

CBSE Class 11 Mathematics

Important Questions

Chapter 11

Conic Sections

1 Marks Questions

1. Find the equation of a circle with centre (P,Q) & touching the y axis

(A) $x^2 + y^2 + 2Qy + Q^2 = 0$

(B) $x^2 + y^2 - 2px + 2Qy + Q^2 = 0$

(C) $x^2 + y^2 - 2px + 2Qy + Q^2 = 0$

(D) none of these

Ans. $x^2 + y^2 - 2px + 2Qy + Q^2 = 0$

2. Find the equations of the directrix & the axis of the parabola $\Rightarrow 3x^2 = 8y$

(A) $3y - 4 = 0, x = 0$

(B) $3x - 4 = 0, y = 0$

(C) $3y - 4x = 0$

(D) none of these

Ans. $3y - 4 = 0, x = 0$

3. Find the coordinates of the foci of the ellipse $\Rightarrow x^2 + 4y^2 = 100$

(A) $F(\pm 5\sqrt{3}, 0)$

(B) $F(\pm 3\sqrt{5}, 0)$

(C) $F(\pm 4\sqrt{5}, 0)$

(D) none of these

Ans. $F(\pm 5\sqrt{3}, 0)$

4. Find the eccentricity of the hyperbola: $3x^2 - 2y^2 = 6$

(A) $e = \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}}$ (B) $e = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$ (C) $e = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{5}$ (D) none of these

Ans. $e = \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}}$

5. Find the equation of a circle with centre (b, a) & touching x -axis?

(A) $x^2 + y^2 - 2bx + 2ay + b^2 = 0$

(B) $x^2 + y^2 + 2bx - 2ay + b^2 = 0$

(C) $x^2 + y^2 - 2bx - 2ay + b^2 = 0$

(D) none of these

Ans. $x^2 + y^2 - 2bx - 2ay + b^2 = 0$

6. Find the lengths of axes of $3x^2 - 2y^2 = 6$?

(A) $2\sqrt{2}$ & $2\sqrt{5}$ units

(B) $2\sqrt{2}$ & $2\sqrt{3}$ units

(C) $2\sqrt{5}$ & $2\sqrt{2}$ units

(D) none of these

Ans. $2\sqrt{2}$ Units & $2\sqrt{3}$ units

7. Find the length of the latus rectum of $3x^2 + 2y^2 = 18$?

(A) 2 units (B) 3 units (C) 4 units (D) none of these

Ans. 4 units

8. Find the length of the latus rectum of the parabola $3y^2 = 8x$

(A) $\frac{4}{3}$ units (B) $\frac{8}{3}$ units (C) $\frac{2}{3}$ units (D) none of these

Ans. $\frac{8}{3}$ units

9. The equation $x^2 + y^2 - 12x + 8y - 72 = 0$ represent a circle find its centre

(A) $(-6, -4)$ (B) $(6, -4)$ (C) $(6, 4)$ (D) $(-6, 4)$

Ans. $(6, -4)$

10. Find the equation of the parabola with focus $F(4, 0)$ & directrix $x = -4$

(A) $y^2 = 32x$ (B) $y^2 = -16x$ (C) $y^2 = 8x$ (D) $y^2 = 16x$

Ans. $y^2 = 16x$

11. Find the coordinates of the foci of $\frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$

(A) $F_1(2, 0)$ & $F_2(-2, 0)$

(B) $F_1(-2, 0)$ & $F_2(2, 0)$

(C) $F_1(-2, 0)$ & $F_2(-2, 0)$

(D) none of these

Ans. $F_1(-2, 0)$ & $F_2(2, 0)$

12. Find the coordinates of the vertices of $x^2 - y^2 = 1$

(A) $A(-1, 0), B(-1, 0)$

(B) $A(-1, 0), B(1, 0)$

(C) $A(1, 0), B(-1, 0)$

(D) none of these

Ans. $A(-1, 0), B(1, 0)$

13. Find the coordinates of the vertices of $x^2 - y^2 = 1$

(A) $A(-1, 0)$ & $B(5, 0)$

(B) $A(-5, 0)$ & $B(-1, 0)$

(C) $A(-1, 0)$ & $B(-5, 0)$

(D) none of these

Ans. $A(-1, 0)$ & $B(5, 0)$

14. Find the eccentricity of ellipse $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 1$

(A) $e = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}$ (B) $e = \frac{-\sqrt{5}}{3}$ (C) $e = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5}$ (D) $e = \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}}$

Ans. $e = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}$

15. Find the length of the latus rectum of $9x^2 + y^2 = 36$

(A) $\frac{1}{3}$ units (B) $\frac{1}{5}$ units (C) $1\frac{1}{3}$ units (D) $\frac{1}{6}$ units

Ans. $1\frac{1}{3}$ units

16. Find the length of minor axis of $x^2 + 4y^2 = 100$

(A) 10 units (B) 12 units (C) 14 units (D) 8 units

Ans. 10 units

17. Find the centre of the circles $x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 2$

(A) (1, 0) (B) (0, 1) (C) (1, 2) (D) None of these

Ans. (0, 1)

