

There is only one line between any 2 points.

The slope of a line is:

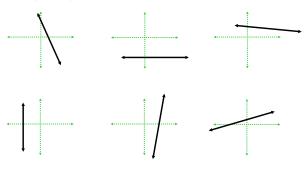
The steepness of the line.

The vertical change over the horizontal change, denoted by *m.*

Given two points, (x_1, y_1) , (x_2, y_2) in the Cartesian Plane,

m =

Examples of slope:



EX 1

a) Find the slope of the line containing these points: (-3,2) and (2,5)

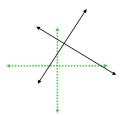
b) Find the slope of the line containing these points: (5, -6) and (-2,-6)

Point-Slope Form of a Line
Given that m = the slope of a line and it goes through the point (x_1, y_2) , then we know:
Slope-Intercept Form of a Line
Given that the slope of a line is m and the y-intercept is the point $(0,b)$, then the equation of the line is:
EX 2
a) Find the equation of the line going through (-4,1) and (5,2).
b) Find the equation of the line with slope, $m = 3$ and y-intercept $(0,5)$.
General Equation of a Line
Every line can be written in the form $Ax + By + C = 0$, where A,B , and C are integers.
EX 3
Write the equations from Exercise 2 in general form.

Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

Parallel lines have the same slope.

Perpendicular lines have negative reciprocal slopes.



EX4

a) Find the equation of the line parallel to 3x - 4y = 8 which passes through the point (1,3).

b) Find the equation of the line perpendicular to y = -3x + 5 which passes through the origin.

Determine the slope of each line segment in this function.

