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Lesson 3.8 Slope and Equations of Lines

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Use coordinate geometry to solve mathematical and real-world geometric problems involving lines, circles, triangles and quadrilaterals.

Content Objective

Students classify lines as parallel, perpendicular, or neither by using the slope criteria.



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Slope Criteria for Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

Slope is the ratio of the change in the y-coordinate (rise) to the corresponding change in the x-coordinate (run) as you move from one point to another along a line

$$\text{slope} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

Rise $\uparrow + \downarrow -$
Run $\leftarrow \rightarrow + -$

Slopes of Parallel Lines

Two distinct lines have the same slope if the lines are parallel.

$$// \frac{3}{4} \quad \frac{3}{4}$$

Slopes of Perpendicular Lines

Two lines are perpendicular if and only if the product of their slopes is -1

*also known as negative or opposite reciprocals.

$$-\frac{3}{4} \quad \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\frac{-3}{1} \quad \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \quad -\frac{2}{1}$$

Example 1

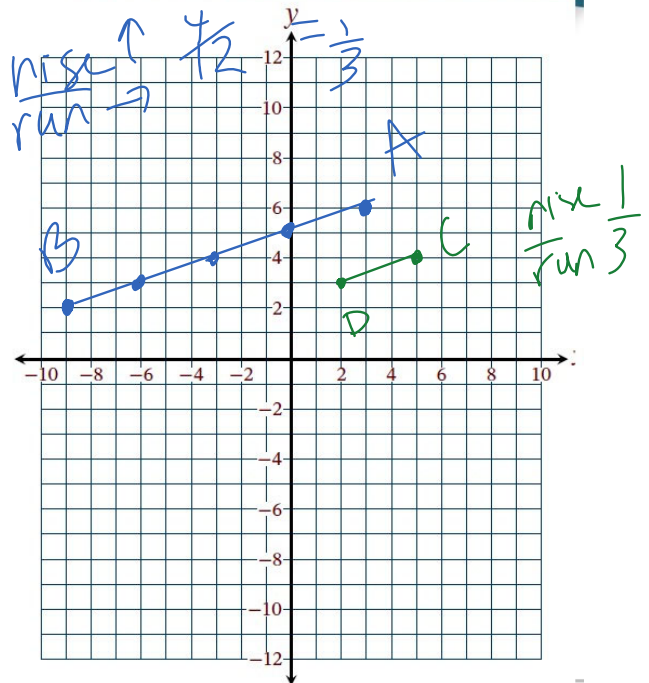
Example 1

Determine Line Relationships When Given

Determine whether \overleftrightarrow{AB} and \overleftrightarrow{CD} are **parallel**, **perpendicular**, or **neither** for $A(3, 6)$, $B(-9, 2)$, $C(5, 4)$, and $D(2, 3)$.
Graph each line to verify your answer.

$$\text{slope} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}, \quad \frac{2 - 6}{-9 - 3} = \frac{-4}{-12} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{3 - 4}{2 - 5} = \frac{-1}{-3} = \frac{1}{3}$$



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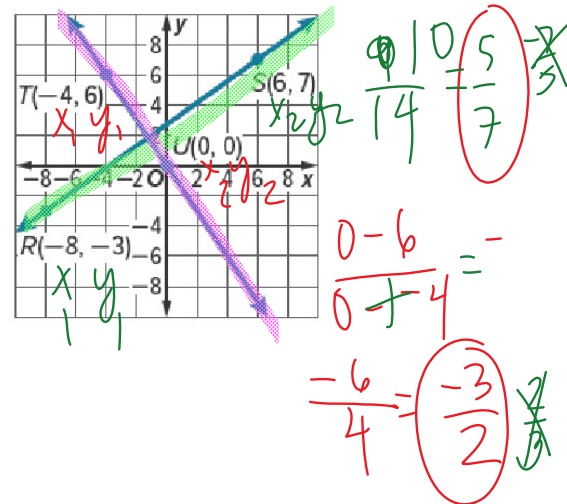
Example 2

Determine Line Relationships When Given Graphs

Determine whether each pair of lines is **parallel**, **perpendicular**, or **neither**.

