

# Maharashtra State Board 11th Maths Solutions Chapter 7 Conic Sections Ex 7.1

Question 1.

Find co-ordinates of focus, equation of directrix, length of latus rectum and the co-ordinates of end points of latus rectum of the parabola:

(i)  $5y^2 = 24x$

(ii)  $y^2 = -20x$

(iii)  $3x^2 = 8y$

(iv)  $x^2 = -8y$

(v)  $3y^2 = -16x$

Solution:

(i) Given equation of the parabola is  $5y^2 = 24x$ .

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{24}{5}x$$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = \frac{24}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{6}{5}$$

Co-ordinates of focus are  $S(a, 0)$ , i.e.,  $S(\frac{6}{5}, 0)$

Equation of the directrix is  $x + a = 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{6}{5} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x + 6 = 0$$

Length of latus rectum =  $4a$

$$= 4(\frac{6}{5})$$

$$= \frac{24}{5}$$

Co-ordinates of end points of latus rectum are  $(a, 2a)$  and  $(a, -2a)$ ,

$$\Rightarrow (\frac{6}{5}, \frac{12}{5}) \text{ and } (\frac{6}{5}, -\frac{12}{5})$$

(ii) Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = -20x$ .

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = -4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 5$$

Co-ordinates of focus are  $S(-a, 0)$ , i.e.,  $S(-5, 0)$

Equation of the directrix is  $x - a = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x - 5 = 0$$

Length of latus rectum =  $4a = 4(5) = 20$

Co-ordinates of end points of latus rectum are  $(-a, 2a)$  and  $(-a, -2a)$ ,

$$\Rightarrow (-5, 10) \text{ and } (-5, -10).$$

(iii) Given equation of the parabola is  $3x^2 = 8y$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{8}{3}y$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2 = 4by$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4b = \frac{8}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{2}{3}$$

Co-ordinates of focus are  $S(0, b)$ , i.e.,  $S(0, \frac{2}{3})$

Equation of the directrix is  $y + b = 0$ ,

$$\Rightarrow y + \frac{2}{3} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y + 2 = 0$$

Length of latus rectum =  $4b = 4(\frac{2}{3}) = \frac{8}{3}$

Co-ordinates of end points of latus rectum are  $(2b, b)$  and  $(-2b, b)$ ,

$$\Rightarrow (\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3}) \text{ and } (-\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3}).$$

(iv) Given equation of the parabola is  $x^2 = -8y$ .

Comparing this equation with  $x^2 = -4by$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4b = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 2$$

Co-ordinates of focus are  $S(0, -b)$ , i.e.,  $S(0, -2)$

Equation of the directrix is  $y - b = 0$ , i.e.,  $y - 2 = 0$

Length of latus rectum =  $4b = 4(2) = 8$

$\therefore$  Co-ordinates of end points of latus rectum are  $(2b, -b)$  and  $(-2b, -b)$ , i.e.,  $(4, -2)$  and  $(-4, -2)$ .

(v) Given equation of the parabola is  $3y^2 = -16x$ .

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = -\frac{16}{3}x$$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = -4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = \frac{16}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 43$$

Co-ordinates of focus are  $S(-a, 0)$ , i.e.,  $(-43, 0)$

Equation of the directrix is  $x - a = 0$ ,

$$\Rightarrow x - 43 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 4 = 0$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = 4a = 4(43) = 163$$

Co-ordinates of end points of latus rectum are  $(-a, 2a)$  and  $(-a, -2a)$ ,

i.e.,  $(-43, 83)$  and  $(-43, -83)$

Question 2.

Find the equation of the parabola with vertex at the origin, the axis along the Y-axis, and passing through the point  $(-10, -5)$ .

Solution:

Vertex of the parabola is at origin  $(0, 0)$  and its axis is along Y-axis.

Equation of the parabola can be either  $x^2 = 4by$  or  $x^2 = -4by$

Since the parabola passes through  $(-10, -5)$ , it lies in 3rd quadrant.

Required parabola is  $x^2 = -4by$ .

Substituting  $x = -10$  and  $y = -5$  in  $x^2 = -4by$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow (-10)^2 = -4b(-5)$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 10020 = 5$$

$\therefore$  The required equation of the parabola is  $x^2 = -4(5)y$ , i.e.,  $x^2 = -20y$ .

Question 3.

Find the equation of the parabola with vertex at the origin, the axis along the X-axis, and passing through the point  $(3, 4)$ .

Solution:

Vertex of the parabola is at the origin  $(0, 0)$  and its axis is along X-axis.

Equation of the parabola can be either  $y^2 = 4ax$  or  $y^2 = -4ax$ .

Since the parabola passes through  $(3, 4)$ , it lies in the 1st quadrant.

Required parabola is  $y^2 = 4ax$ .

Substituting  $x = 3$  and  $y = 4$  in  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow (4)^2 = 4a(3)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1612 = 43$$

The required equation of the parabola is

$$y^2 = 4(43)x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y^2 = 16x$$

Question 4.

Find the equation of the parabola whose vertex is  $O(0, 0)$  and focus at  $(-7, 0)$ .

Solution:

Focus of the parabola is  $S(-7, 0)$  and vertex is  $O(0, 0)$ .

Since focus lies on X-axis, it is the axis of the parabola.

Focus  $S(-7, 0)$  lies on the left-hand side of the origin.

It is a left-handed parabola.

Required parabola is  $y = -4ax$ .

Focus is  $S(-a, 0)$ .

$$a = 7$$

$\therefore$  The required equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = -4(7)x$ , i.e.,  $y^2 = -28x$ .

Question 5.

Find the equation of the parabola with vertex at the origin, the axis along X-axis, and passing through the point

(i)  $(1, -6)$

(ii)  $(2, 3)$

Solution:

(i) Vertex of the parabola is at origin  $(0, 0)$  and its axis is along X-axis.

Equation of the parabola can be either  $y^2 = 4ax$  or  $y^2 = -4ax$ .

Since the parabola passes through  $(1, -6)$ , it lies in the 4th quadrant.

Required parabola is  $y^2 = 4ax$ .

Substituting  $x = 1$  and  $y = -6$  in  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow (-6)^2 = 4a(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 36 = 4a$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 9$$

$\therefore$  The required equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 4(9)x$ , i.e.,  $y^2 = 36x$ .

(ii) Vertex of the parabola is at origin  $(0, 0)$  and its axis is along X-axis.

Equation of the parabola can be either  $y^2 = 4ax$  or  $y^2 = -4ax$ .

Since the parabola passes through (2, 3), it lies in 1st quadrant.

∴ Required parabola is  $y^2 = 4ax$ .

Substituting  $x = 2$  and  $y = 3$  in  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow (3)^2 = 4a(2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 = 8a$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{9}{8}$$

The required equation of the parabola is

$$y^2 = 4\left(\frac{9}{8}\right)x$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{9}{2}x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 = 9x.$$

Question 6.

For the parabola  $3y^2 = 16x$ , find the parameter of the point:

(i) (3, -4)

(ii) (27, -12)

Solution:

Given the equation of the parabola is  $3y^2 = 16x$ .

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{16}{3}x$$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = \frac{16}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{4}{3}$$

If  $t$  is the parameter of the point  $P$  on the parabola, then

$$P(t) = (at^2, 2at)$$

i.e.,  $x = at^2$  and  $y = 2at$  .....(i)

(i) Given point is (3, -4)

Substituting  $x = 3$ ,  $y = -4$  and  $a = \frac{4}{3}$  in (i), we get

$$3 = \frac{4}{3}t^2 \text{ and } -4 = 2\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)t$$

$$t^2 = \frac{9}{4} \text{ and } t = \frac{-3}{2}$$

$$t = \pm \frac{3}{2} \text{ and } t = \frac{-3}{2}$$

$$t = -\frac{3}{2}$$

∴ The parameter of the given point is  $-\frac{3}{2}$

(ii) Given point is (27, -12)

Substituting  $x = 27$ ,  $y = -12$  and  $a = \frac{4}{3}$  in (i), we get

$$27 = \frac{4}{3}t^2 \text{ and } -12 = 2\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)t$$

$$t^2 = \frac{81}{4} \text{ and } t = \frac{-9}{2}$$

$$t = \pm \frac{9}{2} \text{ and } t = \frac{-9}{2}$$

$$t = \frac{-9}{2}$$

∴ The parameter of the given point is  $-\frac{9}{2}$

Question 7.

Find the focal distance of a point on the parabola  $y^2 = 16x$  whose ordinate is 2 times the abscissa.

Solution:

Given the equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 16x$ .

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4$$

Since ordinate is 2 times the abscissa,

$$y = 2x$$

Substituting  $y = 2x$  in  $y^2 = 16x$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow (2x)^2 = 16x$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 = 16x$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - 16x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x(x - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } x = 4$$

When  $x = 4$ ,

$$\text{focal distance} = x + a = 4 + 4 = 8$$

When  $x = 0$ ,

focal distance =  $a = 4$

$\therefore$  Focal distance is 4 or 8.

Question 8.

Find coordinates of the point on the parabola. Also, find focal distance.

(i)  $y^2 = 12x$  whose parameter is  $13$

(ii)  $2y^2 = 7x$  whose parameter is  $-2$

Solution:

(i) Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 12x$ .

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3$$

If  $t$  is the parameter of the point  $P$  on the parabola, then

$$P(t) = (at^2, 2at)$$

i.e.,  $x = at^2$  and  $y = 2at$  .....(i)

Given,  $t = 13$

Substituting  $a = 3$  and  $t = 13$  in (i), we get

$$x = 3(13)^2 \text{ and } y = 2(3)(13)$$

$$x = 13 \text{ and } y = 2$$

The co-ordinates of the point on the parabola are  $(13, 2)$

$$\therefore \text{Focal distance} = x + a$$

$$= 13 + 3$$

$$= 103$$

(ii) Given equation of the parabola is  $2y^2 = 7x$ .

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 72x$$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 72$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 78$$

If  $t$  is the parameter of the point  $P$  on the parabola, then

$$P(t) = (at^2, 2at)$$

i.e.,  $x = at^2$  and  $y = 2at$  .....(i)

Given,  $t = -2$

Substituting  $a = 78$  and  $t = -2$  in (i), we get

$$x = 78(-2)^2 \text{ and } y = 2(78)(-2)$$

$$x = 72 \text{ and } y = -72$$

The co-ordinates of the point on the parabola are  $(72, -72)$

$$\therefore \text{Focal distance} = x + a$$

$$= 72 + 78$$

$$= 358$$

Question 9.

For the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$ , find the coordinates of the point whose focal distance is 17.

Solution:

Given the equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 4x$ .

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1$$

Focal distance of a point =  $x + a$

Given, focal distance = 17

$$\Rightarrow x + 1 = 17$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 16$$

Substituting  $x = 16$  in  $y^2 = 4x$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 4(16)$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 64$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm 8$$

$\therefore$  The co-ordinates of the point on the parabola are  $(16, 8)$  or  $(16, -8)$ .

Question 10.

Find the length of the latus rectum of the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  passing through the point  $(2, -6)$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 4ax$  and it passes through point  $(2, -6)$ .

Substituting  $x = 2$  and  $y = -6$  in  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow (-6)^2 = 4a(2)$$

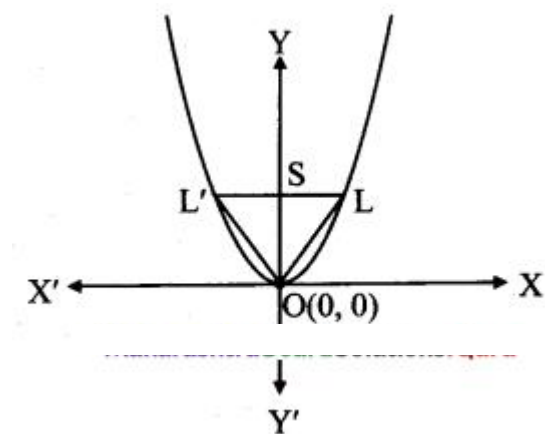
$$\Rightarrow 4a = 18$$

$$\therefore \text{Length of latus rectum} = 4a = 18 \text{ units}$$

Question 11.

Find the area of the triangle formed by the line joining the vertex of the parabola  $x^2 = 12y$  to the endpoints of the latus rectum.

Solution:



Given the equation of the parabola is  $x^2 = 12y$ .

Comparing this equation with  $x^2 = 4by$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4b = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 3$$

The co-ordinates of focus are  $S(0, b)$ , i.e.,  $S(0, 3)$

End points of the latus-rectum are  $L(2b, b)$  and  $L'(-2b, b)$ ,

i.e.,  $L(6, 3)$  and  $L'(-6, 3)$

Also  $l(LL') = \text{length of latus-rectum} = 4b = 12$

$$l(OS) = b = 3$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle OLL' = \frac{1}{2} \times l(LL') \times l(OS)$$

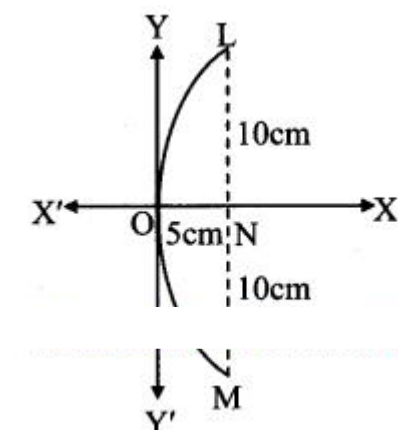
$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times 3$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle OLL' = 18 \text{ sq. units}$$

Question 12.

If a parabolic reflector is 20 cm in diameter and 5 cm deep, find its focus.

Solution:



Let LOM be the parabolic reflector such that LM is the diameter and ON is its depth.

It is given that  $ON = 5 \text{ cm}$  and  $LM = 20 \text{ cm}$ .

$$LN = 10 \text{ cm}$$

Taking O as the origin, ON along X-axis and a line through O  $\perp$  ON as Y-axis.

Let the equation of the reflector be  $y^2 = 4ax$  .....(i)

The point L has the co-ordinates (5, 10) and lies on parabola given by (i).

Substituting  $x = 5$  and  $y = 10$  in (i), we get

$$\Rightarrow 10^2 = 4a(5)$$

$$\Rightarrow 100 = 20a$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 5$$

Focus is at  $(a, 0)$ , i.e.,  $(5, 0)$

Question 13.

Find co-ordinates of focus, vertex, and equation of directrix and the axis of the parabola  $y = x^2 - 2x + 3$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y = x^2 - 2x + 3$

$$\Rightarrow y = x^2 - 2x + 1 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow y - 2 = (x - 1)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 1)^2 = y - 2$$

Comparing this equation with  $X^2 = 4bY$ , we get

$$X = x - 1, Y = y - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4b = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{1}{4}$$

The co-ordinates of vertex are  $(X = 0, Y = 0)$

$$\Rightarrow x - 1 = 0 \text{ and } y - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ and } y = 2$$

The co-ordinates of vertex are  $(1, 2)$ .

The co-ordinates of focus are  $S(X = 0, Y = b)$

$$\Rightarrow x - 1 = 0 \text{ and } y - 2 = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ and } y = 94$$

The co-ordinates of focus are  $(1, 94)$

Equation of the axis is  $X = 0$

$$x - 1 = 0, \text{ i.e., } x = 1$$

Equation of directrix is  $Y + b = 0$

$$\Rightarrow y - 2 + 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y - 74 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y - 7 = 0$$

Question 14.

Find the equation of tangent to the parabola

(i)  $y^2 = 12x$  from the point  $(2, 5)$

(ii)  $y^2 = 36x$  from the point  $(2, 9)$

Solution:

(i) Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 12x$ .

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3$$

Equation of tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  having slope  $m$  is

$$y = mx + \frac{a}{m}$$

Since the tangent passes through the point  $(2, 5)$

$$\Rightarrow 5 = 2m + \frac{3}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5m = 2m^2 + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2m^2 - 5m + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2m^2 - 2m - 3m + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2m(m - 1) - 3(m - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m - 1)(2m - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 1 \text{ or } m = \frac{3}{2}$$

These are the slopes of the required tangents.

By slope point form,  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$ , the equations of the tangents are

$$\Rightarrow y - 5 = 1(x - 2) \text{ and } y - 5 = \frac{3}{2}(x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow y - 5 = x - 2 \text{ and } 2y - 10 = 3x - 6$$

$$\Rightarrow x - y + 3 = 0 \text{ and } 3x - 2y + 4 = 0$$

(ii) Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 36x$ .

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 9$$

Equation of tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  having slope  $m$  is

$$y = mx + \frac{a}{m}$$

Since the tangent passes through the point  $(2, 9)$ ,

$$\Rightarrow 9 = 2m + \frac{9}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9m = 2m^2 + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 2m^2 - 9m + 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2m^2 - 6m - 3m + 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2m(m - 3) - 3(m - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m - 3)(2m - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 3 \text{ or } m = \frac{3}{2}$$

These are the slopes of the required tangents.

By slope point form,  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$ , the equations of the tangents are

$$\Rightarrow y - 9 = 3(x - 2) \text{ and } y - 9 = \frac{3}{2}(x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow y - 9 = 3x - 6 \text{ and } 2y - 18 = 3x - 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - y + 3 = 0 \text{ and } 3x - 2y + 12 = 0$$

Question 15.

If the tangents drawn from the point  $(-6, 9)$  to the parabola  $y^2 = kx$  are perpendicular to each other, find  $k$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = kx$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = k$$

$$\Rightarrow a = k^4$$

Equation of tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  having slope  $m$  is

$$y = mx + \frac{a}{m}$$

Since the tangent passes through the point  $(-6, 9)$ ,

$$\Rightarrow 9 = -6m + \frac{a}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow 36m = -24m^2 + a$$

$$\Rightarrow 24m^2 + 36m - a = 0$$

The roots  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  of this quadratic equation are the slopes of the tangents.

$$m_1 m_2 = -\frac{a}{24}$$

Since the tangents are perpendicular to each other,

$$m_1 m_2 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{a}{24} = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 24$$

Alternate method:

We know that, tangents drawn from a point on directrix are perpendicular.

$(-6, 9)$  lies on the directrix  $x = -a$ .

$$\Rightarrow -6 = -a$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 6$$

Since  $4a = k$

$$\Rightarrow k = 4(6) = 24$$

Question 16.

