

VARIOUS FORMS OF EQUATION OF A LINE:HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL LINES :

Act: Find the equation (eqn) of straight line parallel to y-axis and at a distance 'a' from it.

Proof: Let AB be a straight line || to y-axis meeting x-axis in M. so that $OM = a$ (i)

Let $P(x, y)$ be any point on AB. From P draw $PM \perp$ x-axis

Then $OM = x$ (ii)

and $MP = y$.

From (i) and (ii) we get $x = a$ which is eqn of line || to y-axis at a distance 'a' from it.

NOTE :

The line $x = a$ lies to the right or left of y-axis according as 'a' is +ve or -ve resp. If $a = 0$ then the line coincides with y-axis and 'Eqn of y-axis is $x = 0$ '

Act: Find the eqn. of st. line parallel to x-axis at a distance 'b' from it.

Proof: Let AB be a st. line || to x-axis meeting y-axis in L, so that $OL = b$.

Let $P(x, y)$ be any point on AB. From P, draw $PM \perp$ x-axis

Then $OM = x$ and $MP = y$.

Now $MP = OL$ (∵ distance between || lines)

∴ $y = b$ is eqn of line || to x-axis at a distance b from it.

NOTE : The line $y = b$ lies above or below the x-axis according as b is +ve or -ve resp.

If $b=0$, then the line coincides with x -axis and
 $\therefore$ Equation of x -axis is $y=0$

* Equation of straight line passing through the origin and making an angle θ with x -axis.

Let $P(x, y)$ be any point on given line l which makes an angle of ' θ ' with x -axis so that $\angle MOP = \theta$.

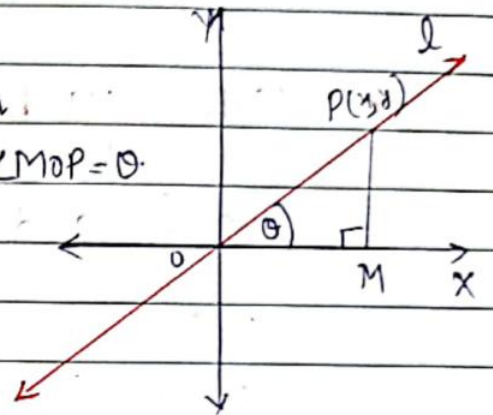
Draw $PM \perp x$ -axis

Then in rt $\triangle OMP$.

$$\frac{MP}{OM} = \tan \theta$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{y}{x} = m$$

$\therefore$ $y = mx$ which is the required equation.



* **SLOPE - INTERCEPT FORM :** Equation of st. line which cuts off a given intercept ' c ' on y -axis and is inclined at a given angle θ to x -axis.

Let l be the given line which makes angle θ with x -axis and cuts off y -axis at $(0, c)$ i.e. makes intercept ' c ' at y -axis

Then from fig.

In rt $\triangle ALP$.

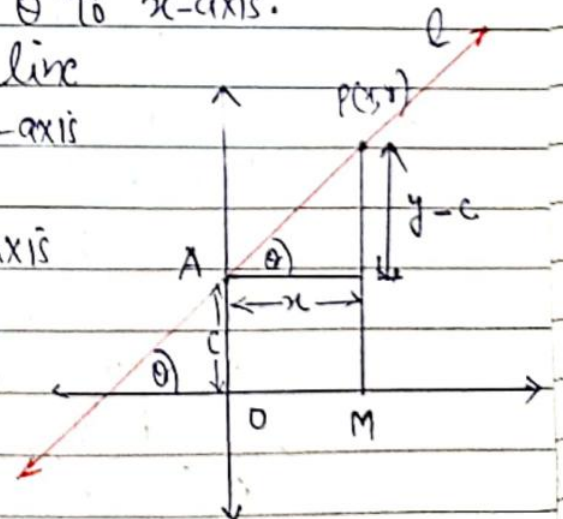
$$\angle PAL = \theta, \quad AL = x$$

$$PL = y - c$$

Now In rt $\triangle ALP$.

$$\frac{PL}{AL} = \tan \theta$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{y - c}{x} = m$$



$$\Rightarrow y - c = mx$$

or $y = mx + c$ which is required eqn.

$\therefore$ Slope-Intercept form of line is $y = mx + c$
Where m is slope of line and c is y -intercept of line.

