

1 Consider the equation

$$3x + 6y = 18$$

in (x, y) .

a What are the intercepts of its graph?

To find the x -intercept, I set y to 0 and solve:

$$\begin{aligned} 3x + 6y &= 18; \\ 3x + 6(0) &= 18; \\ 3x &= 18; \\ x &= 6. \end{aligned}$$

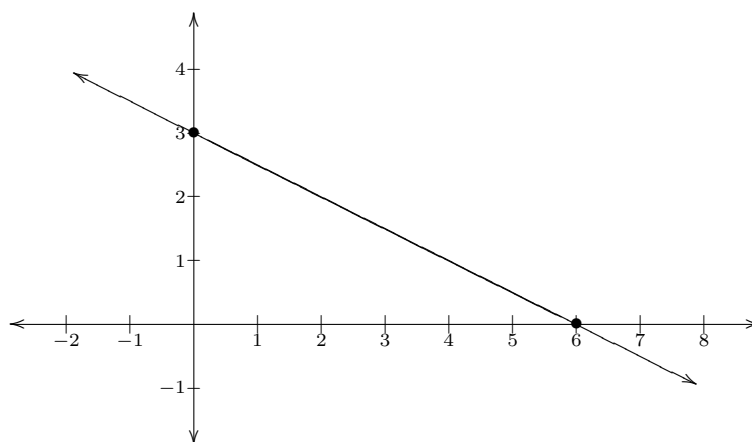
To find the y -intercept, I set x to 0 and solve:

$$\begin{aligned} 3x + 6y &= 18; \\ 3(0) + 6y &= 18; \\ 6y &= 18; \\ y &= 3. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the intercepts are

$$(6, 0), (0, 3).$$

b Graph it, showing its intercepts.



2 Consider the equation

$$2x + y = 4$$

in (x, y) .

a What is the slope of its graph?

To find the slope, I solve for y :

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + y &= 4; \\ y &= -2x + 4. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the slope is

$$-2.$$

b Graph it, showing the y -intercept and at least two other points.

The y -intercept is $(0, 4)$; from here I can move down 2 and right 1 to $(1, 2)$ and then again to $(2, 0)$, or I can move backwards to $(-1, 6)$.

