

Section 12.7: Conic Sections

Quick Review 12.7

1. The vertex of the parabola defined by

$$y = ax^2 + bx + c \text{ has an } x\text{-coordinate of } x = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$\text{and a } y\text{-coordinate of } f\left(-\frac{b}{2a}\right).$$

2. The x -coordinate of the vertex of

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + 4x + 3 \text{ is}$$

$$x = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{4}{2(2)} = -1.$$

The y -coordinate is

$$f(-1) = 2(-1)^2 + 4(-1) + 3 = 2 - 4 + 3 = 1$$

Vertex: $(-1, 1)$

3.
$$\begin{aligned} &9(x-2)^2 + 4(y+1)^2 - 36 \\ &= 9(x^2 - 4x + 4) + 4(y^2 + 2y + 1) - 36 \\ &= 9x^2 - 36x + 36 + 4y^2 + 8y + 4 - 36 \\ &= 9x^2 + 4y^2 - 36x + 8y + 4 - 36 \\ &= 9x^2 + 4y^2 - 36x + 8y - 32 \end{aligned}$$

4. $2x^2 + 5x + 7 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2x^2}{2} + \frac{5x}{2} &= \frac{-7}{2} \\ x^2 + \frac{5}{2}x + \frac{25}{16} &= \frac{-7}{2} + \frac{25}{16} \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(x + \frac{5}{4}\right)^2 = -\frac{31}{16}$$

$$x + \frac{5}{4} = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{31}{16}}$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{4} \pm \frac{i\sqrt{31}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm i\sqrt{31}}{4} = \frac{-5}{4} \pm \frac{i\sqrt{31}}{4}$$

5.
$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x^2 + 12x - 30 \\ &= x^2 + 12x + 36 - 30 - 36 \\ &= (x^2 + 12x + 36) - 30 - 36 \\ &= (x+6)^2 - 66 \end{aligned}$$

Exercises 12.7

1. Distance: $d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$
 $= \sqrt{(1 - (-3))^2 + ((-1) - 2)^2}$
 $= \sqrt{(4)^2 + (-3)^2}$
 $= \sqrt{16 + 9} = \sqrt{25} = 5$

Midpoint: $\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{(-3) + 1}{2}, \frac{2 + (-1)}{2}\right)$
 $= \left(\frac{-2}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(-1, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

3. Distance: $d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$
 $= \sqrt{(0 - 1)^2 + (1 - 2)^2}$
 $= \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-1)^2}$
 $= \sqrt{1 + 1} = \sqrt{2}$

Midpoint: $\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{0 + 1}{2}, \frac{1 + 2}{2}\right)$
 $= \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right)$

5. Use the distance formula:

$$r = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(7 - 0)^2 + (24 - 0)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(7)^2 + (24)^2} = \sqrt{49 + 576} = 25$$

7. Use the midpoint formula:

$$\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{(-1) + 5}{2}, \frac{5 + (-3)}{2}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{2}, \frac{2}{2}\right) = (2, 1)$$

9. The equation $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ is in the standard form of a circle. Thus the graph is **B**.

11. The equation $\frac{x^2}{1} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$ is in the standard form of a hyperbola. Thus the graph is **D**.

13. Substitute: $(h, k) = (0, 0)$ and $r = 10$ in the standard form of the equation of a circle.

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$$

$$(x - 0)^2 + (y - 0)^2 = 10^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 100$$

15. Substitute: $(h, k) = (2, 6)$ and $r = \sqrt{2}$ in the standard form of the equation of a circle.

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$$

$$(x - 2)^2 + (y - 6)^2 = (\sqrt{2})^2$$

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

17. Substitute: $(h, k) = \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ and $r = \frac{1}{2}$ in the standard form of the equation of a circle.

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$$

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

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

19. Write the equation in the standard form of the equation of a circle.

$$(x + 5)^2 + (y - 4)^2 = 64$$

$$(x - (-5))^2 + (y - 4)^2 = 8^2$$

The circle has a center $(-5, 4)$ and radius **8**.

21. Write the equation in the standard form of the equation of a circle by completing the square.

$$x^2 + y^2 - 6x = 0$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 + y^2 = 0 + 9$$

$$(x-3)^2 + y^2 = 9$$

$$(x-3)^2 + (y-0)^2 = 3^2$$

The circle has a center (3, 0) and radius 3.

23. Write the equation in the standard form of the equation of a circle by completing the square.

$$x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 10y + 22 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 + y^2 + 10y + 25 = -22 + 1 + 25$$

$$(x-1)^2 + (y+5)^2 = 4$$

$$(x-1)^2 + (y-(-5))^2 = 2^2$$

The circle has a center (1, -5) and radius 2.

