

CBSE Class-11 Mathematics
NCERT Solutions
Chapter - 11 Conic Sections
Exercise 11.4

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 following hyperbolas.

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

Ans. Given: Equation of hyperbola $\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ in the form $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Since, the foci and vertices of the hyperbola lies on x -axis.

$$\therefore a^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4 \text{ and } b^2 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 3$$

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

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = 16 + 9 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 5$$

\therefore Coordinates of foci are $(\pm c, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow (\pm 5, 0)$$

Coordinates of vertices are $(\pm a, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow (\pm 4, 0)$$

$$\text{Eccentricity } (e) = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2 \times 9}{4} = \frac{9}{2} \text{ units}$$

$$2. \frac{y^2}{9} - \frac{x^2}{27} = 1$$

Ans. Given: Equation of hyperbola $\frac{y^2}{9} - \frac{x^2}{27} = 1$ is in the form $\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$

Since, the foci and vertices of the hyperbola lies on y- axis.

$$\therefore a^2 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3 \text{ and } b^2 = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 3\sqrt{3}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = 9 + 27 = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 6$$

\therefore Coordinates of foci are $(0, \pm c)$

$$\Rightarrow (0, \pm 6)$$

Coordinates of vertices are $(0, \pm a)$

$$\Rightarrow (0, \pm 3)$$

$$\text{Eccentricity } (e) = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2 \times 27}{3} = 18 \text{ units}$$

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

Ans. Given: Equation of hyperbola $9y^2 - 4x^2 = 36$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9y^2}{36} - \frac{4x^2}{36} = 1 \text{ (divide both sides of equation by 36)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^2}{4} - \frac{x^2}{9} = 1 \text{ in the form } \frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$$

Since, the foci and vertices of the hyperbola lies on y -axis.

$$\therefore a^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2 \text{ and } b^2 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 3$$

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

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = 4 + 9 = 13$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \sqrt{13}$$

\therefore Coordinates of foci are $(0, \pm c)$

$$\Rightarrow (0, \pm \sqrt{13})$$

Coordinates of vertices are $(0, \pm a)$

$$\Rightarrow (0, \pm 2)$$

$$\text{Eccentricity } (e) = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2 \times 9}{2} = 9 \text{ units}$$

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

Ans. Given: Equation of hyperbola $16x^2 - 9y^2 = 576$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{16x^2}{576} - \frac{9y^2}{576} = 1 \text{ (divide both sides of equation by 576)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{36} - \frac{y^2}{64} = 1 \text{ in the form } \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

Since, the foci and vertices of the hyperbola lies on x -axis.

$$\therefore a^2 = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 6 \text{ and } b^2 = 64$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 8$$

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

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = 36 + 64 = 100$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 10$$

\therefore Coordinates of foci are $(\pm c, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow (\pm 10, 0)$$

Coordinates of vertices are $(\pm a, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow (\pm 6, 0)$$

$$\text{Eccentricity } (e) = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{10}{6} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2 \times 64}{6} = \frac{64}{3} \text{ units}$$

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

Ans. Given: Equation of hyperbola $5y^2 - 9x^2 = 36$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5y^2}{36} - \frac{9x^2}{36} = 1 \text{ (divide both sides of equation by 36)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^2}{36/5} - \frac{x^2}{4} = 1 \text{ in the form } \frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$$

Since, the foci and vertices of the hyperbola lies on y -axis.

$$\therefore a^2 = \frac{36}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}} \text{ and } b^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = \frac{36}{5} + 4 = \frac{56}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \sqrt{\frac{56}{5}}$$

\therefore Coordinates of foci are $(0, \pm c)$

$$\Rightarrow \left(0, \pm \sqrt{\frac{56}{5}} \right)$$

Coordinates of vertices are $(0, \pm a)$

$$\Rightarrow \left(0, \pm \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}}\right)$$

$$\text{Eccentricity } (e) = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{56}}{6}}{\frac{6}{\sqrt{5}}} = \frac{\sqrt{56}}{6} = \frac{2\sqrt{14}}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{14}}{3}$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2 \times 4}{\frac{6}{\sqrt{5}}} = \frac{2 \times 4 \times \sqrt{5}}{6} = \frac{4\sqrt{5}}{3} \text{ units}$$

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

Ans. Given: Equation of hyperbola $49y^2 - 16x^2 = 784$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{49y^2}{784} - \frac{16x^2}{784} = 1 \text{ (divide both sides of equation by 784)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^2}{16} - \frac{x^2}{49} = 1 \text{ in the form } \frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$$

Since, the foci and vertices of the hyperbola lies on y -axis.

$$\therefore a^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4 \text{ and } b^2 = 49$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 7$$

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

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = 16 + 49 = 65$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \sqrt{65}$$

∴ Coordinates of foci are $(0, \pm c)$

$$\Rightarrow (0, \pm\sqrt{65})$$

Coordinates of vertices are $(0, \pm a)$

$$\Rightarrow (0, \pm 4)$$

$$\text{Eccentricity } (e) = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{65}}{4}$$

$$\text{Length of latus rectum} = \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2 \times 49}{4} = \frac{49}{2} \text{ units}$$

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

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

Ans. Given: The vertices $(\pm 2, 0)$ lie on x -axis.

∴ The equation of hyperbola in standard form is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

$$\therefore (\pm a, 0) = (\pm 2, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2$$

$$\text{Foci } (\pm ae, 0) = (\pm 3, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow ae = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow e = \frac{3}{a} = \frac{3}{2}$$

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

Therefore, the required equation of hyperbola is $\frac{x^2}{(2)^2} - \frac{y^2}{(\sqrt{5})^2} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{5} = 1.$$

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

Ans. Given: The vertices $(0, \pm 5)$ lie on y -axis.

