

EXERCISE 11.4

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In each of the Exercises 1 to 6, find the coordinates of the foci and the vertices, the eccentricity and the length of the latus rectum of the hyperbolas.

1. $x^2/16 - y^2/9 = 1$

Solution:

Given:

The equation is $x^2/16 - y^2/9 = 1$ or $x^2/4^2 - y^2/3^2 = 1$

On comparing this equation with the standard equation of hyperbola $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$,

We get a = 4 and b = 3,

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

So,

$$c^2 = 4^2 + 3^2$$

= $\sqrt{25}$

$$c = 5$$

Then.

The coordinates of the foci are $(\pm 5, 0)$.

The coordinates of the vertices are $(\pm 4, 0)$.

Eccentricity, e = c/a = 5/4

Length of latus rectum = $2b^2/a = (2 \times 3^2)/4 = (2 \times 9)/4 = 18/4 = 9/2$

2. $y^2/9 - x^2/27 = 1$

Solution:

Given:

The equation is $y^2/9 - x^2/27 = 1$ or $y^2/3^2 - x^2/27^2 = 1$

On comparing this equation with the standard equation of hyperbola $y^2/a^2 - x^2/b^2 = 1$,

We get a = 3 and $b = \sqrt{27}$,

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

So,

$$c^2 = 3^2 + (\sqrt{27})^2$$

= 9 + 27

$$c^2 = 36$$

$$c = \sqrt{36}$$

Then,

The coordinates of the foci are (0, 6) and (0, -6).

The coordinates of the vertices are (0, 3) and (0, -3).

Eccentricity, e = c/a = 6/3 = 2



Length of latus rectum = $2b^2/a = (2 \times 27)/3 = (54)/3 = 18$

$3. 9y^2 - 4x^2 = 36$

Solution:

Given:

The equation is $9y^2 - 4x^2 = 36$ or $y^2/4 - x^2/9 = 1$ or $y^2/2^2 - x^2/3^2 = 1$

On comparing this equation with the standard equation of hyperbola $y^2/a^2 - x^2/b^2 = 1$,

We get a = 2 and b = 3,

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

So,

 $c^2 = 4 + 9$

 $c^2 = 13$

 $c = \sqrt{13}$

Then,

The coordinates of the foci are $(0, \sqrt{13})$ and $(0, -\sqrt{13})$.

The coordinates of the vertices are (0, 2) and (0, -2).

Eccentricity, $e = c/a = \sqrt{13/2}$

Length of latus rectum = $2b^2/a = (2 \times 3^2)/2 = (2 \times 9)/2 = 18/2 = 9$

4. $16x^2 - 9y^2 = 576$

Solution:

Given:

The equation is $16x^2 - 9y^2 = 576$

Let us divide the whole equation by 576, we get

$$16x^2/576 - 9y^2/576 = 576/576$$

$$x^2/36 - y^2/64 = 1$$

On comparing this equation with the standard equation of hyperbola $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$,

We get a = 6 and b = 8,

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

So.

$$c^2 = 36 + 64$$

$$c^2 = \sqrt{100}$$

$$c = 10$$

Then,

The coordinates of the foci are (10, 0) and (-10, 0).

The coordinates of the vertices are (6, 0) and (-6, 0).

Eccentricity, e = c/a = 10/6 = 5/3

Length of latus rectum = $2b^2/a = (2 \times 8^2)/6 = (2 \times 64)/6 = 64/3$



$$5. 5y^2 - 9x^2 = 36$$

Solution:

Given:

The equation is $5y^2 - 9x^2 = 36$

Let us divide the whole equation by 36, we get

$$5y^2/36 - 9x^2/36 = 36/36$$

$$y^2/(36/5) - x^2/4 = 1$$

On comparing this equation with the standard equation of hyperbola $y^2/a^2 - x^2/b^2 = 1$,

We get $a = 6/\sqrt{5}$ and b = 2,

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

So,

$$c^2 = 36/5 + 4$$

$$c^2 = 56/5$$

$$c = \sqrt{(56/5)}$$

$$=2\sqrt{14/\sqrt{5}}$$

Then,

The coordinates of the foci are $(0, 2\sqrt{14/\sqrt{5}})$ and $(0, -2\sqrt{14/\sqrt{5}})$.

The coordinates of the vertices are $(0, 6/\sqrt{5})$ and $(0, -6/\sqrt{5})$.