Two tangents to the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$  meet the tangents at the vertex in the points  $P$  and  $Q$ . If  $PQ = 4$ , prove that the equation of the locus of the point of intersection of two tangents is  $y^2 = 8(x + 2)$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 8x$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 8$$

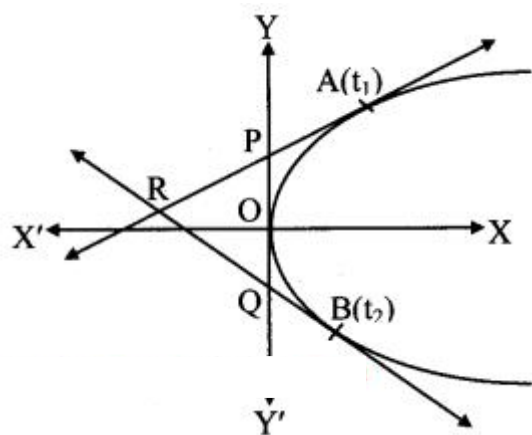
$$\Rightarrow a = 2$$

Equation of tangent to given parabola at  $A(t_1)$  is

$$t_1 y = x + 2t_1 \dots\dots(i)$$

Equation of tangent to given parabola at  $B(t_2)$  is

$$t_2 y = x + 2t_2 \dots\dots(ii)$$



A tangent at the vertex is  $Y$ -axis whose equation is  $x = 0$ .

$x$ -coordinate of points  $P$  and  $Q$  is 0.

Let  $P$  be  $(0, k_1)$  and  $Q$  be  $(0, k_2)$ .

Then, from (i) and (ii), we get

$$k_1 t_1 = 0 + 2t_1^2 \text{ and } k_2 t_2 = 0 + 2t_2^2$$

$$k_1 = 2t_1 \text{ and } k_2 = 2t_2$$

P is  $(0, 2t_1)$  and Q is  $(0, 2t_2)$

$$PQ = 2|t_1 - t_2|$$

But PQ is given to be 4.

$$2|t_1 - t_2| = 4$$

$$(t_1 - t_2)^2 = 4 \quad \dots (iii)$$

Let  $R(x_1, y_1)$  be point of intersection of (i) and (ii).

$$y_1 t_1 = x_1 + 2t_1^2 \quad \dots (iv)$$

$$\text{and } y_1 t_2 = x_1 + 2t_2^2$$

Subtracting, we get

$$y_1 t_1 - y_1 t_2 = 2t_1^2 - 2t_2^2$$

$$y_1(t_1 - t_2) = 2(t_1 + t_2)(t_1 - t_2)$$

$$y_1 = 2(t_1 + t_2) \quad \dots (v) \quad [\because t_1 \neq t_2]$$

$$y_1 t_1 = 2(t_1 + t_2)t_1$$

$$x_1 + 2t_1^2 = 2t_1^2 + 2t_1 t_2 \quad \dots [\text{From (iv)}]$$

$$x_1 = 2t_1 t_2 \quad \dots (vi)$$

To find the equation of locus of  $R(x_1, y_1)$ , eliminate  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  from the equations (iii), (v) and (vi).

Squaring (v), we get

$$y_1^2 = 4(t_1 + t_2)^2$$

$$= 4[(t_1 - t_2)^2 + 4t_1 t_2]$$

$$= 4[4 + 2x_1] \quad \dots [\text{From (iii) and (vi)}]$$

$$y_1^2 = 8(x_1 + 2)$$

$\therefore$  Equation of locus of R is  $y^2 = 8(x + 2)$ .

Question 17.

Find the equation of common tangent to the parabolas  $y^2 = 4x$  and  $x^2 = 32y$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 4x$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1$$

Let the equation of common tangent be

$$y = mx + \frac{1}{m} \quad \dots (i)$$

Substituting  $y = mx + \frac{1}{m}$  in  $x^2 = 32y$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 32(mx + \frac{1}{m}) = 32mx + \frac{32}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow mx^2 = 32mx + \frac{32}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow mx^2 - 32mx - \frac{32}{m} = 0 \quad \dots (ii)$$

Line (i) touches the parabola  $x^2 = 32y$ .

The quadratic equation (ii) in  $x$  has equal roots.

Discriminant = 0

$$\Rightarrow (-32m)^2 - 4(m)(-\frac{32}{m}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1024m^2 + 128 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 128m(8m^3 + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8m^3 + 1 = 0 \quad \dots [\because m \neq 0]$$

$$\Rightarrow m^3 = -\frac{1}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Substituting  $m = -\frac{1}{2}$  in (i), we get

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{(-\frac{1}{2})}$$

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

$\Rightarrow x + 2y + 4 = 0$ , which is the equation of the common tangent.

Question 18.

Find the equation of the locus of a point, the tangents from which to the parabola  $y^2 = 18x$  are such that sum of their slopes is -3.

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 18x$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{9}{2}$$

Equation of tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  having slope  $m$  is

$$\Rightarrow y = mx + \frac{a}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = mx + \frac{9}{2m}$$



$$\Rightarrow 2ym = 2xm^2 + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 2xm^2 - 2ym + 9 = 0$$

The roots  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  of this quadratic equation are the slopes of the tangents.

$$m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{(-2y)}{2x} = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\text{But, } m_1 + m_2 = -3$$

$$\frac{y}{x} = -3$$

$y = -3x$ , which is the required equation of locus.

Question 19.

The towers of a bridge, hung in the form of a parabola, have their tops 30 metres above the roadway and are 200 metres apart. If the cable is 5 metres above the roadway at the centre of the bridge, find the length of the vertical supporting cable 30 metres from the centre.

Solution:

Let CAB be the cable of the bridge and X'OX be the roadway.

Let A be the centre of the bridge.

From the figure, vertex of parabola is at A(0, 5).

Let the equation of parabola be

$$x^2 = 4b(y - 5) \dots\dots(i)$$

Since the parabola passes through (100, 30).

Substituting  $x = 100$  and  $y = 30$  in (i), we get

$$\Rightarrow 100^2 = 4b(30 - 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow 100^2 = 4b(25)$$

$$\Rightarrow 100^2 = 100b$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 100$$

Substituting the value of  $b$  in (i), we get

$$x^2 = 400(y - 5) \dots\dots(ii)$$

Let  $l$  metres be the length of vertical supporting cable.

Then P(30,  $l$ ) lies on (ii).

$$\Rightarrow 30^2 = 400(l - 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow 900 = 400(l - 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow 94 = l - 5$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 94 + 5$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 94 \text{ m} = 7.25 \text{ m}$$

The length of the vertical supporting cable is 7.25 m.

Question 20.

A circle whose centre is (4, -1) passes through the focus of the parabola  $x^2 + 16y = 0$ . Show that the circle touches the directrix of the parabola.

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $x^2 + 16y = 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = -16y$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2 = -4by$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow 4b = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 4$$

$$\text{Focus} = S(0, -b) = (0, -4)$$

Centre of the circle is C(4, -1) and it passes through focus S of the parabola.

Radius = CS

$$= \sqrt{(4-0)^2 + (-1+4)^2} = \sqrt{16+9} = 5$$

$$= \sqrt{16+9} = 5$$

$$= 5$$

Equation of the directrix is  $y - b = 0$ , i.e.,  $y - 4 = 0$

Length of the perpendicular from centre C(4, -1) to the directrix

$$= \left| \frac{0(4) + 1(-1) - 4(0)}{1^2 + 0^2} \right| = \left| \frac{-1}{1} \right| = 1$$

$$= \left| \frac{-1-4}{1} \right| = 5$$

$$= 5$$

= radius

$\therefore$  The circle touches the directrix of the parabola.

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Question 1.

Find the

- (i) lengths of the principal axes
- (ii) co-ordinates of the foci
- (iii) equations of directrices
- (iv) length of the latus rectum
- (v) distance between foci
- (vi) distance between directrices of the ellipse:

(a)  $x^2/25 + y^2/9 = 1$

(b)  $3x^2 + 4y^2 = 12$

(c)  $2x^2 + 6y^2 = 6$

(d)  $3x^2 + 4y^2 = 1$

Solution:

(a) Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2/25 + y^2/9 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$a^2 = 25$  and  $b^2 = 9$

$a = 5$  and  $b = 3$

Since  $a > b$ ,

X-axis is the major axis and Y-axis is the minor axis.

(i) Length of major axis =  $2a = 2(5) = 10$

Length of minor axis =  $2b = 2(3) = 6$

Lengths of the principal axes are 10 and 6.

(ii) We know that  $e = \sqrt{a^2 - b^2}/a$

$= \sqrt{25 - 9}/5$

$= 4/5$

$= 4/5$

Co-ordinates of the foci are S(ae, 0) and S'(-ae, 0),

i.e., S(4, 0) and S'(-4, 0)

i.e., S(4, 0) and S'(-4, 0)

(iii) Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm a/e$

$= \pm 5 \cdot 5/4$

$= \pm 25/4$

(iv) Length of latus rectum =  $2b^2/a = 2(3)^2/5 = 18/5$

(v) Distance between foci =  $2ae$

$= 2(5)(4/5)$

$= 8$

(vi) Distance between directrices =  $2a/e$

$= 2(5) \cdot 5/4$

$= 25/2$

(b) Given equation of the ellipse is  $3x^2 + 4y^2 = 12$

$x^2/4 + y^2/3 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$a^2 = 4$  and  $b^2 = 3$

$a = 2$  and  $b = \sqrt{3}$

Since  $a > b$ ,

X-axis is the major axis and Y-axis is the minor axis.

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(i) Length of major axis =  $2a = 2(2) = 4$

Length of minor axis =  $2b = 2\sqrt{3}$

Lengths of the principal axes are 4 and  $2\sqrt{3}$ .

(ii) We know that  $e = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a}$

$$= \frac{4 - 3}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

Co-ordinates of the foci are  $S(ae, 0)$  and  $S'(-ae, 0)$ ,

i.e.,  $S(2(\frac{1}{2}), 0)$  and  $S'(-2(\frac{1}{2}), 0)$

i.e.,  $S(1, 0)$  and  $S'(-1, 0)$

(iii) Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm ae$

$$= \pm 2(\frac{1}{2})$$

$$= \pm 1$$

(iv) Length of latus rectum =  $\frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2(3)}{2} = 3$

(v) Distance between foci =  $2ae = 2(2)(\frac{1}{2}) = 2$

(vi) Distance between directrices =  $\frac{2a}{e}$

$$= \frac{2(2)}{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= 8$$

(c) Given equation of the ellipse is  $2x^2 + 6y^2 = 6$

$$\frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{y^2}{1} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 3 \text{ and } b^2 = 1$$

$$a = \sqrt{3} \text{ and } b = 1$$

Since  $a > b$ ,

X-axis is the major axis and Y-axis is the minor axis.

(i) Length of major axis =  $2a = 2\sqrt{3}$

Length of minor axis =  $2b = 2(1) = 2$

Lengths of the principal axes are  $2\sqrt{3}$  and 2.

(ii) We know that  $e = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a}$

$$= \frac{3 - 1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Co-ordinates of the foci are  $S(ae, 0)$  and  $S'(-ae, 0)$ ,

i.e.,  $S(\sqrt{3}(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}), 0)$  and  $S'(-\sqrt{3}(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}), 0)$

i.e.,  $S(2, 0)$  and  $S'(-2, 0)$

(iii) Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$ ,

$$= \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}}$$

$$= \pm \frac{3}{2}$$

(iv) Length of latus rectum =  $\frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2(1)}{2} = 1$

(v) Distance between foci =  $2ae$

$$= 2(\sqrt{3})(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}})$$

$$= 4$$

(vi) Distance between directrices =  $\frac{2a}{e}$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}}$$

$$= 3$$

$$= 3$$

(d) Given equation of the ellipse is  $3x^2 + 4y^2 = 1$ .

$$\frac{x^2}{\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{y^2}{\frac{1}{4}} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } b^2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ and } b = \frac{1}{2}$$

Since  $a > b$ ,

X-axis is the major axis and Y-axis is the minor axis.

(i) Length of major axis  $= 2a = 2(13\sqrt{2}) = 26\sqrt{2}$

Length of minor axis  $= 2b = 2(12) = 24$

Lengths of the principal axes are  $26\sqrt{2}$  and 24.

(ii) We know that  $e = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{14}{13\sqrt{2}}$

$$e = \frac{14}{13\sqrt{2}} = \frac{14\sqrt{2}}{13\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}} = \frac{14\sqrt{2}}{13 \times 2} = \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{13}$$

Co-ordinates of the foci are  $S(ae, 0)$  and  $S'(-ae, 0)$ ,

i.e.,  $S(13\sqrt{2} \times \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{13}, 0)$  and  $S'(-13\sqrt{2} \times \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{13}, 0)$

i.e.,  $S(14, 0)$  and  $S'(-14, 0)$

(iii) Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$ ,

$$= \pm \frac{13\sqrt{2}}{\frac{7\sqrt{2}}{13}}$$

$$= \pm \frac{13\sqrt{2} \times 13}{7\sqrt{2}} = \pm \frac{169}{7}$$

(iv) Length of latus rectum  $= \frac{2b^2}{a}$

$$= \frac{2(12)^2}{13\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{288}{13\sqrt{2}}$$

(v) Distance between foci  $= 2ae$

$$= 2(13\sqrt{2}) \left( \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{13} \right)$$

$$= 28$$

(vi) Distance between directrices  $= \frac{2a}{e}$

$$= \frac{2(13\sqrt{2})}{\frac{7\sqrt{2}}{13}}$$

$$= \frac{26\sqrt{2} \times 13}{7\sqrt{2}} = \frac{338}{7}$$

Question 2.

Find the equation of the ellipse in standard form if

(i) eccentricity  $= \frac{3}{4}$  and distance between its foci  $= 6$ .

(ii) the length of the major axis is 10 and the distance between foci is 8.

(iii) distance between directrices is 18 and eccentricity is  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

(iv) minor axis is 16 and eccentricity is  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

(v) the distance between foci is 6 and the distance between directrices is 50.

(vi) the latus rectum has length 6 and foci are  $(\pm 2, 0)$ .

(vii) passing through the points  $(-3, 1)$  and  $(2, -2)$ .

(viii) the distance between its directrices is 10 and which passes through  $(-\sqrt{5}, 2)$ .

(ix) eccentricity is  $\frac{2}{3}$  and passes through  $(2, -5)$ .

Solution:

(i) Let the required equation of ellipse be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

Given, eccentricity  $(e) = \frac{3}{4}$

Distance between foci  $= 2ae$

Given, distance between foci  $= 6$

$$2ae = 6$$

$$2a \left( \frac{3}{4} \right) = 6$$

$$\frac{3a}{2} = 6$$

$$a = \frac{6 \times 2}{3} = 4$$

$$a^2 = 16$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2 (1 - e^2)$$

$$= 16 \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{3}{4} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= 16 \left( 1 - \frac{9}{16} \right) = 16 \left( \frac{7}{16} \right) = 7$$

The required equation of ellipse is  $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{7} = 1$ .

(ii) Let the required equation of ellipse be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

Length of major axis =  $2a$

Given, length of major axis = 10

$$2a = 10$$

$$a = 5$$

$$a^2 = 25$$

Distance between foci =  $2ae$

Given, distance between foci = 8

$$2ae = 8$$

$$2(5)e = 8$$

$$e = \frac{8}{10} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2 (1 - e^2)$$

$$= 25 \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{4}{5} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= 25 \left( 1 - \frac{16}{25} \right) = 25 \left( \frac{9}{25} \right) = 9$$

The required equation of ellipse is  $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ .

(iii) Let the required equation of ellipse be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

Given, eccentricity ( $e$ ) =  $\frac{1}{3}$

Distance between directrices =  $2ae$

Given, distance between directrices = 18

$$\frac{2a}{e} = 18$$

$$\frac{2a}{\frac{1}{3}} = 18$$

$$6a = 18$$

$$a = \frac{18}{6} = 3$$

$$a^2 = 9$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2 (1 - e^2)$$

$$= 9 \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= 9 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{9} \right) = 9 \left( \frac{8}{9} \right) = 8$$

The required equation of ellipse is  $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{8} = 1$ .

(iv) Let the required equation of ellipse be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

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Given, length of minor axis = 16

$$2b = 16$$

$$b = 8$$

$$b^2 = 64$$

Given, eccentricity ( $e$ ) =  $\frac{1}{3}$

Now,  $b^2 = a^2 (1 - e^2)$

$$64 = a^2 \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$64 = a^2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{9} \right)$$

$$64 = a^2 \left( \frac{8}{9} \right)$$

$$a^2 = \frac{64 \times 9}{8} = 72$$

The required equation of ellipse is  $\frac{x^2}{72} + \frac{y^2}{64} = 1$ .

(v) Let the required equation of ellipse be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

Distance between foci =  $2ae$

Given, distance between foci = 6

$$2ae = 6$$

$$ae = 3$$

$$a = 3e \dots\dots(i)$$

$$\text{Distance between directrices} = 2ae$$

$$\text{Given, distance between directrices} = 50$$

$$\frac{2a}{e} = \frac{50}{3}$$

$$\frac{a}{e} = \frac{25}{3}$$

$$\frac{3}{e} = \frac{25}{3} \dots[\text{From (i)}]$$

$$\frac{3}{e^2} = \frac{25}{3}$$

$$e^2 = \frac{9}{25}$$

$$e = \frac{3}{5} \dots[\because 0 < e < 1]$$

$$\text{Substituting } e = \frac{3}{5} \text{ in (i), we get}$$

$$a = \frac{3}{\frac{3}{5}}$$

$$a = 5$$

$$a^2 = 25$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2 (1 - e^2)$$

$$= 25 \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{3}{5} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= 25 \left( 1 - \frac{9}{25} \right) = 25 \left( \frac{16}{25} \right) = 16$$

The required equation of ellipse is  $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$ .

(vi) Given, the length of the latus rectum is 6, and co-ordinates of foci are  $(\pm 2, 0)$ .

The foci of the ellipse are on the X-axis.

Let the required equation of ellipse be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a}$$

$$\frac{2b^2}{a} = 6$$

$$b^2 = 3a \dots\dots(i)$$

$$\text{Co-ordinates of foci are } (\pm ae, 0)$$

$$ae = 2$$

$$a^2 e^2 = 4 \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2 (1 - e^2)$$

$$b^2 = a^2 - a^2 e^2$$

$$3a = a^2 - 4 \dots\dots[\text{From (i) and (ii)}]$$

$$a^2 - 3a - 4 = 0$$

$$a^2 - 4a + a - 4 = 0$$

$$a(a - 4) + 1(a - 4) = 0$$

$$(a - 4)(a + 1) = 0$$

$$a - 4 = 0 \text{ or } a + 1 = 0$$

$$a = 4 \text{ or } a = -1$$

Since  $a = -1$  is not possible,

$$a = 4$$

$$a^2 = 16$$

Substituting  $a = 4$  in (i), we get

$$b^2 = 3(4) = 12$$

The required equation of ellipse is  $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{12} = 1$ .

