

Chapter 1

CONIC SECTIONS

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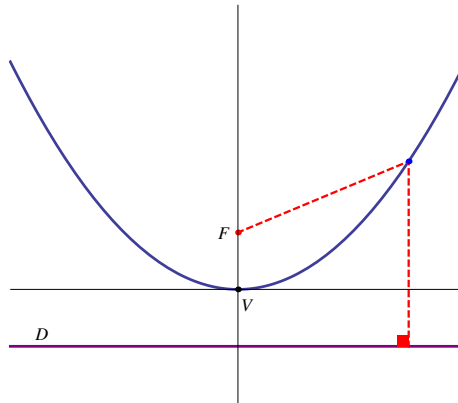
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1.1 Parabola

Definition: A **parabola** is the set of all points in the plane equidistant from a fixed point F (called the **focus**) and a fixed line D (called the **directrix**) in the same plane.

Notes:

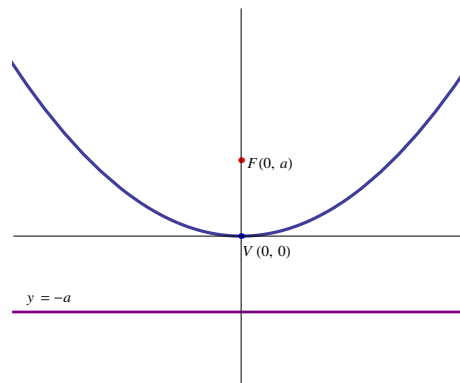
1. The line passing through the focus F and perpendicular to the directrix D is called the **axis** of the parabola .
2. The point half-way from the focus F to the directrix D is called the **vertex** of the parabola and is denoted by V .



1.1.1 The vertex of the parabola is the origin :

This section discusses the special case where the vertex of the parabola is $(0, 0)$. There are four different cases :

1) $x^2 = 4ay$, where $a > 0$



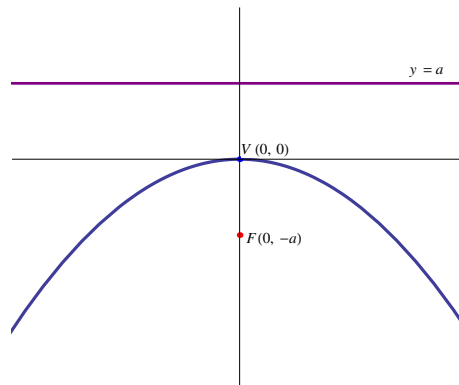
The parabola opens upwards .

The focus is $F(0, a)$.

The equation of the directrix is $y = -a$.

The axis of the parabola is the y-axis .

2) $x^2 = -4ay$, where $a > 0$



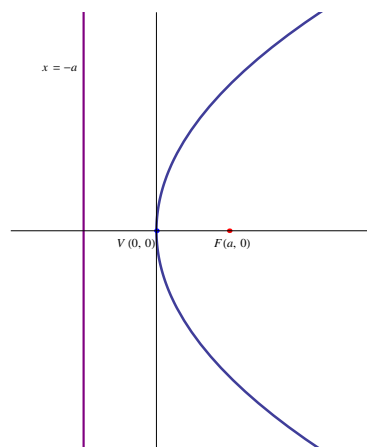
The parabola opens downwards (note the negative sign in the formula).

The focus is $F(0, -a)$.

The equation of the directrix is $y = a$.

The axis of the parabola is the y-axis .

3) $y^2 = 4ax$, where $a > 0$



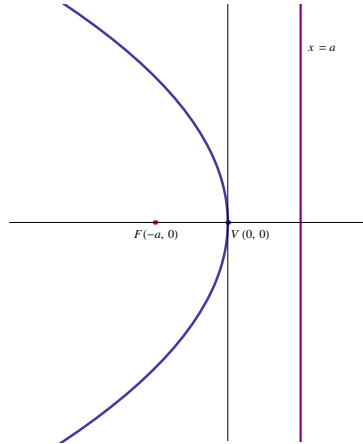
The parabola opens to the right.

The focus is $F(a, 0)$.

The equation of the directrix is $x = -a$.

The axis of the parabola is the x-axis .

4) $y^2 = -4ax$, where $a > 0$



The parabola opens to the left (note the negative sign in the formula) .

The focus is $F(-a, 0)$.

The equation of the directrix is $x = a$.

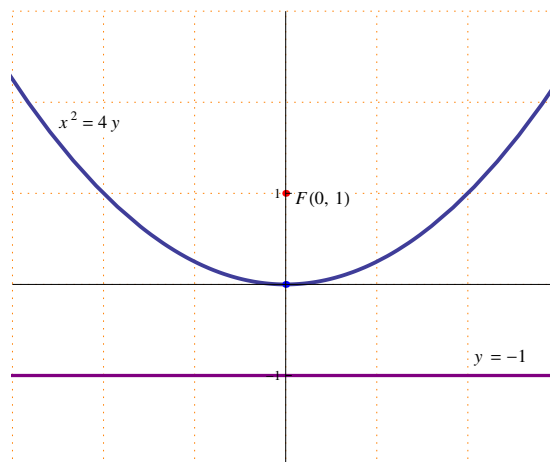
The axis of the parabola is the x-axis .

Example 1: Find the focus and the directrix of the parabola $x^2 = 4y$, and sketch its graph.

Solution: Since the variable x is of degree 2 and the formula contains a positive sign then $x^2 = 4y$ is similar to case(1), where the parabola opens upwards .

$$4a = 4 \Rightarrow a = 1$$

The focus is $F(0,1)$, and the equation of the directrix is $y = -1$.

