# LINEAR EQUATION IN TWO VARIABLES



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## LINEAR EQUATIONS IN ONE VARIABLE

A statement of equality of two algebraic expressions, which involve one or more unknown quantities is known as an equation.

A linear equation is an equation which involves linear polynomials.

A value of the variable which makes the two sides of the equation equal is called the solution of the equation.

Same quantity can be added/subtracted to/from both the sides of an equation without changing the equality.

Both the sides of an equation can be multiplied/divided by the same non-zero number without changing the equality.

#### GENERAL FORM OF LINEAR EQUATION IN TWO VARIABLES

ax + by + c = 0,  $a \neq 0$ ,  $b \neq 0$  or any one from a & b can zero.

## ♦ EXAMPLES ♦

**Ex.1** Express the following linear equations in general form and identify coefficients of x, y and constant term.

Sol.

S.No.	Equation	General form	Coeff. of x, y, constant
(1)	3x - 2y = 5	3x - 2y - 5 = 0	3, -2, -5
(2)	$\frac{3}{7}x-2+y=0$	$\frac{3}{7}x + y - 2 = 0$	$\frac{3}{7}$ , 1, -2
(3)	5y = 2x + 7	2x - 5y + 7 = 0	2, -5, 7
(4)	18y - 72x = 8	72x - 18y + 8 = 0	72, -18, 8
(5)	$3.\overline{7}x - y - \frac{1}{7} = 0$	$3.\overline{7}x - y - \frac{1}{7} = 0$	$3.\overline{7},-1,-\frac{1}{7}$
(6)	y = 5	0x + y - 5 = 0	0, 1, -5
(7)	$\frac{x}{7} = 5$	$\frac{x}{7} + 0.y - 5 = 0$	$\frac{1}{7}, 0, -5$
(8)	2x + 3 = 0	2x + 0y + 3 = 0	2, 0, 3

**Ex.2** Make linear equation by the following statements :

(1) The cost of 2kg of apples and 1 kg of grapes on a day was found to be j 160. After a month, the cost of 4 kg of apples and 2 kg of grapes is j 300. Represent the situation algebraically. **Sol.** Let cost of per kg apples & grapes are x & y respectively then by I<sup>st</sup> condition :

2x + y = 160 .....(i)

& by  $II^{nd}$  condition : 4x + 2y = 300 .....(ii)

- (2) The coach of a cricket team buys 3 bats and 6 balls for j- 3900. Later, she buys another bat and 3 more balls of the same kind for j-1300. Represent this situation algebraically.
- Sol. Let cost of a bat and a ball are j x & j y respectively. According to questions

$$3x + 6y = 3900$$
 .....(i)  
&  $x + 3y = 1300$  .....(ii)

- (3) 10 students of class IX took part in a Mathematics quiz. If the number of girls is 4 more than the number of boys.
- **Sol.** Let no. of boys and girls are x & y then according to question

x + y = 10 .....(i) & y = x + 4 .....(ii)

- (4) Half the perimeter of a rectangular garden, whose length is 4 m more than its width, is 36 m.
- **Sol.** Let length & breadth are x m and y m.

$$\therefore$$
 according to question  $\frac{1}{2}$  perimeter = 36

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[ 2(\lambda + b) \right] = 36$$

 $\Rightarrow \qquad x+y=36 \qquad \qquad \dots \dots (i)$ 

also length = 4 + breadth

$$x = 4 + y$$
 .....(ii)

- (5) The difference between two numbers is 26 and one number is three times the other.
- **Sol.** Let the numbers are x and y & x > y

 $\therefore x - y = 26 \qquad \dots \dots (i)$ 

and 
$$x = 3y$$
 .....(ii)

- (6) The larger of two supplementary angles exceeds the smaller by 18 degrees.
- Sol. Let the two supplementary angles are x and y & x > y

Then 
$$x + y = 180^{\circ}$$
 .....(i)

and 
$$x = y + 18^{\circ}$$
 .....(ii)

(7) A fraction becomes  $\frac{9}{11}$ , if 2 is added to both the numerator and the denominator. If, 3 is added to both the numerator and the denominator it becomes  $\frac{5}{6}$ .

