

Key

**Pre Calc BC CONICS -- Review**

1. Given the parabola with equation  $4x + y^2 = 0$ .

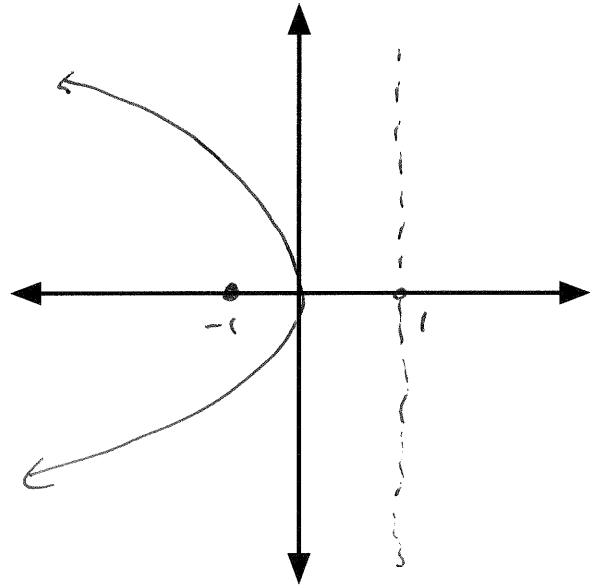
- a. Find the coordinates of the focus and the equation of the directrix. Then make a nice sketch.

$$x = -\frac{1}{4}y^2$$

$$p = 1$$

focus  $(-1, 0)$

directrix  $x = 1$



- b. Use the general substitution:  $x' = x \cos \alpha - y \sin \alpha$  and  $y' = x \sin \alpha + y \cos \alpha$  to get the equation for a *general* rotation of  $\alpha$  of the above parabola. (ie. replace  $x$  and  $y$  in the original equation with  $x'$  and  $y'$ . Then simplify).

$$4(x \cos \alpha - y \sin \alpha) + (y \cos \alpha + x \sin \alpha)^2 = 0$$

$$(\sin \alpha)^2 x^2 + (\sin \alpha \cos \alpha) xy + (\cos \alpha)^2 y^2 + (4 \cos \alpha) x + (4 \sin \alpha) y = 0$$

- c. Find the specific equation of the parabola for each value of  $\alpha$  below (ie. plug in the indicated value for  $\alpha$  and simplify).

(1)  $90^\circ$   $x^2 - 4y = 0$

(2)  $45^\circ$   $\frac{1}{2}x^2 + xy + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + 2\sqrt{2}x - 2\sqrt{2}y = 0$

(3)  $30^\circ$   $\frac{1}{4}x^2 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}xy + \frac{3}{4}y^2 + 2\sqrt{3}x - 2y = 0$

2. A hyperbola, centered at the origin, has a focus at (6, 0) and contains the point (14, 15). MAKE A SKETCH!

a. Find the second focus.

$$(-6, 0)$$

b. Calculate the difference of the focal radii.

$$PF_1 = \sqrt{20^2 + 15^2} = 25$$

$$PF_2 = \sqrt{8^2 + 15^2} = 17$$

$$DFR = 8$$

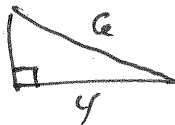
c. Find the eccentricity of the hyperbola.

$$DFR = 8 \rightarrow a = 4 \text{ (transverse radius)}$$

$$c = 6 \text{ (focal dist)}$$

$$e = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$$

d. Find the equations of the asymptotes.