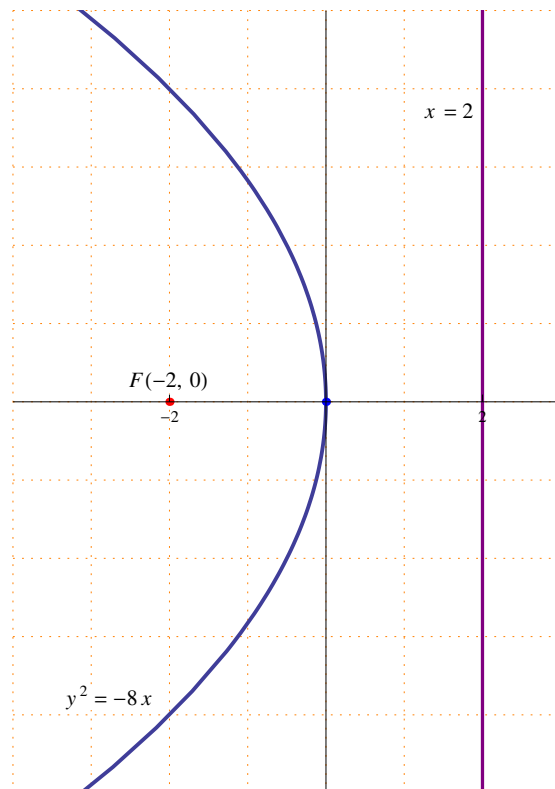


Example 2: Find the focus and the directrix of the parabola $y^2 = -8x$, and sketch its graph.

Solution: Since the variable y is of degree 2 and the formula contains a negative sign then $y^2 = -8x$ is similar to case(4), where the parabola opens to the left .

$$-4a = -8 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

The focus is $F(-2,0)$, and the equation of the directrix is $x = 2$.



1.1.2 The general formula of a parabola :

This section discusses the general formula of a parabola where the vertex of the parabola is any point $V(h, k)$ in the plane.

There are four different cases :

No.	The general formula	Focus	Directrix	The parabola opens
1	$(x - h)^2 = 4a(y - k)$	$F(h, k + a)$	$y = k - a$	upwards
2	$(x - h)^2 = -4a(y - k)$	$F(h, k - a)$	$y = k + a$	downwards
3	$(y - k)^2 = 4a(x - h)$	$F(h + a, k)$	$x = h - a$	to the right
4	$(y - k)^2 = -4a(x - h)$	$F(h - a, k)$	$x = h + a$	to the left

Example 1: Find the focus and the directrix of the parabola $(x + 1)^2 = -4(y - 1)$, and sketch its graph.

Solution : The equation of the parabola is similar to case (2).

$$(x - h)^2 = (x + 1)^2 = (x - (-1))^2 \Rightarrow h = -1 .$$

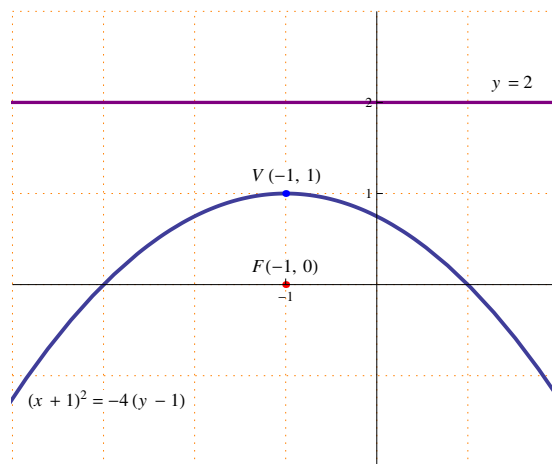
$$(y - k) = (y - 1) \Rightarrow k = 1 .$$

$$-4a = -4 \Rightarrow a = 1 .$$

The vertex is $V(-1, 1)$

The focus is $F(-1, 0)$ and the equation of the directrix is $y = 2$.

The parabola opens downwards (note the negative sign in the formula).



Example 2: Find the focus and the directrix of the parabola $(y - 1)^2 = 8(x + 2)$, and sketch its graph.

Solution : The equation of the parabola is similar to case (3).

$$(y - k)^2 = (y - 1)^2 \Rightarrow k = 1 .$$

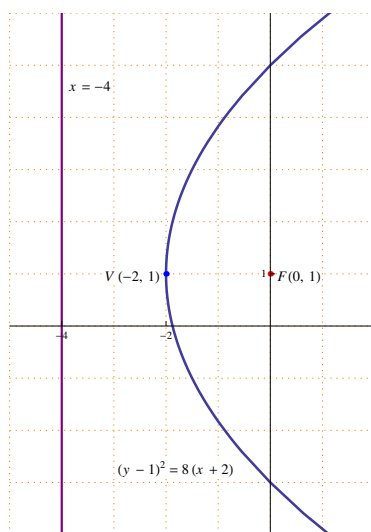
$$(x - h) = (x + 2) = (x - (-2)) \Rightarrow h = -2 .$$

$$4a = 8 \Rightarrow a = 2 .$$

The vertex is $V(-2, 1)$

The focus is $F(0, 1)$ and the equation of the directrix is $x = -4$.

The parabola opens to the right .



Example 3: Find the focus and the directrix of the parabola $2y^2 - 4y + 8x + 10 = 0$, and sketch its graph.

Solution : By completing the square

$$\begin{aligned} 2y^2 - 4y + 8x + 10 = 0 &\Rightarrow 2y^2 - 4y = -8x - 10 \Rightarrow 2(y^2 - 2y) = -8x - 10 \\ &\Rightarrow 2(y^2 - 2y + 1) = -8x - 10 + 2 \Rightarrow 2(y - 1)^2 = -8x - 8 \Rightarrow 2(y - 1)^2 = -8(x + 1) \\ &\Rightarrow (y - 1)^2 = -4(x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

The equation of the parabola is similar to case (4).

$$(y - k)^2 = (y - 1)^2 \Rightarrow k = 1 .$$

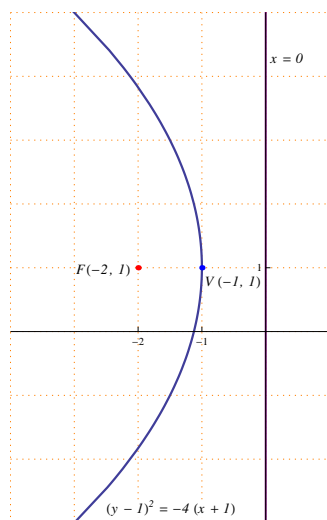
$$(x - h) = (x + 1) = (x - (-1)) \Rightarrow h = -1 .$$

$$-4a = -4 \Rightarrow a = 1 .$$

The vertex is $V(-1, 1)$.

