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Slope-intercept form y = mx + b

$$y = mx + b$$

where m = slope, b = y-intercept (where cross y-axis) Find equation of line given slope and y-intercept

Slope

Change in $y \div$ change in x

$$m = \frac{y2 - y1}{x2 - x1}$$

Example

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

$$m=-\frac{5}{3},$$

$$b = 2 \text{ or } (0, 2)$$

Standard form of a linear equation

$$Ax + By = C$$

Where A, B, C are real #'s and A & B are not 0.

To graph find x and y intercepts (subst 0 in for x then y)

Example

$$1.2x + 2.4y = 2.4$$

y intercept: 1.2(0) + 2.4y = 2.4 or $y = 1 \dots (0, 1)$

x intercept: 1.2x + 2.4(0) = 2.4 or $x = 2 \dots (2, 0)$

Example

$$\frac{3}{4}x - \frac{1}{2}y = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$6x - 4y = 1$$

$$-4y = -6x + 1$$

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

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Point-slope form

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

Find line given 1 pt and the slope

Example

$$A(-2,-6)$$
, slope -4

$$y - (-6) = (-4)(x - (-2))$$

$$y + 6 = -4(x + 2)$$

Example

$$P(8, 10), Q(-4, 2)$$

$$y-10 = (\frac{10-2}{8-(-4)})(x-8)$$
$$y-10 = \frac{8}{12}(x-8)$$
$$y-10 = \frac{2}{3}(x-8)$$

$$y - 10 = \frac{8}{12}(x - 8)$$

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Horizontal line

m = 0 (change in y is 0)

horiz line through (a, b) is: y = b

Vertical line slope

m = undefined (change in x is 0 - can't divide by 0) vert line through (a, b) is: x = a

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a)
$$y = 4$$

b)
$$x = 6$$