

# Solutions

## THEORETICAL PART:

### Definition:

A linear inequality in the two variables  $x$  and  $y$  is an inequality that can be written in the form:

$$ax + by < c, \quad ax + by > c, \quad ax + by \leq c, \quad ax + by \geq c,$$

where  $a, b, c$  are constants and  $a$  and  $b$  are not both 0.

### Procedure (Solving linear inequalities in two variables):

- Graph the line that results from replacing the inequality symbol with  $=$ .
- Make the line solid if the inequality sign is  $\leq$  or  $\geq$  and dashed if the symbol is  $<$  or  $>$ . A solid line indicates that points on the line are included in the solution set while a dashed line indicates that points on the line are excluded from the solution set.
- Determine which of the half-planes defined by the boundary line solves the inequality by substituting a **test point** from one of the two half-planes into the inequality. If the resulting numerical statement is true, all the points in the same half-plane as the test point solve the inequality. Otherwise, the points in the other half-plane solve the inequality. Shade in the half-plane that solves the inequality.

**Definition:** Absolute value inequality meaning:

$$|x| < a \equiv x < a \quad \text{and} \quad x > -a$$

$$|x| > a \equiv x > a \quad \text{or} \quad x < -a$$

## PRACTICAL PART:

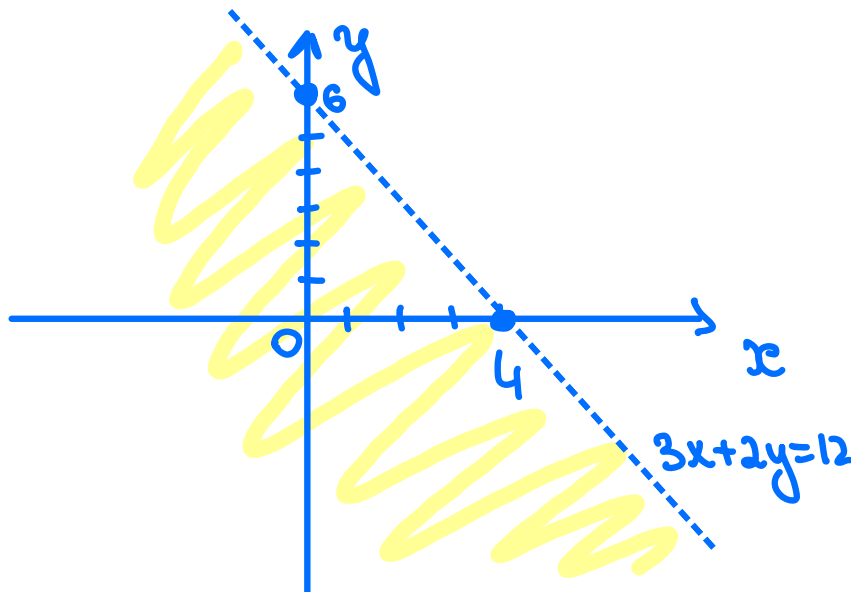
1. Solve the following linear inequalities by graphing their solution sets:

(a)  $3x + 2y < 12$

(b)  $x - y \leq 0$

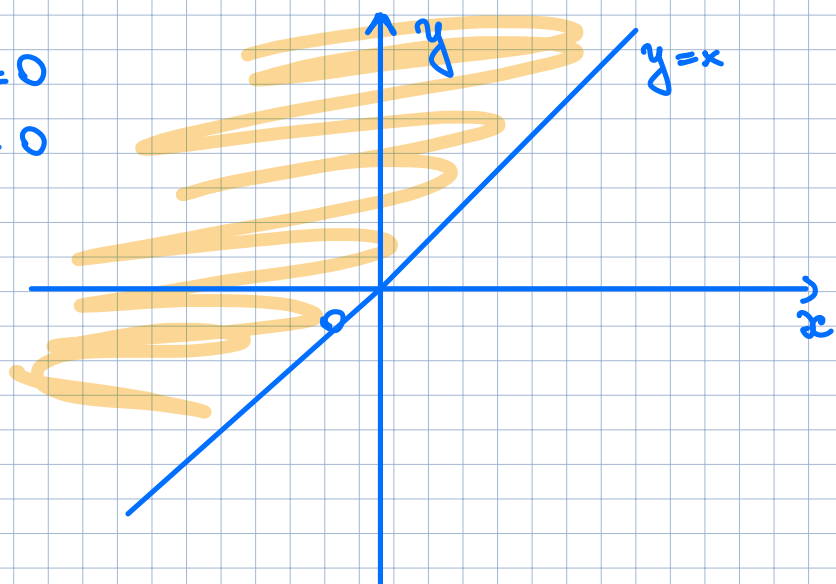
(a)  $3x + 2y < 12$   
 $3x + 2y = 12$

$x$	$y$
0	6
4	0



(b)

