## Geometry Notes CG-1: Slope

Slope $=$


Ex: Find the slope of the line through the points $(-3,2)$ and $(3,-1)$.

Four cases:
1.
2.
3.
4.

Ex: Find the slope of $\overline{P Q}$ if $P(a, a+b)$ and $Q(5 a, b-2 a)$

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1. Find the slope of each side of quadrilateral $A B C D$ shown in the figure at right.

2. Find the slope of the line segment joining each pair of points.
a. $(-23,39)$ and $(58,-15)$
b. $(a, 3 a-b)$ and $(a+2 b, 3 a-5 b)$
3. Find the value of $x$ so that the line passing through the points $(3,-2)$ and $(x, 6)$ will have an undefined slope.
4. Find the value of $k$ so that the line passing through $(3,-2)$ and $(3 k+5, k-6)$ will have a slope of $3 / 2$.
5. Find two values of $a$ so that the line passing through $(a, 10)$ and $\left(7, a^{2}-3 a\right)$ will have a slope of 0 .
6. Determine if the three points $R(-7,-5), S(5,2)$ and $T(12,6)$ are collinear. Justify your answer. (Think: If all three are on the same line, what must be true about the slopes of $\overline{R S}$ and $\overline{S T}$ ?)
7. Find the value of $x$ that will make the points $J(-4,15), K(x, 10)$ and $L(14,3)$ collinear.
8. A ladder 15 feet long leans against a vertical wall. The top of the ladder is 12 feet above the level ground. What is the slope of the ladder (assume it's positive)?
9. Tommy Hawk is building a skateboard ramp. He wants it to have a slope of $2 / 7$ and a vertical rise (height) of 5 feet.
a. What horizontal distance will the ramp cover?

b. How long will the actual ramp be?
10. A certain roof has a pitch (a builder's word for slope) of $5 / 12$ on each side. The entire roof is to be 32 feet wide. How high will the ridge line be above the attic floor?

