

9.5 CONIC SECTIONS IN POLAR COORDINATES

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1–8 ■ Write a polar equation of a conic with the focus at the origin and the given data.

1. Ellipse, eccentricity $\frac{2}{3}$, directrix $x = 3$
2. Hyperbola, eccentricity $\frac{4}{3}$, directrix $x = -3$
3. Parabola, directrix $y = 2$
4. Ellipse, eccentricity $\frac{1}{2}$, directrix $y = -4$
5. Hyperbola, eccentricity 4, directrix $r = 5 \sec \theta$
6. Ellipse, eccentricity 0.6, directrix $r = 2 \csc \theta$
7. Parabola, vertex at $(5, \pi/2)$
8. Ellipse, eccentricity 0.4, vertex at $(2, 0)$

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9–16 ■ (a) Find the eccentricity, (b) identify the conic, (c) give an equation of the directrix, and (d) sketch the conic.

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| 9. $r = \frac{4}{1 + 3 \cos \theta}$ | 10. $r = \frac{2}{1 - \cos \theta}$ |
| 11. $r = \frac{6}{2 + \sin \theta}$ | 12. $r = \frac{7}{2 - 5 \sin \theta}$ |
| 13. $r = \frac{8}{3 + 3 \cos \theta}$ | 14. $r = \frac{10}{3 - 2 \sin \theta}$ |
| 15. $r = \frac{5}{2 - 3 \sin \theta}$ | 16. $r = \frac{8}{3 + \cos \theta}$ |

9.5 ANSWERS

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1. $r = \frac{6}{3 + 2 \cos \theta}$

2. $r = \frac{12}{3 - 4 \cos \theta}$

3. $r = \frac{2}{1 + \sin \theta}$

4. $r = \frac{4}{2 - \sin \theta}$

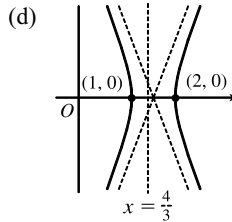
5. $r = \frac{20}{1 + 4 \cos \theta}$

6. $r = \frac{6}{5 + 3 \sin \theta}$

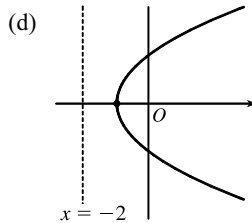
7. $r = \frac{10}{1 + \sin \theta}$

8. $r = \frac{8}{5 + 2 \cos \theta}$

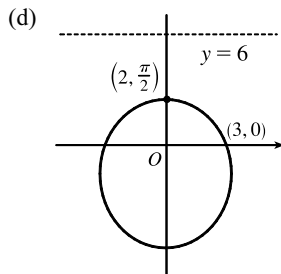
9. (a) 3 (b) Hyperbola (c) $x = \frac{4}{3}$



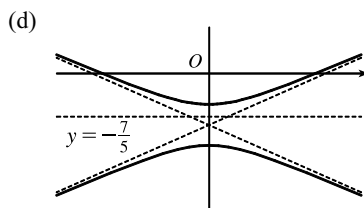
10. (a) 1 (b) Parabola (c) $x = -2$



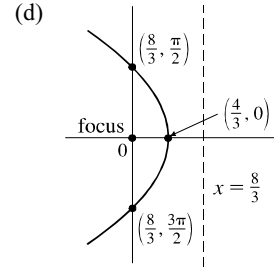
11. (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ (b) Ellipse (c) $y = 6$



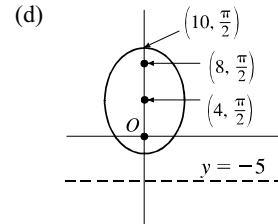
12. (a) $\frac{5}{2}$ (b) Hyperbola (c) $y = -\frac{7}{5}$