* ONE POINT FORM OR POINT-SLOPE FORM OF LINE:

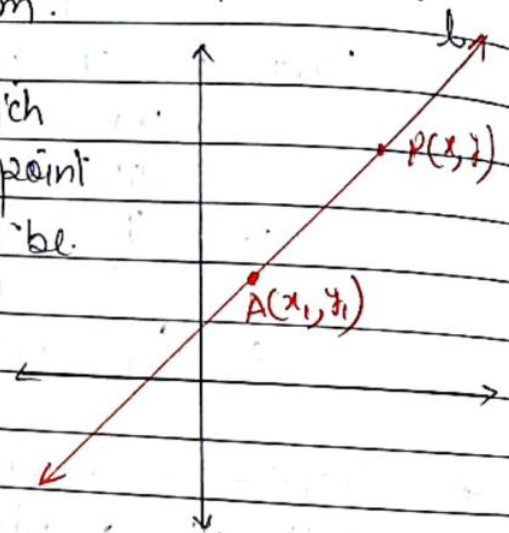
Equation of line which passes through a given point and having slope m .

Let l be the given line which passes through given fixed point $A(x_1, y_1)$ and Let $P(x, y)$ be any arbitrary point on l .

Then by definition

$$\text{slope } m = \frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow y - y_1 = m(x - x_1) \text{ which is the required eqn.}$$



* TWO-POINT FORM: Equation of straight line passing through Two-given points.

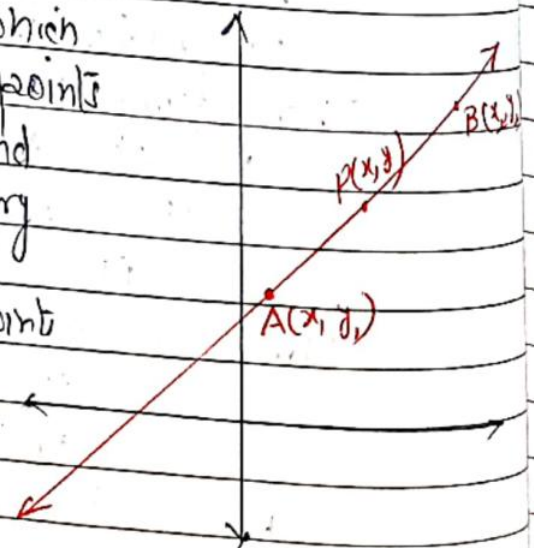
Let l be the given line which passes through two given points

$A(x_1, y_1)$ and $B(x_2, y_2)$ and

let $P(x, y)$ be any arbitrary point on l .

$\therefore A, B, P$ are collinear points

$\therefore$ Slope of AP = Slope of AB



$$\Rightarrow \frac{y-y_1}{x-x_1} = \frac{y_2-y_1}{x_2-x_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow y-y_1 = \frac{y_2-y_1}{x_2-x_1} (x-x_1)$$

Thus Equation of line passing through two given points (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is given by.

$$y-y_1 = \frac{y_2-y_1}{x_2-x_1} (x-x_1)$$

* INTERCEPT FORM :

Equation of line which makes intercept on axes.

Let the given line makes x -intercept ' a ' and y -intercept ' b ' on axes.

$\therefore$ Line l meet x -axis at $A(a, 0)$ and y -axis at $B(0, b)$.

Let $P(x, y)$ be any point on line ' l '.
Then by Two point form.

