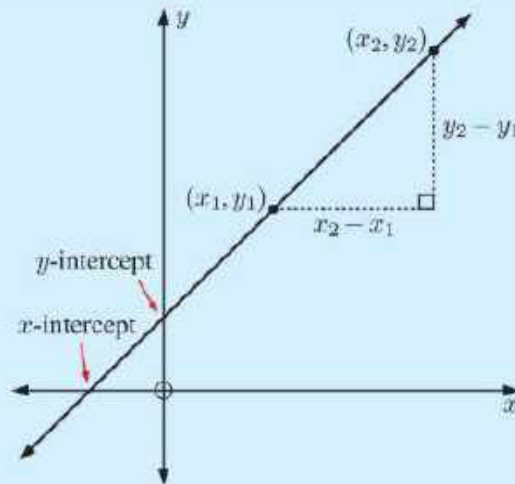


IB Mathematic Summer Packet Chapter 1 “Straight Lines”

In previous years you should have seen that:

- The **x -intercept** of a line is the value of x where the line cuts the x -axis.
- The **y -intercept** of a line is the value of y where the line cuts the y -axis.
- The **gradient** of a line is a measure of its steepness.
The gradient of the line passing through (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $\frac{y\text{-step}}{x\text{-step}} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$.
- Two lines are **parallel** if their gradients are equal.
- Two lines are **perpendicular** if their gradients are negative reciprocals of one another.



THE EQUATION OF A LINE

The **equation of a line** is an equation which connects the x and y values for every point on the line.

Using the gradient formula, the position of a general point (x, y) on a line with gradient m passing through (x_1, y_1) , is given by $\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = m$.

Rearranging, we find the **equation of the line** is $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$.

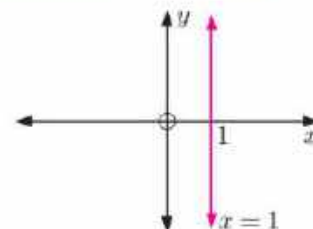
We call this **gradient-point** form. It allows us to quickly write down the equation of a line given its gradient and any point on it.

We can then rearrange the equation into other forms:

- In **gradient-intercept form**, the equation of the line with gradient m and y -intercept c is $y = mx + c$.
- In **general form**, the equation of a line is $Ax + By = C$ where A, B, C are constants.

The general form allows us to write the equations of vertical lines, for which the gradient is undefined.

For the line $x = 1$ we let $A = 1$, $B = 0$, and $C = 1$.



Example 1**Self Tutor**

Find, in gradient-intercept form, the equation of the line with gradient -3 that passes through $(4, -5)$.

The equation of the line is $y - (-5) = -3(x - 4)$
 $\therefore y + 5 = -3x + 12$
 $\therefore y = -3x + 7$

We can find a line's equation given the gradient and a point which lies on the line.

**Exercise 1A**

1) State the gradient and y-intercept of the line with equation:

d $y = \frac{7x + 2}{9}$

e $y = \frac{2x - 3}{6}$

f $y = \frac{3 - 5x}{8}$

2 Find, in gradient-intercept form, the equation of the line which has:

a gradient 3 and passes through $(4, 1)$

b gradient -2 and passes through $(-3, 5)$

5 The height of a helicopter above sea level t minutes after taking off is $H = 150 + 120t$ metres.

a What height above sea level did the helicopter take off from?

b Interpret the value 120 in the equation.

c Find the height of the helicopter above sea level after 2 minutes.

d How long will it take for the helicopter to be 650 m above sea level?

Example 2**Self Tutor**

Write the equation:

- a** $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 2$ in general form
b $3x - 4y = -2$ in gradient-intercept form.

a $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 2$
 $\therefore 3y = -2x + 6$
 $\therefore 2x + 3y = 6$

b $3x - 4y = -2$
 $\therefore -4y = -3x - 2$
 $\therefore y = \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{1}{2}$

6 Write in general form:

a $y = -4x + 6$ **b** $y = 5x - 3$

7 Write in gradient-intercept form:

a $5x + y = 2$ **b** $3x + 7y = -2$

9 Match pairs of lines which are parallel:

A $y = -x + 3$ **B** $y + 2 = 3(x - 1)$ **C** $3x - y = -2$ **D** $x + y = 4$

10 Match pairs of lines which are perpendicular:

A $x + 2y = 1$ **B** $2x + y = -3$ **C** $y - 7 = 2(x + 4)$ **D** $y = 2x - 7$

Example 3**Self Tutor**

Find, in general form, the equation of the line with gradient $\frac{2}{3}$ that passes through $(-2, -1)$.

