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# BASIC MATH REVIEW FOR THE ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN EXAM.

## ALGEBRA:

### POLYNOMIALS

$$(a+b)(a-b) = a^2 - b^2$$

$$(a \pm b)^2 = a^2 \pm 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a \pm b)^3 = a^3 \pm 3a^2b + 3ab^2 \pm b^3$$

$$(a^n + b^n) = (a+b)(a^{n-1} - a^{n-2}b + a^{n-3}b^2 - \dots + b^{n-1})$$

### ROOTS OF QUADRATIC EQUATIONS

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$x_1, x_2 = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x_1 + x_2 = -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$x_1 x_2 = \frac{c}{a}$$

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## RULES FOR EXPONENTS AND RADICALS

$$b^0 = 1 \quad b \neq 0$$

$$b^1 = b$$

$$b^{-n} = \frac{1}{b^n} = \left(\frac{1}{b}\right)^n \quad b \neq 0$$

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n = \frac{a^n}{b^n} \quad b \neq 0$$

$$(ab)^n = a^n b^n$$

$$b^{m/n} = \sqrt[n]{b^m} = \left(\sqrt[n]{b}\right)^m$$

$$b^m b^n = b^{m+n}$$

$$\frac{b^m}{b^n} = b^{m-n}$$

$$\sqrt[n]{b} = b^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

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## LOGARITHMS

$$\log_b (b) = 1$$

$$\log_b (1) = 0$$

$$\log_b (b^N) = N$$

$$\log \left( \sqrt[N]{x} \right) = \log (x^{\frac{1}{N}}) = \frac{\log (x)}{N}$$

$$\log (xy) = \log (x) + \log (y)$$

$$\log \frac{x}{y} = \log (x) - \log (y)$$

Find CHARACTERISTICS & MANTISSAS

1)  $40.60 = 1.60853$

2)  $5.28 = 0.96755$

3)  $.0071 = -2.14574$

4)  $4070.9 = 3.60969$

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## SIMULTANEOUS LINEAR EQUATIONS

$$2x + 3y = 24 \quad \text{Equation 1}$$

$$3x + 4y = 33 \quad \text{Equation 2}$$

A) From Equation 1 solve for variable X

$$x = \frac{24 - 3y}{2} = 12 - 1.5y$$

IN EQUATION 2  
substitute  $12 - 1.5y$  INTO EQUATION 2 where ever X is:

$$3(12 - 1.5y) + 4y = 33$$

$$36 - 4.5y + 4y = 33$$

$$-0.5y = -3$$

$$y = 6$$

$$x = 3$$

} ANSWER

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## LIMITS :

A LIMIT IS THE VALUE A FUNCTION APPROACHES WHEN AN INDEPENDENT VARIABLE APPROACHES A TARGET VALUE.

$$y = x^2 \quad \text{Limit As } x \text{ Approaches } 6$$

$$L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 6} x^2 = 36$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x = 2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (mx + b) = ma + b$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin x = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos x = 1$$

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LIMITS: EVALUATE THE following Limits

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^3 - 27}{x^2 - 9} = \frac{(x-3)(x^2 + 3x + 9)}{(x-3)(x+3)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{3^2 + (3)(3) + 9}{3 + 3} = \frac{9}{2} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

- LINEAR ALGEBRA -  
GEOMETRIC FORMULAS

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## GEOMETRIC FORMULAS

### RECTANGLE OF LENGTH $b$ AND WIDTH $a$

4.1 Area =  $ab$

4.2 Perimeter =  $2a + 2b$

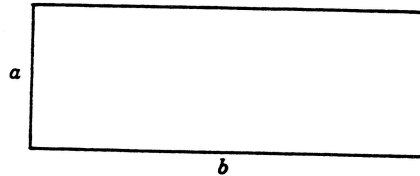


Fig. 4-1

### PARALLELOGRAM OF ALTITUDE $h$ AND BASE $b$

4.3 Area =  $bh = ab \sin \theta$

4.4 Perimeter =  $2a + 2b$

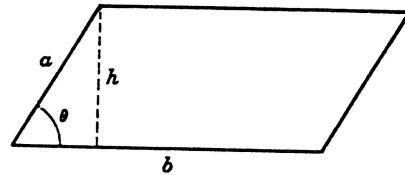


Fig. 4-2

### TRIANGLE OF ALTITUDE $h$ AND BASE $b$

4.5 Area =  $\frac{1}{2}bh = \frac{1}{2}ab \sin \theta$   
 $= \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$

where  $s = \frac{1}{2}(a + b + c) = \text{semiperimeter}$

4.6 Perimeter =  $a + b + c$

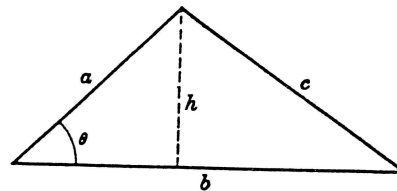


Fig. 4-3

### TRAPEZOID OF ALTITUDE $h$ AND PARALLEL SIDES $a$ AND $b$

4.7 Area =  $\frac{1}{2}h(a + b)$

4.8 Perimeter =  $a + b + h \left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} + \frac{1}{\sin \phi} \right)$   
 $= a + b + h(\csc \theta + \csc \phi)$