$$b = \sqrt{36 - 16} = 2\sqrt{5}$$

$$y = \pm \frac{b}{a}x \rightarrow y = \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}x$$

e. Write the equation of the hyperbola

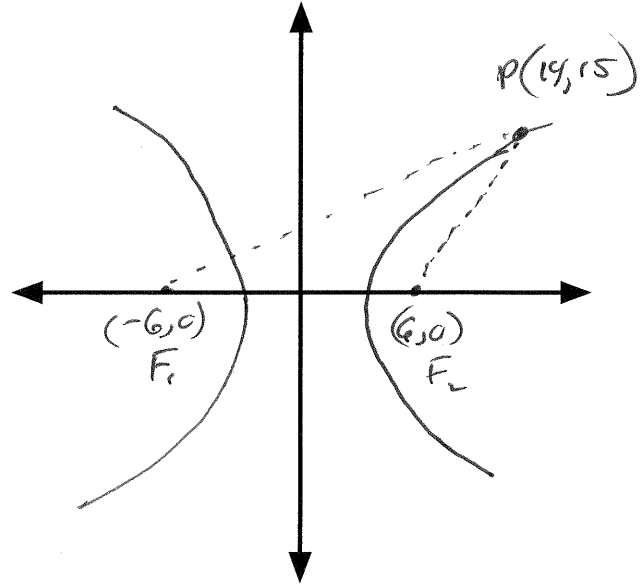
$$\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{20} = 1$$

f. Suppose the  $x^2$  and  $y^2$  terms are exchanged in your equation above (and their respective denominators as well). Revise your answers to parts b, c and d.

$$b) \text{ dfr} = 2b = 4\sqrt{5}$$

$$c) \text{ } e = \frac{c}{b} = \frac{6}{2\sqrt{5}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}}$$

d) same



3. Given the conic:  $4x^2 - 11xy + 9y^2 - 36 = 0$

a) Identify

$$B^2 - 4AC = 11^2 - 4(4)(9) = -23 \rightarrow \text{ellipse}$$

b) Determine angle of rotation

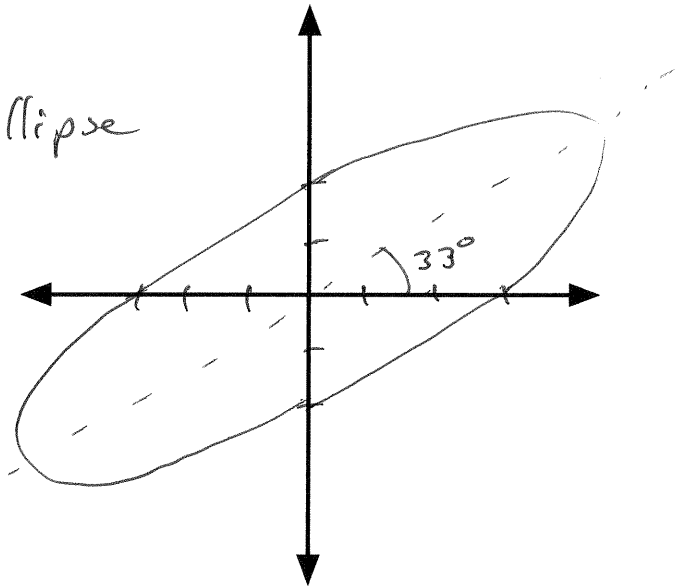
$$\tan 2\theta = \frac{B}{A-C} = \frac{-11}{-5}$$

$$\theta \approx 33^\circ$$

c) Find the intercepts and make a sketch. Then check on geogebra.

$$y=0 \rightarrow x = \pm 3$$

$$x=0 \rightarrow y = \pm 2$$



4. There is a unique conic passing through the five points A(-2, 1), B(-1, 3), C(2, 2), D(4, 3) and E(2, -1).

a. Use matrices for to find the equation. (Make your  $5 \times 1$  matrix = a column of 25's to make life easier).

$$8x^2 - 15xy - 12y^2 + 21x + 42y = 50$$

b. Identify the conic.

