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ELLIPSE

Solved Problems

1. Find the eccentricity, co ordinates of foci, length of latus rectum and equation of

directrices of the following ellipse.

$$9x^2 + 16y^2 - 36x + 32y - 92 = 0$$



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2. Find the eccentricity, co ordinates of foci-length of latus rectum and equation of directrices of the folloeing ellipses.

$$3x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 2y - 5 = 0$$



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3. Find the equation of the ellipse referred to its major and minor axes as the coordinate axes x, y respectively with latus rectum of length 4 and the distance between foci $4\sqrt{2}$.



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4. If the latus rectum of an ellipse is equal to the half of minor axis, then find its eccentricity.



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5. If θ_1, θ_2 are the eccentric angles of the extremities of a focal chord (other than the vertices) of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ($a > b$) and e its eccentricity. Then show that

$$e \cos \frac{(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}{2} = \cos \frac{(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}{2}$$



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6. If θ_1, θ_2 are the eccentric angles of the extremities of a focal chord (other than the vertices) of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ($a > b$)

and e its eccentricity. Then show that

$$\frac{e + 1}{e - 1} = \cot\left(\frac{\theta_1}{2}\right) \cdot \cot\left(\frac{\theta_2}{2}\right).$$



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7. C is the centre, AA' and BB' are major and minor axis of the ellipse.

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1. \text{ If } PN \text{ is the ordinate of a point } P$$

on the ellipse then show that

$$\frac{(PN)^2}{(A'N)(AN)} = \frac{(BC)^2}{(CA)^2}$$



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8. S and T are the foci of an ellipse and B is one end of the minor axis. IF STB is an equilateral triangle , then find the eccentricity of the ellipse.



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9. Show that among the points on the ellipse

$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ($a > b$), ($-a > 0$) is the

farthest point and $(a,0)$ is the nearest point

from the focus $(ae,0)$.





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10. The orbit of the Earth is an ellipse with eccentricity $\frac{1}{60}$ with the sun at one of its foci, the major axis being approximately 186×10^6 miles in length. Find the shortest and longest distance of the Earth from the sun.



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11. Find the equation of the tangent and normal to the ellipse $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$ at the

end of the latus rectum in the first quadrant.



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12. If a tangent to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

($a > b$) meets its major axis and minor axis at

M and N respectively. Then prove that

$\frac{a^2}{(CM)^2} + \frac{b^2}{(CN)^2} = 1$. Where C is the centre

of the ellipse.



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13. Find the condition for the line

$lx+my+n=0$ to be a tangent to the ellipse

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



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14. Find the condition for the line

$lx+my+n=0$ to be a normal to the ellipse

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



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15. If the normal at one end of a latus rectum of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ passes through one end of the minor axis, then show that $e^4 + e^2 = 1$ [e is the eccentricity of the ellipse]



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16. If PN is the ordinate of a point P on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ and the tangent at P meets the X-axis at T then show $(CN) (CT) = a^2$ where C is the centre of the ellipse.



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17. Show that the points of intersection of the perpendicular tangents to an ellipse lie on a circle.



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Exercise 4 A

1. Find the equation of the ellipse with focus at $(1, -1)$, $e = \frac{2}{3}$ and directrix as $x + y + 2 = 0$.



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2. Find the equation of the ellipse in the standard form whose distance between foci is 2 and the length of latus rectum is $\frac{15}{2}$.



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3. Find the equation of the ellipse in the standard form such that distance between foci is 8 and distance between directrices is 32.



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4. Find the eccentricity of the ellipse, (in standard form), if its length of the latus rectum is equal to half of its major axis.



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5. The distance of a point on the ellipse $x^2 + 3y^2 = 6$ from its centre is equal to 2.

Find the eccentric angles.



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6. Find the equation of ellipse in the standard form. If it passes through the points $(-2,2)$ and $(3,-1)$.



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7. If the ends of major axis of an ellipse are $(5,0)$ and $(-5,0)$. Find the equation of the ellipse in the standard form if its focus lie on the line $3x-5y-9=0$.



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8. If the length of the major axis of an ellipse is three times the length of its minor axis then find the eccentricity of the ellipse.



