:
  - $M(3; 5)$  and  $N(-1; -1)$
  - $A(-3; -4)$  and  $B(2; 3)$
- The line joining  $A(-2; 4)$  and  $B(x; y)$  has the mid-point  $C(1; 3)$ . Determine the values of  $x$  and  $y$ .
- Given quadrilateral  $ABCD$  with vertices  $A(0; 3)$ ,  $B(4; 3)$ ,  $C(5; -1)$  and  $D(1; -1)$ .
  - Determine the equation of the line  $AD$  and the line  $BC$ .
  - Show that  $AD \parallel BC$ .
  - Calculate the lengths of  $AD$  and  $BC$ .
  - Determine the equation of the diagonal  $BD$ .
  - What type of quadrilateral is  $ABCD$ ?

9.  $MPQN$  is a parallelogram with points  $M(-5; 3)$ ,  $P(-1; 5)$  and  $Q(4; 5)$ . Draw a sketch and determine the coordinates of  $N(x; y)$ .
10.  $PQRS$  is a quadrilateral with points  $P(-3; 1)$ ,  $Q(1; 3)$ ,  $R(6; 1)$  and  $S(2; -1)$  in the Cartesian plane.
- Determine the lengths of  $PQ$  and  $SR$ .
  - Determine the mid-point of  $PR$ .
  - Show that  $PQ \parallel SR$ .
  - Determine the equations of the line  $PS$  and the line  $SR$ .
  - Is  $PS \perp SR$ ? Explain your answer.
  - What type of quadrilateral is  $PQRS$ ?

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## 4.2 Equation of a line

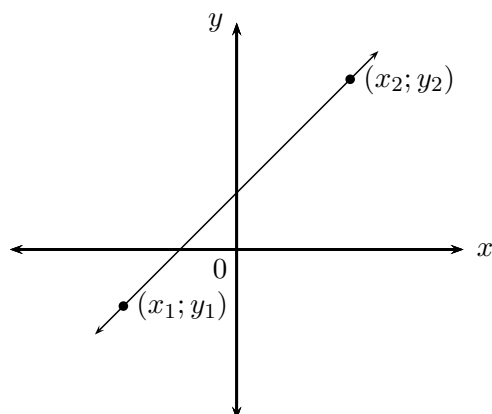
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We can derive different forms of the straight line equation. The different forms are used depending on the information provided in the problem:

- The two-point form of the straight line equation:  $\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
- The gradient–point form of the straight line equation:  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
- The gradient–intercept form of the straight line equation:  $y = mx + c$

### The two-point form of the straight line equation

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Given any two points  $(x_1; y_1)$  and  $(x_2; y_2)$ , we can determine the equation of the line passing through the two points using the equation:

$$\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

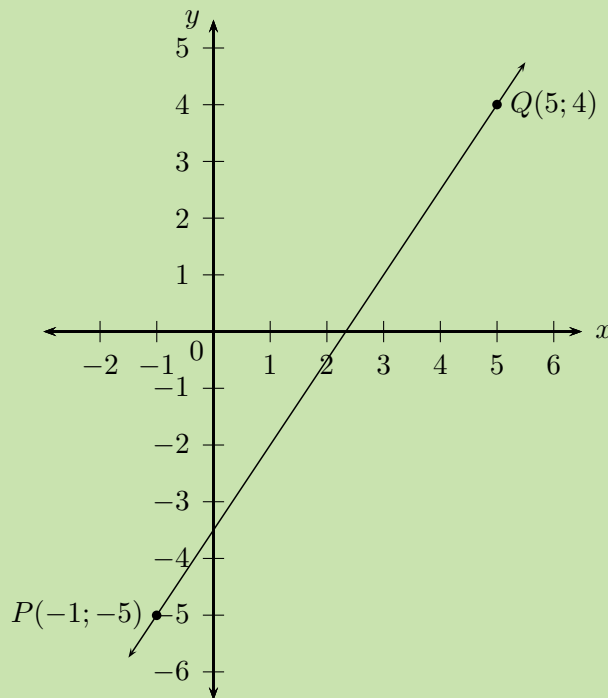
### Worked example 3: The two-point form of the straight line equation

#### QUESTION

Find the equation of the straight line passing through  $P(-1; -5)$  and  $Q(5; 4)$ .

#### SOLUTION

**Step 1: Draw a sketch**



**Step 2: Assign variables to the coordinates of the given points**

Let the coordinates of  $P$  be  $(x_1; y_1)$  and  $Q(x_2; y_2)$

$$x_1 = -1; \quad y_1 = -5; \quad x_2 = 5; \quad y_2 = 4$$

**Step 3: Write down the two-point form of the straight line equation**

$$\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

**Step 4: Substitute the values and make  $y$  the subject of the equation**

$$\frac{y - (-5)}{x - (-1)} = \frac{4 - (-5)}{5 - (-1)}$$

$$\frac{y + 5}{x + 1} = \frac{9}{6}$$

$$y + 5 = \frac{3}{2}(x + 1)$$

$$y + 5 = \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{7}{2}$$

**Step 5: Write the final answer**

$$y = \frac{3}{2}x - 3\frac{1}{2}$$

**Exercise 4 – 2: The two-point form of the straight line equation**

Determine the equation of the straight line passing through the points:

1. (3; 7) and (–6; 1)
2. (1;  $-\frac{11}{4}$ ) and ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ;  $-\frac{7}{4}$ )
3. (–2; 1) and (3; 6)
4. (2; 3) and (3; 5)
5. (1; –5) and (–7; –5)
6. (–4; 0) and (1;  $\frac{15}{4}$ )
7. (s; t) and (t; s)
8. (–2; –8) and (1; 7)
9. (2p; q) and (0; –q)

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We derive the gradient–point form of the straight line equation using the definition of gradient and the two-point form of a straight line equation

$$\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

Substitute  $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$  on the right-hand side of the equation

$$\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = m$$

Multiply both sides of the equation by  $(x - x_1)$

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

To use this equation, we need to know the gradient of the line and the coordinates of one point on the line.

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#### Worked example 4: The gradient–point form of the straight line equation

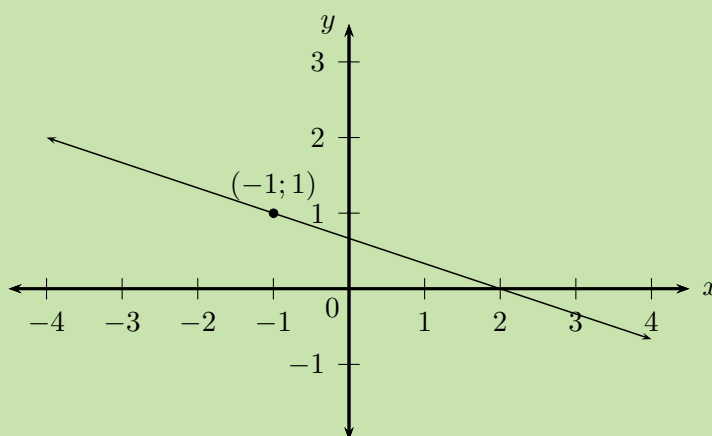
##### QUESTION

Determine the equation of the straight line with gradient  $m = -\frac{1}{3}$  and passing through the point  $(-1; 1)$ .