18. Find the radius of circles $x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 2$

(A) $\sqrt{2}$ (B) 2 (C) $2\sqrt{2}$ (D) None of these

Ans. $\sqrt{2}$

19. Find the length of latus rectum of $x^2 = -22y$

(A) 11 (B) -22 (C) 22 (D) None of these

Ans. 22

20. Find the length of latus rectum of $25x^2 + 4y^2 = 100$

(A) $\frac{3}{5}$ units (B) $\frac{1}{5}$ units (C) $\frac{8}{5}$ units (D) None of these

Ans. $\frac{8}{5}$ Units

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4 Marks Questions

1. Show that the equation $x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 4y - 36 = 0$ represent a circle, also find its centre & radius?

Ans. This is of the form $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$,

where $2g = -6, 2f = 4$ & $c = -36$

$\therefore g = -3, f = 2$ & $c = -36$

So, centre of the circle $= (-g, -f) = (3, -2)$

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Radius of the circle $= \sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c} = \sqrt{9 + 4 + 36}$

$= 7$ units

2. Find the equation of an ellipse whose foci are $(\pm 8, 0)$ & the eccentricity is $\frac{1}{4}$?

Ans. Let the required equation of the ellipse be $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, where $a^2 > b^2$

let the foci be $(\pm c, 0), c = 8$

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$$e = \frac{c}{a} \Leftrightarrow a = \frac{c}{e} = \frac{8}{\frac{1}{4}} = 32$$

$$\text{Now } c^2 = a^2 - b^2 \Leftrightarrow b^2 = a^2 - c^2 = 1024 - 64 = 960$$

$$\therefore a^2 = 1024 \quad \& \quad b^2 = 960$$

$$\text{Hence equation is } \frac{x^2}{1024} + \frac{y^2}{960} = 1$$

3. Find the equation of an ellipse whose vertices are $(0, \pm 10)$ & $e = \frac{4}{5}$

$$\text{Ans. Let equation be } \frac{x^2}{b^2} + \frac{y^2}{a^2} = 1$$

$$\& \text{ its vertices are } (0, \pm a) \quad \& \quad a = 10$$

$$\text{Let } c^2 = a^2 - b^2$$

$$\text{Then } e = \frac{c}{a} \Rightarrow c = ae = 10 \times \frac{4}{5} = 8$$

$$\text{Now } c^2 = a^2 - b^2 \Leftrightarrow b^2 = (a^2 - c^2) = 100 - 64 = 36$$

$$\therefore a^2 = (10)^2 = 100 \quad \& \quad b^2 = 36$$

$$\text{Hence the equation is } \frac{x^2}{36} + \frac{y^2}{100} = 1$$

4. Find the equation of hyperbola whose length of latus rectum is 36 & foci are $(0, \pm 12)$

$$\text{Ans. Clearly } C = 12$$

$$\text{Length of cat us rectum} = 36 \Leftrightarrow \frac{2b^2}{a} = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 18a$$

$$\text{Now } c^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Leftrightarrow a^2 = c^2 - b^2 = 144 - 18a$$

$$a^2 + 18a - 144 = 0$$

$$(a + 24)(a - 6) = 0 \Leftrightarrow a = 6 \quad [\because a \text{ is non negative}]$$

$$\text{This } a^2 = 6^2 = 36 \quad \& \quad b^2 = 108$$

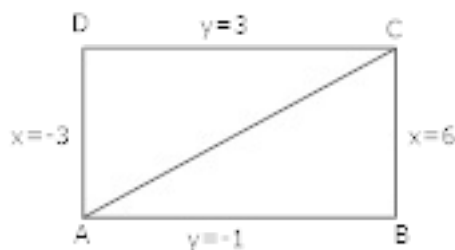
$$\text{Hence, } \frac{x^2}{36} + \frac{y^2}{108} = 1$$

5. Find the equation of a circle drawn on the diagonal of the rectangle as its diameter, whose sides are $x = 6$, $x = -3$, $y = 3$ & $y = -1$

Ans. Let ABCD be the given rectangle &

$$AD = x = -3, BC = x = 6, AB = y = -1 \quad \& \quad CD = y = 3$$

$$\text{Then } A(-3, -1) \quad \& \quad C(6, 3)$$



So the equation of the circle with AC as diameter is given as

$$(x + 3)(x - 6) + (y + 1)(y - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 3x - 2y - 21 = 0$$

6. Find the coordinates of the focus & vertex, the equations of the diretrix & the axis &

length of latus rectum of the parabola $x = -8y$

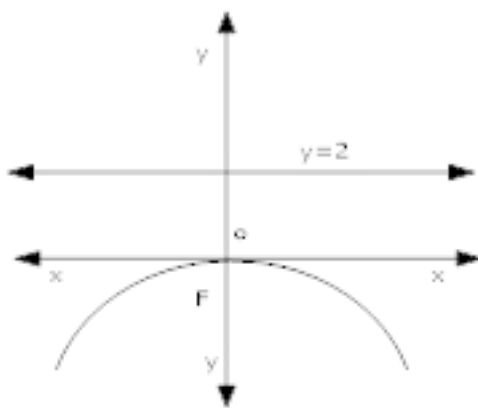
Ans. $x^2 = -8y$

& $x^2 = -4ay$

So, $4a = 8 \Leftrightarrow a = 2$

So it is case of downward parabola

o, foci is $F(0, -a)$ i.e. $F(0, -2)$



Its vertex is $O(0,0)$

So, $y = a = 2$

Its axis is y – axis, whose equation is $x = 0$ length of latus rectum

$= 4a = 4 \times 2 = 8$ units.