Since the line has gradient $\frac{2}{3}$, the general form of its equation is $2x - 3y = C$

Using the point $(-2, -1)$, the equation is $2x - 3y = 2(-2) - 3(-1)$
 which is $2x - 3y = -1$

- 11** Find, in general form, the equation of the line which has:
- a** gradient -4 and passes through $(1, 2)$

Example 4**Self Tutor**

Find, in gradient-intercept form, the equation of the line which passes through $A(3, 2)$ and $B(5, -1)$.

The line has gradient $= \frac{-1 - 2}{5 - 3} = \frac{-3}{2} = -\frac{3}{2}$,
 and passes through the point $A(3, 2)$.

\therefore the equation of the line is

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

$$\therefore y - 2 = -\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\therefore y = -\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{13}{2}$$

We could use *either*
 A or B as the point
 which lies on the line.



- 12** Find, in gradient-intercept form, the equation of the line which passes through:
- a** $A(-2, 1)$ and $B(3, 11)$
 - b** $A(7, 2)$ and $B(4, 5)$

- 15** Find the equation of the line which is:
- a** parallel to $y = 3x - 2$ and passes through $(1, 4)$

d perpendicular to $x + 2y = 6$ and passes through $(-2, -1)$.

Example 5

Self Tutor

a Find m given that $(-2, 3)$ lies on the line with equation $y = mx + 7$.

b Find k given that $(3, k)$ lies on the line with equation $x + 4y = -9$.

a Substituting $x = -2$ and $y = 3$ into the equation gives

$$\begin{aligned}3 &= m(-2) + 7 \\ \therefore 2m &= 4 \\ \therefore m &= 2\end{aligned}$$

b Substituting $x = 3$ and $y = k$ into the equation gives

$$\begin{aligned}3 + 4k &= -9 \\ \therefore 4k &= -12 \\ \therefore k &= -3\end{aligned}$$

17 Determine whether:

a $(3, 11)$ lies on the line with equation $y = 4x - 1$

18c c Find t given that $(t, 4)$ lies on the line with equation $y = \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{4}{3}$.

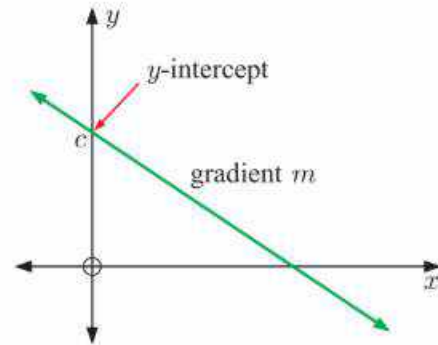
19 Find k given that:

a $(6, -3)$ lies on the line with equation $2x + 5y = k$

LINES IN GRADIENT-INTERCEPT FORM

To draw the graph of $y = mx + c$ we:

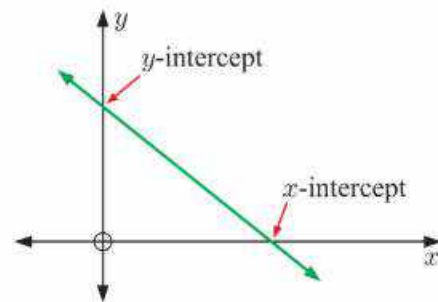
- Use the y -intercept c to plot the point $(0, c)$.
- Use x and y -steps from the gradient m to locate another point on the line.
- Join the two points and extend the line in either direction.



LINES IN GENERAL FORM

To draw the graph of $Ax + By = C$ we:

- Find the y -intercept by letting $x = 0$.
- Find the x -intercept by letting $y = 0$.
- Join the points where the line cuts the axes and extend the line in either direction.



Example 6

Self Tutor

Draw the graph of:

a $y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 2$

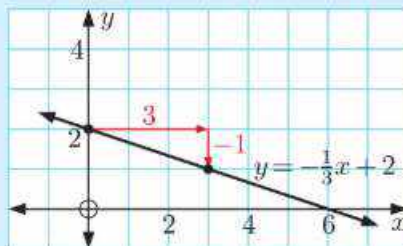
b $2x - 4y = 12$

a For $y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 2$:

- the y -intercept is $c = 2$
- the gradient is

$$m = \frac{-1}{3}$$

\leftarrow y -step
 \leftarrow x -step



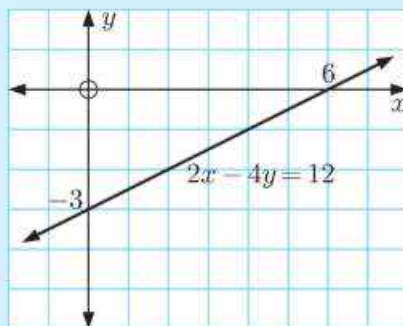
In part **a**, we choose a positive x -step.

b When $x = 0$, $-4y = 12$
 $\therefore y = -3$

So, the y -intercept is -3 .