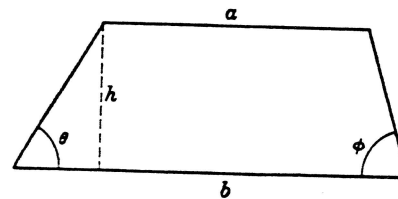


Fig. 4-4

**REGULAR POLYGON OF  $n$  SIDES EACH OF LENGTH  $b$**

4.9 Area =  $\frac{1}{2}nb^2 \cot \frac{\pi}{n} = \frac{1}{2}nb^2 \frac{\cos(\pi/n)}{\sin(\pi/n)}$

4.10 Perimeter =  $nb$

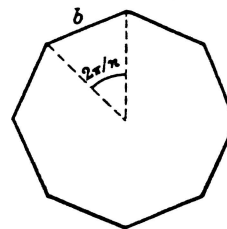


Fig. 4-5

**CIRCLE OF RADIUS  $r$**

4.11 Area =  $\pi r^2$

4.12 Perimeter =  $2\pi r$

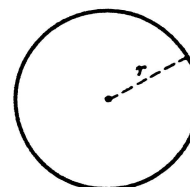


Fig. 4-6

**SECTOR OF CIRCLE OF RADIUS  $r$**

4.13 Area =  $\frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$  [ $\theta$  in radians]

4.14 Arc length  $s = r\theta$

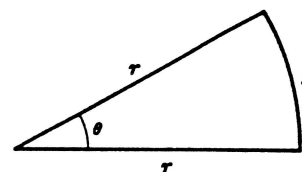


Fig. 4-7

**RADIUS OF CIRCLE INSCRIBED IN A TRIANGLE OF SIDES  $a, b, c$**

4.15 
$$r = \frac{\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}}{s}$$

where  $s = \frac{1}{2}(a + b + c) = \text{semiperimeter}$

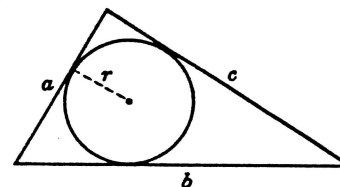


Fig. 4-8

**RADIUS OF CIRCLE CIRCUMSCRIBING A TRIANGLE OF SIDES  $a, b, c$**

4.16 
$$R = \frac{abc}{4\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}}$$

where  $s = \frac{1}{2}(a + b + c) = \text{semiperimeter}$

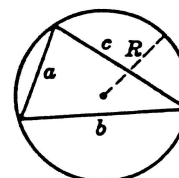


Fig. 4-9



**REGULAR POLYGON OF  $n$  SIDES INSCRIBED IN CIRCLE OF RADIUS**

4.17 Area =  $\frac{1}{2}nr^2 \sin \frac{2\pi}{n} = \frac{1}{2}nr^2 \sin \frac{360^\circ}{n}$

4.18 Perimeter =  $2nr \sin \frac{\pi}{n} = 2nr \sin \frac{180^\circ}{n}$

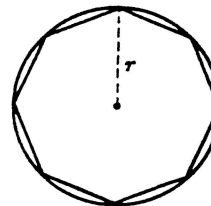


Fig. 4-10

**REGULAR POLYGON OF  $n$  SIDES CIRCUMSCRIBING A CIRCLE OF RADIUS**

4.19 Area =  $nr^2 \tan \frac{\pi}{n} = nr^2 \tan \frac{180^\circ}{n}$

4.20 Perimeter =  $2nr \tan \frac{\pi}{n} = 2nr \tan \frac{180^\circ}{n}$

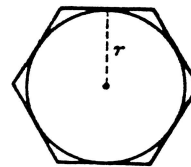


Fig. 4-11

**SEGMENT OF CIRCLE OF RADIUS**

4.21 Area of shaded part =  $\frac{1}{2}r^2(\theta - \sin \theta)$

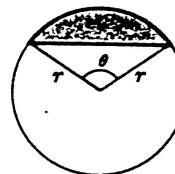


Fig. 4-12

**ELLIPSE OF SEMI-MAJOR AXIS  $a$  AND SEMI-MINOR AXIS  $b$**

4.22 Area =  $\pi ab$

4.23 Perimeter =  $4a \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2 \theta} d\theta$   
 $= 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(a^2 + b^2)}$  [approximately]

where  $k = \sqrt{a^2 - b^2}/a$ . See page 254 for numerical tables.

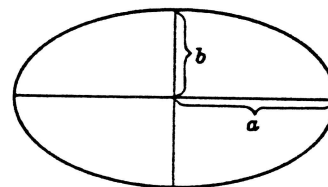


Fig. 4-13

**SEGMENT OF A PARABOLA**

4.24 Area =  $\frac{2}{3}ab$

4.25 Arc length ABC =  $\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{b^2 + 16a^2} + \frac{b^2}{8a} \ln \left( \frac{4a + \sqrt{b^2 + 16a^2}}{b} \right)$

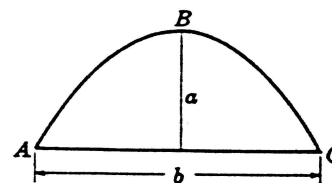


Fig. 4-14

**RECTANGULAR PARALLELEPIPED OF LENGTH  $a$ , HEIGHT  $l$ , WIDTH  $c$**

4.26 Volume =  $abc$

4.27 Surface area =  $2(ab + ac + bc)$

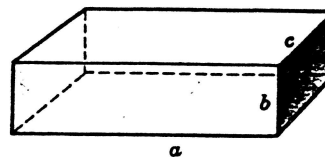


Fig. 4-15

**PARALLELEPIPED OF CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA  $A$  AND HEIGHT  $h$**

4.28 Volume =  $Ah = abc \sin \theta$

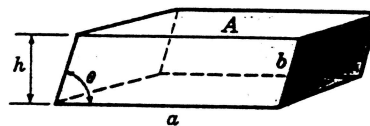


Fig. 4-16

**SPHERE OF RADIUS  $r$**

4.29 Volume =  $\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$

4.30 Surface area =  $4\pi r^2$

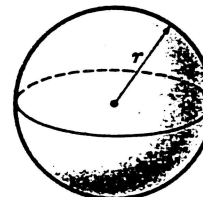


Fig. 4-17

**RIGHT CIRCULAR CYLINDER OF RADIUS  $r$  AND HEIGHT  $h$**

4.31 Volume =  $\pi r^2 h$

4.32 Lateral surface area =  $2\pi r h$

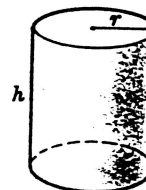


Fig. 4-18

**CIRCULAR CYLINDER OF RADIUS  $r$  AND SLANT HEIGHT  $l$**

4.33 Volume =  $\pi r^2 h = \pi r^2 l \sin \theta$

4.34 Lateral surface area =  $2\pi r l = \frac{2\pi r h}{\sin \theta} = 2\pi r h \csc \theta$

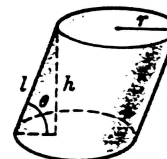


Fig. 4-19

**CYLINDER OF CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA  $A$  AND SLANT HEIGHT  $l$**

4.35 Volume =  $Ah = Al \sin \theta$

4.36 Lateral surface area =  $pl = \frac{ph}{\sin \theta} = ph \csc \theta$

Note that formulas 4.31 to 4.34 are special cases.

