

Solving 2D problems

Your subtitle (if there's one)

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geometric question

- Given, the axes of the ellipse are the co-ordinate axes and passes through points $(2, -1)$ and $(4, -2)$. find the eccentricity.
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Geometry question into matrix formation

The ellipse passes through the point $P = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $Q = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ then find the eccentricity of the ellipse.

Solution using matrices

Given $P = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $Q = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ The ellipse equation is

$$x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1 \quad (1)$$

By substituting P,Q points in the ellipse equation we get a,b. By this $a=4.47$ and $b=2.23$ then

$$c = b/a = 0.498 \quad (2)$$

then eccentricity

$$e = \sqrt{1 - b^2/a^2} = 0.867 \quad (3)$$

Plot

