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Dilations and Parallel Lines - Step-by-Step Lesson

Line ℓ has the equation y = -2x + 2.

Write the equation of the image of l after dilation with a scale factor of 4, centered at the origin.

Write your answer in slope-intercept form.



Start with the y-intercept. Since the equation of l in slope-intercept form is y = $-2 \times + 2$, the y-intercept is (0,2).

Next, since the slope of l is -2, which can be written as -2/1, move down 2 and right 1 from (0,2) to find a second point on l (1, 0).

So the points (0,2) and (1,-2) lie on ℓ ', apply the dilation (x, y) = (4x, 4y).

$$(0, 2) = (0, 8)$$

$$(1, 0) = (4, 0)$$

Next, use the slope formula to find the slope of ℓ '

slope of
$$\ell' \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$
 Slope formula

$$= \frac{0 - 8}{4 - 0} \quad \text{Plug in } y_2 = 0, y_1 = 8, x_2 = 4, \text{ and } x_1 = 0$$

$$= \frac{-8}{4} \qquad \text{Subtract}$$

$$= -4 \qquad \text{simplify}$$

Finally, since ℓ' has a slope of -2 and a y-intercept of 8, the equation of ℓ' in slope –intercept from is y=-2x+8

