

Ellipse

Question1

The eccentric angle of the point $P(-6, 2)$ of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{48} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$ is MHT CET 2025 (5 May Shift 2)

Options:

A. 30°

B. 135°

C. 150°

D. 120°

Answer: C

Solution:

Step 1: Recall the definition

For an ellipse in standard form

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1,$$

any point on it can be written parametrically as:

$$x = a \cos \theta, \quad y = b \sin \theta,$$

where θ is called the eccentric angle.

$$\text{Here, } a^2 = 48 \implies a = \sqrt{48} = 4\sqrt{3}, \quad b^2 = 16 \implies b = 4.$$



Step 2: Plug in the coordinates

Point is $P(-6, 2)$.

So,

$$-6 = a \cos \theta = 4\sqrt{3} \cos \theta,$$

$$2 = b \sin \theta = 4 \sin \theta.$$

Step 3: Solve for $\cos \theta$ and $\sin \theta$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-6}{4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{-6}{4 \cdot 1.732\dots} = \frac{-6}{6.928\dots} \approx -0.866 \approx -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2},$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{2}{4} = 0.5.$$

So:

$$\cos \theta = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Step 4: Identify the quadrant

- $\cos \theta < 0, \sin \theta > 0 \rightarrow$ Quadrant II.
- The reference angle for $\sin = 1/2$ and $\cos = \sqrt{3}/2$ is 30° .
- In Quadrant II, angle is:

$$\theta = 180^\circ - 30^\circ = 150^\circ.$$

 Final Answer:

$$\theta = 150^\circ$$

The correct eccentric angle is 150° (Option C), not 30° .

Question2

The tangent to the ellipse $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 288$ making equal intercepts on the co-ordinate axes intersects the X-axis and the Y-axis in the



points A and B respectively. Then $A(\triangle OAB) =$ (where O is origin)
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Options:

A. $\frac{25}{2}$ sq. units

B. 25 sq. units

C. $\frac{25\sqrt{5}}{2}$ sq. units

D. $25\sqrt{5}$ sq. units

Answer: B

Solution:

Ellipse:

$$9x^2 + 16y^2 = 288 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{32} + \frac{y^2}{18} = 1$$

Line with equal intercepts: $x + y = k$.

Substitute $y = k - x \rightarrow$ quadratic in x .

For tangency, discriminant = 0 \rightarrow gives $k^2 = 50 \implies k = 5\sqrt{2}$.

Intercepts: $(k, 0), (0, k)$.

Area of $\triangle OAB = \frac{1}{2}k^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 50 = 25$.

✅ Final Answer: 25 sq. units.

Question3

The eccentricity of the curve represented by $x = 3(\cos t + \sin t)$,
 $y = 4(\cos t - \sin t)$ is MHT CET 2025 (25 Apr Shift 1)



Options:

A. $\frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}$

B. $\frac{7}{16}$

C. $\frac{\sqrt{7}}{3}$

D. $\frac{\sqrt{8}}{4}$

Answer: A

Solution:

Given:

$$x = 3(\cos t + \sin t), \quad y = 4(\cos t - \sin t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{18} + \frac{y^2}{32} = 1.$$

So ellipse: $a^2 = 32$, $b^2 = 18$.

$$e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{18}{32}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}.$$

✔ Answer: $\frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}$.

Question4

The foci of the conic $25x^2 + 16y^2 - 150x = 175$ are MHT CET 2025 (23 Apr Shift 2)

Options:

A. $(0, \pm 3)$

B. $(3, \pm 3)$



C. $(0, \pm 5)$

D. $(5, \pm 5)$

Answer: B

Solution:

Step 1: Arrange in ellipse form

$$25x^2 - 150x + 16y^2 = 175.$$

Factor 25:

$$25(x^2 - 6x) + 16y^2 = 175.$$

Complete square:

$$x^2 - 6x = (x - 3)^2 - 9.$$

So:

$$25((x - 3)^2 - 9) + 16y^2 = 175.$$

$$25(x - 3)^2 - 225 + 16y^2 = 175.$$

$$25(x - 3)^2 + 16y^2 = 400.$$

Step 2: Put in standard ellipse form

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

This is ellipse centered at $(3, 0)$, with major axis along y-axis since $25 > 16$.

