Math 6a/b: Homework 13

Homework #13 is due January 20.

Equations and Graph Work

To draw a graph of an equation, chose a set of points *x* and find the corresponding *y* values. Draw the points on a graph.

Equation of a line

The line equation is usually denoted

$$y = ax + b$$

Where *b* is the intercept (value of *y* when x = 0)

Where *a* is the 'slope' (for a straight line)

$$slope = \frac{rise (change in y)}{run (change in x)}$$

(The changes in x and y are evaluated from the same pair of points.)

Distance between two points

The distance (d) between two points with coordinates (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2)

$$d=\sqrt{(x_2-x_1)^2+(y_2-y_1)^2}$$

Homework

- 1. For each of the equations below, draw a graph of a line, then draw the perpendicular line to the one you just drew going through the origin (0,0). Write the equation corresponding to the perpendicular line.
- (a) y = 2x
- (b) y = 3x
- (c) y = -x
- (d) $y = \frac{1}{2}x$

Can you determine a general rule: if the slope of a line is k, the slope of its perpendicular is ...

- 2. Draw the graphs of the following functions:
- (a) y = 2|x|
- (b) y = |x+1|

- 3. Find the distance between the following pairs of points in the plane (hint: Pythagorean Theorem)
- (a) (0,0) and (1,1)
- (b) (0,0) and (3,4)
- (c) (0,0) and (-1,2)
- (d) (2,2) and (3,3)
- (e) (2,2) and (0,6)
- 4. Sketch graphs of the following functions:

(a)
$$y = (x-1)^2 + 1$$

(b)
$$y = \frac{1}{x+2} + 1$$

(c)
$$y = \frac{1}{2-x}$$

(d)
$$y = |x|$$

(e)
$$y = \frac{x+2}{x+1}$$

(f)
$$y=|x+1|+|x-1|$$

(g)
$$y = \left| \frac{1}{x-1} + 1 \right|$$

- 6. Is it possible to draw a curve which would intersect each of the sides of a 1001-agon exactly once? The line should not go through any of the vertices of the 1001-agon.
- 7. How many ways can one write the number 1000000 as a product of 2 factors, each different from 1? What about 3 factors? (Note that factorizations which only differ in the order of factors are considered the same factorization)