

Shade the Overlap

Graph systems of linear inequalities and find the shared region.

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FIND THE SHARED REGION

Graph each boundary line first. Use a solid line for $\leq$ or $\geq$ because points on the line count, and use a dashed line for $<$ or $>$ because points on the line do not count. Shade the side that makes each inequality true, then keep only the overlap.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Graph the system: $y \leq 5x + 17$ and $y > -4x - 23$.

1. Draw $y = 5x + 17$ as a solid boundary line.
2. Draw $y = -4x - 23$ as a dashed boundary line.
3. Shade below the solid line.
4. Shade above the dashed line. Keep the overlapping region.

Answer: The solution is the region below or on $y = 5x + 17$ and above $y = -4x - 23$. The solid boundary is included, and the dashed boundary is not included.

PRACTICE 6 problems

- 1** Graph the system: $y \geq x - 6$ and $y < -2x + 10$.

ANSWER _____

- 2** Graph the system: $x > -7$ and $y \leq 12$.

ANSWER _____

- 3** Graph the system: $2x + 3y \geq 18$ and $x - y < 6$.

ANSWER _____

- 4** Graph the system: $x + y \geq 1$ and $x - y \leq 8$.

ANSWER _____

- 5** Graph the system: $y > -3x + 14$ and $y \leq x + 1$.

ANSWER _____

- 6** Graph the system: $x \leq 6$, $y \geq -1$, and $x + y < 8$.

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

1

A student design club plans an apparel order. Let x be the number of hoodies and y be the number of T-shirts. The club needs at least 18 items. Each hoodie uses 3 printing hours and each T-shirt uses 1 printing hour, and the order can use at most 42 printing hours. Graph all possible nonnegative orders.

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

2

An esports club schedules x practice drills and y scrimmages for a training week. A drill lasts 1 hour, and a scrimmage lasts 2 hours. The club wants at least 15 total sessions and has at most 27 hours available. Graph all possible nonnegative schedules.

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

Graph the system: $x + y \leq 15$, $2x + y > 12$, $x \geq 1$, and $y \geq 0$. Then list every corner point of the boundary and state whether it is included.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	Graph the system: $y \geq x - 6$ and $y < -2x + 10$.	Draw $y = x - 6$ as a solid line and shade above it. Draw $y = -2x + 10$ as a dashed line and shade below it. The overlap is the solution; the boundary lines meet at $(16/3, -2/3)$, which is not included.
2	Graph the system: $x > -7$ and $y \leq 12$.	Draw $x = -7$ as a dashed vertical line and $y = 12$ as a solid horizontal line. Shade to the right of $x = -7$ and at or below $y = 12$.
3	Graph the system: $2x + 3y \geq 18$ and $x - y < 6$.	Draw $y = -2/3x + 6$ as a solid line and shade above it. Draw $y = x - 6$ as a dashed line and shade above it. The overlap above both lines is the solution.
4	Graph the system: $x + y \geq 1$ and $x - y \leq 8$.	Draw $y = 1 - x$ as a solid line and shade above it. Draw $y = x - 8$ as a solid line and shade above it. The overlap above both solid lines is the solution.
5	Graph the system: $y > -3x + 14$ and $y \leq x + 1$.	Draw $y = -3x + 14$ as a dashed line and shade above it. Draw $y = x + 1$ as a solid line and shade below it. The overlap is the solution.
6	Graph the system: $x \leq 6$, $y \geq -1$, and $x + y < 8$.	Draw $x = 6$ as a solid vertical line, $y = -1$ as a solid horizontal line, and $y = 8 - x$ as a dashed line. Shade left of $x = 6$, above $y = -1$, and below $y = 8 - x$.

PART 2 • APPLY IT

- $x + y \geq 18$, $3x + y \leq 42$, $x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$. Graph all boundaries as solid lines and shade the first-quadrant overlap. The feasible region has vertices $(0, 18)$, $(0, 42)$, and $(12, 6)$. Translate "at least" to $x + y \geq 18$ and "at most" to $3x + y \leq 42$. Restrict the graph to nonnegative values because item counts cannot be negative.
- $x + y \geq 15$, $x + 2y \leq 27$, $x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$. Graph all boundaries as solid lines and shade the first-quadrant overlap. The feasible region has vertices $(15, 0)$, $(27, 0)$, and $(3, 12)$. Use $x + y \geq 15$ for the session goal and $x + 2y \leq 27$ for the time limit. The solution is the overlap in the first quadrant.

CHALLENGE

Use solid boundaries $x + y = 15$, $x = 1$, and $y = 0$. Use a dashed boundary $2x + y = 12$. Shade below $x + y = 15$, above $2x + y = 12$, right of $x = 1$, and above $y = 0$. The boundary corner points are $(1, 10)$, excluded; $(1, 14)$, included; $(15, 0)$, included; and $(6, 0)$, excluded.

Accept equivalent forms of each inequality and any graph with the correct overlapping region. Check that $\leq$ and $\geq$ boundaries are solid, while $<$ and $>$ boundaries are dashed.