

Using complete sentences, write the distance based definition of "parabola".

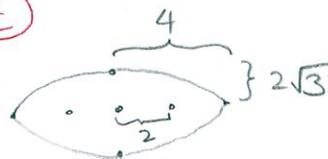
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A PARABOLA IS THE LOCUS OF POINTS IN THE PLANE WHOSE DISTANCES TO A FIXED LINE AND A FIXED POINT NOT ON THE LINE ARE EQUAL GRADED BY ME

Find the foci and vertices of the ellipse  $3x^2 + 4y^2 + 18x - 8y - 17 = 0$ .

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$$3(x^2 + 6x) + 4(y^2 - 2y) = 17$$
$$3(x^2 + 6x + 9) + 4(y^2 - 2y + 1) = 17 + 27 + 4$$
$$\textcircled{\frac{1}{2}} \underline{3(x+3)^2 + 4(y-1)^2 = 48} \textcircled{\frac{1}{2}}$$
$$\underline{\frac{(x+3)^2}{16} + \frac{(y-1)^2}{12} = 1} \textcircled{\frac{1}{2}}$$



$$\text{CENTER} = \underline{(-3, 1)} \textcircled{\frac{1}{2}}$$

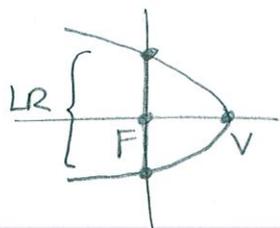
$$\text{VERTICES} = (-3 \pm \sqrt{16}, 1) = (-3 \pm 4, 1) = \underline{(-7, 1) \text{ AND } (1, 1)} \textcircled{1}$$

$$c^2 = 16 - 12 = 4 \rightarrow c = 2 \quad \text{FOCI} = (-3 \pm 2, 1) = \underline{(-5, 1) \text{ AND } (-1, 1)} \textcircled{1}$$

The focus of a parabola is at the origin, and its vertex is at  $(5, 0)$ .

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[a] Find the equation of the parabola.



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

$$\underline{y^2 = -20(x-5)} \textcircled{\frac{1}{2}} \textcircled{1} \textcircled{\frac{1}{2}}$$

[b] The latus rectum of a parabola is the line segment passing through the focus, perpendicular to the axis of symmetry, with both endpoints on the parabola. Find the co-ordinates of the endpoints of the latus rectum of the parabola in [a].

$$y^2 = -20(0-5)$$

$$\underline{y^2 = 100} \textcircled{1}$$

$$y = \pm 10$$

$$\underline{(0, \pm 10)} \textcircled{1}$$

Fill in the blanks. **NO NEED TO SHOW WORK.**

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[a] The midpoint of the minor axis of an ellipse is called the CENTER of the ellipse.

[b] The eccentricity of the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{y^2}{17} = 1$  is  $\frac{3\sqrt{17}}{17}$ .  $c^2 = 17 - 8 = 9 \rightarrow c = 3$   
 $a = \sqrt{17}$

Find the equation of the ellipse with foci  $(-7, 5)$  and  $(-7, -3)$ , and a minor axis of length 10.

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 CENTER =  $(-7, 1)$

$$\frac{(x+7)^2}{25} + \frac{(y-1)^2}{41} = 1$$

$a^2 = 5^2 + 4^2$   
 $a^2 = 41$

Find the vertex, focus and equation of the directrix of the parabola  $2x^2 - 16x + y + 33 = 0$ .

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$$2x^2 - 16x = -y - 33$$
$$x^2 - 8x = -\frac{1}{2}y - \frac{33}{2}$$
$$x^2 - 8x + 16 = -\frac{1}{2}y - \frac{33}{2} + 16$$
$$\frac{1}{2}(x-4)^2 = -\frac{1}{2}y - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}(y+1)$$

VERTEX  $(4, -1)$

$$4p = -\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow p = -\frac{1}{8}$$

FOCUS  $(4, -1 - \frac{1}{8}) = (4, -\frac{9}{8})$

DIRECTRIX  $y = -1 + \frac{1}{8}$

$y = -\frac{7}{8}$  MUST INCLUDE "y ="