The focus is $F(-2, 1)$ and the equation of the directrix is $x = 0$ (the y-axis).

The parabola opens to the left (note the negative sign in the formula)



Example 4: Find the focus and the directrix of the parabola $x^2 - 6y - 2x = -7$, and sketch its graph.

Solution : By completing the square

$$x^2 - 6y - 2x = -7 \Rightarrow x^2 - 2x = 6y - 7 \Rightarrow x^2 - 2x + 1 = 6y - 7 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 1)^2 = 6y - 6 \Rightarrow (x - 1)^2 = 6(y - 1)$$

The equation of the parabola is similar to case (1).

$$(x - h)^2 = (x - 1)^2 \Rightarrow h = 1 .$$

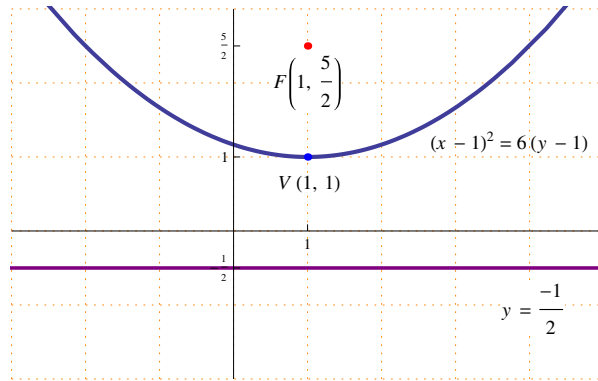
$$(y - k) = (y - 1) \Rightarrow k = 1 .$$

$$4a = 6 \Rightarrow a = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2} .$$

The vertex is $V(1, 1)$

The focus is $F\left(1, \frac{5}{2}\right)$ and the equation of the directrix is $y = -\frac{1}{2}$.

The parabola opens upwards.



Example 5: Find the equation of the parabola with vertex $V(2, 1)$ and focus $F(2, 3)$ and sketch its graph.

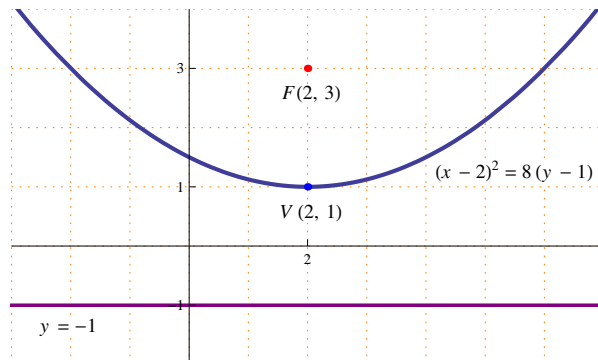
Solution : Since the focus is located upper than the vertex then the parabola opens upwards.

Hence its equation is $(x - h)^2 = 4a(y - k)$.

Since the vertex is $V(2, 1)$ then $h = 2$ and $k = 1$

a equals the distance between $V(2, 1)$ and $F(2, 3)$ which equals 2 .

The equation of the parabola with $V(2, 1)$ and $F(2, 3)$ is $(x - 2)^2 = 8(y - 1)$



Example 6: Find the equation of the parabola with focus $F(-1, 1)$ and directrix $x = 1$ and sketch its graph.

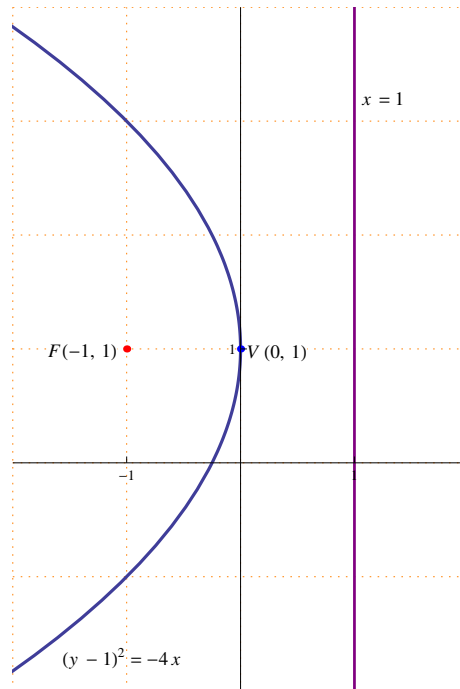
Solution : Since the focus is located to the left of the directrix then the parabola opens to the left.

Hence its equation is $(y - k)^2 = -4a(x - h)$.

The vertex is half-way between the focus and the directrix, hence $V(0, 1)$

a equals the distance between $V(0, 1)$ and $F(-1, 1)$ which equals 1.

The equation of the parabola with $F(-1, 1)$ and directrix $x = 1$ is $(y - 1)^2 = -4x$

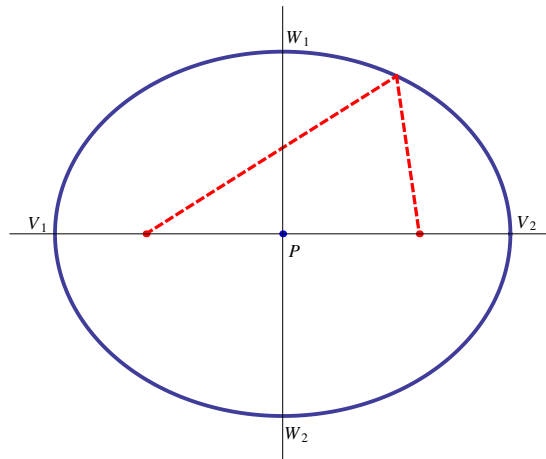


1.2 Ellipse

Definition: An **ellipse** is the set of all points in the plane for which the sum of the distances to two fixed points is constant.

Notes :

1. The two fixed points are called the **foci** of the ellipse and are denoted by F_1 and F_2 .
2. The midpoint between F_1 and F_2 is called the **center** of the ellipse and is denoted by P .
3. The endpoints of the **major axis** are called the vertices of the ellipse and are denoted by V_1 and V_2 .
4. The endpoints of the **minor axis** are denoted by W_1 and W_2 .