a. \overleftrightarrow{RS} and \overleftrightarrow{TU}

$$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}, \quad \frac{7 - 3}{6 - 8} = \frac{4}{-2} = -2 \quad RS$$



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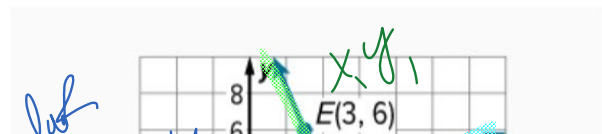
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Example 2

Determine Line Relationships When Given Graphs

b. \overleftrightarrow{EF} and \overleftrightarrow{DG}

$$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}, \quad \frac{6 - 0}{3 - 0} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$$

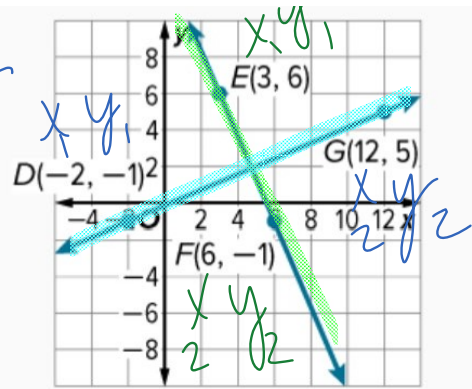


b. \overline{EF} and \overline{DG}

$$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{-1 - 6}{6 - 3} = \left(-\frac{7}{3}\right)$$

$$\frac{5 - (-1)}{12 - (-2)} = \frac{6}{14} = \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)$$

perpendicular



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Equations of Lines

An equation of a nonvertical line can be written in different but equivalent forms.

Standard Form $m = Ax + By = C$

Slope $= -A/B$ y-int C/B

Key Concept: Nonvertical Line Equations

The slope-intercept form of a linear equation is $y = mx + b$, where m is the slope of the line and b is the y-intercept.

$y = mx + b$ $y = 3x + 8$
slope \uparrow y-intercept \uparrow

The point-slope form of a linear equation is $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$, where (x_1, y_1) is any point on the line and m is the slope of the line.

point $(3, 5)$
 $y - 5 = 2(x - 3)$
slope \uparrow

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Equations of Lines

The equations of horizontal and vertical lines involve only one variable.

perpendicular

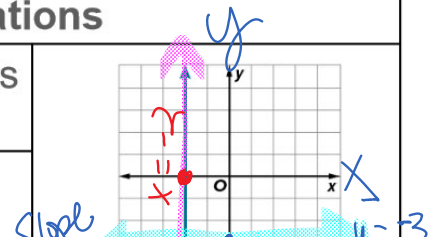
Key Concept: Horizontal and Vertical Line Equations

The equation of a horizontal line is $y = b$, where b is the y-intercept of the line.

$y = -3$

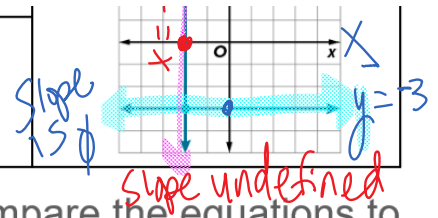
The equation of a vertical line is $x = a$, where a is the x-intercept of the line.

$x = -3$



The equation of a vertical line is $x = a$, where a is the x-intercept of the line.

$$x = -2$$



When given the equations of two lines, you can compare the equations to determine the relationship between the lines.

Example 3

Determine Line Relationships When Given Equations

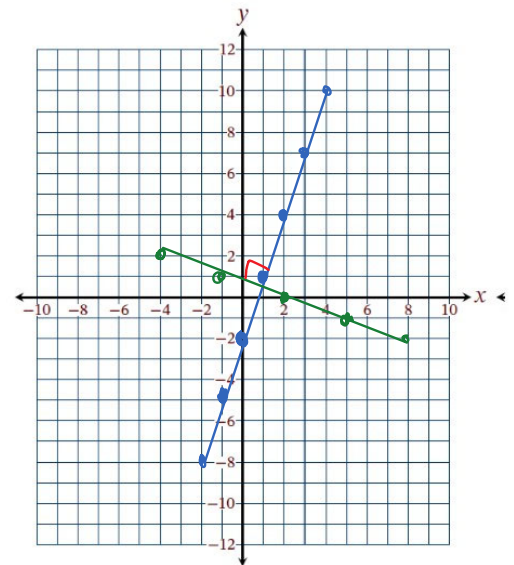
Determine whether each pair of lines is **parallel, perpendicular, or neither**.