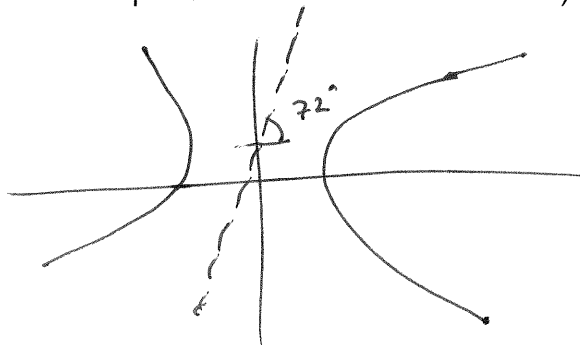
$$B^2 - 4AC = (-15)^2 - 4(8)(-12) = 609$$

Hyperbola

c. Determine the angle of rotation.

$$\tan 2\theta = \frac{B}{A-C} = \frac{-15}{8-12} = \frac{-15}{-4} = \frac{3}{4} \quad \theta \approx 72^\circ$$

d. Verify on geogebra (there is a 5-pt conic tool in the conic menu).



5. Given the conic described by  $r = \frac{21}{2 - 5\sin\theta}$ .

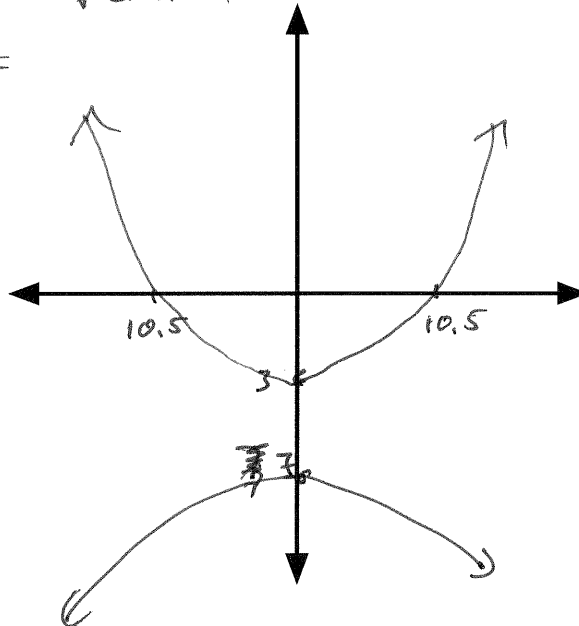
a. Describe the conic (indicate type, attributes and eccentricity).

$$r = \frac{\frac{21}{2}}{1 - \frac{5}{2}\sin\theta}$$

$$e = \frac{5}{2} \text{ vertical}$$

$$k = -\frac{21}{5}$$
 hyperbola

b. Sketch.

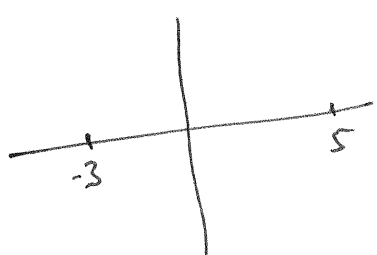


c. Write an equation in rectangular form for this conic.

center  $(0, -5)$   
 transv rad = 2  
 focal dist = 5  
 transv rad =  $\sqrt{5^2 - 2^2} = \sqrt{21}$   

$$\frac{(y+5)^2}{4} - \frac{x^2}{21} = 1$$

d. Write an equation in polar form for the ellipse with focus at the origin and vertices at  $(-3, 0)$  and  $(5, 0)$ .



center  $(1, 0)$   
 major axis 8  
 focal dist = 3  

$$\frac{(x-1)^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{7} = 1$$

$$b = \sqrt{16 - 9} = \sqrt{7}$$

6. Circle the correct answer. A double cone is intersected by a plane parallel to the axis of the cone. The resulting intersection is a conic whose eccentricity is:

- a) 0                      b) between 0 and 1                      c) less than zero  
 d) 1                      **e) greater than 1**                      f) unknowable

## Extra Conics - Review

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1. Given  $x^2 + xy = 1$

a) Identify the type of conic.

$$B^2 - 4AC = 1 - 4(1)(0) = 1$$

Hyperbola

b) Find the angle of rotation.