##### SOLUTION

###### Step 1: Draw a sketch

We notice that  $m < 0$ , therefore the graph decreases as  $x$  increases.



###### Step 2: Write down the gradient–point form of the straight line equation

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

Substitute the value of the gradient

$$y - y_1 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - x_1)$$

Substitute the coordinates of the given point

$$\begin{aligned}y - 1 &= -\frac{1}{3}(x - (-1)) \\y - 1 &= -\frac{1}{3}(x + 1) \\y &= -\frac{1}{3}x - \frac{1}{3} + 1 \\&= -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{2}{3}\end{aligned}$$

**Step 3: Write the final answer**

The equation of the straight line is  $y = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{2}{3}$ .

If we are given two points on a straight line, we can also use the gradient–point form to determine the equation of a straight line. We first calculate the gradient using the two given points and then substitute either of the two points into the gradient–point form of the equation.

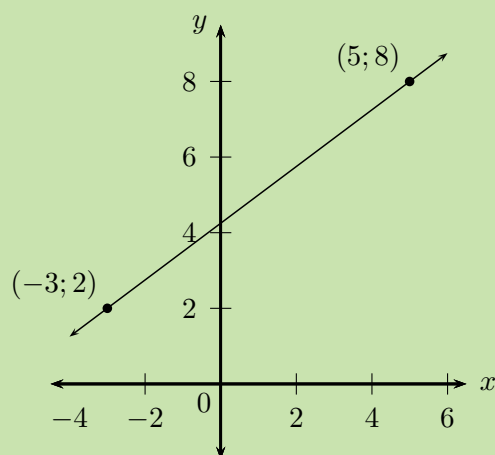
### Worked example 5: The gradient–point form of the straight line equation

#### QUESTION

Determine the equation of the straight line passing through  $(-3; 2)$  and  $(5; 8)$ .

#### SOLUTION

**Step 1: Draw a sketch**



**Step 2: Assign variables to the coordinates of the given points**

$$x_1 = -3; \quad y_1 = 2; \quad x_2 = 5; \quad y_2 = 8$$

**Step 3: Calculate the gradient using the two given points**

$$\begin{aligned} m &= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \\ &= \frac{8 - 2}{5 - (-3)} \\ &= \frac{6}{8} \\ &= \frac{3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

**Step 4: Write down the gradient–point form of the straight line equation**

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

Substitute the value of the gradient

$$y - y_1 = \frac{3}{4}(x - x_1)$$

Substitute the coordinates of a given point

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= \frac{3}{4}(x - x_1) \\ y - 2 &= \frac{3}{4}(x - (-3)) \\ y - 2 &= \frac{3}{4}(x + 3) \\ y &= \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{9}{4} + 2 \\ &= \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{17}{4} \end{aligned}$$

**Step 5: Write the final answer**

The equation of the straight line is  $y = \frac{3}{4}x + 4\frac{1}{4}$ .

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### Exercise 4 – 3: Gradient–point form of a straight line equation

Determine the equation of the straight line:

1. passing through the point  $(-1; \frac{10}{3})$  and with  $m = \frac{2}{3}$ .
2. with  $m = -1$  and passing through the point  $(-2; 0)$ .
3. passing through the point  $(3; -1)$  and with  $m = -\frac{1}{3}$ .
4. parallel to the  $x$ -axis and passing through the point  $(0; 11)$ .
5. passing through the point  $(1; 5)$  and with  $m = -2$ .
6. perpendicular to the  $x$ -axis and passing through the point  $(-\frac{3}{2}; 0)$ .
7. with  $m = -0,8$  and passing through the point  $(10; -7)$ .
8. with undefined gradient and passing through the point  $(4; 0)$ .
9. with  $m = 3a$  and passing through the point  $(-2; -6a + b)$ .

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## The gradient–intercept form of a straight line equation EMBGC

Using the gradient–point form, we can also derive the gradient–intercept form of the straight line equation.

Starting with the equation

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

Expand the brackets and make  $y$  the subject of the formula

$$\begin{aligned}y - y_1 &= mx - mx_1 \\y &= mx - mx_1 + y_1 \\y &= mx + (y_1 - mx_1)\end{aligned}$$

We define constant  $c$  such that  $c = y_1 - mx_1$  so that we get the equation

$$y = mx + c$$

This is also called the **standard form** of the straight line equation.

Notice that when  $x = 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}y &= m(0) + c \\ &= c\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $c$  is the  $y$ -intercept of the straight line.

### Worked example 6: The gradient–intercept form of straight line equation

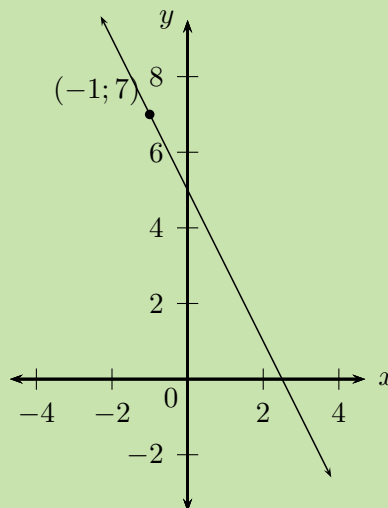
#### QUESTION

Determine the equation of the straight line with gradient  $m = -2$  and passing through the point  $(-1; 7)$ .

#### SOLUTION

##### Step 1: Slope of the line

We notice that  $m < 0$ , therefore the graph decreases as  $x$  increases.



##### Step 2: Write down the gradient–intercept form of straight line equation

$$y = mx + c$$

Substitute the value of the gradient

$$y = -2x + c$$

Substitute the coordinates of the given point and find  $c$

$$y = -2x + c$$

$$7 = -2(-1) + c$$

$$7 - 2 = c$$

$$\therefore c = 5$$

This gives the  $y$ -intercept  $(0; 5)$ .

### Step 3: Write the final answer

The equation of the straight line is  $y = -2x + 5$ .

If we are given two points on a straight line, we can also use the gradient–intercept form to determine the equation of a straight line. We solve for the two unknowns  $m$  and  $c$  using simultaneous equations — using the methods of substitution or elimination.

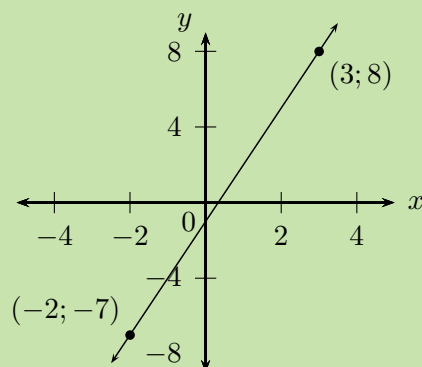
## Worked example 7: The gradient–intercept form of straight line equation

### QUESTION

Determine the equation of the straight line passing through the points  $(-2; -7)$  and  $(3; 8)$ .