**Sol.** Let fraction is 
$$\frac{x}{y}$$

Now according to question 
$$\frac{x+2}{y+2} = \frac{9}{11}$$
  
 $\Rightarrow 11x + 22 = 9y + 18$   
 $\Rightarrow 11x - 9y = -4$  .....(i)  
and  $\frac{x+3}{y+3} = \frac{5}{6} \Rightarrow 6x + 18 = 5y + 15$   
 $\Rightarrow 6x - 5y = -3$  ....(ii)

- (8) Five years hence, the age of Sachin will be three times that of his son. Five years ago, Sachin's age was seven times that of his son.
- **Sol.** Let present ages of Sachin & his son are x years and y years.

Five years hence,

age of Sachin = (x + 5) years & his son's age = (y + 5) years

according to question (x + 5) = 3(y + 5)

$$\Rightarrow$$
 x + 5 = 3y + 15

$$\Rightarrow$$
 x - 3y = 10 .....(i)

and 5 years ago age of both were (x - 5) years and (y - 5) years respectively

according to question (x - 5) = 7(y - 5)

$$\Rightarrow$$
 x - 5 = 7y - 35

 $\Rightarrow$  x - 7y = -30 ....(ii)

## > SOLUTION OF LINEAR EQUATION

**Method**: Put the value of x (or y) = 0,  $\pm 1$ ,  $\pm 2$ ,  $\pm 3$ ,...., we get values of y (or x). By this we can find many solutions of given equation.

#### ♦ EXAMPLES ♦

**Ex.3** Find five solutions of

(i) 2x + 3y = 6 (ii) 3x - 2y = 12(iii) 7x + y = 15

Sol. (i) 
$$2x = 6 - 3y$$
  
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{6 - 3y}{2}$   
Now put  $y = 0$ ,  $x = \frac{6 - 0}{2} = 3$   
for  $y = 1$ ,  $x = \frac{6 - 3(1)}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$   
for  $y = 2$ ,  $x = \frac{6 - 3(2)}{2} = 0$   
for  $y = 3$ ,  $x = \frac{6 - 3(3)}{2} = -\frac{3}{2}$   
for  $y = 4$ ,  $x = \frac{6 - 3(4)}{2} = -3$   
 $\therefore \qquad \boxed{\frac{x \ 3 \ 3/2 \ 0 \ -3/2 \ -3}{y \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4}}$ 

(ii) 
$$3x - 12 = 2y \Rightarrow y = \frac{3x - 12}{2}$$
  
Put value of  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, -1$   
we get  $y = -6, -\frac{9}{2}, -3, -\frac{3}{2}, -8$   
 $\boxed{\frac{x \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3}{y \ -6 \ -9/2 \ -3 \ -3/2}}$ 

(iii) y = 15 - 7x

Put x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 we get y = 15, 8, 1, -6, -13

 $\frac{-1}{-8}$ 

	х	0	1	2	3	4
••	у	15	8	1	- 6	-13

**Ex.4** Find two solutions of

(i) 
$$3x - 7y = 21$$
 (ii)  $8x - 5y = 16$ 

**Sol.** (i) 
$$3x - 7y = 21$$

Put x = 0, 3(0) - 7y = 21  

$$y = \frac{21}{-7} = -3$$
  
 $\therefore$  x = 0, y = -3  
and put y = 0  $\Rightarrow$  3x - 7(0) = 21  
3x = 21

$$x = \frac{21}{3} = 7$$
  

$$\therefore x = 7, y = 0$$
  

$$\therefore \boxed{x \quad 0 \quad 7}{y \quad -3 \quad 0}$$
  
(ii)  $8x - 5y = 16$   
Put  $x = 0 \Rightarrow 8(0) - 5y = 16$   
 $\Rightarrow -5y = 16 \Rightarrow y = \frac{16}{-5} = -3.2$   

$$\therefore x = 0, y = -3.2$$
  
and put  $y = 0 \Rightarrow 8x - 5(0) = 16$   
 $\Rightarrow 8x = 16 \Rightarrow x = \frac{16}{8} = 2$   

