

- **2a)** I achieved full marks on both quizzes. I completely forgot how to do the x=5 and y=4 questions while in the second quiz attempt.
- **2b)** I aim to consult with Jonathan so I can understand how to best answer them. I will also perform a brief review on these simple types of graphs.
- **2c)** The question was to do with finding the gradient of x=5 and y=4. I performed my strategy answered in 2b to complete the second quiz successfully.
- **4)** I did not perform as fast as I would have hoped in the second attempt. I spent an extra ~4 minutes on those questions I felt I should have understood. My strategy did work in a way though as I understood the question on a deeper level. I should focus on speed.

Task 2 - Equation of a Line

\1. Convert 3x - 5y = -10 into y = mx + c

$$-> 3x - 5y = -10$$

$$-> -5y = -10 - 3x$$

->
$$y = \frac{-10-3x}{-5}$$

->
$$y = 2 - \frac{-3x}{5}$$

$$-> y = \frac{3}{5}x + 2$$

\2. Give the gradient of this line and explain how it was found.

The gradient is $\frac{3}{5}$, rise is 3 and run is 5 per x increase. I found it through the known format $y = \text{gradient} \times x + y\text{-intercept}$

\3. Give the y-intercept of this line and explain how it was found.

The y-intercept is +2, found through the known format of $y = \text{gradient} \times x + \text{y-intercept}$.

\4. Find the x-intercept, showing all working.

$$y = \frac{3}{5}x + 2$$

-> We set y to zero to find where x will intercept the x-axis

$$-> 0 = \frac{3}{5}x + 2$$

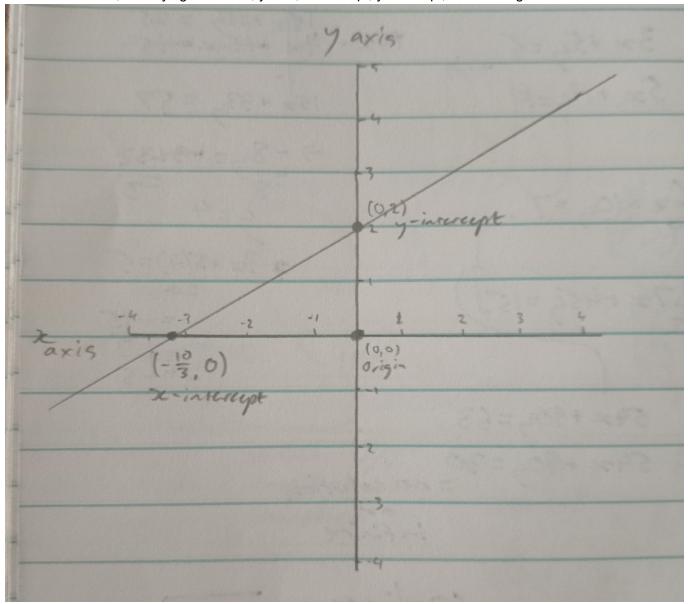
$$-> -2 = \frac{3}{5}x$$

$$-> -2(5) = 3x$$

$$-> \frac{-10}{2} = a$$

$$-> x = \frac{-10}{3}$$

\5. Sketch the line, identifying the x-axis, y-axis, x-intercept, y-intercept, and the origin



Task 3 - Simultaneous equations

Q1

$$\begin{cases} (1): 3x - 7y = -2 \\ (2): 5x + 3y = 4 \end{cases}$$

Elimination method

Solving for y:

$$3x - 7y = -2$$

-> times 5 =
$$15x - 35y = -10$$

$$5x + 3y = 4$$

-> times
$$3 = 15x + 9y = 12$$

$$15x - 35y = -10$$

minus

$$15x+9y=12$$

$$-> -44y = -22$$

->
$$y = \frac{-22}{-44}$$

->
$$y = \frac{1}{2}$$

Solving for x:

$$3x - 7\left(rac{1}{2}
ight) = -2$$

$$-> 3x - 3.5 = -2$$

$$-> 3x = -2 + 3.5 = 1.5$$

->
$$x = \frac{1.5}{3}$$

$$-> x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Verification

$$3(0.5) - 7(0.5) = 1.5 - 3.5 = -2 = -2$$

Substitution method

$$3x - 7y = -2$$

$$5x + 3y = 4$$

Re-arranging for x

$$3x - 7y = -2$$

$$-> 3x = -2 + 7y$$

->
$$x=rac{-2+7y}{3}$$

Substituting into equation 2 to find y

$$5x + 3y = 4$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
-> 5\left(\frac{-2+7y}{3}\right) + 3y = 4 \\
-> \frac{-10+35y}{3} + \frac{9y}{3} = 4 \\
-> \frac{-10+44y}{3} = 4
\end{array}$$

$$->\frac{-10+35y}{2}+\frac{9y}{2}=4$$

$$->\frac{-10+44y}{3}=4$$

$$-> -10 + 44y = 12$$

$$-> 44y = 22$$

$$-> y = \frac{1}{2}$$

Finding x

$$5x + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 4$$

$$-> 5x + \frac{3}{2} = 4$$

$$-> 5x = \frac{8}{9} - \frac{3}{9} = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$-> x = \frac{5}{2} \div \frac{10}{2}$$