7. Show that the equation $6x^2 + 6y^2 + 24x - 36y - 18 = 0$ represents a circle. Also find its centre & radius.

Ans. $6x^2 + 6y^2 + 24x - 36y + 18 = 0$

So $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 6y + 3 = 0$

Where, $2g = 4, 2f = -6$ & $C = 3$

$$\therefore g = 2, f = -3 \text{ \& } C = 3$$

Hence, centre of circle $= (-g, -f) = (-2, 3)$

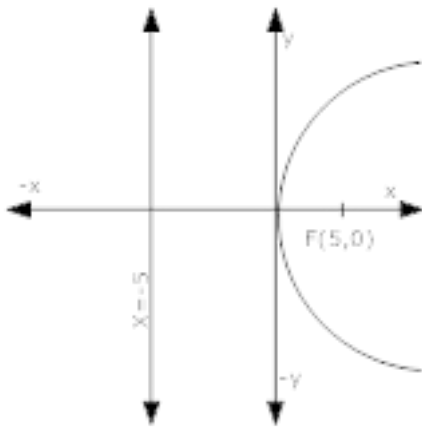
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$$\text{Radius of circle} = \sqrt{4 + 9 + 9} = \sqrt{20}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{5} \text{ units}$$

8. Find the equation of the parabola with focus at $F(5, 0)$ & directrix is $x = -5$

Ans. Focus $F(5, 0)$ lies to the right hand side of the origin



So, it is right hand parabola.

Let the required equation be

$$y^2 = 4ax \text{ \& } a = 5$$

$$\text{So, } y^2 = 20x$$

9. Find the equation of the hyperbola with centre at the origin, length of the transverse axis 18 & one focus at $(0, 4)$

$$\text{Ans. Let its equation be } \frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$$

Clearly, $C = 4$.

length of the transverse axis $= 8 \Leftrightarrow 2a = 18$

$$a = 9$$

Also, $C^2 = (a^2 + b^2)$

$$b^2 = c^2 - a^2 = 16 - 81 = -65$$

So, $a^2 = 81$ & $b^2 = -65$

So, equation is $\frac{y^2}{81} + \frac{x^2}{65} = 1$

10. Find the equation of an ellipse whose vertices are $(0, \pm 13)$ & the foci are $(0, \pm 5)$

Ans. Let the equation be $\frac{x^2}{b^2} + \frac{y^2}{a^2} = 1$

& $a = 13$

Let its foci be $(0, \pm c)$, then $c = 5$

$$\therefore b^2 = a^2 - c^2 = 169 - 25 = 144$$

So, $a^2 = 169$ & $b^2 = 144$

So, equation be $\frac{x^2}{144} + \frac{y^2}{169} = 1$

11. Find the equation of the ellipse whose foci are $(0, \pm 3)$ & length of whose major axis is 10

Ans. Let the required equation be $\frac{x^2}{b^2} + \frac{y^2}{a^2} = 1$

Let $c^2 = a^2 - b^2$

Its foci are $(0, \pm c)$ & $c = 3$

Also, a = length of the semi- major axis $= \frac{1}{2} \times 10 = 5$

Now, $c^2 = a^2 - b^2 \Rightarrow b^2 = a^2 - c^2 = 25 - 3 = 16$.

Then, $a^2 = 25$ & $b^2 = 16$

Hence the required equation is $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$.

12. Find the equation of the hyperbola with centre at the origin, length of the transverse axis 8 & one focus at (0,6)

Ans. Let its equation be $\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$

Clearly, $c = 6$

& length of the transverse axis $= 8 \Rightarrow 2a = 8 \Rightarrow a = 4$

Also, $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Leftrightarrow b^2 = c^2 - a^2 \Rightarrow 36 - 16 = 20$

So, $a^2 = 16$ & $b^2 = 20$

Hence, the required equation is $\frac{y^2}{16} - \frac{x^2}{20} = 1$

13. Find the equation of the hyperbola whose foci are at $(0, \pm B)$ & the length of whose conjugate axis is $2\sqrt{11}$

Ans. Let its equation be $\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$