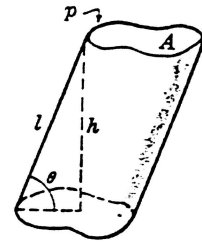


Fig. 4-20

**RIGHT CIRCULAR CONE OF RADIUS  $r$  AND HEIGHT  $h$**

4.37 Volume =  $\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$

4.38 Lateral surface area =  $\pi r \sqrt{r^2 + h^2} = \pi r l$

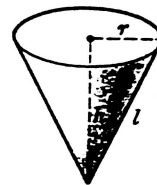


Fig. 4-21

**PYRAMID OF BASE AREA  $A$  AND HEIGHT  $h$**

4.39 Volume =  $\frac{1}{3}Ah$

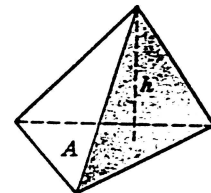


Fig. 4-22

**SPHERICAL CAP OF RADIUS  $r$  AND HEIGHT  $h$**

4.40 Volume (shaded in figure) =  $\frac{1}{3}\pi h^2(3r - h)$

4.41 Surface area =  $2\pi r h$

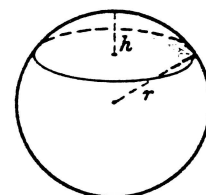


Fig. 4-23

**FRUSTRUM OF RIGHT CIRCULAR CONE OF RADII  $a, b$  AND HEIGHT  $h$**

4.42 Volume =  $\frac{1}{3}\pi h(a^2 + ab + b^2)$

4.43 Lateral surface area =  $\pi(a + b)\sqrt{h^2 + (b - a)^2}$   
 =  $\pi(a + b)l$

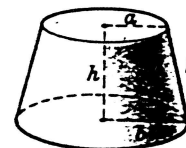


Fig. 4-24

**SPHERICAL TRIANGLE OF ANGLES  $A, B, C$  ON SPHERE OF RADIUS  $r$**

4.44 Area of triangle  $ABC = (A + B + C - \pi)r^2$

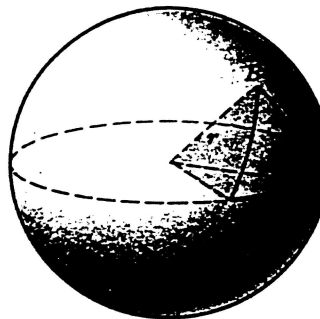


Fig. 4-25

**TORUS OF INNER RADIUS  $a$  AND OUTER RADIUS  $b$**

4.45 Volume =  $\frac{1}{2}\pi^2(a + b)(b - a)^2$

4.46 Surface area =  $\pi^2(b^2 - a^2)$

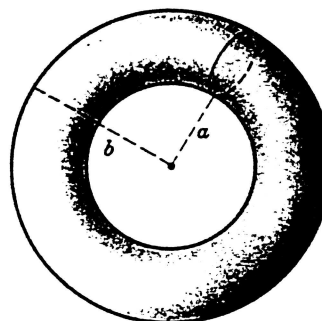


Fig. 4-26

**ELLIPSOID OF SEMI-AXES  $a, b, c$**

4.47 Volume =  $\frac{4}{3}\pi abc$

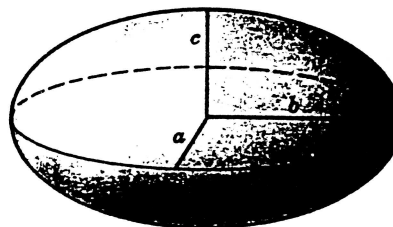


Fig. 4-27

**PARABOLOID OF REVOLUTION**

4.48 Volume =  $\frac{1}{2}\pi b^2 a$

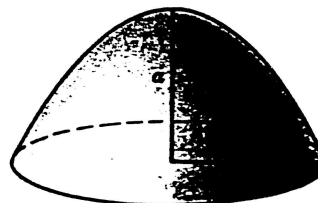


Fig. 4-28

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## TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS

## DEFINITION OF TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS FOR A RIGHT TRIANGLE

Triangle  $ABC$  has a right angle ( $90^\circ$ ) at  $C$  and sides of length  $a, b, c$ . The trigonometric functions of angle  $A$  are defined as follows.

- 5.1  $\text{sine of } A = \sin A = \frac{a}{c} = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$
- 5.2  $\text{cosine of } A = \cos A = \frac{b}{c} = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$
- 5.3  $\text{tangent of } A = \tan A = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{adjacent}}$
- 5.4  $\text{cotangent of } A = \cot A = \frac{b}{a} = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{opposite}}$
- 5.5  $\text{secant of } A = \sec A = \frac{c}{b} = \frac{\text{hypotenuse}}{\text{adjacent}}$
- 5.6  $\text{cosecant of } A = \csc A = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\text{hypotenuse}}{\text{opposite}}$

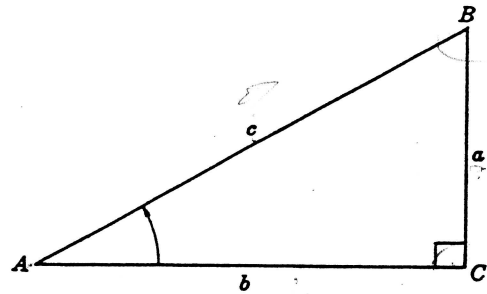


Fig. 5-1

EXTENSIONS TO ANGLES WHICH MAY BE GREATER THAN  $90^\circ$ 

Consider an  $xy$  coordinate system [see Fig. 5-2 and 5-3 below]. A point  $P$  in the  $xy$  plane has coordinates  $(x, y)$  where  $x$  is considered as positive along  $OX$  and negative along  $OX'$  while  $y$  is positive along  $OY$  and negative along  $OY'$ . The distance from origin  $O$  to point  $P$  is positive and denoted by  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ . The angle  $A$  described *counterclockwise* from  $OX$  is considered *positive*. If it is described *clockwise* from  $OX$  it is considered *negative*. We call  $X'OX$  and  $Y'OY$  the  $x$  and  $y$  axis respectively.

