

AIM: HOW DO WE WRITE THE EQUATIONS OF PERPENDICULAR BISECTORS?

Do Now: For each set of coordinates, find the coordinates of the midpoint of the segment joining the two using the midpoint formula.

$$MIDPOINT = \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$$

$x_1 y_1$ $x_2 y_2$
 (a) $(-5, 7)$ and $(9, 15)$

$$\left(\frac{-5+9}{2}, \frac{7+15}{2} \right)$$

$$\boxed{(2, 11)}$$

$x_1 y_1$ $x_2 y_2$
 (b) $(-8, 12)$ and $(5, 4)$

$$\left(\frac{-8+5}{2}, \frac{12+4}{2} \right)$$

$$\boxed{(-1.5, 8)}$$

Determine the Equation of a Perpendicular Bisector		
Step 1: Slope Formula Then find \perp slope	Step 2: Midpoint Formula	Step 3: Write Equation of Line Using \perp slope and midpoint
$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$	$\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$	$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

Example 2: What is the equation of a perpendicular bisector to \overline{AB} where $A(-1, -3)$ and $B(3, 7)$?

STEP 1: $\frac{7 - (-3)}{3 - (-1)} = \frac{10}{4} = \frac{5}{2}$

$\perp m = -2/5$

STEP 2: $\left(\frac{-1+3}{2}, \frac{-3+7}{2} \right) = \left(\frac{2}{2}, \frac{4}{2} \right) = (1, 2)$

STEP 3: $y - 2 = -\frac{2}{5}(x - 1)$

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Example 3: What is the equation of a perpendicular bisector to \overline{AB} where $A(2,8)$ and $B(-1,0)$.

STEP 1: $\frac{0-8}{-1-2} = \frac{-8}{-3} = \frac{8}{3}$ $\perp m = \frac{-3}{8}$

STEP 2: $\left(\frac{2+(-1)}{2}, \frac{8+0}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}, 4\right)$
 x_1 y_1

STEP 3: $y - 4 = \frac{-3}{8}\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)$

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Example 4: In rhombus $NOYA$, the coordinates of the endpoints of the diagonal \overline{NY} are $N(-11,5)$ and $Y(5,-7)$. Write an equation of the diagonal \overline{OA} that is the perpendicular bisector of \overline{NY} .

STEP 1: $\frac{-7-5}{5-(-11)} = \frac{-12}{16} = \frac{-3}{4}$ $\perp m = \frac{4}{3}$

STEP 2: $\left(\frac{-11+5}{2}, \frac{5+(-7)}{2}\right) = (-3, -1)$
 x_1 y_1

STEP 3: $y - (-1) = \frac{4}{3}(x - (-3))$

$$y + 1 = \frac{4}{3}(x + 3)$$

Practice NYTS (Now You Try Some!)

2. In rhombus $GEOM$, the coordinates of the endpoints of diagonal \overline{GO} are $G(2, -2)$ and $O(-4, 2)$. Write an equation of the line that contains diagonal \overline{EM} , the perpendicular bisector of \overline{GO} .

STEP 1: $\frac{2 - (-2)}{-4 - 2} = \frac{4}{-6} = -\frac{2}{3}$ $\perp m = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$

STEP 2: $\left(\frac{2 + (-2)}{2}, \frac{-4 + 2}{2}\right) = (0, -1)$
 x_1, y_1

STEP 3: $y - (-1) = \frac{3}{2}(x - 0)$

$y + 1 = \frac{3}{2}x$ or $y = \frac{3}{2}x - 1$

2. If \overline{AB} is defined by the endpoints $A(0, -1)$ and $B(8, 10)$, write an equation of the line that is the perpendicular bisector of \overline{AB} .

STEP 1: $\frac{10 - (-1)}{8 - 0} = \frac{11}{8}$ $\perp m = -\frac{8}{11}$

STEP 2: $\left(\frac{0 + 8}{2}, \frac{-1 + 10}{2}\right) = (4, \frac{9}{2})$
 x_1, y_1

STEP 3: $y - \frac{9}{2} = -\frac{8}{11}(x - 4)$

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LESSON 4 HOMEWORK

1. In rhombus *MATH*, the coordinates of the endpoints of diagonal \overline{MT} are $M(-1, 1)$ and $T(7, -5)$. Write an equation of the line that contains diagonal \overline{AH} , the perpendicular bisector of \overline{MT} .

STEP 1: $\frac{-5-1}{7-(-1)} = \frac{-6}{8} = \frac{-3}{4}$ $\perp m = \frac{4}{3}$

STEP 2: $(\frac{-1+7}{2}, \frac{1+(-5)}{2}) = (\frac{6}{2}, \frac{-4}{2}) = (3, -2)$

STEP 3: $y - (-2) = \frac{4}{3}(x-3)$
 $y + 2 = \frac{4}{3}(x-3)$

2. If \overline{AB} is defined by the endpoints $A(-3, 0)$ and $B(4, 10)$, write an equation of the line that is the perpendicular bisector of \overline{AB} .

STEP 1: $\frac{10-0}{4-(-3)} = \frac{10}{7}$ $\perp m = \frac{-7}{10}$

STEP 2: $(\frac{-3+4}{2}, \frac{0+10}{2}) = (\frac{1}{2}, 5)$

STEP 3: $y - 5 = \frac{-7}{10}(x - \frac{1}{2})$

3. Find an equation of the line passing through the point $(6, 5)$ and parallel to the line whose equation is $2y + 3x = 6$.

$y - 5 = \frac{-3}{2}(x - 6)$

$x, y,$

$\frac{2y}{2} = \frac{-3x + 6}{2}$

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

$m = -3/2$

$\parallel m = -3/2$