(vii) Let the required equation of ellipse be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

The ellipse passes through the points  $(-3, 1)$  and  $(2, -2)$ .

Substituting  $x = -3$  and  $y = 1$  in equation of ellipse, we get

$$\frac{(-3)^2}{a^2} + \frac{1^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{9}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} = 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

Substituting  $x = 2$  and  $y = -2$  in equation of ellipse, we get

$$\frac{2^2}{a^2} + \frac{(-2)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{4}{a^2} + \frac{4}{b^2} = 1 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Let  $\frac{1}{a^2} = A$  and  $\frac{1}{b^2} = B$

Equations (i) and (ii) become

$$9A + B = 1 \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$4A + 4B = 1 \quad \dots(iv)$$

Multiplying (iii) by 4, we get

$$36A + 4B = 4 \quad \dots(v)$$

Subtracting (iv) from (v), we get

$$32A = 3$$

$$A = \frac{3}{32}$$

Substituting  $A = \frac{3}{32}$  in (iv), we get

$$4\left(\frac{3}{32}\right) + 4B = 1$$

$$\frac{3}{8} + 4B = 1$$

$$4B = 1 - \frac{3}{8}$$

$$4B = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$B = \frac{5}{32}$$

Since  $\frac{1}{a^2} = A$  and  $\frac{1}{b^2} = B$ ,

$$\frac{1}{a^2} = \frac{3}{32} \text{ and } \frac{1}{b^2} = \frac{5}{32}$$

$$a^2 = \frac{32}{3} \text{ and } b^2 = \frac{32}{5}$$

The required equation of ellipse is

$$\frac{x^2}{\left(\frac{32}{3}\right)} + \frac{y^2}{\left(\frac{32}{5}\right)}, \text{ i.e., } 3x^2 + 5y^2 = 32.$$

(viii) Let the required equation of ellipse be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

Distance between directrices =  $2ae$

Given, distance between directrices = 10

$$2ae = 10$$

$$a = 5e \quad \dots(i)$$

The ellipse passes through  $(-\sqrt{5}, 2)$ .

Substituting  $x = -\sqrt{5}$  and  $y = 2$  in equation of ellipse, we get

$$\frac{(-\sqrt{5})^2}{a^2} + \frac{2^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{5}{a^2} + \frac{4}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{5}{a^2} + \frac{4}{a^2(1-e^2)} = 1 \quad \dots [\because b^2 = a^2(1-e^2)]$$

Multiplying throughout by  $a^2$ , we get

$$5 + \frac{4}{1-e^2} = a^2$$

$$5 + \frac{4}{1-e^2} = (5e)^2 \quad \dots [\text{From (i)}]$$

$$5(1-e^2) + 4 = 25e^2(1-e^2)$$

$$5 - 5e^2 + 4 = 25e^2 - 25e^4$$

$$25e^4 - 30e^2 + 9 = 0$$

$$(5e^2 - 3)^2 = 0$$

$$5e^2 - 3 = 0$$

$$e^2 = \frac{3}{5}$$

From (i),  $a = 5e$

$$a^2 = 25e^2 = 25 \times \frac{3}{5}$$

$$a^2 = 15$$

We know that,

$$b^2 = a^2(1-e^2)$$

$$b^2 = 15 \left(1 - \frac{3}{5}\right)$$

$$b^2 = 15(2/5)$$

$$b^2 = 6$$

The required equation of ellipse is  $\frac{x^2}{15} + \frac{y^2}{6} = 1$ .

(ix) Let the required equation of ellipse be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

Given, eccentricity ( $e$ ) =  $\frac{2}{3}$

The ellipse passes through  $(2, -5/3)$ .

Substituting  $x = 2$  and  $y = -5/3$  in equation of ellipse, we get



$$\frac{2^2}{a^2} + \frac{\left(-\frac{5}{3}\right)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{4}{a^2} + \frac{25}{9b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{4}{a^2} + \frac{25}{9a^2(1-e^2)} = 1 \quad \dots [\because b^2 = a^2(1-e^2)]$$

Multiplying throughout by  $a^2$ , we get

$$4 + \frac{25}{9(1-e^2)} = a^2$$

$$4 + \frac{25}{9\left[1-\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2\right]} = a^2$$

$$4 + \frac{25}{9\left(1-\frac{4}{9}\right)} = a^2$$

$$4 + \frac{25}{5} = a^2$$

$$4 + 5 = a^2$$

$$a^2 = 9$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2(1-e^2)$$

$$= 9\left[1-\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2\right]$$

$$= 9\left(1-\frac{4}{9}\right) = 9\left(\frac{5}{9}\right) = 5$$

The required equation of ellipse is  $x^2/9 + y^2/5 = 1$ .

Question 3.

Find the eccentricity of an ellipse, if the length of its latus rectum is one-third of its minor axis.

Solution:

Let the equation of ellipse be  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

Length of latus rectum =  $2b^2/a$

Length of minor axis =  $2b$

According to the given condition,

Length of latus rectum =  $\frac{1}{3}$  (Minor axis)

$$\frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{1}{3}(2b)$$

$$\frac{b}{a} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$b = \frac{1}{3}a$$

$$b^2 = \frac{1}{9}a^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2(1-e^2)$$

$$\frac{1}{9}a^2 = a^2(1-e^2) \quad \dots[\text{From (i)}]$$

$$\frac{1}{9} = 1-e^2$$

$$e^2 = 1 - \frac{1}{9}$$

$$e^2 = \frac{8}{9}$$

$$e = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \quad \dots[\because 0 < e < 1]$$

Question 4.

Find the eccentricity of an ellipse, if the distance between its directrices is three times the distance between its foci.

Solution:

Let the required equation of ellipse be  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

Distance between directrices =  $2ae$

Distance between foci =  $2ae$

According to the given condition,

distance between directrices = 3(distance between foci)

$$2ae = 3(2ae)$$

$$1e = 3e$$

$$13 = e2$$

$$e = 13\sqrt{\dots\dots} [ \because 0 < e < 1 ]$$

Eccentricity of the ellipse is  $13\sqrt{\dots\dots}$

Question 5.

Show that the product of the lengths of the perpendicular segments drawn from the foci to any tangent line to the

ellipse  $x^2/25 + y^2/16 = 1$  is equal to 16.

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2/25 + y^2/16 = 1$ .

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 25, b^2 = 16$$

$$a = 5, b = 4$$

$$\text{We know that } e = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}}{a}$$

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{25 - 16}}{5} = \frac{\sqrt{9}}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$ae = 5 \left( \frac{3}{5} \right) = 3$$

Co-ordinates of foci are  $S(ae, 0)$  and  $S'(-ae, 0)$ ,

i.e.,  $S(3, 0)$  and  $S'(-3, 0)$

Equations of tangents to the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \text{ having slope } m \text{ are}$$

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 + b^2}$$

Equation of one of the tangents to the ellipse is

$$y = mx + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}$$

$$mx - y + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16} = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$p_1$  = length of perpendicular segment from

$S(3, 0)$  to the tangent (i)

$$= \left| \frac{m(3) - 0 + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right|$$

$$p_1 = \left| \frac{3m + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right|$$

$p_2$  = length of perpendicular segment from

$S'(-3, 0)$  to the tangent (i)

$$= \left| \frac{m(-3) - 0 + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right|$$

$$p_2 = \left| \frac{-3m + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right|$$

$$p_1 p_2 = \left| \frac{3m + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right| \left| \frac{-3m + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right|$$

$$= \frac{(25m^2 + 16) - 9m^2}{m^2 + 1} = \frac{16(m^2 + 1)}{m^2 + 1} = 16$$

Question 6.

A tangent having slope  $(-1/2)$  the ellipse  $3x^2 + 4y^2 = 12$  intersects the X and Y axes in the points A and B respectively. If O is the origin, find the area of the triangle AOB.

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $3x^2 + 4y^2 = 12$ .

$$x^2/4 + y^2/3 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 4, b^2 = 3$$

Equations of tangents to the ellipse  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$  having slope m are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 + b^2}$$

$$\text{Here, } m = -1/2$$

Equations of the tangents are

$$y = -1/2 x \pm \sqrt{(-1/2)^2 \cdot 4 + 3} = -1/2 x \pm 2$$

$$2y = -x \pm 4$$

$$x + 2y \pm 4 = 0$$

Consider the tangent  $x + 2y - 4 = 0$

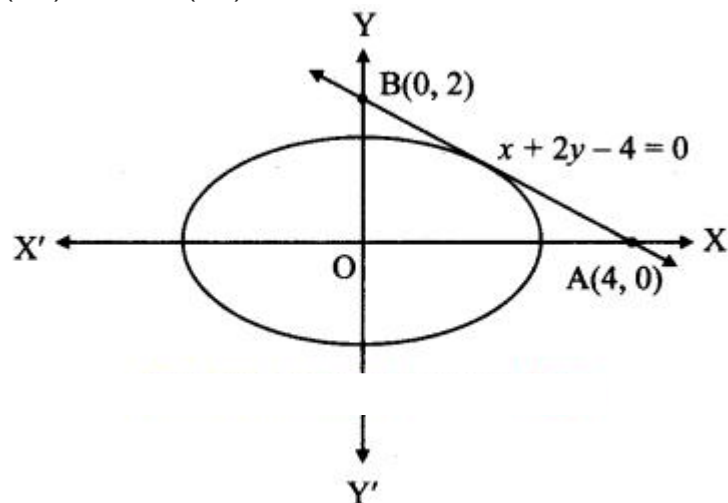
Let this tangent intersect the X-axis at A(x<sub>1</sub>, 0) and Y-axis at B(0, y<sub>1</sub>).

$$x_1 + 0 - 4 = 0 \text{ and } 0 + 2y_1 - 4 = 0$$

$$x_1 = 4 \text{ and } y_1 = 2$$

$$A = (4, 0) \text{ and } B = (0, 2)$$

$$l(OA) = 4 \text{ and } l(OB) = 2$$



$$\text{Area of } \Delta AOB = \frac{1}{2} \times l(OA) \times l(OB)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 2$$

$$= 4 \text{ sq.units}$$

Question 7.

Show that the line  $x - y = 5$  is a tangent to the ellipse  $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$ . Find the point of contact.

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$

$$x^2/16 + y^2/9 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 16 \text{ and } b^2 = 9$$

Given equation of line is  $x - y = 5$ , i.e.,  $y = x - 5$

$$c^2 = a^2 m^2 + b^2$$

Comparing this equation with  $y = mx + c$ , we get

$$m = 1 \text{ and } c = -5$$

For the line  $y = mx + c$  to be a tangent to the ellipse  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we must have

$$c^2 = a^2 m^2 + b^2$$

$$c^2 = (-5)^2 = 25$$

$$a^2 m^2 + b^2 = 16(1)^2 + 9 = 16 + 9 = 25 = c^2$$

The given line is a tangent to the given ellipse and point of contact

$$= (-a^2 m c, b^2 c)$$

$$= ((-16)(1)(-5), 9(-5))$$

$$= (165, -95)$$

Question 8.

Show that the line  $8y + x = 17$  touches the ellipse  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 17$ . Find the point of contact.

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 17$ .

$$x^2/17 + y^2/17/4 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 17 \text{ and } b^2 = 17/4$$

Given equation of line is  $8y + x = 17$ ,

$$y = -1/8 x + 17/8$$

Comparing this equation with  $y = mx + c$ , we get

$$m = -\frac{1}{8} \text{ and } c = \frac{17}{8}$$

For the line  $y = mx + c$  to be a tangent to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we must have

$$c^2 = a^2 m^2 + b^2$$

$$c^2 = \left(\frac{17}{8}\right)^2 = \frac{289}{64}$$

$$a^2 m^2 + b^2 = 17 \left(\frac{-1}{8}\right)^2 + \frac{17}{4} = \frac{17}{64} + \frac{17}{4} = \frac{289}{64} = c^2$$

**The given line touches the given ellipse and point of contact is**

$$\left(\frac{-a^2 m}{c}, \frac{b^2}{c}\right) = \left(\frac{-17 \left(\frac{-1}{8}\right)}{\frac{17}{8}}, \frac{\frac{17}{4}}{\frac{17}{8}}\right) = (1, 2)$$

Question 9.

Determine whether the line  $x + 3y\sqrt{2} = 9$  is a tangent to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$ . If so, find the co-ordinates of the point of contact.

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 9 \text{ and } b^2 = 4$$

Given equation of line is  $x + 3y\sqrt{2} = 9$ ,

$$\text{i.e., } y = -\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}x + \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Comparing this equation with  $y = mx + c$ , we get

$$m = -\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \text{ and } c = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

For the line  $y = mx + c$  to be a tangent to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we must have

$$c^2 = a^2 m^2 + b^2$$

$$c^2 = \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$a^2 m^2 + b^2 = 9 \left(\frac{-1}{3\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + 4 = \frac{1}{2} + 4 = \frac{9}{2} = c^2$$

**The given line is a tangent to the given ellipse and point of contact is**

$$\left(\frac{-a^2 m}{c}, \frac{b^2}{c}\right) = \left(\frac{(-9) \left(\frac{-1}{3\sqrt{2}}\right)}{\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}}, \frac{4}{\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}}\right) = \left(1, \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3}\right)$$

Question 10.

Find  $k$ , if the line  $3x + 4y + k = 0$  touches  $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$ .

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

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 16 \text{ and } b^2 = 9$$

Given equation of line is  $3x + 4y + k = 0$ ,

$$\text{i.e., } y = -\frac{3}{4}x - \frac{k}{4}$$

Comparing this equation with  $y = mx + c$ , we get

$$m = -\frac{3}{4} \text{ and } c = -\frac{k}{4}$$

For the line  $y = mx + c$  to be a tangent to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we must have

$$c^2 = a^2 m^2 + b^2$$

$$(-\frac{k}{4})^2 = 16(-\frac{3}{4})^2 + 9$$

$$k^2 = 9 + 9$$

$$k^2 = 18$$

$$k = \pm 3\sqrt{2}$$

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## Question 11.

Find the equations of the tangents to the ellipse:

(i)  $x^2/5 + y^2/4 = 1$  passing through the point (2, -2).

(ii)  $4x^2 + 7y^2 = 28$  from the point (3, -2).

(iii)  $2x^2 + y^2 = 6$  from the point (2, 1).

(iv)  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 9$  which are parallel to the line  $2x + 3y - 5 = 0$ .

(v)  $x^2/25 + y^2/4 = 1$  which are parallel to the line  $x + y + 1 = 0$ .

(vi)  $5x^2 + 9y^2 = 45$  which are  $\perp$  to the line  $3x + 2y + 1 = 0$ .

(vii)  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 20$  which are  $\perp$  to the line  $4x + 3y = 7$ .

Solution:

(i) Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2/5 + y^2/4 = 1$ .

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$a^2 = 5$  and  $b^2 = 4$

Equations of tangents to the ellipse  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$  having slope  $m$  are

$$y = mx \pm \frac{a^2m}{\sqrt{b^2 + a^2m^2}}$$

Since (2, -2) lies on both the tangents,

$$-2 = 2m \pm \frac{5m}{\sqrt{4 + 5m^2}}$$

$$-2 - 2m = \pm \frac{5m}{\sqrt{4 + 5m^2}}$$

Squaring both the sides, we get

$$4m^2 + 8m + 4 = 5m^2 + 4$$

$$m^2 - 8m = 0$$

$$m(m - 8) = 0$$

$$m = 0 \text{ or } m = 8$$

These are the slopes of the required tangents.

By slope point form  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$ ,

the equations of the tangents are

$$y + 2 = 0(x - 2) \text{ and } y + 2 = 8(x - 2)$$

$$y + 2 = 0 \text{ and } y + 2 = 8x - 16$$

$$y + 2 = 0 \text{ and } 8x - y - 18 = 0$$

(ii) Given equation of the ellipse is  $4x^2 + 7y^2 = 28$ .

$$x^2/7 + y^2/4 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$a^2 = 7$  and  $b^2 = 4$

Equations of tangents to the ellipse  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$  having slope  $m$  are

$$y = mx \pm \frac{a^2m}{\sqrt{b^2 + a^2m^2}}$$

Since (3, -2) lies on both the tangents,

$$-2 = 3m \pm \frac{7m}{\sqrt{4 + 7m^2}}$$

$$-2 - 3m = \pm \frac{7m}{\sqrt{4 + 7m^2}}$$

Squaring both the sides, we get

$$9m^2 + 12m + 4 = 7m^2 + 4$$

$$2m^2 + 12m = 0$$

$$2m(m + 6) = 0$$

$$m = 0 \text{ or } m = -6$$

These are the slopes of the required tangents.

By slope point form  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$ ,

the equations of the tangents are

$$y + 2 = 0(x - 3) \text{ and } y + 2 = -6(x - 3)$$

$$y + 2 = 0 \text{ and } y + 2 = -6x + 18$$

$$y + 2 = 0 \text{ and } 6x + y - 16 = 0$$

(iii) Given equation of the ellipse is  $2x^2 + y^2 = 6$ .

$$x^2/3 + y^2/6 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$a^2 = 3$  and  $b^2 = 6$

Equations of tangents to the ellipse  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$  having slope  $m$  are

$$y = mx \pm \frac{a^2m}{\sqrt{b^2 + a^2m^2}}$$

Since (2, 1) lies on both the tangents,

$$1 = 2m \pm \frac{3m}{\sqrt{6 + 3m^2}}$$

$$1 - 2m = \pm \sqrt{3m^2 + 6}$$

Squaring both the sides, we get

$$1 - 4m + 4m^2 = 3m^2 + 6$$

$$m^2 - 4m - 5 = 0$$

$$(m - 5)(m + 1) = 0$$

$$m = 5 \text{ or } m = -1$$

These are the slopes of the required tangents.

By slope point form  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$ ,

the equations of the tangents are

$$y - 1 = 5(x - 2) \text{ and } y - 1 = -1(x - 2)$$

$$y - 1 = 5x - 10 \text{ and } y - 1 = -x + 2$$

$$5x - y - 9 = 0 \text{ and } x + y - 3 = 0$$

(iv) Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 9$ .

$$\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{9/4} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 9 \text{ and } b^2 = 9/4$$

Slope of the line  $2x + 3y - 5 = 0$  is  $-2/3$ .

Since the given line is parallel to the required tangents, slope of the required tangents is

$$m = -2/3$$

Equations of tangents to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  having slope  $m$  are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 + b^2}$$

$$y = -\frac{2x}{3} \pm \sqrt{9\left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)^2 + \frac{9}{4}}$$

$$y = -\frac{2x}{3} \pm \sqrt{4 + \frac{9}{4}}$$

$$y = -\frac{2x}{3} \pm \sqrt{\frac{25}{4}}$$

$$y = -\frac{2x}{3} \pm \frac{5}{2}$$

$$4x + 6y = \pm 15$$

(v) Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2 + 5y^2 = 4$ .