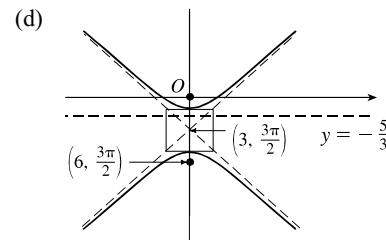
13. (a) 1 (b) Parabola (c) $x = \frac{8}{3}$



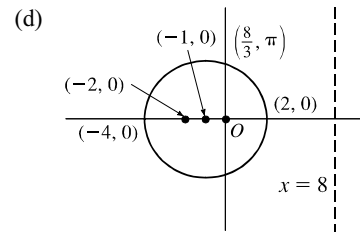
14. (a) $\frac{2}{3}$ (b) Ellipse (c) $y = -5$



15. (a) $\frac{3}{2}$ (b) Hyperbola (c) $y = -\frac{5}{3}$



16. (a) $\frac{1}{3}$ (b) Ellipse (c) $x = 8$



9.5 SOLUTIONS

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$$1. r = \frac{ed}{1 + e \cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{2}{3} \cdot 3}{1 + \frac{2}{3} \cos \theta} = \frac{6}{3 + 2 \cos \theta}$$

$$2. r = \frac{ed}{1 - e \cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{4}{3} \cdot 3}{1 - \frac{4}{3} \cos \theta} = \frac{12}{3 - 4 \cos \theta}$$

$$3. r = \frac{ed}{1 + e \sin \theta} = \frac{1 \cdot 2}{1 + \sin \theta} = \frac{2}{1 + \sin \theta}$$

$$4. r = \frac{ed}{1 - e \sin \theta} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \cdot 4}{1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta} = \frac{4}{2 - \sin \theta}$$

$$5. r = 5 \sec \theta \Leftrightarrow x = r \cos \theta = 5, \text{ so}$$

$$r = \frac{ed}{1 + e \cos \theta} = \frac{4 \cdot 5}{1 + 4 \cos \theta} = \frac{20}{1 + 4 \cos \theta}$$

$$6. r = 2 \csc \theta \Leftrightarrow y = r \sin \theta = 2, \text{ so}$$

$$r = \frac{ed}{1 + e \sin \theta} = \frac{\frac{3}{5} \cdot 2}{1 + \frac{3}{5} \sin \theta} = \frac{6}{5 + 3 \sin \theta}$$

$$7. \text{ Focus } (0, 0), \text{ vertex } (5, \frac{\pi}{2}) \Rightarrow \text{ directrix } y = 10 \Rightarrow$$

$$r = \frac{ed}{1 + e \sin \theta} = \frac{10}{1 + \sin \theta}$$

$$8. \text{ The directrix is } x = 4, \text{ so}$$

$$r = \frac{ed}{1 + e \cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{2}{5} \cdot 4}{1 + \frac{2}{5} \cos \theta} = \frac{8}{5 + 2 \cos \theta}$$

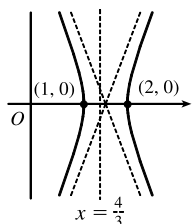
$$9. r = \frac{4}{1 + 3 \cos \theta}$$

$$(a) e = 3$$

(b) Since $e = 3 > 1$, the conic is a hyperbola.

$$(c) ed = 4 \Rightarrow d = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \text{directrix } x = \frac{4}{3}$$

(d) The vertices are $(1, 0)$ and $(-2, \pi) = (2, 0)$; the center is $(\frac{3}{2}, 0)$; the asymptotes are parallel to $\theta = \pm \cos^{-1}(-\frac{1}{3})$.



