# MATH 6: ASSIGNMENT 12. CARTESIAN PLAIN and COORDINATES <br> <br> Coordinates, linear function 

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This week we discussed how one can introduce coordinates in a plane, so that every point is described by a pair of numbers. To do this, we need to choose:

- The origin (usually denoted $O$ )
- Unit length
- Two perpendicular axes (usually called $x$ and $y$ )

For point $M(5,3)$, the $x$-coordinate is 5 , the $y$ coordinate is 3 . Order matters:

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\begin{aligned}
& x_{M}=5, \\
& y_{M}=3
\end{aligned}
$$

To find the distance along $x$ between two points, at the same $y$, you need to subtract their $x$-coordinates and take the absolute value: The size of MN or distance is:

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\begin{aligned}
& M N(x)=\left|x_{M}-x_{N}\right| \\
& M N(x)=|5-2|=3
\end{aligned}
$$

In this case, similarly: the distance along y is:

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\begin{aligned}
& \qquad \qquad \begin{array}{l}
M N(y)=\left|y_{M}-y_{N}\right| \\
M N(y)=|3-3|=0 \\
\text { Function } y=f(x):
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
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- For every x there is a y or
- $\forall x \exists y$
$y=k x+b$ is called linear function because y changes linearly, e.g. proportionally to x.

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| x | $y=2 x-1$ |
| 0 | -1 |
| 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 3 |
| 3 | 5 |
| 4 | 7 |



## Homework

1. Point $B$ is 5 units above and 2 units to the left of $A(7,5)$. What are the coordinates of point $B$ ?
2. Plot on the coordinate plane the following, and connect each dot to the next one. If you did everything correctly, you will get a picture...
$(0,2) ;(0,0) ;(1,3) ;(2,3) ;(3,2) ;(3,0) ;(1,-1) ;(2,-1) ;(1,-3) ;(0,-1)$;
$(-1,-3) ;(-2,-1) ;(-1,-1) ;(-3,0) ;(-3,2) ;(-2,3) ;(-1,3) ;(0,0)$.
3. Find the coordinates of the midpoint of the segment $A B$, where $A=(3,11)$ and $B=(7,5)$
4. Draw points $A(4,1), B(3,5), C(-1,4)$. If you did everything correctly, you will have 3 vertices of a square. What are the coordinates of the fourth vertex? What is the area of the square?
5. Find the missing coordinates:
(a) 3 points $A(0,0), B(1,3), D(5,-2)$ are vertices of a parallelogram $A B C D$. What are the coordinates of $C$ ?
(b) 3 points $A(0,0), B(2,3), D(4,1)$ are vertices of a parallelogram $A B C D$. What are the coordinates of $C$ ?
(c) 3 points $A(0,0), B(1,5), D(3,-2)$ are vertices of a parallelogram $A B C D$. What are the coordinates of $C$ ?
(d) Can you guess the general rule: if $A(0,0), B\left(b_{1}, b_{2}\right), \mathrm{D}\left(d_{1}, d_{2}\right)$ are vertices of a parallelogram $A B C D$. What are the coordinates of $C$ ?
6. Point M has coordinates $(5,7)$
(a) Find the coordinates of the point $M_{1}$ obtained from $M$ by reflection about the $x$-axis.
(b) Find the coordinates of the point $M_{1}$ obtained from $M$ by reflection about the $y$-axis.
(c) Find the coordinates of the point $M_{1}$ obtained from $M$ by reflection about the diagonal line $x=y$.
7. Draw the following linear functions on the same graph:
a. $y=x$
b. $y=3 x$
c. $y=\frac{1}{3} x$
8. Draw the following linear functions on the same graph:
a. $y=2 x$
b. $y=2 x+3$
c. $y=2-3$