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 4 \text{ and } b^2 = 4/5$$

Slope of the given line  $x + y + 1 = 0$  is  $-1$ .

Since the given line is parallel to the required tangents,

the slope of the required tangents is  $m = -1$ .

Equations of tangents to the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \text{ having slope } m \text{ are}$$

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 + b^2}$$

$$y = -x \pm \sqrt{4(-1)^2 + 4/5}$$

$$y = -x \pm \sqrt{29/5}$$

$$x + y = \pm \sqrt{29/5}$$

(vi) Given equation of the ellipse is  $5x^2 + 9y^2 = 45$ .

$$\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{5} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 9 \text{ and } b^2 = 5$$

Slope of the given line  $3x + 2y + 1 = 0$  is  $-3/2$

Since the given line is perpendicular to the required tangents, slope of the required tangents is

$$m = 2/3$$

Equations of tangents to the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \text{ having slope } m \text{ are}$$

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 + b^2}$$

$$y = \frac{2}{3}x \pm \sqrt{9\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + 5} = \frac{2}{3}x \pm \sqrt{9\left(\frac{4}{9}\right) + 5}$$

$$y = \frac{2}{3}x \pm 3$$

$$2x - 3y = \pm 9$$

(vii) Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 20$ .

$$\frac{x^2}{20} + \frac{y^2}{5} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 20 \text{ and } b^2 = 5$$

Slope of the given line  $4x + 3y = 7$  is  $-\frac{4}{3}$ .

Since the given line is perpendicular to the required tangents, slope of the required tangents is  $m = \frac{3}{4}$ .

Equations of tangents to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  having slope  $m$  are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 + b^2}$$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x \pm \sqrt{20\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 + 5}$$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x \pm \sqrt{\frac{45}{4} + 5}$$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x \pm \frac{\sqrt{65}}{2}$$

$$4y = 3x \pm 2\sqrt{65}$$

$$3x - 4y = \pm 2\sqrt{65}$$

Question 12.

Find the equation of the locus of a point, the tangents from which to the ellipse  $3x^2 + 5y^2 = 15$  are at right angles.

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $3x^2 + 5y^2 = 15$ .

$$\frac{x^2}{5} + \frac{y^2}{3} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 5 \text{ and } b^2 = 3$$

Equations of tangents to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  having slope  $m$  are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 + b^2}$$

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{5m^2 + 3}$$

$$y - mx = \pm \sqrt{5m^2 + 3}$$

Squaring both the sides, we get

$$y^2 - 2mxy + m^2x^2 = 5m^2 + 3$$

$$(x^2 - 5)m^2 - 2xym + (y^2 - 3) = 0$$

The roots  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  of this quadratic equation are the slopes of the tangents.

$$m_1 m_2 = \frac{y^2 - 3}{x^2 - 5}$$

Since the tangents are at right angles,

$$m_1 m_2 = -1$$

$$\frac{y^2 - 3}{x^2 - 5} = -1$$

$$y^2 - 3 = -x^2 + 5$$

$x^2 + y^2 = 8$ , which is the required equation of the locus.

Alternate method:

The locus of the point of intersection of perpendicular tangents is the director circle of an ellipse.

The equation of the director circle of an ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  is  $x^2 + y^2 = a^2 + b^2$

Here,  $a^2 = 5$  and  $b^2 = 3$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 5 + 3$$

$x^2 + y^2 = 8$ , which is the required equation of the locus.

Question 13.

Tangents are drawn through a point P to the ellipse  $4x^2 + 5y^2 = 20$  having inclinations  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  such that  $\tan \theta_1 + \tan \theta_2 = 2$ . Find the

equation of the locus of P.

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $4x^2 + 5y^2 = 20$ .

$$x^2/5 + y^2/4 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 5 \text{ and } b^2 = 4$$

Since inclinations of tangents are  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$ ,

$$m_1 = \tan \theta_1 \text{ and } m_2 = \tan \theta_2$$

Equation of tangents to the ellipse  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$  having slope m are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2m^2 + b^2}$$

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{5m^2 + 4}$$

$$y - mx = \pm \sqrt{5m^2 + 4}$$

Squaring both the sides, we get

$$y^2 - 2mxy + m^2x^2 = 5m^2 + 4$$

$$(x^2 - 5)m^2 - 2xym + (y^2 - 4) = 0$$

The roots  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  of this quadratic equation are the slopes of the tangents.

$$m_1 + m_2 = -(-2xy)/(x^2 - 5) = 2xy/(x^2 - 5)$$

$$\text{Given, } \tan \theta_1 + \tan \theta_2 = 2$$

$$m_1 + m_2 = 2$$

$$2xy/(x^2 - 5) = 2$$

$$xy = x^2 - 5$$

$$x^2 - xy - 5 = 0, \text{ which is the required equation of the locus of P.}$$

Question 14.

Show that the locus of the point of intersection of tangents at two points on an ellipse, whose eccentric angles differ by a constant, is an ellipse.

Solution:

Let P( $\theta_1$ ) and Q( $\theta_2$ ) be any two points on the given ellipse such that  $\theta_1 - \theta_2 = k$ , where k is a constant.

The equation of the tangent at point P( $\theta_1$ ) is

$$x \cos \theta_1/a + y \sin \theta_1/b = 1 \dots\dots(i)$$

The equation of the tangent at point Q( $\theta_2$ ) is

$$x \cos \theta_2/a + y \sin \theta_2/b = 1 \dots\dots(ii)$$

Multiplying equation (i) by  $\cos \theta_2$  and equation (ii) by  $\cos \theta_1$  and subtracting, we get

$$yb (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_1) = \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1$$



$$\frac{y}{b} [\sin (\theta_1 - \theta_2)] = \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1$$

$$\frac{y}{b} \sin k = \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1$$

$$\frac{y}{b} = \frac{\cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1}{\sin k} \quad \dots(iii)$$

Similarly,

Multiplying equation (i) by  $\sin \theta_2$  and equation (ii) by  $\sin \theta_1$  and subtracting, we get

$$\frac{x}{a} (\cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 - \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_1) = \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1$$

$$-\frac{x}{a} [\sin (\theta_1 - \theta_2)] = \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1$$

$$-\frac{x}{a} \sin k = \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1$$

$$-\frac{x}{a} = \frac{\sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1}{\sin k} \quad \dots(iv)$$

Squaring (iii) and (iv) and adding, we get

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{(\cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1)^2 + (\sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1)^2}{\sin^2 k}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin^2 k} [\cos^2 \theta_2 + \sin^2 \theta_2 + \cos^2 \theta_1 + \sin^2 \theta_1 - 2(\sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2)]$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{2 - 2 \cos (\theta_1 - \theta_2)}{\sin^2 k}$$

$$= \frac{2 - 2 \cos k}{\sin^2 k}$$

$$= \frac{2(1 - \cos k)}{\sin^2 k} = \frac{4 \sin^2 \frac{k}{2}}{4 \sin^2 \frac{k}{2} \cos^2 \frac{k}{2}}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \sec^2 \frac{k}{2}, \text{ which is an ellipse.}$$

Question 15.

P and Q are two points on the ellipse  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$  with eccentric angles  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$ . Find the equation of the locus of the point of intersection of the tangents at P and Q if  $\theta_1 + \theta_2 = \pi/2$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ .

$\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  are the eccentric angles of a tangent.

Equation of tangent at point P is

$$x a \cos \theta_1 + y b \sin \theta_1 = 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

Equation of tangent at point Q is

$$x a \cos \theta_2 + y b \sin \theta_2 = 1 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\theta_1 + \theta_2 = \pi/2 \quad \dots[\text{Given}]$$

$$\theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_1$$

$$\frac{x}{a} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_1\right) + \frac{y}{b} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_1\right) = 1$$

$$\frac{x}{a} \sin \theta_1 + \frac{y}{b} \cos \theta_1 = 1 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{x}{a} \cos \theta_1 + \frac{y}{b} \sin \theta_1 = \frac{x}{a} \sin \theta_1 + \frac{y}{b} \cos \theta_1$$

Let  $M(x_1, y_1)$  be the point of intersection of the tangents.

$$\frac{x_1}{a} \cos \theta_1 + \frac{y_1}{b} \sin \theta_1 = \frac{x_1}{a} \sin \theta_1 + \frac{y_1}{b} \cos \theta_1$$

$$\frac{x_1}{a} (\cos \theta_1 - \sin \theta_1) = \frac{y_1}{b} (\cos \theta_1 - \sin \theta_1) \dots(iii)$$

If  $\cos \theta_1 - \sin \theta_1 = 0$ ,

$$\cos \theta_1 = \sin \theta_1$$

$$\tan \theta_1 = 1$$

$$\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\text{Since } \theta_1 + \theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{2}, \theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

i.e., points P and Q coincide, which is not possible, as P and Q are two different points.

$$\cos \theta_1 - \sin \theta_1 \neq 0$$

Dividing equation (iii) by  $(\cos \theta_1 - \sin \theta_1)$ , we get

$$x_1 a = y_1 b$$

$$b x_1 - a y_1 = 0$$

$b x - a y = 0$ , which is the required equation of locus of point M.

Question 16.

The eccentric angles of two points P and Q of the ellipse  $4x^2 + y^2 = 4$  differ by  $2\pi/3$ . Show that the locus of the point of intersection of the tangents at P and Q is the ellipse  $4x^2 + y^2 = 16$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $4x^2 + y^2 = 4$ .

$$x^2 + y^2/4 = 1$$

Let  $P(\theta_1)$  and  $Q(\theta_2)$  be any two points on the given ellipse such that

$$\theta_1 - \theta_2 = 2\pi/3$$

The equation of the tangent at point  $P(\theta_1)$  is

$$x \cos \theta_1 + y \sin \theta_1 = 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

The equation of the tangent at point  $Q(\theta_2)$  is

$$x \cos \theta_2 + y \sin \theta_2 = 1$$

Multiplying equation (i) by  $\cos \theta_2$  and equation (ii) by  $\cos \theta_1$  and subtracting, we get

$$\frac{y}{2} (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_1) = \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1$$

$$\frac{y}{2} [\sin (\theta_1 - \theta_2)] = \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1$$

$$\frac{y}{2} \left[ \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \right] = \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1$$

$$\frac{y}{2} \sin \left( \pi - \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1$$

$$\frac{y}{2} \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1$$

$$\frac{y}{2} \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) = \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}y}{4} = \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Multiplying equation (i) by  $\sin \theta_2$  and equation (ii) by  $\sin \theta_1$  and subtracting, we get

$$x(\sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_1 - \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_1) = \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1$$

$$-x \sin (\theta_1 - \theta_2) = \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1$$

$$-x \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) = \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1$$

$$-x \sin \left( \pi - \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1$$

$$-x \sin \frac{\pi}{3} = \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1$$

$$-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x = \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \quad \dots(iv)$$

Squaring (iii) and (iv) and adding, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3x^2}{4} + \frac{3y^2}{16} &= \sin^2 \theta_2 - 2\sin \theta_2 \sin \theta_1 + \sin^2 \theta_1 \\ &\quad + \cos^2 \theta_2 - 2\cos \theta_2 \cos \theta_1 + \cos^2 \theta_1 \\ &= (\cos^2 \theta_2 + \sin^2 \theta_2) + (\cos^2 \theta_1 + \sin^2 \theta_1) \\ &\quad - 2\cos \theta_2 \cos \theta_1 - 2\sin \theta_2 \sin \theta_1 \\ &= 1 + 1 - 2(\cos \theta_2 \cos \theta_1 + \sin \theta_2 \sin \theta_1) \\ &= 2 - 2[\cos (\theta_1 - \theta_2)] \\ &= 2 - 2\cos \left( \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2 - 2\left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= 2 + 1$$

$$\frac{3x^2}{4} + \frac{3y^2}{16} = 3$$

$$\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$$

$4x^2 + y^2 = 16$ , which is the required equation of locus.

Question 17.

Find the equations of the tangents to the ellipse  $x^2/16 + y^2/9 = 1$ , making equal intercepts on co-ordinate axes.

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2/16 + y^2/9 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 16 \text{ and } b^2 = 9$$

Since the tangents make equal intercepts on the co-ordinate axes,  
 $m = -1$ .

Equations of tangents to the ellipse  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$  having slope  $m$  are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2m^2 + b^2}$$

$$y = -x \pm \sqrt{16(-1)^2 + 9}$$

$$y = -x \pm \sqrt{25}$$

$$x + y = \pm 5$$

Question 18.

A tangent having slope  $(-\frac{1}{2})$  to the ellipse  $3x^2 + 4y^2 = 12$  intersects the X and Y axes in the points A and B respectively. If O is the origin, find the area of the triangle AOB.

Solution:

The equation of the ellipse is  $3x^2 + 4y^2 = 12$

$$x^2/4 + y^2/3 = 1$$

Comparing with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 4, b^2 = 3$$

The equation of tangent with slope m is

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2m^2 + b^2}$$

$$\text{i.e., } y = mx \pm \sqrt{4m^2 + 3} \quad \dots [\because a^2 = 4, b^2 = 3]$$

$$\therefore y = -\frac{1}{2}x \pm \sqrt{4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 3} \quad \dots \left[\because m = -\frac{1}{2}\right]$$

$$\therefore y = -\frac{x}{2} \pm 2$$

$$\therefore x + 2y \pm 4 = 0 \quad \dots (1)$$

It meets X axis at A

$\therefore$  for A, put  $y = 0$  in equation (1), we get,

$$x = \pm 4$$

$$\therefore A = (\pm 4, 0)$$

Similarly,  $B = (0, \pm 2)$

$$\therefore OA = 4, OB = 2$$

$$\therefore \text{Area of } \Delta OAB = \frac{1}{2} \times OA \times OB$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 2$$

$$= 4 \text{ sq. units}$$

## Maharashtra State Board 11th Maths Solutions Chapter 7 Conic Sections Ex 7.3

Question 1.

Find the length of the transverse axis, length of the conjugate axis, the eccentricity, the co-ordinates of foci, equations of directrices, and the length of the latus rectum of the hyperbolae.

$$(i) x^2/25 - y^2/16 = 1$$

$$(ii) x^2/25 - y^2/16 = -1$$

$$(iii) 16x^2 - 9y^2 = 144$$

$$(iv) 21x^2 - 4y^2 = 84$$

$$(v) 3x^2 - y^2 = 4$$

$$(vi) x^2 - y^2 = 16$$

$$(vii) y^2/25 - x^2/9 = 1$$

$$(viii) y^2/25 - x^2/144 = 1$$

(ix)  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$

(x)  $x = 2 \sec \theta, y = 2\sqrt{3} \tan \theta$

Solution:

(i) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$a^2 = 25$  and  $b^2 = 16$

$\Rightarrow a = 5$  and  $b = 4$

Length of transverse axis =  $2a = 2(5) = 10$

Length of conjugate axis =  $2b = 2(4) = 8$

We know that

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{25 + 16}}{5} = \frac{\sqrt{41}}{5}$$

Co-ordinates of foci are  $S(ae, 0)$  and  $S'(-ae, 0)$ ,

i.e.,  $S\left(5\left(\frac{\sqrt{41}}{5}\right), 0\right)$  and  $S'\left(-5\left(\frac{\sqrt{41}}{5}\right), 0\right)$ ,

i.e.,  $S(\sqrt{41}, 0)$  and  $S'(-\sqrt{41}, 0)$

Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$ .

$$x = \pm \frac{5}{\left(\frac{\sqrt{41}}{5}\right)}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{25}{\sqrt{41}}$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2(16)}{5} = \frac{32}{5}$$

(ii) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $x^2 - y^2 = -1$

$y^2 - x^2 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2/b^2 - x^2/a^2 = 1$ , we get

$b^2 = 16$  and  $a^2 = 25$

$\Rightarrow b = 4$  and  $a = 5$

Length of transverse axis =  $2b = 2(4) = 8$

Length of conjugate axis =  $2a = 2(5) = 10$

Co-ordinates of vertices are  $B(0, b)$  and  $B'(0, -b)$

i.e.,  $B(0, 4)$  and  $B'(0, -4)$

We know that

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{b^2 + a^2}}{b} = \frac{\sqrt{16 + 25}}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{41}}{4}$$

Co-ordinates of foci are  $S(0, be)$  and  $S'(0, -be)$ ,

i.e.,  $S\left(0, 4\left(\frac{\sqrt{41}}{4}\right)\right)$  and  $S'\left(0, -4\left(\frac{\sqrt{41}}{4}\right)\right)$ ,

i.e.,  $S(0, \sqrt{41})$  and  $S'(0, -\sqrt{41})$

Equations of the directrices are  $y = \pm \frac{b}{e}$ .

$$y = \pm \frac{4}{\frac{\sqrt{41}}{4}}$$

$$y = \pm \frac{16}{\sqrt{41}}$$

$$\text{Length of latus-rectum} = \frac{2a^2}{b} = \frac{2(25)}{4} = \frac{25}{2}$$

(iii) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $16x^2 - 9y^2 = 144$ .

$x^2 - y^2 = 9$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$a^2 = 9$  and  $b^2 = 16$

$\Rightarrow a = 3$  and  $b = 4$

Length of transverse axis =  $2a = 2(3) = 6$

Length of conjugate axis =  $2b = 2(4) = 8$

We know that

$$e = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a} = \frac{9 + 16}{3} = \frac{25}{3} = 5\frac{1}{3}$$

Co-ordinates of foci are  $S(ae, 0)$  and  $S'(-ae, 0)$ ,

i.e.,  $S(3(5\frac{1}{3}), 0)$  and  $S'(-3(5\frac{1}{3}), 0)$

i.e.,  $S(5, 0)$  and  $S'(-5, 0)$

Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$

$$= \pm \frac{3}{5\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \pm \frac{9}{5}$$

Length of latus rectum =  $\frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2(16)}{3} = \frac{32}{3}$

(iv) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $21x^2 - 4y^2 = 84$ .

$$\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{21} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 4 \text{ and } b^2 = 21$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2 \text{ and } b = \sqrt{21}$$

Length of transverse axis =  $2a = 2(2) = 4$

Length of conjugate axis =  $2b = 2\sqrt{21}$

We know that

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{4 + 21}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{25}}{2} = \frac{5}{2}$$

Co-ordinates of foci are  $S(ae, 0)$  and  $S'(-ae, 0)$ ,

i.e.,  $S\left(2\left(\frac{5}{2}\right), 0\right)$  and  $S'\left(-2\left(\frac{5}{2}\right), 0\right)$ ,

i.e.,  $S(5, 0)$  and  $S'(-5, 0)$

Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$ .

$$x = \pm \frac{2}{\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2(21)}{2} = 21$$

(v) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $3x^2 - y^2 = 4$ .

$$\frac{x^2}{\frac{4}{3}} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get



$$a^2 = 4 \text{ and } b^2 = 4$$

$$a = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ and } b = 2$$

$$\text{Length of transverse axis} = 2a = 2\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{Length of conjugate axis} = 2b = 2(2) = 4$$

We know that

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{4}{3} + 4}}{\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{16}{3}}}{\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

Co-ordinates of foci are S(ae, 0) and S'(-ae, 0),

$$\text{i.e., } S\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(2), 0\right) \text{ and } S'\left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(2), 0\right),$$

$$\text{i.e., } S\left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}, 0\right) \text{ and } S'\left(-\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}, 0\right)$$

Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$ .

$$x = \pm \frac{\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)}{2}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2(4)}{\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)} = 4\sqrt{3}$$

(vi) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $x^2 - y^2 = 16$ .