When $y = 0$, $2x = 12$
 $\therefore x = 6$

So, the x -intercept is 6 .



Exercise 1B

2 Draw the graph of:

a $3x + 2y = 12$

d $2x + 5y = 15$

4 Consider the line with equation $2x - 3y = 18$.

a Find the axes intercepts of the line.

b Determine whether the following points lie on the line:

i $(3, -4)$

ii $(7, -2)$

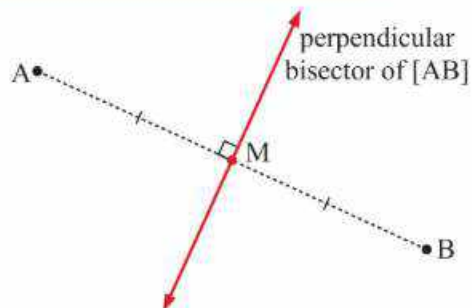
c Find c such that $(-3, c)$ lies on the line.

d Draw the graph of the line, showing the results you have found.

The **perpendicular bisector** of a line segment $[AB]$ is the line perpendicular to $[AB]$ which passes through its midpoint.

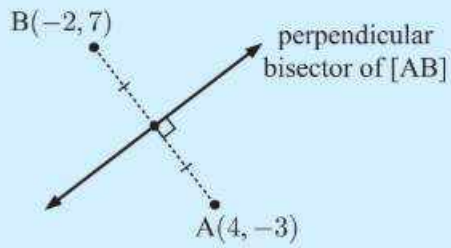
Notice that:

- Points on the perpendicular bisector are equidistant from A and B.
- The perpendicular bisector divides the number plane into two regions. On one side of the line are points that are closer to A than to B, and on the other side are points that are closer to B than to A.



Example 7**Self Tutor**

Given $A(4, -3)$ and $B(-2, 7)$, find the equation of the perpendicular bisector of $[AB]$.



The midpoint M of $[AB]$ is $\left(\frac{4+(-2)}{2}, \frac{-3+7}{2}\right)$
or $(1, 2)$.

The gradient of $[AB]$ is $\frac{7-(-3)}{-2-4} = \frac{10}{-6} = -\frac{5}{3}$

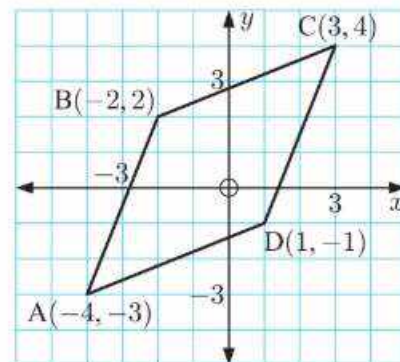
\therefore the gradient of the perpendicular bisector is $\frac{3}{5}$.

\therefore the equation of the perpendicular bisector is $3x - 5y = 3(1) - 5(2)$
which is $3x - 5y = -7$.

Exercise 1C

- 1 Consider the points $A(3, 1)$ and $B(5, 7)$.
 - a Find the midpoint of $[AB]$.
 - b Find the gradient of $[AB]$.
 - c Hence state the gradient of the perpendicular bisector.
 - d Find the equation of the perpendicular bisector.

- 4 Consider the quadrilateral $ABCD$.
 - a Use side lengths to show that $ABCD$ is a rhombus.
 - b Find the equation of the perpendicular bisector of $[AC]$.
 - c Show that B and D both lie on this perpendicular bisector.



8 Three post offices are located in a small city at $P(-8, -6)$, $Q(1, 5)$, and $R(4, -2)$.

a Find the equation of the perpendicular bisector of:

i [PQ]

ii [PR]

iii [QR].

In previous years you should have seen how the intersection of two straight lines corresponds to the simultaneous solution of their equations.

A system of two equations in two unknowns can be solved by:

- **graphing** the straight lines on the same set of axes
- algebra using **substitution** or **elimination**
- technology.

To use the **equation solver function** on your calculator, you will first need to write each equation in the general form $Ax + By = C$.

GRAPHING PACKAGE



GRAPHICS CALCULATOR INSTRUCTIONS

Example 8

Self Tutor

Solve simultaneously:
$$\begin{cases} y = x - 3 \\ 2x + 3y = 16 \end{cases}$$

Illustrate your answer.