### SOLUTION

#### Step 1: Draw a sketch



#### Step 2: Write down the gradient–intercept form of straight line equation

$$y = mx + c$$

**Step 3: Substitute the coordinates of the given points**

$$\begin{aligned} -7 &= m(-2) + c \\ -7 &= -2m + c \quad \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8 &= m(3) + c \\ 8 &= 3m + c \quad \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

We have two equations with two unknowns; we can therefore solve using simultaneous equations.

**Step 4: Make the coefficient of one of the variables the same in both equations**

We notice that the coefficient of  $c$  in both equations is 1, therefore we can subtract one equation from the other to eliminate  $c$ :

$$\begin{aligned} -7 &= -2m + c \\ -(8 &= 3m + c) \\ -15 &= -5m \\ \therefore 3 &= m \end{aligned}$$

Substitute  $m = 3$  into either of the two equations and determine  $c$ :

$$\begin{aligned} -7 &= -2m + c \\ -7 &= -2(3) + c \\ \therefore c &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} 8 &= 3m + c \\ 8 &= 3(3) + c \\ \therefore c &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

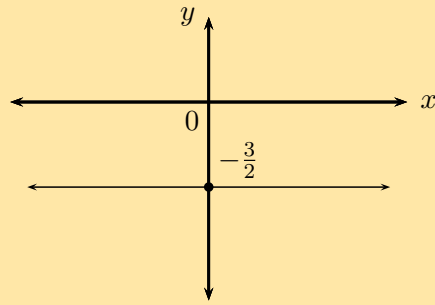
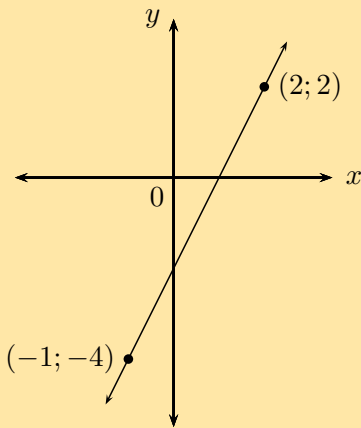
**Step 5: Write the final answer**

The equation of the straight line is  $y = 3x - 1$ .

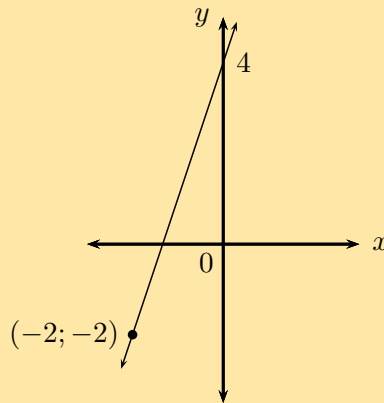
### Exercise 4 – 4: The gradient–intercept form of a straight line equation

Determine the equation of the straight line:

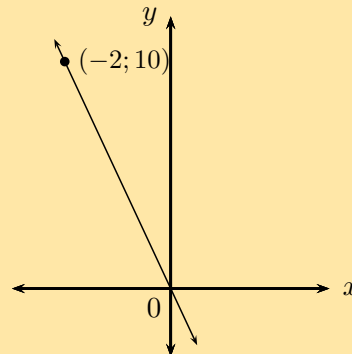
1. passing through the point  $(\frac{1}{2}; 4)$  and with  $m = 2$ .
2. passing through the points  $(\frac{1}{2}; -2)$  and  $(2; 4)$ .
3. passing through the points  $(2; -3)$  and  $(-1; 0)$ .
4. passing through the point  $(2; -\frac{6}{7})$  and with  $m = -\frac{3}{7}$ .
5. which cuts the  $y$ -axis at  $y = -\frac{1}{5}$  and with  $m = \frac{1}{2}$ .
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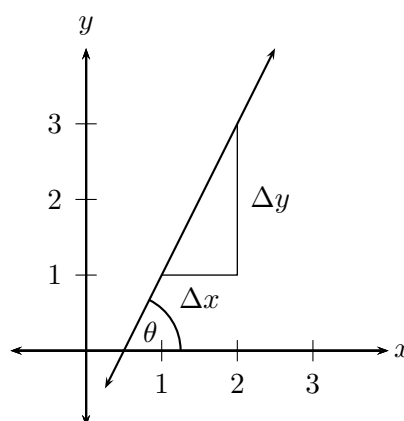
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The diagram shows that a straight line makes an angle  $\theta$  with the positive  $x$ -axis. This is called the **angle of inclination** of a straight line.

We notice that if the gradient changes, then the value of  $\theta$  also changes, therefore the angle of inclination of a line is related to its gradient. We know that gradient is the ratio of a change in the  $y$ -direction to a change in the  $x$ -direction:

$$m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$

From trigonometry we know that the tangent function is defined as the ratio:

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{opposite side}}{\text{adjacent side}}$$

And from the diagram we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \theta &= \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} \\ \therefore m &= \tan \theta \quad \text{for } 0^\circ \leq \theta < 180^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the gradient of a straight line is equal to the tangent of the angle formed between the line and the positive direction of the  $x$ -axis.

#### Vertical lines

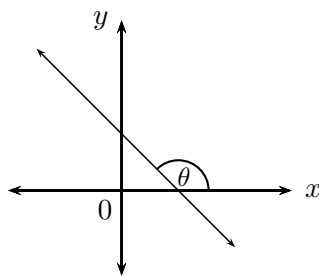
- $\theta = 90^\circ$
- Gradient is undefined since there is no change in the  $x$ -values ( $\Delta x = 0$ ).
- Therefore  $\tan \theta$  is also undefined (the graph of  $\tan \theta$  has an asymptote at  $\theta = 90^\circ$ ).

## Horizontal lines

- $\theta = 0^\circ$
- Gradient is equal to 0 since there is no change in the  $y$ -values ( $\Delta y = 0$ ).
- Therefore  $\tan \theta$  is also equal to 0 (the graph of  $\tan \theta$  passes through the origin  $(0^\circ; 0)$ ).

## Lines with negative gradients

If a straight line has a negative gradient ( $m < 0$ ,  $\tan \theta < 0$ ), then the angle formed between the line and the positive direction of the  $x$ -axis is obtuse.



From the CAST diagram in trigonometry, we know that the tangent function is negative in the second and fourth quadrant. If we are calculating the angle of inclination for a line with a negative gradient, we must add  $180^\circ$  to change the negative angle in the fourth quadrant to an obtuse angle in the second quadrant:

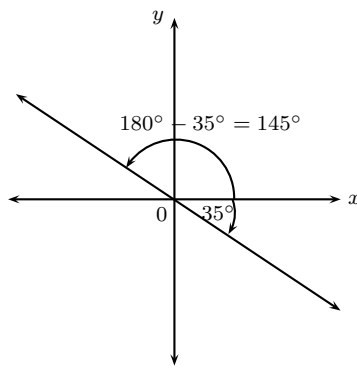
If we are given a straight line with gradient  $m = -0,7$ , then we can determine the angle of inclination using a calculator:

$$\begin{aligned}\tan \theta &= m \\ &= -0,7 \\ \therefore \theta &= \tan^{-1}(-0,7) \\ &= -35,0^\circ\end{aligned}$$

This negative angle lies in the fourth quadrant. We must add  $180^\circ$  to get an obtuse angle in the second quadrant:

$$\begin{aligned}\theta &= -35,0^\circ + 180^\circ \\ &= 145^\circ\end{aligned}$$

And we can always use our calculator to check that the obtuse angle  $\theta = 145^\circ$  gives a gradient of  $m = -0,7$ .



