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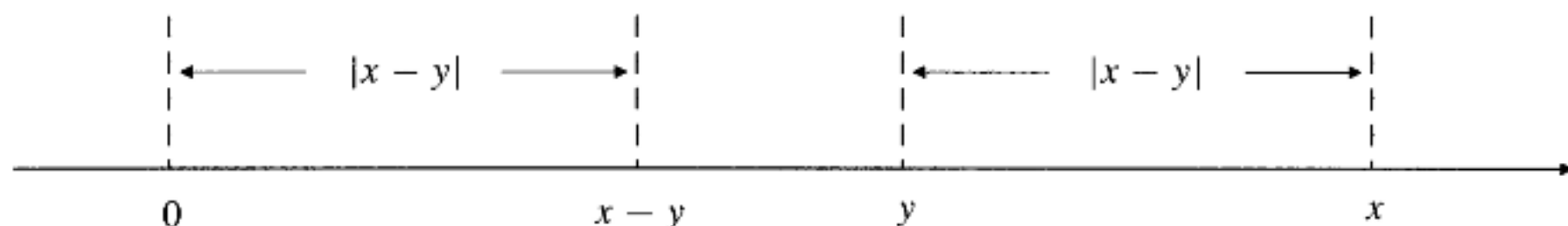
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- $|x| \geq 0$ for every real number x , and
- $|x| = 0$ only if $x = 0$.

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$$\textcircled{3.} \quad |a \pm b| \leq |a| + |b| \text{ (the **triangle inequality**)}.$$

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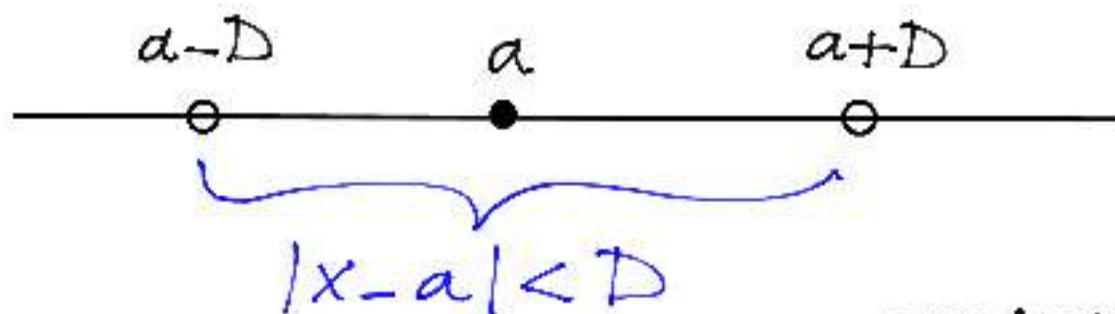
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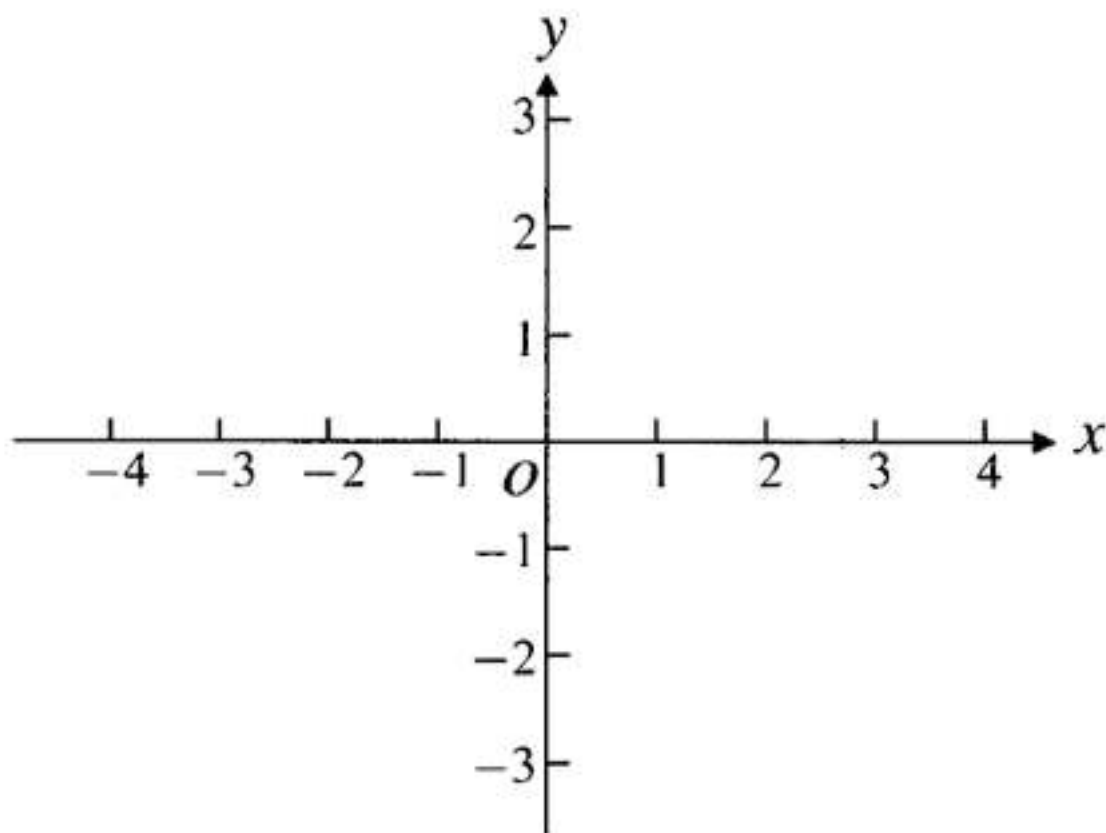
RADIUS = D

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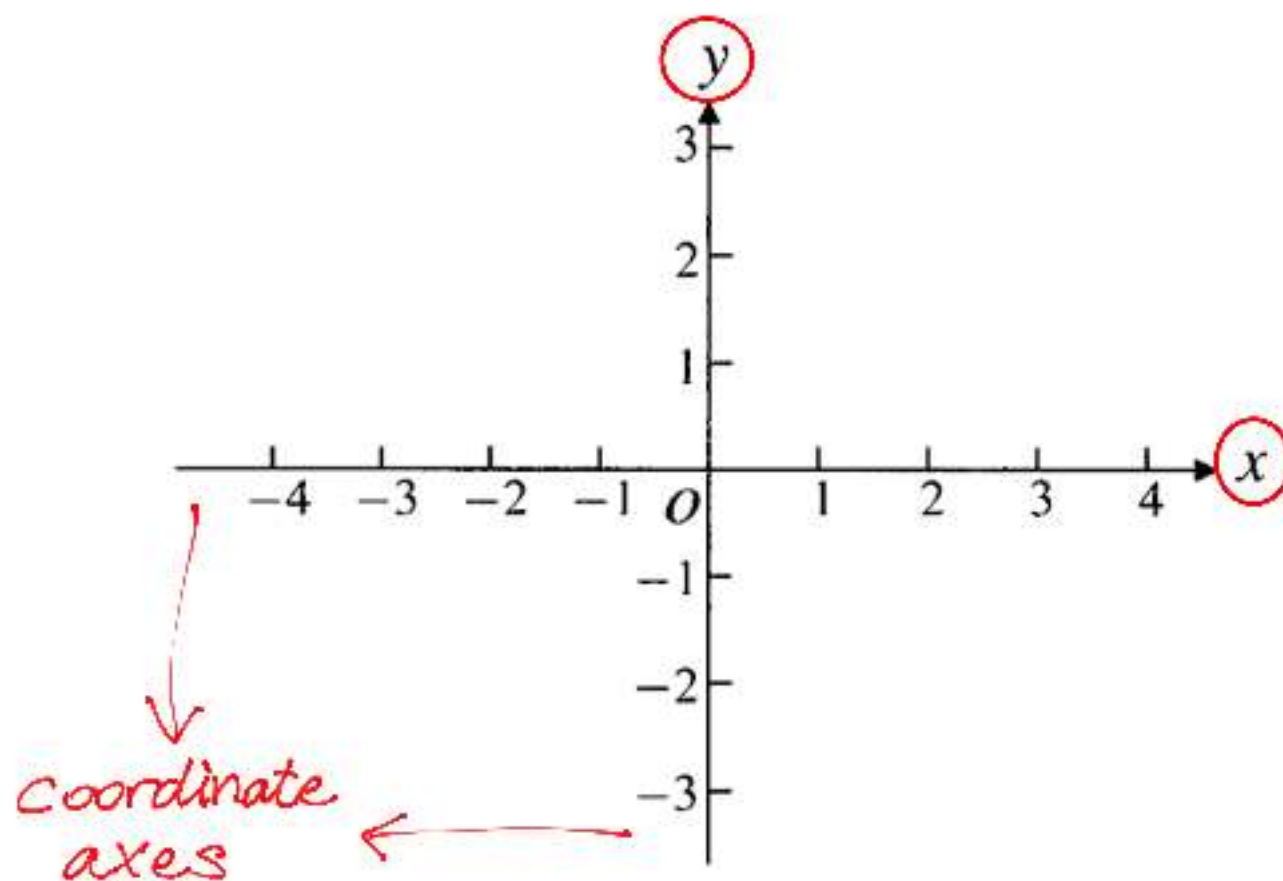
EXAMPLE

What values of x satisfy the inequality $\left|5 - \frac{2}{x}\right| < 3$?

