- **48.** Find the equation of the line through the point (2, -1) that
  - (a) passes through (-3, 5).
  - (b) is parallel to 2x 3y = 5.
  - (c) is perpendicular to x + 2y = 3.
  - (d) is perpendicular to the y-axis.
- **49.** Find the equation of the line passing through the intersection of the lines x + 2y = 1 and 3x + 2y = 5 that is parallel to the line 3x 2y = 4.
- **50.** A line L is perpendicular to the line 2x + 3y = 6 and passes through (-3, 1). Where does L cut the y-axis?
- 51. Find the equation of the perpendicular bisector of the line segment connecting (3, -2) and (7, 6).
- 52. The center of the circle that circumscribes a triangle is at the intersection of the perpendicular bisectors of the sides (Figure 36). Use this fact to find the center of the circle that goes through the three points (0, 8), (6, 2), and (12, 14).

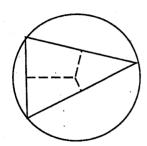


Figure 36

53. Show that the equation of the line with x-intercept a and y-intercept b (both a and b nonzero) can be written in the form

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$$

- **54.** Show that the graph of Ax + Bx + C = 0 is always a line (provided A and B are not both 0). Hint: Consider two cases: (1) B = 0 and (2)  $B \neq 0$ .
- 55. A line passes through (3, 2) and its nonzero y-intercept is twice its x-intercept. Find the equation of the line.
- **56.** For each k, the equation 2x y + 4 + k(x + 3y 6) = 0 represents a line (why?). One value of k determines a line with slope  $\frac{3}{4}$ . Where does this line cut the y-axis?

- 57. The ABC Company makes zeebos, which it sells for \$20 apiece. The material and labor to make a zeebo cost \$16 and the company has fixed yearly costs (utilities, real estate taxes, and so on) of \$8500. Write an expression for the company's profit P in a year in which it makes and sells x zeebos. What is its profit in
- a year in which it makes only 2000 zeebos?

  58. A piece of equipment purchased today for \$80,000 will depreciate linearly to a scrap value of \$2000 after
- 20 years. Write a formula for its value V after t years. 59. A house purchased on January 1, 1970 for \$60,000 appreciated linearly to a value of \$112,000 on January 1, 1990.
- (a) Write a formula for V, its value t years after purchase.
  - (b) When was the house worth \$69,100?

(a) 0 < t < 4(b)  $t \ge 4$ 

- **60.** In 1968, Heidi McGoff invested \$5000 in a savings account which yielded 5 percent simple interest for 4 years and 6 percent simple interest after that. Write a formula for A, the accumulated amount after t years if
- **61.** Find the distance between the parallel lines 12x 5y = 2 and 12x 5y = 7.
- 62. Find the formula for the distance between the lines y = mx + b and y = mx + B in terms of m, b, and B.
- 63. Show that the line through the midpoints of two sides of a triangle is parallel to the third side.
- 64. Let the three vertices of a triangle lie on a circle with two of them being the ends of a diameter. Show that the triangle is a right triangle. Hint: Place the triangle in the coordinate system so two of its vertices are (-a, 0) and (a, 0).
- 65. Find two points in the plane that are simultaneously equidistant from the lines  $y = \pm x$  and the point (5, 3).
- **66.** Using the same axes, sketch the graphs of  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and |x| + |y| = 1 and compute the area of the region between the two graphs.
- 67. A line through (4, 4) is tangent to the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$  at a point P in the fourth quadrant. Find the coordinates of P.