25. Write the equation in the standard form of the equation of an ellipse.

$$\frac{x^2}{36} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$$

$$\frac{(x-0)^2}{36} + \frac{(y-0)^2}{16} = 1$$

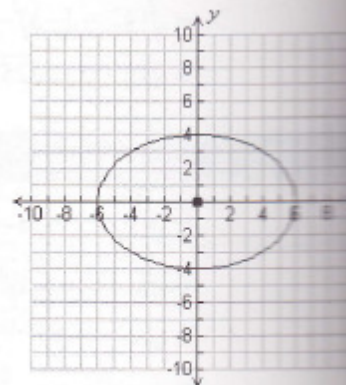
Center: (0, 0)

$$a^2 = 36 \quad b^2 = 16$$

$$a = 6 \quad b = 4$$

Length of major axis: $2a = 2(6) = 12$

Length of major axis: $2b = 2(4) = 8$



27. Write the equation in the standard form of the equation of an ellipse.

$$\frac{(y-3)^2}{25} + \frac{(x+4)^2}{16} = 1$$

$$\frac{(y-3)^2}{25} + \frac{(x-(-4))^2}{16} = 1$$

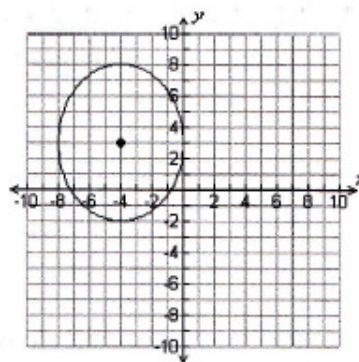
Center: (-4, 3)

$$a^2 = 25 \quad b^2 = 16$$

$$a = 5 \quad b = 4$$

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

Length of major axis: $2b = 2(4) = 8$



29. $(h, k) = (0, 0)$

$$a = 9; \quad b = 5$$

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{(x-0)^2}{9^2} + \frac{(y-0)^2}{5^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{x^2}{81} + \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$$

31. $(h, k) = (3, 4)$

$$a = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)4 = 2; \quad b = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)2 = 1$$

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

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

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

33. $(h, k) = (6, -2)$

$$a = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)10 = 5; \quad b = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)6 = 3$$

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{b^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{a^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{(x-6)^2}{3^2} + \frac{(y-(-2))^2}{5^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{(x-6)^2}{9} + \frac{(y+2)^2}{25} = 1$$

37. Write the equation in the standard form of the equation of a hyperbola.

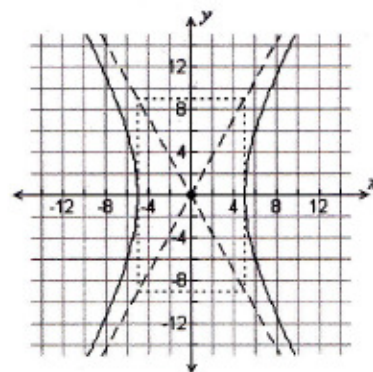
$$\frac{(x-0)^2}{25} - \frac{(y-0)^2}{81} = 1$$

Center: $(0, 0)$

$$a^2 = 25 \quad b^2 = 81$$

$$a = 5 \quad b = 9$$

The hyperbola opens horizontally.



39. Write the equation in the standard form of the equation of a hyperbola.

$$25x^2 = 100y^2 + 100$$

$$25x^2 - 100y^2 = 100$$

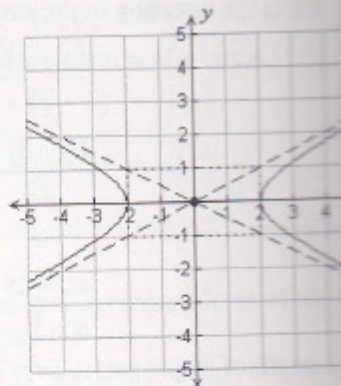
$$\frac{(x-0)^2}{4} - \frac{(y-0)^2}{1} = 1$$

Center: $(0, 0)$

$$a^2 = 4 \quad b^2 = 1$$

$$a = 2 \quad b = 1$$

The hyperbola opens horizontally.



41. Write the equation in the standard form of the equation of a hyperbola.

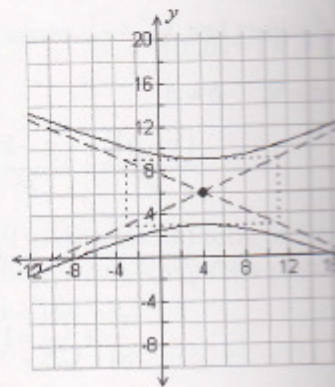
$$\frac{(y-6)^2}{9} - \frac{(x-4)^2}{49} = 1$$

Center: $(4, 6)$

$$a^2 = 9 \quad b^2 = 49$$

$$a = 3 \quad b = 7$$

The hyperbola opens vertically.



