

Answer on Question #57668 - Math - Analytic Geometry

Question

1. Find the general equation of the line parallel to  $4x - 3y = 15$  and passing:
- at a distance 2 from the origin
  - twice as far from the origin
  - 2 units far from the origin
  - at a distance 5 from the given line.

Solution:

Given the line:  $4x - 3y = 15$

It is equal to

$$4x - 3y - 15 = 0 \text{ or } y = \frac{4}{3}x - 5$$

Lines which are parallel to given line have the same angular coefficient  $k = \frac{4}{3}$ .

And their equation is  $y = \frac{4}{3}x + b$ , where  $b$  is the intercept or  $\frac{4}{3}x - y + b = 0$ .

In the case of a line in the plane given by the equation  $ax + by + c = 0$ , where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are real constants with  $a$  and  $b$  not both zero, the distance from the line to a point  $(x_0, y_0)$  is

$$d = \frac{|ax_0 + by_0 + c|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}. \text{ Let use this formula for the next calculations.}$$

- a) At a distance 2 from the origin.

$$d = 2 \text{ from } (0;0)$$

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$2 = \frac{\left| \frac{4}{3} * 0 - 1 * 0 + b \right|}{\sqrt{\frac{16}{9} + 1}}$$
$$|b| = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$b = \frac{10}{3} \text{ or } b = -\frac{10}{3}$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = \frac{4}{3}x + b$ .

$$\text{Answer: } y = \frac{4}{3}x \pm \frac{10}{3}.$$

- b) Twice as far from the origin.

$$\text{Given line: } 4x - 3y - 15 = 0$$

Point:  $(0;0)$

Find the distance from a given line to the origin with our formula:

$$d = \frac{|4 * 0 - 3 * 0 - 15|}{\sqrt{16 + 9}} = 3.$$

Twice as far from the origin:  $d_1 = 2 * d = 2 * 3 = 6$ .

$$\frac{4}{3}x - y + b = 0.$$

$$d_1 = 6.$$

Point: (0;0).

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$6 = \frac{\left| \frac{4}{3} * 0 - 1 * 0 + b \right|}{\sqrt{\frac{16}{9} + 1}}$$

$$|b| = 10$$

$$b = 10 \text{ or } b = -10.$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = \frac{4}{3}x + b$ .

$$\text{Answer: } y = \frac{4}{3}x \pm 10.$$

c) 2 units far from the origin.

$$d_1 = d + 2 = 3 + 2 = 5.$$

Point (0;0).

$$\frac{4}{3}x - y + b = 0.$$

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$5 = \frac{\left| \frac{4}{3} * 0 - 1 * 0 + b \right|}{\sqrt{\frac{16}{9} + 1}}$$
$$|b| = \frac{25}{3}$$

$$b = \frac{25}{3} \text{ or } b = -\frac{25}{3}$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = \frac{4}{3}x + b$ .

$$\text{Answer: } y = \frac{4}{3}x \pm \frac{25}{3}.$$

d) At a distance 5 from the given line.

At a distance  $d_1 = d + 5 = 3 + 5 = 8$  from the origin.

Point: (0;0).

$$\frac{4}{3}x - y + b = 0.$$

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$8 = \frac{\left| \frac{4}{3} * 0 - 1 * 0 + b \right|}{\sqrt{\frac{16}{9} + 1}}$$

$$|b| = \frac{40}{3}.$$

$$b = \frac{40}{3} \text{ or } b = -\frac{40}{3}.$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = \frac{4}{3}x + b$ .

**Answer:**  $y = \frac{4}{3}x \pm \frac{40}{3}$ .

### Question

2.

Find the general equation of the line parallel to  $x + y = 3$  and passing:

- a. at a distance 2 from the origin
- b. 2 square root of 2 units farther from the origin
- c.  $\frac{2}{3}$  as far from the origin
- d. at a distance 3 square root of 2 from the given line

### Solution

Given the line:  $x + y = 3$ .

It is equal to

$$x + y - 3 = 0 \text{ or } y = -x + 3$$

Lines which are parallel to the given line have the same slope  $k = -1$ .

Their equation is  $y = -x - b$ , where  $b$  is the intercept, hence obtain  $x + y + b = 0$ .

In the case of a line in the plane given by the equation  $ax + by + c = 0$ , where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are real constants with  $a$  and  $b$  not simultaneously zero, the distance from the line to a point  $(x_0, y_0)$  is

$$d = \frac{|ax_0 + by_0 + c|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}. \text{ Let use this formula for the next calculations.}$$

- a) At a distance 2 from the origin.

$$d = 2 \text{ from } (0;0).$$

$$x + y + b = 0.$$

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$2 = \frac{|1 * 0 + 1 * 0 + b|}{\sqrt{1 + 1}}$$
$$|b| = 2\sqrt{2}$$
$$b = \pm 2\sqrt{2}$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = -x - b$ .

**Answer:**  $y = -x \pm 2\sqrt{2}$ .

- b) 2 square root of 2 units farther from the origin.

Given line:  $x + y - 3 = 0$

Point:  $(0;0)$

Find the distance from the given line to the origin with the formula:

$$d = \frac{|1 * 0 + 1 * 0 - 3|}{\sqrt{1+1}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$d_1 = d + 2\sqrt{2} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} + 2\sqrt{2} = \frac{7}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$x + y + b = 0.$$

$$d_1 = \frac{7}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

Point: (0;0).

