

Exercise 14(C)

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1. Find the equation of a line whose:

y - intercept = 2 and slope = 3.

Solution:

Given,

y - intercept = $c = 2$ and slope = $m = 3$.

The line equation is given by: $y = mx + c$

On substituting the values of c and m , we get

$$y = 3x + 2$$

The above is the required line equation.

2. Find the equation of a line whose:

y - intercept = -1 and inclination = 45° .

Solution:

Given,

y - intercept = $c = -1$ and inclination = 45° .

So, slope = $m = \tan 45^\circ = 1$

Hence, on substituting the values of c and m in the line equation $y = mx + c$, we get

$$y = x - 1$$

The above is the required line equation.

3. Find the equation of the line whose slope is $-4/3$ and which passes through $(-3, 4)$.

Solution:

Given, slope = $-4/3$

The line passes through the point $(-3, 4) = (x_1, y_1)$

Now, on substituting the values in $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$, we have

$$y - 4 = -4/3 (x + 3)$$

$$3y - 12 = -4x - 12$$

$$4x + 3y = 0$$

Hence, the above is the required line equation.

4. Find the equation of a line which passes through $(5, 4)$ and makes an angle of 60° with the positive direction of the x-axis.

Solution:

The slope of the line, $m = \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$

And, the line passes through the point $(5, 4) = (x_1, y_1)$

Hence, on substituting the values in $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$, we have

$$y - 4 = \sqrt{3} (x - 5)$$

$$y - 4 = \sqrt{3}x - 5\sqrt{3}$$

$y = \sqrt{3}x + 4 - 5\sqrt{3}$, which is the required line equation.

5. Find the equation of the line passing through:

(i) (0, 1) and (1, 2)

(ii) (-1, -4) and (3, 0)

Solution:

(i) Let $(0, 1) = (x_1, y_1)$ and $(1, 2) = (x_2, y_2)$

So,

$$\text{Slope of the line} = (2 - 1) / (1 - 0) = 1$$

Now,

The required line equation is given by,

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

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

$$y - 1 = x$$

$$y = x + 1$$

(ii) Let $(-1, -4) = (x_1, y_1)$ and $(3, 0) = (x_2, y_2)$

So,

$$\text{Slope of the line} = (0 + 4) / (3 + 1) = 4/4 = 1$$

The required line equation is given by,

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

$$y + 4 = 1(x + 1)$$

$$y + 4 = x + 1$$

$$y = x - 3$$

6. The co-ordinates of two points P and Q are (2, 6) and (-3, 5) respectively. Find:

(i) the gradient of PQ;

(ii) the equation of PQ;

(iii) the co-ordinates of the point where PQ intersects the x-axis.

Solution:

Given,

The co-ordinates of two points P and Q are (2, 6) and (-3, 5) respectively.

(i) Gradient of PQ = $(5 - 6) / (-3 - 2) = -1/-5 = 1/5$

(ii) The line equation of PQ is given by

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

$$y - 6 = 1/5 (x - 2)$$

$$5y - 30 = x - 2$$

$$5y = x + 28$$

(iii) Let the line PQ intersect the x-axis at point A (x, 0).

So, on putting $y = 0$ in the line equation of PQ, we get

$$0 = x + 28$$

$$x = -28$$

Hence, the co-ordinates of the point where PQ intersects the x-axis are A (-28, 0).

7. The co-ordinates of two points A and B are (-3, 4) and (2, -1). Find:

(i) the equation of AB;

(ii) the co-ordinates of the point where the line AB intersects the y-axis.

Solution:

(i) Given, co-ordinates of two points A and B are (-3, 4) and (2, -1).

$$\text{Slope} = (-1 - 4) / (2 + 3) = -5/5 = -1$$

The equation of the line AB is given by:

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

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

$$y + 1 = -x + 2$$

$$x + y = 1$$

(ii) Let's consider the line AB intersect the y-axis at point (0, y).

