



MATHS

BOOKS - RS AGGARWAL MATHS (HINGLISH)

APPLICATIONS OF CONIC SECTIONS

Solved Examples

1. The focus of a parabolic mirror is at a distance of 5 cm from its vertex and the mirror

is 15 cm deep. Find the diameter of the mirror.



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2. A parabolic reflector is 9 cm deep and its diameter is 24 cm. How far is its focus from the vertex?



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3. An arch is in the form of a parabola with its axis vertical. The arch is 10 m high and 5 m

wide at the base. How wide is it 2 m from the vertex of the parabola?



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4. An equilateral triangle is inscribed in the parabola $y^2 = 4ax$ where are at the vertex of the parabola. find the length of the side of the triangle.



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5. 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.



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6. A water jet from a function reaches its maximum height of 4 m at a distance 0.5 m from the vertical passing through the point O of water outlet. The height of the jet above

the horizontal OX at a distance of 0.75 m from the point O is 5 m (b) 6 m (c) 3 m (d) 7 m



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7. The cable of a uniformly loaded suspension bridge hangs in the form of a parabola. The roadway which is horizontal and 100 m long is supported by vertical wires attached to the cable, the longest wire being 30 m and the shortest being 6 m. Find t



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8. A rod of length 12 cm moves with its ends always touching the coordinate axes. Determine the equation of the locus of a point P on the rod, which is 3cm from the end in contact with the x-axis.



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9. A man running a racecourse notes that the sum of the distances from the two flag posts from him is always 10 m and the distance

between the flag posts is 8 m. Find the equation of the posts traced by the man.



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10. An arc is in the form of a semi-ellipse. It is $8m$ wide and $2m$ high at the centre. Find the height of the arch at a point $1.5cm$ from one end.



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Exercise 25

1. The focus of a parabolic mirror is at a distance of 6 cm from its vertex. If the mirror is 20 cm deep, find its diameter.



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2. If a parabolic reflector is 20 cm in diameter and 5 cm deep, find the focus.



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3. over the towers of a bridge a cable is hung in the form of a parabola, have their tops 30 meters above the road way are 200 meters apart. If the cable is 5 meters above the road way at the centre of the bridge, then the length of the vertical supporting cable 30 meters from the centre is



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4. A rod of length 12 cm moves with its ends always touching the coordinate axes. Determine the equation of the locus of a point P on the rod, which is 3cm from the end in contact with the x-axis.



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5. A beam is supported at its ends by supports which are 12 metres apart. Since the load is concentrated at its centre, there is a deflection

of 3 cm at the centre and the deflected beam is in the shape of a parabola. How far from the centre is the



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