$$y-0 = \frac{b-0}{0-a} (x-a)$$

$$\text{or } -ay = b(x-a)$$

$$\Rightarrow -ay = bx - ab$$

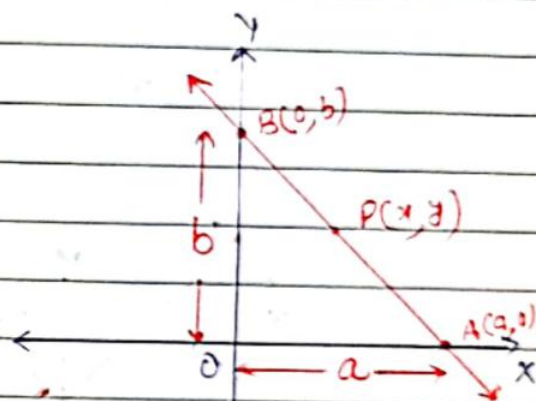
$$\Rightarrow ay + bx = ab$$

Dividing both sides by ab

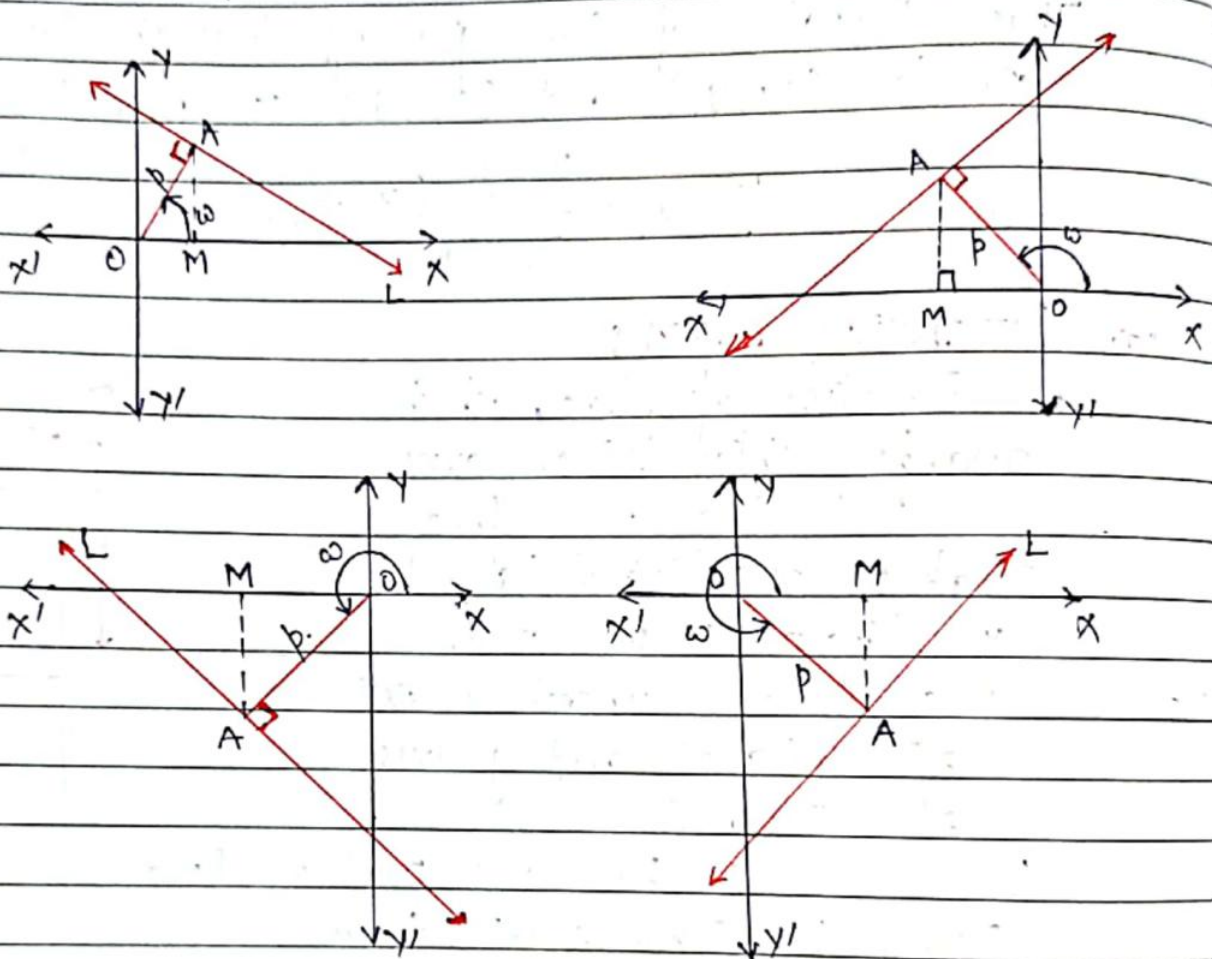
$$\frac{ay}{ab} + \frac{bx}{ab} = \frac{ab}{ab}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{b} + \frac{x}{a} = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1}$$

which is required equation.



* **NORMAL FORM:** To find the equation of line in terms of p , the length of perpendicular from origin upon it and ω is the angle which this perpendicular makes with x -axis.