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$\frac{7}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{|1 * 0 + 1 * 0 + b|}{\sqrt{1+1}}$$

$$|b| = 7$$

$$b = \pm 7$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = -x - b$ .

**Answer:**  $y = -x \pm 7$ .

c)  $2/3$  as far from the origin.

$$d_1 = \frac{2}{3}d = \frac{2}{3} * \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$x + y + b = 0.$$

$$d_1 = \sqrt{2}.$$

Point: (0;0).

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$\sqrt{2} = \frac{|1 * 0 + 1 * 0 + b|}{\sqrt{1+1}}$$

$$|b| = 2$$

$$b = \pm 2$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = -x - b$ .

**Answer:**  $y = -x \pm 2$ .

d) At a distance 3 square root of 2 from the given line.

$$d_1 = 3\sqrt{2} + d = 3\sqrt{2} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$x + y + b = 0.$$

$$d_1 = \frac{9}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

Point: (0;0).

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$\frac{9}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{|1 * 0 + 1 * 0 + b|}{\sqrt{1+1}}$$

$$|b| = 9$$

$$b = \pm 9$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = -x - b$ .

**Answer:**  $y = -x \pm 9$ .

### Question

3.

Find the general equation of the line:

a. parallel to the line  $2x + 3y = 6$  and passing at a distance  $5\sqrt{13}$  from the point  $(-1, 1)$

b. parallel to the line  $x - y + 9 = 0$  and passing at a distance  $5\sqrt{2}$  from the point  $(1, 4)$

c. perpendicular to the line  $3x + 4y = 7$  and passing at a distance 4 from the point  $(1, -2)$

d. perpendicular to the line  $3x - 4y = 20$  and passing at a distance 2 from the point  $(-1, 1)$

### Solution:

a)  $2x + 3y = 6$ .

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

$$y = -\frac{2}{3}x + b \text{ or } -\frac{2}{3}x - y + b = 0.$$

Point:  $(-1, 1)$ .

$$d = 5\sqrt{13}.$$

$$-\frac{2}{3}x - y + b = 0.$$

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$5\sqrt{13} = \frac{|-1 * (-\frac{2}{3}) - 1 + b|}{\sqrt{\frac{4}{9} + 1}}$$
$$b = 27$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + b$

**Answer:**  $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 27$ .

b) Parallel to the line  $x - y + 9 = 0$  and passing at a distance  $5\sqrt{2}$  from the point  $(1, 4)$ .

$$y = x + 9$$
$$k = 1$$

$$y = x + b \text{ or } x - y + b = 0.$$

Point:  $(1, 4)$ .

$$d = 5\sqrt{2}.$$

$$x - y + b = 0.$$

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$5\sqrt{2} = \frac{|1 * 1 - 1 * 4 + b|}{\sqrt{1 + 1}}$$
$$|-3 + b| = 10$$

$$b = 13 \text{ or } b = -7$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = x + b$ .

**Answer:**  $y = x + 13$  or  $y = x - 7$ .

**c)** Perpendicular to the line  $3x + 4y = 7$  and passing at a distance 4 from the point  $(1, -2)$ .

If lines are perpendicular then product of their slopes is equal to -1.

In the given line:

$$y = -\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{7}{4}$$
$$k = -\frac{3}{4}$$

So, the perpendicular line has a slope of  $k_1 = -\frac{1}{k} = -\frac{1}{-\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{4}{3}$ .

Equation of a perpendicular line is

$$y = \frac{4}{3}x + b$$

or

$$\frac{4}{3}x - y + b = 0.$$

Point:  $(1, -2)$ .

$$d = 4.$$

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$4 = \frac{|1 * \frac{4}{3} + 2 * 1 + b|}{\sqrt{\frac{16}{9} + 1}}$$

$$b = \frac{10}{3} \text{ or } b = -10.$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = \frac{4}{3}x + b$ .

**Answer:**  $y = \frac{4}{3}x + \frac{10}{3}$  or  $y = \frac{4}{3}x - 10$ .

**d)** Perpendicular to the line  $3x - 4y = 20$  and passing at a distance 2 from the point  $(-1, 1)$ .

If lines are perpendicular then product of their slopes is equal to -1.

In the given line:

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x - 5$$
$$k = \frac{3}{4}$$

So,  $k_1 = -\frac{1}{k} = -\frac{1}{\frac{3}{4}} = -\frac{4}{3}$ .

$$y = -\frac{4}{3}x + b.$$

$$-\frac{4}{3}x - y + b = 0.$$

Point: (-1,1).

$$d = 2.$$

Substitute the relevant numbers into the formula for the distance:

$$2 = \frac{\left| -\frac{4}{3} * (-1) - 1 + b \right|}{\sqrt{\frac{16}{9} + 1}}$$

$$b = -\frac{11}{3} \text{ or } b = 3.$$

Substitute  $b$  into  $y = -\frac{4}{3}x + b$ .

$$\text{Answer: } y = -\frac{4}{3}x - \frac{11}{3} \text{ or } y = -\frac{4}{3}x + 3.$$