So:

$$a^2 = 25, b^2 = 16, a = 5, b = 4.$$

Step 3: Find eccentricity and foci

$$c^2 = a^2 - b^2 = 25 - 16 = 9 \Rightarrow c = 3.$$

Foci (along y-axis):

$$(3, \pm c) = (3, \pm 3).$$

✔ Final Answer:

The foci are $(3, \pm 3)$ (Option B).

Question 5

The foci of a hyperbola coincide with the foci of the ellipse

$\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$. The equation of the hyperbola with eccentricity 2 is
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Options:

A. $\frac{x^2}{12} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$

B. $\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{12} = 1$

C. $\frac{x^2}{12} - \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$

D. $\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{12} = 1$

Answer: B

Solution:

Step 1: Foci of the ellipse

For ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$:

- $a^2 = 25 \implies a = 5,$
- $b^2 = 9 \implies b = 3.$

Foci: $c^2 = a^2 - b^2 = 25 - 9 = 16 \implies c = 4.$

So ellipse foci: $(\pm 4, 0).$

Step 2: Hyperbola with same foci

Equation of hyperbola: $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$.

Here focus distance: $c = ae$.

Given eccentricity $e = 2$, $c = 4$:

$$a = \frac{c}{e} = \frac{4}{2} = 2.$$

So $a^2 = 4$.

Step 3: Find b^2

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow 16 = 4 + b^2 \Rightarrow b^2 = 12.$$

Step 4: Final equation

$$\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{12} = 1.$$

Final Answer:

The hyperbola's equation is

$$\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{12} = 1$$

(Option B).

Question 6

The equations of two ellipses are $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{2} = 1$ and $\frac{x^2}{36} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$. If the product of their eccentricities is $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$, then the product of the length of the major axis and minor axis of the second ellipse is

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Options:

A. $12\sqrt{5}$

B. 720

C. $6\sqrt{20}$

D. $48\sqrt{5}$

Answer: D

Solution:

Ellipse 1: $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{2} = 1 \rightarrow a = 2, b = \sqrt{2}, e_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$.

Ellipse 2: $\frac{x^2}{36} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \rightarrow a = 6, e_2 = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{36}}$.

Given $e_1 e_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot e_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \Rightarrow e_2 = \frac{2}{3}.$$

$$\text{So } 1 - \frac{b^2}{36} = \frac{4}{9} \Rightarrow b^2 = 20, b = 2\sqrt{5}.$$

Major axis = 12, minor axis = $4\sqrt{5}$.

Product = $48\sqrt{5}$.

Answer: $48\sqrt{5}$.

Question 7

The eccentricity of the ellipse $9x^2 + 5y^2 - 30y = 0$ is MHT CET 2025 (19 Apr Shift 2)

Options:

A. $\frac{1}{3}$

B. $\frac{2}{3}$



C. $\frac{3}{7}$

D. $\frac{4}{9}$

Answer: B

Solution:

Step 1: Rearrange

$$9x^2 + 5(y^2 - 6y) = 0.$$

Complete the square:

$$y^2 - 6y = (y - 3)^2 - 9.$$

So:

$$9x^2 + 5((y - 3)^2 - 9) = 0$$

$$9x^2 + 5(y - 3)^2 - 45 = 0$$

$$9x^2 + 5(y - 3)^2 = 45.$$

Step 2: Standard ellipse form

$$\frac{x^2}{5} + \frac{(y - 3)^2}{9} = 1.$$

So $a^2 = 9$, $b^2 = 5$.

Major axis along y -axis.

Step 3: Eccentricity

$$e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{5}{9}} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{9}} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

Final Answer:

Eccentricity = $\frac{2}{3}$ (Option B).



Question8

An ellipse has OB as semi-minor axis, S and S' are foci and angle SBS' is a right angle. Then the eccentricity of the ellipse is MHT CET 2025 (19 Apr Shift 1)

Options:

A. $\frac{1}{2}$

B. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

C. $\sqrt{2}$

D. $\frac{1}{3}$

Answer: B

Solution:

Step 1: Recall ellipse properties

Ellipse:

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1, \quad a > b.$$

Foci: $(\pm c, 0)$, with $c^2 = a^2 - b^2$.

Eccentricity: $e = \frac{c}{a}$.

Here, $OB = b$ (semi-minor axis).

Step 2: Condition from geometry

At $B(0, b)$, angle $\angle SBS' = 90^\circ$.

That means triangle SBS' is right-angled at B .

