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Question

Find the equation of the lines which makes intercepts -3 and 2 on the x and y axes respectively

Let $(-3, 0)$ and $(0, 2)$ be the intercept points

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Equation of line is given by $n^T(x - h) = 0$

$$\left(\frac{-2}{3} \quad 1\right) \left(x - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}\right) = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\left(\frac{-2}{3} \quad 1\right) x = 2 \quad (5)$$

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    // Intercept points
    double A[2] = {-3, 0}; // x-intercept (-3,0)
    double B[2] = {0, 2}; // y-intercept (0,2)

    // Direction vector m = A - B
    double m[2];
    m[0] = A[0] - B[0];
    m[1] = A[1] - B[1];

    printf("Direction vector m = (%.2f, %.2f)\n", m[0], m[1]);

    // Normal vector n (perpendicular to m)
    double n[2];
    n[0] = -m[1]; // -y
    n[1] = m[0]; // x
}
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printf("Normal vector n = (%.2f, %.2f)\n", n[0], n[1]);

// Point h (we take y-intercept B as reference point)
double h[2] = {0, 2};

// Equation:  $n^T * (x - h) = 0$ 
// Expanding:  $n^T * x = n^T * h$ 
double c = n[0]*h[0] + n[1]*h[1];

printf("Equation of line: %.2fx + %.2fy = %.2f\n", n[0], n[1], c);

return 0;
}
```

Python Code

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

# Line equation:  $-2x + 3y = 6$ 
# Solve for y:  $y = (2x + 6)/3$ 

# Define x values for plotting
x = np.linspace(-10, 10, 400)
y = (2 * x + 6) / 3

# Find intercepts
# X-intercept: set  $y = 0$   $-2x = 6$   $x = -3$   $A = (-3, 0)$ 
# Y-intercept: set  $x = 0$   $3y = 6$   $y = 2$   $B = (0, 2)$ 
A = (-3, 0)
B = (0, 2)
```

```
# Plot the line
plt.plot(x, y, label='Line:  $-2x + 3y = 6$ ', color='blue')

# Mark the intercepts
plt.scatter(*A, color='red', zorder=5)
plt.scatter(*B, color='green', zorder=5)

# Annotate the points
plt.text(A[0]-1, A[1]-0.5, f'A {A}', color='red', fontsize=12)
plt.text(B[0]+0.2, B[1]+0.2, f'B {B}', color='green', fontsize
        =12)

# Axes lines
plt.axhline(0, color='black', linewidth=1)
plt.axvline(0, color='black', linewidth=1)
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# Graph settings
plt.title('Graph of the Line  $-2x + 3y = 6$ ')
plt.xlabel('x-axis')
plt.ylabel('y-axis')
plt.grid(True)
plt.legend()
plt.axis('equal')
plt.xlim(-10, 10)
plt.ylim(-10, 10)

# Show the plot
plt.show()
```

C and Python Code

```
import ctypes
import os

# Load the shared object file
lib_path = os.path.abspath("liblineeq.so")
lib = ctypes.CDLL(lib_path)

# Define the function's argument types
lib.line_from_intercepts.argtypes = [ctypes.c_double, ctypes.c_double]

# Optional: Define the return type (void function, so None)
lib.line_from_intercepts.restype = None
```

C and Python Code

```
# Example intercepts
x_intercept = -3.0
y_intercept = 2.0

print("Calling C function from Python with:")
print(f" X-intercept = {x_intercept}")
print(f" Y-intercept = {y_intercept}\n")

# Call the function
lib.line_from_intercepts(x_intercept, y_intercept)
```