Let $OA = p$ be the length of perpendicular from origin on the given line L . (perpendicular distance of line from origin)
and let OA makes angle $\angle XO A = \omega$ with the direction of x -axis.

The possible positions of line L , in Cartesian plane are shown in fig.

Draw $AM \perp x$ -axis

Using Trigonometry we find that, In each case

$$OM = p \cos \omega$$

$$MA = p \sin \omega$$

So that the coordinates of point A are $(p \cos \omega, p \sin \omega)$

Also Line L is perpendicular to OA

$$\therefore \text{Slope of line L} = -\frac{1}{\text{Slope of OA}} = -\frac{1}{\tan \omega}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\frac{\sin \omega}{\cos \omega}} = -\frac{\cos \omega}{\sin \omega}$$

The equation of line passing through A $(p \cos \omega, p \sin \omega)$ having slope $m = -\frac{\cos \omega}{\sin \omega}$ will be

$$y - p \sin \omega = -\frac{\cos \omega}{\sin \omega} (x - p \cos \omega) \quad [\text{Point-slope form}]$$

$$\Rightarrow y \sin \omega - p \sin^2 \omega = -x \cos \omega + p \cos^2 \omega$$

$$\Rightarrow x \cos \omega + y \sin \omega = p (\sin^2 \omega + \cos^2 \omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \cos \omega + y \sin \omega = p \quad [\because \sin^2 \omega + \cos^2 \omega = 1]$$

Thus, the equation of line having normal distance p from the origin and angle ω which the normal makes with +ve direction of x-axis is given by

$$x \cos \omega + y \sin \omega = p.$$

EXERCISE 10.2

Q No 1: Write equation of x-axis and y-axis

Sol. Since every point on x-axis has y-coordinate as 0

$\therefore$ Equation of x-axis is $y = 0$

Similarly, every point on y-axis has x-coordinate as 0

$\therefore$ Equation of y-axis is $x = 0$

Q No 2Passing through point $(-4, 3)$ with slope $\frac{1}{2}$.

Sol.

Using one-point form. Required eqn of line will be

$$y - 3 = \frac{1}{2}(x - (-4))$$

$$\text{i.e. } 2y - 6 = x + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 2y + 10 = 0$$

Q No 3Passing through $(0, 0)$ with slope m .

Sol.

Using one-point form eqn of required line will be

$$y - 0 = m(x - 0)$$

$$y = mx.$$

Q No 4: Passing through $(2, 2\sqrt{3})$ and inclined with x -axis at an angle of 75° .Soln.Angle of Inclination $= 75^\circ$

$$\therefore \text{Slope } m = \tan 75^\circ = \tan(45^\circ + 30^\circ)$$

$$= \frac{\tan 45^\circ + \tan 30^\circ}{1 - \tan 45^\circ \tan 30^\circ}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{1 - 1 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}} = \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{\sqrt{3} - 1}$$

 $\therefore$ Required equation will be

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

$$(y - 2\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{3} - 1) = (\sqrt{3} + 1)(x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{3}y - y) - 2\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3} - 1) = (\sqrt{3} + 1)x - 2(\sqrt{3} + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{3} - 1)y - 6 + 2\sqrt{3} = (\sqrt{3} + 1)x - 2\sqrt{3} - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{3} + 1)x - (\sqrt{3} - 1)y = -6 + 2\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3} + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{3} + 1)x - (\sqrt{3} - 1)y = 4\sqrt{3} - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{3} + 1)x - (\sqrt{3} - 1)y = 4(\sqrt{3} - 1)$$

QNo5: Intersecting the x -axis at a distance of 3 units to the left of origin with slope -2 .

Soln: Since line meets x -axis at 3 units to the left of origin $\therefore$ Line meets x -axis at $(-3, 0)$ and slope of line $m = -2$.

$\therefore$ Using Point-Slope form required eqn of line will be

$$y - 0 = -2(x - (-3))$$

$$y = -2x - 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + y + 6 = 0$$

QNo6: Intersecting y -axis at a distance of 2 units above the origin and making an angle of 30° with +ve direction of x -axis.

Soln: Since line intersect y -axis at 2 units above origin.

