



# MATHS

## BOOKS - BHARATI BHAWAN MATHS (HINGLISH)

### Parabola

#### Example

1. Find the equation of the parabola whose focus is  $(1, 1)$  and tangent at the vertex is

$$x + y = 1.$$



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2. Find the equation of the parabola whose axis is parallel to X-axis and which passes through the point  $(0,4)$ ,  $(1,9)$  and  $(-2,6)$  . Also, find its latusrectum.



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3. Find vertex, focus, directrix and latus rectum of the parabola  $y^2 + 4x + 4y - 3 = 0$ .



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4. Prove that on the axis of any parabola there is a certain point 'k' which has the property that, if a chord PQ of parabola be drawn through it then  $\frac{1}{(PK)^2} + \frac{1}{(QK)^2}$  is the same for all positions of the chord.



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5. The number of integral values of  $a$  for which the point  $(-2a, a+1)$  will be interior point of the smaller region bounded by the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$  and the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$  is:



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6. Show that the tangents at the extremities of any focal chord of a parabola intersect at right angles at the directrix.



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7. The Circumcircle of the triangle formed by any three tangents to a parabola passes through



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8. Three normals are drawn from the point  $(c,0)$  to the curve  $y^2 = x$ . Show that  $c$  must be greater than  $\frac{1}{2}$ . One normal is always the X-

axis. Find  $c$  for which the other two normals are perpendicular to each other.



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9. Let  $(x_r, y_r), r=1,2,3,4$  be the points of intersection the parabola " $y^2=4ax$ " and the circle " $x^2+y^2+2gx+2fy+c=0$ " prove that

$$y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 = 0$$


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**10.** find the common tangents of the circle

$$x^2 + y^2 = 2a^2 \text{ and the parabola } y^2 = 8ax$$



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**11.** A parabola is drawn to pass through A and B, the ends of a diameter of a given circle of radius  $a$ , and to have as directrix a tangent to a concentric circle of radius the axes of reference being AB and a perpendicular

diameter, prove that the locus of the focus of

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



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**12.** The locus of the middle points of normal chords of the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  is-



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**13.** Show that the locus of a point that divides a chord of slope 2 of the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$



internally in the ratio 1 : 2 is parabola. Find the vertex of this parabola.



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**14.** A variable chord PQ of the parabola  $y = 4x^2$  subtends a right angle at the vertex.

Then the locus of points of intersection of the tangents at P and Q is



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**15.** Find the locus of the foot of the perpendicular drawn from a fixed point to any tangent to a parabola.



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**16.** The locus of the poles of tangents to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  with respect to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  is



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17. The general equation to a system of parallel chords of the parabola  $y^2 = \frac{25}{7}x$  is  $4x - y + k = 0$ . What is the equation to the corresponding diameter?



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18. A ray of light is coming along the line  $y = b$  from the positive direction of x-axis and strikes a concave mirror whose intersection with xy-plane is a parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$ . Find the equation of the reflected ray and show that it

passes through the focus of the parabola.

Both  $a$  and  $b$  are positive.



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**19.** A parabola is drawn touching the axis of  $x$  at the origin and having its vertex at a given distance  $k$  from this axis. Prove that the axis of the parabola is a tangent to the parabola  $x^2 = -8k(y - 2k)$ .



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## Exercise

1. Find the equation of the parabola, if the focus is at  $(-6, -6)$  and the vertex is at  $(-2, 2)$



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2. Prove that the equation  $y^2 + 2ax + 2by + c = 0$  represents a parabola whose axis is parallel to x-axis. Find

its vertex and the equation of the double ordinate through the focus.



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3. Prove that the equation  $y^2 - 2y + 8x - 23 = 0$  represents a parabola and find its focus and directrix.



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4. If  $(a^2, a - 2)$  be a point interior to the region of the parabola  $y^2 = 2x$  bounded by the chord joining the points  $(2, 2)$  and  $(8, -4)$ , then the set of all possible real values of  $a$  is



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5. Show that the tangents at the extremities of any focal chord of a parabola intersect at right angles at the directrix.





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6. The orthocenter of a triangle formed by 3 tangents to a parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  lies on



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7. Tangents are drawn from any point on the line  $x + 4a = 0$  to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$ . Then find the angle subtended by the chord of contact at the vertex.



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**8.** Prove that the area of triangle formed by the tangents to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  from the point  $(x_1, y_1)$  and the chord of contact is  $\frac{1}{2a} (y_1^2 - 4ax_1)^{3/2}$  sq. units.