$$x - y \leq 0$$
$$x - y = 0$$
$$x = y$$



2. Graph the solution sets that satisfy the following inequalities:

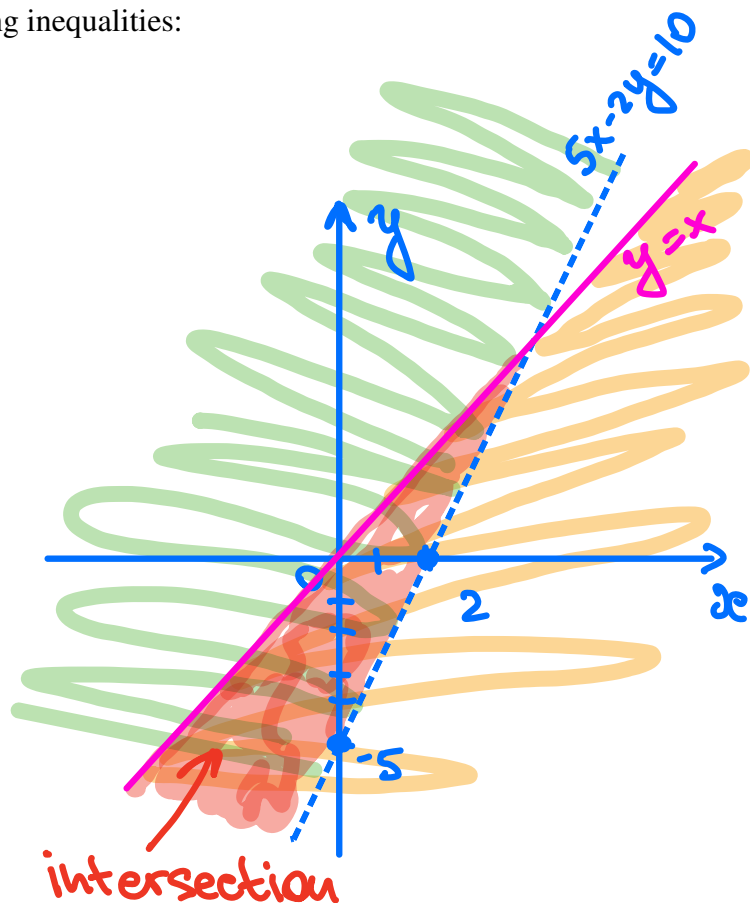
- $5x - 2y < 10$  and  $y \leq x$ .
- $x + y < 4$  or  $x \geq 4$ .

(a)  $5x - 2y < 10$  "and"  $y \leq x$   
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 intersection

•  $5x - 2y = 10$

x	y
0	-5
2	0

•  $y \leq x$   
 $y = x$

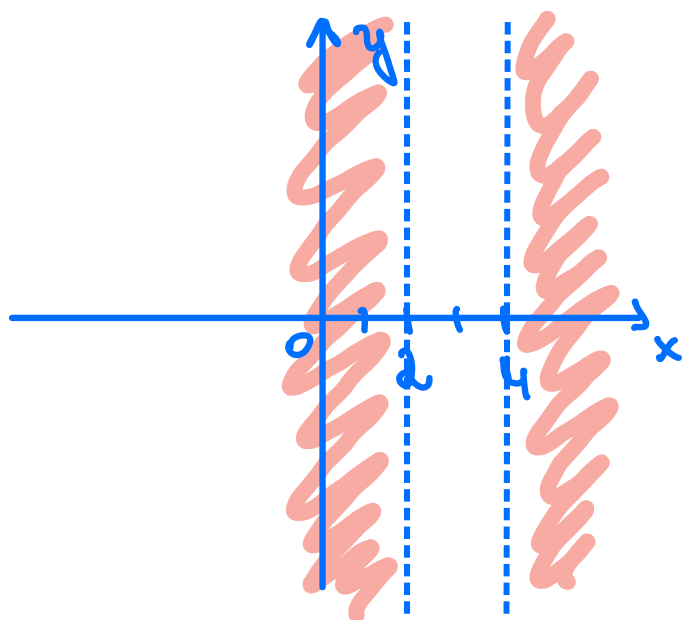


3. Graph the solution set in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that satisfies the joint conditions  $|x - 3| > 1$  and  $|y - 2| \leq 3$ .

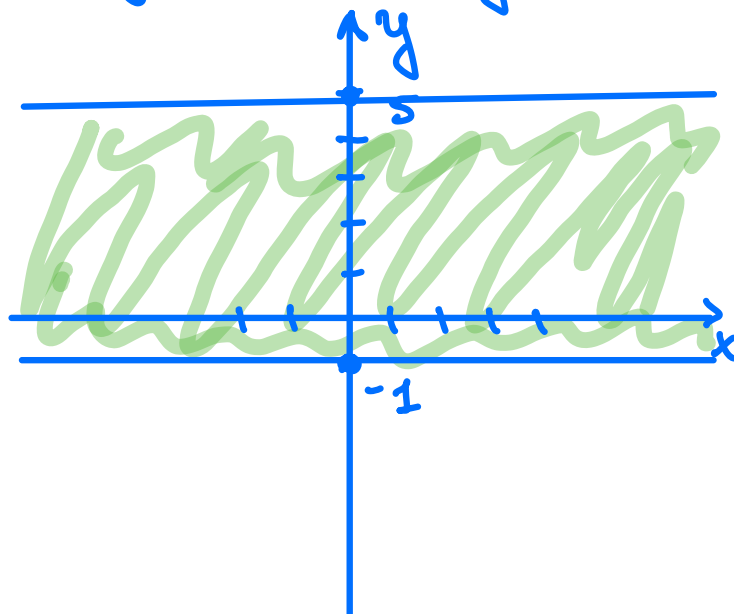
$|x - 3| > 1$  and  $|y - 2| \leq 3$

$x - 3 > 1$  or  $x - 3 < -1$

$x > 4$  or  $x < 2$



$y - 2 \leq 3$  and  $y - 2 \geq -3$   
 $y \leq 5$  and  $y \geq -1$



Now we need to sketch the intersection of the two above pictures.