a. $y = 3x - 2$; $y - 0 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 2)$

slope-intercept form $y = mx + b$ point-slope form $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

$y = 3x - 2$ $y - 0 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 2)$

slope $\frac{3}{1}$ $-\frac{1}{3}$ negative opposite Reciprocals (perpendicular)



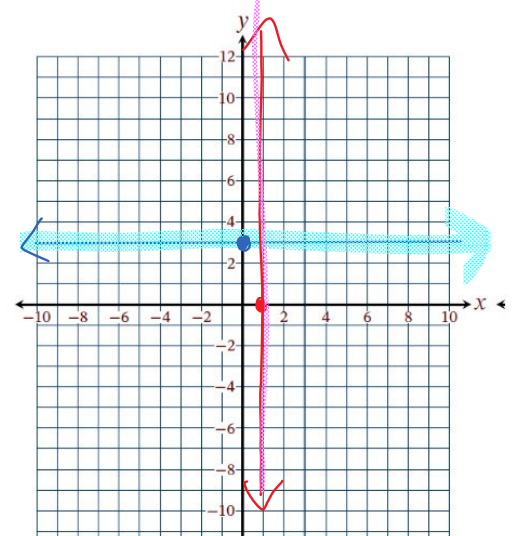
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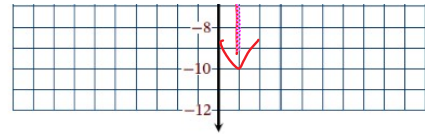
Determine Line Relationships When Given Equations

b. $y = 3$; $x = 1$

slope 0 slope: undefined

perpendicular

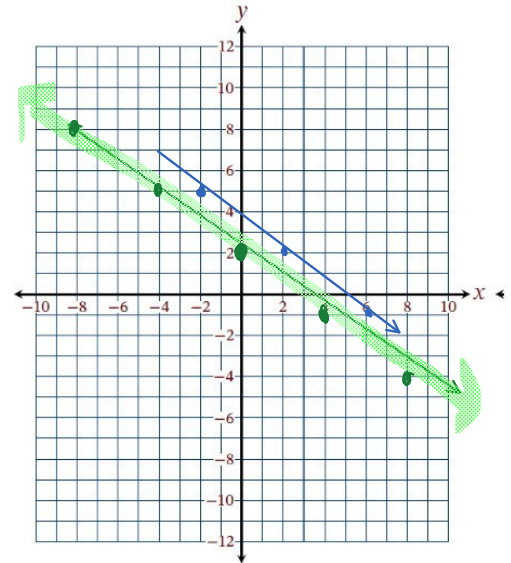




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Determine Line Relationships When Given Equations

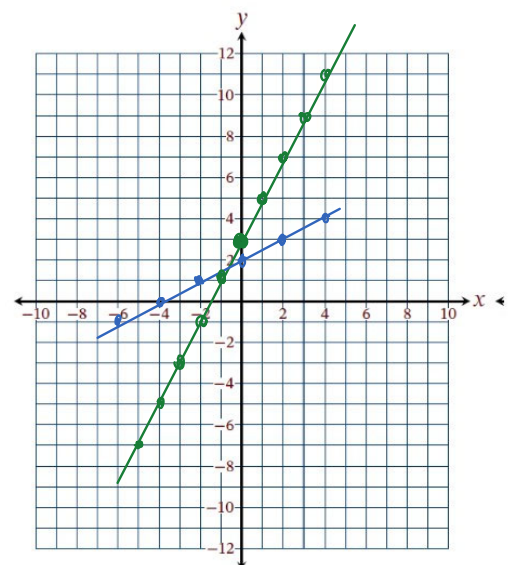
$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$ $y = mx + b$
c. $y - 5 = -\frac{3}{4}(x + 2)$; $y = -\frac{3}{4}x + 2$
 (point-slope form) $(-2, 5)$ $-\frac{3}{4} \downarrow \rightarrow$ slope-intercept form
 $y - 5 = -\frac{3}{4}(x + 2)$ $y = -\frac{3}{4}x + 2$
 slope $-\frac{3}{4}$ $-\frac{3}{4}$ *parallel*