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9. Find the length of major axis, minor axis, latus rectum, eccentricity co-ordinates of centre, foci and the equations of directrices of the following ellipse.

$$9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$$



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10. Find the length of major axis, minor axis, latus rectum, eccentricity co-ordinates of centre, foci and the equations of directrices of

the following ellipse.

$$4x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 2y + 1 = 0$$



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11. Find the length of major axis, minor axis, latus rectum, eccentricity co-ordinates of centre, foci and the equations of directrices of the following ellipse.

$$x^2 + 2y^2 - 4x + 12y + 14 = 0$$



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12. Find the equation of the ellipse in the form

$$\frac{(x - h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y - k)^2}{b^2} = 1. \quad \text{Given the}$$

following data.

Centre(2,-1) one end of major axis (2,-5), $e = \frac{1}{3}$.



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13. Find the equation of the ellipse in the form

$$\frac{(x - h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y - k)^2}{b^2} = 1. \quad \text{Given the}$$

following data.

Centre(4,-1) one end of major axis is (-1,-1), and passing through (8,0).



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14. Find the equation of the ellipse in the form

$$\frac{(x - h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y - k)^2}{b^2} = 1. \quad \text{Given the}$$

following data.

Centre(0,-3), $e = \frac{2}{3}$, semi-minor axis = 5.



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15. Find the equation of the ellipse in the form

$$\frac{(x - h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y - k)^2}{b^2} = 1. \quad \text{Given the}$$

following data.

Centre(2,-1) , $e = \frac{1}{2}$, length of latus rectum 4.



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16. Find the radius of the circle passing through the foci of an ellipse

$9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$ and having least radius.



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17. A man running on a race course notices that the sum of the distances of the two flag posts from him is always 10m and the distance between the flag posts is 8m. Find the equation of the race course traced by the man.



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18. A line of fixed length $(a+b)$ moves so that its ends are always on two perpendicular straight lines fixed. Prove that a marked point

on the line , which divides this line in to portions of lengths a and b describes an ellipse when $a=8$, $b=12$.



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19. Prove that the equation of the chord joining the points α and β on the ellipse

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



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Exercise 4 B

1. Find the equation of tangent and normal to the ellipse $x^2 + 8y^2 = 33$ at $(-1,2)$.



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2. Find the equation of tangent and normal to the ellipse

$$x^2 + 2y^2 - 4x + 12y + 14 = 0 \text{ at } (2,-1)$$



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3. Find the equation of the tangents to $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$, which makes equal intercepts on the co-ordinate axis.



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4. Find the co-ordinates for the points on the ellipse $x^2 + 3y^2 + 37$ at which the normal is parallel to the line $6x-5y=2$.



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5. Find the value of k if $4x+y+k=0$ is a tangent to the ellipse $x^2 + 3y^2 = 3$.



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6. Find the condition for the line $x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p$ to be a tangent to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$.



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7. Find the equations of tangent and normal to the ellipse $2x^2 + 3y^2 = 11$ at the point whose ordinate is 1.



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8. Find the equation to the tangents to the ellipse , $x^2 + 2y^2 + 3$ drawn from the point (1,2) and also find the angle between these tangents.



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9. Find the equations of tangents to the ellipse $2x^2 + y^2 = 8$ which are

Parallel to $x-2y-4=0$



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10. Find the equations of tangents to the ellipse $2x^2 + y^2 = 8$ which are

perpendicular to $x+y+2=0$



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11. Find the equations of tangents to the ellipse $2x^2 + y^2 = 8$ which are which makes an angle $\frac{\pi}{4}$ with x-axis.



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12. A circle of radius 4, is concentric with the ellipse $3x^2 + 13y^2 = 78$. Prove that a common tangent is inclined to the major axis at an angle $\frac{\pi}{4}$.



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13. Show that the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the centre on any tangent to the ellipse lies on the curve

$$(x^2 + y^2)^2 = a^2x^2 + b^2y^2.$$



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14. Show that the locus of the feet of the perpendiculars drawn from foci to any tangent of the ellipse is the auxilliary circle.



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15. The tangent and normal to the ellipse $x^2 + 4y^2 = 4$ at a point (θ) on its meets the major axis in Q and R respectively. If $0 < \theta < \frac{x}{2}$ and $QR=2$, then show that $\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$.



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