

## (4) Pythagorean Theorem and Midpoint Theorem

### Slope-Intercept Form

$$y = mx + b$$

- Slope
- Rate of change (per)
- Coefficient
- y-intercept
- Initial "value"
- Constant

### Methods of Finding Slope

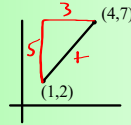
Ex: (1,2) and (4,7)

• Slope Formula  $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$

$$\frac{7-2}{4-1} = \frac{5}{3}$$

- Graphical Method

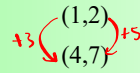
Rise  
Run



$$\text{Slope} = \frac{5}{3}$$

- Stack Method

Rise  
Run



$$\text{Slope} = \frac{5}{3}$$

### Slopes

- Parallel Lines = Same slope
- Perpendicular Lines = Slopes are opposite reciprocals

Fill in the missing slopes in the table below.

Slope	Slope of Parallel Line	Slope of Perpendicular Line
$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$-\frac{3}{2}$
$-5 = -\frac{5}{1}$	$-\frac{5}{1}$	$\frac{1}{5}$
$4\frac{1}{5} = \frac{21}{5}$	$\frac{21}{5}$	$-\frac{5}{21}$
$1.6 = \frac{16}{10} = \frac{8}{5}$	$\frac{8}{5}$	$-\frac{5}{8}$

### ACT/SAT Example

Which two lines are perpendicular?

- ~~⊗~~  $y = -5x + 2$  and  $2y - 10x = 4 \rightarrow y = 5x + 2$  NOT PERP.
- ~~⊗~~  $y = \frac{1}{4}x + 1$  and  $y = 4x + 2$  NOT PERP.
- ~~⊗~~  $y = 3x + 1$  and  $y - 4x = 6 \rightarrow y = 4x + 6$  X
- $y = \frac{1}{2}x + 2$  and  $y + 2x = -4 \rightarrow y = -2x - 4$  ✓

### Midpoint Formula

The midpoint of a segment can be found using the formula:

$$M(x, y) = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$$

Average of x-values

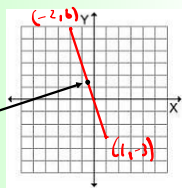
Average of y-values

Example: Find the midpoint of a segment with endpoints at (1,-3) and (-2,6).

$$x = \frac{1 + (-2)}{2} \quad y = \frac{-3 + 6}{2}$$

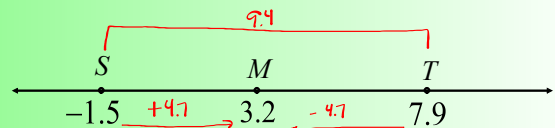
$$x = -\frac{1}{2} \quad y = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\bullet M\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right)$$



### Midpoint Formula

2.) Find the coordinate of the midpoint, M, of segment ST.



$$\frac{7.9 - (-1.5)}{2}$$

$$\frac{9.4}{2} = 4.7$$

$$-1.5 + 4.7$$

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A **median** is a segment starting at one vertex of a triangle and ending at the midpoint of the opposite side. Find the slope of the **median** of triangle ABC that goes to side AC.