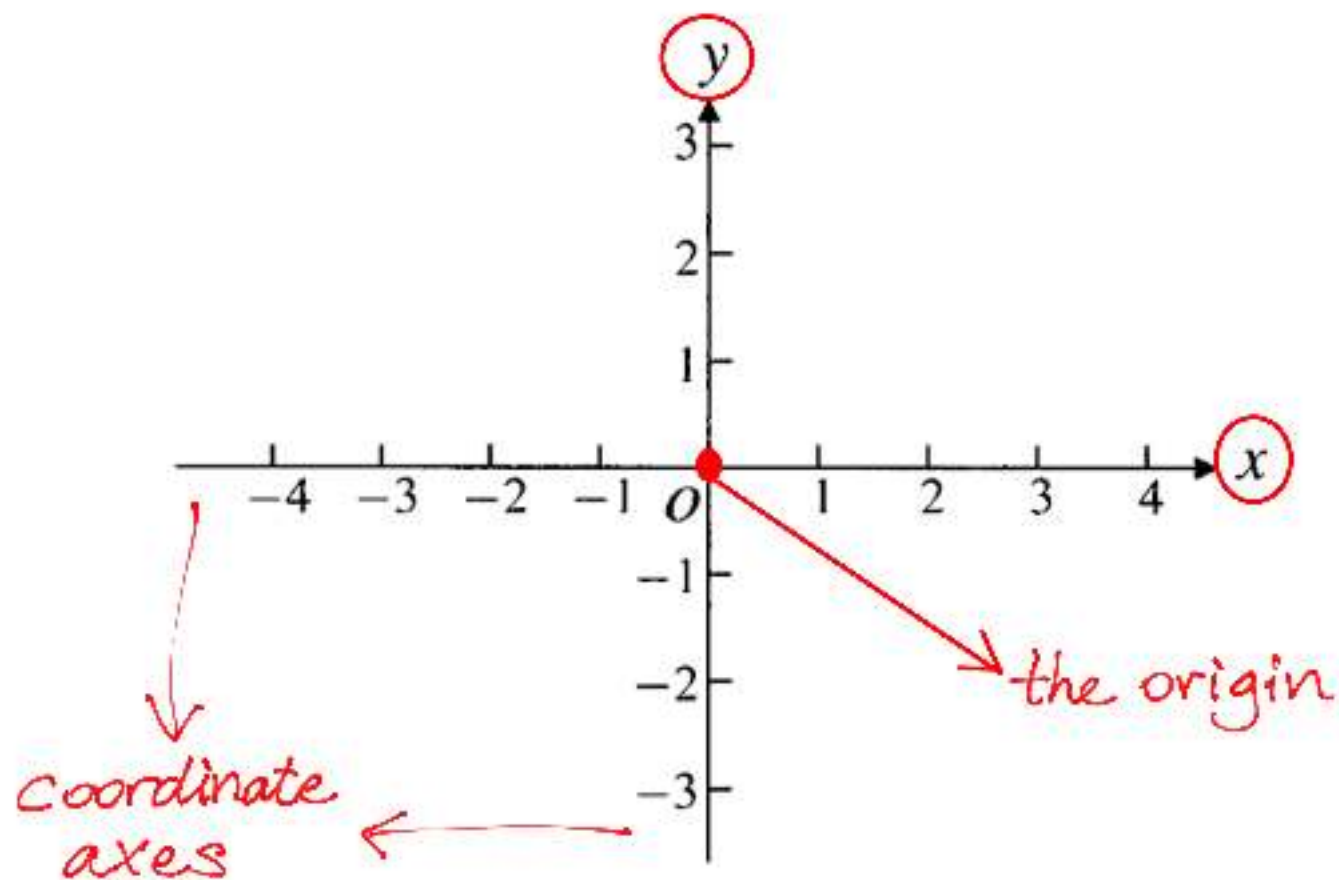
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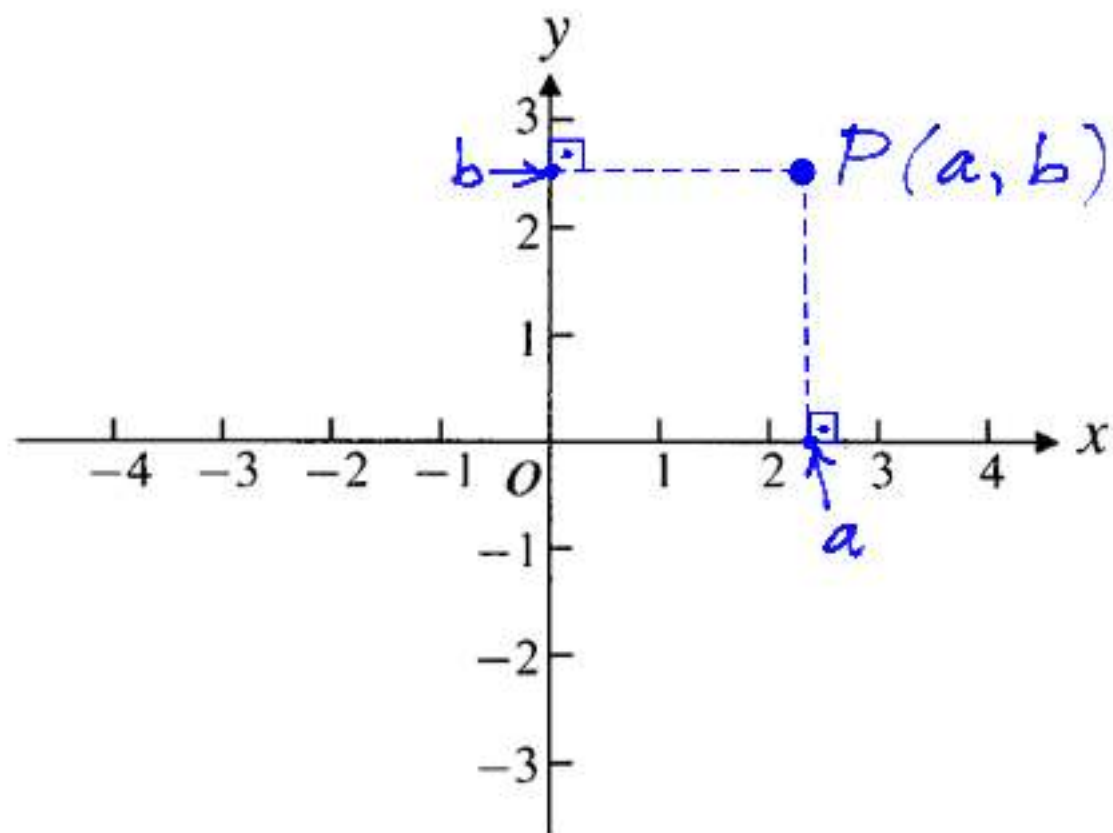
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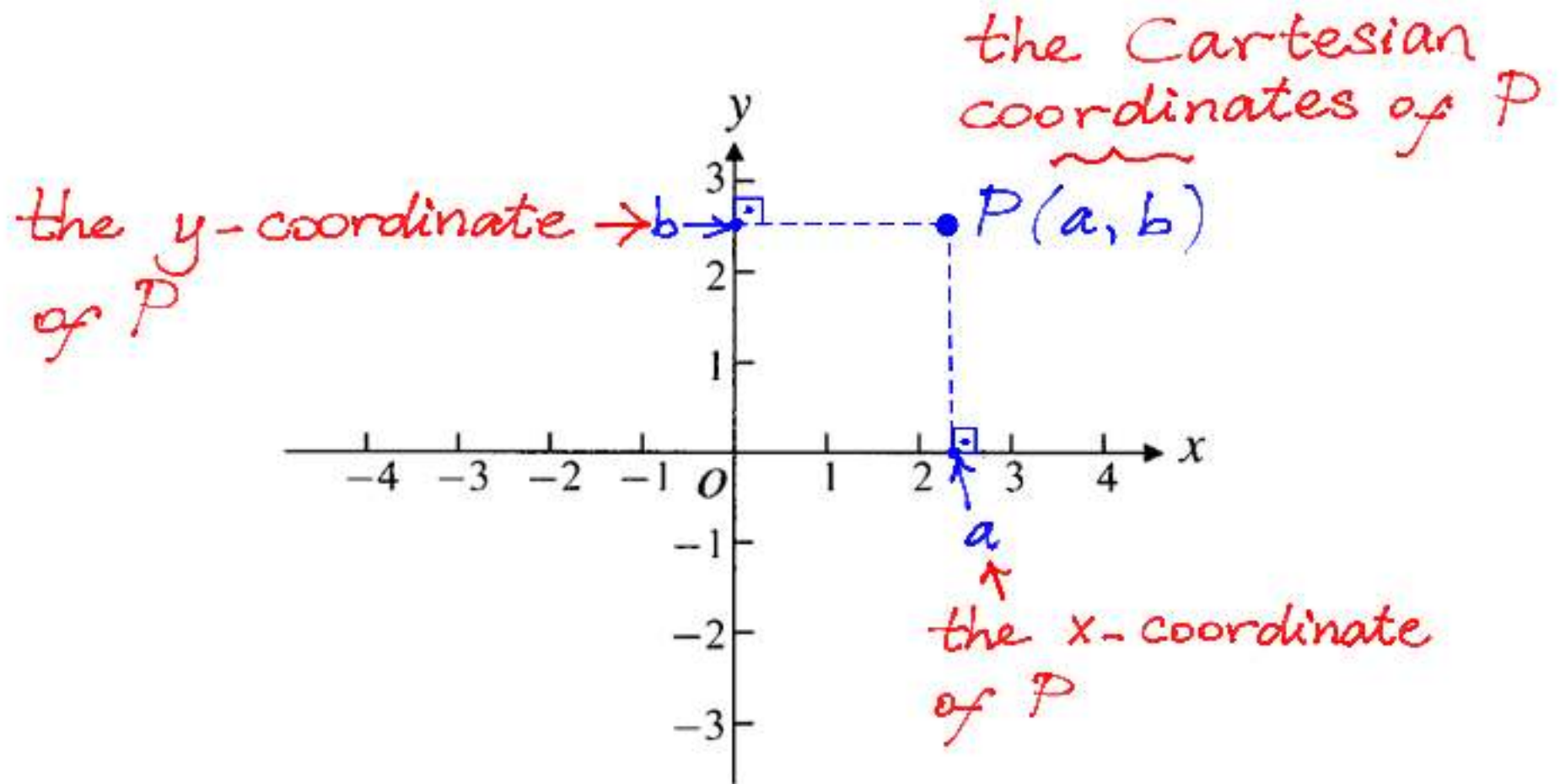
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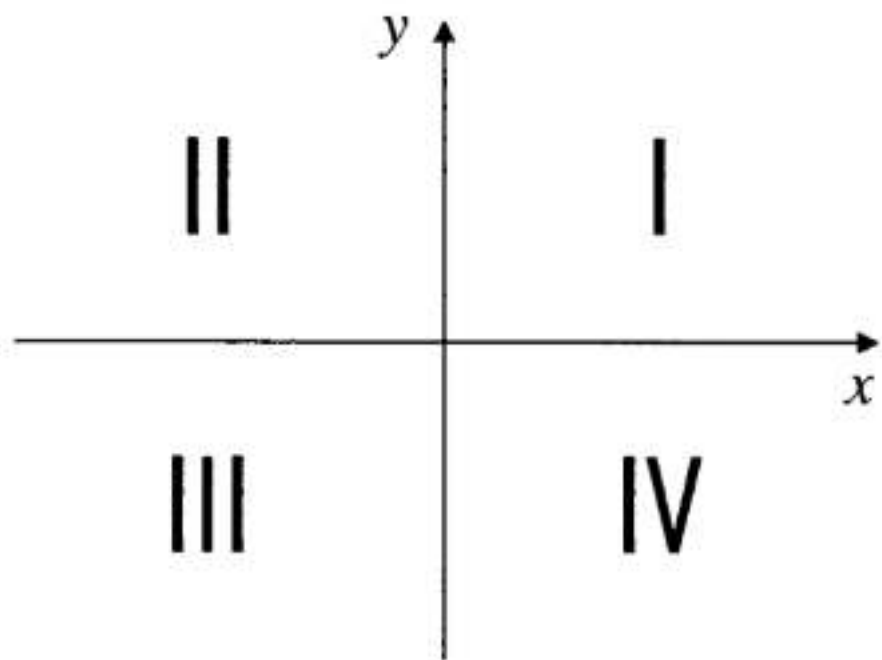