$y = x - 3$ (1)

$2x + 3y = 16$ (2)

Substituting (1) into (2) gives $2x + 3(x - 3) = 16$

$\therefore 2x + 3x - 9 = 16$

$\therefore 5x = 25$

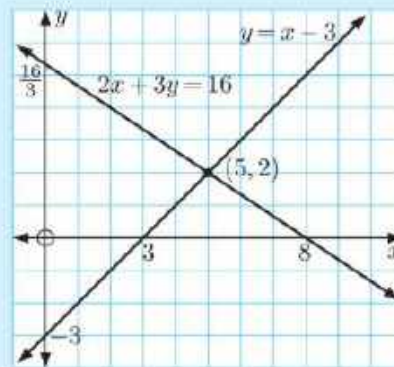
$\therefore x = 5$

Substituting $x = 5$ into (1) gives $y = 5 - 3$

$\therefore y = 2$

The solution is $x = 5, y = 2$.

Check: Substituting into (2), $2(5) + 3(2) = 10 + 6 = 16$ ✓



Exercise 1D

1 Solve the following simultaneous equations graphically:

a
$$\begin{cases} y = 3x + 2 \\ y = x - 2 \end{cases}$$

d
$$\begin{cases} y = x - 1 \\ 2x + 3y = 12 \end{cases}$$

2 Solve by substitution:

a
$$\begin{cases} y = x + 2 \\ 2x + 3y = 21 \end{cases}$$

d
$$\begin{cases} x = y - 3 \\ 5x - 2y = 9 \end{cases}$$

Example 9

Self Tutor

Solve by elimination:
$$\begin{cases} 3x + 4y = 2 \\ 2x - 3y = 7 \end{cases}$$

$$3x + 4y = 2 \quad \dots (1)$$

$$2x - 3y = 7 \quad \dots (2)$$

To make the coefficients of y the same size but opposite in sign, we multiply (1) by 3 and (2) by 4.

$$\therefore 9x + 12y = 6 \quad \{(1) \times 3\}$$

$$8x - 12y = 28 \quad \{(2) \times 4\}$$

Adding,
$$\begin{array}{r} 17x \qquad = 34 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore x = 2$$

Substituting $x = 2$ into (1) gives $3(2) + 4y = 2$

$$\therefore 6 + 4y = 2$$

$$\therefore 4y = -4$$

$$\therefore y = -1$$

The solution is $x = 2, y = -1$.

Check: In (2): $2(2) - 3(-1) = 4 + 3 = 7$ ✓

3 Solve by elimination:

d
$$\begin{cases} 3x - 7y = -27 \\ -6x + 5y = 18 \end{cases}$$

i
$$\begin{cases} 4x - 7y = 9 \\ 5x - 8y = -2 \end{cases}$$

Chapter 3 Surds and Exponents

A **radical** is any number which is written with the **radical sign** $\sqrt{\quad}$.
A **surd** is a real, irrational radical.

- For example:
- $\sqrt{2}$, $\sqrt{3}$, $\sqrt{5}$, and $\sqrt{6}$ are surds.
 - $\sqrt{4}$ is a radical but not a surd, since $\sqrt{4} = 2$.
 - $\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}}$ is a radical but not a surd, since $\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{2}$.

By definition, \sqrt{a} is the non-negative number such that $\sqrt{a} \times \sqrt{a} = a$.

- Notice that:
- \sqrt{a} is only a real number if $a \geq 0$.
 - For any $a \geq 0$, $\sqrt{a} \geq 0$.

A radical is in **simplest form** when the number under the radical sign is the smallest possible integer.

Example 2

Self Tutor

Write $\sqrt{72}$ in simplest form.

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{72} &= \sqrt{36 \times 2} \quad \{36 \text{ is the largest perfect square factor of } 72\} \\ &= \sqrt{36} \times \sqrt{2} \\ &= 6\sqrt{2}\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 3A

1 Write as a single surd or rational number:

e $(3\sqrt{5})^2$

f $3\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{5}$

g $-2\sqrt{3} \times 3\sqrt{5}$

h $2\sqrt{6} \times \sqrt{12}$

2 Write as a single surd or rational number:

e $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{18}}$

f $\frac{\sqrt{6} \times \sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{12}}$

g $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{6} \times \sqrt{8}}$

h $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{10} \times \sqrt{2}}$

3 Write in simplest form:

a $\sqrt{12}$

b $\sqrt{20}$

c $\sqrt{27}$

d $\sqrt{54}$

Example 3

Self Tutor

Simplify:

a $3\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{3}$

b $2\sqrt{2} - 5\sqrt{2}$

a $3\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{3}$
 $= 8\sqrt{3}$

b $2\sqrt{2} - 5\sqrt{2}$
 $= -3\sqrt{2}$

4 Simplify:

e $3\sqrt{5} - 5\sqrt{5}$

f $7\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3}$

g $9\sqrt{6} - 12\sqrt{6}$

h $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}$

Example 4

Self Tutor

Simplify: $2\sqrt{75} - 5\sqrt{27}$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\sqrt{75} - 5\sqrt{27} \\ &= 2\sqrt{25 \times 3} - 5\sqrt{9 \times 3} \\ &= 2 \times 5 \times \sqrt{3} - 5 \times 3 \times \sqrt{3} \\ &= 10\sqrt{3} - 15\sqrt{3} \\ &= -5\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