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

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 16 \text{ and } b^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4 \text{ and } b = 4$$

$$\text{Length of transverse axis} = 2a = 2(4) = 8$$

$$\text{Length of conjugate axis} = 2b = 2(4) = 8$$

We know that

$$e = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a} = \frac{16 + 16}{4} = \frac{32}{4} = 8$$

Co-ordinates of foci are S(ae, 0) and S'(-ae, 0),

$$\text{i.e., } S(4\sqrt{2}, 0) \text{ and } S'(-4\sqrt{2}, 0)$$

Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{4}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2(16)}{4} = 8$$

(vii) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $y^2 - x^2 = 9$ .

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{x^2}{a^2} = 1$ , we get

$$b^2 = 9 \text{ and } a^2 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 3 \text{ and } a = 5$$

$$\text{Length of transverse axis} = 2b = 2(3) = 6$$

$$\text{Length of conjugate axis} = 2a = 2(5) = 10$$

Co-ordinates of vertices are B(0, b) and B'(0, -b),

$$\text{i.e., } B(0, 3) \text{ and } B'(0, -3)$$

We know that

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{b^2 + a^2}}{b} = \frac{\sqrt{25+9}}{5} = \frac{\sqrt{34}}{5}$$

Co-ordinates of foci are S(0, be) and S'(0, -be),

$$\text{i.e., } S\left(0, 5\left(\frac{\sqrt{34}}{5}\right)\right) \text{ and } S'\left(0, -5\left(\frac{\sqrt{34}}{5}\right)\right),$$

$$\text{i.e., } S(0, \sqrt{34}) \text{ and } S'(0, -\sqrt{34})$$

Equations of the directrices are  $y = \pm \frac{b}{e}$ .

$$y = \pm \frac{5}{\left(\frac{\sqrt{34}}{5}\right)}$$

$$y = \pm \frac{25}{\sqrt{34}}$$

$$\text{Length of latus-rectum} = \frac{2a^2}{b} = \frac{2(9)}{5} = \frac{18}{5}$$

(viii) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $y^2 25 - x^2 144 = 1$ .

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 b^2 - x^2 a^2 = 1$ , we get

$$b^2 = 25 \text{ and } a^2 = 144$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 5 \text{ and } a = 12$$

$$\text{Length of transverse axis} = 2b = 2(5) = 10$$

$$\text{Length of conjugate axis} = 2a = 2(12) = 24$$

Co-ordinates of vertices are B(0, b) and B'(0, -b),

$$\text{i.e., } B(0, 5) \text{ and } B'(0, -5)$$

We know that

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{b^2 + a^2}}{b} = \frac{\sqrt{25+144}}{5} = \frac{\sqrt{169}}{5} = \frac{13}{5}$$

Co-ordinates of foci are S(0, be) and S'(0, -be),

$$\text{i.e., } S\left(0, 5\left(\frac{13}{5}\right)\right) \text{ and } S'\left(0, -5\left(\frac{13}{5}\right)\right),$$

$$\text{i.e., } S(0, 13) \text{ and } S'(0, -13)$$

Equations of the directrices are  $y = \pm \frac{b}{e}$ .

$$y = \pm \frac{5}{\left(\frac{13}{5}\right)}$$

$$y = \pm \frac{25}{13}$$

$$\text{Length of latus-rectum} = \frac{2a^2}{b} = \frac{2(144)}{5} = \frac{288}{5}$$

(ix) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $x^2 100 - y^2 25 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2 a^2 - y^2 b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 100 \text{ and } b^2 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 10 \text{ and } b = 5$$

$$\text{Length of transverse axis} = 2a = 2(10) = 20$$

$$\text{Length of conjugate axis} = 2b = 2(5) = 10$$



We know that

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{100 + 25}}{10}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{125}}{10}$$

$$= \frac{5\sqrt{5}}{10} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

Co-ordinates of foci are  $S(ae, 0)$  and  $S'(-ae, 0)$ ,

$$\text{i.e., } S\left(10\left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}\right), 0\right) \text{ and } S'\left(-10\left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}\right), 0\right),$$

$$\text{i.e., } S(5\sqrt{5}, 0) \text{ and } S'(-5\sqrt{5}, 0)$$

Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$ .

$$x = \pm \frac{10}{\left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{20}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2(25)}{10} = 5$$

(x) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $x = 2 \sec \theta$ ,  $y = 2\sqrt{3} \tan \theta$ .

Since  $\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = 1$ ,

$$(x/2)^2 - (y/2\sqrt{3})^2 = 1$$

$$x^2/4 - y^2/12 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 4 \text{ and } b^2 = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2 \text{ and } b = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{Length of transverse axis} = 2a = 2(2) = 4$$

$$\text{Length of conjugate axis} = 2b = 2(2\sqrt{3}) = 4\sqrt{3}$$

We know that

$$e = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a} = \frac{4 + 12}{2} = 2$$

Co-ordinates of foci are  $S(ae, 0)$  and  $S'(-ae, 0)$ ,

$$\text{i.e., } S(2(2), 0) \text{ and } S'(-2(2), 0),$$

$$\text{i.e., } S(4, 0) \text{ and } S'(-4, 0)$$

Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm ae$ .

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 2 \cdot 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 4$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2(12)}{2} = 12$$

Question 2.

Find the equation of the hyperbola with centre at the origin, length of the conjugate axis as 10, and one of the foci as  $(-7, 0)$ .

Solution:

Given, one of the foci of the hyperbola is  $(-7, 0)$ .

Since this focus lies on the X-axis, it is a standard hyperbola.

Let the required equation of hyperbola be  $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$

$$\text{Length of conjugate axis} = 2b$$

$$\text{Given, length of conjugate axis} = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 2b = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 25$$

Co-ordinates of focus are  $(-ae, 0)$

$$ae = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2e^2 = 49$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 25 = 49 - a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 49 - 25 = 24$$

The required equation of hyperbola is  $x^2/24 - y^2/25 = 1$

Question 3.

Find the eccentricity of the hyperbola, which is conjugate to the hyperbola  $x^2 - 3y^2 = 3$

Solution:

Given, equation of hyperbola is  $x^2 - 3y^2 = 3$ .

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

Equation of the hyperbola conjugate to the above hyperbola is  $\frac{y^2}{1} - \frac{x^2}{3} = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{x^2}{a^2} = 1$ , we get

$$b^2 = 1 \text{ and } a^2 = 3$$

$$\text{Now, } a^2 = b^2(e^2 - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 = 1(e^2 - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 = e^2 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow e^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow e = 2 \text{ .....[}\therefore e > 1\text{]}$$

Question 4.

If  $e$  and  $e'$  are the eccentricities of a hyperbola and its conjugate hyperbola respectively, prove that  $\frac{1}{e^2} + \frac{1}{(e')^2} = 1$ .

Solution:

Let  $e$  be the eccentricity of a hyperbola

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

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{a}$$

$$e^2 = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{e^2} = \frac{a^2}{a^2 + b^2} \quad \dots(i)$$

Also,  $e'$  is the eccentricity of conjugate

$$\text{hyperbola } \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{x^2}{a^2} = 1$$

$$e' = \frac{\sqrt{b^2 + a^2}}{b}$$

$$(e')^2 = \frac{b^2 + a^2}{b^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{(e')^2} = \frac{b^2}{b^2 + a^2} \quad \dots(ii)$$

Adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{1}{e^2} + \frac{1}{(e')^2} = \frac{a^2}{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{b^2}{a^2 + b^2} = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{e^2} + \frac{1}{(e')^2} = 1$$

Question 5.

Find the equation of the hyperbola referred to its principal axes:

(i) whose distance between foci is 10 and eccentricity is  $\frac{5}{2}$

(ii) whose distance between foci is 10 and length of the conjugate axis is 6.

(iii) whose distance between directrices is  $\frac{8}{3}$  and eccentricity is  $\frac{3}{2}$ .

(iv) whose length of conjugate axis = 12 and passing through (1, -2).

(v) which passes through the points (6, 9) and (3, 0).

(vi) whose vertices are  $(\pm 7, 0)$  and endpoints of the conjugate axis are  $(0, \pm 3)$ .

(vii) whose foci are at  $(\pm 2, 0)$  and eccentricity is  $\frac{3}{2}$ .

(viii) whose lengths of transverse and conjugate axes are 6 and 9 respectively.

(ix) whose length of transverse axis is 8 and distance between foci is 10.

Solution:

(i) Let the required equation of hyperbola be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Given, eccentricity ( $e$ ) =  $\frac{5}{2}$

Distance between foci =  $2ae$

Given, distance between foci = 10

$$\Rightarrow 2ae = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow ae = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow a(\frac{5}{2}) = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 4$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$$

$$b^2 = 4 \left[ \left( \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 - 1 \right]$$

$$= 4 \left( \frac{25}{4} - 1 \right)$$

$$= 4 \left( \frac{21}{4} \right)$$

$$b^2 = 21$$

The required equation of hyperbola is

$$\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{21} = 1.$$

(ii) Let the required equation of hyperbola be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Length of conjugate axis = 2b

Given, length of conjugate axis = 6

$$\Rightarrow 2b = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 9$$

Distance between foci = 2ae

Given, distance between foci = 10

$$\Rightarrow 2ae = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow ae = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2e^2 = 25$$

Now,  $b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = a^2e^2 - a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 = 25 - a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 25 - 9$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 16$$

The required equation of hyperbola is  $\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

(iii) Let the required equation of hyperbola be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Given, eccentricity (e) =  $\frac{3}{2}$

Distance between directrices =  $\frac{2a}{e}$

Given, distance between directrices = 8

$$\frac{2a}{e} = 8$$

$$\frac{2a}{\frac{3}{2}} = 8$$

$$\frac{4a}{3} = 8$$

$$a = 6$$

$$a^2 = 36$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$$

$$b^2 = 36 \left[ \left( \frac{3}{2} \right)^2 - 1 \right]$$

$$= 36 \left( \frac{9}{4} - 1 \right)$$

$$= 36 \left( \frac{5}{4} \right)$$

$$b^2 = 45$$

The required equation of hyperbola is

$$\frac{x^2}{36} - \frac{y^2}{45} = 1.$$

(iv) Let the required equation of hyperbola be

$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  .....(i)

Length of conjugate axis = 2b

Given, length of conjugate axis = 12

$$\Rightarrow 2b = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 6 \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 36$$

The hyperbola passes through (1, -2)

Substituting  $x = 1$  and  $y = -2$  in (i), we get

$$\frac{1^2}{a^2} - \frac{(-2)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{a^2} - \frac{4}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{a^2} - \frac{4}{6^2} = 1 \quad \dots[From(ii)]$$

$$\frac{1}{a^2} - \frac{4}{36} = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{a^2} = 1 + \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\frac{1}{a^2} = \frac{10}{9}$$

$$a^2 = \frac{9}{10}$$

The required equation of hyperbola is

$$\frac{x^2}{\frac{9}{10}} - \frac{y^2}{36} = 1, \text{ i.e., } \frac{10x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{36} = 1.$$

(v) Let the required equation of hyperbola be

$$x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1 \dots\dots(i)$$

The hyperbola passes through the points (6, 9) and (3, 0).

Substituting  $x = 6$  and  $y = 9$  in (i), we get

$$\frac{6^2}{a^2} - \frac{9^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{36}{a^2} - \frac{81}{b^2} = 1 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Substituting  $x = 3$  and  $y = 0$  in (i), we get

$$\frac{3^2}{a^2} - \frac{0^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{9}{a^2} - 0 = 1$$

$$a^2 = 9$$

Substituting  $a^2 = 9$  in (ii), we get

$$\frac{36}{9} - \frac{81}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{81}{b^2} = \frac{36}{9} - 1$$

$$\frac{81}{b^2} = 4 - 1 = 3$$

$$b^2 = \frac{81}{3} = 27$$

The required equation of hyperbola is

$$\frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{27} = 1.$$

(vi) Let the required equation of hyperbola be

$$x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$$

Co-ordinates of vertices are  $(\pm a, 0)$ .

Given that, co-ordinates of vertices are  $(\pm 7, 0)$

$$\therefore a = 7$$

Endpoints of the conjugate axis are  $(0, b)$  and  $(0, -b)$ .

Given, the endpoints of the conjugate axis are  $(0, \pm 3)$ .

$$\therefore b = 3$$

The required equation of hyperbola is  $x^2/7^2 - y^2/3^2 = 1$

i.e.,  $x^2/49 - y^2/9 = 1$

(vii) Let the required equation of hyperbola be

$$x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1 \dots\dots(i)$$

Given, eccentricity (e) =  $3/2$

Co-ordinates of foci are  $(\pm ae, 0)$ .

Given co-ordinates of foci are  $(\pm 2, 0)$

$$ae = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a(3/2) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4/3$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 16/9$$

(viii) Let the required equation of hyperbola be

$$x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$$

Length of transverse axis =  $2a$

Given, length of transverse axis =  $6$

$$\Rightarrow 2a = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 9$$

Length of conjugate axis =  $2b$

Given, length of conjugate axis =  $9$

$$\Rightarrow 2b = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 9/2$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 81/4$$

The required equation of hyperbola is

$$x^2/9 - y^2/(81/4) = 1$$

i.e.,  $x^2/9 - 4y^2/81 = 1$

(ix) Let the required equation of hyperbola be

$$x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$$

Length of transverse axis =  $2a$

Given, length of transverse axis =  $8$

$$\Rightarrow 2a = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 16$$

Distance between foci =  $2ae$

Given, distance between foci =  $10$

$$\Rightarrow 2ae = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow ae = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2e^2 = 25$$

Now,  $b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = a^2e^2 - a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 25 - 16 = 9$$

The required equation of hyperbola is  $x^2/16 - y^2/9 = 1$

Question 6.

Find the equation of the tangent to the hyperbola.

(i)  $3x^2 - y^2 = 4$  at the point  $(2, 2\sqrt{2})$ .

(ii)  $3x^2 - y^2 = 12$  at the point  $(4, 6)$

(iii)  $x^2/144 - y^2/25 = 1$  at the point whose eccentric angle is  $\pi/3$ .

(iv)  $x^2/16 - y^2/9 = 1$  at the point in a first quadrant whose ordinate is  $3$ .

(v)  $9x^2 - 16y^2 = 144$  at the point L of the latus rectum in the first quadrant.

Solution:

i. Given equation of the hyperbola is  $3x^2 - y^2 = 4$ .

$$\therefore \frac{x^2}{\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ,

we get

$$a^2 = \frac{4}{3} \text{ and } b^2 = 4$$

Equation of the tangent to the hyperbola

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \text{ at } (x_1, y_1) \text{ is}$$

$$\frac{xx_1}{a^2} - \frac{yy_1}{b^2} = 1$$

$\therefore$  Equation of the tangent at  $(2, 2\sqrt{2})$  is

$$\frac{2x}{\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)} - \frac{2\sqrt{2}y}{4} = 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{3x}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}y}{2} = 1$$

$$\therefore 3x - \sqrt{2}y = 2$$

ii. Given equation of the hyperbola is  $3x^2 - y^2 = 12$ .

$$\therefore \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{12} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ,

we get

$$a^2 = 4 \text{ and } b^2 = 12$$

Equation of the tangent to the hyperbola

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \text{ at } (x_1, y_1) \text{ is}$$

$$\frac{xx_1}{a^2} - \frac{yy_1}{b^2} = 1$$

Equation of the tangent at  $(4, 6)$  is

$$\frac{4x}{4} - \frac{6y}{12} = 1$$

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

$$2x - y = 2$$

- iii. Given equation of the hyperbola is  

$$\frac{x^2}{144} - \frac{y^2}{25} = 1.$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ,

we get  
 $a^2 = 144$  and  $b^2 = 25$

$\therefore a = 12$  and  $b = 5$

Equation of the tangent to the hyperbola

$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  at  $P(\theta)$  is

$$\frac{x \sec \theta}{a} - \frac{y \tan \theta}{b} = 1$$

Eccentric angle  $(\theta) = \frac{\pi}{3}$

- $\therefore$  Equation of the tangent at  $P\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$  is

$$\frac{x \sec \frac{\pi}{3}}{12} - \frac{y \tan \frac{\pi}{3}}{5} = 1$$

$\therefore \frac{2x}{12} - \frac{\sqrt{3}y}{5} = 1$

$\therefore \frac{x}{6} - \frac{\sqrt{3}y}{5} = 1$

$\therefore 5x - 6\sqrt{3}y = 30$

- iv. Given equation of the hyperbola is  $\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ .

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ,

we get  
 $a^2 = 16$  and  $b^2 = 9$

Let  $P(x_1, 3)$  be the point on the hyperbola in the first quadrant at which the tangent is drawn.