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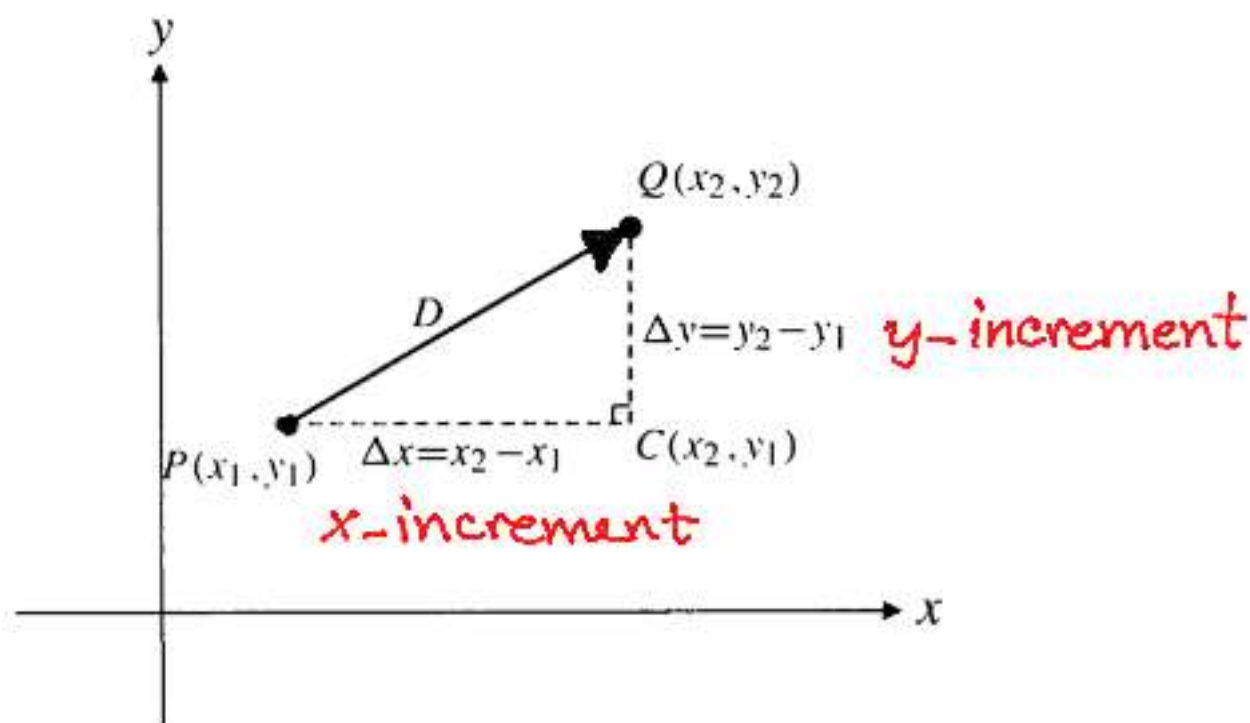
Cartesian coordinate system (after René Descartes)

