

- 1. The ellipse *E* has equation $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36.$
- a) Sketch E.

b) Write down its parametric equations.

2. The ellipse *E* has parameter equations:

$$x = 3\cos\theta \, y = 5\sin\theta$$

Determine its Cartesian equation.

3B Hyperbolas

- 1. The hyperbola *H* has equation $4x^2 9y^2 = 36$.
- a) Sketch H.

b) Write down the equations of the asymptotes of *H*.

c) Find parametric Equations for *H*.

2. A hyperbola H has parametric equations

$$x = 4 \sec t$$
, $y = \tan t$, $-\pi \le t < \pi$, $t \ne \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$

a) Find a Cartesian equation for *H*.

b) Sketch H.

c) Write down the equations of the asymptotes of *H*.

<u>3C Eccentricity</u>

Ellipse

Parabola

Hyperbola

1. Show that for 0 < e < 1, the ellipse with focus S = (ae, 0) and directrix $x = \frac{a}{e}$ has equation $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$.

- 2.
- a) Find foci of the ellipse with equation $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$ and give the equation of the directrices. Hence sketch the ellipse.

b) Find foci of the ellipse with equation $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$ and give the equation of the directrices. Hence sketch the ellipse.

3. If *P* is a point on an ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, prove that PS + PS' = 2a

4. Show that for e > 1, the hyperbola with foci at $(\pm ae, 0)$ and directrices at $x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$ has equation $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

- 5.
- a) Sketch the hyperbola with equation $\frac{x^2}{9} \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$, indicating the foci, directrices and equations of the asymptotes.

b) Sketch the hyperbola with equation $\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$, indicating the foci, directrices and equations of the asymptotes.

A quick note on hyperbolas and ellipses:

For hyperbolas, you don't care which of a and b are bigger. For ellipses, swapping the a and b has the effect of rotating the ellipse 90° and hence the foci/directrices too. We don't get this same rotation for hyperbolas.

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Conics

	Ellipse	Parabola	Hyperbola	Rectangular Hyperbola
Standard Form	$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$	$y^2 = 4ax$	$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$	$xy = c^2$
Parametric Form	$(a\cos\theta, b\sin\theta)$	$(at^2, 2at)$	$(a \sec \theta, b \tan \theta)$ $(\pm a \cosh \theta, b \sinh \theta)$	$\left(ct, \frac{c}{t}\right)$
Eccentricity	e < 1 $b^2 = a^2 (1 - e^2)$	<i>e</i> = 1	e > 1 $b^2 = a^2 (e^2 - 1)$	$e = \sqrt{2}$
Foci	(± <i>ae</i> , 0)	(<i>a</i> , 0)	(± <i>ae</i> , 0)	$(\pm\sqrt{2}c,\pm\sqrt{2}c)$
Directrices	$x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$	x = -a	$x = \pm \frac{a}{e}$	$x + y = \pm \sqrt{2}c$
Asymptotes	none	none	$\frac{x}{a} = \pm \frac{y}{b}$	x=0, y=0

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NOLE.	Tangent:	$\int ty = x + at^2$	$x + t^2y = 2ct$
			$f^{3}x = tx = c(t^{4} = 1)$
	Normal:	$y + tx = 2at + at^3$	$r \iota x - \iota y = \iota(\iota - 1)$
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3D Gradients of an Ellipse

1. Find the equation of the tangent to the ellipse with equation $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$ at the point $(3\cos\theta, 2\sin\theta)$

2. Show that the equation of the normal to the ellipse with equation $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ at the point $P(a\cos\theta, b\sin\theta)$ is $by\cos\theta = ax\sin\theta + (b^2 - a^2)\cos\theta\sin\theta$

Notes on tangents and normals to an ellipse

- 3. The point $P\left(2, \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$ lies on the ellipse *E* with parametric equations $x = 4\cos\theta$, $y = 3\sin\theta$.
- a) Find the value of θ at the point *P*.

b) Find the equation of the normal to the ellipse at point *P*.

4. Show that the condition for y = mx + c to be a tangent to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is $a^2m^2 + b^2 = c^2$

5. The ellipse *C* has the equation $\frac{x^2}{5^2} - \frac{y^2}{3^2} = 1$. The line *l* is normal to the ellipse at the point *P* and passes through the point *Q*, where *C* cuts the *y*-axis, as shown in the diagram. Find the exact coordinates of the point *R*, where *l* cuts the positive *x*-axis.



<u>3E Gradients of a Hyperbola</u>

1. Find the equation of the tangent to the hyperbola with equation $\frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$ at the point $(6, 2\sqrt{3})$

2. Prove that the equation of a tangent to the hyperbola $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ at the point $(a \cosh t, b \sinh t)$ is $ay \sinh t + ab = bx \cosh t$

3. Show that an equation of the normal to the hyperbola with equation $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ at $(\operatorname{asec} \theta, b \tan \theta)$ is $by + ax \sin \theta = (a^2 + b^2) \tan \theta$.

4. Show that the condition for the line y = mx + c to be a tangent to the hyperbola $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is that m and c satisfy $b^2 + c^2 = a^2m^2$.

5. The tangent to the hyperbola with equation $\frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$ at the point $(3 \cosh t, 2 \sinh t)$ crosses the *y*-axis at the point (0, -1). Find the value of *t*.

6. The hyperbola *H* has equation $\frac{x^2}{36} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$. The line l_1 is the tangent to *H* at the point *P*(6 cosh *t*, 3 sinh *t*). The line l_2 passes through the origin and is perpendicular to l_1 . The lines l_1 and l_2 intersect at the point *Q*. Show that the coordinates of the point *Q* are $\left(\frac{6 \cosh t}{4 \sinh^2 t + \cosh^2 t}, -\frac{12 \sinh t}{4 \sinh^2 t + \cosh^2 t}\right)$.

3F More Loci

1. The tangent to the ellipse with equation $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ at the point $P(a \cos t, b \sin t)$ crosses the *x*-axis at *A* and the *y*-axis at *B*. Find an equation for the locus of the mid-point of *AB* as *P* moves around the ellipse.

- 2. The normal at $P(ap^2, 2ap)$ and the normal at $Q(aq^2, 2aq)$ to the parabola with equation $y^2 = 4ax$ meet at *R*.
- a) Find the coordinates of *R*.

The chord PQ passes through the focus (a, 0) of the parabola.

b) Show that pq = -1

c) Show that the locus of *R* is a parabola with equation $y^2 = a(x - 3a)$