$\therefore$ Line passes through the point $(0, 2)$

Slope of line $= \tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

$\therefore$ Using Point-Slope form required equation will be

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x - \sqrt{3}y + 2\sqrt{3} = 0$$

QNo.7: Passing through points $(-1, 1)$ and $(2, -4)$

Soln: Using Two-Point form.

$$y - 1 = \frac{-4 - 1}{2 - (-1)}(x - (-1))$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 3(y - 1) = -5(x + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y - 3 = -5x - 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x + 3y + 2 = 0$$

Q No. 8. Perpendicular distance from origin is 5 units and the angle made by the perpendicular with the +ve x-axis is 30° .

Soln: Here perpendicular distance of line from origin

$$p = 5$$

$$\text{and } \theta = 30^\circ$$

$\therefore$ Using Normal form of equation, the required eqn will be

$$x \cos 30^\circ + y \sin 30^\circ = 5$$

$$\text{i.e. } x \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + y \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3}x + y = 10$$

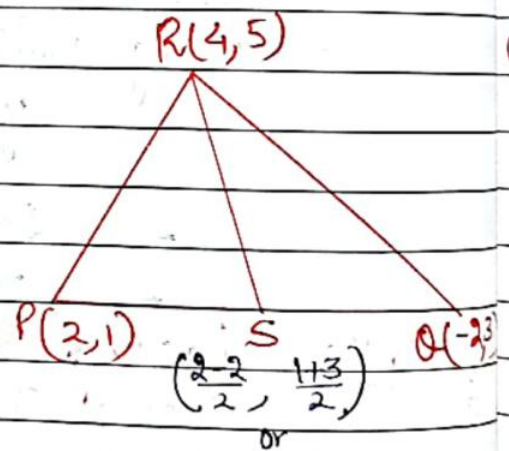
Q No. 9. The vertices of ΔPQR are $P(2,1)$; $Q(-2,3)$ and $R(4,5)$. Find the equation of median through the vertex R.

Soln: Let S be the mid point of PQ

The coordinates of S will be Using mid point formula.

$$S\left(\frac{2-2}{2}, \frac{1+3}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{or } S(0, 2)$$



Now Equation of median through $R(4,5)$ and $S(0,2)$ will be

$$y-5 = \frac{2-5}{0-4} (x-4) \quad \left[\text{Two point form} \right]$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 4y-20 = 3x-12$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x-4y+8=0$$

Q No 10

Find the eqn. of line passing through $(-3, 5)$ and perpendicular to line through the pts. $(2, 5)$ and $(-3, 6)$

Sol.

Let $A(2, 5)$; $B(-3, 6)$

Then slope of line AB

$$= \frac{6-5}{-3-2} = -\frac{1}{5}$$

$\therefore$ Slope of line^{CD} which

is perpendicular to AB = $m = +5$

$\therefore$ Eqn of reqd line^(D) passing through C and $\perp$ to AB will be

$$y - 5 = 5(x - (-3)) \quad \left[\text{Point-slope form} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow y - 5 = 5x + 15$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x - y + 20 = 0$$

Q No 11

A line $\perp$ to the line segment joining the pts. $(1, 0)$ and $(2, 3)$ divides it in the ratio $1:n$. Find the n of line.

Sol.

Let CD be the line $\perp$ to the line segment joining $A(1, 0)$ and $B(2, 3)$ such that D divides AB in the ratio $1:n$.

$\therefore$ By Section Formula

$$D \leftrightarrow D\left(\frac{n+2}{n+1}, \frac{3}{n+1}\right)$$

$$\text{Now slope of AB} = \frac{3-0}{2-1} = \frac{3}{1} = 3$$

$$\therefore \text{Slope of CD} = -\frac{1}{3} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{-ve reciprocal} \\ \text{since AB} \perp \text{CD} \end{array} \right]$$

$\therefore$ Eq. of CD is

$$y - \frac{3}{n+1} = -\frac{1}{3} \left(x - \frac{n+2}{n+1} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow y - \frac{3}{n+1} = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{n+2}{3(n+1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(n+1)y - 9 = -(n+1)x + (n+2)$$

$$\text{or } (n+1)x + 3(n+1)y = n+11$$

Q No-12 Find the eqn of line that cuts off equal intercepts on the coordinate axes and passes through pt (2,3)

Soln:

Let the reqd line makes equal intercept on axes equal to 'a'.

