

18 Function Example

The average daily income of a physical therapist can be modeled by the function

$$f(c) = 25c - 18$$



where c is the number of daily customers.

Assume that no more than 10 customers can be seen in one day. Determine a reasonable domain and range for $f(c)$ and calculate $f(8)$.

Domain: What values make sense for c (# customers)?

$$0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 10$$

$$0 \leq c \leq 10$$

$c = \text{whole } \#$

Range: What values make sense for $f(c)$ (income)?

$$f(c) \geq -18$$

$$f(c) \leq 232$$

$$f(8) = 25(8) - 18$$

$$-18 \leq f(c) \leq 232$$

$$= 200 - 18$$

$$= 182$$

If they had 8 customers,
income is \$182.

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Slope

Slope (m): (x_1, y_1) (x_2, y_2)

Rise or $\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$ or $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$

Run

vertical change
horizontal change

Example:

(x_1, y_1) (x_2, y_2)
 $(8, 3)$ $(-2, 7)$

$m = \frac{7-3}{-2-8} = \frac{4}{-10} = -\frac{2}{5}$

delta means "change in"

KEY CONCEPT *For Your Notebook*

Classification of Lines by Slope

The slope of a line indicates whether the line rises from left to right, falls from left to right, is horizontal, or is vertical.

Positive slope
Rises from left to right

Negative slope
Falls from left to right

Zero slope
Horizontal

Undefined slope
Vertical

Handwritten notes: For the zero slope graph, points (1, 2) and (4, 2) are marked with a slope calculation $m = \frac{2-2}{4-1} = \frac{0}{3}$. For the undefined slope graph, points (2, 3) and (-2, 1) are marked with a slope calculation $m = \frac{3-1}{-2-2} = \frac{2}{-4} = -\frac{1}{2}$.

KEY CONCEPT *For Your Notebook*

Slopes of Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

Consider two different nonvertical lines ℓ_1 and ℓ_2 with slopes m_1 and m_2 .

Parallel Lines The lines are parallel if and only if they have the same slope.

$m_1 = m_2$

Perpendicular Lines The lines are perpendicular if and only if their slopes are **negative reciprocals** of each other.

$m_1 = -\frac{1}{m_2}$, or $m_1 m_2 = -1$

Handwritten notes:

Suppose $m_1 = \frac{2}{5}$ then $m_2 = -\frac{5}{2}$

$m_1 = -4$ then $m_2 = \frac{1}{4}$ ($m_1 \cdot m_2 = -4 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = -1$)