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The four quadrants

Increments and Distances

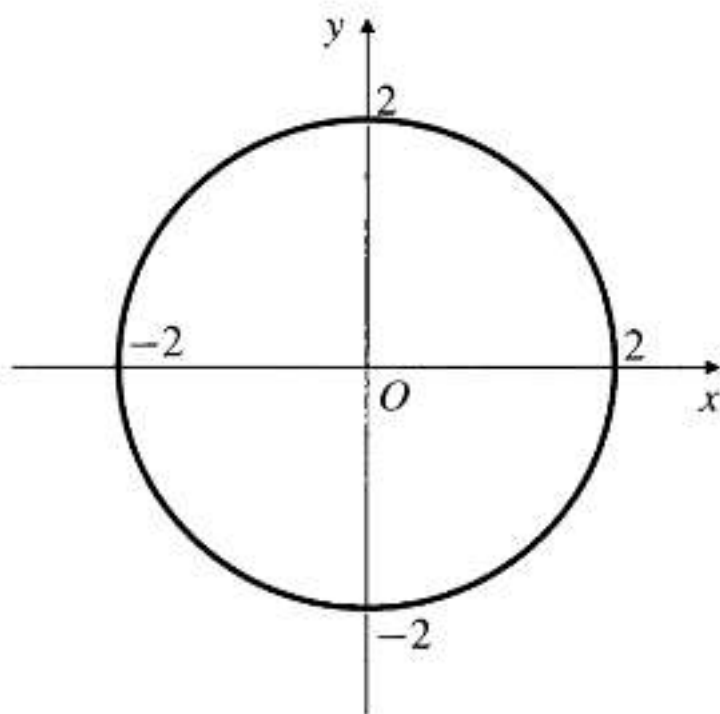


The distance from P to Q is

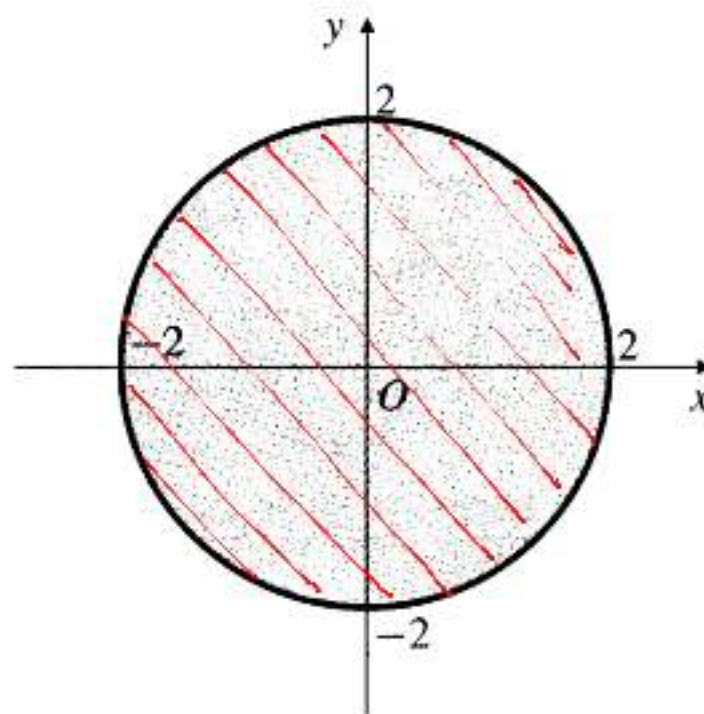
$$D = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

Graphs

The **graph** of an equation (or inequality) involving the variables x and y is the set of all points $P(x, y)$ whose coordinates satisfy the equation (or inequality).

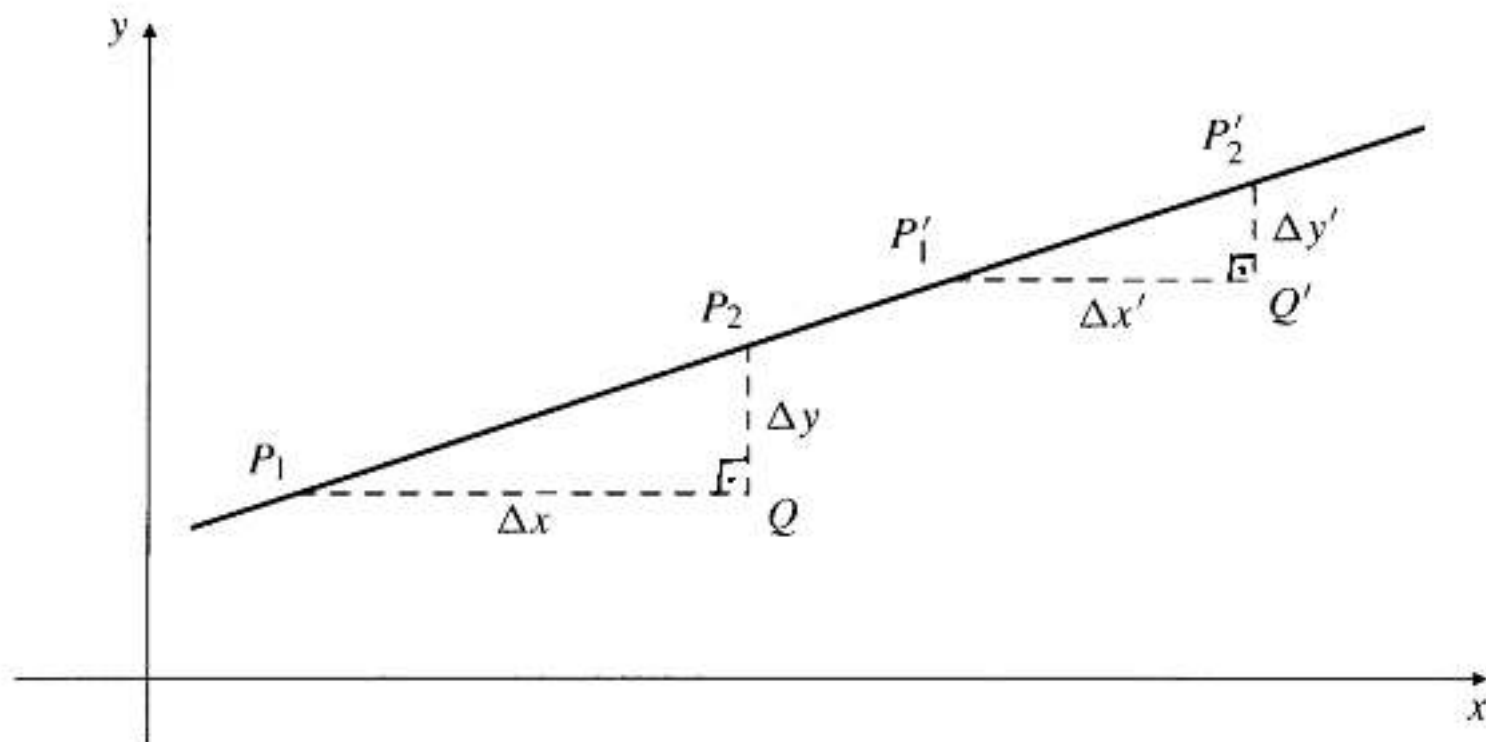


$$x^2 + y^2 = 4$$



$$x^2 + y^2 \leq 4$$

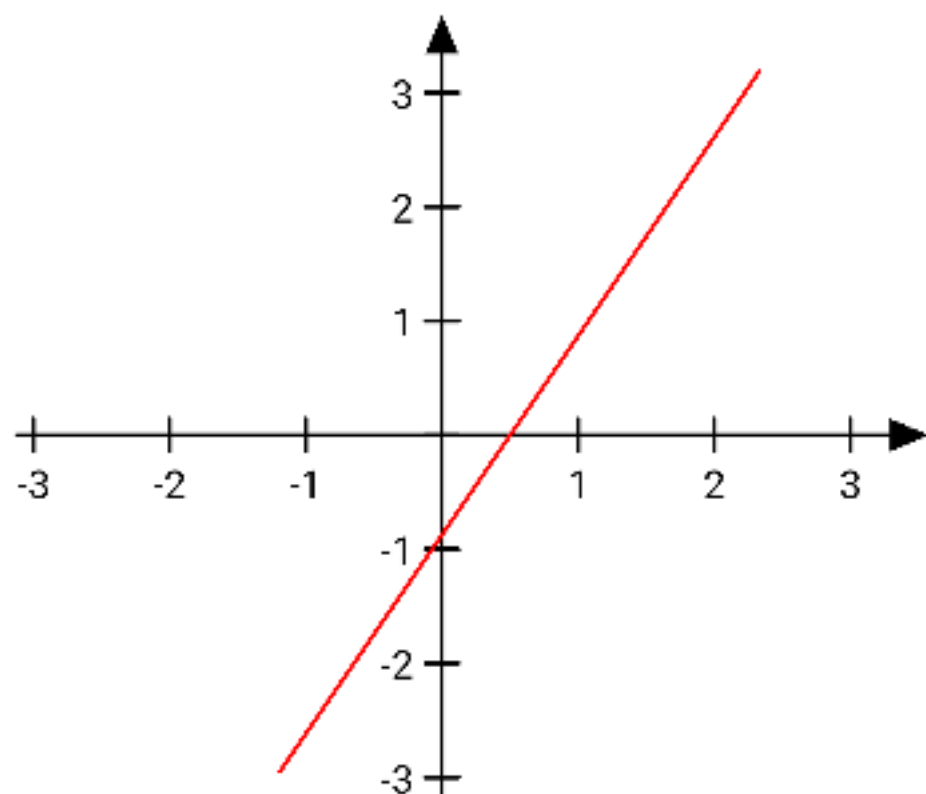
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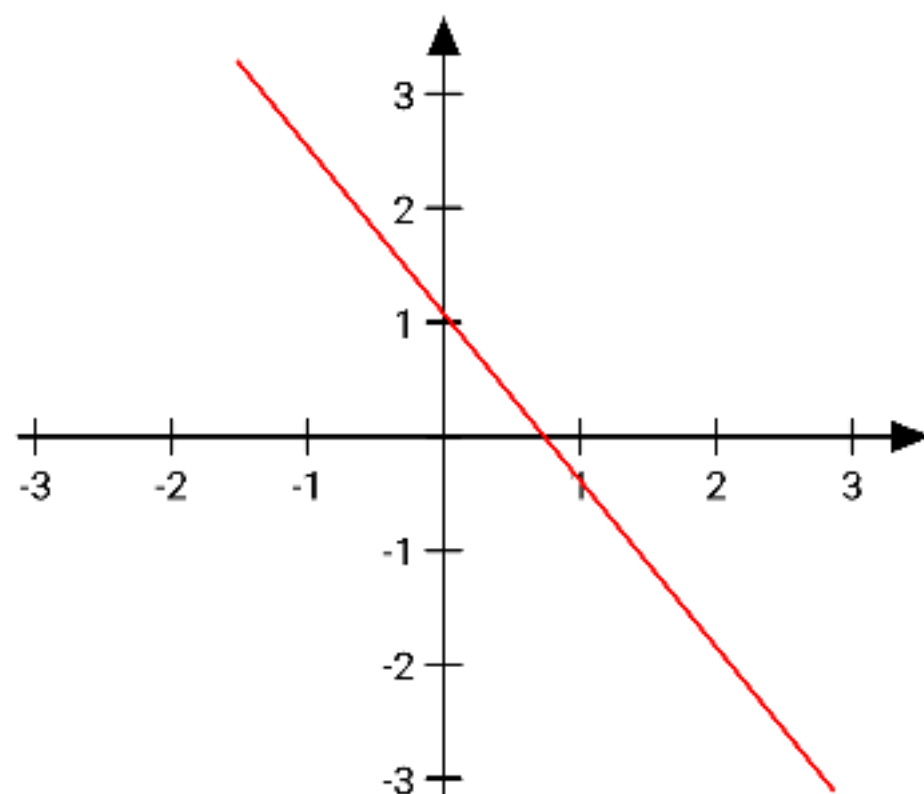
$$m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{\Delta y'}{\Delta x'}$$