$$\therefore x = 2; y = 0$$
  

$$\therefore \boxed{x \quad 0 \quad 2}{y \quad -3.2 \quad 0}$$

**Ex.5** Find five solutions of

(i) 3x = 5(ii) 7y = 10

Sol. (i) The equation is only in one variable. So we have to convert into 2 variable 3x + 0.y = 5

put y = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 
$$x = \frac{5}{3}, \frac{5}{3}, \frac{5}{3}, \frac{5}{3}, \frac{5}{3}, \frac{5}{3}$$

x	5/3	5/3	5/3	5/3	5/3
у	0	1	2	3	4

(ii) 7y = 10

$$\Rightarrow 0.x + 7y = 10$$

put x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4,

we get 
$$y = \frac{10}{7}, \frac{10}{7}, \frac{10}{7}, \frac{10}{7}, \frac{10}{7}, \frac{10}{7}$$

x	0	1	2	3	4
v	10/7	10/7	10/7	10/7	10/7

Note :

**Ordered pair :** If value of x & y are represent in form (x, y) then this form is called ordered pair form : Eg. x = 5, y =  $\frac{7}{3}$ 

then ordered pair form =  $\left(5, \frac{7}{3}\right)$ . First part is called abscissa (x part) and second part is ordinate (y part).

**Ex.6** Check the following value of x & y are solution of equation 9x - 8y = 72 or not

(i) (0, 9) (ii) (0, -9) (iii) (-8, 0)  
(iv) (+8, 0) (v) (1, 1) (vi) 
$$\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

- Sol. Given equation 9x - 8y = 72(i) LHS at point x = 0, y = 9 $= 9(0) - 8(9) = -72 \neq RHS$  : No (ii) LHS at x = 0, y = -9= 9(0) - 8(-9)=+72 = RHS  $\therefore$  Yes (iii) LHS = 9(-8) - 8(0) (at x = -8, y = 0)  $= -72 \neq \text{RHS}$  : No (iv) LHS = 9(-8) - 8(0) (at x = 8, y = 0) = 72 = RHS∴ Yes (v) LHS = 9(1) - 8(1) (at x = 1, y = 1) = 9 - 8 $= 1 \neq RHS$ : No (vi) LHS =  $9\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - 8\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\text{at } x = \frac{1}{3}, y = \frac{1}{2}\right)$ = 3 - 4 $= -1 \neq RHS$ : No
- **Ex.7** Find the value of k in equation 2x + ky = 6 if (-2, 2) is a solution.
- **Sol.**  $\Theta(-2, 2)$  is a solution of 2x + ky = 5

:. 
$$2(-2) + k(2) = 6$$
  
-  $4 + 2k = 6 \Rightarrow 2k = 6 + k = \frac{10}{2} = 5$  Ans.

**Ex.8** Find value of p if (4, -4) is a solution of x - py = 8.

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**Sol.** 
$$x - py = 8$$
  
 $4 - p(-4) = 8$ 

$$4p = 8 - 4$$
  
 $4p = 4$   
 $p = 1$  Ans.

**Ex.9** Find the value of a if (a, -3a) is a solution of 14x + 3y = 35.

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**Sol.** Put 
$$x = a$$
 and  $y = -3a$  in given equation

$$14(a) + 3(-3a) =$$
  
 $14a - 9a = 35$   
 $5a = 35$ 

## GRAPH OF LINEAR EQUATION ax + by + c = 0IN TWO VARIABLES, WHERE $a \neq 0$ , $b \neq 0$

(i) Step I:

Obtain the linear equation, let the equation be ax + by + c = 0.

(ii) Step II :

Express y in terms of x to obtain

$$y = -\left(\frac{ax+c}{b}\right)$$

(iii) Step III:

Give any two values to x and calculate the corresponding values of y from the expression in step II to obtain two solutions, say  $(\alpha_1, \beta_1)$  and  $(\alpha_2, \beta_2)$ . If possible take values of x as integers in such a manner that the corresponding values of y are also integers.

