

CHAPTER

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IX-MATHEMATICS-NCERT

4. LINEAR EQUATIONS IN TWO VARIABLES (Notes)

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1. If a linear equation has two variables then it is called a linear equation in two variables.
2. The general form of linear equation in two variables x, y is $ax + by + c = 0$. Where a, b, c are real numbers, and a, b are not both zero.
3. The process of finding solution(s) is called solving an equation.
4. A linear equation in two variables has infinitely many solutions. Every solution of the linear equation can be represented by a unique point on the graph of the equation.
5. The graphs of $x = a$ and $y = a$ are lines parallel to the y -axis and x -axis, respectively

Example 1 : Write each of the following equations in the form $ax + by + c = 0$ and indicate the values of a, b and c in each case:

(i) $2x + 3y = 4.37$

Sol: $2x + 3y = 4.37 \Rightarrow 2x + 3y - 4.37 = 0$

$a = 2, b = 3, c = -4.37$

(ii) $x - 4 = \sqrt{3}y$

Sol: $x - 4 = \sqrt{3}y \Rightarrow x - \sqrt{3}y - 4 = 0$

$a = 1, b = -\sqrt{3}, c = -4$

(iii) $4 = 5x - 3y$

Sol: $5x - 3y - 4 = 0$

$a = 5, b = -3, c = -4$

(iv) $2x = y$

Sol: $2x - y = 0$

$a = 2, b = -1, c = 0$

Example 2 : Write each of the following as an equation in two variables:

(i) $x = -5$

Sol: $1.x + 0.y + 5 = 0$

(ii) $y = 2$

Sol: $0.x + 1.y - 2 = 0$

(iii) $2x = 3$

Sol: $2.x + 0.y - 3 = 0$

(iv) $5y = 2$

Sol: $0.x + 5.y - 2 = 0$

EXERCISE 4.1

1. The cost of a notebook is twice the cost of a pen. Write a linear equation in two variables to represent this statement.

Sol: Let the cost of a notebook = ₹ x and cost of a pen = ₹ y

The cost of a notebook = $2 \times$ the cost of a pen

$$x = 2y$$

$$x - 2y = 0$$

2. Express the following linear equations in the form $ax + by + c = 0$ and indicate the values of a , b and c in each case

(i) $2x + 3y = 9.35$

Sol: $2x + 3y - 9.35 = 0$

$$a = 2, b = 3, c = -9.35$$

(ii) $x - 5y - 10 = 0$

Sol: $1 \cdot x - 5 \cdot y - 10 = 0$

$$a = 1, b = -5, c = -10$$

(iii) $-2x + 3y = 6$

Sol: $-2 \cdot x + 3 \cdot y - 6 = 0$

$$a = -2, b = 3, c = 6$$

(iv) $x = 3y$

Sol: $x - 3y = 0$

$$a = 1, b = -3, c = 0$$

(v) $2x = -5y$

Sol: $2x + 5y + 0 = 0$

$$a = 2, b = 5, c = 0$$

(vi) $3x + 2 = 0$

Sol: $3x + 0 \cdot y + 2 = 0$

$$a = 3, b = 0, c = 2$$

(vii) $y - 2 = 0$

Sol: $0 \cdot x + 1 \cdot y - 2 = 0$

$$a = 0, b = 1, c = -2$$

(viii) $5 = 2x$

Sol: $2x + 0 \cdot y - 5 = 0$

$$a = 2, b = 0, c = -5$$

Solution of a Linear Equation

- (i) Any pair of values of 'x' and 'y' which satisfy the linear equation in two variables $ax + by + c = 0$ is called its solution.
- (ii) A linear equation in two variables has infinitely many solutions.

Example 3 : Find four different solutions of the equation $x + 2y = 6$.

Sol: Given equation $x + 2y = 6$.

(i) Let $x = 0 \Rightarrow 0 + 2y = 6$

$$\Rightarrow 2y = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

Solution: (0,3)

(ii) Let $x = 2 \Rightarrow 2 + 2y = 6$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2y = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

Solution: (2,2)

(iii) Let $x = 4 \Rightarrow 4 + 2y = 6$

$$\Rightarrow 2y = 6 - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

Solution: (4,1)

(vi) Let $x = 6 \Rightarrow 6 + 2y = 6$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{0}{2} = 0$$

Solution: (6,0)

Hence, four different solutions for equation are (0,3); (2,2); (4,1); (6,0)

Example 4 : Find two solutions for each of the following equations:

(i) $4x + 3y = 12$

Sol: Let $x = 0 \Rightarrow 4 \times 0 + 3y = 12$

$$\Rightarrow 3y = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{12}{3} = 4$$

Solution: (0,4)

Let $y = 0 \Rightarrow 4x + 3 \times 0 = 12$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{12}{4} = 3$$

Solution: (3,0)

Hence, two different solutions for equation are (0,4); (3,0)

(ii) $2x + 5y = 0$

Sol: Let $x = 0 \Rightarrow 2 \times 0 + 5y = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 5y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 0$$

Solution: (0,0)

Let $x = 1 \Rightarrow 2 \times 1 + 5y = 0$

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

$$\Rightarrow 5y = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{-2}{5}$$

$$\text{Solution: } \left(1, \frac{-2}{5}\right)$$

Hence, two different solutions for equation are $(0,0)$; $\left(1, \frac{-2}{5}\right)$

(iii) $3y + 4 = 0$

Sol: $3y + 4 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 3y = -4$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{-4}{3}$$

$$\text{Solutions: } \left(0, \frac{-4}{3}\right), \left(1, \frac{-4}{3}\right)$$