#### Exercise 4 – 5: Angle of inclination

- Determine the gradient (correct to 1 decimal place) of each of the following straight lines, given that the angle of inclination is equal to:
 

a) $60^\circ$	f) $45^\circ$
b) $135^\circ$	g) $140^\circ$
c) $0^\circ$	h) $180^\circ$
d) $54^\circ$	i) $75^\circ$
e) $90^\circ$	
- Determine the angle of inclination (correct to 1 decimal place) for each of the following:
  - a line with  $m = \frac{3}{4}$
  - $2y - x = 6$
  - the line passes through the points  $(-4; -1)$  and  $(2; 5)$
  - $y = 4$
  - $x = 3y + \frac{1}{2}$
  - $x = -0,25$
  - the line passes through the points  $(2; 5)$  and  $(\frac{2}{3}; 1)$
  - a line with gradient equal to  $0,577$

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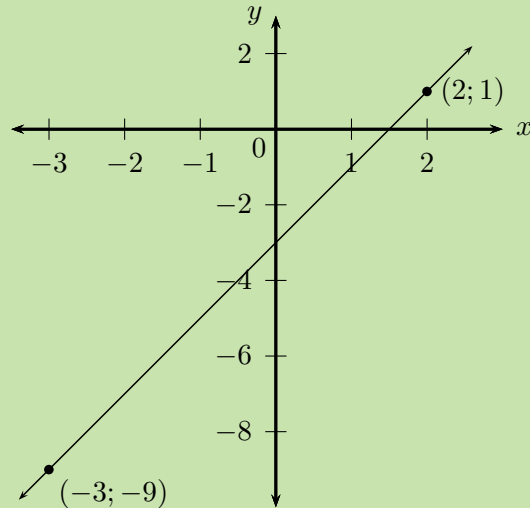
## Worked example 8: Inclination of a straight line

### QUESTION

Determine the angle of inclination (correct to 1 decimal place) of the straight line passing through the points  $(2; 1)$  and  $(-3; -9)$ .

### SOLUTION

**Step 1: Draw a sketch**



**Step 2: Assign variables to the coordinates of the given points**

$$x_1 = 2; \quad y_1 = 1; \quad x_2 = -3; \quad y_2 = -9$$

**Step 3: Determine the gradient of the line**

$$\begin{aligned} m &= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \\ &= \frac{-9 - 1}{-3 - 2} \\ &= \frac{-10}{-5} \\ \therefore m &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

**Step 4: Use the gradient to determine the angle of inclination of the line**

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \theta &= m \\ &= 2 \\ \therefore \theta &= \tan^{-1} 2 \\ &= 63,4^\circ \end{aligned}$$

**Important:** make sure your calculator is in DEG (degrees) mode.

**Step 5: Write the final answer**

The angle of inclination of the straight line is  $63,4^\circ$ .

### Worked example 9: Inclination of a straight line

#### QUESTION

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Determine the equation of the straight line passing through the point (3; 1) and with an angle of inclination of  $135^\circ$ .

#### SOLUTION

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**Step 1: Use the angle of inclination to determine the gradient of the line**

$$\begin{aligned}m &= \tan \theta \\ &= \tan 135^\circ \\ \therefore m &= -1\end{aligned}$$

**Step 2: Write down the gradient–point form of the straight line equation**

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

Substitute  $m = -1$

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

Substitute the given point (3; 1)

$$\begin{aligned}y - 1 &= -(x - 3) \\ y &= -x + 3 + 1 \\ &= -x + 4\end{aligned}$$

**Step 3: Write the final answer**

The equation of the straight line is  $y = -x + 4$ .

### Worked example 10: Inclination of a straight line

#### QUESTION

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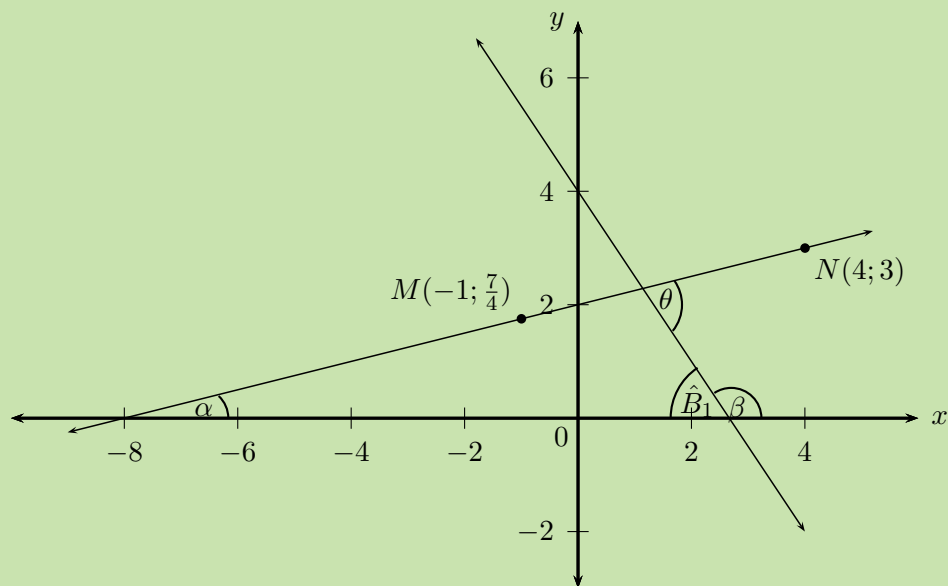
Determine the acute angle (correct to 1 decimal place) between the line passing through the points  $M(-1; 1\frac{3}{4})$  and  $N(4; 3)$  and the straight line  $y = -\frac{3}{2}x + 4$ .

#### SOLUTION

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**Step 1: Draw a sketch**

Draw the line through points  $M(-1; 1\frac{3}{4})$  and  $N(4; 3)$  and the line  $y = -\frac{3}{2}x + 4$  on a suitable system of axes. Label  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , the angles of inclination of the two lines. Label  $\theta$ , the acute angle between the two straight lines.