∴ By Intercept form eqn of line will be

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{a} = 1 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Since (1) passes through (2,3)

$$\therefore \frac{2}{a} + \frac{3}{a} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{a} = 1 \Rightarrow a = 5$$

∴ Reqd eqn is $\frac{x}{5} + \frac{y}{5} = 1$ or $x + y = 5$.

Q No-13 Find the eqn of line passing through the pt (2,3) and cutting off intercepts on axes whose sum is 9.

Sol:

Let the reqd line makes x-intercept = a

ATA ∴ y-intercept = 9-a

Now eqn of line using intercept form

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{9-a} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x(9-a) + y \times a = a(9-a) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Since (1) passes through pt. (2,2)

$$\therefore 2(9-a) + 2a = a(9-a)$$

$$\Rightarrow 18 - 2a + 2a = 9a - a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 9a + 18 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{9 \pm \sqrt{81-72}}{2} = \frac{9 \pm 3}{2} = 6, 3$$

When $a = 6$, $9-a = 3$

∴ eqn of line will be

$$\frac{x}{6} + \frac{y}{3} = 1$$

$$\text{or } 2x + y = 6$$

When $a = 3$, $9-a = 6$

eqn of line will be

$$\frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{6} = 1$$

$$\text{or } 2x + y = 6$$

Q No 14: Find the eqn of line through the point $(0, 2)$ making an angle $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ with the +ve x-axis. Also find the eqn of line parallel to it crossing the y-axis at a distance of 2 units below the origin.

Soln: Let m be the slope of line through $(0, 2)$ and making an angle $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ with x-axis

$$\therefore m = \tan \frac{2\pi}{3} = \tan \left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = -\tan \frac{\pi}{3} = -\sqrt{3}$$

$\therefore$ Equation of line is

$$y - 2 = -\sqrt{3}(x - 0) \quad (\because \text{Point-Slope form})$$

$$\text{i.e. } \sqrt{3}x + y - 2 = 0$$

Now The equation of line through $(0, -2)$ parallel to line with slope $m = -\sqrt{3}$ is

$$y - (-2) = -\sqrt{3}(x - 0) \quad (\because \text{all lines have same slope})$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3}x + y + 2 = 0$$

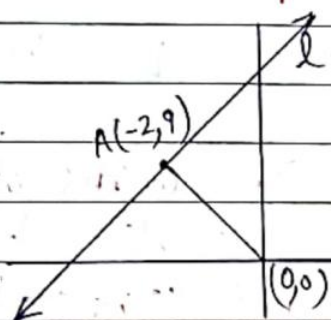
Q No 15: The perpendicular to the line from origin meets it at the point $(-2, 9)$ - find the equation of line.

Soln Let l be the reqd line.

and Let $A(-2, 9)$ be the foot of $\perp$ from O to line l .

Then slope of OA

$$= \frac{9-0}{-2-0} = \frac{9}{-2}$$



Since line is $\perp$ to OA .

$\therefore$ Slope of reqd line l will be $m = +\frac{2}{9}$

Equation of reqd line passing through $(-2, 9)$ will be

$$y - 9 = \frac{2}{9}(x - (-2))$$

$$9y - 81 = 2x + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 9y + 85 = 0$$

Q No-16

The length L (in cms) of a copper rod is a linear fn. of its Celsius temp. C . In an experiment if $L = 124.942$ when $C = 20$ and $L = 125.134$ when $C = 110$. Express L in terms of C .

Soln:

$$\text{When } C = 20, L = 124.942$$

$$\text{When } C = 110, L = 125.134$$

$\therefore$ Equation of line passing through $(20, 124.942)$ and $(110, 125.134)$ will be.

$$L - 124.942 = \frac{125.134 - 124.942}{110 - 20} (C - 20)$$

$$\Rightarrow 90(L - 124.942) = 0.192(C - 20) \quad \text{[Two point form]} \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$\Rightarrow 90L - 11244.78 = 0.192C - 3.84$$

$$\Rightarrow 90L = 0.192C + 11240.94$$

$$\Rightarrow L = \frac{0.192C}{90} + 124.856$$

OR: Simply from ①:

$$L = \frac{0.192(C - 20)}{90} + 124.942$$

Q No-17

The owner of milk store find that he can sell 980 litres of milk each week at Rs 14/litre and 1220 litres of milk each week at Rs 16/litre. Assuming a linear relationship between selling price and demand, how many litres could he sell weekly at Rs 17/litre?