1.2.1 The center of the ellipse is the origin :

This section discusses the special case where the center of the ellipse is $(0, 0)$. There are two different cases :

$$1) \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1, \text{ where } a > b :$$

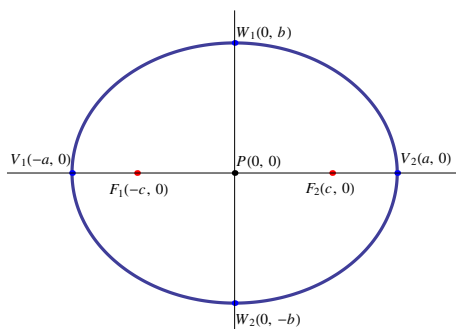
The foci of the ellipse are $F_1(-c, 0)$ and $F_2(c, 0)$, where $c = \sqrt{a^2 - b^2}$.

The vertices of the ellipse are $V_1(-a, 0)$ and $V_2(a, 0)$.

The endpoints of the minor axis are $W_1(0, b)$ and $W_2(0, -b)$.

The major axis lies on the x-axis, and its length is $2a$.

The minor axis lies on the y-axis, and its length is $2b$.



2) $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, where $b > a$:

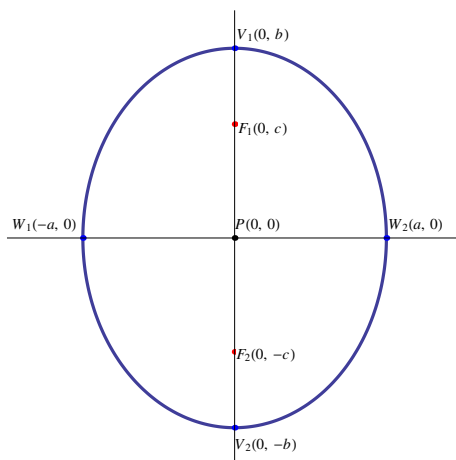
The foci of the ellipse are $F_1(0, c)$ and $F_2(0, -c)$, where $c = \sqrt{b^2 - a^2}$.

The vertices of the ellipse are $V_1(0, b)$ and $V_2(0, -b)$.

The endpoints of the minor axis are $W_1(-a, 0)$ and $W_2(a, 0)$.

The major axis lies on the y-axis , and its length is $2b$.

The minor axis lies on the x-axis , and its length is $2a$.



Example 1: Identify the features of the ellipse $9x^2 + 25y^2 = 225$, and sketch its graph.

Solution : $9x^2 + 25y^2 = 225 \Rightarrow \frac{9x^2}{225} + \frac{25y^2}{225} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

$a^2 = 25 \Rightarrow a = 5$ and $b^2 = 9 \Rightarrow b = 3$.

Since $a > b$ then $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ is similar to case (1).

$c = \sqrt{a^2 - b^2} = \sqrt{25 - 9} = \sqrt{16} = 4$.

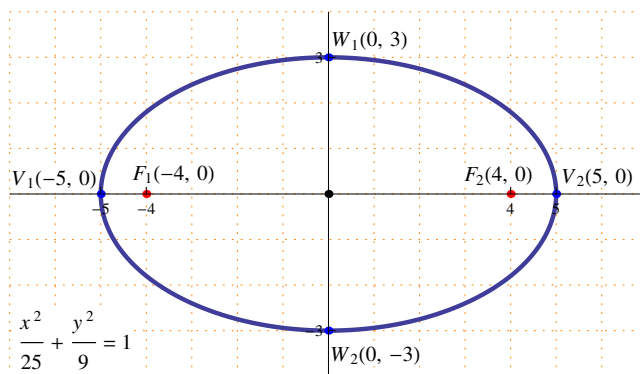
The foci are $F_1(-4, 0)$ and $F_2(4, 0)$.

The vertices are $V_1(-5, 0)$ and $V_2(5, 0)$.

The endpoints of the minor axis are $W_1(0, 3)$ and $W_2(0, -3)$.

The length of the major axis is $2a = 10$.

The length of the minor axis is $2b = 6$.



Example 2: Identify the features of the ellipse $16x^2 + 9y^2 = 144$, and sketch its graph.

Solution : $16x^2 + 9y^2 = 144 \Rightarrow \frac{16x^2}{144} + \frac{9y^2}{144} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$

$a^2 = 9 \Rightarrow a = 3$ and $b^2 = 16 \Rightarrow b = 4$.

Since $b > a$ then $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$ is similar to case (2).

$c^2 = \sqrt{b^2 - a^2} = \sqrt{16 - 9} = \sqrt{7}$.

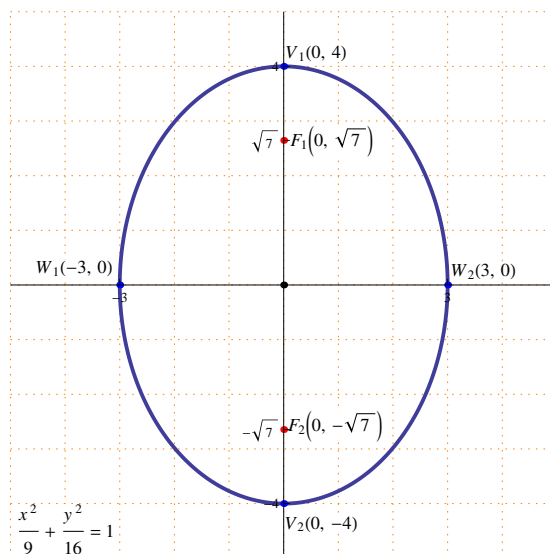
The foci are $F_1(0, \sqrt{7})$ and $F_2(0, -\sqrt{7})$.

The vertices are $V_1(0, 4)$ and $V_2(0, -4)$.

The endpoints of the minor axis are $W_1(-3, 0)$ and $W_2(3, 0)$.

The length of the major axis is $2b = 8$.

The length of the minor axis is $2a = 6$.



1.2.2 The general formula of an ellipse :

This section discusses the general formula of an ellipse where the center of the ellipse is any point $P(h, k)$ in the plane.