Let its foci be $(0, \pm C)$

$$\therefore C = 8$$

Length of conjugate axis $= 2\sqrt{11}$

$$\Rightarrow 2b = 2\sqrt{11} \Rightarrow b = \sqrt{11} \Rightarrow b^2 = 11$$

$$\text{Also, } C^2 = (a^2 + b^2) = (c^2 - b^2) = 64 - 11 = 53$$

$$a^2 = 53$$

Hence, required equation is $\frac{y^2}{53} - \frac{x^2}{11} = 1$

14. Find the equation of the hyperbola whose vertices are $(0, \pm 3)$ & foci are $(0, \pm 8)$

Ans. The vertices are $(0 \pm a)$

But it is given that the vertices are (0 ± 3)

$$\therefore a = 3$$

Let its foci be $(0, \pm c)$

But it is given that the foci are $(0, \pm 8)$

$$\therefore c = 8$$

$$\text{Now } b^2 = (c^2 - a^2) = 8^2 - 3^2 = 64 - 9 = 55$$

$$\text{Then } a^2 = 3^2 = 9 \text{ \& } b^2 = 55$$

Hence the required equation is $\frac{y^2}{9} - \frac{x^2}{55} = 1$

15. Find the equation of the ellipse for which $e = \frac{4}{5}$ & whose vertices are $(0, \pm 10)$.

Ans. Its vertices are $(0, \pm a)$ & therefore $a = 10$

$$\text{Let } c^2 = (a^2 - b^2)$$

$$\text{Then, } e = \frac{c}{a} \Rightarrow c = ae = \left[10 \times \frac{4}{5} \right] = 8$$

$$\text{Now, } c^2 = (a^2 - b^2) \Rightarrow b^2 = (a^2 - c^2) = (100 - 64) = 36$$

$$\therefore a^2 = (10)^2 = 100 \text{ \& } b^2 = 36$$

$$\text{Hence the required equation is } \frac{x^2}{36} + \frac{y^2}{100} = 1$$

16. Find the equation of the ellipse, the ends of whose major axis are $(\pm 7, 0)$ & the ends of whose minor axis are $(0, \pm 2)$

Ans. Its vertices are $(\pm a, 0)$ & therefore, $a = 5$ ends of the minor axis are

$$C(0, -5) \text{ \& } D(0, 5)$$

$$\therefore CD = 25 \text{ i.e length of minor axis} = 25 \text{ units}$$

$$\therefore 2b = 25 \Rightarrow \frac{25}{2} = 12.5$$

$$\text{Now, } a = 5 \text{ \& } b = 12.5 \Rightarrow a^2 = 25 \text{ \& } b^2 = 156.25$$

$$\text{Hence, the required equation } \frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{156.25} = 1$$

16. Find the equation of the parabola with vertex at the origin & $y+5 = 0$ as its directrix. Also, find its focus

Ans. Let the vertex of the parabola be $O(0,0)$

Now $y+5=0 \Rightarrow y=-5$

Then the directrix is a line parallel

To the x axis at a distance of 5 units below the x axis so the focus is $F(0,5)$

Hence the equation of the parabola is

$$x^2 = 4ay \text{ Where } a = 5 \text{ i.e., } x^2 = 20y$$

17. Find the equation of a circle, the end points of one of whose diameters are $A(2, -3)$ & $B(-3, 5)$.

Ans. Let the end points of one of whose diameters are (x_1, y_1) & (x_2, y_2) is given by

$$(x-x_1)(x-x_2) + (y-y_1)(y-y_2) = 0$$

Hence $x_1 = 2, y_1 = -3$ & $x_2 = -3, y_2 = 5$

\therefore The required equation of the circle is

$$(x-2)(x+3) + (y+3)(y-5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + x - 2y - 21 = 0$$

18. Find the equation of ellipse whose vertices are $(0, \pm 13)$ & the foci are $(0, \pm 5)$

Ans. Let the required equation be $\frac{x^2}{b^2} + \frac{y^2}{a^2} = 1$.

Its vertices are $(0, \pm a)$ & therefore $a = 13$

Let its foci be $(0, \pm C)$ then $C = 5$

$$\therefore b^2 = a^2 - c^2 = 169 - 25 = 144$$

This $b^2 = 144$ & $a^2 = 169$

Hence, the required equation is $\frac{x^2}{144} + \frac{y^2}{169} = 1$

19. Find the equation of the hyperbola whose foci are $(\pm 5, 0)$ & the transverse axis is of length 8.

Ans. Let the required equation be $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Length of its Transverse axis = $2a$

$$\therefore 2a = 8 \Leftrightarrow a = 4 \Leftrightarrow a^2 = 16$$

Let its foci be $(\pm C, 0)$

Then $C = 5$

$$\therefore b^2 = (c^2 - a^2) = 5^2 - 4^2 = 9$$

This $a^2 = 16$ & $b^2 = 9$

Hence, the required equation is $\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

20. Find the equation of a circle, the end points of one of whose diameters are $A(-3, 2)$ & $B(5, -3)$.

Ans. Let the equation be $(x - x_1)(x - x_2) + (y - y_1)(y - y_2) = 0$

Hence $x_1 = -3, y_1 = 2$ & $x_2 = 5, y_2 = -3$

So $(x + 3)(x - 5) + (y - 2)(y + 3) = 0$

$$x^2 - 2x - 15 + y^2 + y - 6 = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 2x + y - 21 = 0$$

21.If eccentricity is $\frac{1}{5}$ & foci are $(\pm 7, 0)$ find the equation of an ellipse.