Notice that  $\alpha$  and  $\theta$  are acute angles and  $\beta$  is an obtuse angle.

$$\hat{B}_1 = 180^\circ - \beta \quad (\angle \text{ on str. line})$$

$$\text{and } \theta = \alpha + \hat{B}_1 \quad (\text{ext. } \angle \text{ of } \triangle = \text{sum int. opp})$$

$$\therefore \theta = \alpha + (180^\circ - \beta)$$

$$= 180^\circ + \alpha - \beta$$

### Step 2: Use the gradient to determine the angle of inclination $\beta$

From the equation  $y = -\frac{3}{2}x + 4$  we see that  $m < 0$ , therefore  $\beta$  is an obtuse angle such that  $90^\circ < \beta < 180^\circ$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \beta &= m \\ &= -\frac{3}{2} \\ \tan^{-1} \left( -\frac{3}{2} \right) &= -56,3^\circ \end{aligned}$$

This negative angle lies in the fourth quadrant. We know that the angle of inclination  $\beta$  is an obtuse angle that lies in the second quadrant, therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= -56,3^\circ + 180^\circ \\ &= 123,7^\circ \end{aligned}$$

### Step 3: Determine the gradient and angle of inclination of the line through $M$ and $N$

Determine the gradient

$$\begin{aligned}m &= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \\&= \frac{3 - \frac{7}{4}}{4 - (-1)} \\&= \frac{\frac{5}{4}}{5} \\&= \frac{1}{4}\end{aligned}$$

Determine the angle of inclination

$$\begin{aligned}\tan \alpha &= m \\&= \frac{1}{4} \\ \therefore \alpha &= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \\&= 14,0^\circ\end{aligned}$$

**Step 4: Write the final answer**

$$\begin{aligned}\theta &= 180^\circ + \alpha - \beta \\&= 180^\circ + 14,0^\circ - 123,7^\circ \\&= 70,3^\circ\end{aligned}$$

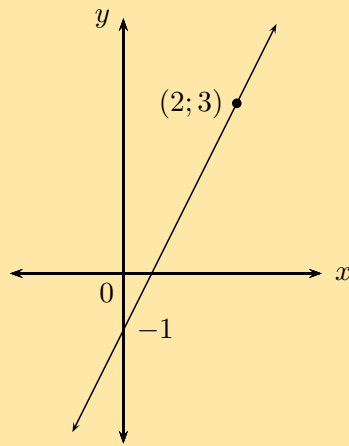
The acute angle between the two straight lines is  $70,3^\circ$ .

#### Exercise 4 – 6: Inclination of a straight line

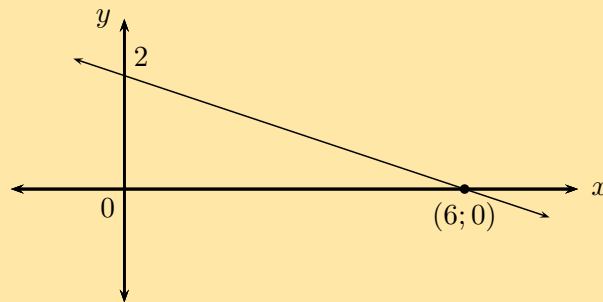
1. Determine the angle of inclination for each of the following:

- a line with  $m = \frac{4}{5}$
- $x + y + 1 = 0$
- a line with  $m = 5,69$
- the line that passes through  $(1; 1)$  and  $(-2; 7)$
- $3 - 2y = 9x$
- the line that passes through  $(-1; -6)$  and  $(-\frac{1}{2}; -\frac{11}{2})$
- $5 = 10y - 15x$

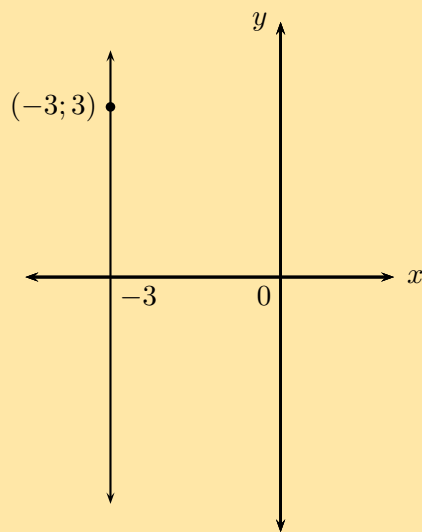
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2. Determine the acute angle between the line passing through the points  $A(-2; \frac{1}{5})$  and  $B(0; 1)$  and the line passing through the points  $C(1; 0)$  and  $D(-2; 6)$ .
3. Determine the angle between the line  $y + x = 3$  and the line  $x = y + \frac{1}{2}$ .
4. Find the angle between the line  $y = 2x$  and the line passing through the points  $(-1; \frac{7}{3})$  and  $(0; 2)$ .

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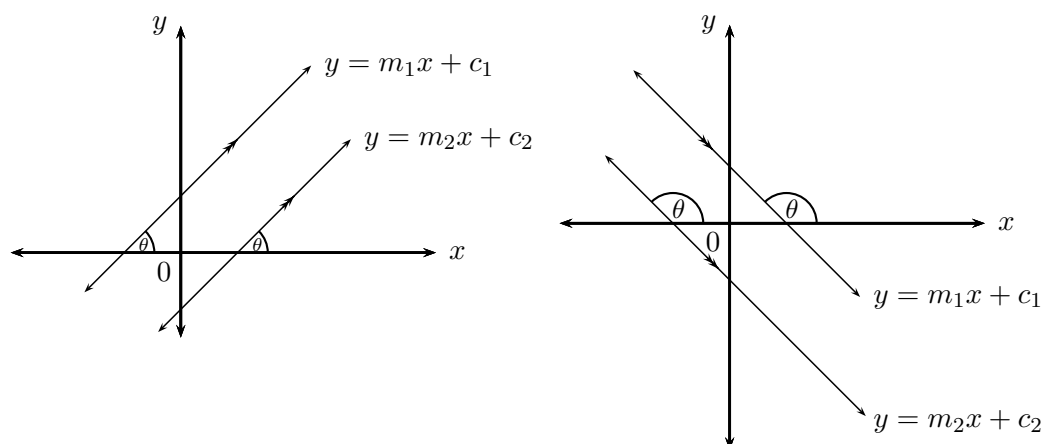
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**Investigation: Parallel lines**

1. Draw a sketch of the line passing through the points  $P(-1; 0)$  and  $Q(1; 4)$  and the line passing through the points  $R(1; 2)$  and  $S(2; 4)$ .
2. Label and measure  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , the angles of inclination of straight lines  $PQ$  and  $RS$  respectively.
3. Describe the relationship between  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
4. " $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are alternate angles, therefore  $PQ \parallel RS$ ." Is this a true statement? If not, provide a correct statement.
5. Use your calculator to determine  $\tan \alpha$  and  $\tan \beta$ .
6. Complete the sentence: ..... lines have ..... angles of inclination.
7. Determine the equations of the straight lines  $PQ$  and  $RS$ .
8. What do you notice about  $m_{PQ}$  and  $m_{RS}$ ?
9. Complete the sentence: ..... lines have ..... gradients.

Another method of determining the equation of a straight line is to be given a point on the unknown line,  $(x_1; y_1)$ , and the equation of a line which is parallel to the unknown line.

Let the equation of the unknown line be  $y = m_1x + c_1$  and the equation of the given line be  $y = m_2x + c_2$ .