By Pythagoras:

$$SB^2 + S'B^2 = SS'^2.$$



But ellipse symmetry $\rightarrow SB = S'B$. So:

$$2SB^2 = (2c)^2 \Rightarrow SB^2 = 2c^2.$$

Step 3: Express SB

Coordinates: $S(c, 0), B(0, b)$.

$$SB^2 = c^2 + b^2.$$

So:

$$c^2 + b^2 = 2c^2 \Rightarrow b^2 = c^2.$$

Step 4: Relation

From ellipse: $c^2 = a^2 - b^2$.

But we also found $c^2 = b^2$.

So:

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 = 2b^2.$$

Step 5: Eccentricity

$$e = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{b}{\sqrt{2}b} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

✅ Final Answer:

Eccentricity = $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ (Option B).

Question9

If e_1 is the eccentricity of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1, a > b$ and e_2 is the



eccentricity of the hyperbola $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, then $e_1^2 + e_2^2 =$ MHT CET 2020 (20 Oct Shift 2)

Options:

A. 2

B. 4

C. 1

D. 3

Answer: A

Solution:

$$e_1 = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}} \quad e_2 = \sqrt{1 + \frac{b^2}{a^2}}$$

$$e_1^2 + e_2^2 = 2$$

Question10

If B is end point of minor axis of the ellipse

$b^2x^2 + a^2y^2 = a^2b^2$ ($a > b$) and S and S' are foci of ellipse such that

$\triangle SBS'$ is an equilateral triangle, then eccentricity $e =$ MHT CET 2020 (19 Oct Shift 1)

Options:

A. $\frac{1}{2}$

B. $\frac{1}{3}$



C. $\frac{3}{5}$

D. $\frac{4}{5}$

Answer: A

Solution:

Correct option is A

Given $S(-ae, 0)$, $T(ae, 0)$, $B(0, b)$

As STB is an equilateral triangle

In $\triangle TOB$

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{OB}{OS}$$

$$\sqrt{3} = \frac{OB}{OS} = \frac{b}{ae}$$

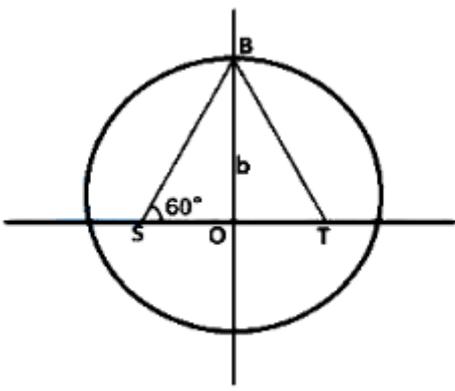
$$(\sqrt{3}ae)^2 = b^2$$

$$3a^2 \left(1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}\right) = b^2$$

$$3 \left(1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}\right) = \frac{b^2}{a^2}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} = \frac{b^2}{a^2}$$

$$e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{3}{4}} = \frac{1}{2}$$



Question11

The eccentricity of the ellipse $y^2 + 4x^2 - 12x + 6y + 14 = 0$ is **MHT CET 2020 (16 Oct Shift 2)**

Options:

A. $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

B. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

C. $\frac{1}{2}$

D. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

Answer: A

Solution:

The eccentricity of the ellipse $y^2 + 4x^2 - 12x + 6y + 14 = 0$ is $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

Given ellipse,

$$y^2 + 4x^2 - 12x + 6y + 14 = 0$$

$$4x^2 - 12x + y^2 + 6y + 14 = 0$$

$$4\left(x^2 - 3x + \frac{9}{4}\right) + y^2 + 6y + 9 = -14 + 9 + 9$$

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

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

Here, $a^2 = 1, b^2 = 4$

$$\therefore e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{b^2}}$$

$$e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{4}}$$



Question12

If CP and CD is a pair of semi-conjugate diameters of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, then $CP^2 + CD^2 =$ MHT CET 2020 (15 Oct Shift 2)

Options:

A. $\frac{a^2+b^2}{2}$

B. $a^2 + b^2$

C. $a^2 - b^2$

D. $\frac{a^2-b^2}{2}$

Answer: B

Solution:

The coordinates of P and D are $(a \cos \theta, b \sin \theta)$ and $(a \cos(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta), b \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta))$ respectively.

$$\therefore CP^2 + CD^2 = a^2 \cos^2 \theta + b^2 \sin^2 \theta + a^2 \sin^2 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow CP^2 + CD^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