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**9.** Points A, B, C lie on the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$ . The tangents to the parabola at A, B and C, taken in pair, intersect at points P, Q and R.

Determine the ratio of the areas of the

$\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle PQR$



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**10.** If P, Q, R are three points on a parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  whose ordinates are in geometrical progression, then the tangents at P and R meet on :



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**11.** Prove that any three tangents to a parabola whose slopes are in harmonic progression enclose a triangle of constant area.



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**12.** Two straight lines are perpendicular to each other. One of them touches the parabola  $y^2 = 4a(x + a)$  and the other touches  $y^2 = 4b(x + b)$ . Their point of intersection lies on the line.  $x - a + b = 0$  (b)

$$x + a - b = 0 \qquad x + a + b = 0 \qquad (d)$$

$$x - a - b = 0$$



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**13.** Find the equation of the chord to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  whose middle point is  $(h,k)$ .



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**14.** Prove that the normal chord to a parabola at the point whose ordinate is equal to the

abscissa subtends a right angle at the focus.



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**15.** Show that the area formed by the normals to  $y^2 = 4ax$  at the points  $t_1, t_2, t_3$  is



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**16.** P & Q are the points of contact of the tangents drawn from the point T to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$ . If PQ be the normal to the

parabola at P, prove that TP is bisected by the directrix.



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**17.** For what values of 'a' will the tangents drawn to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  from a point, not on the y-axis, will be normal to the parabola  $x^2 = 4y$ .



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**18.** Find the centre and radius of the smaller of the two circles that touch the parabola  $75y^2 = 65(5x - 3)$  at  $\left(\frac{6}{5}, \frac{8}{5}\right)$  and the X axis.



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**19.** Prove that the length of the intercept on the normal at the point  $P(at^2, 2at)$  of the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  made by the circle

described on the line joining the focus and  $P$  as diameter is  $a\sqrt{1+t^2}$ .



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**20.** Prove that the locus of the middle points of chords of the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  through the vertex is also a parabola. Find focus and latus rectum of the locus.



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21. Prove that the locus of a point, which moves so that its distance from a fixed line is equal to the length of the tangent drawn from it to a given circle, is a parabola.



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22.5. The locus of point of intersection of two tangents to the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$  such that their chord of contact subtends a right angle at the vertex is





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**23.** Find the locus of the intersection of normals to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  at the extremities of a focal chord.



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**24.** Find the locus of the point of intersection of those normals to the parabola  $x^2 = 8y$  which are at right angles to each other.



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**25.** Find the locus of point of intersection of tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  (i) which are inclined at an angle  $\theta$  to each other. (ii) which intercept constant length  $c$  on the tangent at the vertex (iii) such that the area of  $\triangle ABC$  is constant  $c$ ; where A and B are the points of intersection of tangents with the y-axis and R is a point of intersections of tangents.



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26. Find the locus of the middle points of the chords of the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  which subtend a right angle at the vertex of the parabola.



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27. Show that the locus of points such that two of the three normals drawn from them to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  coincide is  $27ay^2 = 4(x - 2a)^3$ .



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**28.** Prove that the locus of the point of intersection of the normals at the ends of a system of parallel chords of a parabola is a straight line which is a normal to the curve.



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**29.** Find the locus of the middle points of the chords of the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  which

subtend a right angle at the vertex of the parabola.



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**30.** If two tangents to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  from a point  $P$  make angles  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  with the axis of the parabola, then find the locus of  $P$  in each of the following cases.

$$\tan^2 \theta_1 + \tan^2 \theta_2 = \lambda \text{ (a constant)}$$



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31. Locus of the feet of the perpendiculars drawn from vertex of the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  upon all such chords of the parabola which subtend a right angle at the vertex is



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32. If the focus  $= (2,3)$  and directrix is  $x+y=1$  then the equation of the parabola is \_\_\_\_.



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33. The line  $x+y+1=0$  touches the parabola  $y^2 = kx$  if  $k=$ \_\_\_\_\_.



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34. If the normals to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  at the ends of the latus rectum meet the parabola at  $Q$  and  $Q'$ , then  $Q'$  is  $10a$  (b)  $4a$  (c)  $20c$  (d)  $12a$



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**35.** Write the length of the chord of the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  which passes through the vertex and is inclined to the axis at  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ .



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**36.** Find the condition that the line  $x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p$  touches the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$ .



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**37.** The point of intersection of the tangents at the ends of the latus rectum of the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$  is \_\_\_\_\_



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**38.** Find the angle between the tangents drawn from  $(1, 3)$  to the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$ .