If the two lines are parallel then

$$m_1 = m_2$$

**Important:** when determining the gradient of a line using the coefficient of  $x$ , make sure the given equation is written in the gradient–intercept (standard) form.  $y = mx + c$

Substitute the value of  $m_2$  and the given point  $(x_1; y_1)$ , into the gradient–intercept form of a straight line equation

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

and determine the equation of the unknown line.

### Worked example 11: Parallel lines

#### QUESTION

Determine the equation of the line that passes through the point  $(-1; 1)$  and is parallel to the line  $y - 2x + 1 = 0$ .

#### SOLUTION

##### Step 1: Write the equation in gradient–intercept form

We write the given equation in gradient–intercept form and determine the value of  $m$ .

$$y = 2x - 1$$

We know that the two lines are parallel, therefore  $m_1 = m_2 = 2$ .

##### Step 2: Write down the gradient–point form of the straight line equation

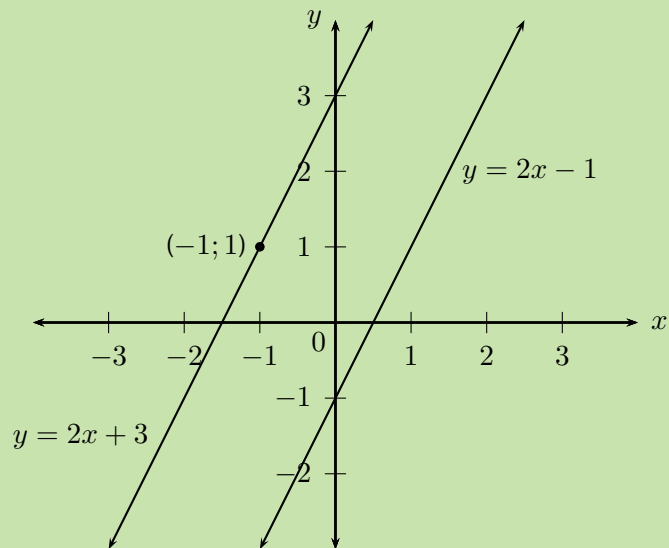
$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

Substitute  $m = 2$

$$y - y_1 = 2(x - x_1)$$

Substitute the given point  $(-1; 1)$

$$\begin{aligned}y - 1 &= 2(x - (-1)) \\y - 1 &= 2x + 2 \\y &= 2x + 2 + 1 \\&= 2x + 3\end{aligned}$$



A sketch was not required, but it is always helpful and can be used to check answers.

**Step 3: Write the final answer**

The equation of the straight line is  $y = 2x + 3$ .

**Worked example 12: Parallel lines**

**QUESTION**

Line  $AB$  passes through the point  $A(0; 3)$  and has an angle of inclination of  $153,4^\circ$ . Determine the equation of the line  $CD$  which passes through the point  $C(2; -3)$  and is parallel to  $AB$ .

**SOLUTION**

**Step 1: Use the given angle of inclination to determine the gradient**

$$\begin{aligned} m_{AB} &= \tan \theta \\ &= \tan 153,4^\circ \\ &= -0,5 \end{aligned}$$

**Step 2: Parallel lines have equal gradients**

Since we are given  $AB \parallel CD$ ,

$$m_{CD} = m_{AB} = -0,5$$



### Step 3: Write down the gradient–point form of a straight line equation

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

Substitute the gradient  $m_{CD} = -0,5$ .

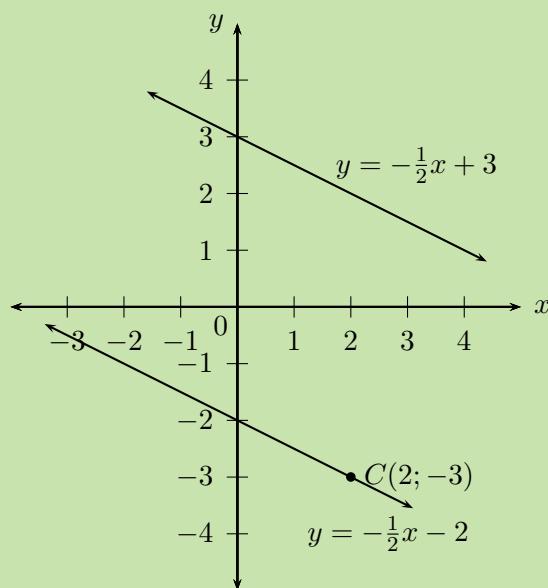
$$y - y_1 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - x_1)$$

Substitute the given point  $(2; -3)$ .

$$y - (-3) = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 2)$$

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

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



A sketch was not required, but it is always useful.

### Step 4: Write the final answer

The equation of the straight line is  $y = -\frac{1}{2}x - 2$ .

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## Exercise 4 – 7: Parallel lines

- Determine whether or not the following two lines are parallel:
  - $y + 2x = 1$  and  $-2x + 3 = y$
  - $\frac{y}{3} + x + 5 = 0$  and  $2y + 6x = 1$
  - $y = 2x - 7$  and the line passing through  $(1; -2)$  and  $(\frac{1}{2}; -1)$
  - $y + 1 = x$  and  $x + y = 3$
  - The line passing through points  $(-2; -1)$  and  $(-4; -3)$  and the line  $-y + x - 4 = 0$
  - $y - 1 = \frac{1}{3}x$  and the line passing through points  $(-2; 4)$  and  $(1; 5)$
- Determine the equation of the straight line that passes through the point  $(1; -5)$  and is parallel to the line  $y + 2x - 1 = 0$ .
- Determine the equation of the straight line that passes through the point  $(-2; -6)$  and is parallel to the line  $2y + 1 = 6x$ .
- Determine the equation of the straight line that passes through the point  $(-2; -2)$  and is parallel to the line with angle of inclination  $\theta = 56,31^\circ$ .
- Determine the equation of the straight line that passes through the point  $(-2; \frac{2}{5})$  and is parallel to the line with angle of inclination  $\theta = 145^\circ$ .

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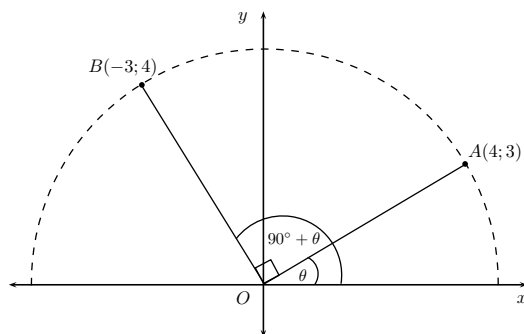
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### Investigation: Perpendicular lines

- Draw a sketch of the line passing through the points  $A(-2; -3)$  and  $B(2; 5)$  and the line passing through the points  $C(-1; \frac{1}{2})$  and  $D(4; -2)$ .
- Label and measure  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , the angles of inclination of straight lines  $AB$  and  $CD$  respectively.
- Label and measure  $\theta$ , the angle between the lines  $AB$  and  $CD$ .
- Describe the relationship between the lines  $AB$  and  $CD$ .
- " $\theta$  is a reflex angle, therefore  $AB \perp CD$ ." Is this a true statement? If not, provide a correct statement.