5 Simplify:

d $2\sqrt{27} + 2\sqrt{12}$

e $\sqrt{75} - \sqrt{12}$

f $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{8} - \sqrt{32}$

Example 5

Self Tutor

Expand and simplify:

a $\sqrt{5}(6 - \sqrt{5})$

b $(6 + \sqrt{3})(1 + 2\sqrt{3})$

a
$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{5}(6 - \sqrt{5}) \\ &= \sqrt{5} \times 6 + \sqrt{5} \times (-\sqrt{5}) \\ &= 6\sqrt{5} - 5 \end{aligned}$$

b
$$\begin{aligned} & (6 + \sqrt{3})(1 + 2\sqrt{3}) \\ &= 6 + 6(2\sqrt{3}) + \sqrt{3}(1) + \sqrt{3}(2\sqrt{3}) \\ &= 6 + 12\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3} + 6 \\ &= 12 + 13\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

7 Simplify:

g $(2\sqrt{2} + 1)(2\sqrt{2} - 1)$

h $(9\sqrt{3} - 5)(9\sqrt{3} + 5)$

i $(\sqrt{3} + 1)^4$

Numbers like $\frac{6}{\sqrt{2}}$ and $\frac{9}{5 + \sqrt{2}}$ involve division by a surd.

It is customary to “simplify” these numbers by rewriting them without the surd in the denominator.

For any fraction of the form $\frac{b}{\sqrt{a}}$, we can **rationalise the denominator** by multiplying by $\frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{a}}$.

Since $\frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{a}} = 1$, this does not change the value of the number.

Example 7**Self Tutor**

Write with an integer denominator:

a $\frac{6}{\sqrt{5}}$

b $\frac{35}{\sqrt{7}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a} \quad & \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}} \\ &= \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}} \\ &= \frac{6\sqrt{5}}{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b} \quad & \frac{35}{\sqrt{7}} \\ &= \frac{35}{\sqrt{7}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{7}} \\ &= \frac{35\sqrt{7}}{7} \\ &= 5\sqrt{7} \end{aligned}$$

For any fraction of the form $\frac{c}{a + \sqrt{b}}$, we can remove the surd from the denominator by multiplying by $\frac{a - \sqrt{b}}{a - \sqrt{b}}$.

Expressions such as $a + \sqrt{b}$ and $a - \sqrt{b}$ are known as **radical conjugates**. They are identical except for the sign in front of the radical.

Example 8**Self Tutor**Write $\frac{5}{3 - \sqrt{2}}$ with an integer denominator.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{5}{3 - \sqrt{2}} &= \left(\frac{5}{3 - \sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{2}}{3 + \sqrt{2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{5(3 + \sqrt{2})}{3^2 - (\sqrt{2})^2} \quad \{\text{using the difference between two squares}\} \\ &= \frac{15 + 5\sqrt{2}}{7} \end{aligned}$$

The radical conjugate of $3 - \sqrt{2}$ is $3 + \sqrt{2}$

**Exercise 3B**

1 Write with an integer denominator:

a $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

b $\frac{11}{\sqrt{3}}$

c $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3\sqrt{3}}$

d $\frac{12}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$l \quad \frac{1}{3\sqrt{5}}$$

$$i \quad \frac{21}{\sqrt{7}}$$

$$k \quad \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}}$$

$$l \quad \frac{1}{(\sqrt{3})^3}$$

2 Write with an integer denominator:

$$a \quad \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{2}}$$

$$b \quad \frac{2}{3 - \sqrt{2}}$$

$$c \quad \frac{10}{\sqrt{6} - 1}$$

$$d \quad \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{7} + 2}$$

$$i \quad \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{4 + \sqrt{5}}$$

$$j \quad \frac{6 - \sqrt{2}}{5 - \sqrt{2}}$$

$$k \quad \frac{\sqrt{7} + 5}{\sqrt{7} - 2}$$

$$l \quad \frac{\sqrt{11} - 3}{4 - \sqrt{11}}$$

3 Write in the form $a + b\sqrt{2}$:

$$a \quad \frac{\sqrt{2} - 1}{\sqrt{2} + 1}$$

$$b \quad \frac{5 - \sqrt{2}}{6 - \sqrt{2}}$$

$$c \quad \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2} + 1)^2}$$

$$d \quad \frac{1}{(3 - \sqrt{2})^2}$$

NEGATIVE BASES

$$(-1)^1 = -1$$

$$(-1)^2 = (-1) \times (-1) = 1$$

$$(-1)^3 = (-1) \times (-1) \times (-1) = -1$$

$$(-1)^4 = (-1) \times (-1) \times (-1) \times (-1) = 1$$

$$(-2)^1 = -2$$

$$(-2)^2 = (-2) \times (-2) = 4$$

$$(-2)^3 = (-2) \times (-2) \times (-2) = -8$$

$$(-2)^4 = (-2) \times (-2) \times (-2) \times (-2) = 16$$

From the patterns above we can see that:

A **negative** base raised to an **odd** power is **negative**.

A **negative** base raised to an **even** power is **positive**.

Exercise 3C

2 Simplify, then use a calculator to check your answer:

a $(-1)^5$

d $(-1)^{19}$

g $-(-1)^8$

j $-(-2)^6$

c $(-1)^{14}$

f -1^8

i -2^5

l $-(-5)^4$

4 Use your calculator to evaluate the following. Comment on your results.

a 9^{-1} and $\frac{1}{9^1}$

b 6^{-2} and $\frac{1}{6^2}$

Using arguments like this, we arrive at the **laws of exponents** for $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$$

$$\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}, \quad a \neq 0$$

$$(a^m)^n = a^{m \times n}$$

$$(ab)^n = a^n b^n$$

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n = \frac{a^n}{b^n}, \quad b \neq 0$$

$$a^0 = 1, \quad a \neq 0$$

$$a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{a^{-n}} = a^n \quad \text{and in particular} \quad a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}, \quad a \neq 0.$$

To **multiply** numbers with the **same base**, keep the base and **add** the exponents.

To **divide** numbers with the same base, keep the base and **subtract** the exponents.

When **raising a power to a power**, keep the base and **multiply** the exponents.

The power of a product is the product of the powers.

The power of a quotient is the quotient of the powers.

Any non-zero number raised to the power zero is 1.

Example 9**Self Tutor**

Simplify:

a $7^4 \times 7^5$

b $\frac{5^6}{5^3}$

c $(x^3)^k$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \quad & 7^4 \times 7^5 \\ & = 7^{4+5} \\ & = 7^9 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b} \quad & \frac{5^6}{5^3} \\ & = 5^{6-3} \\ & = 5^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{c} \quad & (x^3)^k \\ & = x^{3 \times k} \\ & = x^{3k} \end{aligned}$$

1 Simplify:

a $k^4 \times k^2$

b $e^8 \times e^m$

c $r^2 \times r^5 \times r^4$

g $(7^6)^d$

h $(m^3)^t$

i $(11^x)^{2y}$

m $(j^4)^{3x}$

n $\frac{z^7}{z^{4t}}$

o $(13^c)^{5d}$

Example 10**Self Tutor**

Simplify using the laws of exponents:

a $4x^3 \times 2x^6$

b $\frac{15t^7}{3t^5}$

c $\frac{k^2 \times k^6}{(k^3)^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \quad & 4x^3 \times 2x^6 \\ & = 4 \times 2 \times x^3 \times x^6 \\ & = 8 \times x^{3+6} \\ & = 8x^9 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b} \quad & \frac{15t^7}{3t^5} \\ & = \frac{15}{3} \times t^{7-5} \\ & = 5t^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{c} \quad & \frac{k^2 \times k^6}{(k^3)^2} \\ & = \frac{k^{2+6}}{k^{3 \times 2}} \\ & = \frac{k^8}{k^6} \\ & = k^2 \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 3D

2 Simplify using the laws of exponents:

a $\frac{4b^5}{b^2}$

b $2w^4 \times 3w$

c $\frac{12p^4}{3p^2}$

d $5c^7 \times 6c^4$

i $5s^2t \times 4t^3$

j $\frac{(k^4)^5}{k^3 \times k^6}$

k $\frac{12x^2y^5}{8xy^2}$

l $\frac{(b^3)^4 \times b^5}{b^2 \times b^6}$

Example 11

Self Tutor

Write as a power of 2:

a 16

b $\frac{1}{16}$

c 1

d 4×2^n

e $\frac{2^m}{8}$

a 16
 $= 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$
 $= 2^4$

b $\frac{1}{16}$
 $= \frac{1}{2^4}$
 $= 2^{-4}$

c 1
 $= 2^0$

d 4×2^n
 $= 2^2 \times 2^n$
 $= 2^{2+n}$

e $\frac{2^m}{8}$
 $= \frac{2^m}{2^3}$
 $= 2^{m-3}$

3 Write as a power of 2:

a 4

b $\frac{1}{4}$

c 8

d $\frac{1}{8}$

e 32

f $\frac{1}{32}$

5 Write as a single power of 2:

a 2×2^a

b 4×2^b

c 8×2^t

d $(2^{x+1})^2$

e $(2^{1-n})^{-1}$

f $\frac{2^c}{4}$

g $\frac{2^m}{2^{-m}}$

h $\frac{4}{2^{1-n}}$

i $\frac{2^{x+1}}{2^x}$

j $\frac{4^x}{2^{1-x}}$

Example 12**Self Tutor**

Express in exponent form with a prime number base:

a 9^4

b $\frac{3^x}{9^y}$

c 25^x

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \quad 9^4 &= (3^2)^4 \\ &= 3^{2 \times 4} \\ &= 3^8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b} \quad \frac{3^x}{9^y} &= \frac{3^x}{(3^2)^y} \\ &= \frac{3^x}{3^{2y}} \\ &= 3^{x-2y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{c} \quad 25^x &= (5^2)^x \\ &= 5^{2x} \end{aligned}$$

Decide first what the prime number base should be.

**7** Express in exponent form with a prime number base:

a 32

b 25^3

c 16^p

d $5^a \times 25$

e 32^{2-r}

f $\frac{81}{3^{y+1}}$

g $\frac{16^k}{4^k}$

h $\frac{5^{a+1} \times 125}{25^{2a}}$

Example 13**Self Tutor**

Simplify:

a 7^0

b 3^{-2}

c $3^0 - 3^{-1}$

d $\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{-2}$

$$\mathbf{a} \quad 7^0 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b} \quad 3^{-2} &= \frac{1}{3^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{9} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{c} \quad 3^0 - 3^{-1} &= 1 - \frac{1}{3} \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{d} \quad \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{-2} &= \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{9}{25} \end{aligned}$$

Notice that

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{-2} = \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2$$



8 Simplify:

a 4^0

b 3^{-1}

c 7^{-2}

d x^{-3}

e $5^0 + 5^{-1}$

f $(\frac{5}{3})^0$

g $(\frac{7}{4})^{-1}$

h $(\frac{1}{6})^{-1}$

i $(\frac{4}{3})^{-2}$

j $2^1 + 2^{-1}$

k $(1\frac{2}{3})^{-3}$

l $5^2 + 5^1 + 5^{-1}$

9 Write using powers of 2, 3, and/or 5:

e $\frac{4}{27}$

f $\frac{2^c}{8 \times 9}$

g $\frac{9^k}{10}$

h $\frac{6^p}{75}$

Example 14

Self Tutor

Write in simplest form, without brackets:

a $(-3a^2)^4$

b $(-\frac{2a^2}{b})^3$

a $(-3a^2)^4$
 $= (-3)^4 \times (a^2)^4$
 $= 81 \times a^{2 \times 4}$
 $= 81a^8$

b $(-\frac{2a^2}{b})^3$
 $= \frac{(-2)^3 \times (a^2)^3}{b^3}$
 $= \frac{-8a^6}{b^3}$

These have the form
 $(ab)^n = a^n b^n$ or
 $(\frac{a}{b})^n = \frac{a^n}{b^n}$



10 Write without brackets:

a $(2a)^2$

b $(3n)^2$

g $(\frac{p}{q})^4$

h $(\frac{t}{5})^2$

11 Write in simplest form, without brackets:

i $\left(\frac{xy}{2}\right)^3$

j $\left(\frac{-2a^2}{b^2}\right)^3$

k $\left(\frac{-4a^3}{b}\right)^2$

l $\left(\frac{-3p^2}{q^3}\right)^2$

12 Expand the brackets and write in simplest form:

g $x^{-1}(x^3 + x^2 - x)$

h $(x^2 + x^{-1})^2$

i $(x^2 + x^{-1})(x^2 - x^{-1})$

Example 15

Self Tutor

Write without negative exponents:

a $(2c^3)^{-4}$

b $\frac{a^{-3}b^2}{c^{-1}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a } (2c^3)^{-4} &= \frac{1}{(2c^3)^4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2^4 c^{3 \times 4}} \\ &= \frac{1}{16c^{12}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b } a^{-3} &= \frac{1}{a^3} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{c^{-1}} = c^1 \\ \therefore \frac{a^{-3}b^2}{c^{-1}} &= \frac{b^2c}{a^3} \end{aligned}$$

13 Write without negative exponents:

a ab^{-2}

b $(ab)^{-2}$

c $(2ab^{-1})^2$

d $(5m^2)^{-2}$

e $(3a^{-2}b)^2$

f $(3xy^4)^{-3}$

g $\frac{a^2b^{-1}}{c^2}$

h $\frac{a^2b^{-1}}{c^{-2}}$

Example 16Write $\frac{1}{2^{1-n}}$ without a fraction.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2^{1-n}} &= 2^{-(1-n)} \\ &= 2^{-1+n} \\ &= 2^{n-1}\end{aligned}$$

