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# Problem: 11.11.3.9

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#### 1 Problem

Find the co-ordinates of the foci, the vertices, the length of major axis, the minor axis, the eccentricity and the length of latus rectum of the ellipse  $4x^2$  +  $9y^2 = 36$ .

#### 2 Solution

1) Given ellipse equation:

$$\mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} + f = 0 \tag{2.0.1}$$

here, 
$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{9} & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.0.2)  
 $f = -4$  (2.0.3)

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$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.4}$$

2) points of intersection of a line  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{h} + \mu \mathbf{m}$  with ellipse are given by:

Vertices lie on major axis, therefore let

$$\mathbf{v} = \mu_i \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.12}$$

$$\mathbf{m}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{m} = \frac{4}{9} \tag{2.0.13}$$

$$\mathbf{m}^{\mathsf{T}} \left( \mathbf{V} \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{u} \right) = 0 \tag{2.0.14}$$

$$g(h) = -4 (2.0.15)$$

$$\mu_i = \frac{0 \pm \sqrt{0 - (-4)\frac{4}{9}}}{\frac{4}{9}} \qquad (2.0.16)$$

$$= \pm 3$$
 (2.0.17)

Vertices are  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ 

length of major axis = distance between vertices (2.0.18)

$$= 6$$
 (2.0.19)

7) minor axis

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{2.0.20}$$

*i.e.*, 
$$\mathbf{x} = \mu \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.0.21)

$$\mathbf{m}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{m} = 1 \tag{2.0.22}$$

$$\mathbf{m}^{\mathsf{T}} \left( \mathbf{V} \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{u} \right) = 0 \tag{2.0.23}$$

$$g(h) = -4 (2.0.24)$$

$$\mu_i = 0 \pm \sqrt{0 - (-4)}$$
 (2.0.25)

$$= \pm 2$$
 (2.0.26)

Points of intersection of minor axis with ellipse be  $\mu_i \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

$$\mu_{i} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{m}^{\top}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{m}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m}^{\top}(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{u}) \pm \sqrt{(\mathbf{m}^{\top}(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{u}))^{2} - g(\mathbf{h})(\mathbf{m}^{\top}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{m})} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2.0.5)$$

$$i.e., \mathbf{x} = \mu \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g(\mathbf{h}) = \mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{V} \mathbf{h} + 2 \mathbf{u}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{h} + f \qquad (2.0.6)$$

3) Center of the Ellipse

$$\mathbf{c} = -\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{u} \tag{2.0.7}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.8}$$

4) Major axis

$$\mathbf{p_2}^{\mathsf{T}} \left( \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c} \right) = 0 \tag{2.0.9}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{2.0.10}$$

$$i.e., \mathbf{x} = \mu \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.11}$$

5) Vertices

Points of intersection of minor axis with ellipse =  $\pm \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ (2.0.27)

### 8) Length of minor axis

length of minor axis = distance between Points of intersectiom  $\mathbf{W} \mathbf{W} \mathbf{m} = 1$ 

en Points of intersectiom<sup>T</sup>Vm = 1 (2.0.44)  
(2.0.28) 
$$\mathbf{m}^{\mathsf{T}}(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{u}) = 0$$
 (2.0.45)

$$=4$$
 (2.0.29)

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Normal to directrix,

 $\mathbf{n}$  = direction vector of major axis (2.0.30)

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.31}$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \|\mathbf{n}\|^2 \mathbf{I} - e^2 \mathbf{n} \mathbf{n}^{\top} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{9} & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.0.32)

$$\mathbf{u} = ce^2 \mathbf{n} - ||\mathbf{n}||^2 \mathbf{F} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.0.33)

$$f = ||\mathbf{n}||^2 ||\mathbf{F}||^2 - c^2 e^2 = -4$$
 (2.0.34)

## 9) Eccentricity Substituing value of $\mathbf{n}$ in (2.0.32),

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} \tag{2.0.35}$$

substituing (2.0.35) in (2.0.33) and (2.0.34),

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{5c}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.36}$$

$$\|\mathbf{F}\|^2 = c^2 e^2 - 4 = \frac{25c^2}{81}$$
 (2.0.37)

upon substituting (2.0.35) in (2.0.37),

$$c = \pm \frac{9}{\sqrt{5}} \tag{2.0.38}$$

## 10) Foci

substitung (2.0.38) in (2.0.36),

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{pmatrix} \pm \sqrt{5} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.39}$$

#### 11) equation of Latus Recta

$$\mathbf{n}^{\mathsf{T}} \left( \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F} \right) = 0 \tag{2.0.40}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 3 \tag{2.0.41}$$

$$i.e., \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.42}$$

Let points of intersection of latus rectum and curve be,

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{F} + \mu_i \mathbf{m} \tag{2.0.43}$$

here,

$$\mathbf{m}^{\mathsf{T}} \left( \mathbf{V} \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{u} \right) = 0 \tag{2.0.45}$$

$$g(h) = -\frac{16}{9} \tag{2.0.46}$$

$$\mu_i = 0 \pm \sqrt{0 - (-1)\frac{16}{9}}$$
 (2.0.47)

$$= \pm \frac{4}{3} \tag{2.0.48}$$

### 12) Length of latus recta

length of latus recta = distance between points of interse (2.0.49)

$$=\frac{8}{3}$$
 (2.0.50)

Parameter	Value	Description
V	$ \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{9} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} $	matrix Vfrom ellipse equation
u	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$	vector <b>u</b> from ellipse equation
f	-4	constant $f$ from ellipse equation

TABLE 12: Table 1

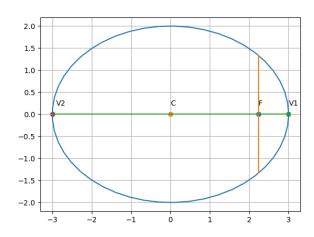


Fig. 12: Figure 1