(iv) Step IV :

Plot points  $(\alpha_1, \beta_1)$  and  $(\alpha_2, \beta_2)$  on a graph paper.

(v) Step V:

Join the points marked in step IV to obtain a line. The line obtained is the graph of the equation ax + by + c = 0.

## **\*** EXAMPLES **\***

**Ex.10** Draw the graph of the equation y - x = 2.

Sol. We have,

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

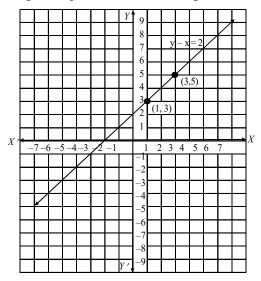
When x = 1, we have : y = 1 + 2 = 3

When x = 3, we have : y = 3 + 2 = 5

Thus, we have the following table exhibiting the abscissa and ordinates of points on the line represented by the given equation.

Х	1	3
у	3	5

Plotting the points (1, 3) and (3, 5) on the graph paper and drawing a line joining them, we obtain the graph of the line represented by the given equation as shown in Fig.



**Ex.11** Draw a graph of the line x - 2y = 3. From the graph, find the coordinates of the point when (i) x = -5

(ii) y = 0.

Sol. We have x - 2y = 3

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

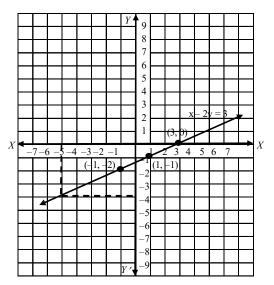
When x = 1, we have :  $y = \frac{1-3}{2} = -1$ 

When x = -1, we have  $: y = \frac{-1-3}{2} = -2$ 

Thus, we have the following table :

Х	1	-1
у	-1	-2

Plotting points (1, -1) & (-1, -2) on graph paper & joining them, we get straight line as shown in fig. This line is required graph of equation x - 2y = 3.



To find the coordinates of the point when x = -5, we draw a line parallel to y-axis and passing through (-5, 0). This line meets the graph of x - 2y = 3 at a point from which we draw a line parallel to x-axis which crosses y-axis at y = -4. So, the coordinates of the required point are (-5, -4).

Since y = 0 on x-axis. So, the required point is the point where the line meets x-axis. From the graph the coordinates of such point are (3, 0).

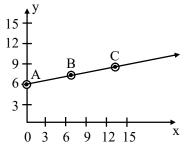
Hence, required points are (-5, -4) and (3, 0).

**Ex.12** Draw the graph of

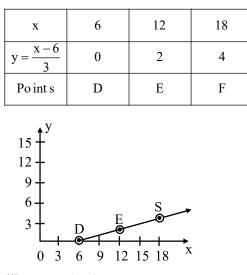
(i) x - 7y = -42(ii) x - 3y = 6(iii) x - y + 1 = 0(iv) 3x + 2y = 12

**Sol.** (i) 
$$x - 7y = -42$$

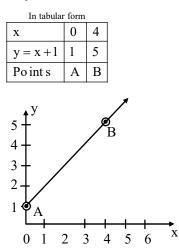
x	0	7	14
$y = \frac{x + 42}{7}$	6	7	8
Points	A	В	С



(ii) x - 3y = 6



(iii) x - y + 1 = 0



(iv) 3x + 2y = 12

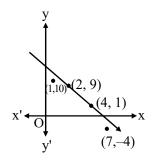
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х	0	2				
$y = \frac{12 - 3x}{2}$	6	3				
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## Note :

- (i) The graph of any linear equation is a line and every solution of equations lies on the graph of that equation.
- (ii) If a point (a, b) is not on the line then this point is not a solution of given equation.

## Eg.



 $\Theta(2, 9)$  and (4, 1) are on the line

 $\therefore$  these two points are solution of given equation

But (1, 10) and (7, -4) are not on the line so these two are not solutions.