The various quadrants are denoted by I, II, III and IV called the first, second, third and fourth quadrants respectively. In Fig. 5-2, for example, angle  $A$  is in the second quadrant while in Fig. 5-3 angle  $A$  is in the third quadrant.

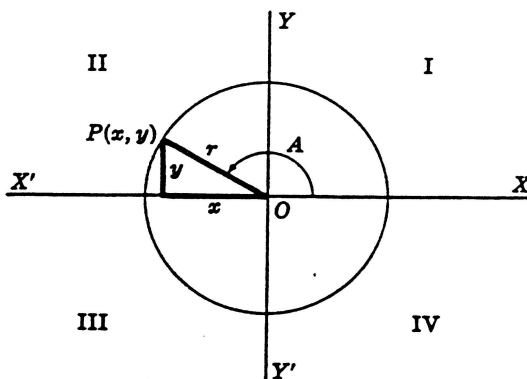


Fig. 5-2

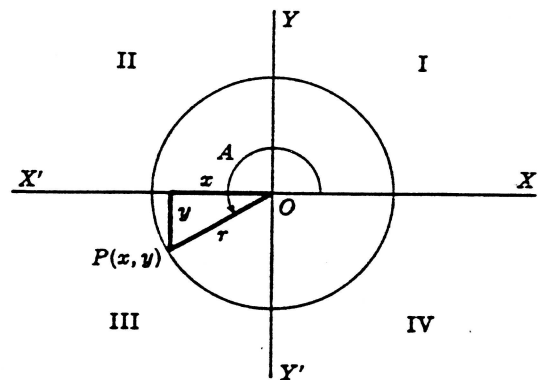


Fig. 5-3

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## TRIGONOMETRY

### Degrees And RADIANS

ONE CIRCLE IS DIVIDED INTO 360 DEGREES  $\wedge$   $2\pi$  RADIANS

CONVERSIONS BETWEEN DEGREES AND RADIANS ARE:

MULTIPLY	by	to obtain
↓		
RADIANS	$\frac{180}{\pi}$	DEGREES
DEGREES	$\frac{\pi}{180}$	RADIANS

### Angles

ACUTE	Less than $90^\circ$
OBTUSE	more than $90^\circ$
REFLEX	more than $180^\circ$
RELATED Angle	differs from another by some multiple of $90^\circ$
RIGHT Angle	equal to $90^\circ$

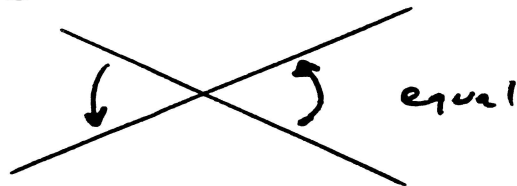
Complementary Angles are two angles whose sum =  $90^\circ$   
Supplementary Angles are two angles whose sum =  $180^\circ$

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## Trigonometry

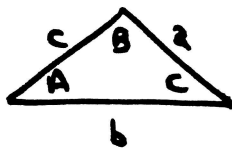
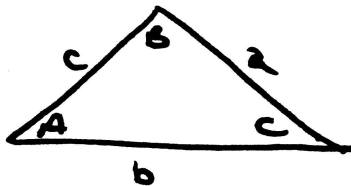
Adjacent Angles are known to share a common vertex and one interior side.

Vertical Angles have a common vertex and are equal

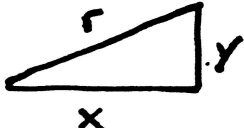


TRIANGLES:  Sum of Angles Add up to 180°

In similar angles corresponding angles are equal and corresponding sides are in proportion.

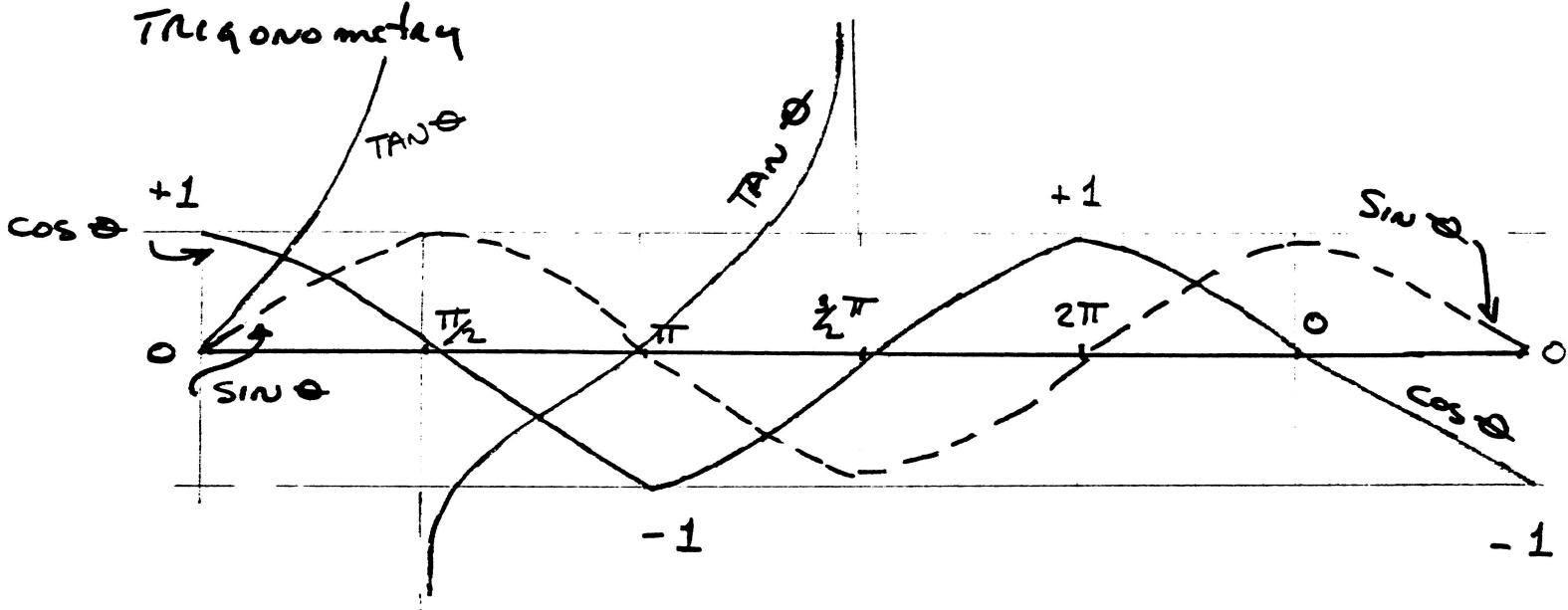


Right Triangle is a triangle in which one of its angles is 90°. The remaining two angles are complementary.