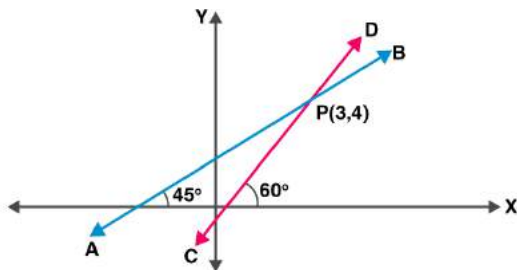
On putting $x = 0$ in the line equation, we get

$$0 + y = 1$$

$$y = 1$$

Thus, the co-ordinates of the point where the line AB intersects the y-axis are (0, 1).

8. The figure given below shows two straight lines AB and CD intersecting each other at point P (3, 4). Find the equation of AB and CD.



Solution:

The slope of line AB = $\tan 45^\circ = 1$

And, the line AB passes through P (3, 4).

Hence, the equation of the line AB is given by

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

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

$$y - 4 = x - 3$$

$$y = x + 1$$

The slope of line CD = $\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$

And, the line CD passes through P (3, 4).

Hence, the equation of the line CD is given by

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

$$y - 4 = \sqrt{3}(x - 3)$$

$$y - 4 = \sqrt{3}x - 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$y = \sqrt{3}x + 4 - 3\sqrt{3}$$

9. In $\triangle ABC$, $A = (3, 5)$, $B = (7, 8)$ and $C = (1, -10)$. Find the equation of the median through A.
Solution:

Given,

Vertices of $\triangle ABC$, $A = (3, 5)$, $B = (7, 8)$ and $C = (1, -10)$.

Coordinates of the mid-point D of BC = $(x_1 + x_2) / 2$, $(y_1 + y_2) / 2$

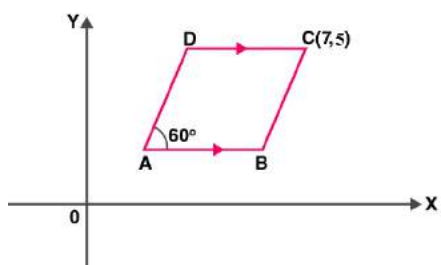
$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(\frac{7+1}{2}, \frac{8+(-10)}{2} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{8}{2}, \frac{-2}{2} \right) \\ &= (4, -1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The slope of AD} &= (y_2 - y_1) / (x_2 - x_1) \\ &= (-1 - 5) / (4 - 3) \\ &= -6/1 \\ &= -6 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the equation of the median AD through A is given by

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ y - 5 &= -6(x - 3) \\ y - 5 &= -6x + 18 \\ 6x + y &= 23 \end{aligned}$$

10. The following figure shows a parallelogram ABCD whose side AB is parallel to the x-axis, $\angle A = 60^\circ$ and vertex C = (7, 5). Find the equations of BC and CD.



Solution:

Given, $\angle A = 60^\circ$ and vertex C = (7, 5)

As, ABCD is a parallelogram, we have

$$\angle A + \angle B = 180^\circ \quad [\text{corresponding angles}]$$

$$\angle B = 180^\circ - 60^\circ = 120^\circ$$

$$\text{Slope of BC} = \tan 120^\circ = \tan (90^\circ + 30^\circ) = \cot 30^\circ = \sqrt{3}$$

So, the equation of line BC is given by

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ y - 5 &= \sqrt{3}(x - 7) \\ y - 5 &= \sqrt{3}x - 7\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = \sqrt{3}x + 5 - 7\sqrt{3}$$

As, $CD \parallel AB$ and $AB \parallel x$ -axis

Slope of $CD = \text{Slope of } AB = 0$ [As slope of x -axis is zero]

So, the equation of the line CD is given by

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

$$y - 5 = 0(x - 7)$$

$$y = 5$$

11. Find the equation of the straight line passing through origin and the point of intersection of the lines $x + 2y = 7$ and $x - y = 4$.

Solution:

The given line equations are:

$$x + 2y = 7 \dots(1)$$

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

On solving the above line equations, we can find the point of intersection of the two lines.

So, subtracting (2) from (1), we get

$$3y = 3$$

$$y = 1$$

Now,

$$x = 4 + y = 4 + 1 = 5 \text{ [From (2)]}$$

It's given that,

The required line passes through (0, 0) and (5, 1).

The slope of the line $= (1 - 0) / (5 - 0) = 1/5$

Hence, the required equation of the line is given by

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

$$y - 0 = 1/5(x - 0)$$

$$5y = x$$

$$x - 5y = 0$$