There are two different cases :

No.	The general Formula	The Foci	The Vertices	W_1 and W_2
1	$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$ ($a > b$) and $c = \sqrt{a^2 - b^2}$	$F_1(h - c, k)$ $F_2(h + c, k)$	$V_1(h - a, k)$ $V_2(h + a, k)$	$W_1(h, k - b)$ $W_2(h, k + b)$
2	$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$ ($b > a$) and $c = \sqrt{b^2 - a^2}$	$F_1(h, k - c)$ $F_2(h, k + c)$	$V_1(h, k - b)$ $V_2(h, k + b)$	$W_1(h - a, k)$ $W_2(h + a, k)$

Example 1: Find the equation of the ellipse with foci at $(-3, 1)$, $(5, 1)$, and one of its vertices is $(7, 1)$, and sketch its graph.

Solution : The center of the ellipse $P(h, k)$ is located in the middle of the two foci, hence $(h, k) = \left(\frac{-3 + 5}{2}, \frac{1 + 1}{2}\right) = (1, 1)$.

c is the distance between the center and one of the foci , and it equals to 4 (see the figure).

Since the major axis (where the two foci lie) is parallel to the x-axis , then the general formula of the ellipse is $\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$, where $a > b$.

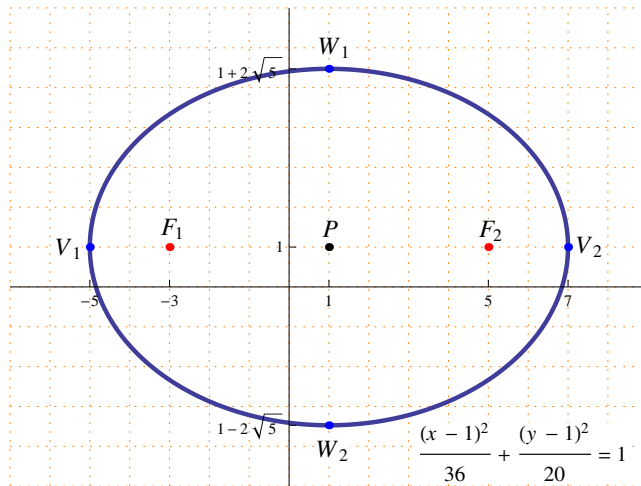
a is the distance between the center and one of the vertices, and it equals 6 (see the figure).

$$c^2 = a^2 - b^2 \Rightarrow (4)^2 = (6)^2 - b^2 \Rightarrow b^2 = 36 - 16 = 20 \Rightarrow b = 2\sqrt{5}.$$

The equation of the ellipse is $\frac{(x-1)^2}{36} + \frac{(y-1)^2}{20} = 1$.

The vertices of the ellipse are $V_1(-5, 1)$ and $V_2(7, 1)$.

The endpoints of the minor axis are $W_1(1, 1 + 2\sqrt{5})$ and $W_2(1, 1 - 2\sqrt{5})$.



Example 2: Find the equation of the ellipse with foci at $(2, 5)$, $(2, -3)$, and the length of its minor axis equals 6, and sketch its graph.

Solution : The center of the ellipse $P(h, k)$ is located in the middle of the two foci, hence $(h, k) = \left(\frac{2+2}{2}, \frac{-3+5}{2}\right) = (2, 1)$.

c is the distance between the center and one of the foci, and it equals to 4 (see the figure).

Since the major axis (where the two foci lie) is parallel to the y-axis, then the general formula of the ellipse is $\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$, where $b > a$.

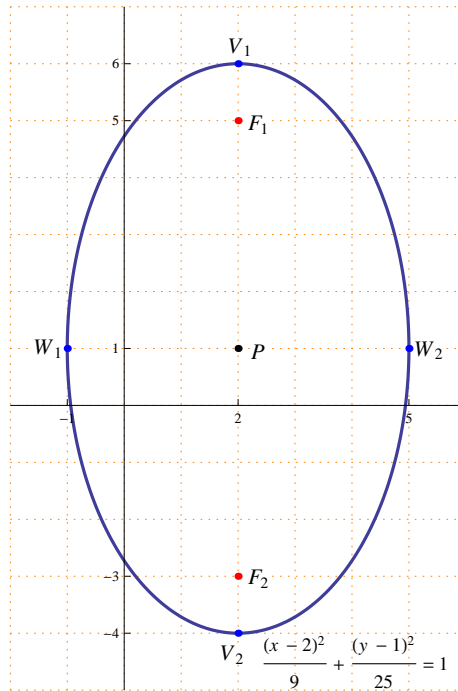
The length of the minor axis is 6 means that $2a = 6 \Rightarrow a = 3$.

$c^2 = b^2 - a^2 \Rightarrow (4)^2 = b^2 - (3)^2 \Rightarrow b^2 = 16 + 9 = 25 \Rightarrow b = 5$.

The equation of the ellipse is $\frac{(x-2)^2}{9} + \frac{(y-1)^2}{25} = 1$.

The vertices of the ellipse are $V_1(2, 6)$ and $V_2(2, -4)$.

The endpoints of the minor axis are $W_1(-1, 1)$ and $W_2(5, 1)$.



Example 3: Find the equation of the ellipse with vertices at $(-1, 4)$, $(-1, -2)$ and the distance between its two foci equals 4, and sketch its graph.

Solution : The center of the ellipse $P(h, k)$ is located in the middle of the two vertices, hence $(h, k) = \left(\frac{-1-1}{2}, \frac{-2+4}{2}\right) = (-1, 1)$.

The distance between the two foci equals 4 means that $2c = 4 \Rightarrow c = 2$.

Since the major axis (where the two vertices lie) is parallel to the y-axis, then the general formula of the ellipse is $\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$, where $b > a$.