Substituting  $x = x_1$  and  $y = 3$  in equation of hyperbola, we get

$$\frac{x_1^2}{16} - \frac{3^2}{9} = 1$$

$\therefore \frac{x_1^2}{16} - 1 = 1$

$\therefore \frac{x_1^2}{16} = 2$

$\therefore x_1^2 = 32$

$\therefore x_1 = \pm 4\sqrt{2}$

Since  $P$  lies in the first quadrant,

$P \equiv (4\sqrt{2}, 3)$

Equation of the tangent to the hyperbola

$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  at  $(x_1, y_1)$  is

$$\frac{xx_1}{a^2} - \frac{yy_1}{b^2} = 1$$

Equation of the tangent at  $P(4\sqrt{2}, 3)$  is

$$\frac{4\sqrt{2}x}{16} - \frac{3y}{9} = 1$$

$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}x - \frac{y}{3} = 1$

$\therefore 3\sqrt{2}x - 4y = 12$



v. Given equation of the hyperbola is

$$9x^2 - 16y^2 = 144.$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ,

we get

$$a^2 = 16 \text{ and } b^2 = 9$$

$$\therefore a = 4 \text{ and } b = 3$$

Since the point L lies in the first quadrant,

Latus rectum of the hyperbola is

$$L \left( ae, \frac{b^2}{a} \right)$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2 (e^2 - 1)$$

$$\therefore 9 = 16 (e^2 - 1)$$

$$\therefore \frac{9}{16} = e^2 - 1$$

$$\therefore e^2 = \frac{9}{16} + 1 = \frac{25}{16}$$

$$\therefore e = \frac{5}{4} \quad \dots [\because e > 1]$$

$$\therefore ae = 4 \left( \frac{5}{4} \right) = 5$$

$$\therefore L \left( ae, \frac{b^2}{a} \right) = L \left( 5, \frac{9}{4} \right)$$

Equation of the tangent to the hyperbola

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \text{ at } (x_1, y_1) \text{ is}$$

$$\frac{xx_1}{a^2} - \frac{yy_1}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{Equation of the tangent at } L \left( 5, \frac{9}{4} \right) \text{ is}$$

$$\frac{5x}{16} - \frac{\frac{9}{4}y}{9} = 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{5x}{16} - \frac{y}{4} = 1$$

$$\therefore 5x - 4y = 16$$

Question 7.

Show that the line  $3x - 4y + 10 = 0$  is a tangent to the hyperbola  $x^2 - 4y^2 = 20$ . Also, find the point of contact.

Solution:

Given equation of the hyperbola is  $x^2 - 4y^2 = 20$

$$\frac{x^2}{20} - \frac{y^2}{5} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 20 \text{ and } b^2 = 5$$

Given equation of line is  $3x - 4y + 10 = 0$ .

$$y = \frac{3x}{4} + \frac{5}{2}$$

Comparing this equation with  $y = mx + c$ , we get

$$m = \frac{3}{4} \text{ and } c = \frac{5}{2}$$



For the line  $y = mx + c$  to be a tangent to the hyperbola  $x^2a^2 - y^2b^2 = 1$ , we must have

$$c^2 = a^2m^2 - b^2$$

$$c^2 = \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{25}{4}$$

$$a^2m^2 - b^2 = 20\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 - 5$$

$$= 20\left(\frac{9}{16}\right) - 5 = \frac{45}{4} - 5 = \frac{25}{4} = c^2$$

The given line is a tangent to the given hyperbola and point of contact

$$= \left(\frac{-a^2m}{c}, \frac{-b^2}{c}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{-20\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)}{\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)}, \frac{-5}{\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)}\right) = (-6, -2)$$

Question 8.

If the line  $3x - 4y = k$  touches the hyperbola  $x^25 - 4y^25 = 1$ , then find the value of  $k$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the hyperbola is

$$x^25 - 4y^25 = 1$$

$$x^25 - y^254 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2a^2 - y^2b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 5, b^2 = 54$$

Given equation of line is  $3x - 4y = k$

$$y = \frac{3x - k}{4}$$

Comparing this equation with  $y = mx + c$ , we get

$$m = \frac{3}{4}, c = -\frac{k}{4}$$

For the line  $y = mx + c$  to be a tangent to the hyperbola  $x^2a^2 - y^2b^2 = 1$ , we must have

$$c^2 = a^2m^2 - b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(-\frac{k}{4}\right)^2 = 5\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 - 54$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k^2}{16} = 516(9 - 4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k^2}{16} = 516(5)$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm 5$$

Alternate method:

Given equation of the hyperbola is

$$x^25 - 4y^25 = 1 \dots\dots(i)$$

Given equation of the line is  $3x - 4y = k$

$$y = \frac{3x - k}{4}$$

Substituting this value of  $y$  in (i), we get

$$x^25 - 45\left(\frac{3x - k}{4}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^25 - 45\left(\frac{9x^2 - 6kx + k^2}{16}\right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - (9x^2 - 6kx + k^2) = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - 9x^2 + 6kx - k^2 = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow -5x^2 + 6kx - k^2 = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x^2 - 6kx + (k^2 + 20) = 0 \dots\dots(ii)$$

Since, the given line touches the given hyperbola.

The quadratic equation (ii) in  $x$  has equal roots.

$$(-6k)^2 - 4(5)(k^2 + 20) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 36k^2 - 20k^2 - 400 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16k^2 = 400$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm 5$$

Question 9.

Find the equations of the tangents to the hyperbola  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$  making equal intercepts on the co-ordinate axes.

Solution:

Given equation of the hyperbola is  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$ .

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 25 \text{ and } b^2 = 9$$

Since the tangents make equal intercepts on the co-ordinate axes,

$$\therefore m = -1$$

Equations of tangents to the hyperbola  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  having slope m are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 - b^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -x \pm \sqrt{25(-1)^2 - 9}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -x \pm \sqrt{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = \pm 4$$

Question 10.

Find the equations of the tangents to the hyperbola  $5x^2 - 4y^2 = 20$  which are parallel to the line  $3x + 2y + 12 = 0$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the hyperbola is  $5x^2 - 4y^2 = 20$

$$\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{5} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 4 \text{ and } b^2 = 5$$

Slope of the line  $3x + 2y + 12 = 0$  is  $-\frac{3}{2}$

Since the given line is parallel to the tangents,

Slope of the required tangents (m) =  $-\frac{3}{2}$

Equations of tangents to the hyperbola  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  having slope m are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 - b^2}$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{2}x \pm \sqrt{4\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - 5}$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{2}x \pm \sqrt{4\left(\frac{9}{4}\right) - 5}$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{2}x \pm \sqrt{4}$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{2}x \pm 2$$

$$3x + 2y = \pm 4$$

## Maharashtra State Board 11th Maths Solutions Chapter 7 Conic Sections Miscellaneous Exercise 7

(I) Select the correct option from the given alternatives.

Question 1.

The line  $y = mx + 1$  is a tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$ , if  $m$  is \_\_\_\_\_

- (A) 1
- (B) 2
- (C) 3
- (D) 4

Answer:

- (A) 1

Hint:

$$y^2 = 4x$$

Compare with  $y^2 = 4ax$

$$\therefore a = 1$$

Equation of tangent is  $y = mx + \frac{1}{m}$

Compare with  $y = mx + am$

$$am = 1$$

$$\therefore a = m = 1$$

Question 2.

The length of latus rectum of the parabola  $x^2 - 4x - 8y + 12 = 0$  is \_\_\_\_\_

- (A) 4
- (B) 6
- (C) 8
- (D) 10

Answer:

- (C) 8

Hint:

Given equation of parabola is

$$x^2 - 4x - 8y + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x = 8y - 12$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 4 = 8y - 12 + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 2)^2 = 8(y - 1)$$

Comparing this equation with  $(x - h)^2 = 4b(y - k)$ , we get

$$4b = 8$$

$$\therefore \text{Length of latus rectum} = 4b = 8$$

Question 3.

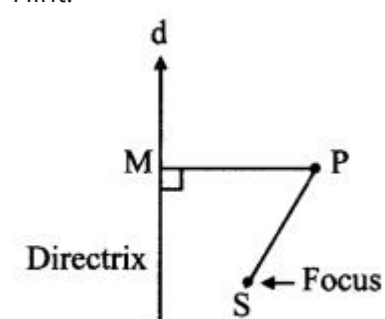
If the focus of the parabola is  $(0, -3)$ , its directrix is  $y = 3$ , then its equation is \_\_\_\_\_

- (A)  $x^2 = -12y$
- (B)  $x^2 = 12y$
- (C)  $y^2 = 12x$
- (D)  $y^2 = -12x$

Answer:

- (A)  $x^2 = -12y$

Hint:



$$SP^2 = PM^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 0)^2 + (y + 3)^2 = |y - 3|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + 6y + 9 = y^2 - 6y + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = -12y$$

Question 4.

The co-ordinates of a point on the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$  whose focal distance is 4 are \_\_\_\_\_

- (A)  $(1, \pm 2)$
- (B)  $(1, \pm 2\sqrt{2})$
- (C)  $(2, \pm 4)$
- (D) none of these

Answer:

- (C)  $(2, \pm 4)$

Question 5.

The end points of latus rectum of the parabola  $y^2 = 24x$  are \_\_\_\_\_

- (A)  $(6, \pm 12)$   
 (B)  $(12, \pm 6)$   
 (C)  $(6, \pm 6)$   
 (D) none of these

Answer:

- (A)  $(6, \pm 12)$

Question 6.

Equation of the parabola with vertex at the origin and directrix with equation  $x + 8 = 0$  is \_\_\_\_\_

- (A)  $y^2 = 8x$   
 (B)  $y^2 = 32x$   
 (C)  $y^2 = 16x$   
 (D)  $x^2 = 32y$

Answer:

- (B)  $y^2 = 32x$

Hint:

Since directrix is parallel to Y-axis,

The X-axis is the axis of the parabola.

Let the equation of parabola be  $y^2 = 4ax$ .

Equation of directrix is  $x + 8 = 0$

$$\therefore a = 8$$

$$\therefore \text{required equation of parabola is } y^2 = 32x$$

Question 7.

The area of the triangle formed by the lines joining the vertex of the parabola  $x^2 = 12y$  to the endpoints of its latus rectum is \_\_\_\_\_

- (A) 22 sq. units  
 (B) 20 sq. units  
 (C) 18 sq. units  
 (D) 14 sq. units

Answer:

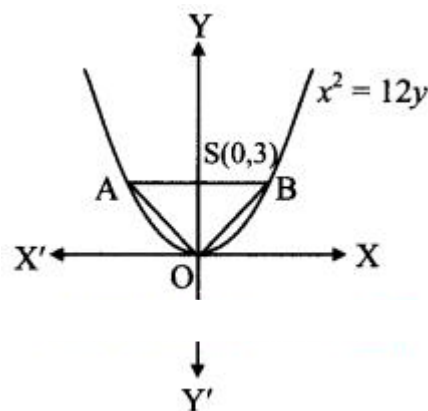
- (C) 18 sq. units

Hint:

$$x^2 = 12y$$

$$4b = 12$$

$$b = 3$$



$$\text{Area of triangle} = \frac{1}{2} \times AB \times OS$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 4a \times a$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times 3$$

$$= 18 \text{ sq. units}$$

Question 8.

If  $P(4, \pi)$  is any point on the ellipse  $9x^2 + 25y^2 = 225$ , S and S' are its foci, then  $SP \cdot S'P =$  \_\_\_\_\_

- (A) 13  
 (B) 14  
 (C) 17  
 (D) 19

Answer:

- (C) 17

Hint:

$$9x^2 + 25y^2 = 225$$

$$\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$

$$\text{Here, } a = 5, b = 3$$

$$\text{Eccentricity (e)} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\therefore ae = 5 \left( \frac{4}{5} \right) = 4$$

Coordinates of foci are S(4, 0) and S'(-4, 0)

$P(\theta) = (a \cos \theta, b \sin \theta)$

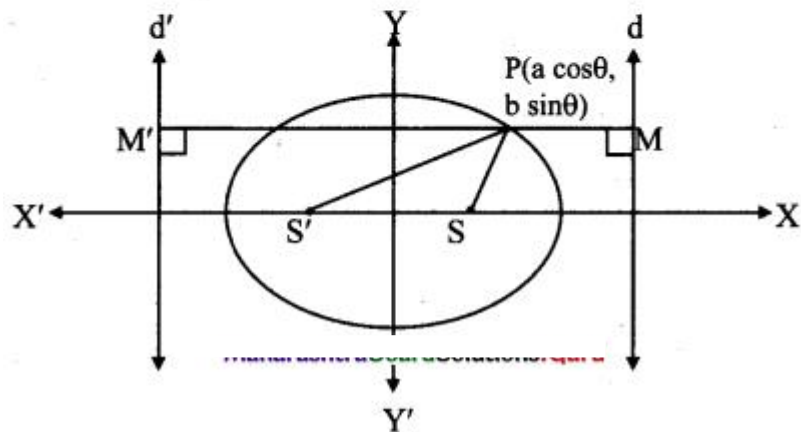
$$\therefore P\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \left(5 \cos \frac{\pi}{4}, 3 \sin \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right).$$

$$PM = \frac{25}{4} - \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{25 - 10\sqrt{2}}{4}$$

$$SP = ePM = \frac{4}{5} \left( \frac{25 - 10\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) = 5 - 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } S'P = 5 + 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\therefore SP \cdot S'P = (5 - 2\sqrt{2})(5 + 2\sqrt{2}) = 25 - 8 = 17$$



Question 9.

The equation of the parabola having (2, 4) and (2, -4) as end points of its latus rectum is \_\_\_\_\_

- (A)  $y^2 = 4x$
- (B)  $y^2 = 8x$
- (C)  $y^2 = -16x$
- (D)  $x^2 = 8y$

Answer:

- (B)  $y^2 = 8x$

Hint:

The given points lie in the 1st and 4th quadrants.

$\therefore$  Equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 4ax$

End points of latus rectum are (a, 2a) and (a, -2a)

$\therefore a = 2$

$\therefore$  required equation of parabola is  $y^2 = 8x$

Question 10.

If the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  passes through (3, 2), then the length of its latus rectum is \_\_\_\_\_

- (A) 23
- (B) 43
- (C) 13
- (D) 4

Answer:

- (B) 43

Hint:

Length of latus rectum = 4a

The given parabola passes through (3, 2)

$\therefore (2)^2 = 4a(3)$

$\therefore 4a = 43$

Question 11.

The eccentricity of rectangular hyperbola is

- (A) 12
- (B) 1212
- (C) 212
- (D) 1312

Answer:

- (C) 212

Question 12.

The equation of the ellipse having one of the foci at (4, 0) and eccentricity 13 is

- (A)  $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$
- (B)  $144x^2 + 9y^2 = 1296$

(C)  $128x^2 + 144y^2 = 18432$

(D)  $144x^2 + 128y^2 = 18432$

Answer:

(C)  $128x^2 + 144y^2 = 18432$

Question 13.

The equation of the ellipse having eccentricity  $\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$  and passing through  $(-8, 3)$  is

(A)  $4x^2 + y^2 = 4$

(B)  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 100$

(C)  $4x^2 + y^2 = 100$

(D)  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 4$

Answer:

(B)  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 100$

Question 14.

If the line  $4x - 3y + k = 0$  touches the ellipse  $5x^2 + 9y^2 = 45$ , then the value of k is

(A) 21

(B)  $\pm 3\sqrt{21}$

(C) 3

(D)  $3(21)$

Answer:

(B)  $\pm 3\sqrt{21}$

Question 15.

The equation of the ellipse is  $16x^2 + 25y^2 = 400$ . The equations of the tangents making an angle of  $180^\circ$  with the major axis are

(A)  $x = 4$

(B)  $y = \pm 4$

(C)  $x = -4$

(D)  $x = \pm 5$

Answer:

(B)  $y = \pm 4$

Question 16.

The equation of the tangent to the ellipse  $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36$  which is perpendicular to  $3x + 4y = 17$  is

(A)  $y = 4x + 6$

(B)  $3y + 4x = 6$

(C)  $3y = 4x + 6\sqrt{5}$

(D)  $3y = x + 25$

Answer:

(C)  $3y = 4x + 6\sqrt{5}$

Question 17.

Eccentricity of the hyperbola  $16x^2 - 3y^2 - 32x - 12y - 44 = 0$  is

(A)  $\frac{1}{7}\sqrt{3}$

(B)  $\frac{1}{9}\sqrt{3}$

(C)  $\frac{1}{9}\sqrt{3}$

(D)  $\frac{1}{7}\sqrt{3}$

Answer:

(B)  $\frac{1}{9}\sqrt{3}$

Hint:

$$16x^2 - 3y^2 - 32x - 12y - 44 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16(x-1)^2 - 3(y+2)^2 = 48$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x-1)^2}{3} - \frac{(y+2)^2}{16} = 1$$

Here,  $a^2 = 3$  and  $b^2 = 16$

$$e = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2} = \frac{3 + 16}{3} = \frac{19}{3}$$

Question 18.

Centre of the ellipse  $9x^2 + 5y^2 - 36x - 50y - 164 = 0$  is at

(A) (2, 5)

(B) (1, -2)

(C) (-2, 1)

(D) (0, 0)

Answer:

(A) (2, 5)

Hint:

$$9x^2 + 5y^2 - 36x - 50y - 164 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9(x-2)^2 + 5(y-5)^2 = 325$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)^2 \cdot 9 + (y-5)^2 \cdot 5 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{centre of the ellipse} = (2, 5)$$

Question 19.

If the line  $2x - y = 4$  touches the hyperbola  $4x^2 - 3y^2 = 24$ , the point of contact is

(A) (1, 2)

(B) (2, 3)

(C) (3, 2)

(D) (-2, -3)

Answer:

(C) (3, 2)

Question 20.

The foci of hyperbola  $4x^2 - 9y^2 - 36 = 0$  are

(A)  $(\pm\sqrt{13}, 0)$

(B)  $(\pm\sqrt{11}, 0)$

(C)  $(\pm\sqrt{12}, 0)$

(D)  $(0, \pm\sqrt{12})$

Answer:

(A)  $(\pm\sqrt{13}, 0)$

## II. Answer the following.

Question 1.

For each of the following parabolas, find focus, equation of directrix, length of the latus rectum and ends of the latus rectum.

(i) If  $2y^2 = 17x$

(ii)  $5x^2 = 24y$

Solution:

(i) Given equation of the parabola is  $2y^2 = 17x$

$$y^2 = \frac{17}{2}x$$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$4a = \frac{17}{2}$$

$$a = \frac{17}{8}$$

Co-ordinates of focus are  $S(a, 0)$ , i.e.,  $S(\frac{17}{8}, 0)$

Equation of the directrix is  $x + a = 0$

$$x + \frac{17}{8} = 0$$

$$8x + 17 = 0$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = 4a = 4(\frac{17}{8}) = \frac{17}{2}$$

Co-ordinates of end points of latus rectum are  $(a, 2a)$  and  $(a, -2a)$

i.e.,  $(\frac{17}{8}, \frac{17}{4})$  and  $(\frac{17}{8}, -\frac{17}{4})$

(ii) Given equation of the parabola is  $5x^2 = 24y$

$$x^2 = \frac{24}{5}y$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2 = 4by$ , we get

$$4b = \frac{24}{5}$$

$$b = \frac{6}{5}$$

Co-ordinates of focus are  $S(0, b)$ , i.e.,  $S(0, \frac{6}{5})$

Equation of the directrix is  $y + b = 0$

$$y + \frac{6}{5} = 0$$

$$5y + 6 = 0$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = 4b = 4(\frac{6}{5}) = \frac{24}{5}$$

Co-ordinates of end points of latus rectum are  $(2b, b)$  and  $(-2b, b)$ , i.e.,  $(\frac{12}{5}, \frac{6}{5})$  and  $(-\frac{12}{5}, \frac{6}{5})$

Question 2.