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**39.** Find the equation of the circle described on the line segment joining the foci of the parabolas  $x^2 - 4ay$  and  $y^2 = 4a(x - a)$  as diameter.



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**40.** A double ordinate of the parabola  $y^2 = 8px$  is of length  $16p$ . The angle subtended by it at the vertex of the parabola is

A. a)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

B. b)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

C. c)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

D. d) none of these

**Answer:**



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**41.** The equation of parabola whose vertex and focus lie on the axis of x at distances a and  $a_1$  from the origin respectively, is

A.  $y^2 = 4(a' - a)(x - a)$

B.  $y^2 = 4(a' - a)(x - a')$

C.  $x^2 = 4(a' - a)(y - a)$

D.  $y^2 = 4(a - a')(x - a)$

**Answer:**



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**42.** If the normal at the point  $P(at_1, 2at_1)$  meets the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  again at  $(at_2, 2at_2)$ , then

$$\text{A. a) } t_1 = -t_2 - \frac{2}{t_2}$$

$$\text{B. b) } \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2} = \frac{1}{t_1}$$

$$\text{C. c) } t_2 = -t_1 - \frac{2}{t_1}$$

$$\text{D. d) } \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2} = \frac{1}{t_2}$$

**Answer:**



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**43.** If the tangents to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  at the points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$  meet at the point  $(x_3, y_3)$  then

A.  $y_3 = \sqrt{y_1 y_2}$

B.  $2y_3 = y_1 + y_2$

C.  $\frac{2}{y_3} = \frac{1}{y_1} + \frac{1}{y_2}$

D. none of these

**Answer: B**



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**44.** Find the condition that the line  $x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p$  touches the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$ .

A. a)  $p \cos \alpha + a \sin^2 \alpha = 0$

B. b)  $p \sin \alpha + a \cos^2 \alpha = 0$

C. c)  $a \cos \alpha + p \sin^2 \alpha = 0$

D. d)  $a \sin \alpha + p \cos^2 \alpha = 0$

**Answer:**



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**45.** The angle between the tangents drawn from the origin to the parabola  $y^2 = 4a(x - a)$  is



A. a)  $90^\circ$

B. b)  $30^\circ$

C. c)  $\tan^{-1}(1/2)$

D. d)  $45^\circ$

**Answer:**



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**46.** The equation of a tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$  is  $y = x + 2$ . The point on this line from which the other tangent to the parabola

is perpendicular to the given tangent is (1)

( - 1, 1) (2) (0, 2) (3) (2, 4) (4) ( - 2, 0)

A. a)(2,4)

B. b)(-2,0)

C. c)(-1,1)

D. d)none of these

**Answer:**



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47. If ' $t_1$ ' and ' $t_2$ ' be the ends of a focal chord of the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  then  $t_1 t_2$  is equal to

A. 1

B. -1

C. 2

D. none of these

**Answer: B**



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**48.** The general equation to a system of parallel chords of the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$  is  $y = 2x + k$ . The equation of the corresponding diameter is \_\_\_\_.



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**49.**  $P$  is a point on the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  and  $PQ$  is its focal chord. If  $PT$  is tangent at  $P$  and  $QN$  is normal at  $Q$ , the angle  $\alpha$ , between  $PT$  and  $QN$ , distance between  $PT$  and  $QN$  is 'd' then

A. a)  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$

B. b)  $\alpha = 0^\circ$

C. c)  $d=0$

D. d)  $\frac{a(1+t^2)^{3/2}}{t^2}$

**Answer:**



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**50.** The radius of the circle whose centre is  $(-4,0)$  and which cuts the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$  at

A and B such that the common chord AB subtends a right angle at the vertex of the parabola is equal to



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51. Let  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  be parabolas  $x^2 = y - 1$  and  $y^2 = x - 1$  respectively. Let P be any point on  $C_1$  and Q be any point  $C_2$ . Let  $P_1$  and  $Q_1$  be the reflection of P and Q, respectively w.r.t the line  $y = x$  then prove that  $P_1$  lies on  $C_2$  and  $Q_1$  lies on  $C_1$  and  $PQ \geq [PP_1, QQ_1]$ .

Hence or otherwise , determine points  $P_0$  and  $Q_0$  on the parabolas  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  respectively such that  $P_0Q_0 \leq PQ$  for all pairs of points  $(P,Q)$  with P on  $C_1$  and Q on  $C_2$



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