The length of the major axis (the distance between the two vertices) equals 6,

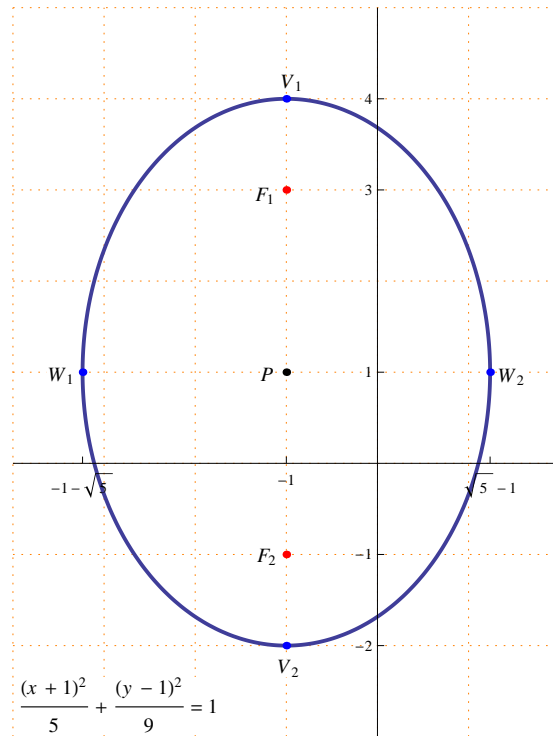
this means $2b = 6 \Rightarrow b = 3$.

$$c^2 = b^2 - a^2 \Rightarrow (2)^2 = (3)^2 - a^2 \Rightarrow a^2 = 9 - 4 = 5 \Rightarrow a = \sqrt{5}.$$

The equation of the ellipse is $\frac{(x+1)^2}{5} + \frac{(y-1)^2}{9} = 1$.

The foci of the ellipse are $F_1(-1, 3)$ and $F_2(-1, -1)$.

The endpoints of the minor axis are $W_1(-1 - \sqrt{5}, 1)$ and $W_2(-1 + \sqrt{5}, 1)$.



Example 4: Identify the features of the ellipse $4x^2 + 2y^2 - 8x - 8y - 20 = 0$, and sketch its graph.

Solution :

$$4x^2 + 2y^2 - 8x - 8y - 20 = 0 \Rightarrow (4x^2 - 8x) + (2y^2 - 8y) = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(x^2 - 2x) + 2(y^2 - 4y) = 20$$

By completing the square

$$4(x^2 - 2x) + 2(y^2 - 4y) = 20 \Rightarrow 4(x^2 - 2x + 1) + 2(y^2 - 4y + 4) = 20 + 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(x-1)^2 + 2(y-2)^2 = 32$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4(x-1)^2}{32} + \frac{2(y-2)^2}{32} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{(x-1)^2}{8} + \frac{(y-2)^2}{16} = 1$$

$$b^2 = 16 \Rightarrow b = 4 \text{ and } a^2 = 8 \Rightarrow b = \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}.$$

$$c^2 = b^2 - a^2 \Rightarrow c^2 = 16 - 8 = 8 \Rightarrow c = \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}.$$

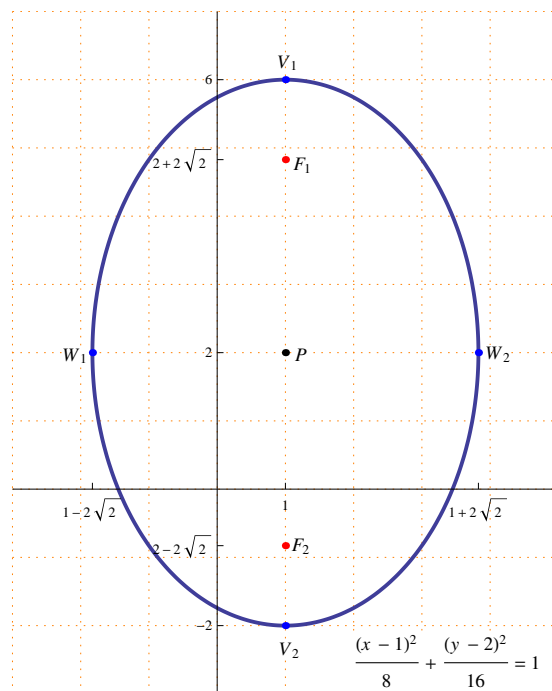
The center of the ellipse is $(1, 2)$.

The foci of the ellipse are $F_1(1, 2 + 2\sqrt{2})$ and $F_2(1, 2 - 2\sqrt{2})$.

The vertices of the ellipse are $V_1(1, 6)$ and $V_2(1, -2)$.

The endpoints of the minor axis are $W_1(1 - 2\sqrt{2}, 2)$ and $W_2(1 + 2\sqrt{2}, 2)$.

The length of the major axis is 8 and the length of the minor axis is $2\sqrt{8} = 4\sqrt{2}$.

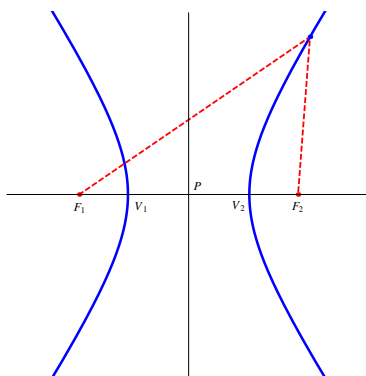


1.3 Hyperbola

Definition: A **hyperbola** is the set of all points in the plane for which the difference of the distances between two fixed points is constant.

Notes :

1. The two fixed points are called the **foci** of the hyperbola and are denoted by F_1 and F_2 .
2. The midpoint between F_1 and F_2 is called the **center** of the hyperbola and is denoted by P .



1.3.1 The center of the hyperbola is the origin :

This section discusses the special case where the center of the hyperbola is $(0, 0)$. There are two different cases :

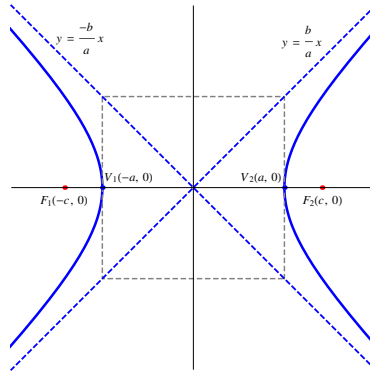
$$1) \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1, \text{ where } a > 0 \text{ and } b > 0 :$$

The foci of the hyperbola are $F_1(-c, 0)$ and $F_2(c, 0)$, where $c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$.

The vertices of the hyperbola are $V_1(-a, 0)$ and $V_2(a, 0)$.

The line segment between V_1 and V_2 is the **transverse axis**, it lies on the x-axis and its length is $2a$.

The equations of the asymptotes are $y = \frac{b}{a}x$ and $y = -\frac{b}{a}x$.