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slope

Straight Lines

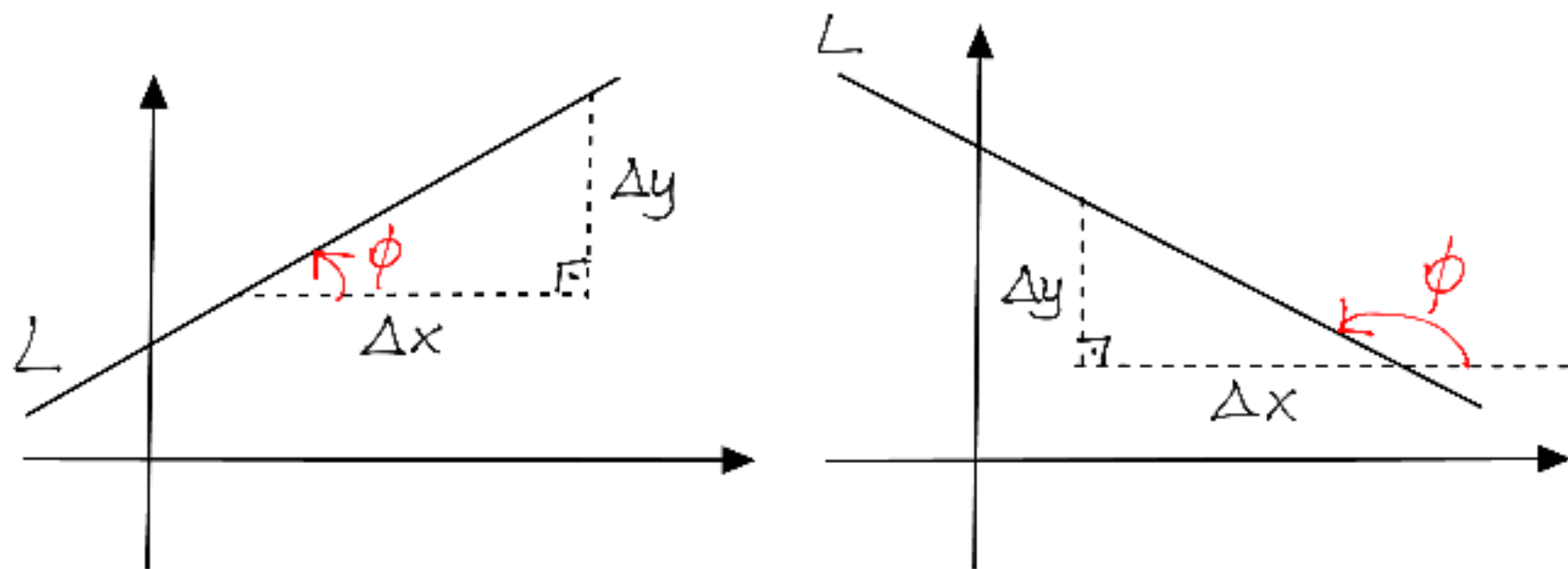


$\text{slope} > 0$



$\text{slope} < 0$

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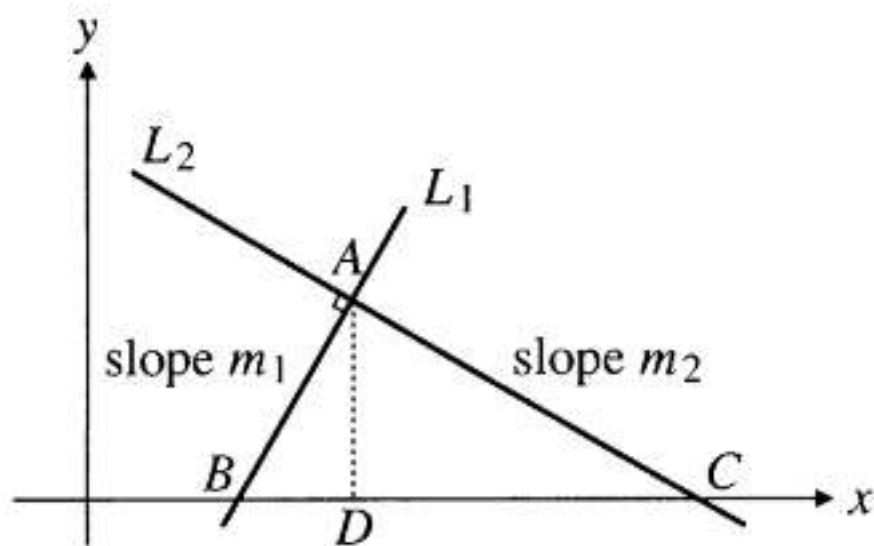
The line L has inclination ϕ

$$m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \tan \phi$$

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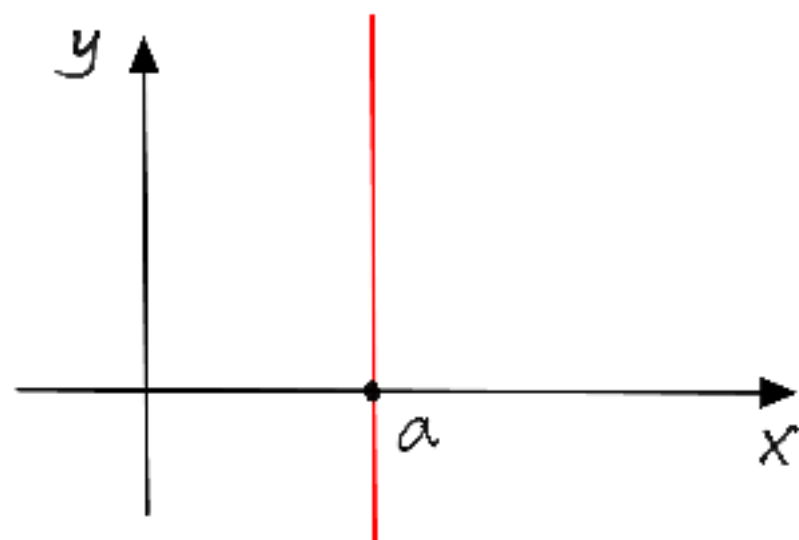
If two nonvertical lines, L_1 and L_2 , are perpendicular, their slopes m_1 and m_2 satisfy $m_1 m_2 = -1$, so each slope is the *negative reciprocal* of the other:

$$m_1 = -\frac{1}{m_2} \quad \text{and} \quad m_2 = -\frac{1}{m_1}.$$

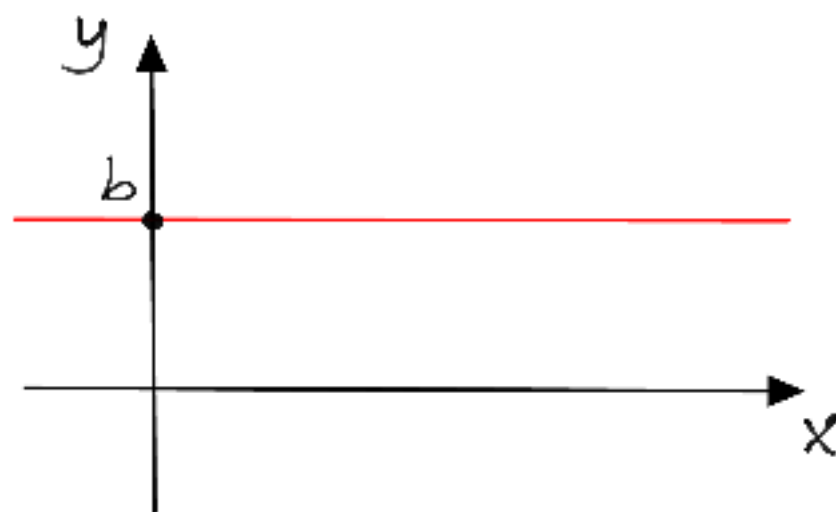


Straight Lines

Equations of Lines



the line $x=a$



the line $y=b$

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The equation

$$y = m(x - x_1) + y_1$$

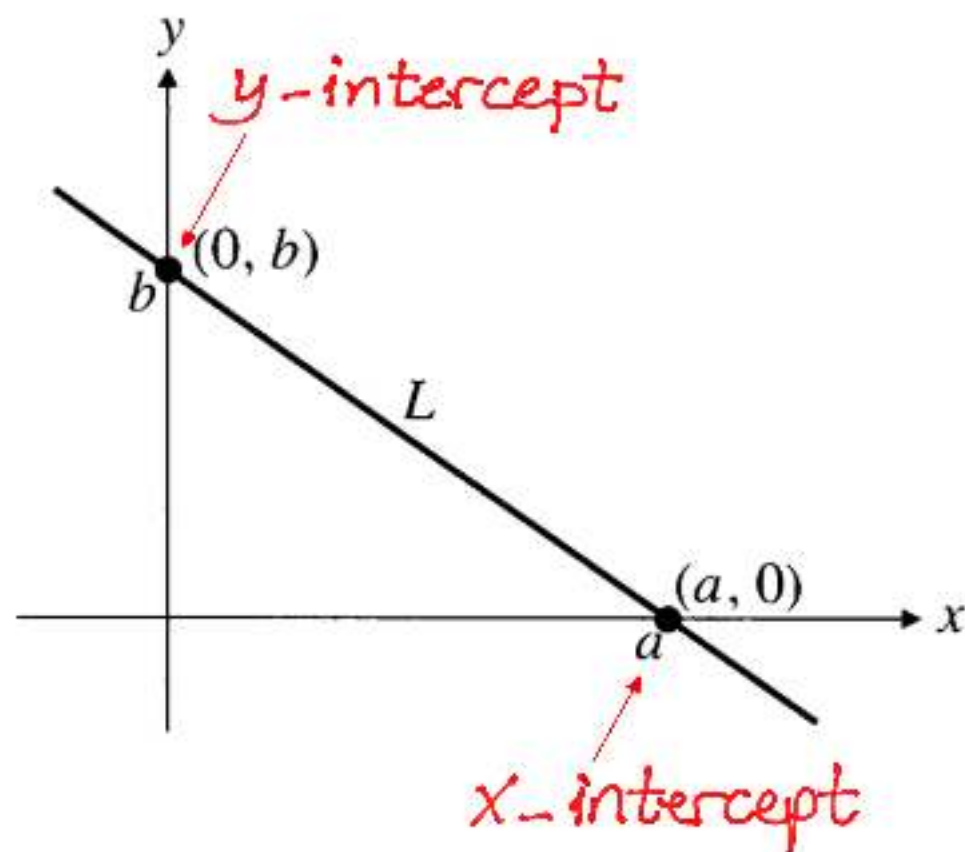
is the **point-slope equation** of the line that passes through the point (x_1, y_1) and has slope m .

EXAMPLE

Find an equation of the line through the points $(1, -1)$ and $(3, 5)$.

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Equations of Lines



$$y = mx + b$$

the **slope-y-intercept equation**

$$y = m(x - a)$$

the **slope-x-intercept equation**

The equation $Ax + By = C$ (where A and B are not both zero) is called the **general linear equation** in x and y .

Graphs of Quadratic Equations

Circles and Disks

Standard equation of a circle

The circle with centre (h, k) and radius $a > 0$ has equation

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = a^2.$$

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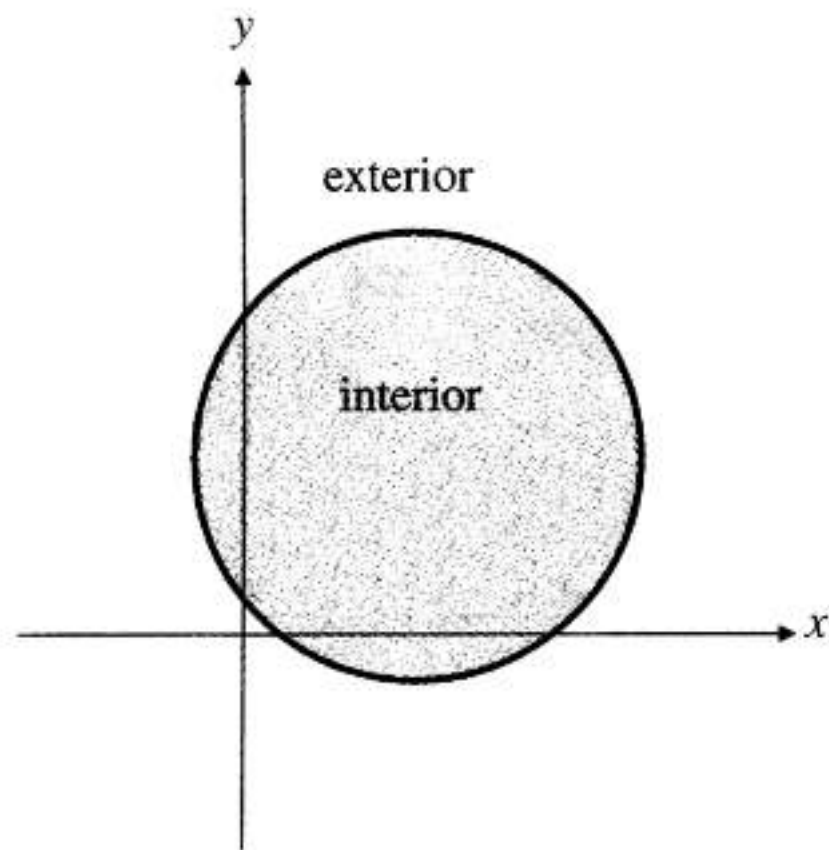
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$$x^2 + y^2 + 2ax + 2by = c \longrightarrow \begin{cases} \text{circle when } c + a^2 + b^2 > 0 \\ \text{single point when } c + a^2 + b^2 = 0 \\ \text{no points when } c + a^2 + b^2 < 0 \end{cases}$$

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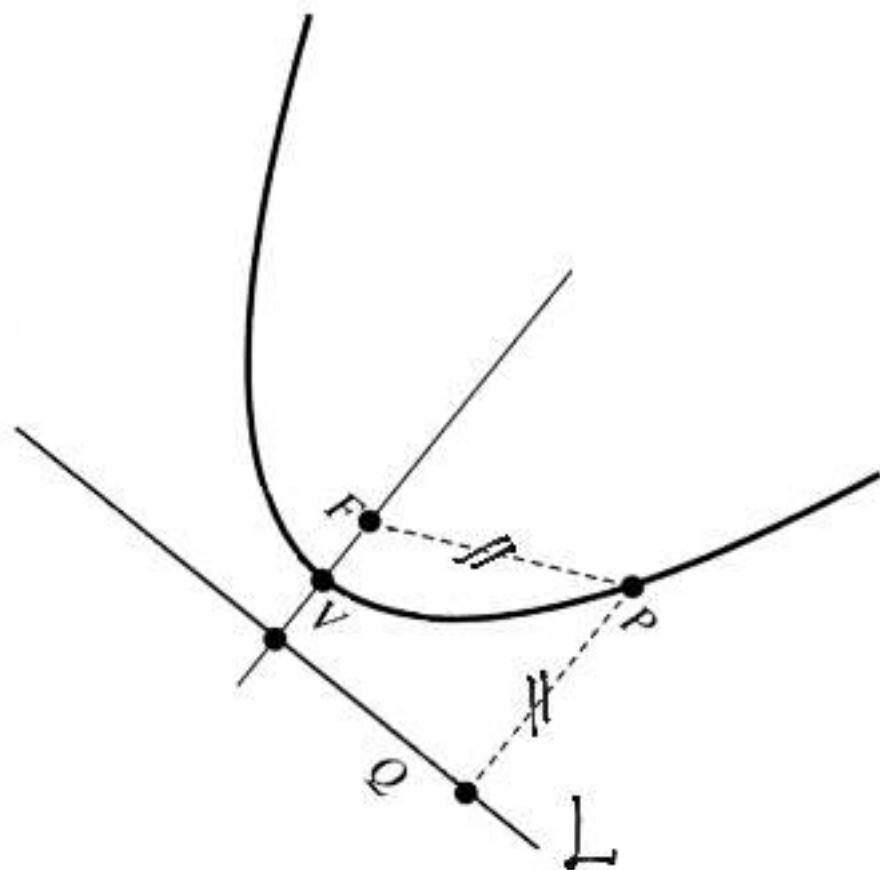
A disk of radius a with
center (h, k)

