

## Linear Functions

1. Determine the following information:

a) slope and y-intercept of the equation  $-5x + 2y = 7$

$$2y = 5x + 7 \Rightarrow y = \frac{5}{2}x + \frac{7}{2} \Rightarrow m = \frac{5}{2}, b = \frac{7}{2}$$

b) the slope of the line segment joining the points  $(-7, 3)$  and  $(4, 8)$

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \Rightarrow m = \frac{3 - 8}{-7 - 4} \Rightarrow m = \frac{-5}{-11} \Rightarrow \frac{5}{11}$$

c) the midpoint of the line segment defined by having endpoints of  $(3, -8)$  and  $(11, 4)$

$$M\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right) \Rightarrow M\left(\frac{3 + 11}{2}, \frac{-8 + 4}{2}\right) \Rightarrow M\left(\frac{14}{2}, \frac{-4}{2}\right) \Rightarrow M(7, -2)$$

d) the distance between the points  $(-4, 7)$  and  $(-3, -9)$

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} \Rightarrow d = \sqrt{(-4 - (-3))^2 + (7 - (-9))^2} \Rightarrow d = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (16)^2} \Rightarrow d = \sqrt{257}$$

e) the slope of a line that is parallel to the line with equation  $4x - 7y = 11$

$$-7y = -4x + 11 \Rightarrow y = \frac{-4}{-7}x + \frac{11}{-7} \Rightarrow m = \frac{4}{7} \Rightarrow m_2 = \frac{4}{7}$$

f) the slope of the line perpendicular to another line that has a slope of  $5/7$

$$m_1 = \frac{5}{7}, m_2 = -\frac{7}{5}$$

2. Determine the equation of the line given the following information:

a)  $m = -5$  and  $b = 3$

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y = -5x + 3$$

b)  $m = -3/4$ ,  $b = 2$

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{4}x + 2 \Rightarrow 4 \cdot y = 4 \cdot \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)x + 4 \cdot 2 \Rightarrow$$

$$4y = -3x + 8$$

c)  $m = 5/7$  passing through  $(0, -4)$

$$(y_2 - y_1) = m(x_2 - x_1) \Rightarrow$$

$$(y - (-4)) = \frac{5}{7}(x - 0) \Rightarrow$$

$$7 \cdot (y - (-4)) = 7 \cdot \frac{5}{7}(x - 0) \Rightarrow$$

$$7y + 28 = 5x \Rightarrow$$

$$7y = 5x - 28$$

d)  $m = -3$  passing through  $(-3, 4)$

$$(y_2 - y_1) = m(x_2 - x_1) \Rightarrow$$

$$(y - 4) = -3(x - (-3)) \Rightarrow$$

$$y - 4 = -3x - 9 \Rightarrow$$

$$y = -3x - 5$$

e)  $m = -5/3$  passing through  $(-2, -6)$

$$(y_2 - y_1) = m(x_2 - x_1) \Rightarrow$$

$$(y - (-6)) = -\frac{5}{3}(x - (-2)) \Rightarrow$$

$$3 \cdot (y - (-6)) = 3 \cdot -\frac{5}{3}(x - (-2)) \Rightarrow$$

$$3y + 18 = -5x - 10 \Rightarrow$$

$$3y = -5x - 28$$

f) passing through the points  $(-3, 5)$  and  $(-1, 6)$

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \Rightarrow m = \frac{5 - 6}{-3 - (-1)} \Rightarrow m = \frac{-1}{-4} \Rightarrow m = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$(y_2 - y_1) = m(x_2 - x_1) \Rightarrow$$

$$(y - 5) = \frac{1}{4}(x - (-3)) \Rightarrow$$

$$4 \cdot (y - 5) = 4 \cdot \frac{1}{4}(x - (-3)) \Rightarrow$$

$$4y - 20 = x + 12 \Rightarrow$$

$$4y = x + 32$$

g) through  $(5, 2)$  parallel to  $3x - 2y = 6$

$$-2y = -3x + 6 \Rightarrow y = \frac{-3}{-2}x + \frac{6}{-2} \Rightarrow$$

$$m_1 = \frac{3}{2}, m_2 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$(y_2 - y_1) = m(x_2 - x_1) \Rightarrow$$

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

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

$$2y - 4 = 3x - 15 \Rightarrow 2y = 3x - 11$$

h) through  $(-3, 5)$  perpendicular to  $-4x + y = 6$

$$y = 4x + 6 \Rightarrow m_1 = 4, m_2 = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$(y_2 - y_1) = m(x_2 - x_1) \Rightarrow$$

$$(y - 5) = -\frac{1}{4}(x - (-3)) \Rightarrow$$

$$4 \cdot (y - 5) = 4 \cdot -\frac{1}{4}(x - (-3)) \Rightarrow$$

$$4y - 20 = -x - 3 \Rightarrow 4y = -x + 17$$

i) through the point  $(3, -7)$  and parallel to the x-axis

since parallel to x-axis

$$m = 0, \therefore \text{horizontal line}$$

$$y = -7$$

j) through the point  $(-4, -6)$  and perpendicular to the x-axis

since perpendicular to x-axis

$$m = \text{no slope}, \therefore \text{vertical line}$$

$$x = -4$$

k) through  $(3, -2)$  parallel to the line passing through  $(4, 8)$  and  $(6, 16)$

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{8 - 16}{4 - 6} = \frac{-8}{-2} = 4 \Rightarrow$$

$$m_1 = 4, m_2 = 4$$

$$(y_2 - y_1) = m(x_2 - x_1) \Rightarrow$$

$$(y - (-2)) = 4(x - 3) \Rightarrow$$

$$y + 2 = 4x - 12 \Rightarrow y = 4x - 14$$

l) through  $(-5, 1)$  perpendicular to the line passing through  $(-5, 2)$  and  $(5, 6)$

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{2 - 6}{-5 - 5} = \frac{-4}{-10} = \frac{4}{10} = \frac{2}{5} \Rightarrow$$

$$m_1 = \frac{2}{5}, m_2 = -\frac{5}{2}$$

$$(y_2 - y_1) = m(x_2 - x_1) \Rightarrow$$

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

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

$$2y - 2 = -5x - 25 \Rightarrow 2y = -5x - 27$$

m) perpendicular bisector of the line segment defined by the endpoints (3, 2) and (-9, 10)

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{2 - 10}{3 - (-9)} = \frac{-8}{12} = -\frac{2}{3} \Rightarrow$$

$$m_1 = -\frac{2}{3}, m_2 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$M\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{3 + (-9)}{2}, \frac{2 + 10}{2}\right) = (-3, 6)$$

$$(y_2 - y_1) = m(x_2 - x_1) \Rightarrow$$

$$(y - 6) = \frac{3}{2}(x - (-3)) \Rightarrow$$

$$2 \cdot (y - 6) = 2 \cdot \frac{3}{2}(x - (-3)) \Rightarrow$$

$$2y - 12 = 3x + 9 \Rightarrow 2y = 3x + 21$$