



NCERT solutions for class 9 Maths Linear Equations in Two Variables Ex 4.2

**Q1.** Which one of the following options is true, and why?

$y = 3x + 5$  has

- (i) a unique solution,
- (ii) only two solutions,
- (iii) infinitely many solutions

**Ans:** We need to the number of solutions of the linear equation  $y = 3x + 5$ .

We know that any linear equation has infinitely many solutions.

Justification:

If  $x = 0$  then  $y = 3 \times 0 + 5 = 5$

If  $x = 1$  then  $y = 3 \times 1 + 5 = 8$

If  $x = -2$  then  $y = 3 \times (-2) + 5 = -1$

Similarly, we can find infinite many solutions by putting the values of  $x$ .

**Q2.** Write four solutions for each of the following equations:

(i)  $2x + y = 7$

(ii)  $\pi x + y = 9$

(iii)  $x = 4y$

**Ans:**  $2x + y = 7$

We know that any linear equation has infinitely many solutions.

Let us put  $x=0$  in the linear equation  $2x+y=7$ , to get

$$2(0)+y=7 \quad \Rightarrow y=7.$$

Thus, we get first pair of solution as  $(0,7)$ .

Let us put  $x=2$  in the linear equation  $2x+y=7$ , to get

$$2(2)+y=7 \Rightarrow y+4=7 \Rightarrow y=3.$$

Thus, we get second pair of solution as  $(2,3)$ .

Let us put  $x=4$  in the linear equation  $2x+y=7$ , to get

$$2(4)+y=7 \Rightarrow y+8=7 \Rightarrow y=-1.$$

Thus, we get third pair of solution as  $(4,-1)$ .

Let us put  $x=6$  in the linear equation  $2x+y=7$ , to get

$$2(6) + y = 7 \Rightarrow y + 12 = 7 \Rightarrow y = -5.$$

Thus, we get fourth pair of solution as  $(6, -5)$ .

Therefore, we can conclude that four solutions for the linear equation  $2x + y = 7$  are

$(0, 7), (2, 3), (4, -1)$  and  $(6, -5)$ .

(ii)  $\pi x + y = 9$

We know that any linear equation has infinitely many solutions.

Let us put  $x = 0$  in the linear equation

$\pi x + y = 9$ , to get

$$\pi(0) + y = 9 \Rightarrow y = 9$$

Thus, we get first pair of solution as  $(0, 9)$ .

Let us put  $y = 0$  in the linear equation

$\pi x + y = 9$ , to get

$$\pi x + (0) = 9 \Rightarrow x = \frac{9}{\pi}.$$

Thus, we get second pair of solution as  $\left(\frac{9}{\pi}, 0\right)$ .

Let us put  $x = 1$  in the linear equation  $\pi x + y = 9$ , to get

$$\pi(1) + y = 9 \quad \Rightarrow y = \frac{9}{\pi}$$

Thus, we get third pair of solution as  $\left(1, \frac{9}{\pi}\right)$ .

Let us put  $y = 2$  in the linear equation  $\pi x + y = 9$ , to get

$$\pi x + 2 = 9 \quad \Rightarrow \pi x = 7 \Rightarrow x = \frac{7}{\pi}$$

Thus, we get fourth pair of solution as  $\left(\frac{7}{\pi}, 2\right)$ .

Therefore, we can conclude that four solutions for the linear equation  $\pi x + y = 9$  are

$$(0, 9), \left(\frac{9}{\pi}, 0\right), \left(1, \frac{9}{\pi}\right) \text{ and } \left(\frac{7}{\pi}, 2\right).$$

$$(iii) \ x = 4y$$

We know that any linear equation has infinitely many solutions.

Let us put  $y = 0$  in the linear equation  $x = 4y$ , to get

$$x = 4(0) \quad \Rightarrow x = 0$$

Thus, we get first pair of solution as  $(0, 0)$ .

Let us put  $y = 2$  in the linear equation  $x = 4y$ , to get

$$x = 4(2) \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = 8$$

Thus, we get second pair of solution as  $(8, 2)$ .

Let us put  $y = 4$  in the linear equation  $x = 4y$ , to get

$$x = 4(4) \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = 16$$

Thus, we get third pair of solution as  $(16, 4)$ .

Let us put  $y = 6$  in the linear equation  $x = 4y$ , to get

$$x = 4(6) \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = 24$$

Thus, we get fourth pair of solution as  $(24, 6)$ .

Therefore, we can conclude that four solutions for the linear equation  $x = 4y$  are

$(0, 0)$ ,  $(8, 2)$ ,  $(16, 4)$  and  $(24, 6)$ .

**Q3.** Check which of the following are solutions of the equation  $x - 2y = 4$  and which are not:

(i)  $(0, 2)$

(ii)  $(2, 0)$

(iii)  $(4, 0)$

(iv)  $(\sqrt{2}, 4\sqrt{2})$

(v)  $(1, 1)$

**Ans:** (i)  $(0, 2)$

We need to put  $x = 0$  and  $y = 2$  in the L.H.S. of linear equation  $x - 2y = 4$ , to get

$$(0) - 2(2) = -4$$

$$\therefore \text{L.H.S.} \neq \text{R.H.S.}$$

Therefore, we can conclude that  $(0, 2)$  is not a solution of the linear equation  $x - 2y = 4$ .

(ii)  $(2, 0)$

We need to put  $x = 2$  and  $y = 0$  in the L.H.S. of linear equation  $x - 2y = 4$ , to get

$$(2) - 2(0) = 2$$

$\therefore \text{L.H.S.} \neq \text{R.H.S.}$

Therefore, we can conclude that  $(2, 0)$  is not a solution of the linear equation  $x - 2y = 4$ .

(iii)  $(4, 0)$

We need to put  $x = 4$  and  $y = 0$  in the linear equation  $x - 2y = 4$ , to get

$$(4) - 2(0) = 4$$

$\therefore \text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}$

Therefore, we can conclude that  $(4, 0)$  is a solution of the linear equation  $x - 2y = 4$ .

(iv)  $(\sqrt{2}, 4\sqrt{2})$

We need to put  $x = \sqrt{2}$  and  $y = 4\sqrt{2}$  in the linear equation  $x - 2y = 4$ , to get

$$(\sqrt{2}) - 2(4\sqrt{2}) = -7\sqrt{2}$$

$\therefore \text{L.H.S.} \neq \text{R.H.S.}$

Therefore, we can conclude that  $(\sqrt{2}, 4\sqrt{2})$  is not a solution of the linear equation  $x - 2y = 4$ .

(v)  $(1, 1)$

We need to put  $x = 1$  and  $y = 1$  in the linear equation  $x - 2y = 4$ , to get

$$(1) - 2(1) = -1$$

$\therefore$  L.H.S.  $\neq$  R.H.S.

Therefore, we can conclude that  $(1,1)$  is not a solution of the linear equation  $x - 2y = 4$ .

**Q4.** Find the value of  $k$ , if  $x = 2$ ,  $y = 1$  is a solution of the equation  $2x + 3y = k$ .

**Ans:** We know that, if  $x = 2$  and  $y = 1$  is a solution of the linear equation  $2x + 3y = k$ , then on substituting the respective values of  $x$  and  $y$  in the linear equation  $2x + 3y = k$ , the LHS and RHS of the given linear equation will not be effected.

$$\therefore 2(2) + 3(1) = k \Rightarrow k = 4 + 3 \Rightarrow k = 7$$

Therefore, we can conclude that the value of  $k$ , for which the linear equation  $2x + 3y = k$  has  $x = 2$  and  $y = 1$  as one of its solutions is 7.

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