

2.1 Midpoint and Review of $y = mx + b$

Remember... To write the equation of a line you need **2 points**.

- *Perpendicular* lines have slopes that are negative reciprocals.



- *Parallel* lines have the same slope.

- Given two points, find slope using

$$m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$

- *Same x-int* means find the x-int by substituting $y = 0$, then use this point, $(x,0)$, as a point on the line.

- Can use any point on the line to substitute along with m to find equation.

Point-Slope Form of a Line: $y = a(x - h) + k$

Determine the equation of the line with slope 2 that goes through the point (3,5).

Your way: $y = mx + b$
 $y = 2x + b$
 $5 = (2)(3) + b$
 $5 = 6 + b$
 $-1 = b$

$y = 2x - 1$

My way: $y = a(x - h) + k$

$y = 2(x - h) + k$ Substitute the slope for a

$y = 2(x - 3) + 5$ Substitute the point for (h, k)

$y = 2x - 6 + 5$

$y = 2x - 1$

My Way 2

$$\frac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2} = m$$

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

$$y - 5 = 2(x - 3)$$

$$y = 2x - 6 + 5$$

$$y = 2x - 1$$

Examples: Find the equations of the following lines:

a) passes through C(3,-4) and D(-1,7)

$$\begin{aligned}
 m &= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} & y &= mx + b \\
 &= \frac{-4 - (-4)}{-1 - 3} & -4 &= -\frac{11}{4}(3) + b \\
 &= \frac{11}{-4} & -4 &= -\frac{33}{4} + b \\
 &= -\frac{11}{4} & -4 + \frac{33}{4} &= b \\
 & & -\frac{16}{4} + \frac{33}{4} &= b \\
 & & \frac{17}{4} &= b
 \end{aligned}$$

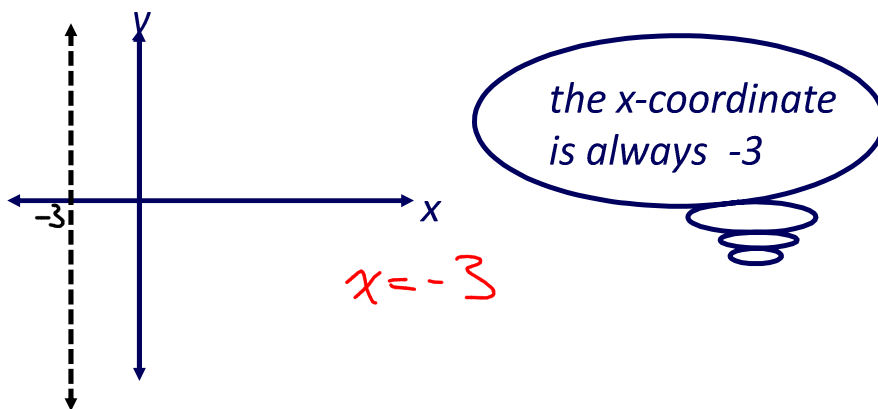
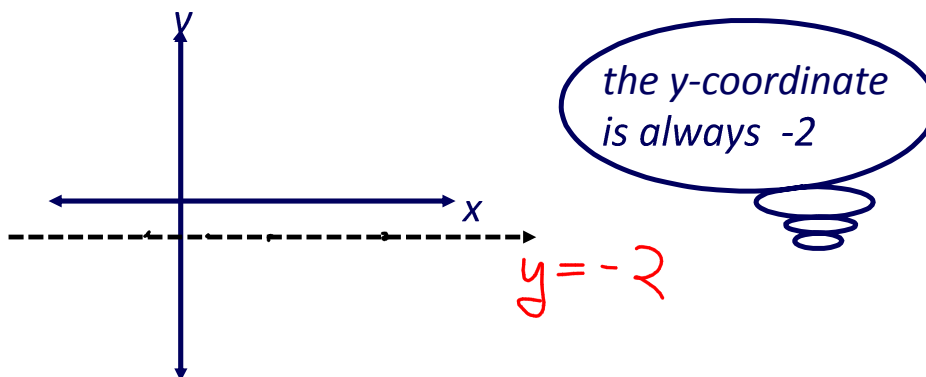
$\therefore y = -\frac{11}{4}x + \frac{17}{4}$

b) perpendicular to $4x + 3y - 7 = 0$ with the same x-intercept as $2x + 3y - 12 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4x + 3y - 7 &= 0 & \text{x-int} \\
 3y &= -4x + 7 & \text{sub } y=0 \\
 y &= -\frac{4}{3}x + \frac{7}{3} & 2x + 3y - 12 = 0 \\
 m &= -\frac{4}{3} & 2x + 3(0) - 12 = 0 \\
 m_{\perp} &= \frac{3}{4} & 2x = 12 \\
 & & x = 6 \\
 & & (6, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} &= m \\
 \frac{y - 0}{x - 6} &= \frac{3}{4} \\
 y &= \frac{3}{4}(x - 6) \\
 y &= \frac{3}{4}x - \frac{3}{4}\left(\frac{6}{1}\right) \\
 y &= \frac{3}{4}x - \frac{9}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

