

Conic Sections

11th Maths - Chapter 11

This is Problem-3 from Exercise 1

1. Find the equation of circle with centre $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4})$ and radius $\frac{1}{12}$

Solution: Given,

$$\mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } r = \frac{1}{12} \quad (1)$$

The equation of a circle is given by

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

where

$$\mathbf{u} = -\mathbf{c} \quad (3)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

$$f = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - r^2 \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{11}{36} \quad (6)$$

Then substituting them in (2) gives the equation of circle

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \frac{11}{36} = 0 \quad (7)$$

