

CONIC

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Problem Statement - Find the area of the region bounded by the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

Symbol	Value	Description
O	(0,0)	Origin
A	(4,0)	point A
B	(0,3)	point B
C	(-4,0)	point C
D	(0,-3)	point D

1 Solution

Given,

$$\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1 \quad (1)$$

The standard equation of the conics is given as

$$\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \quad (2)$$

By Comparing equations (1) and (2) we get,

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 16 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, f = -144 \quad (3)$$

Comparing eq (1) with the general form of ellipse,

$$a = 4, b = 3 \quad (4)$$

The Vertices of the ellipse are given as

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Area bounded by the ellipse is given by,

$$Area = 4 \times area of \mathbf{OAB}$$

$$= 4 \times \int_0^a f(x) dx \quad (7)$$

$$= 4 \times \int_0^4 \frac{3}{4} \sqrt{16 - x^2} dx \quad (8)$$

By solving eq (8) we get the required area as

$$Area = 12\pi \text{ units} \quad (9)$$

2 Construction

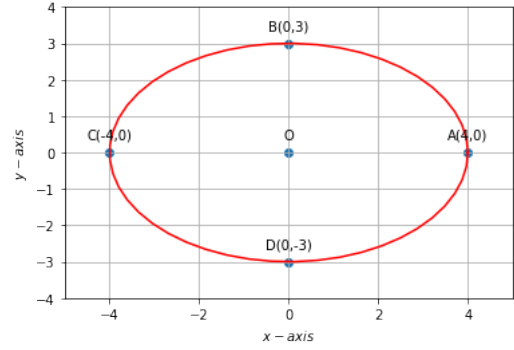


Figure 1: Bisector

The above construction is realized by executing the following code.

$$(5) \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{https://raw.githubusercontent.com} \\ \text{/BavyaVemulapalli/FWC-IITH/main} \\ \text{/Conic/Code/conic.py} \end{array}}$$

3 Conclusion

(6) Hence, the area of the region bounded by the given ellipse was found.