

I [4 pts each] Write each of the following in the slope-intercept form.

(a) $8x + 4y = 99$

Solution:

$$4y = 99 - 8x$$

$$y = \frac{99}{4} - \frac{8}{4}x$$

$$y = -2x + \frac{99}{4}$$

(b) $y - 9 = 3(x - 5)$

Solution:

$$y - 9 = 3x - 15$$

$$y = 3x - 6$$

(c) $4(x - y) - 3(x + y + 1) = 5 + 8y$

Solution:

$$4x - 4y - 3x - 3y - 3 = 5 + 8y$$

$$x - 7y - 3 - 3 = 5 + 8y$$

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$$x - 3 = 5 + 15y$$

$$x - 8 = 15y$$

$$15y = x - 8$$

$$y = \frac{1}{15}x - \frac{8}{15}$$

II [4 pts each] Find the equation of a line that passes through (7, 11) and is *parallel* to the line

$$y = -3x + 111.$$

Express your answer in any form you wish.

Solution:

The given line has slope -3; hence, the parallel line must have slope -3.

Since we are given a point on the new line, we may use the point-slope form:

$$y - 11 = -3(x - 7)$$

III [4 pts each] Solve the following system of linear equations using Gauss' method (that is, by elimination).

$$4x - 3y = 11$$

$$7x + 2y = 41$$

Solution:

To solve for x, we multiply the first equation by 2 and the second equation by 3 to obtain:

$$8x - 6y = 22$$

$$21x + 6y = 123$$

Next, adding the two equations (i.e., adding the left-hand sides, and the right-hand sides), we find:

$$29x = 145$$

Hence $x = \frac{145}{29} = 5$.

Substituting $x = 5$ into the first original equation:

$$4(5) - 3y = 11$$

$$20 - 3y = 11$$

$$-3y = -9$$

$$y = 3$$

Thus the final answer is $x = 5$ and $y = 3$. (This solution is easy to check by plugging these numbers into the original two equations.)

IV When the carnival comes to town, a group of students wants to attend. The cost of admission and going on 3 rides is \$12.50, while the cost of admission and going on 6 rides is \$17.

(a) [4 pts] How much does it cost to go on only one ride?

What if any assumptions have you made?

Solution: Since the cost of admission and 3 rides is \$12.50, and the cost of three more rides is $17.00 - 12.50 = \$ 4.50$

Thus the cost of each ride is $\$ \frac{4.50}{3} = \$ 1.50$

Here we are assuming the cost depends linearly on the number of rides; that is, **all rides are of equal cost.**

(b) [2 pts] Write a linear function to represent the cost $C(n)$ of entering the carnival and going on n rides.

Solution:

Since the cost of admission plus 3 rides is 12.50, and each ride costs 1.50, it follows that the cost of admission is $12.50 - 3(1.50) = \$ 8.00$

Hence the cost, $C(n)$, of admission and n rides is:

$$C(n) = 8.00 + 1.5 n.$$

(c) [2 pts] Express this function in slope-intercept form.

Solution:

Slope-intercept form: $C = 1.5n + 8$