\therefore The equation of hyperbola in standard form is $\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$

$$\therefore (0, \pm a) = (0, \pm 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 5$$

$$\text{Foci } (0, \pm ae) = (0, \pm 8)$$

$$\Rightarrow ae = 8 \text{ and } a = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8}{5}$$

Also $b = a\sqrt{e^2 - 1} = 5\sqrt{\frac{64}{25} - 1} = 5 \times \frac{\sqrt{39}}{5} = \sqrt{39}$

Therefore, the required equation of hyperbola is $\frac{y^2}{(5)^2} - \frac{x^2}{(\sqrt{39})^2} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^2}{25} - \frac{x^2}{39} = 1.$$

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

Ans. Given: The vertices $(0, \pm 3)$ lie on y -axis.

\therefore The equation of hyperbola in standard form is $\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$

$$\therefore (0, \pm a) = (0, \pm 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3$$

$$\text{Foci } (0, \pm ae) = (0, \pm 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow ae = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow e = \frac{5}{a} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{Also } b = a\sqrt{e^2 - 1} = 3\sqrt{\frac{25}{9} - 1} = 3 \times \frac{4}{3} = 4$$

Therefore, the required equation of hyperbola is $\frac{y^2}{(3)^2} - \frac{x^2}{(4)^2} = 1$

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

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

Ans. Given: The foci $(\pm 5, 0)$ lie on x -axis.

\therefore The equation of hyperbola in standard form is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

$$\therefore \text{Length of transverse axis: } 2a = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4$$

$$\text{Foci } (\pm ae, 0) = (\pm 5, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow ae = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow e = \frac{5}{a} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\text{Also } b = a\sqrt{e^2 - 1} = 4\sqrt{\frac{25}{16} - 1} = 4 \times \frac{3}{4} = 3$$

$$\text{Therefore, the required equation of hyperbola is } \frac{x^2}{(4)^2} - \frac{y^2}{(3)^2} = 1$$

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

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

Ans. Given: The foci $(0, \pm 13)$ lie on y -axis.

$$\therefore \text{The equation of hyperbola in standard form is } \frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{Length of conjugate axis: } 2b = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 12$$

$$\text{Foci: } (\pm c, 0)$$

$$= (\pm 5, 0) \quad c = 5$$

$$\text{Also } c^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (13)^2 = a^2 + (12)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 169 - 144 = 25$$

Therefore, the required equation of hyperbola is $\frac{y^2}{25} - \frac{x^2}{(12)^2} = 1$

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

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

Ans. Given: The foci $(\pm 3\sqrt{5}, 0)$ lie on x -axis.

\therefore The equation of hyperbola in standard form is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

\therefore Foci $(\pm c, 0) = (\pm 3\sqrt{5}, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow c = 3\sqrt{5}$$

Length of latus rectum: $\frac{2b^2}{a} = 8$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 4a$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (3\sqrt{5})^2 = a^2 + 4a$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow a = -9, a = 5 \text{ [} a = -9 \text{ not possible]}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 25$$

Length of latus rectum: $b^2 = 4a$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 4 \times 5 = 20$$

Therefore, the required equation of hyperbola is $\frac{x^2}{25} - \frac{y^2}{20} = 1$.

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

Ans. Given: The foci $(\pm 4, 0)$ lie on x -axis.

\therefore The equation of hyperbola in standard form is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

\therefore Foci $(\pm c, 0) = (\pm 4, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow c = 4$$

Length of latus rectum: $\frac{2b^2}{a} = 12$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 6a$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (4)^2 = a^2 + 6a$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (a+8)(a-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -8, a = 2 [a = -8 \text{ not possible}]$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 4$$

Length of latus rectum: $b^2 = 6a$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 6 \times 2 = 12$$

Therefore, the required equation of hyperbola is $\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{12} = 1$.

14. Vertices $(\pm 7, 0), e = \frac{4}{3}$

Ans. Given: The vertices $(\pm 7, 0)$ lie on x -axis.

\therefore The equation of hyperbola in standard form is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

\therefore Vertices $(\pm a, 0) = (\pm 7, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow a = 7$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{c}{a} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{c}{7} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{28}{3}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{28}{3}\right)^2 = (7)^2 + b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = \frac{784}{9} - 49 = \frac{343}{9}$$

Therefore, the required equation of hyperbola is $\frac{x^2}{(7)^2} - \frac{y^2}{343/9} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{49} - \frac{9y^2}{343} = 1.$$

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

Ans. Given: The foci $(0, \pm\sqrt{10})$ lie on y -axis.

\therefore The equation of hyperbola in standard form is $\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$

$$\therefore \text{Foci } (0, \pm c) = (0, \pm\sqrt{10})$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \sqrt{10}$$

$$\text{Also } c^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{10})^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 10 - a^2$$

Since given hyperbola passes through $(2, 3)$

$$\therefore \frac{9}{a^2} - \frac{4}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{a^2} - \frac{4}{10 - a^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9(10 - a^2) - 4a^2}{a^2(10 - a^2)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 9(10 - a^2) - 4a^2 = a^2(10 - a^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow a^4 - 23a^2 + 90 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^4 - 18a^2 - 5a^2 + 90 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^2 - 18)(a^2 - 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 18, a^2 = 5$$

$$\therefore b^2 = 10 - a^2 = 10 - 18 = -8 \text{ [which is not possible]}$$

$$\text{And } b^2 = 10 - a^2 = 10 - 5 = 5$$

Therefore, the required equation of hyperbola is $\frac{y^2}{5} - \frac{x^2}{5} = 1$.