$$\tan 2\theta = \frac{B}{A-C} = \frac{1}{1} = 1 \quad \theta = 22.5^\circ$$

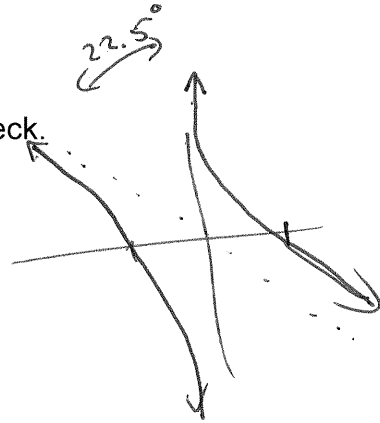
c) Find the x and y intercepts and make a sketch.

$$x=0 \rightarrow y = \text{impossible!}$$

$$y=0 \rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

d) Solve for y and graph in your calculator to check.

$$y = \frac{1-x^2}{x}$$



2. Sketch and find eccentricity.

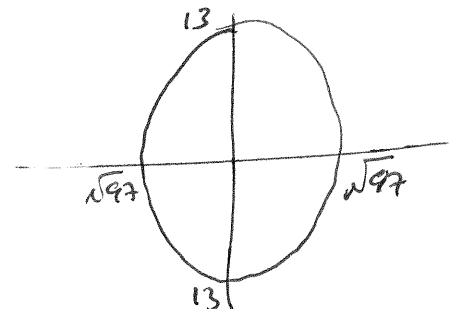
a)  $169x^2 + 1014x + 97y^2 - 776y - 13,320 = 0$

$$169\left(x^2 + 6x + \frac{9}{169}\right) + 97\left(y^2 - 8y + \frac{16}{97}\right) = 13,320 + 1521 + 1572$$

$$169(x+3)^2 + 97(y-4)^2 = 16,393$$

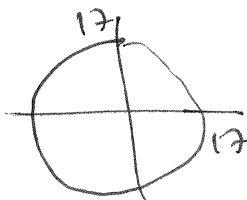
$$\frac{(x+3)^2}{97} + \frac{(y-4)^2}{169} = 1$$

$$\sqrt{72} = 6\sqrt{2}$$



b)  $\frac{x^2}{289} + \frac{y^2}{289} = 1$

$$e = \frac{c}{b} = \frac{6\sqrt{2}}{13}$$



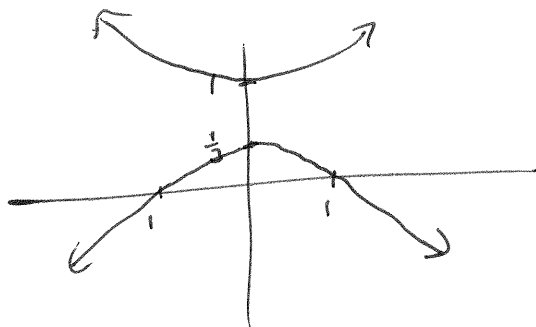
circle  $\rightarrow e = 0$

3. Given  $r = \frac{1}{1+2\sin\theta}$

a) complete the table:

$\theta$	0	$\pi/2$	$\pi$	$3\pi/2$
$r$	1	$1/3$	1	-1

b) Make a sketch.

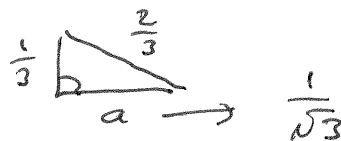


c) Find a, b, c, e

$$b = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{3}}{2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$e = \frac{c}{b} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{1}{3}} = 2$$

$$c = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{3}}{2} = \frac{2}{3}$$



d) Write an equation in rectangular form.

~~$\frac{y^2}{9} - \frac{x^2}{3} = 1$~~

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

e) Rotate the conic (in polar form) by  $\pi/3$ .

$$r = \frac{1}{1+2\sin(\theta - \frac{\pi}{3})}$$