SPECIAL CASES: Horizontal & Vertical Lines

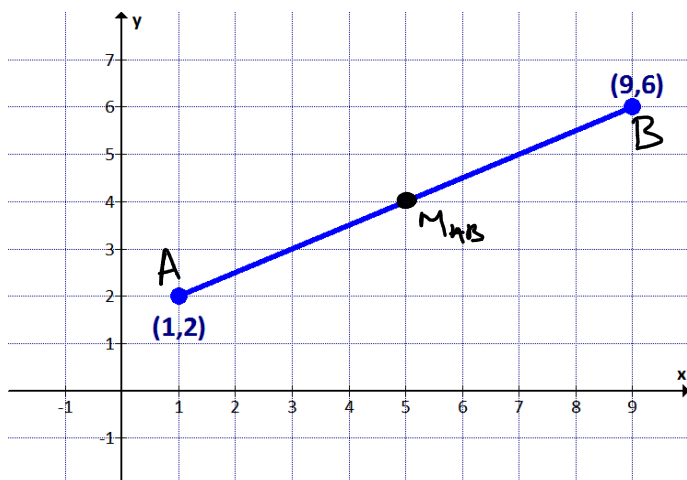
c) a vertical line passing through $(-3,5)$ d) a horizontal line passing through $(7,-2)$ 

The Midpoint

Notation: $M(x_M, y_M)$ is used for midpoint.
Remember that m denotes slope!



What are the coordinates of the midpoint of segment AB?

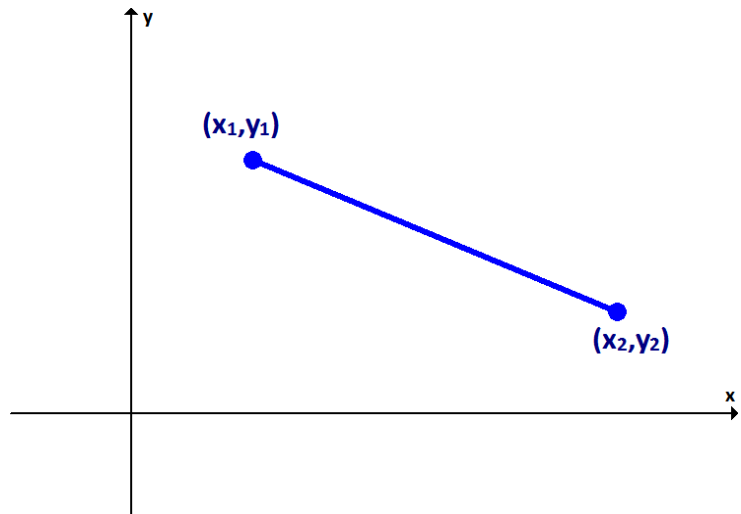


How can you determine the midpoint algebraically given the coordinates of the endpoint?

$$\begin{aligned} M_{AB} &= \left(\frac{1+9}{2}, \frac{2+6}{2} \right) \\ &= (5, 4) \end{aligned}$$

The coordinates of the midpoint of a line segment are found by taking averages:

$$M\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right)$$



Ex. 1 Find the midpoint of the line segment AB where A(2,-4) and B(-3,5).

$$\begin{aligned} M_{AB} &= \left(\frac{-3+2}{2}, \frac{5+(-4)}{2} \right) \\ &= \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$



Ex. 2 C(4, -3) is the midpoint of a line segment with endpoints A(7, 5) and B. Determine the coordinates of B.

$$(x_m, y_m) = \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$$

$$x_m = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} \quad y_m = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}$$

$$4 = \frac{7 + x_2}{2} \quad -3 = \frac{5 + y_2}{2}$$

$$8 = 7 + x_2 \quad -6 = 5 + y_2$$

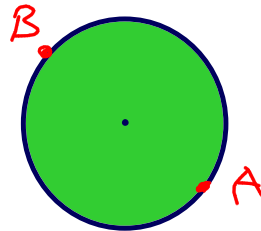
$$1 = x_2 \quad y_2 = -11$$

$\therefore B(1, -11)$

Ex. 3 The diameter of a circle has endpoints A(4, -3) and B(-3, 5). Find the centre of the circle.

$$M_{AB} = \left(\frac{4 + (-3)}{2}, \frac{-3 + 5}{2} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1 \right)$$



\therefore Centre of the circle is $\left(\frac{1}{2}, 1 \right)$

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