Pythagorean Theorem  $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$  

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## Trigonometry



Graphs of Sine, Cosine Tangent Functions



## FUNCTIONS of Related Angles

$\theta$	$-\theta$	$90^\circ - \theta$	$90^\circ + \theta$	$180^\circ - \theta$	$180^\circ + \theta$
SIN	$-\sin \theta$	$\cos \theta$	$\cos \theta$	$\sin \theta$	$-\sin \theta$
COS	$\cos \theta$	$\sin \theta$	$-\sin \theta$	$-\cos \theta$	$-\cos \theta$
TAN	$-\tan \theta$	$\cot \theta$	$-\cot \theta$	$-\tan \theta$	$\tan \theta$

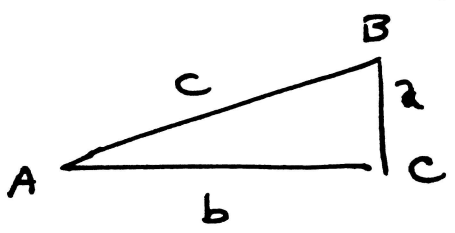
## Trigonometric Identities

$$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$



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## GENERAL TRIANGLES



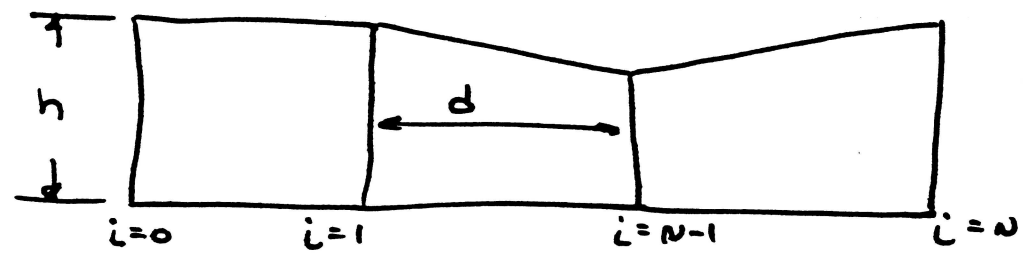
$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$$

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

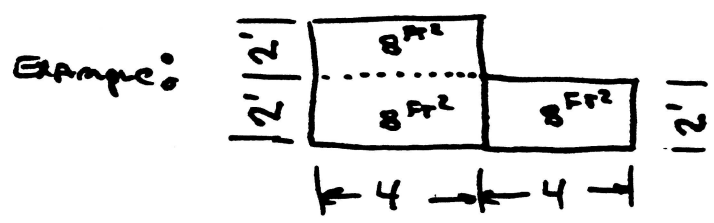
$$\sin A = \frac{a}{bc} \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \quad s = \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)$$

## ANALYTIC GEOMETRY

### AREAS TRAPEZOIDAL RULE



$$A = \frac{d}{2} \left[ h_0 + h_N + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} h_i \right]$$



TOTAL AREA = 24 ft<sup>2</sup>

d = 4'  
 h<sub>0</sub> = 4'  
 h<sub>2</sub> = 2'  
 h<sub>i</sub> = 4'

### By rule

$$A = \frac{4}{2} \left[ 4' + 2' + 2 \left[ \sum_i 4 \right] \right]$$

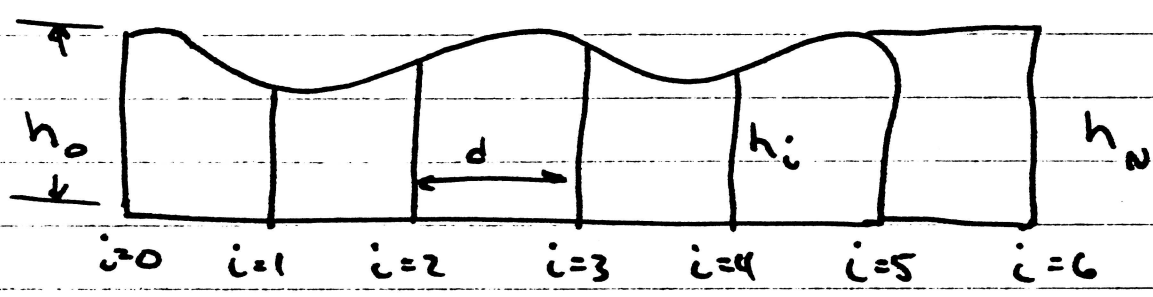
$$A = 2 [14] = 28 \text{ ft}^2$$

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## ANALYTIC GEOMETRY

### Simpson's Rule

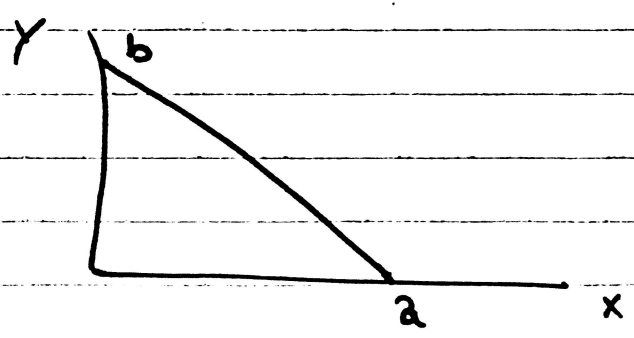
IF the irregular side of each cell is curved use Simpson's rule for Area