Find the cartesian co-ordinates of the points on the parabola  $y^2 = 12x$  whose parameters are

(i) 2

(ii) -3

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 12x$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$4a = 12$$

$$\therefore a = 3$$

If  $t$  is the parameter of the point  $P$  on the parabola, then

$$P(t) = (at^2, 2at)$$

i.e.,  $x = at^2$  and  $y = 2at$  .....(i)

(i) Given,  $t = 2$

Substituting  $a = 3$  and  $t = 2$  in (i), we get

$$x = 3(2)^2 \text{ and } y = 2(3)(2)$$

$$x = 12 \text{ and } y = 12$$

$\therefore$  The cartesian co-ordinates of the point on the parabola are (12, 12).

(ii) Given,  $t = -3$

Substituting  $a = 3$  and  $t = -3$  in (i), we get

$$x = 3(-3)^2 \text{ and } y = 2(3)(-3)$$

$$\therefore x = 27 \text{ and } y = -18$$

$\therefore$  The cartesian co-ordinates of the point on the parabola are (27, -18).

Question 3.

Find the co-ordinates of a point of the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$  having focal distance 10.

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 8x$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$4a = 8$$

$$\therefore a = 2$$

Focal distance of a point =  $x + a$

Given, focal distance = 10

$$x + 2 = 10$$

$$\therefore x = 8$$

Substituting  $x = 8$  in  $y^2 = 8x$ , we get

$$y^2 = 8(8)$$

$$\therefore y = \pm 8$$

$\therefore$  The co-ordinates of the points on the parabola are (8, 8) and (8, -8).

Question 4.

Find the equation of the tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 9x$  at the point (4, -6) on it.

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 9x$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$4a = 9$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{9}{4}$$

Equation of the tangent  $y^2 = 4ax$  at  $(x_1, y_1)$  is  $yy_1 = 2a(x + x_1)$

The equation of the tangent at (4, -6) is

$$y(-6) = 2\left(\frac{9}{4}\right)(x + 4)$$

$$\Rightarrow -6y = \frac{9}{2}(x + 4)$$

$$\Rightarrow -12y = 9x + 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x + 12y + 36 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x + 4y + 12 = 0$$

Question 5.

Find the equation of the tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$  at  $t = 1$  on it.

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 8x$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$4a = 8$$

$$a = 2$$

$$t = 1$$

Equation of tangent with parameter  $t$  is  $yt = x + at^2$

$\therefore$  The equation of tangent with  $t = 1$  is

$$y(1) = x + 2(1)^2$$

$$y = x + 2$$

$$\therefore x - y + 2 = 0$$

Question 6.

Find the equations of the tangents to the parabola  $y^2 = 9x$  through the point (4, 10).

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 9x$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$4a = 9$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{9}{4}$$

Equation of tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  having slope  $m$  is



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$$y = mx + am$$

$$y = mx + 94m$$

But, (4, 10) lies on the tangent.

$$10 = 4m + 94m$$

$$\Rightarrow 40m = 16m^2 + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 16m^2 - 40m + 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16m^2 - 36m - 4m + 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4m(4m - 9) - 1(4m - 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (4m - 9)(4m - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4m - 9 = 0 \text{ or } 4m - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 94 \text{ or } m = 14$$

These are the slopes of the required tangents.

By slope point form,  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$ ,

the equations of the tangents are

$$y - 10 = 94(x - 4) \text{ or } y - 10 = 14(x - 4)$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y - 40 = 9x - 36 \text{ or } 4y - 40 = x - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x - 4y + 4 = 0 \text{ or } x - 4y + 36 = 0$$

Question 7.

Show that the two tangents drawn to the parabola  $y^2 = 24x$  from the point (-6, 9) are at the right angle.

Solution:

Given the equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 4ax$ .

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$4a = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 6$$

Equation of tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  having slope  $m$  is

$$y = mx + am$$

$$\Rightarrow y = mx + 6m$$

But, (-6, 9) lies on the tangent

$$9 = -6m + 6m$$

$$\Rightarrow 9m = -6m^2 + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 6m^2 + 9m - 6 = 0$$

The roots  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  of this quadratic equation are the slopes of the tangents.

$$m_1 m_2 = -1$$

Tangents drawn to the parabola  $y^2 = 24x$  from the point (-6, 9) are at a right angle.

Alternate method:

Comparing the given equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$4a = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 6$$

Equation of the directrix is  $x = -a$ .

The given point lies on the directrix.

Since tangents are drawn from a point on the directrix are perpendicular,

Tangents drawn to the parabola  $y^2 = 24x$  from the point (-6, 9) are at the right angle.

Question 8.

Find the equation of the tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$  which is parallel to the line  $2x + 2y + 5 = 0$ . Find its point of contact.

Solution:

Given the equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 4ax$ .

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$4a = 8$$

$$a = 2$$

Slope of the line  $2x + 2y + 5 = 0$  is -1

Since the tangent is parallel to the given line,

slope of the tangent line is  $m = -1$

Equation of tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  having slope  $m$  is  $y = mx + am$

Equation of the tangent is

$$y = -x + 2-1$$

$$x + y + 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Point of contact} = (am^2, 2am)$$

$$= (2(-1)^2, 2(2)(-1))$$

$$= (2, -4)$$

Question 9.

A line touches the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 2$  and the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$ . Show that its equation is  $y = \pm(x + 2)$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 8x$

Comparing this equation with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get

$$4a = 8$$

$$a = 2$$

Equation of tangent to given parabola with slope  $m$  is

$$y = mx + \frac{2}{m}$$

$$m^2x - my + 2 = 0 \dots(i)$$

Equation of the circle is  $x^2 + y^2 = 2$

Its centre = (0, 0) and Radius =  $\sqrt{2}$

Line (i) touches the circle.

Length of perpendicular from the centre to the line (i) = radius

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|m^2(0) - m(0) + 2|}{\sqrt{m^4 + m^2}} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4m^4 + m^2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow m^4 + m^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m^2 + 2)(m^2 - 1) = 0$$

Since  $m^2 \neq -2$ ,

$$m^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \pm 1$$

When  $m = 1$ , equation of the tangent is

$$y = (1)x + 2(1)$$

$$y = (x + 2) \dots(i)$$

When  $m = -1$ , equation of the tangent is

$$y = (-1)x + 2(-1)$$

$$y = -x - 2$$

$$y = -(x + 2) \dots(ii)$$

From (i) and (ii),

equation of the common tangents to the given parabola is  $y = \pm(x + 2)$

Question 10.

Two tangents to the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$  meet the tangents at the vertex in P and Q. If PQ = 4, prove that the locus of the point of intersection of the two tangents is  $y^2 = 8(x + 2)$ .

Solution:

Given parabola is  $y^2 = 8x$

Comparing with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we get,

$$4a = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2$$

Let M( $t_1$ ) and N( $t_2$ ) be any two points on the parabola.

The equations of tangents at M and N are

$$yt_1 = x + 2t_1 \dots(1)$$

$$yt_2 = x + 2t_2 \dots(2) \dots[\because a = 2]$$

Let tangent at M meet the tangent at the vertex in P.

But tangent at the vertex is Y-axis whose equation is  $x = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  to find P, put  $x = 0$  in (1)

$$\Rightarrow yt_1 = 2t_1$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2t_1 \dots(t_1 \neq 0 \text{ otherwise tangent at M will be } x = 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow P = (0, 2t_1)$$

Similarly, Q = (0, 2 $t_2$ )

It is given that PQ = 4

$$\therefore |2t_1 - 2t_2| = 4$$

$$\therefore |t_1 - t_2| = 2 \dots(3)$$

Let R = ( $x_1$ ,  $y_1$ ) be any point on the required locus.

Then R is the point of intersection of tangents at M and N.

To find R, we solve (1) and (2).

Subtracting (2) from (1), we get

$$y(t_1 - t_2) = 2t_1 - 2t_2$$

$$y(t_1 - t_2) = 2(t_1 - t_2)(t_1 + t_2)$$

$$\therefore y = 2(t_1 + t_2) \dots[\because M, N \text{ are distinct } \therefore t_1 \neq t_2]$$

$$\text{i.e., } y_1 = 2(t_1 + t_2) \dots(4)$$

$\therefore$  from (1), we get

$$2t_1(t_1 + t_2) = x + 2t_1$$

$$\therefore 2t_1t_2 = x \text{ i.e. } x_1 = 2t_1t_2 \dots(5)$$

To find the equation of locus of R( $x_1$ ,  $y_1$ ),

we eliminate  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  from the equations (3), (4) and (5).

We know that,

$$(t_1 + t_2)^2 = (t_1 - t_2)^2 + 4t_1t_2$$

$$\Rightarrow (y_1)^2 = 4 + 4(x_1)^2 \dots [\text{By (3), (4) and (5)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1^2 = 16 + 8x_1 = 8(x_1 + 2)$$

Replacing  $x_1$  by  $x$  and  $y_1$  by  $y$ ,  
the equation of required locus is  $y^2 = 8(x + 2)$ .

Question 11.

The slopes of the tangents drawn from P to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  are  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ , showing that

(i)  $m_1 - m_2 = k$

(ii)  $(m_1 m_2) = k$ , where  $k$  is a constant.

Solution:

Let  $P(x_1, y_1)$  be any point on the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$ .

Equation of tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  having slope  $m$  is  $y = mx + \frac{a}{m}$

This tangent passes through  $P(x_1, y_1)$ .

$$y_1 = mx_1 + \frac{a}{m}$$

$$my_1 = m^2x_1 + a$$

$$m^2x_1 - my_1 + a = 0$$

This is a quadratic equation in ' $m$ '.

The roots  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  of this quadratic equation are the slopes of the tangents drawn from P.

$$\therefore m_1 + m_2 = \frac{y_1}{x_1}, m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{x_1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i. } (m_1 - m_2)^2 &= (m_1 + m_2)^2 - 4m_1 m_2 \\ &= \left(\frac{y_1}{x_1}\right)^2 - \frac{4a}{x_1} = \frac{y_1^2 - 4ax_1}{x_1^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore m_1 - m_2 = \sqrt{\frac{y_1^2 - 4ax_1}{x_1^2}}$$

Since  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $a$  are constants,  $m_1 - m_2$  is a constant.

$$\therefore m_1 - m_2 = k, \text{ where } k \text{ is constant.}$$

(ii) Since  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $a$  are constants,  $m_1 m_2$  is a constant.

$$(m_1 m_2) = k, \text{ where } k \text{ is a constant.}$$

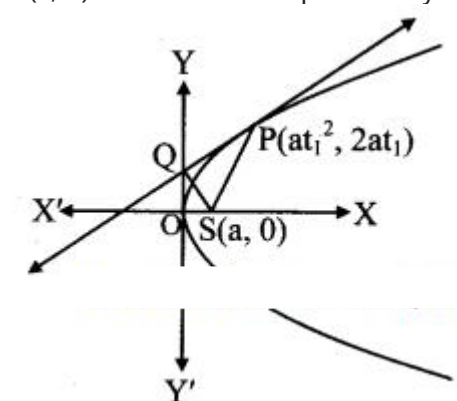
Question 12.

The tangent at point P on the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  meets the Y-axis in Q. If S is the focus, show that SP subtends a right angle at Q.

Solution:

Let  $P(at_1^2, 2at_1)$  be a point on the parabola and

$S(a, 0)$  be the focus of parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$



Since the tangent passing through point P meet Y-axis at point Q,

equation of tangent at  $P(at_1^2, 2at_1)$  is

$$yt_1 = x + at_1^2 \dots (i)$$

$\therefore$  Point Q lie on tangent

$\therefore$  put  $x = 0$  in equation (i)

$$yt_1 = at_1^2$$

$$y = at_1$$

$\therefore$  Co-ordinate of point Q(0,  $at_1$ )

$$S = (a, 0), P(at_1^2, 2at_1), Q(0, at_1)$$

$$\text{Slope of SQ} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{at_1 - 0}{0 - a} = \frac{at_1}{-a} = -t_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Slope of PQ} &= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \\ &= \frac{2at_1 - at_1}{at_1^2} = \frac{at_1}{at_1^2} = \frac{1}{t_1} \end{aligned}$$

**Slope of SQ  $\times$  Slope of PQ**

$$= -t_1 \times \frac{1}{t_1} = -1$$

$\therefore$  SP subtends a right angle at Q.

Question 13.

Find the

- (i) lengths of the principal axes
- (ii) co-ordinates of the foci
- (iii) equations of directrices
- (iv) length of the latus rectum
- (v) Distance between foci
- (vi) distance between directrices of the curve

(a)  $x^2/25 + y^2/9 = 1$

(b)  $16x^2 + 25y^2 = 400$

(c)  $x^2/144 - y^2/25 = 1$

(d)  $x^2 - y^2 = 16$

Solution:

(a) Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2/25 + y^2/9 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$a^2 = 25$  and  $b^2 = 9$

$\therefore a = 5$  and  $b = 3$

Since  $a > b$ ,

X-axis is the major axis and Y-axis is the minor axis.

(i) Length of major axis  $= 2a = 2(5) = 10$

Length of minor axis  $= 2b = 2(3) = 6$

$\therefore$  Lengths of the principal axes are 10 and 6.

(ii) We know that  $e = \sqrt{a^2 - b^2}/a$

$\therefore e = \sqrt{25 - 9}/5 = 4/5$

Co-ordinates of the foci are S(ae, 0) and S'(-ae, 0)

i.e., S(5(4/5), 0) and S'(-5(4/5), 0),

i.e., S(4, 0) and S'(-4, 0)

(iii) Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm ae$

i.e.,  $x = \pm 5(4/5)$

i.e.,  $x = \pm 4$

(iv) Length of latus rectum  $= 2b^2/a = 2(3)^2/5 = 18/5$

(v) Distance between foci  $= 2ae = 2(5)(4/5) = 8$

(vi) Distance between directrices  $= 2ae = 2(5)(4/5) = 8$

(b) Given equation of the ellipse is  $16x^2 + 25y^2 = 400$

$x^2/25 + y^2/16 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$a^2 = 25$  and  $b^2 = 16$

$\therefore a = 5$  and  $b = 4$

Since  $a > b$ ,

X-axis is the major axis and Y-axis is the minor axis

(i) Length of major axis  $= 2a = 2(5) = 10$

Length of minor axis  $= 2b = 2(4) = 8$

Lengths of the principal axes are 10 and 8.

$$(ii) b^2 = a^2(1 - e^2)$$

$$16 = 25(1 - e^2)$$

$$1625 = 1 - e^2$$

$$e^2 = 1 - 1625$$

$$e^2 = 925$$

$$e = 35 \dots [\because 0 < e < 1]$$

Co-ordinates of the foci are S(ae, 0) and S'(-ae, 0),

i.e., S(5(35), 0) and S'(-5(35), 0),

i.e., S(3, 0) and S'(-3, 0)

(iii) Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm ae$

i.e.,  $x = \pm 5(35)$

i.e.,  $x = \pm 253$

$$(iv) \text{ Length of latus rectum} = 2b^2a = 2(16)5 = 325$$

$$(v) \text{ Distance between foci} = 2ae = 2(5)(35) = 6$$

$$(vi) \text{ Distance between directrices} = 2ae = 2(5)(35) = 503$$

(c) Given equation of the hyperbola  $x^2144 - y^225 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2a^2 - y^2b^2 = 1$

$$a^2 = 144 \text{ and } b^2 = 25$$

$$\therefore a = 12 \text{ and } b = 5$$

$$(i) \text{ Length of transverse axis} = 2a = 2(12) = 24$$

$$\text{Length of conjugate axis} = 2b = 2(5) = 10$$

lengths of the principal axes are 24 and 10.

$$(ii) b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$$

$$25 = 144(e^2 - 1)$$

$$25144 = e^2 - 1$$

$$e^2 = 1 + 25144$$

$$e^2 = 169144$$

$$e = 1312 \dots [\because e > 1]$$

Co-ordinates of foci are S(ae, 0) and S'(-ae, 0)

i.e., S(12(1312), 0) and S'(-12(1312), 0)

i.e., S(13, 0) and S'(-13, 0)

(iii) Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm ae$

i.e.,  $x = \pm 12(1312)$

i.e.,  $x = \pm 14413$

$$(iv) \text{ Length of latus rectum} = 2b^2a = 2(25)12 = 256$$

$$(v) \text{ Distance between foci} = 2ae = 2(12)(1312) = 26$$

$$(vi) \text{ Distance between directrices} = 2ae = 2(12)(1312) = 28813$$

(d) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $x^2 - y^2 = 16$

$$\therefore x^216 - y^216 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2a^2 - y^2b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 16 \text{ and } b^2 = 16$$

$$\therefore a = 4 \text{ and } b = 4$$

$$(i) \text{ Length of transverse axis} = 2a = 2(4) = 8$$

$$\text{Length of conjugate axis} = 2b = 2(4) = 8$$

(ii) We know that

$$\begin{aligned}
 e &= \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{a} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{16 + 16}}{4} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{32}}{4} \\
 &= \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{4} \\
 &= \sqrt{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Co-ordinates of foci are S(ae, 0) and S'(-ae, 0),  
i.e., S(4√2, 0) and S'(-4√2, 0)

(iii) Equations of the directrices are  $x = \pm ae$

$$\therefore x = \pm 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\therefore x = \pm 2\sqrt{2}$$

(iv) Length of latus rectum =  $2b^2/a = 2(16)/4 = 8$

(v) Distance between foci =  $2ae = 2(4)(\sqrt{2}) = 8\sqrt{2}$

(vi) Distance between directrices =  $2ae = 2(4)2\sqrt{2} = 4\sqrt{2}$ .

Question 14.

Find the equation of the ellipse in standard form if

(i) eccentricity =  $3/8$  and distance between its foci = 6.

(ii) the length of the major axis is 10 and the distance between foci is 8.

(iii) passing through the points (-3, 1) and (2, -2).

Solution:

(i) Let the required equation of ellipse be  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

Given, eccentricity (e) =  $3/8$

Distance between foci =  $2ae$

Given, distance between foci = 6

$$\therefore 2ae = 6$$

$$\therefore 2a(3/8) = 6$$

$$\therefore 3a/4 = 6$$

$$\therefore a = 8$$

$$\therefore a^2 = 64$$

Now,  $b^2 = a^2(1 - e^2)$

$$= 64[1 - (3/8)^2]$$

$$= 64(1 - 9/64)$$

$$= 64(55/64)$$

$$= 55$$

$\therefore$  The required equation of the ellipse is  $x^2/64 + y^2/55 = 1$

(ii) Let the equation of the ellipse be

$$x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1 \dots\dots(1)$$

Then length of major axis =  $2a = 10$

$$\therefore a = 5$$

Also, distance between foci =  $2ae = 8$

$$\therefore 2 \times 5 \times e = 8$$

$$\therefore e = 4/5$$

$$\therefore b^2 = a^2(1 - e^2)$$

$$= 25(1 - 16/25)$$

$$= 9$$

$\therefore$  from (1), the equation of the required ellipse is  $x^2/25 + y^2/9 = 1$

(iii) Let the required equation of ellipse be  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , where  $a > b$ .