6. Determine the equation of the straight line  $AB$  and the line  $CD$ .
7. Use your calculator to determine  $\tan \alpha \times \tan \beta$ .
8. Determine  $m_{AB} \times m_{CD}$ .
9. What do you notice about these products?
10. Complete the sentence: if two lines are ..... to each other, then the product of their ..... is equal .....
11. Complete the sentence: if the gradient of a straight line is equal to the negative ..... of the gradient of another straight line, then the two lines are .....

**Deriving the formula:**  $m_1 \times m_2 = -1$



Consider the point  $A(4;3)$  on the Cartesian plane with an angle of inclination  $\hat{A}OX = \theta$ . Rotate through an angle of  $90^\circ$  and place point  $B$  at  $(-3;4)$  so that we have the angle of inclination  $\hat{B}OX = 90^\circ + \theta$ .

We determine the gradient of  $OA$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{OA} &= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \\
 &= \frac{3 - 0}{4 - 0} \\
 &= \frac{3}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

And determine the gradient of  $OB$ :

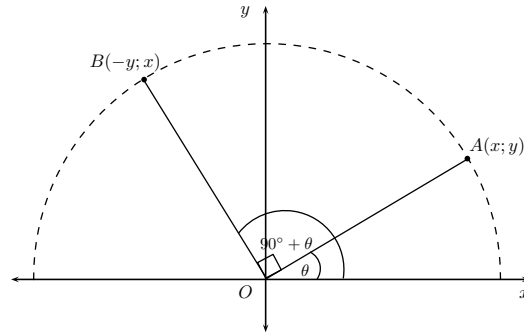
$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{OB} &= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \\
 &= \frac{4 - 0}{-3 - 0} \\
 &= \frac{4}{-3}
 \end{aligned}$$

By rotating through an angle of  $90^\circ$  we know that  $OB \perp OA$ :

$$\begin{aligned} m_{OA} \times m_{OB} &= \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{4}{-3} \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

We can also write that

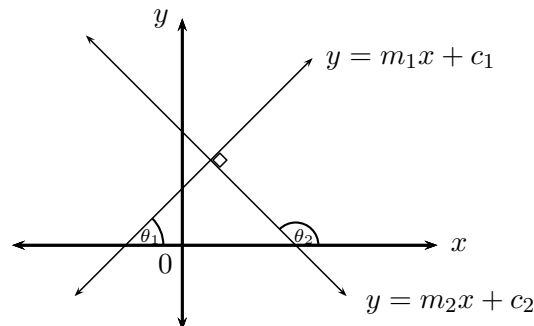
$$m_{OA} = -\frac{1}{m_{OB}}$$



If we have the general point  $A(x; y)$  with an angle of inclination  $A\hat{O}X = \theta$  and point  $B(-y; x)$  such that  $B\hat{O}X = 90^\circ + \theta$ , then we know that

$$\begin{aligned} m_{OA} &= \frac{y}{x} \\ m_{OB} &= -\frac{x}{y} \\ \therefore m_{OA} \times m_{OB} &= \frac{y}{x} \times -\frac{x}{y} \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Another method of determining the equation of a straight line is to be given a point on the line,  $(x_1; y_1)$ , and the equation of a line which is perpendicular to the unknown line. Let the equation of the unknown line be  $y = m_1x + c_1$  and the equation of the given line be  $y = m_2x + c_2$ .



If the two lines are perpendicular then

$$m_1 \times m_2 = -1$$

**Note:** this rule does not apply to vertical or horizontal lines.

When determining the gradient of a line using the coefficient of  $x$ , make sure the given equation is written in the gradient–intercept (standard) form  $y = mx + c$ . Then we know that

$$m_1 = -\frac{1}{m_2}$$

Substitute the value of  $m_1$  and the given point  $(x_1; y_1)$ , into the gradient–intercept form of the straight line equation  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$  and determine the equation of the unknown line.

### Worked example 13: Perpendicular lines

#### QUESTION

Determine the equation of the straight line passing through the point  $T(2; 2)$  and perpendicular to the line  $3y + 2x - 6 = 0$ .

#### SOLUTION

##### Step 1: Write the equation in standard form

Let the gradient of the unknown line be  $m_1$  and the given gradient be  $m_2$ . We write the given equation in gradient–intercept form and determine the value of  $m_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 3y + 2x - 6 &= 0 \\ 3y &= -2x + 6 \\ y &= -\frac{2}{3}x + 2 \\ \therefore m_2 &= -\frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

We know that the two lines are perpendicular, therefore  $m_1 \times m_2 = -1$ . Therefore  $m_1 = \frac{3}{2}$ .

##### Step 2: Write down the gradient–point form of the straight line equation

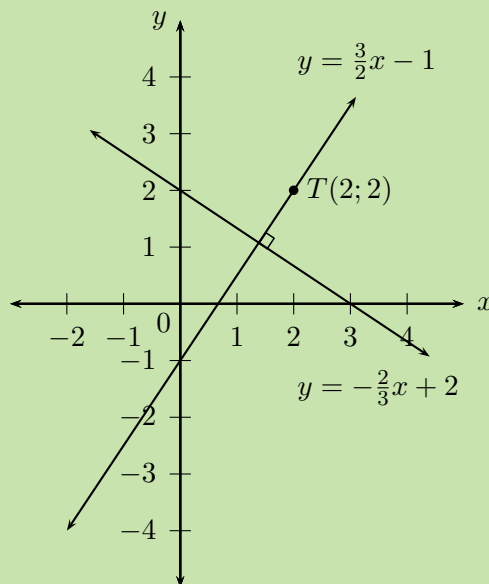
$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

Substitute  $m_1 = \frac{3}{2}$ .

$$y - y_1 = \frac{3}{2}(x - x_1)$$

Substitute the given point  $T(2; 2)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} y - 2 &= \frac{3}{2}(x - 2) \\ y - 2 &= \frac{3}{2}x - 3 \\ y &= \frac{3}{2}x - 1 \end{aligned}$$



A sketch was not required, but it is useful for checking the answer.

**Step 3: Write the final answer**

The equation of the straight line is  $y = \frac{3}{2}x - 1$ .

**Worked example 14: Perpendicular lines**

**QUESTION**

Determine the equation of the straight line passing through the point  $(2; \frac{1}{3})$  and perpendicular to the line with an angle of inclination of  $71,57^\circ$ .

**SOLUTION**

**Step 1: Use the given angle of inclination to determine gradient**

Let the gradient of the unknown line be  $m_1$  and let the given gradient be  $m_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} m_2 &= \tan \theta \\ &= \tan 71,57^\circ \\ &= 3,0 \end{aligned}$$

**Step 2: Determine the unknown gradient**

Since we are given that the two lines are perpendicular,

$$\begin{aligned} m_1 \times m_2 &= -1 \\ \therefore m_1 &= -\frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

**Step 3: Write down the gradient–point form of the straight line equation**

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

Substitute the gradient  $m_1 = -\frac{1}{3}$ .

$$y - y_1 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - x_1)$$

Substitute the given point  $(2; \frac{1}{3})$ .

$$y - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 2)$$

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

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

**Step 4: Write the final answer**

The equation of the straight line is  $y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 1$ .