43. $(h, k) = (0, 0)$

$$a = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)10 = 5; \quad b = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)8 = 4$$

$$\frac{(y-k)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(x-h)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{(y-0)^2}{5^2} - \frac{(x-0)^2}{4^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{y^2}{25} - \frac{x^2}{16} = 1$$

45. $(h, k) = (0, 0)$

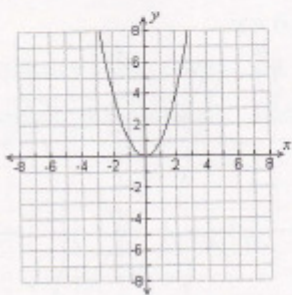
$$a = 3; \quad b = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)14 = 7$$

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

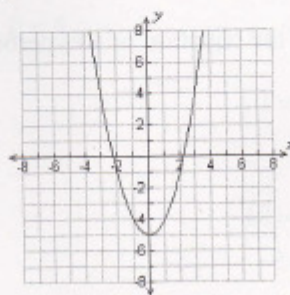
$$\frac{(x-0)^2}{3^2} - \frac{(y-0)^2}{7^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{49} = 1$$

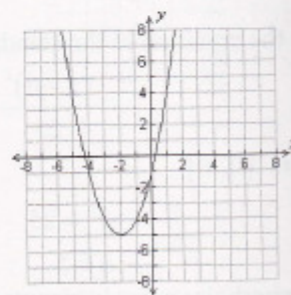
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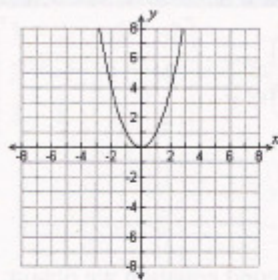
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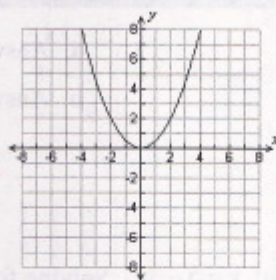
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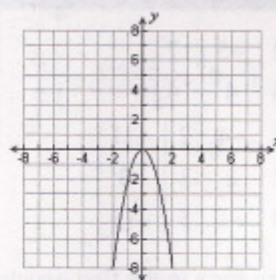
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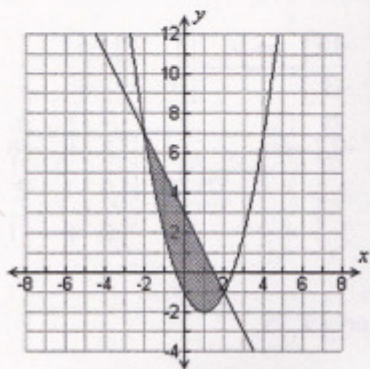


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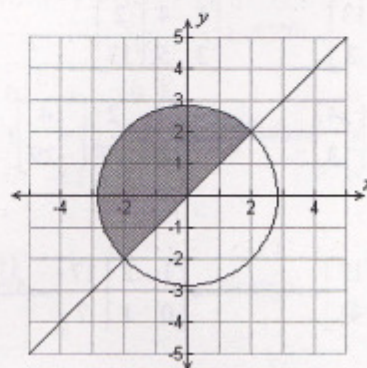
51. a. The solutions to the system of equations are the points of intersection: $(-2, 7)$ and $(2, -1)$.

b.



53. a. The solutions to the system of equations are the points of intersection: $(-2, -2)$ and $(2, 2)$.

b.



Cumulative Review

1. $3(2x-1)+5=7(4x-5)-34$

$$6x-3+5=28x-35-34$$

$$6x+2=28x-69$$

$$-22x=-71$$

$$x=\frac{71}{22}$$

2. $|2x-1|=25$

is equivalent to

$$2x-1=-25 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x-1=25$$

$$2x=-24 \qquad \qquad 2x=26$$

$$x=-12 \qquad \qquad \qquad x=13$$

3. $(2x-1)^2=25$

$$2x-1=\pm\sqrt{25}$$

$$2x-1=\pm 5$$

$$2x=1\pm 5$$

$$x=\frac{1\pm 5}{2}$$

$$x=-2 \quad \text{or} \quad x=3$$

4. $\frac{3x+2}{2x-7}=4$

$$\cancel{(2x-7)}\left(\frac{3x+2}{\cancel{2x-7}}\right)=(2x-7)4$$

$$3x+2=8x-28$$

$$-5x=-30$$

$$x=6$$

5. $\log(3x+1)=2$

$$\log_{10}(3x+1)=2$$

is equivalent to $3x+1=10^2$

$$3x+1=100$$

$$3x=99$$

$$x=33$$