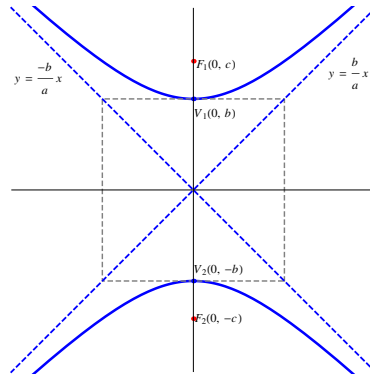
2) $\frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{x^2}{a^2} = 1$, where $a > 0$ and $b > 0$:

The foci of the hyperbola are $F_1(0, c)$ and $F_2(0, -c)$, where $c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$.

The vertices of the hyperbola are $V_1(0, b)$ and $V_2(0, -b)$.

The line segment between V_1 and V_2 is the **transverse axis**, it lies on the y-axis and its length is $2b$.

The equations of the asymptotes are $y = \frac{b}{a}x$ and $y = -\frac{b}{a}x$.



Example 1: Identify the features of the hyperbola $4x^2 - 16y^2 = 64$, and sketch its graph.

Solution :

$$4x^2 - 16y^2 = 64 \Rightarrow \frac{4x^2}{64} - \frac{16y^2}{64} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

This form is similar to case (1).

$$a^2 = 16 \Rightarrow a = 4 \text{ and } b^2 = 4 \Rightarrow b = 2$$

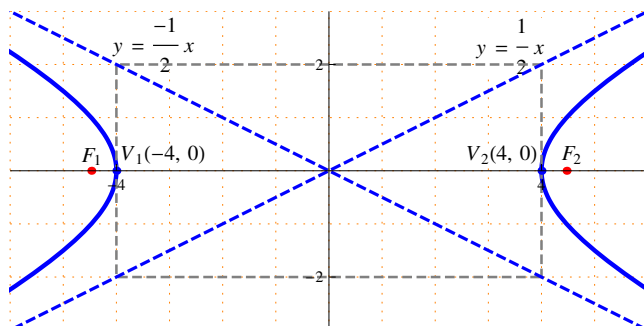
$$c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{4^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{20} = 2\sqrt{5}$$

The foci of the hyperbola are $F_1(-2\sqrt{5}, 0)$ and $F_2(2\sqrt{5}, 0)$.

The vertices are $V_1(-4, 0)$ and $V_2(4, 0)$.

The transverse axis lies on the x-axis and its length is $2a = 8$.

The equations of the asymptotes are $y = \frac{2}{4}x = \frac{1}{2}x$ and $y = -\frac{2}{4}x = -\frac{1}{2}x$



Example 2: Identify the features of the hyperbola $4y^2 - 9x^2 = 36$, and sketch its graph.

Solution :

$$4y^2 - 9x^2 = 36 \Rightarrow \frac{4y^2}{36} - \frac{9x^2}{36} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{y^2}{9} - \frac{x^2}{4} = 1$$

This form is similar to case (2).

$$a^2 = 4 \Rightarrow a = 2 \text{ and } b^2 = 9 \Rightarrow b = 3$$

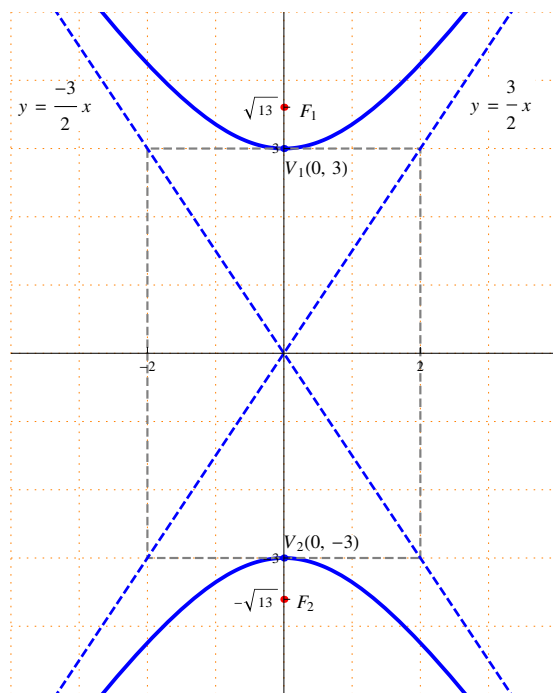
$$c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{4 + 9} = \sqrt{13}$$

The foci of the hyperbola are $F_1(0, \sqrt{13})$ and $F_2(0, -\sqrt{13})$.

The vertices are $V_1(0, 3)$ and $V_2(0, -3)$.

The transverse axis lies on the y-axis and its length is $2b = 6$.

The equations of the asymptotes are $y = \frac{3}{2}x$ and $y = -\frac{3}{2}x$



1.3.2 The general formula of a hyperbola :

This section discusses the general formula of a hyperbola where the center of the hyperbola is any point $P(h, k)$ in the plane.

There are two different cases :

No.	The general Formula	The Foci	The Vertices	Transverse axis
1	$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$ ($c^2 = a^2 + b^2$)	$F_1(h-c, k)$ $F_2(h+c, k)$	$V_1(h-a, k)$ $V_2(h+a, k)$	parallel to the x-axis
2	$\frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} - \frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} = 1$ ($c^2 = a^2 + b^2$)	$F_1(h, k+c)$ $F_2(h, k-c)$	$V_1(h, k+b)$ $V_2(h, k-b)$	parallel to the y-axis

The equations of the asymptotes are $y = \frac{b}{a}(x-h) + k$ and $y = -\frac{b}{a}(x-h) + k$

Example 1: Find the equation of the hyperbola with foci at $(-2, 2)$, $(6, 2)$ and one of its vertices is $(5, 2)$, and sketch its graph.

Solution :

The center of the hyperbola $P(h, k)$ is located in the middle of the two foci , hence $(h, k) = \left(\frac{-2+6}{2}, \frac{2+2}{2} \right) = (2, 2)$

Note that the two foci lie on a line parallel to the x-axis , hence the general formula of the hyperbola is $\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$.

$2c$ is the distance between the two foci , hence $2c = 8 \Rightarrow c = 4$.