Ans. Let the required equation of the ellipse be

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

Let its foci be $(\pm C, 0)$, Then $C = 7$

Also,

$$e = \frac{c}{a} \Leftrightarrow a = \frac{c}{e} = \frac{7}{\frac{1}{5}} = 35$$

$$\text{Now } c^2 = (a^2 - b^2)$$

$$b^2 = a^2 - c^2 = (35)^2 - 49 = 1225 - 49 = 1176$$

$$\therefore a^2 = 1225 \text{ \& } b^2 = 1176$$

Hence the required equation is $\frac{x^2}{1225} + \frac{y^2}{1176} = 1$

22.Find the equation of the hyperbola where foci are $(\pm 5, 0)$ & the transverse axis is of length

Ans. Let the required equation be $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Length of its transverse axis = $2a$

$$\therefore 2a = 8 \Leftrightarrow a = \frac{8}{2} = 4$$

$$a^2 = 16$$

Let its foci be $(\pm C, 0)$

Then $C = 5$

$$\therefore b^2 = c^2 - a^2 = 25 - 16 = 9$$

Hence the required equation is $\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

23. Find the length of axes & coordinates of the vertices of the hyperbola $\frac{x^2}{49} - \frac{y^2}{64} = 1$

Ans. The equation of the given hyperbola is $\frac{x^2}{49} - \frac{y^2}{64} = 1$

Comparing the given equation with $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, we get

$$a^2 = 49 \text{ \& } b^2 = 64$$

$$\therefore C^2 = (a^2 + b^2) = 49 + 64 = 113$$

Length of transverse axis = $2a = 2 \times 7 = 14$ units

Length of conjugate axis = $2b = 2 \times 8 = 16$ units

The coordinators of the vertices are $A(-a, 0)$ & $B(a, 0)$ ie $A(-7, 0)$ & $B(7, 0)$

24. Find the lengths of axes & length of latus rectum of the hyperbola, $\frac{y^2}{9} - \frac{x^2}{16} = 1$

Ans. The given equation is $\frac{y^2}{9} - \frac{x^2}{16} = 1$ means hyperbola

Comparing the given equation with $\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$, we get

$$a^2 = 9 \quad \& \quad b^2 = 16$$

Length of transverse axis $= 2a = 2 \times 3 = 6$ units

Length of conjugate axis $= 2b = 2 \times 4 = 8$ units

The coordinates of the vertices are $A(0, -a)$ & $B(0, a)$ i.e. $A(0, -3)$ & $B(0, 3)$

25. Find the eccentricity of the hyperbola of $\frac{y^2}{9} - \frac{x^2}{16} = 1$

Ans. As in above question

$$a = 3 \quad \& \quad b = 4$$

&

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 = 9 + 16 = 25$$

So, $c = 5$

$$\text{Then } e = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{5}{3}$$

26. Find the equation of the hyperbola with centre at the origin, length of the transverse axis 6 & one focus at $(0, 4)$

Ans. Let its equation be $\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$

Clearly $c = 4$

Length of transverse axis $= 6 \Leftrightarrow 2a = 6 \Leftrightarrow a = 3$.

Also, $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Leftrightarrow b^2 = c^2 - a^2 = 4^2 - 3^2 = 16 - 9 = 7$

Then $a^2 = 3^2 = 9$ & $b^2 = 7$

Hence, the required equation is $\frac{y^2}{9} - \frac{x^2}{7} = 1$

27. Find the equation of the ellipse, the ends of whose major axis are $(\pm 3, 0)$ & at the ends of whose minor axis are $(0, \pm 4)$

Ans. Let the required equation be $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Its vertices are $(\pm a, 0)$ & $a = 3$

Ends of minor axis are $C(0, -4)$ & $D(0, 4)$

$\therefore CD = 8$ i.e length of the minor axis = 8 units

Now, $2b = 8 \Leftrightarrow b = 4$

$\therefore a = 3$ & $b = 4$

Hence the required equation is $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$

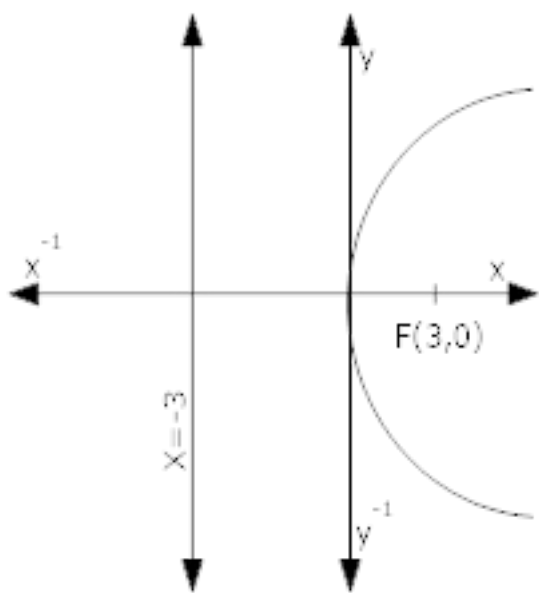
28. Find the equation of the parabola with focus at $F(4, 0)$ & directrix $x = -3$

Ans. Focus $F(4, 0)$ lies on the axis hand side of the origin so, it is a right handed parabola.