$i=N-1$        $i=N$   
N must be even

$$A = \frac{d}{3} \left[ h_0 + h_n + 4 \sum_{\substack{i \text{ odd} \\ i=1}}^{N-1} h_i + 2 \sum_{\substack{i \text{ even} \\ i=2}}^{N-2} h_i \right]$$

### Straight Lines

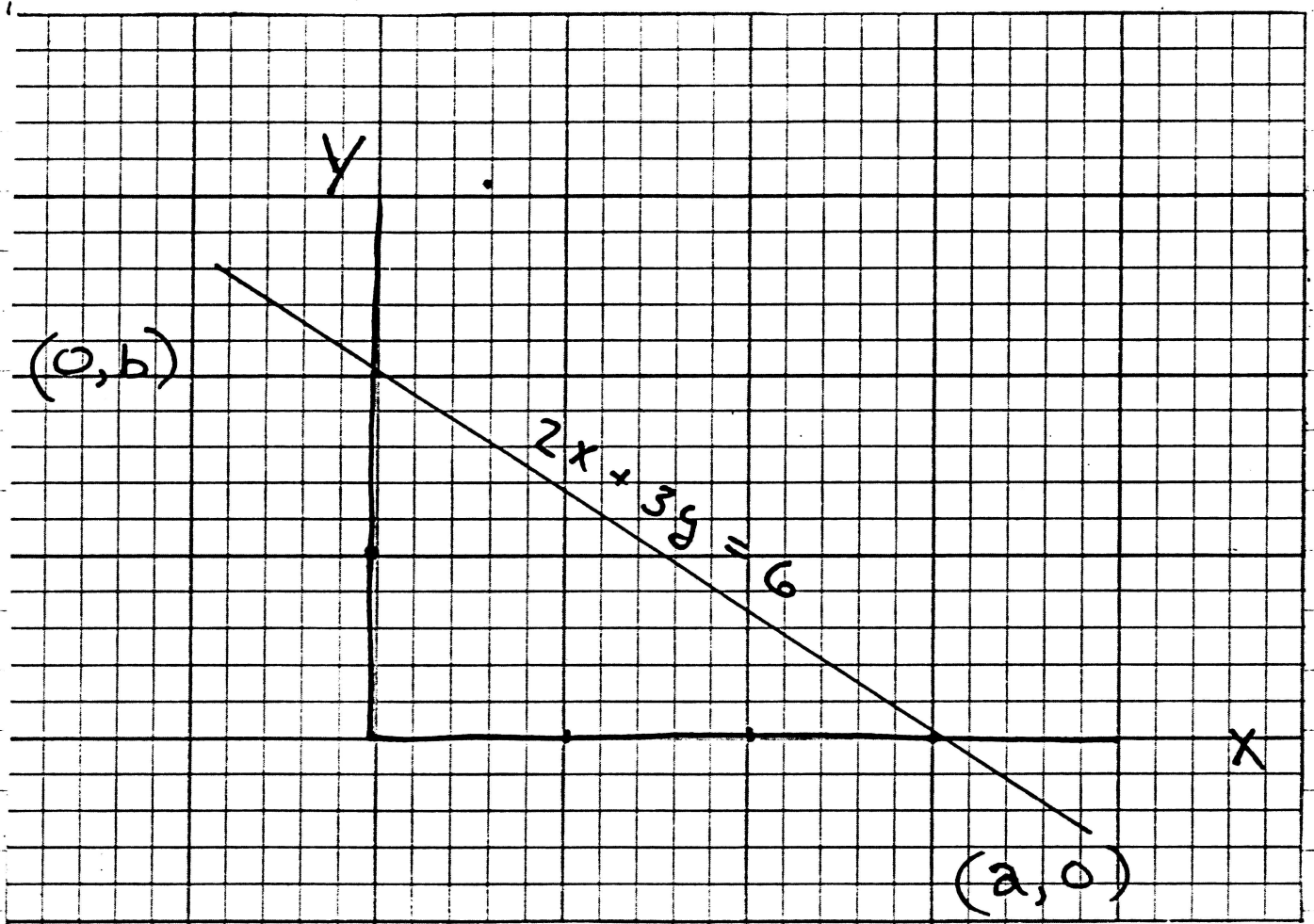


Slope of Line =  $m$   
 y intercept =  $b$   
 x intercept =  $a$

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## ANALYTIC GEOMETRY

### STRAIGHT LINES



EQUATION OF A LINE

$$y = mx + b \quad \text{Slope of Line} = m \quad b = y \text{ intercept}$$

$$m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$

Find Slope of Line whose equation is  $2x + 3y = 6$

1) Transform equation into form  $y = mx + b$

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## Analytic Geometry STRAIGHT LINES

$$2x + 3y = 6$$

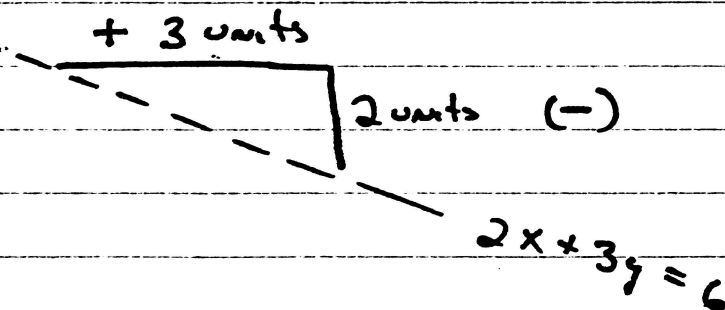
$$3y = 6 - 2x$$

$$y = \frac{6}{3} - \frac{2}{3}x$$

$$y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 3$$

$$\text{Slope of Line} = -\frac{2}{3} = m$$

This means that for every 3 units that  $x$  is  $y$  drops 2 units.



