

# E.Q.: How do we create and solve linear equations in two variables?

## Standard:            **MGSE9-12.A.CED.2**

Create linear equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales.

(The phrase “in two or more variables” refers to formulas like the compound interest formula, in which  $A = P(1 + r/n)^t$  has multiple variables.)

# Vocabulary:

## linear equation:

- an algebraic equation in which each term is either a constant or the product of a constant and (the first power of) a single variable.

Linear equations can have one or more variables.

$$8 = 4x + 2$$

$$y = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{slope}}}{m}x + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{y-intercept}}}{b}$$

$$y = 4x + 2$$

$$y = 5x + 0$$

$$y = x + 2$$

$$y = 5$$

4 or -3

$4x$     $-3x$     $\frac{1}{2}x$

slope - intercept form

**independent variable:** (x)

- It is a variable that stands alone and isn't changed by the other variables you are trying to measure.
- For example, someone's age might be an independent variable.

## dependent variable: (y)

- A dependent variable is what you measure in the experiment and what is affected during the experiment.
- The dependent variable responds to the independent variable.
- It is called dependent because it "depends" on the independent variable.

$$y = mx + b$$

Handwritten annotations for the equation  $y = mx + b$ :

- A black arrow points from the text "dependent variable" to the  $y$ .
- A black arrow points from the text "independent variable" to the  $x$ .
- A red arrow points from the text "slope" to the  $m$ .
- A red arrow points from the text "y-intercept" to the  $b$ .

## Slope and Rate of Change:

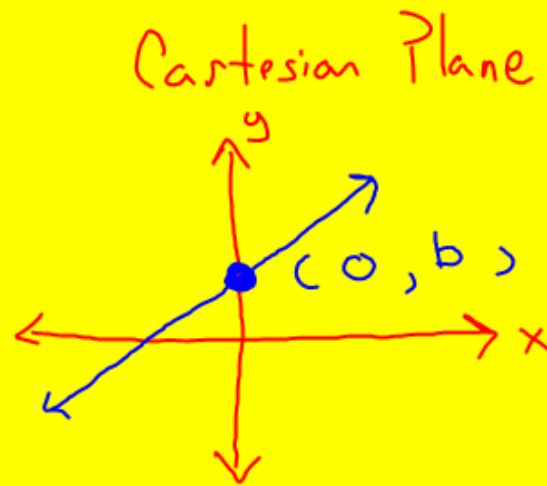
- The word slope (gradient, incline, pitch) is used to describe the measurement of the steepness of a straight line.
- The higher the slope, the steeper the line.
- The slope of a line is a rate of change.

↓  
refers to  
a line

refers to slope.

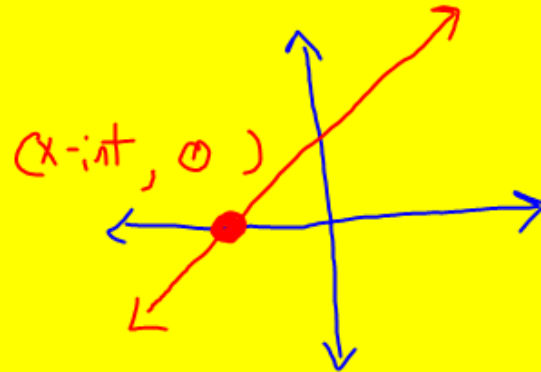
y-intercept:  $(0, b)$

- is a point where the graph of an equation intersects with the y-axis of the coordinate system.
- these points satisfy  $x = 0$ .



## x-intercept:

- is a point where the graph of a function or relation intersects with the x-axis.
- these points satisfy  $y=0$ .



# Multiple Representations of a Linear Relationship

$$2 = \frac{2}{1} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{\text{change in } y}{\text{change in } x} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$

## Equation

$$y = mx + b$$

*y-int*  
*slope-intercept form*

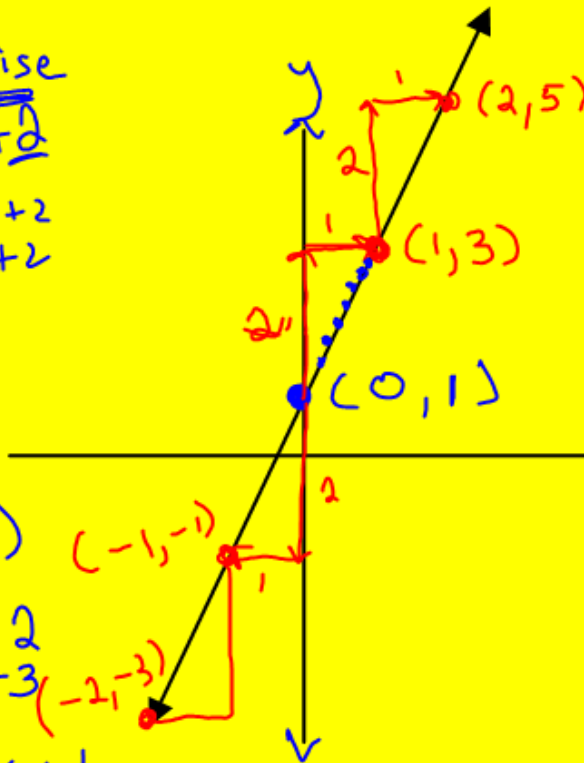
$$y - 3 = 2(x - 1)$$

*slope*  
*point-slope form*

## Table

X	Y
-2	-3
-1	-1
1	3
2	5
3	7

## Graph



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

$$y - 3 = 2(x - 1)$$

$$y - 3 = 2x - 2$$

$$y = 2x + 1$$



Given the following equation,  $y = 4x + 3$ ,  
create a table of values that is representative  
of that equation.

