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## Exploration: Slope

Part I. Launch the Calculating Slope applet

1. Check the following checkboxes

- Options
- Ordered pairs (A\&B)
- Slope Triangle

2. Move points $A$ and $B$ so $\mathbf{A}=(\mathbf{1 , 2})$ and $\mathbf{B}=(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{4})$

3. Look at the Sample Line provided when Point $\mathbf{A}$ is at $(\mathbf{1 , 2})$ and Point $\mathbf{B}$ is $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{4})$. Click on the Slope calculation checkbox.
A. What is the value of the slope?
Slope $=$ $\qquad$
B. Refer to the slope calculation in the applet. How was the slope calculated from the two points?
4. Click on the Show $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$ checkbox. Explain what appears on the graph.
5. Move Point A so it is now at $\mathbf{( 2 , 2 )}$ and Point $B$ so it is now at $(\mathbf{6 , 5})$. Fill in the blanks below:

$$
\frac{\Delta \mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{\Delta x}}=\frac{\square}{\square}=\square=\square
$$

6. Move Point A so it is now at $(\mathbf{1 , 4})$ and Point $B$ so it is now at $\mathbf{( 5 , 2 )}$. Fill in the blanks below:

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\frac{\Delta \mathrm{y}}{\Delta \mathrm{x}}=\square=\square=\square
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Part II. Find the slope of the line given two points.

- Look at the points provided below. Calculate the slope without using the applet.
- Plot the points and draw the line on the grid. Label the change in y and change in x on the graph.
- Check the slope and graph using the applet.


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## Part III. Compare Slope Using Points on a Line

Without using the applet, determine which pair of points represents the line with a greater slope. Explain your reasoning. (Use the graph to support your reasoning.) Check your answer using the applet.