Eccentricity, $e = c/a = (2\sqrt{14/\sqrt{5}}) / (6/\sqrt{5}) = \sqrt{14/3}$

Length of latus rectum = $2b^2/a = (2 \times 2^2)/6/\sqrt{5} = (2 \times 4)/6/\sqrt{5} = 4/\sqrt{5/3}$

6. $49y^2 - 16x^2 = 784$.

Solution:

Given:

The equation is $49y^2 - 16x^2 = 784$.

Let us divide the whole equation by 784, we get

$$49y^2/784 - 16x^2/784 = 784/784$$

$$y^2/16 - x^2/49 = 1$$

On comparing this equation with the standard equation of hyperbola $y^2/a^2 - x^2/b^2 = 1$,

We get a = 4 and b = 7,

It is know that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

So,

$$c^2 = 16 + 49$$

$$c^2 = 65$$

$$c = \sqrt{65}$$

Then,

The coordinates of the foci are $(0, \sqrt{65})$ and $(0, -\sqrt{65})$.

The coordinates of the vertices are (0, 4) and (0, -4).

Eccentricity, $e = c/a = \sqrt{65/4}$



Length of latus rectum = $2b^2/a = (2 \times 7^2)/4 = (2 \times 49)/4 = 49/2$

In each Exercises 7 to 15, find the equations of the hyperbola satisfying the given conditions

7. Vertices $(\pm 2, 0)$, foci $(\pm 3, 0)$

Solution:

Given:

Vertices $(\pm 2, 0)$ and foci $(\pm 3, 0)$

Here, the vertices are on the x-axis.

So, the equation of the hyperbola is of the form $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$

Since, the vertices are $(\pm 2, 0)$, so, a = 2

Since, the foci are $(\pm 3, 0)$, so, c = 3

It is know that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

So,
$$2^2 + b^2 = 3^2$$

$$b^2 = 9 - 4 = 5$$

∴ The equation of the hyperbola is $x^2/4 - y^2/5 = 1$

8. Vertices $(0, \pm 5)$, foci $(0, \pm 8)$

Solution:

Given:

Vertices $(0, \pm 5)$ and foci $(0, \pm 8)$

Here, the vertices are on the y-axis.

So, the equation of the hyperbola is of the form $y^2/a^2 - x^2/b^2 = 1$

Since, the vertices are $(0, \pm 5)$, so, a = 5

Since, the foci are $(0, \pm 8)$, so, c = 8

It is know that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

So,
$$5^2 + b^2 = 8^2$$

$$b^2 = 64 - 25 = 39$$

∴ The equation of the hyperbola is $y^2/25 - x^2/39 = 1$

9. Vertices $(0, \pm 3)$, foci $(0, \pm 5)$

Solution:

Given:

Vertices $(0, \pm 3)$ and foci $(0, \pm 5)$

Here, the vertices are on the y-axis.

So, the equation of the hyperbola is of the form $y^2/a^2 - x^2/b^2 = 1$

Since, the vertices are $(0, \pm 3)$, so, a = 3

Since, the foci are $(0, \pm 5)$, so, c = 5



It is known that,
$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

So, $3^2 + b^2 = 5^2$

$$b^2 = 25 - 9 = 16$$

∴ The equation of the hyperbola is $y^2/9 - x^2/16 = 1$

10. Foci $(\pm 5, 0)$, the transverse axis is of length 8. Solution:

Given:

Foci $(\pm 5, 0)$ and the transverse axis is of length 8.

Here, the foci are on x-axis.

The equation of the hyperbola is of the form $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$

Since, the foci are $(\pm 5, 0)$, so, c = 5

Since, the length of the transverse axis is 8,

$$2a = 8$$

$$a = 8/2$$

$$=4$$

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

$$4^2 + b^2 = 5^2$$

$$b^2 = 25 - 16$$

∴ The equation of the hyperbola is $x^2/16 - y^2/9 = 1$

11. Foci $(0, \pm 13)$, the conjugate axis is of length 24. Solution:

Given:

Foci $(0, \pm 13)$ and the conjugate axis is of length 24.

Here, the foci are on y-axis.

