

Question:

点 $P(x, y)$ 是椭圆 $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ($a > b > 0$)上的任意一点， F_1, F_2 是椭圆的两个焦点，且 $\angle F_1PF_2 \leq 90^\circ$ ，则该椭圆的离心率的取值范围是？

(Let $P(x, y)$ be an arbitrary point on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ($a > b > 0$). F_1 and F_2 are the two foci of the ellipse, and $\angle F_1PF_2 \leq 90^\circ$. What is the range of values for the eccentricity of the ellipse?)

Rationale:

由题意可知，当点 P 位于 $(0, b)$ 或 $(0, -b)$ 处时， $\angle F_1PF_2 = 90^\circ$ 最大，此时 $\cos \angle F_1PF_2 = \frac{a^2+a^2-4c^2}{2a^2} = \frac{a^2-2c^2}{a^2} \geq 0$, $a \geq \sqrt{2}c$ 。因为 $e = c/a$ ，所以 $e \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ 。

因为 e 是椭圆离心率， $0 < e < 1$ ，所以 $0 < e \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ 。

(When the point P is located at $(0, b)$ or $(0, -b)$, the angle $\angle F_1PF_2 \leq 90^\circ$ is at its maximum. In this case, $\cos \angle F_1PF_2 = \frac{a^2+a^2-4c^2}{2a^2} = \frac{a^2-2c^2}{a^2} \geq 0$, $a \geq \sqrt{2}c$. Since $e = \frac{c}{a}$, we have $e \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$. As e represents the eccentricity of the ellipse, and it lies within the range $0 < e < 1$, we can conclude that $0 < e \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$.)

Answer:

$$(0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}]$$

Formal Representation:

P: Point

PointOnCurve(P, G)=True

Coordinate(P)=(x1, y1)

x1, y1: Number

G: Ellipse

Expression(G)=(y^2/b^2+x^2/a^2=1)

a, b: Number

a > b

b > 0

F1, F2: Point

Focus(G)={F1, F2}

AngleOf(F1,P,F2)<=Unit(90,degree)

Range(Eccentricity(G))=?

Span:

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F_1, F_2

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$\angle F_1PF_2 \leq 90^\circ$

该椭圆的离心率的取值范围是？