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 \leq a^2$$

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Equations of Parabolas

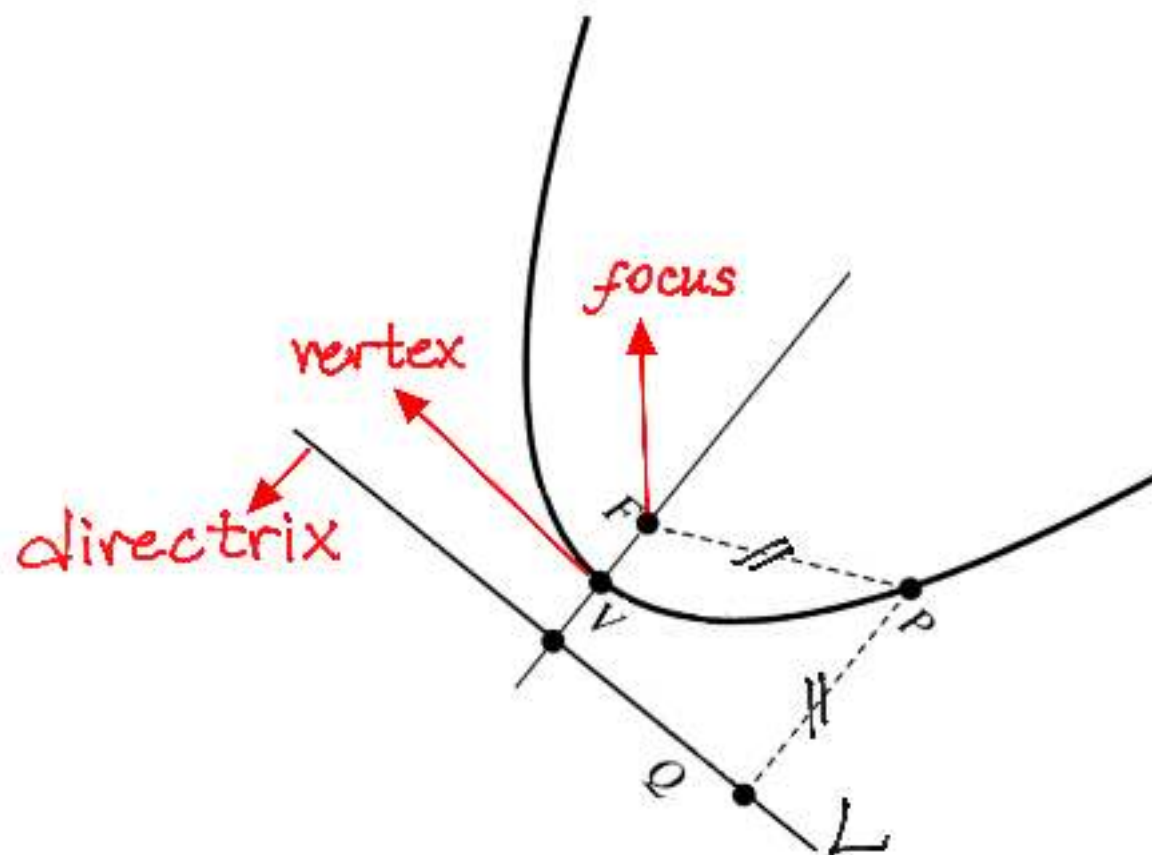
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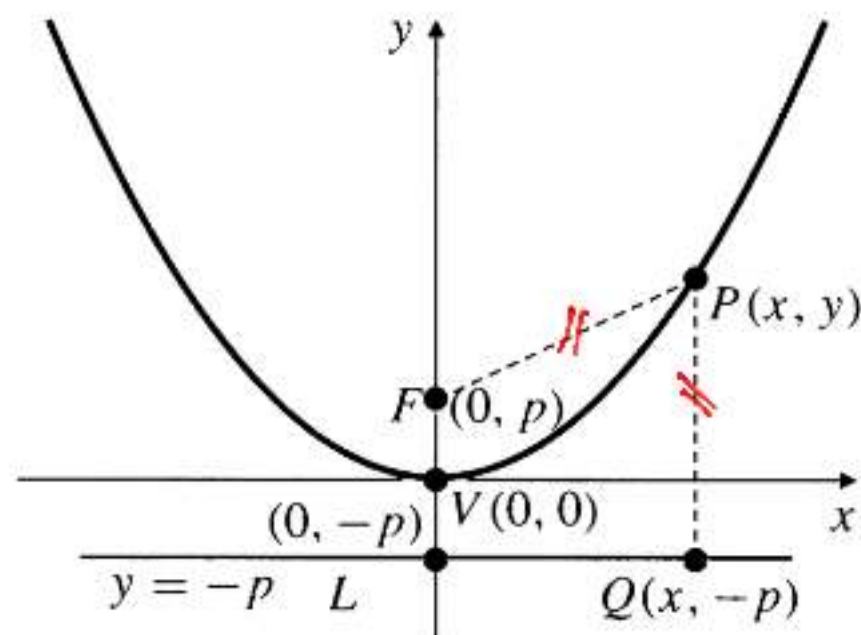


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Equations of Parabolas

EXAMPLE

Find an equation of the parabola having the point $F(0, p)$ as focus and the line L with equation $y = -p$ as directrix.



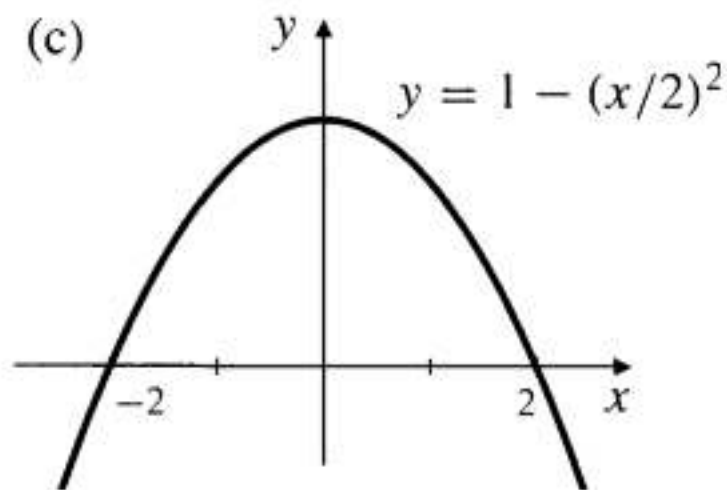
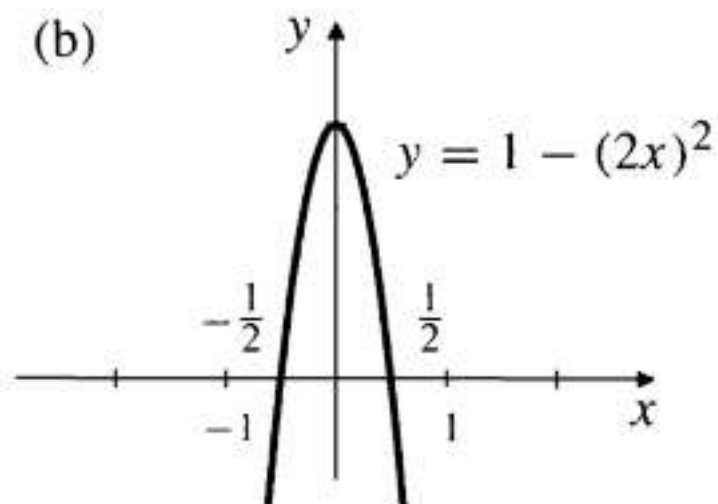
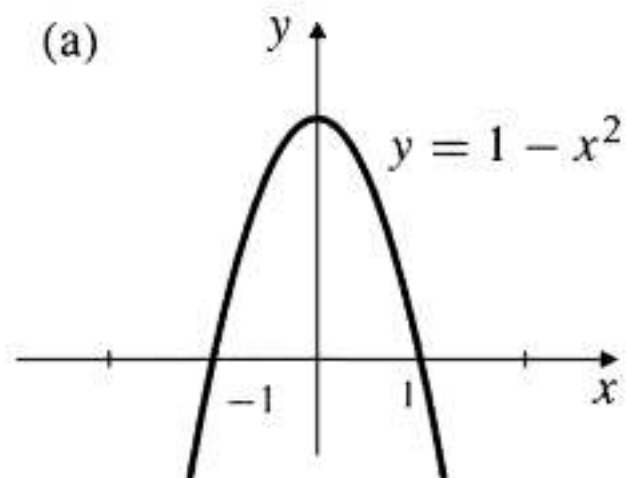
$$|FP| = |PQ|$$



$$y = \frac{x^2}{4p}$$

Graphs of Quadratic Equations

Scaling a Graph



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Shifting a Graph

SHIFTING A GRAPH HORIZONTALLY

$c > 0, \quad X \longleftrightarrow X - c$	shifting c units to the right
$c < 0, \quad X \longleftrightarrow X - c$	shifting c units to the left

SHIFTING A GRAPH VERTICALLY

$c > 0, \quad y \longleftrightarrow y - c$	shifting c units to downward
$c < 0, \quad y \longleftrightarrow y - c$	shifting c units to upward

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EXAMPLE

Describe the graph of $y = x^2 - 4x + 3$.