Let the required equation be $y^2 = 4ax$.

Then, $a = 4$

Hence, the required equation is $y^2 = 16x$



29.If $y = 2x$ is a chord of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 10x = 0$, find the equation of the circle with this chord as a diameter

Ans. $y = 2x$ & $x^2 + y^2 - 10x = 0$

Putting $y = 2x$ in $x^2 + y^2 - 10x = 0$ we get

$$5x^2 - 10x = 0 \Leftrightarrow 5x(x-2) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } x = 2$$

Now, $x = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$ & $x = 2 \Rightarrow y = 4$

\therefore the points of intersection of the given chord & the given circle are

$$A(0,0) \text{ & } B(2,4)$$

\therefore the required equation of the circle with AB as diameter is

$$(x-0)(x-2) + (y-0)(y-4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 4y = 0$$

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1. Find the length of major & minor axis- coordinate's of vertices & the foci, the eccentricity & length of latus rectum of the ellipse $16x^2 + y^2 = 16$

Ans. $16x^2 + y^2 = 16$

Dividing by 16,

$$x^2 + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$$

So $b^2 = 1$ & $a^2 = 16$ & $b = 1$ & $a = 4$

&

$$c = \sqrt{a^2 - b^2} = \sqrt{16 - 1}$$
$$= \sqrt{15}$$

Thus $a = 4$, $b = 1$ & $c = \sqrt{15}$

(i)Length of major axis $= 2a = 2 \times 4 = 8$ units

Length of minor axis $= 2b = 2 \times 1 = 2$ units

(ii)Coordinates of the vertices are $A(-a, 0)$ & $B(a, 0)$ i.e. $A(-4, 0)$ & $B(4, 0)$

(iii)Coordinates of foci are $F_1(-c, 0)$ & $F_2(c, 0)$ i.e. $F_1(-\sqrt{15}, 0)$ & $F_2(\sqrt{15}, 0)$

(iv) Eccentricity, $e = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{4}$

(v) Length of latus rectum $= \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$ units

2. Find the lengths of the axis , the coordinates of the vertices & the foci the eccentricity & length of the latus rectum of the hyperbola $25x^2 - 9y^2 = 225$

Ans. $25x^2 - 9y^2 = 225 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$

So, $a^2 = 9$ & $b^2 = 25$

& $c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{9 + 25} = \sqrt{34}$

(i) Length of transverse axis $= 2a = 2 \times 3 = 6$ units

Length of conjugate axis $= 2b = 2 \times 5 = 10$ units

(ii) The coordinates of vertices are $A(-a, 0)$ & $B(a, 0)$ i.e. $A(-3, 0)$ & $B(3, 0)$

(iii) The coordinates of foci are

$F_1(-c, 0)$ & $F_2(c, 0)$ i.e. $F_1(-\sqrt{34}, 0)$ & $F_2(\sqrt{34}, 0)$

(iv) Eccentricity, $e = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{34}}{3}$

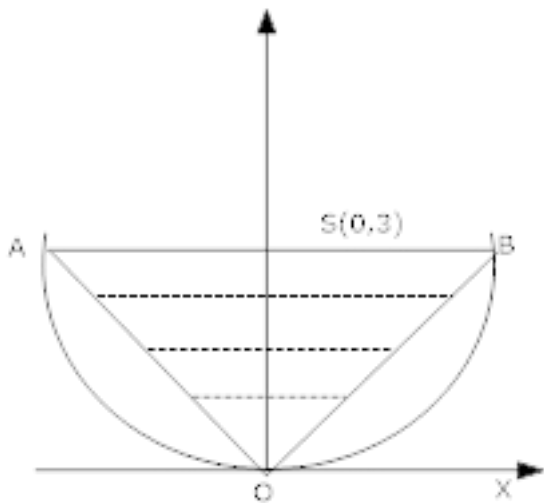
(v) Length of the latus rectum $= \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{50}{3}$ units

3. Find the area of the triangle formed by the lines joining the vertex of the parabola $x^2 = 12y$ to the ends of its latus rectum.

Ans. The vertex of the parabola $x^2 = 12y$ i.e. $O(0, 0)$.

0	0	1
6	3	1
-6	3	1

Comparing $x^2 = 12y$ with $x^2 = 4ay$, we get $a = 3$ the coordinates of its focus S are $(0, 3)$.