Question13

If foci of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ($b^2 < 16$) and the hyperbola $\frac{x^2}{144} - \frac{y^2}{81} = \frac{1}{25}$ coincide, then the value of b^2 is MHT CET 2020 (15 Oct Shift 1)



Options:

- A. 4
- B. 9
- C. 14
- D. 7

Answer: D

Solution:

Given hyperbola is, $\frac{x^2}{144} - \frac{y^2}{81} = \frac{1}{25}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{144/25} - \frac{y^2}{81/25} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = \frac{144}{25}, b^2 = \frac{81}{25}, e = \sqrt{1 + \frac{b^2}{a^2}} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{81}{144}} = \frac{15}{12}$$

\therefore foci of hyperbola are $(\pm ae, 0)$ i.e $(\pm 3, 0)$ Now given ellipse

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

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 16$$

Assume eccentricity of this ellipse is e then its foci are $(\pm ae', 0)$ i.e $(\pm 4e', 0)$ Given foci of given hyperbola and ellipse coincide

$$\Rightarrow 4e' = 3 \Rightarrow e' = \frac{3}{4}$$

For ellipse, using eccentricity relationship, $e'^2 = 1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{16} = 1 - \frac{b^2}{16}$$

$$\therefore b^2 = 7$$

Question14

The co-ordinates of foci of the ellipse $16x^2 + 9y^2 = 144$ are MHT CET 2020 (13 Oct Shift 1)

Options:

- A. $(\pm 7, 0)$
- B. $(0, \pm\sqrt{7})$
- C. $(\pm\sqrt{7}, 0)$
- D. $(0, \pm 7)$

Answer: B

Solution:

Center is $(0, 0)$, foci are $(0, \sqrt{7})$ and $(0, -\sqrt{7})$, major axis is along y -axis and is 8, and minor axis is along x -axis and is 6.

Explanation:

Note that equation $16x^2 + 9y^2 = 144$ by dividing each term by 144 can be written as $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$

As the standard equation is of the form $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, center is $(0, 0)$.

In this equation major axis is along y -axis and is $2b = 8$, and minor axis is along x axis and is $2a = 6$.

As $a = 3$ and $b = 4$, foci are given by $\pm\sqrt{4^2 - 3^2} = \pm\sqrt{7}$ i.e. $(0, \sqrt{7})$ and $(0, -\sqrt{7})$



Question15

The eccentricity of the ellipse given by the equation $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$ is MHT CET 2020 (12 Oct Shift 2)

Options:

A. $\frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}$

B. $\frac{1}{4}$

C. $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$

D. $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}$

Answer: A

Solution:

$$9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$$

Given equation of an ellipse is $\Rightarrow \frac{9x^2}{144} + \frac{16y^2}{144} = \frac{144}{144}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$

Here, $a^2 = 16, b^2 = 9$ [$\because a^2 > b^2$]

$$\therefore \text{Eccentricity } (e) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{9}{16}} = \sqrt{\frac{7}{16}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}.$$

Question16



The length of the latus rectum of an ellipse is $\frac{18}{5}$ and eccentricity is $\frac{4}{5}$, then equation of the ellipse is... MHT CET 2019 (Shift 1)

Options:

A. $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{8} = 1$

B. $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

C. $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$

D. $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

Answer: B

Solution:

Given, $\frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{18}{5} \Rightarrow \frac{b^2}{a} = \frac{9}{5}$

$\Rightarrow b^2 = \frac{9}{5}a \quad \dots(i)$

and, $e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}} = \frac{4}{5} \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2} = \frac{16}{25}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{b^2}{a^2} = 1 - \frac{16}{25} = \frac{9}{25}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{\left(\frac{9}{5}\right)a}{a^2} = \frac{9}{25} \Rightarrow \frac{9}{5a} = \frac{9}{25}$

$\Rightarrow a = 5$

$\therefore b^2 = \frac{9}{5}(5) = 9$ [using Eq. (i)]

\therefore Required equation of ellipse,

$\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$



Question17

From point $P(8, 27)$ tangents PQ and PR are drawn to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$. Then, angle subtended by QR at origin is MHT CET 2011

Options:

A. $\tan^{-1} \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{65}$

B. $\tan^{-1} \frac{4\sqrt{6}}{65}$

C. $\tan^{-1} \frac{8\sqrt{2}}{65}$

D. None of these

Answer: D

Solution:

Equation of chord of contact QR is

$$8 \cdot \frac{x}{4} + 27 \cdot \frac{y}{9} = 1$$
$$\Rightarrow 2x + 3y = 1$$

Now, equation of the pair of lines passing through origin and points Q, R given by

$$\left(\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} \right) = (2x + 3y)^2$$
$$\Rightarrow 9x^2 + 4y^2 = 36(4x^2 + 12xy + 9y^2)$$
$$\Rightarrow 135x^2 + 432xy + 320y^2 = 0$$



∴ Required angle is

$$\begin{aligned} &= \tan^{-1} \frac{2\sqrt{(216)^2 - 135 \cdot 320}}{455} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \frac{8\sqrt{2916 - 2700}}{455} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \frac{8\sqrt{216}}{455} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \frac{48\sqrt{6}}{455} \end{aligned}$$

Question18

The sum of focal radii of the curve $90x^2 + 25y^2 = 225$ is MHT CET 2010

Options:

- A. 5
- B. 10
- C. 6
- D. 3

Answer: B

Solution:

Given curve is $9x^2 + 25y^2 = 225 \Rightarrow$



$$\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$

Here, $a = 5, b = 3$. \therefore Sum of focal radii = $2a = 10$

Question19

The equation of tangent to the curve $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$ which makes equal intercepts with coordinate axes, is MHT CET 2010

Options:

- A. $x + y = 5$
- B. $x + y = 16$
- C. $x + y = 15$
- D. None of these

Answer: A

Solution:

Given curve is $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 144$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$

Let the equation of tangent is $x + y = k \Rightarrow y = -x + k$ It is a tangent to the given curve if



$$c^2 = a^2m^2 + b^2$$
$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 16(-1)^2 + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm 5$$

∴ Required equations of tangent are

$$x + y = \pm 5$$

Question20

If $4x - 3y + k = 0$ touches the ellipse $5x^2 + 9y^2 = 45$, then k is equal to MHT CET 2009

Options:

A. $\pm 3\sqrt{21}$

B. $3\sqrt{21}$

C. $-3\sqrt{21}$

D. $2\sqrt{21}$

Answer: A

Solution:

If line $4x - 3y + k = 0$ touches the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{5} = 1$, then

$$\frac{k}{3} = \sqrt{9 \times \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2 + 5} = \pm\sqrt{21}$$

⇒

$$k = \pm 3\sqrt{21}$$

Question21

Tangent to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{32} + \frac{y^2}{18} = 1$ having slope $-\frac{3}{4}$ meet the coordinate axes in A and B . Find the area of the $\triangle AOB$, where O is the origin. MHT CET 2009

Options:

- A. 12 sq unit
- B. 8sq unit
- C. 24 sq unit
- D. 32 sq unit

Answer: C

Solution:

Equation of tangent with slope $-\frac{3}{4}$ is

$$y = -\frac{3}{4}x + c$$

According to condition of tengency:.

$$\begin{aligned}c &= \sqrt{32 \times \left(\frac{-3}{4}\right)^2 + 18} \\ &= \sqrt{18 + 18} \\ &= 6\end{aligned}$$



$$y = -\frac{3}{4}x + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y + 3x = 24$$

It meets the coordinate axes in A and B . $\therefore A \equiv (8, 0)$ and $B \equiv (0, 6)$ Required area = $\frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times 6 = 24$ sq unit

Question22

If the line $x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p$ be normal to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, then MHT CET 2008

Options:

A. $p^2 (a^2 \cos^2 \alpha + b^2 \sin^2 \alpha) = a^2 - b^2$

B. $p^2 (a^2 \cos^2 \alpha + b^2 \sin^2 \alpha) = (a^2 - b^2)^2$

C. $p^2 (a^2 \sec^2 \alpha + b^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \alpha) = a^2 - b^2$

D. $p^2 (a^2 \sec^2 \alpha + b^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \alpha) = (a^2 - b^2)^2$

Answer: D

Solution:



The equation of any normal to $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is $ax \sec \phi - by \operatorname{cosec} \phi = a^2 - b^2 \dots (i)$

The straight line $x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p$ will be a normal to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, if Eq. (i) and $x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p$ represent the same line.