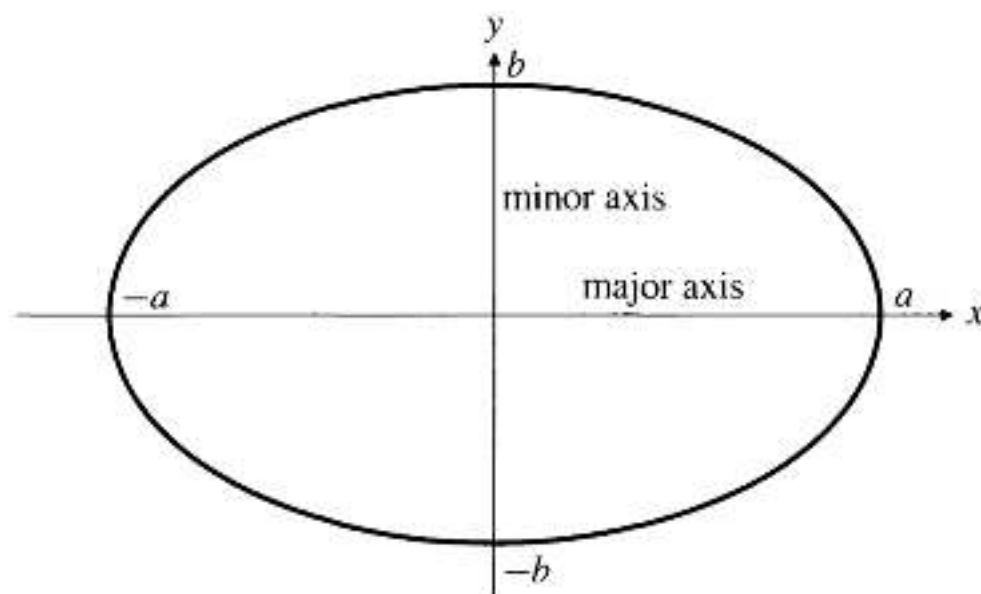
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Ellipses and Hyperbolas

If a and b are positive numbers, the equation

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

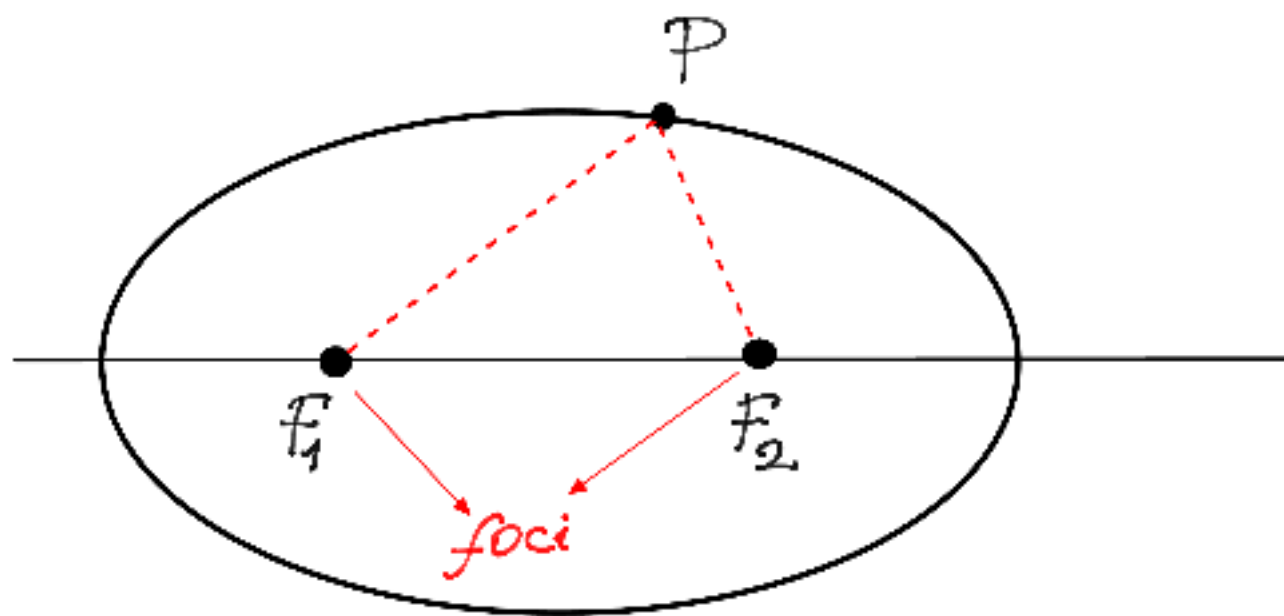
represents a curve called an **ellipse** that lies wholly within the rectangle $-a \leq x \leq a$, $-b \leq y \leq b$.



The ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

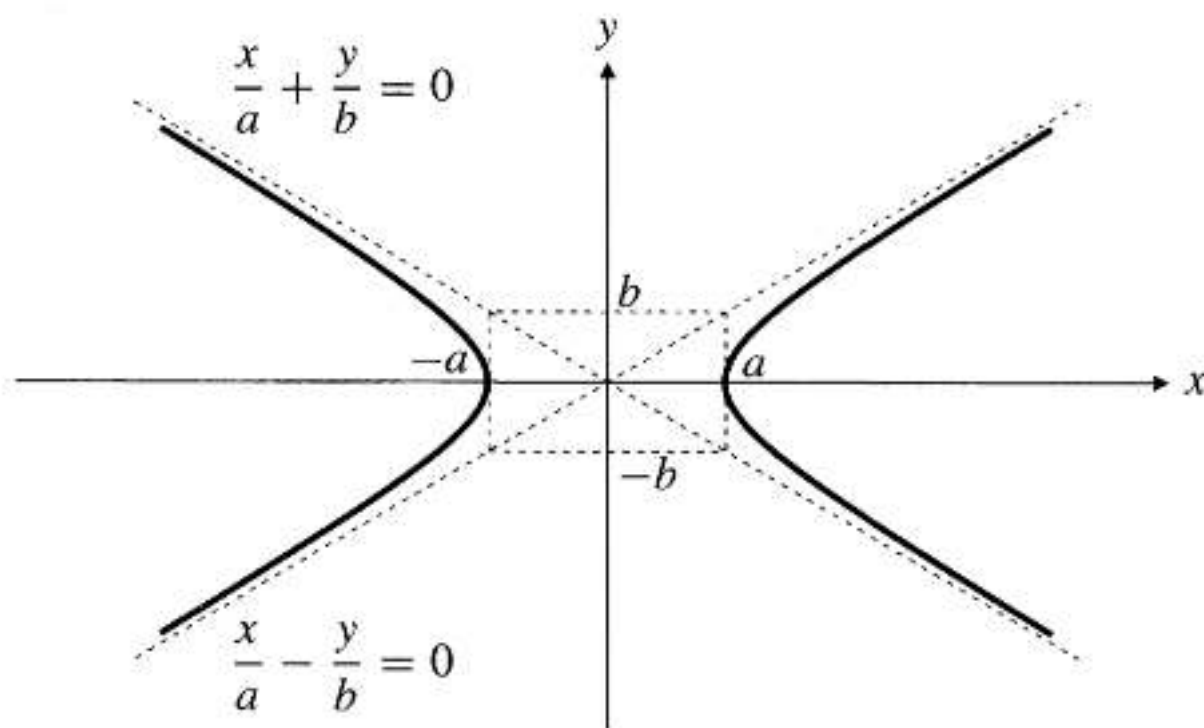
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General definition of an ellipse



$$|PF_1| + |PF_2| = \text{constant}$$

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The hyperbola $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ and its
asymptotes