->
$$5x + \frac{2}{2} = 4$$

-> $5x = \frac{8}{2} - \frac{3}{2} = \frac{5}{2}$
-> $x = \frac{5}{2} \div \frac{10}{2}$
-> $x = \frac{5}{2} \times \frac{2}{10}$
-> $x = \frac{10}{20}$

$$-> x = \frac{10}{20}$$

$$-> x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Reflection

I found the elimination method magnitudes easier than the substitution method. I spend literal hours trying to find what I was doing wrong with it. It truly challenged me on my understanding of how to manipulate equations, taking it slow, and double-checking answers. Often I reached answers incongruent with the elimination method and CAS calculators like $y=\frac{23}{18}=1.2778$. The result of all these wrong answers was a poor understanding of how fractions are added together. I learnt a few lessons, like now knowing to simplify often and to not 'double-up' on multiplications.

Q2

$$\begin{cases} 2x - 8y = -3\\ 3x - 2y = -5 \end{cases}$$

Elimination method

$$2x - 8y = -3$$

$$3x - 2y = -5$$

-> times 4 to
$$12x - 8y = -20$$

$$2x - 8y = -3$$

minus

$$12x - 8y = -20$$

$$-> -10x = 17$$

->
$$x = \frac{17}{-10}$$

$$-> x = -\frac{17}{10}$$

Finding y

$$2(-\frac{17}{10}) - 8y = -3$$

$$->-\frac{34}{10}-8y=-3$$

$$-> -8y = \frac{-30}{10} + \frac{34}{10}$$

->
$$-8y = \frac{4}{10}$$

$$-> y = \frac{4}{10} \div \frac{-80}{10}$$

->
$$y = \frac{4}{10} \times \frac{10}{-80}$$

$$-> y = \frac{40}{-800}$$

->
$$y = -\frac{1}{20}$$

Verification

$$2\left(\frac{-17}{10}\right) - 8\left(\frac{-1}{20}\right) = -3$$

$$-> \frac{-34}{10} + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{4}{10}$$

$$-> -34 + 4 = -\frac{30}{10}$$

$$-> -3 = -3$$

Substitution method

$$2x - 8y = -3$$

$$3x - 2y = -5$$

Isolating x

$$2x - 8y = -3$$

$$-> 2x = -3 + 8y$$

$$-> x = \frac{-3+8y}{2}$$

->
$$x = \frac{-3+8y}{2}$$

-> $x = \frac{-3}{2} + 4y$

Finding y

$$3x - 2y = -5$$

->
$$3\left(\frac{-3}{2} + 4y\right) - 2y = -5$$

$$- > -\frac{9}{2} + 12y - 2y = -5$$

$$-> 10y = -\frac{10}{2} + \frac{9}{2}$$

$$-> 10y = -\frac{1}{2}$$

->
$$y = -\frac{1}{20}$$

Finding x

$$2x - 8y = -3$$

$$-> 2x - 8\left(-\frac{1}{20}\right) = -3$$

$$-> 2x + \frac{8}{20} = -3$$

$$-2x - \frac{8}{20} \left(-\frac{20}{20}\right) - 2x + \frac{8}{20} = -3$$

$$-2x = -\frac{60}{20} - \frac{8}{20}$$

$$-2x = -\frac{68}{20}$$

$$-2x = -\frac{34}{20}$$

$$-2x = -\frac{17}{10}$$

$$-> 2x = -\frac{68}{20}$$

$$-> x = -\frac{34}{20}$$

$$-> x = \frac{-17}{10}$$

Reflection

This time, I struggled with both methods, finding them equally as challenging. I keep making silly little mistakes like missing a negative sign that I am blindsided by later on in the equation. As I do have a CAS calculator, I can confirm if my answers are actually correct and find where I went wrong. I will be better at these as I go on so I'm not too worried.

Q3.

$$\begin{cases} 9x - 3y = 21\\ 21x - 7y = 49 \end{cases}$$

I chose the elimination method

$$9x - 3y = 21$$

-> times 7 =
$$63x - 21y = 147$$

$$21x - 7y = 49$$

-> times 3 =
$$63x - 21y = 147$$

$$63x - 21y = 147$$

$$63x - 21y = 147$$

$$-> 0x + 0y = 0$$

There are infinite solutions as the lines are co-linear, meaning on each point of one of the lines, the other point is also there, leading to infinite points of intersection.