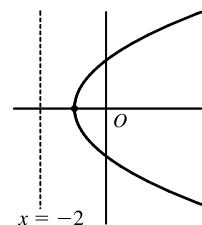
$$10. r = \frac{2}{1 - \cos \theta}$$

$$(a) e = 1$$

(b) Parabola

$$(c) ed = 2 \Rightarrow d = 2 \Rightarrow \text{directrix } x = -2$$

$$(d) \text{Vertex } (-1, 0) = (1, \pi)$$



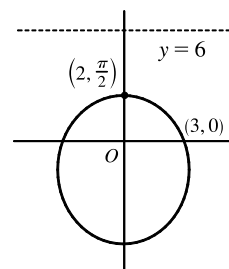
$$11. r = \frac{3}{1 + \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta}$$

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

(b) Ellipse

$$(c) ed = 3 \Rightarrow d = 6 \Rightarrow \text{directrix } y = 6$$

$$(d) \text{Vertices } (2, \frac{\pi}{2}) \text{ and } (6, \frac{3\pi}{2}); \text{ center } (2, \frac{3\pi}{2})$$



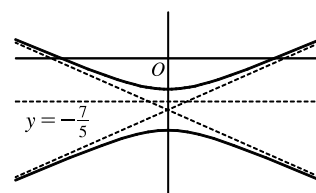
$$12. r = \frac{7/2}{1 - \frac{5}{2} \sin \theta}$$

$$(a) e = \frac{5}{2}$$

(b) Hyperbola

$$(c) ed = \frac{7}{2} \Rightarrow d = \frac{7}{5} \Rightarrow \text{directrix } y = -\frac{7}{5}$$

$$(d) \text{Center } (\frac{5}{3}, \frac{3\pi}{2}); \text{ vertices } (-\frac{7}{3}, \frac{\pi}{2}) = (\frac{7}{3}, \frac{3\pi}{2}) \text{ and } (1, \frac{3\pi}{2})$$



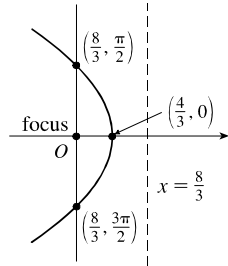
13. $r = \frac{8/3}{1 + \cos \theta}$

(a) $e = 1$

(b) Parabola

(c) $ed = \frac{8}{3} \Rightarrow d = \frac{8}{3} \Rightarrow \text{directrix } x = \frac{8}{3}$

(d) Vertex $(\frac{4}{3}, 0)$



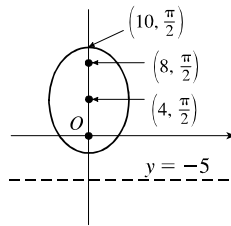
14. $r = \frac{10/3}{1 - \frac{2}{3} \sin \theta}$

(a) $e = \frac{2}{3}$

(b) Ellipse

(c) $ed = \frac{10}{3} \Rightarrow d = 5 \Rightarrow \text{directrix } y = -5$

(d) Vertices $(10, \frac{\pi}{2})$ and $(2, \frac{3\pi}{2})$; center $(4, \frac{\pi}{2})$



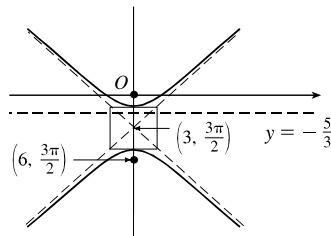
15. $r = \frac{5/2}{1 - \frac{3}{2} \sin \theta}$

(a) $e = \frac{3}{2}$

(b) Hyperbola

(c) $ed = \frac{5}{2} \Rightarrow d = \frac{5}{3} \Rightarrow \text{directrix } y = -\frac{5}{3}$

(d) Vertices $(-5, \frac{\pi}{2}) = (5, \frac{3\pi}{2})$ and $(1, \frac{3\pi}{2})$; center $(3, \frac{3\pi}{2})$; foci $(0, 0)$ and $(6, \frac{3\pi}{2})$



16. $r = \frac{8/3}{1 + \frac{1}{3} \cos \theta}$

(a) $e = \frac{1}{3}$

(b) Ellipse

(c) $ed = \frac{8}{3} \Rightarrow d = 8 \Rightarrow \text{directrix } x = 8$

(d) Vertices $(2, 0)$ and $(4, \pi)$; center $(-1, 0)$