The equation of the hyperbola is of the form $y^2/a^2 - x^2/b^2 = 1$

Since, the foci are $(0, \pm 13)$, so, c = 13

Since, the length of the conjugate axis is 24,

$$2b = 24$$

$$b = 24/2$$

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

$$a^2 + 12^2 = 13^2$$

$$a^2 = 169 - 144$$

∴ The equation of the hyperbola is $y^2/25 - x^2/144 = 1$



12. Foci ($\pm 3\sqrt{5}$, 0), the latus rectum is of length 8. Solution:

Given:

Foci ($\pm 3\sqrt{5}$, 0) and the latus rectum is of length 8.

Here, the foci are on x-axis.

The equation of the hyperbola is of the form $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$

Since, the foci are $(\pm 3\sqrt{5}, 0)$, so, $c = \pm 3\sqrt{5}$

Length of latus rectum is 8

$$2b^2/a = 8$$

$$2b^2 = 8a$$

$$b^2 = 8a/2$$
$$= 4a$$

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

$$a^2 + 4a = 45$$

$$a^2 + 4a - 45 = 0$$

$$a^2 + 9a - 5a - 45 = 0$$

$$(a + 9) (a - 5) = 0$$

$$a = -9 \text{ or } 5$$

Since, a is non – negative, a = 5

So,
$$b^2 = 4a$$

= 4×5
= 20

∴ The equation of the hyperbola is $x^2/25 - y^2/20 = 1$

13. Foci (\pm 4, 0), the latus rectum is of length 12 Solution:

Given:

Foci (± 4 , 0) and the latus rectum is of length 12

Here, the foci are on x-axis.

The equation of the hyperbola is of the form $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$

Since, the foci are $(\pm 4, 0)$, so, c = 4

Length of latus rectum is 12

$$2b^2/a = 12$$

$$2b^2 = 12a$$

$$b^2 = 12a/2$$

$$= 6a$$

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

$$a^2 + 6a = 16$$

$$a^2 + 6a - 16 = 0$$



$$a^{2} + 8a - 2a - 16 = 0$$

 $(a + 8) (a - 2) = 0$
 $a = -8 \text{ or } 2$
Since, a is non – negative, $a = 2$
So, $b^{2} = 6a$
 $= 6 \times 2$
 $= 12$

∴ The equation of the hyperbola is $x^2/4 - y^2/12 = 1$

14. Vertices $(\pm 7, 0)$, e = 4/3

Solution:

Given:

Vertices (± 7 , 0) and e = 4/3

Here, the vertices are on the x- axis

The equation of the hyperbola is of the form $x^2/a^2 - y^2/b^2 = 1$

Since, the vertices are $(\pm 7, 0)$, so, a = 7

It is given that e = 4/3

$$c/a = 4/3$$

$$3c = 4a$$

Substitute the value of a, we get

$$3c = 4(7)$$

$$c = 28/3$$

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

$$7^2 + b^2 = (28/3)^2$$

$$b^2 = 784/9 - 49$$

$$= (784 - 441)/9$$

$$= 343/9$$

∴ The equation of the hyperbola is $x^2/49 - 9y^2/343 = 1$

15. Foci $(0, \pm \sqrt{10})$, passing through (2, 3) Solution:

Given:

Foci $(0, \pm \sqrt{10})$ and passing through (2, 3)

Here, the foci are on y-axis.

The equation of the hyperbola is of the form $y^2/a^2 - x^2/b^2 = 1$

Since, the foci are $(\pm \sqrt{10}, 0)$, so, $c = \sqrt{10}$

It is known that, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

$$b^2 = 10 - a^2 \dots (1)$$

It is given that the hyperbola passes through point (2, 3)



= 5

So,
$$9/a^2 - 4/b^2 = 1$$
 ... (2)
From equations (1) and (2), we get, $9/a^2 - 4/(10-a^2) = 1$
 $9(10-a^2) - 4a^2 = a^2(10-a^2)$
 $90 - 9a^2 - 4a^2 = 10a^2 - a^4$
 $a^4 - 23a^2 + 90 = 0$
 $a^4 - 18a^2 - 5a^2 + 90 = 0$
 $a^2(a^2 - 18) - 5(a^2 - 18) = 0$
 $(a^2 - 18) (a^2 - 5) = 0$
 $a^2 = 18$ or 5
In hyperbola, $c > a$ i.e., $c^2 > a^2$
So, $a^2 = 5$
 $b^2 = 10 - a^2$
 $= 10 - 5$

∴ The equation of the hyperbola is $y^2/5 - x^2/5 = 1$