Self Tutor**14** Write without a fraction:

a $\frac{1}{a^n}$

b $\frac{5}{a^m}$

c $\frac{1}{b^{-n}}$

d $\frac{1}{2^{n-3}}$

15 Write without fractions:

e $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{3}{x^2}$

f $\frac{4}{x} - \frac{5}{x^3}$

g $7x - \frac{4}{x} + \frac{5}{x^2}$

h $\frac{3}{x} - \frac{2}{x^2} + \frac{5}{x^4}$

Example 17

Write without fractions:

a $\frac{x^2 + 3x + 2}{x}$

b $\frac{2x^5 + x^2 + 3x}{x^{-2}}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a} \quad &\frac{x^2 + 3x + 2}{x} \\ &= \frac{x^2}{x} + \frac{3x}{x} + \frac{2}{x} \\ &= x + 3 + 2x^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{b} \quad &\frac{2x^5 + x^2 + 3x}{x^{-2}} \\ &= \frac{2x^5}{x^{-2}} + \frac{x^2}{x^{-2}} + \frac{3x}{x^{-2}} \\ &= 2x^{5-(-2)} + x^{2-(-2)} + 3x^{1-(-2)} \\ &= 2x^7 + x^4 + 3x^3\end{aligned}$$

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16 Write without fractions:

a $\frac{x+3}{x}$

b $\frac{3-2x}{x}$

c $\frac{5-x}{x^2}$

d $\frac{x+2}{x^3}$

i $\frac{5-x-x^2}{x}$

j $\frac{8+5x-2x^3}{x}$

k $\frac{16-3x+x^3}{x^2}$

l $\frac{5x^4-3x^2+x+6}{x^2}$

17 Write without fractions:

e $\frac{x^2+x-4}{x^{-2}}$

f $\frac{x^3-3x+6}{x^{-3}}$

g $\frac{x^3-6x+10}{x^{-2}}$

h $\frac{x^2+4+x^{-1}}{x^{-3}}$

Scientific notation or **standard form** involves writing any given number as a number between 1 inclusive and 10, multiplied by a power of 10.

The result has the form $a \times 10^k$ where $1 \leq a < 10$ and $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Example 18

Self Tutor

Express in scientific notation:

a 37 600

b 0.000 008 6

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \quad 37\,600 &= 3.76 \times 10\,000 \\ &= 3.76 \times 10^4 \end{aligned}$$

{shift decimal point 4 places to the left and $\times 10\,000$ }

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b} \quad 0.000\,008\,6 &= 8.6 \div 10^6 \\ &= 8.6 \times 10^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

{shift decimal point 6 places to the right and $\div 1\,000\,000$ }

Exercise 3E

2 Write in scientific notation:

a 259

b 259 000

c 2 590 000 000

j 407 000

k 407 000 000

l 0.000 040 7

Example 19

Self Tutor

Write as an ordinary number:

a 3.2×10^2

b 5.76×10^{-5}

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \quad 3.2 \times 10^2 \\ &= 3.20 \times 100 \\ &= 320 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b} \quad 5.76 \times 10^{-5} \\ &= 0.00005.76 \div 10^5 \\ &= 0.000\,057\,6 \end{aligned}$$

4 Write as an ordinary number:

a 4×10^3

b 3.8×10^5

c 8.6×10^4

d 4.33×10^7

e 4×10^{-3}

f 3.8×10^{-5}

g 8.6×10^{-1}

h 4.33×10^{-7}

5 Write as a decimal number:

a It is estimated that the population of the world in 2020 will be 7.4×10^9 people.

b The mass of a Ryukyu mouse is 1.12×10^{-2} kg.

c The bacterium *bordetella pertussis* is about 5×10^{-7} m long.

d The Eiffel tower in Paris weighs approximately 7.3×10^6 kg.

10 The closest distance between Earth and Venus in their orbits is about 3.8×10^9 m.

The closest distance between Venus and Mercury in their orbits is about 7.7×10^9 m.

A spacecraft is sent from Earth to Venus, waits for the opportune time, then travels on to Mercury.

a Find the minimum distance the spacecraft must travel.

b Discuss the assumptions you have made in your answer.

11 In a vacuum, light travels at approximately 2.9979×10^8 m s⁻¹.

a How far will light travel in:

i 1 minute

ii 1 day?

b Assuming a year ≈ 365.25 days, calculate one **light-year**, the distance light will travel in a vacuum in a year.