The ellipse passes through the points (-3, 1) and (2, -2).

∴ Substituting  $x = -3$  and  $y = 1$  in equation of ellipse, we get

$$(-3)^2/a^2 + 1^2/b^2 = 1$$

$$\therefore 9/a^2 + 1/b^2 = 1 \dots\dots(i)$$

Substituting  $x = 2$  and  $y = -2$  in equation of ellipse, we get

$$2^2/a^2 + (-2)^2/b^2 = 1$$

$$\therefore 4/a^2 + 4/b^2 = 1 \dots\dots(ii)$$

Let  $1/a^2 = A$  and  $1/b^2 = B$

∴ Equations (i) and (ii) become

$$9A + B = 1 \dots\dots(iii)$$

$$4A + 4B = 1 \dots\dots(iv)$$

Multiplying (iii) by 4, we get

$$36A + 4B = 4 \dots\dots(v)$$

Subtracting (iv) from (v), we get

$$32A = 3$$

$$\therefore A = 3/32$$

Substituting  $A = 3/32$  in (iv), we get

$$4(3/32) + 4B = 1$$

$$\therefore 3/8 + 4B = 1$$

$$\therefore 4B = 1 - 3/8$$

$$\therefore 4B = 5/8$$

$$\therefore B = 5/32$$

Since  $1/a^2 = A$  and  $1/b^2 = B$

$$1/a^2 = 3/32 \text{ and } 1/b^2 = 5/32$$

$$\therefore a^2 = 32/3 \text{ and } b^2 = 32/5$$

∴ The required equation of ellipse is

$$x^2/(32/3) + y^2/(32/5)$$

$$\text{i.e., } 3x^2 + 5y^2 = 32.$$

Question 15.

Find the eccentricity of an ellipse if the distance between its directrices is three times the distance between its foci.

Solution:

Let the equation of the ellipse be  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$

It is given that,

distance between directrices is three times the distance between the foci.

$$\therefore 2ae = 3(2ae)$$

$$\therefore 1 = 3e^2$$

$$\therefore e^2 = 1/3$$

$$\therefore e = 1/\sqrt{3} \dots\dots[\because 0 < e < 1]$$

Question 16.

For the hyperbola  $x^2/100 - y^2/25 = 1$ , prove that  $SA \cdot S'A = 25$ , where S and S' are the foci and A is the vertex.

Solution:

Given equation of the hyperbola is  $x^2/100 - y^2/25 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 100 \text{ and } b^2 = 25$$

$$\therefore a = 10 \text{ and } b = 5$$

$$\therefore \text{Co-ordinates of vertex is } A(a, 0), \text{ i.e., } A(10, 0)$$

$$\text{Eccentricity, } e = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}/a$$

$$= \sqrt{100 + 25}/10$$

$$= 12.5/10$$

$$= 5/5 = 1$$

$$= \sqrt{2}$$

Co-ordinates of the foci are S(ae, 0) and S'(-ae, 0)

$$\text{i.e., } S(10\sqrt{2}, 0) \text{ and } S'(-10\sqrt{2}, 0)$$

$$\text{i.e., } S(5\sqrt{5}, 0) \text{ and } S'(-5\sqrt{5}, 0)$$

Since S, A and S' lie on the X-axis,

$$SA = |5\sqrt{5} - 10| \text{ and } S'A = |-5\sqrt{5} - 10|$$

$$= |-(5\sqrt{5} + 10)|$$

$$= |5\sqrt{5} + 10|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore SA \cdot S'A &= |5\sqrt{5} - 10| |5\sqrt{5} + 10| \\
 &= |(5\sqrt{5})^2 - (10)^2| \\
 &= |125 - 100| \\
 &= |25| \\
 SA \cdot S'A &= 25
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 17.

Find the equation of the tangent to the ellipse  $x^2/5 + y^2/4 = 1$  passing through the point (2, -2).

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2/5 + y^2/4 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 5 \text{ and } b^2 = 4$$

Equations of tangents to the ellipse  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$  having slope m are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2m^2 + b^2}$$

Since (2, -2) lies on both the tangents,

$$-2 = 2m \pm \sqrt{5m^2 + 4}$$

$$\therefore -2 - 2m = \pm \sqrt{5m^2 + 4}$$

Squaring both the sides, we get

$$4m^2 + 8m + 4 = 5m^2 + 4$$

$$\therefore m^2 - 8m = 0$$

$$\therefore m(m - 8) = 0$$

$$\therefore m = 0 \text{ or } m = 8$$

These are the slopes of the required tangents.

$\therefore$  By slope point form  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$ ,

the equations of the tangents are

$$y + 2 = 0(x - 2) \text{ and } y + 2 = 8(x - 2)$$

$$\therefore y + 2 = 0 \text{ and } y + 2 = 8x - 16$$

$$\therefore y + 2 = 0 \text{ and } 8x - y - 18 = 0.$$

Question 18.

Find the equation of the tangent to the ellipse  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 100$  at (8, 3).

Solution:

Given equation of ellipse is  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 100$

$$\therefore x^2/100 + y^2/25 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 100 \text{ and } b^2 = 25$$

Equation of tangent to the ellipse  $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$  at  $(x_1, y_1)$  is  $xx_1/a^2 + yy_1/b^2 = 1$

Equation of tangent at (8, 3) is

$$8x/100 + 3y/25 = 1$$

$$2x/25 + 3y/25 = 1$$

$$2x + 3y = 25$$

Question 19.

Show that the line  $8y + x = 17$  touches the ellipse  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 17$ . Find the point of contact.

Solution:



Given equation of the ellipse is  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 17$ .

$$\therefore \frac{x^2}{17} + \frac{y^2}{\frac{17}{4}} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  we get

$$a^2 = 17 \text{ and } b^2 = \frac{17}{4}$$

Given equation of line is  $8y + x = 17$ ,

$$\text{i.e., } y = \frac{-1}{8}x + \frac{17}{8}$$

Comparing this equation with  $y = mx + c$ , we get

$$m = \frac{-1}{8} \text{ and } c = \frac{17}{8}$$

For the line  $y = mx + c$  to be a tangent to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we must have

$$c^2 = a^2 m^2 + b^2$$

$$c^2 = \left(\frac{17}{8}\right)^2 = \frac{289}{64}$$

$$a^2 m^2 + b^2 = 17 \left(\frac{-1}{8}\right)^2 + \frac{17}{4}$$

$$= \frac{17}{64} + \frac{17}{4}$$

$$= \frac{289}{64}$$

$$= c^2$$

$\therefore$  The given line touches the given ellipse and point of contact is

$$\left(\frac{-a^2 m}{c}, \frac{b^2}{c}\right) = \left(\frac{-17\left(\frac{-1}{8}\right)}{\frac{17}{8}}, \frac{\frac{17}{4}}{\frac{17}{8}}\right)$$

$$= (1, 2).$$

Question 20.

Tangents are drawn through a point P to the ellipse  $4x^2 + 5y^2 = 20$  having inclinations  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  such that  $\tan \theta_1 + \tan \theta_2 = 2$ . Find the equation of the locus of P.

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $4x^2 + 5y^2 = 20$ .

$$\therefore \frac{x^2}{5} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 5 \text{ and } b^2 = 4$$

Since inclinations of tangents are  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$ ,

$$m_1 = \tan \theta_1 \text{ and } m_2 = \tan \theta_2$$

Equation of tangents to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  having slope m are

$$y = mx \pm \frac{a^2 m}{b^2} \pm \frac{b^2}{a^2 m} \sqrt{a^2 m^2 + b^2}$$

$$\therefore y = mx \pm \frac{5m}{4} \pm \frac{4}{5m} \sqrt{5m^2 + 4}$$

$$\therefore y - mx = \pm \frac{5m}{4} \pm \frac{4}{5m} \sqrt{5m^2 + 4}$$

Squaring both the sides, we get

$$y^2 - 2mxy + m^2 x^2 = 5m^2 + 4$$

$$\therefore (x^2 - 5)m^2 - 2xym + (y^2 - 4) = 0$$

The roots  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  of this quadratic equation are the slopes of the tangents.

$$\therefore m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{(-2xy)}{x^2-5} = \frac{2xy}{x^2-5}$$

Given,  $\tan \theta_1 + \tan \theta_2 = 2$

$$\therefore m_1 + m_2 = 2$$

$$\therefore \frac{2xy}{x^2-5}$$

$$\therefore xy = x^2 - 5$$

$$\therefore x^2 - xy - 5 = 0, \text{ which is the required equation of the locus of P.}$$

Question 21.

Show that the product of the lengths of its perpendicular segments drawn from the foci to any tangent line to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$  is equal to 16.

Solution:

Given equation of the ellipse is  $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$\therefore a^2 = 25, b^2 = 16$$

$$\therefore a = 5, b = 4$$

We know that  $e = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a}$

$$\therefore e = \frac{25 - 16}{5} = \frac{9}{5}$$

$$ae = 5 \left(\frac{9}{5}\right) = 9$$

Co-ordinates of foci are  $S(ae, 0)$  and  $S'(-ae, 0)$ ,

i.e.,  $S(9, 0)$  and  $S'(-9, 0)$

Equations of tangents to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  having slope  $m$  are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 + b^2}$$

Equation of one of the tangents to the ellipse is

$$y = mx + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}$$

$$\therefore mx - y + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16} = 0 \dots (i)$$

$p_1$  = length of perpendicular segment from  $S(9, 0)$  to the tangent (i)

$$= \left| \frac{m(9) - 0 + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right|$$

$$\therefore p_1 = \left| \frac{9m + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right|$$

$p_2$  = length of perpendicular segment from  $S'(-9, 0)$  to the tangent (i)

$$= \left| \frac{m(-9) - 0 + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right|$$

$$\therefore p_2 = \left| \frac{-9m + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right|$$

$$\therefore p_1 p_2 = \left| \frac{9m + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right| \left| \frac{-9m + \sqrt{25m^2 + 16}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right|$$

$$= \frac{(25m^2 + 16) - 81m^2}{m^2 + 1}$$

$$= \frac{16(m^2 + 1)}{m^2 + 1}$$

$$= 16$$

Question 22.

Find the equation of the hyperbola in the standard form if

(i) Length of conjugate axis is 5 and distance between foci is 13.

(ii) eccentricity is  $\frac{3}{2}$  and distance between foci is 12.

(iii) length of the conjugate axis is 3 and the distance between the foci is 5.

Solution:

(i) Let the required equation of hyperbola be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Length of conjugate axis =  $2b$

Given, length of conjugate axis = 5

$$2b = 5$$

$$b = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$b^2 = \frac{25}{4}$$

Distance between foci =  $2ae$

Given, distance between foci = 13

$$2ae = 13$$

$$ae = \frac{13}{2}$$

$$a^2e^2 = \frac{169}{4}$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$$

$$b^2 = a^2e^2 - a^2$$

$$\frac{25}{4} = \frac{169}{4} - a^2$$

$$a^2 = \frac{169}{4} - \frac{25}{4} = 36$$

$$\therefore \text{The required equation of hyperbola is } \frac{x^2}{36} - \frac{y^2}{\frac{25}{4}} = 1$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{x^2}{36} - 4y^2 = 1$$

(ii) Let the required equation of hyperbola be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Given, eccentricity ( $e$ ) =  $\frac{3}{2}$

Distance between foci =  $2ae$

Given, distance between foci = 12

$$\therefore 2ae = 12$$

$$\therefore 2a\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 12$$

$$\therefore 3a = 12$$

$$\therefore a = 4$$

$$\therefore a^2 = 16$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$$

$$\therefore b^2 = [(\frac{3}{2})^2 - 1]$$

$$\therefore b^2 = 16(\frac{9}{4} - 1)$$

$$\therefore b^2 = 16(\frac{5}{4})$$

$$\therefore b^2 = 20$$

$$\therefore \text{The required equation of hyperbola is } \frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{20} = 1$$

(iii) Let the required equation of hyperbola be  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Length of conjugate axis =  $2b$

Given, length of conjugate axis = 3

$$\therefore 2b = 3$$

$$\therefore b = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore b^2 = \frac{9}{4}$$

Distance between foci =  $2ae$

Given, distance between foci = 5

$$\therefore 2ae = 5$$

$$\therefore ae = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\therefore a^2e^2 = \frac{25}{4}$$

$$\text{Now, } b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$$

$$\therefore b^2 = a^2e^2 - a^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{9}{4} = \frac{25}{4} - a^2$$

$$\therefore a^2 = \frac{25}{4} - \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\therefore a^2 = 4$$

$$\therefore \text{The required equation of hyperbola is } \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{\frac{9}{4}} = 1$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{x^2}{4} - 4y^2 = 1$$

Question 23.

Find the equation of the tangent to the hyperbola,

(i)  $7x^2 - 3y^2 = 51$  at  $(-3, -2)$

(ii)  $x = 3 \sec \theta, y = 5 \tan \theta$  at  $\theta = \pi/3$

(iii)  $x^2/25 - y^2/16 = 1$  at  $P(30^\circ)$ .

Solution:

(i) Given equation of the hyperbola is  $7x^2 - 3y^2 = 51$

$$\frac{x^2}{\left(\frac{51}{7}\right)} - \frac{y^2}{17} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ,

we get

$$a^2 = \frac{51}{7} \text{ and } b^2 = 17$$

Equation of the tangent to the hyperbola

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \text{ at } (x_1, y_1) \text{ is } \frac{x x_1}{a^2} - \frac{y y_1}{b^2} = 1$$

Equation of the tangent at  $(-3, -2)$  is

$$\frac{-3x}{\left(\frac{51}{7}\right)} + \frac{2y}{17} = 1$$

$$\frac{-7x}{17} + \frac{2y}{17} = 1$$

$$7x - 2y + 17 = 0$$

(ii) Given, equation of the hyperbola is

$$x = 3 \sec \theta, y = 5 \tan \theta$$

Since  $\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = 1$ ,

$$x^2/9 - y^2/25 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 9 \text{ and } b^2 = 25$$

$$a = 3 \text{ and } b = 5$$

Equation of tangent at  $P(\theta)$  is

$$x \sec \theta/a - y \tan \theta/b = 1$$

$\therefore$  Equation of tangent at  $P(\pi/3)$  is

$$x \sec(\pi/3)/3 - y \tan(\pi/3)/5 = 1$$

$$2x/3 - 3\sqrt{3}y/5 = 1$$

$$10x - 3\sqrt{3}y = 15$$

(iii) Given equation of hyperbola is  $x^2/25 - y^2/16 = 1$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 25 \text{ and } b^2 = 16$$

$$a = 5 \text{ and } b = 4$$

Equation of tangent at  $P(\theta)$  is

$$x \sec \theta/a - y \tan \theta/b = 1$$

The equation of tangent at  $P(30^\circ)$  is

$$x \sec 30^\circ/5 - y \tan 30^\circ/4 = 1$$

$$2x/5\sqrt{3} - y/4\sqrt{3} = 1$$

$$8x - 5y = 20\sqrt{3}$$

Question 24.

Show that the line  $2x - y = 4$  touches the hyperbola  $4x^2 - 3y^2 = 24$ . Find the point of contact.

Solution:

Given equation of the hyperbola is  $4x^2 - 3y^2 = 24$ .

$$\therefore x^2/6 - y^2/8 = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 6 \text{ and } b^2 = 8$$

Given equation of line is  $2x - y = 4$

$$\therefore y = 2x - 4$$

Comparing this equation with  $y = mx + c$ , we get

$$m = 2 \text{ and } c = -4$$

For the line  $y = mx + c$  to be a tangent to the hyperbola  $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$ , we must have

$$c^2 = a^2m^2 - b^2$$

$$c^2 = (-4)^2 = 16$$

$$a^2m^2 - b^2 = 6(2)^2 - 8 = 24 - 8 = 16$$

∴ The given line is a tangent to the given hyperbola and point of contact

$$= (-a^2mc, -b^2c)$$

$$= (-6(2)-4, -8-4)$$

$$= (3, 2)$$

Question 25.

Find the equations of the tangents to the hyperbola  $3x^2 - y^2 = 48$  which are perpendicular to the line  $x + 2y - 7 = 0$ .

Solution:

Given the equation of the hyperbola is  $3x^2 - y^2 = 48$ .

$$\therefore \frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{48} = 1$$

Comparing this equation with  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , we get

$$a^2 = 16 \text{ and } b^2 = 48$$

Slope of the line  $x + 2y - 7 = 0$  is  $-\frac{1}{2}$

Since the given line is perpendicular to the tangents,

slope of the required tangent (m) = 2

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

Equations of tangents to the ellipse having slope m are

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2m^2 - b^2}$$

$$y = 2x \pm \sqrt{16(2)^2 - 48}$$

$$y = 2x \pm \sqrt{16}$$

$$\therefore y = 2x \pm 4$$

Question 26.

Two tangents to the hyperbola  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  make angles  $\theta_1, \theta_2$ , with the transverse axis. Find the locus of their point of intersection if

$\tan \theta_1 + \tan \theta_2 = k$ .

Solution:

Given equation of the hyperbola is  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Let  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  be the inclinations.

$$m_1 = \tan \theta_1, m_2 = \tan \theta_2$$

Let  $P(x_1, y_1)$  be a point on the hyperbola

Equation of a tangent with slope 'm' to the hyperbola  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  is

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2m^2 - b^2}$$

This tangent passes through  $P(x_1, y_1)$ .

$$y_1 = mx_1 \pm \sqrt{a^2m^2 - b^2}$$

$$(y_1 - mx_1)^2 = a^2m^2 - b^2$$

$$(x_1^2 - a^2)m^2 - 2x_1y_1m + (y_1^2 + b^2) = 0 \dots\dots(i)$$

This is a quadratic equation in 'm'.

It has two roots say  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ , which are the slopes of two tangents drawn from P.

$$\therefore m_1 + m_2 = \frac{2x_1y_1}{x_1^2 - a^2}$$

Since  $\tan \theta_1 + \tan \theta_2 = k$ ,

$$\frac{2x_1y_1}{x_1^2 - a^2} = k$$

∴  $P(x_1, y_1)$  moves on the curve whose equation is  $k(x^2 - a^2) = 2xy$ .