## INTERSECTION of TWO LINES

$$A_1 x_1 + B_1 y_1 + C_1 = 0$$

$$A_2 x_2 + B_2 y_2 + C_2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{B_2 C_1 - B_1 C_2}{A_2 B_1 - A_1 B_2}$$

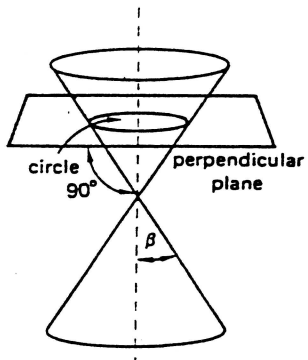
$$y = \frac{A_1 C_2 - A_2 C_1}{A_2 B_1 - A_1 B_2}$$

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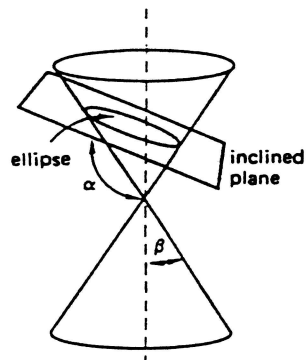
## ANALYTIC GEOMETRY

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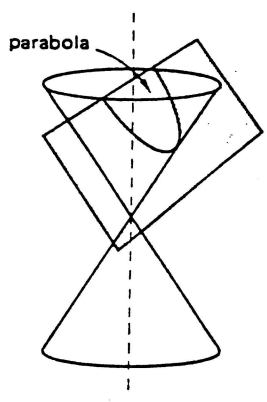
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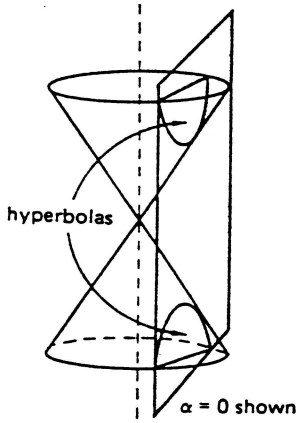
(a) circle ( $\alpha = 90^\circ$ )  
 $\epsilon = 0$



(b) ellipse ( $\beta < \alpha < 90^\circ$ )  
 $0 < \epsilon < 1$



(c) parabola ( $\alpha = \beta$ )  
 $\epsilon = 1$

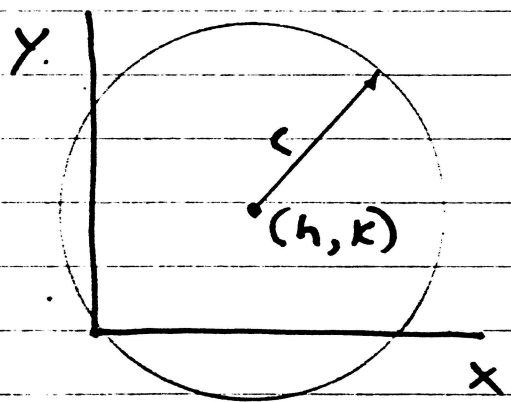
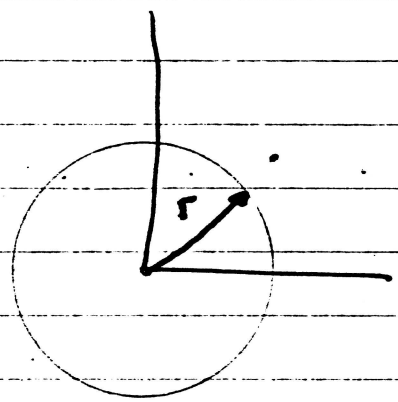


(d) hyperbolas ( $0 < \alpha < \beta$ )  
 $\epsilon > 1$

### Circle:

$$Ax^2 + Ay^2 + Dx + Ey + F = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$



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

$$h = \frac{-D}{2A} \quad k = \frac{-E}{2A}$$

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## Analytic Geometry

### PARABOLA :

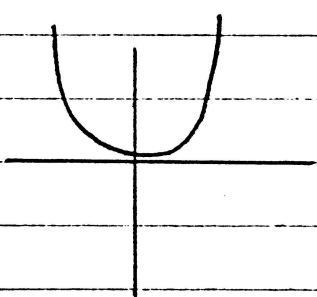
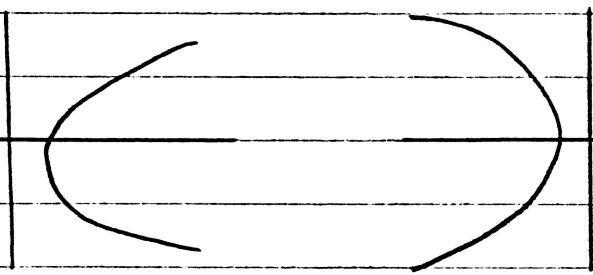
There are 2 types of parabola - those that open right and left and those that open up and down

Horizontal

$$(y - k)^2 = 4p(x - h)$$

$$y^2 = 4px$$

vertex at origin

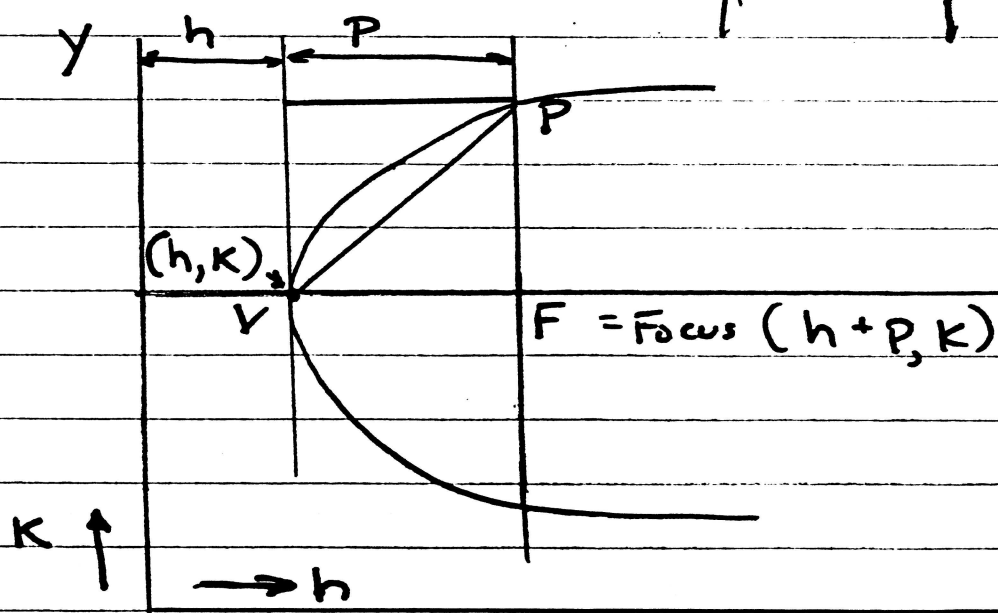
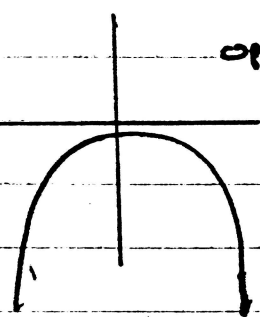