Soln:

Let y litre of milk is sold at Rs x /litre
 x and y have linear relationship

$$\text{Now Let } \begin{array}{ll} x_1 = \text{Rs } 14/\text{litre} & y_1 = 980 \\ x_2 = 16/\text{litre} & y_2 = 1220 \end{array}$$

Then By Two point form, equation of line will be

$$y - 980 = \frac{1220 - 980}{16 - 14} (x - 14)$$

$$\text{i.e. } y - 980 = \frac{240}{2} (x - 14)$$

$$\text{i.e. } y - 980 = 120 (x - 14)$$

$$\text{i.e. } y - 980 = 120x - 120 \times 14$$

$$\text{or } \text{So } y = 980 + 120 (x - 14)$$

When $x = \text{Rs } 17 / \text{ltre}$

$$y = 980 + 120 (17 - 14)$$

$$= 980 + 120 \times 3$$

$$= 980 + 360 = 1340$$

Hence 1340 litres milk may be sold at Rs 17 / litre.

Q.No 18. $P(a, b)$ is the mid point of a line segment between axes. Show that the equation of line is $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 2$.

Soln:

Let the required line makes intercepts d, c respectively on x -axis and y -axis

$\therefore$ The line meets the axes

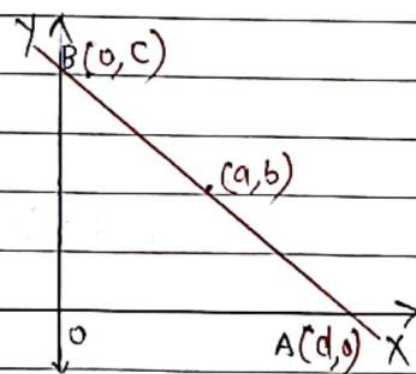
$A(d, 0)$ and $B(0, c)$ as shown.

Now since $P(a, b)$ is midpoint of AB .

$$\therefore \frac{0 + d}{2} = a \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{c + 0}{2} = b$$

$$\Rightarrow d = 2a \quad \text{and} \quad c = 2b.$$

$\therefore$ By Intercept form.



The equation of line will be.

$$\frac{x}{2a} + \frac{y}{2b} = 1$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} \right] = 1 \quad \text{or } \frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 2.$$

QNo. 19: Point $R(h,k)$ divides a line segment between the axes in the ratio 1:2. Find equation of line.

Soln: Let the line make intercept a, b on the axes

$\therefore$ Equation of line is

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now the line meet x -axis

in $A(a, 0)$ and y -axis in $B(0, b)$

$\therefore R(h, k)$ divides AB in ratio 1:2

$\therefore$ By Section formula:

$$h = \frac{1(0) + 2(a)}{1+2} = \frac{2a}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{3h}{2}$$

$$\text{and } k = \frac{1(b) + 2(0)}{1+2} = \frac{b}{3}$$

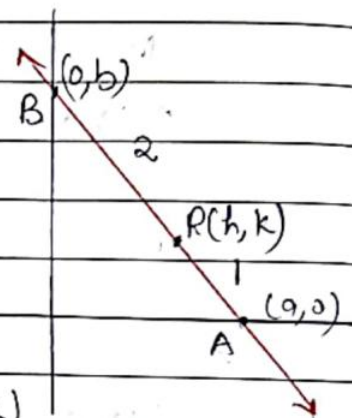
$$\Rightarrow b = 3k.$$

$\therefore$ (1) becomes.

$$\frac{x}{\frac{3h}{2}} + \frac{y}{3k} = 1$$

$$\text{or } \frac{2x}{3h} + \frac{y}{3k} = 1$$

or $2kx + hy = 3hk$. which is required equation.



Q No 20:

By Using the concept of equation of a line prove that the three points $(3, 0)$, $(-2, -2)$ and $(8, 2)$ are collinear.

Sol. ∴

Three points will be collinear if they lie on same line, i.e. If all points satisfy the equation of line. Now Equation of line through $(3, 0)$ and $(-2, -2)$ is

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 5y = 2x - 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 5y - 6 = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Substituting the third point in (1)

$$\text{LHS } 2(8) - 5(2) - 6$$

$$= 16 - 10 - 6$$

$$= 0$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

∴ Third point also lies on (1)

∴ All the points are collinear.

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