Clearly, the ends of its latus rectum are : $A(-2a, a)$ & $B(2a, a)$

Ie $A(-6, 3)$ & $B(6, 3)$

$$\therefore \text{area of } \triangle OBA = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [1 \times (18 + 18)]$$

$$= 18 \text{ units.}$$

4. A man running in a race course notes that the sum of the distances of the two flag posts from him is always 12 m & the distance between the flag posts is 10 m. find the equation of the path traced by the man.

Ans. We know that on ellipse is the locus of a point that moves in such a way that the sum of its distances from two fixed points (called foci) is constant.

So, the path is ellipse.

Let the equation of the ellipse be

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1,$$

where $b^2 = a^2(1 - e^2)$

Clearly, $2a = 12$ & $2ae = 10$

$$\Rightarrow a = 6 \quad \& \quad e = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = a^2(1 - e^2) = 36 \left(1 - \frac{25}{36}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 11$$

Hence, the required equation is $\frac{x^2}{36} + \frac{y^2}{11} = 1$

5. An equilateral triangle is inscribed in the parabola $y^2 = 4ax$ so that one angular point of the triangle is at the vertex of the parabola. Find the length of each side of the triangle.

Ans. Let $\triangle PQR$ be an equilateral triangle inscribed in the parabola $y^2 = 4ax$

Let $QP = QP = QR = PR = C$

Let ABC at the x - axis at M.

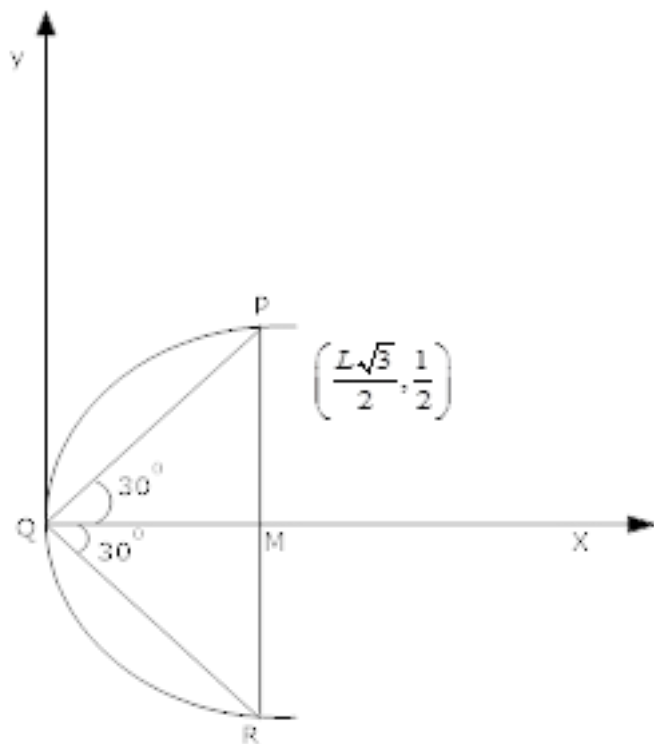
Then, $\angle \angle PQM = \angle RQWM = 30^\circ$

$$\therefore \frac{QM}{QP} = \cos 30^\circ \Rightarrow QM = C \cos 30^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{L\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{PM}{QP} = \sin 30^\circ \Rightarrow PM = \angle \sin 30^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{L}{2}$$



$$\therefore \text{the coordinates of are } \left[\frac{L\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{L}{2} \right]$$

Since P lies on the parabola $y^2 = 4ax$, we have

$$l^2 = 4a \times \frac{L\sqrt{3}}{2} \Rightarrow l = 8a\sqrt{3}$$

Hence length of each side of the triangle is $8a\sqrt{3}$ units.

6. Find the equation of the hyperbola whose foci are at $(0, \pm\sqrt{10})$ & which passes through the points $(2, 3)$

Ans. Let its equation be $\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1 \dots (i)$

Let its foci be $(0, \pm C)$

But the foci are $(0, \pm\sqrt{10})$

$$\therefore C = \sqrt{10} \Leftrightarrow C^2 = 10 \Leftrightarrow (a^2 + b^2) = 10 \dots (ii)$$

Since (i) passes through (2,3), we have $\frac{9}{a^2} - \frac{4}{b^2} = 1$

Now

$$\frac{9}{a^2} - \frac{4}{b^2} = 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{9}{a^2} - \frac{4}{(10 - a^2)} = 1 \dots (iii)$$

$$\Rightarrow 9(10 - a^2) - 4a^2 = a^2(10 - a^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 23a^2 + 90 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^2 - 18)(a^2 - 5) = 0 \Leftrightarrow a^2 = 5$$

$[\because a^2 = 18 \Rightarrow b^2 = -8, \text{ which is not possible}]$

Then $a^2 = 5$ & $b^2 = 5$

Hence, the required equation is $\frac{y^2}{5} - \frac{x^2}{5} = 1,$

i.e. $y^2 - x^2 = 5$

7. Find the equation of the curve formed by the set of all these points the sum of whose distance from the points $A(4, 0, 0)$ & $B(-4, 0, 0)$ is 10 units.