opens vertically

$$(x - h)^2 = 4p(y - k)$$

$$x^2 = 4py$$

vertex at origin

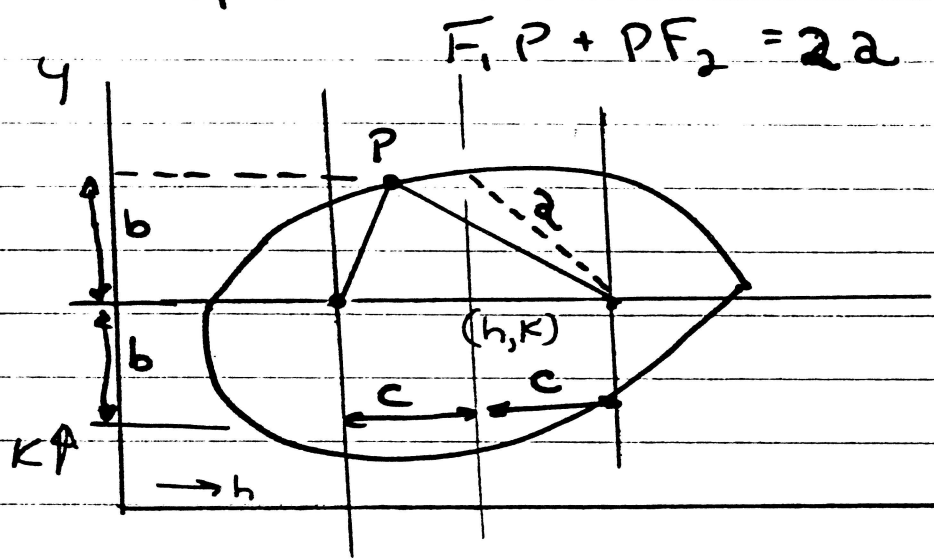


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ANALYTIC GEOMETRY

ELLIPSE



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

$Ax^2 + Cy^2 + Dx + Ey + F = 0$

$AC > 0$

$A \neq C$

Aspect ratio of Ellipse =  $\frac{a}{b}$

eccentricity of ellipse =  $e = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}}{a} < 1$

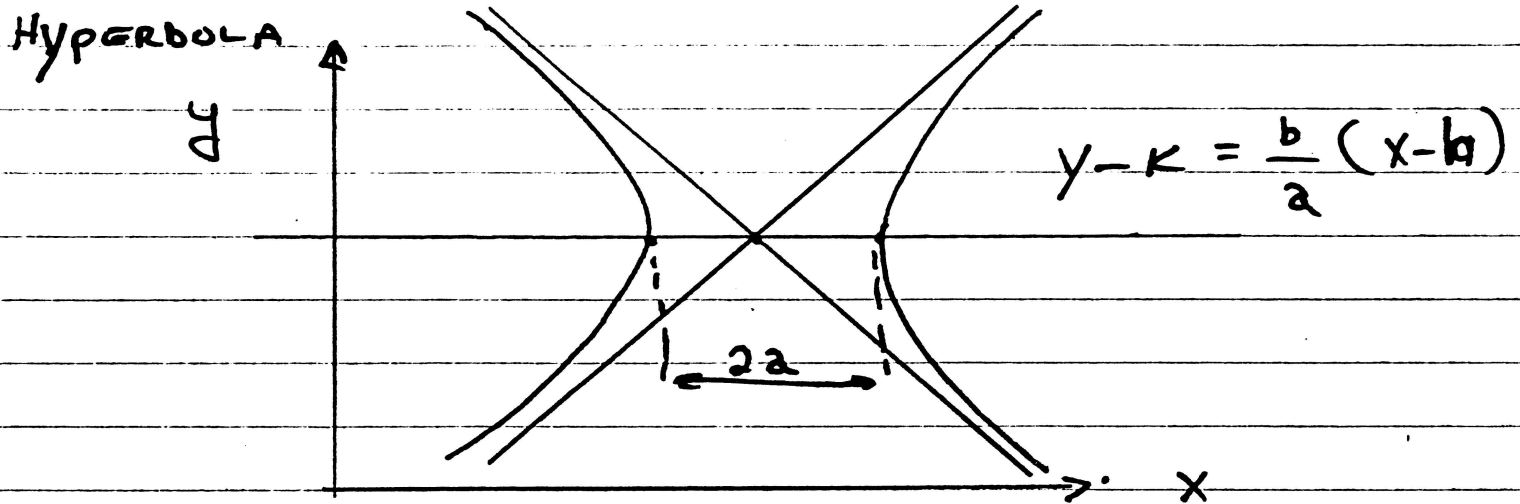
Always less than 1

If eccentricity is zero

The figure is a circle.

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## ANALYTIC Geometry



IF THE ASYMPTOTES ARE THE X AND Y AXIS THE EQUATION OF A HYPERBOLA IS SIMPLY

$$xy = \pm \frac{a^2}{2}$$

SPHERE

3 TERMS

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

$$Ax^2 + Ay^2 + Az^2 + Bx + Cy + Dz + E = 0$$

Radius of Sphere =

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{B^2 + C^2 + D^2}{4A^2} - \frac{E}{A}}$$



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Methods of Solving Oblique Triangles

CASE GIVEN	Methods of Solution
Side, Angle, Angle Side, Side, Angle	Use LAW of SINES $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$
Side, Angle, Side	Use the LAW of Cosines $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C$
Side, Side, Side	Use the LAW of Cosines to find the Angles $\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$
<p>Area of a Parallelogram</p> $K = ab \sin C$	