

## Ch-4 Linear Equations in 2 Variables

1. An equation of the form  $ax + by + c = 0$ , where  $a, b, c$  are real numbers,  $a \neq 0, b \neq 0$  and  $x, y$  are variables is called a linear equation in two variable.
2. Any pair of values of  $x$  and  $y$ , which satisfies the equation  $ax + by + c = 0$ , where  $a, b, c$  are non-zero real numbers, is called a solution of the equation.
3. A linear equation in two variables has infinitely many solutions.
4. Every point on the graph of a linear equation in two variables is a solution of the equation.
5. Geometric representation of  $ax + c = 0$  as an equation
  - a. in one variable is  $x = -\frac{c}{a}$ .
  - b. in two variable is  $a.x + 0.y = -c$ .
6. If  $a \neq 0, c \neq 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then the equation  $ax + by + c = 0$  reduces to  $ax + c = 0$  or  $x = -\frac{c}{a}$ . The graph is a straight line, parallel to  $y$ -axis and passing through the point  $\left(-\frac{c}{a}, 0\right)$ .
7. If  $b \neq 0, c \neq 0$  and  $a = 0$ , then the equation  $ax + by + c = 0$  reduces to  $by + c = 0$  or  $y = -\frac{c}{b}$ . The graph is a straight line parallel to  $x$ -axis and passing through the point  $\left(0, -\frac{c}{b}\right)$ .
8. If  $b = 0, c = 0$  and  $a \neq 0$ , then the equation  $ax + by + c = 0$  reduces to  $ax = 0$  i.e.,  $x = 0$ , the graph of  $y$ -axis itself.
9. If  $a = 0, c = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , then the equation  $ax + by + c = 0$  reduces to  $by = 0$  i.e.,  $y = 0$ , the graph is  $x$ -axis itself.
10. If  $c = 0$ , then the equation  $ax + by + c = 0$  reduces to  $ax + by = 0$ . The graph is a line passing through origin.