EXERCISE 4.2

1. Which one of the following options is true, and why? $y = 3x + 5$ has

(i) a unique solution, (ii) only two solutions, (iii) infinitely many solutions

Sol: (iii) infinitely many solutions is true

2. Write four solutions for each of the following equations:

(i) $2x + y = 7$

(a) Let $x = 0 \Rightarrow 2 \times 0 + y = 7$

$$\Rightarrow y = 7$$

$$\text{Solution: } (0,7)$$

(b) Let $x = 2 \Rightarrow 2 \times 2 + y = 7$

$$\Rightarrow 4 + y = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 7 - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 3$$

$$\text{Solution: } (2,3)$$

(c) Let $x = 4 \Rightarrow 2 \times 4 + y = 7$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + y = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 7 - 8$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -1$$

$$\text{Solution: } (4, -1)$$

(d) Let $y = 0 \Rightarrow 2x + 0 = 7$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{7}{2}$$

Solution: $\left(\frac{7}{2}, 0\right)$

Hence, four different solutions for equation are $(0,7); (2,3); (4, -1); \left(\frac{7}{2}, 0\right)$

(ii) $\pi x + y = 9$

(a) Let $x = 0 \Rightarrow \pi \times 0 + y = 9$

$\Rightarrow 0 + y = 9$

$\Rightarrow y = 9$

Solution: $(0,9)$

(b) Let $x = 1 \Rightarrow \pi \times 1 + y = 9$

$\Rightarrow \pi + y = 69$

$\Rightarrow y = 9 - \pi$

Solution: $(1, 9 - \pi)$

(c) Let $x = -1 \Rightarrow \pi \times (-1) + y = 9$

$\Rightarrow -\pi + y = 69$

$\Rightarrow y = 9 + \pi$

Solution: $(-1, 9 + \pi)$

(d) Let $y = 0 \Rightarrow \pi x + 0 = 9$

$\Rightarrow \pi x = 9$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{9}{\pi}$

Solution: $\left(\frac{9}{\pi}, 0\right)$

Hence, four different solutions for equation are $(0,9); (1, 9 - \pi); (-1, 9 + \pi); \left(\frac{9}{\pi}, 0\right)$

(iii) $x = 4y$

(a) Let $x = 0 \Rightarrow 0 - 4y = 0$

$\Rightarrow -4y = 0$

$\Rightarrow y = 0$

Solution: $(0,0)$

(b) Let $x = 4 \Rightarrow 4 = 4y$

$\Rightarrow y = \frac{4}{4} = 1$

Solution: $(4,1)$

(c) Let $x = 2 \Rightarrow 2 = 4y$

$\Rightarrow y = \frac{2}{4}$

$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}$

Solution: $\left(2, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

(d) Let $y = -1 \Rightarrow x = 4 \times (-1)$

$\Rightarrow x = -4$

Solution: $(-4, -1)$

Hence, four different solutions for equation are $(0,0); (4,1); \left(2, \frac{1}{2}\right); (-4, -1)$

3. Check which of the following are solutions of the equation $x - 2y = 4$ and which are not:

(i) $(0, 2)$ (ii) $(2, 0)$ (iii) $(4, 0)$ (iv) $(\sqrt{2}, 4\sqrt{2})$ (v) $(1, 1)$

Sol: (i) $(0, 2)$

LHS = $x - 2y = 0 - 2 \times 2 = 0 - 4 = -4 \neq$ RHS

$\therefore (0, 2)$ is not a solution to the equation.

(ii) $(2, 0)$

LHS = $x - 2y = 2 - 2 \times 0 = 2 - 0 = 2 \neq$ RHS

$\therefore (2, 0)$ is not a solution to the equation.

(iii) $(4, 0)$

$$\text{LHS} = x - 2y = 4 - 2 \times 0 = 4 - 0 = 4 = \text{RHS}$$

$\therefore (4, 0)$ is a solution to the equation

(iv) $(\sqrt{2}, 4\sqrt{2})$

$$\text{LHS} = x - 2y = \sqrt{2} - 2 \times 4\sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2} + 8\sqrt{2} = 9\sqrt{2} \neq \text{RHS}$$

$\therefore (\sqrt{2}, 4\sqrt{2})$ is not a solution to the equation.

(v) $(1, 1)$

$$\text{LHS} = x - 2y = 1 - 2 \times 1 = 1 - 2 = -1 \neq \text{RHS}$$

$\therefore (1, 1)$ is not a solution to the equation.

4. **Find the value of k, if $x = 2, y = 1$ is a solution of the equation $2x + 3y = k$.**

Sol: Given equation: $2x + 3y = k$

If $x = 2, y = 1$ is a solution of the given equation then

$$2 \times 2 + 3 \times 1 = k$$

$$4 + 3 = k$$

$$k = 7$$

Some more problems for brain boosting:

1. **If $x = 3, y = 2$ is a solution of the equation $5x - 7y = k$, find the value of k and write the resultant equation.**

Solution : If $x = 3, y = 2$ is a solution of the equation $5x - 7y = k$ then

$$5 \times 3 - 7 \times 2 = k$$

$$15 - 14 = k$$

$$1 = k$$

$$k = 1$$

The resultant equation is $5x - 7y = 1$.

2. **If $x = 2k + 1$ and $y = k$ is a solutions of the equation $5x + 3y - 7 = 0$, find the value of k.**

Solution : It is given that $x = 2k + 1$ and $y = k$ is a solution of the equation $5x + 3y - 7 = 0$

by substituting the value of x and y in the equation we get.

$$5(2k + 1) + 3k - 7 = 0$$

$$10k + 5 + 3k - 7 = 0$$

$$13k - 2 = 0$$

$$13k = 2$$

$$k = \frac{2}{13}$$

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