**Ex.13** If 
$$\left(\frac{9}{2}, 6\right)$$
 is lies on graph of  $4x + ky = 12$   
then find value of k.

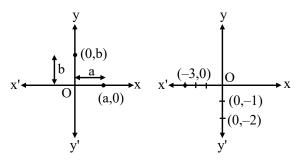
**Sol.** 
$$\Theta$$
  $x = \frac{9}{2}$  and  $y = 6$  are on the line

... put these value in given equation

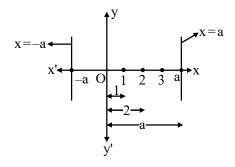
$$4\left(\frac{9}{2}\right) + k(6) = 12$$
  
18 + 6k = 12  
6k = 12 - 18  
6k = -6  
k = -1 **Ans.**

Note :

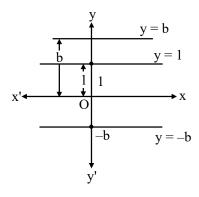
- Equation of x-axis is y = 0 and any point in ordered pair form which is on the x axis is (±a, 0).
- (2) Equation of y axis is x = 0 and any point on y axis is (0, ±b)



- (3) Graph of line  $x = \pm a$  is parallel to y axis
- (4) Graph of line  $y = \pm b$  is parallel to x axis



Graph of x = -a and x = +a

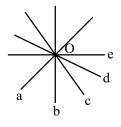


Graph of y = 1, y = b, y = -b

#### **♦** Concurrent lines :

Three or more lines are called concurrent if all lines passes through a common point. These all lines a, b, c, d, e are passes through O.

: These are concurrent lines



#### Note :

From a point there are infinite lines can pass, so we can find (or make) infinite equations of lines which passes through a given point.

**Ex.14** Find five equations of lines which passes through (3, -5).

**Sol.** 
$$x + y = -2, x - y = 8,$$

2x + y = 1, 2x - y = 11,

2x + 3y + 9 = 0

#### EQUATIONS OF LINES PARALLEL TO THE X-AXIS AND Y-AXIS

We can represent graph of these equations in two types of geometrically

- (A) in one variable or on number line
- (B) in two variable or on the Cartesian plane

In one variable, the solution is represent by a point. While in two variable, the solution is represent by a line parallel to x or y axis.

#### ♦ EXAMPLES ♦

- **Ex.15** Give the geometric representation of x = 5 as an equation in
  - (i) one variable
  - (ii) two variable
  - (iii) also find the common solution of x = 5 & x = 0
- **Sol.** (i) x = 5

it is in only one variable so representation on number line

$$x' \leftarrow -2 -1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5$$

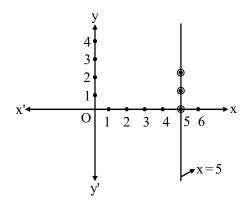
(ii) In two variables (or on Cartesian plane)

first we have to represent equation in two variables x + 0.y = 5 .....(i)

now we have to find two or three solutions of equations (i)

х	5	5	5
у	0	1	2

Then mark these points on graph with proper scale & join them



Scale : on both axis 10 lines or 1 big box = 1 cm

- (iii)  $\Theta x = 5$  is line parallel to y axis and x = 0 is y axis.
  - ∴ both are parallel
  - $\therefore$  no common solution
- **Ex.16** Give geometric representation of 5x + 7 = 0 as an equation

(i) in one variable (or on a number line)

(ii) in two variable (or on Cartesian plane)

**Sol.** (i) 
$$5x + 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x = -7$$
$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{7}{5}$$

= -1.4

$$x = -\frac{7}{5} = -1.4$$

$$x' \leftarrow -3 - 2 - 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4$$

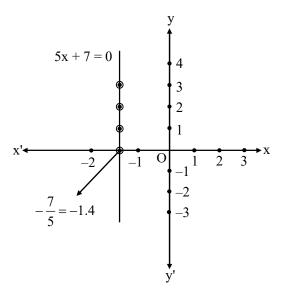
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(ii) 5x + 0.y = -7

x	-7/5	-7/5	-7/5	-7/5
у	0	1	2	3

Scale : on both axis 10 lines or 1 box

## = 1 cm



Note :

If constant term 'c' is zero in equation ax + by + c = 0 then line will pass through origin (always)