$$\therefore \frac{a \sec \phi}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{-b \operatorname{cosec} \phi}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \phi = \frac{ap}{(a^2 - b^2) \cos \alpha},$$

$$\sin \phi = \frac{-bp}{(a^2 - b^2) \sin \alpha}$$

$$\therefore \sin^2 \phi + \cos^2 \phi = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b^2 p^2}{(a^2 - b^2)^2 \sin^2 \alpha} + \frac{a^2 p^2}{(a^2 - b^2)^2 \cos^2 \alpha} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 (b^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \alpha + a^2 \sec^2 \alpha) = (a^2 - b^2)^2$$

Question23

The parametric representation of a point on the ellipse whose foci are $(-1, 0)$ and $(7, 0)$ and eccentricity $1/2$, is MHT CET 2007

Options:

A. $(3 + 8 \cos \theta, 4\sqrt{3} \sin \theta)$

B. $(8 \cos \theta, 4\sqrt{3} \sin \theta)$

C. $(3 + 4\sqrt{3} \cos \theta, 8 \sin \theta)$

D. None of the above

Answer: A

Solution:

Distance between two foci, $2ae = 7 + 1 = 8$.

$$ae = 4$$



\Rightarrow

$$a = 8$$

$$\left(\because e = \frac{1}{2} \text{ given} \right)$$

Now,

$$b^2 = a^2 (1 - e^2) = 64 \left(1 - \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$b^2 = 48 \Rightarrow b = 4\sqrt{3}$$

\therefore Since, the centre of the ellipse is the mid point of the line joining two foci, therefore the coordinates of the centre are $(3, 0)$. \therefore Its equation is

$$\frac{(x - 3)^2}{8^2} + \frac{(y - 0)^2}{(4\sqrt{3})^2} = 1$$

Hence, the parametric coordinates of a point on Eq. (i) are $(3 + 8 \cos \theta, 4\sqrt{3} \sin \theta)$.

Question24

A common tangent to $9x^2 - 16y^2 = 144$ and $x^2 + y^2 = 9$, is MHT CET 2007

Options:

A. $y = \frac{3}{\sqrt{7}}x + \frac{15}{\sqrt{7}}$

B. $y = 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}x + \frac{15}{\sqrt{7}}$



$$C. y = 2\sqrt{\frac{3}{7}}x + 15\sqrt{7}$$

D. None of the above

Answer: B

Solution:

Let $y = mx + c$ be a common tangent to $9x^2 - 16y^2 = 144$ and $x^2 + y^2 = 9$.

Since, $y = mx + c$ is a tangent to $9x^2 - 16y^2 = 144$

$$\therefore c^2 = a^2m^2 - b^2 \Rightarrow c^2 = 16m^2 - 9 \quad \dots (i)$$

Now, $y = mx + c$ is a tangent to $x^2 + y^2 = 9 \therefore \frac{c}{\sqrt{m^2+1}} = 3 \Rightarrow c^2 = 9(1 + m^2)$

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get $16m^2 - 9 = 9 + 9m^2$

$$\Rightarrow m = \pm 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}$$

On putting the value of m in Eq (ii), we get $c = \pm \frac{15}{\sqrt{7}}$

Hence, $y = 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}x + \frac{15}{\sqrt{7}}$ is a common tangent.

Question25

The foci of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ and the hyperbola $\frac{x^2}{144} - \frac{y^2}{81} = \frac{1}{25}$ coincide, then the value of b^2 is MHT CET 2007

Options:

A. 1

B. 5

C. 7

D. 9

Answer: C



Solution:

Given equation of ellipse is

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

Here, $a^2 = 16 \Rightarrow a = 4$

$$e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{16}} = \frac{\sqrt{16 - b^2}}{4}$$

\therefore Foci of ellipse are $(\pm ae, 0)$ i.e., $(\pm\sqrt{16 - b^2}, 0)$. Also, given

equation of hyperbola is $\frac{x^2}{144} - \frac{y^2}{81} = \frac{1}{25}$ Here,

$$a^2 = \left(\frac{12}{5}\right)^2, b^2 = \left(\frac{9}{5}\right)^2 \therefore$$

$$e = \sqrt{1 + \frac{b^2}{a^2}} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{81}{144}} = \frac{5}{4}$$

\therefore Foci of the hyperbola are $(\pm ae, 0)$ i.e., $(\pm 3, 0)$. According to the given condition, foci of ellipse = foci of hyperbola

$$\therefore \sqrt{16 - b^2} = 3 \Rightarrow b^2 = 7$$