Ans. Let $P(x, y, z)$ be an arbitrary point on the given curve

Then $PA + PB = 10$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(x-4)^2 + y^2 + z^2} + \sqrt{(x+4)^2 + y^2 + z^2} = 10$$

$$= \sqrt{(x+4)^2 + y^2 + z^2} = 10 - \sqrt{(x-4)^2 + y^2 + z^2} \dots\dots(i)$$

Squaring both sides

$$\Rightarrow (x+4)^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 100 - (x-4)^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 20\sqrt{(x-4)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 16x = 100 - 20\sqrt{(x-4)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5\sqrt{(x-4)^2 + y^2 + z^2} = 25 - 4x$$

$$\Rightarrow 25[(x-4)^2 + y^2 + z^2] = 625 + 16x^2 - 200x$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x^2 + 25y^2 + 25z^2 - 225 = 0$$

Hence, the required equation of the curve is

$$9x^2 + 25y^2 + 25z^2 - 225 = 0$$

8. Find the equation of the hyperbola whose foci are at $(0, \pm\sqrt{10})$ & which passes through the point $(2, 3)$.

Ans. Let its equation be $\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1 \dots\dots(i)$

Let its foci be $(0, \pm c)$

But, the foci are $(0, \pm\sqrt{10})$

$$\therefore C = \sqrt{10} \Leftrightarrow C^2 = 10$$

$$\& a^2 + b^2 = 10 \dots\dots (ii)$$

Since (i) passes through $(2, 3)$, we have

$$\frac{9}{a^2} - \frac{4}{b^2} = 1$$

Now

$$\frac{9}{a^2} + \frac{4}{b^2} = 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{9}{a^2} - \frac{4}{(10 - a^2)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^4 - 23a^2 + 90 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^2 - 18)(a^2 - 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 5$$

Then $a^2 = 5 = b^2$

Hence, the required equation is $\frac{y^2}{5} - \frac{x^2}{5} = 1$

i.e. $y^2 - x^2 = 5$

9. Find the equation of the ellipse with centre at the origin, major axis on the y – axis & passing through the points $(3, 2)$ & $(1, 6)$

Ans. Let the required equation be $\frac{x^2}{b^2} + \frac{y^2}{a^2} = 1 \dots\dots (i)$

Since $(3, 2)$ lies on (i) we have $\frac{9}{b^2} + \frac{4}{a^2} = 1 \dots\dots (ii)$

Also, since $(1, 6)$ lies on (i), we have $\frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{36}{a^2} = 1 \dots\dots (iii)$

Putting $\frac{1}{b^2} = u$ & $\frac{1}{a^2} = v$ these equations become:

$$9u + 4v = 1 \dots\dots (iv) \text{ \& } u + 36v = 1 \dots\dots (v)$$

On multiplying (v) by 9 & subtracting (iv) from it we get

$$320v = 8 \Leftrightarrow v = \frac{8}{320} = \frac{1}{40} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{a^2} = \frac{1}{40} \Leftrightarrow a^2 = 40$$

Putting $v = \frac{1}{40}$ in (v) we get

$$u + \left[36 \times \frac{1}{40} \right] = 1 \Leftrightarrow u = \left[1 - \frac{9}{10} \right] = \frac{1}{10} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{b^2} = \frac{1}{10} \Leftrightarrow b^2 = 10$$

Then, $b^2 = 10$ & $a^2 = 40$

Hence the required equation is $\frac{x^2}{10} + \frac{y^2}{40} = 1$

10. Prove that the standard equation of an ellipse is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Where a & b are the lengths of the semi major axis & the semi- major axis respectively & a > b.

Ans. Let the equation of the given curve be $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ & let

$P(x, y)$ be an arbitrary point on this curve

Then,

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \Rightarrow y^2 = b^2 \left[1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{b^2[a^2 - x^2]}{a^2} \dots\dots(i)$$

Also, let $(a^2 - b^2) = c^2 \dots\dots(ii)$

Let $F_1(-c, 0)$ & $F_2(c, 0)$ be two fixed points on the x- axis, than

$$\begin{aligned} PF_1 &= \sqrt{(x+c)^2 + y^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(x+c)^2 + \frac{b^2(a^2 - x^2)}{a^2}} \text{ using (i)} \\ &= \sqrt{(x+c)^2 + \frac{(a^2 - c^2)(a^2 - x^2)}{a^2}} \text{ using (ii)} \\ &= \sqrt{a^2 + 2cx + \frac{c^2 x^2}{a^2}} \\ &= \sqrt{\left[a + \frac{cx}{a}\right]^2} = \left[a + \frac{cx}{a}\right] \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $PF_2 = \left[a - \frac{cx}{a}\right]$

$$\therefore PF_1 + PF_2 = \left[a + \frac{cx}{a} + a - \frac{cx}{a}\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow PF_1 + PF_2 = 2a$$

This shows that the given curve is an ellipse

Hence the equation of the ellipse is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$