

Discovering Properties of Slope

1. Enter the equation $y = 2x$ in your graphing calculator.

Create a graph of this line in a Zoom 4:Decimal Window. Record the graph at the right.



Create a table that begins at $x = 0$ and increases by 1. Record the table at the right. Describe what you notice about the change in the x values?

What do you notice about the change in the y values?

What is the ratio of the change of y to the change in x?

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X=0

Create a table that begins at x and increases by 2. Record the table at the right. Describe what you notice about the change in the x values?

What do you notice about the change in the y values?

What is the ratio of the change of y to the change in x?

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X=0

Create a table that begins at x and increases by 3. Record the table at the right. Describe what you notice about the change in the x values?

What do you notice about the change in the y values?

What is the ratio of the change of y to the change in x?

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X=0

Create a table that begins at x and increases by 0.5. Record the table at the right. Describe what you notice about the change in the x values?

What do you notice about the change in the y values?

What is the ratio of the change of y to the change in x?

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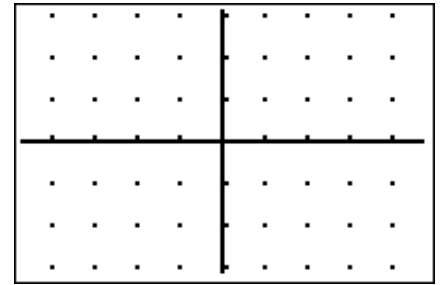
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Try creating a different table by change the ΔTBL . Calculate the change in y and the change in x for each table. What do you notice?

How is the ratio related to the equation you entered in the calculator?

2. Enter the equation $y = 3x$ in your graphing calculator.

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3. Enter the equation $Y = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)X$ in your graphing calculator.

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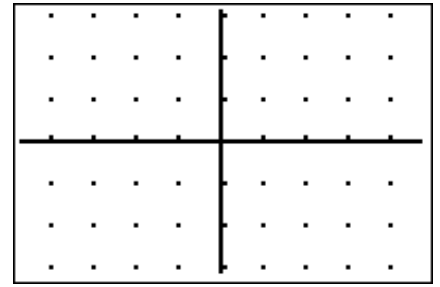
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4. Enter the equation $y = -\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)x$ in your graphing calculator.

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