

1. General form of the equation of a line is $Ax + By + C = 0$, where A and B cannot be simultaneously equal 0.
2. In the general form, $m = -A/B$, y-intercept is $-C/B$, x-intercept is $-C/A$
3. Two lines $a_1x + b_1y + c_1 = 0$ and $a_2x + b_2y + c_2 = 0$ are **parallel**, iff **$a_1b_2 = a_2b_1$** .
4. Two lines $a_1x + b_1y + c_1 = 0$ and $a_2x + b_2y + c_2 = 0$ are **perpendicular**, iff **$a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 = 0$** .
5. Distance of a point (x_1, y_1) from given line, $(Ax + By + C)$ is given by the formula

$$\frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$$

6. Shortest distance between two parallel lines is given by the formula

$$\frac{|C_1 - C_2|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$$

7. If we've to fit a line to a set of points, we find the squared-error between each predicted value (as per the equation) and corresponding actual value. Thus, if we're trying fit the (n) points to the line **$y = mx + c$** , we should try and minimize the sum-squared error.

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - mx_i - c)^2$$

8. Best line fit between a set of pairs of (x, y) will have its slope calculated using

$$m = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{X})(y_i - \bar{Y})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

where n is the number of pairs, \bar{x} and \bar{y} are mean value of x-values and y-values respectively.

(Reference: https://www.varsitytutors.com/hotmath/hotmath_help/topics/line-of-best-fit)