X	y
-2	$4(-2) + 3 = -5$
-1	$4(-1) + 3 = -1$
0	$4(0) + 3 = 3$
1	$4(1) + 3 = 7$
2	$4(2) + 3 = 11$
3	$4(3) + 3 = 15$

$$y = \underbrace{(4)}_{\text{slope}}x + \underbrace{3}_{\text{y-int}}$$

Given the following equation,  $y = -2x + 5$ ,  
create a table of values that is representative  
of that equation.

$$y = \underbrace{(-2)}_{\text{slope}}x + \underbrace{5}_{\text{y-int}}$$

X	y
-2	9
-1	7
0	5
+1 <	3
+1 <	1
+1 <	-1

Annotations: A purple arrow points from the slope  $-2$  in the handwritten equation to the  $y$ -column of the table. Brackets on the right side of the table indicate a change of  $-2$  in  $y$  for each unit change in  $x$ .

Given the following table,  
is this table representative of a linear relationship?

If so, what is the equation?

x	y
-2	-15
-1	-10
0	-5
1	0
2	5
3	10

$$y = \underbrace{m}_\text{slope} x + \underbrace{b}_\text{y-int}$$

$$y = \underline{5}x - \underline{5}$$

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

$$y = -10 - 5$$

$$y = \underline{-15}$$

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$$y = 5(1) - 5$$

$$y = 5 - 5$$

$$y = 0$$

Given the following table,  
is this table representative of a linear relationship?

If so, what is the equation?

x	y
-5	-15
0	-10
5	-5
10	0
15	5
20	10

Handwritten annotations on the table: A wavy purple line on the left side of the table. A purple circle around the y-value -10. Purple arrows on the right side of the table pointing to the y-values, with a '5' written next to each arrow. Purple arrows on the left side of the table pointing to the x-values, with a '+5' written next to each arrow.

$$y = 1 \cdot x - 10$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{5}{5} = 1$$

Given the following table,  
is this table representative of a linear relationship? **No**

If so, what is the equation?

x	y
-2	-15
0	-10
3	-5
10	0
15	5
50	10

+2  
+3

+5  
+5

$$\text{slope} = \frac{5}{2} = 2.5$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{5}{3} = 1.\bar{6}$$

There is a not a  
constant rate of  
change!

Ex. The data below represent the value of a car as it depreciates over a period of 5 years.

Years	0	1	2	3	4	5
Value	15000	12400	9800	7200	4600	2000

Handwritten annotations: A red bracket above the years 0 and 1 is labeled "+1". Red brackets below the value differences (15000-12400, 12400-9800, 9800-7200, 7200-4600, 4600-2000) are labeled "-2600".

$$\frac{-2600}{1} = -2600$$

independent variable = years ( $x$ )

dependent variable = value ( $y$ )

$$\text{slope} = -2600$$

Calculate and interpret the slope. [rate of change]

For each additional year, the car's value decreased by \$2600

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State and interpret the  $y$ -intercept.

$y$ -int: \$15,000

When the car is new, at  $time = \underline{0 \text{ years}}$  the car is worth \$15,000.

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<b>Years</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Value</b>	<b>15000</b>	<b>12400</b>	<b>9800</b>	<b>7200</b>	<b>4600</b>	<b>2000</b>

Write an equation that models this relationship:

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y = -2600x + 15000$$



Use your model to determine  
the value of the car at 3.5 years.

"y"

"x"

$$y = -2600x + 15000$$

$$y = -2600(3.5) + 15000$$

$$y = \text{\$ } 5,900$$

Use your model to determine when  
the car will be worth \$700?

$$y = -2600x + 15000$$

$$700 = -2600x + 15000$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -15000 \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{r} -15000 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -14300 \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} -2600x \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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$$5.5 \text{ years} = x$$

The table below shows the depth in meters of a scuba diver after a certain amount of time under water.

Position of Scuba Diver	
Time (s)	Depth (m)
$x$	$y$
0	-24
3	-18
6	-12
9	-6
12	0

independent variable =

dependent variable =

Find the average rate of change for this relationship. Interpret this value.

average rate of change = \_\_\_\_\_

For each additional \_\_\_\_\_ that elapses, the diver has risen \_\_\_\_\_ meters under the surface of the water.

State and interpret the y-intercept. y-intercept = \_\_\_\_\_

At time = \_\_\_\_\_, the scuba diver is \_\_\_\_\_ meters under the surface of the water.

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Use your model to determine the diver's depth at 5 seconds. \_\_\_\_\_

Use your model to predict how many seconds it takes the diver reach 9 meters below the surface. \_\_\_\_\_

# Homework #4: Two Variable Equations