

King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals

Prep-Year Math Program

Math 002 - Term 062

Recitation Hour Problems (8.1 & 8.2)

Question1

Find the vertex, focus, and directrix of the parabola given by the equation:

$$6y - 3x^2 - 12x + 4 = 0.$$

Question2

Find the equation in standard form of the parabola that has vertex $(-4, 1)$, has its axis of symmetry parallel to the y -axis, and passes through the point $(-2, 2)$.

Question3

Find the center, vertices, foci, and eccentricity of the ellipse given by the equation $9x^2 + y^2 + 18x - 6y + 9 = 0$.

Question4

Let $P(3, 1)$ be a point on an ellipse that has foci at $F_1(-1, 4)$ and $F_2(-1, -2)$, then find the length L of the major axis and the eccentricity e of the ellipse.

• Recitation 8.1 and 8.2

Q1.

$$-3x^2 - 12x = -6y - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 12x = 6y + 4 \quad , \text{ divide both sides by 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 4x = 2y + \frac{4}{3}$$

complete the square for x ,

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 4x + 4 = 2y + \frac{4}{3} + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+2)^2 = 2y + \frac{16}{3}$$

$$(x+2)^2 = 2\left(y + \frac{8}{3}\right)$$

$$4p = 2 \Rightarrow p = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Vertex: } \left(-2, -\frac{8}{3}\right)$$

$$\text{Focus: } \left(-2, -\frac{8}{3} + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(-2, -\frac{13}{6}\right)$$

$$\text{Directrix: } y = -\frac{8}{3} - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{19}{6}$$



Q2. check your notes.

$$Q3. (9x^2 + 18x) + (y^2 - 6y) = -9$$

$$9(x^2 + 2x + 1) + y^2 - 6y + 9 = -9 + 9 + 9$$

$$9(x+1)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 9$$

$$(x+1)^2 + \frac{(y-3)^2}{9} = 1$$

\Rightarrow the major axis is parallel to the y -axis

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a^2 = 9 \Rightarrow a = 3 \\ b^2 = 1 \Rightarrow b = 1 \end{array} \right\} c^2 = a^2 - b^2 = 9 - 1 = 8 \Rightarrow c = \sqrt{8}$$

center: $(h, k) = (-1, 3)$

vertices: $(-h, k \pm a) = (-1, 3 \pm 3)$ $\begin{cases} (-1, 0) \\ (-1, 6) \end{cases}$

Foci: $(-h, k \pm c) = (-1, 3 \pm \sqrt{8})$

$e = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{8}}{3}$

Q4.

• Method 1

Using the definition of the ellipse.

$d(P, F_1) + d(P, F_2) = 2a$

$\sqrt{(3+1)^2 + (1-4)^2} + \sqrt{(3+1)^2 + (1+2)^2} = 2a$

$\sqrt{16+9} + \sqrt{16+9} = 2a$

$5+5 = 2a$

$10 = 2a$

$\Rightarrow a = 5$

$\therefore L = 2a = 10$

$e = \frac{c}{a}$ center: $(-1, \frac{4+(-2)}{2}) = (-1, \frac{2}{2}) = (-1, 1)$

$c = 4-1 = 3$

$\therefore e = \frac{3}{5}$

• Method 2:

Eq.: $\frac{(x+1)^2}{b^2} + \frac{(y-1)^2}{a^2} = 1$

(3, 1) on the ellipse

$\Rightarrow \frac{16}{b^2} + 0 = 1 \Rightarrow b^2 = 16 \Rightarrow a^2 = 9 + b^2 \Rightarrow a^2 = 9 + 16 = 25 \Rightarrow a = 5$

center $(-1, \frac{4+(-2)}{2}) = (-1, 1)$

$c = 4-1 = 3$

$c^2 = a^2 - b^2 \Rightarrow 9 = a^2 - b^2$

$\Rightarrow a^2 = 9 + b^2$

$\therefore L = 2a = 10$ and $e = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{3}{5}$