Exercise 24

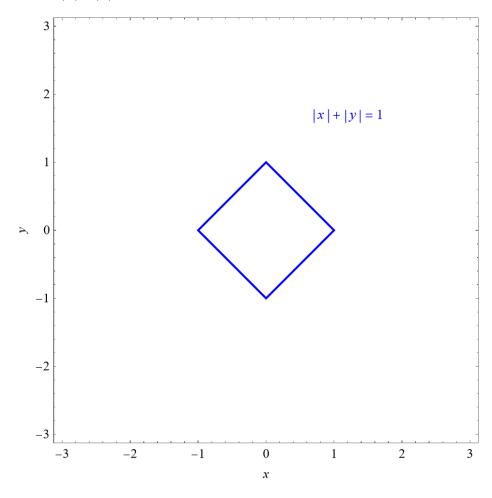
Graph the following equations and explain why they are not graphs of functions of x.

a.
$$|x| + |y| = 1$$

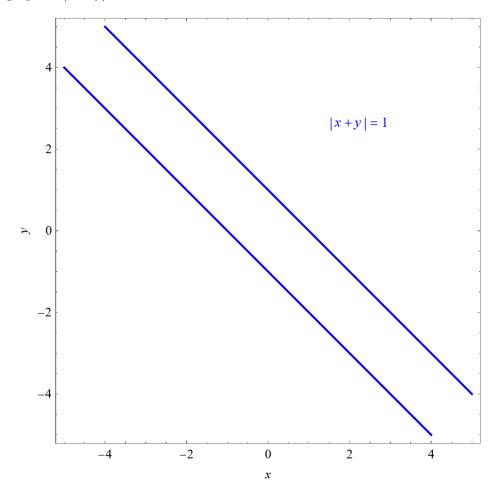
b.
$$|x+y| = 1$$

Solution

Below is a graph of |x| + |y| = 1.



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These are not functions because they fail the vertical line test; in other words, there's more than one y-value for certain values of x.