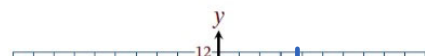
Example 3

Determine Line Relationships When Given Equations

$\frac{2}{1} \neq \frac{1}{2}$ *neither*
d. $y = 2x + 3$; $y - 1 = \frac{1}{2}(x + 2)$ $(-2, 1)$
 slope-intercept form $y = 2x + 3$ $y - 1 = \frac{1}{2}(x + 2)$ point-slope form
 $y = mx + b$ $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
 rise $\uparrow 2$ $\frac{2}{1}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ \rightarrow run $\rightarrow 1$



Determine Line Relationships When Given Equations

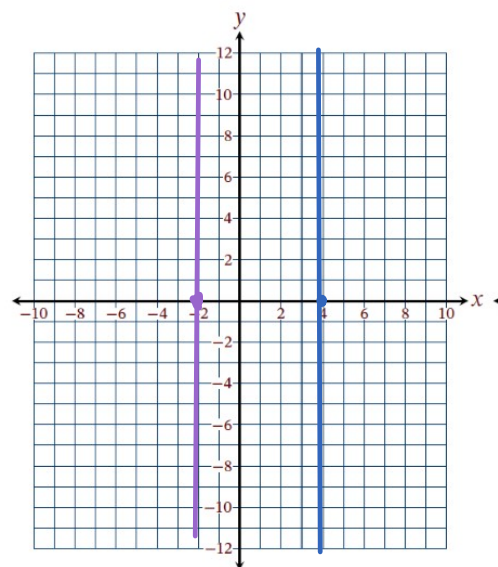


Determine Line Relationships when Given Equations

e. $x = -2$ $x = 4$

x -axis x -axis

parallel
lines



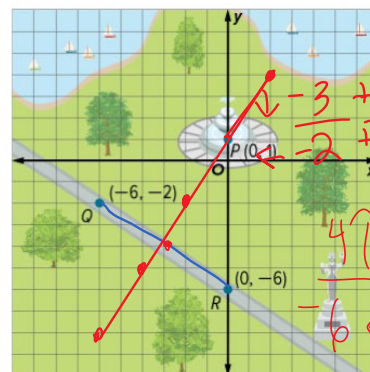
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Example 4

Use Slope to Graph a Line

DESIGN Valentina is designing a park using grid paper. She wants to build a sidewalk that connects with the fountain at $P(0, 1)$ and is perpendicular to the existing sidewalk that passes through points $Q(-6, -2)$ and $R(0, -6)$. Graph the line that represents the new sidewalk.



new slope (opposite (neg.) reciprocals) $+\frac{3}{2}$

$$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{-6 - (-2)}{0 - (-6)} = \frac{-4}{6} = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$-\frac{2}{3}$ (opposite reciprocal) $+\frac{3}{2}$

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Example 5

Write Equations of Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

Write an equation in slope-intercept form for the

line parallel to $y = -\frac{3}{4}x + 3$ containing $(-3, 6)$.

Same
Slope

$$y = mx + b$$

$$6 = -\frac{3}{4}(-3) + b$$

Slope-intercept form

$$b = 3.75$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{4}x + 3.75$$

$$6 = -\frac{3}{4}(-3) + b$$

$$6 = \frac{9}{4} + b$$

$$6 - \frac{9}{4} = 2.25 + b$$

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

$$y - 6 = -\frac{3}{4}(x - 3)$$

$$y - 6 = -\frac{3}{4}x - \frac{9}{4}(-2.25)$$

+6

$$y = -\frac{3}{4}x + 3.75$$

$$b = 3.75$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{4}x + 3.75$$

Point-slope form