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**Exercise 4 – 8: Perpendicular lines**

1. Calculate whether or not the following two lines are perpendicular:

a)  $y - 1 = 4x$  and  $4y + x + 2 = 0$

b)  $10x = 5y - 1$  and  $5y - x - 10 = 0$

c)  $x = y - 5$  and the line passing through  $(-1; \frac{5}{4})$  and  $(3; -\frac{11}{4})$

d)  $y = 2$  and  $x = 1$

e)  $\frac{y}{3} = x$  and  $3y + x = 9$

f)  $1 - 2x = y$  and the line passing through  $(2; -1)$  and  $(-1; 5)$

g)  $y = x + 2$  and  $2y + 1 = 2x$

2. Determine the equation of the straight line that passes through the point  $(-2; -4)$  and is perpendicular to the line  $y + 2x = 1$ .

3. Determine the equation of the straight line that passes through the point  $(2; -7)$  and is perpendicular to the line  $5y - x = 0$ .

4. Determine the equation of the straight line that passes through the point  $(3; -1)$  and is perpendicular to the line with angle of inclination  $\theta = 135^\circ$ .
5. Determine the equation of the straight line that passes through the point  $(-2; \frac{2}{3})$  and is perpendicular to the line  $y = \frac{4}{3}$ .

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## 4.6 Summary

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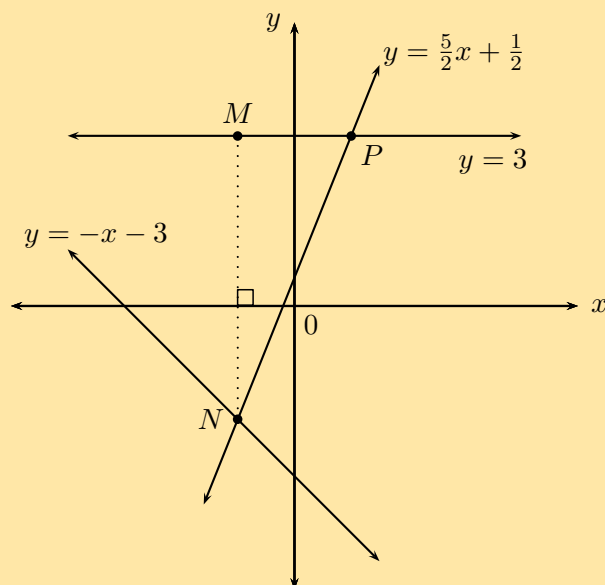
- Distance between two points:  $d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$
- Gradient of a line between two points:  $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
- Mid-point of a line:  $M(x; y) = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$
- Parallel lines:  $m_1 = m_2$
- Perpendicular lines:  $m_1 \times m_2 = -1$
- General form of a straight line equation:  $ax + by + c = 0$
- Two-point form of a straight line equation:  $\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
- Gradient–point form of a straight line equation:  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
- Gradient–intercept form of a straight line equation (standard form):  $y = mx + c$
- Angle of inclination of a straight line:  $\theta$ , the angle formed between the line and the positive  $x$ -axis;  $m = \tan \theta$



### Exercise 4 – 9: End of chapter exercises

- Determine the equation of the line:
  - through points  $(-1; 3)$  and  $(1; 4)$
  - through points  $(7; -3)$  and  $(0; 4)$
  - parallel to  $y = \frac{1}{2}x + 3$  and passing through  $(-2; 3)$
  - perpendicular to  $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 3$  and passing through  $(-1; 2)$
  - perpendicular to  $3y + x = 6$  and passing through the origin
- Determine the angle of inclination of the following lines:
  - $y = 2x - 3$
  - $y = \frac{1}{3}x - 7$
  - $4y = 3x + 8$
  - $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 3$
  - $3y + x - 3 = 0$
- $P(2; 3)$ ,  $Q(-4; 0)$  and  $R(5; -3)$  are the vertices of  $\triangle PQR$  in the Cartesian plane.  $PR$  intersects the  $x$ -axis at  $S$ . Determine the following:
  - the equation of the line  $PR$
  - the coordinates of point  $S$
  - the angle of inclination of  $PR$  (correct to two decimal places)
  - the gradient of line  $PQ$
  - $\hat{Q}PR$
  - the equation of the line perpendicular to  $PQ$  and passing through the origin
  - the mid-point  $M$  of  $QR$
  - the equation of the line parallel to  $PR$  and passing through point  $M$
- Points  $A(-3; 5)$ ,  $B(-7; -4)$  and  $C(2; 0)$  are given.
  - Plot the points on the Cartesian plane.
  - Determine the coordinates of  $D$  if  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram.
  - Prove that  $ABCD$  is a rhombus.

5.



Consider the sketch above, with the following lines shown:

$$y = -x - 3$$

$$y = 3$$

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

- a) Determine the coordinates of the point  $N$ .
  - b) Determine the coordinates of the point  $P$ .
  - c) Determine the equation of the vertical line  $MN$ .
  - d) Determine the length of the vertical line  $MN$ .
  - e) Find  $M\hat{N}P$ .
  - f) Determine the equation of the line parallel to  $NP$  and passing through the point  $M$ .
6. The following points are given:  $A(-2; 3)$ ,  $B(2; 4)$ ,  $C(3; 0)$ .
- a) Plot the points on the Cartesian plane.
  - b) Prove that  $\triangle ABC$  is a right-angled isosceles triangle.
  - c) Determine the equation of the line  $AB$ .
  - d) Determine the coordinates of  $D$  if  $ABCD$  is a square.
  - e) Determine the coordinates of  $E$ , the mid-point of  $BC$ .
7. Given points  $S(2; 5)$ ,  $T(-3; -4)$  and  $V(4; -2)$ .
- a) Determine the equation of the line  $ST$ .
  - b) Determine the size of  $T\hat{S}V$ .
8. Consider triangle  $FGH$  with vertices  $F(-1; 3)$ ,  $G(2; 1)$  and  $H(4; 4)$ .
- a) Sketch  $\triangle FGH$  on the Cartesian plane.
  - b) Show that  $\triangle FGH$  is an isosceles triangle.
  - c) Determine the equation of the line  $PQ$ , perpendicular bisector of  $FH$ .
  - d) Does  $G$  lie on the line  $PQ$ ?
  - e) Determine the equation of the line parallel to  $GH$  and passing through point  $F$ .
9. Given the points  $A(-1; 5)$ ,  $B(5; -3)$  and  $C(0; -6)$ .  $M$  is the mid-point of  $AB$  and  $N$  is the mid-point of  $AC$ .
- a) Draw a sketch on the Cartesian plane.
  - b) Show that the coordinates of  $M$  and  $N$  are  $(2; 1)$  and  $(-\frac{1}{2}; -\frac{1}{2})$  respectively.
  - c) Use analytical geometry methods to prove the mid-point theorem. (Prove that  $NM \parallel CB$  and  $NM = \frac{1}{2}CB$ .)

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