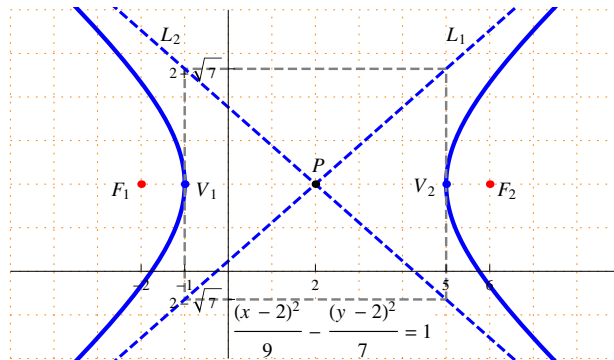
a is the distance between the center $(2, 2)$ and the vertex $(5, 2)$, hence $a = 3$, and the other vertex is $(-1, 2)$.

$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow 4^2 = 3^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow b^2 = 16 - 9 = 7 \Rightarrow c = \sqrt{7}$.

The equation of the hyperbola is $\frac{(x-2)^2}{9} - \frac{(y-2)^2}{7} = 1$

The equations of the asymptotes are $L_1 : y = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{3}(x-2) + 2$ and

$L_2 : y = -\frac{\sqrt{7}}{3}(x-2) + 2$



Example 2: Find the equation of the hyperbola with foci at $(-1, -6)$, $(-1, 4)$ and the length of its transverse axis is 8, and sketch its graph.

Solution :

The center of the hyperbola $P(h, k)$ is located in the middle of the two foci ,

$$\text{hence } (h, k) = \left(\frac{-1 - 1}{2}, \frac{-6 + 4}{2} \right) = (-1, -1)$$

Note that the two foci lie on a line parallel to the y-axis , hence the general

$$\text{formula of the hyperbola is } \frac{(y - k)^2}{b^2} - \frac{(x - h)^2}{a^2} = 1 .$$

$2c$ is the distance between the two foci , hence $2c = 10 \Rightarrow c = 5$.

The length of the transverse axis is 8 , this means $2b = 8 \Rightarrow b = 4$.

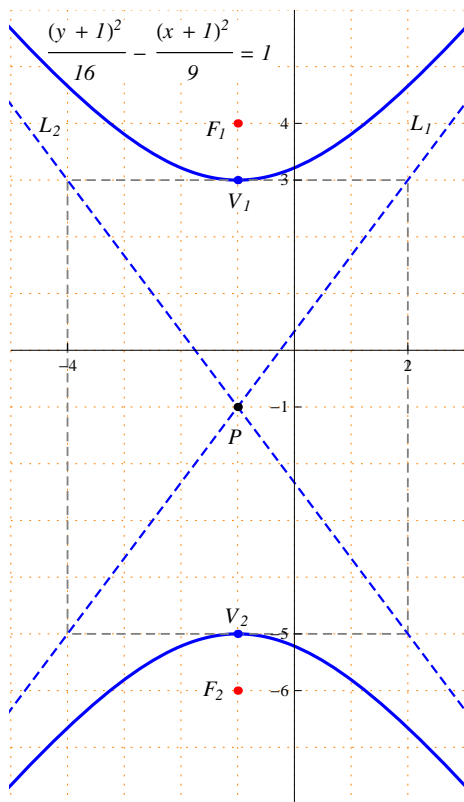
The vertices are $(-1, -5)$ and $(-1, 3)$.

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow 5^2 = a^2 + 4^2 \Rightarrow a^2 = 25 - 16 = 9 \Rightarrow a = 3 .$$

$$\text{The equation of the hyperbola is } \frac{(y + 1)^2}{16} - \frac{(x + 1)^2}{9} = 1 .$$

The equations of the asymptotes are $L_1 : y = \frac{4}{3}(x + 1) - 1$ and

$$L_2 : y = -\frac{4}{3}(x + 1) - 1$$



Example 3: Find the equation of the hyperbola with center at $(1, 1)$, one of its foci is $(5, 1)$ and one of its vertices is $(-1, 1)$, and sketch its graph.

Solution :

Since the center and the focus lie on a line parallel to the x-axis , then the

general formula of the hyperbola is $\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$.

c is the distance between the center $(1, 1)$ and the focus $(5, 1)$, hence $c = 4$, the other foci is $(-3, 1)$.

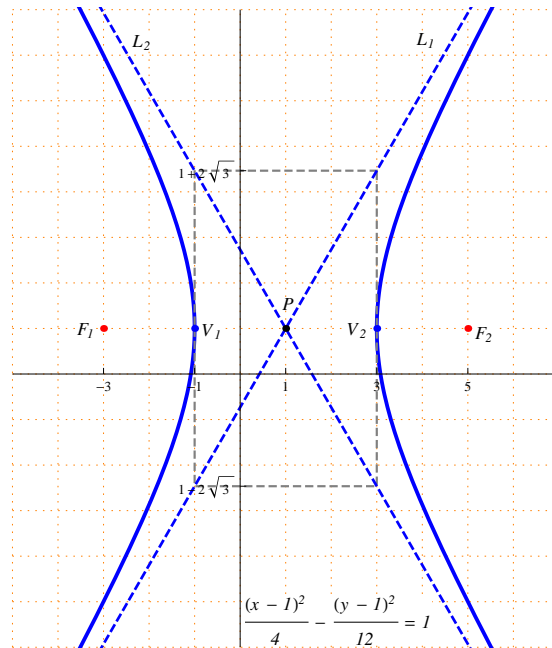
a is the distance between the center $(1, 1)$ and the vertex $(-1, 1)$, hence $a = 2$, the other vertex is $(3, 1)$.

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow 4^2 = 2^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow b^2 = 16 - 4 = 12 \Rightarrow b = \sqrt{12} = 2\sqrt{3}$$

The equation of the hyperbola is $\frac{(x-1)^2}{4} - \frac{(y-1)^2}{12} = 1$.

The equations of the asymptotes are

$$L_1 : y = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{2}(x-1) + 1 = \sqrt{3}(x-1) + 1 \text{ and } L_2 : y = -\sqrt{3}(x-1) + 1$$



Example 4: Identify the features of the hyperbola $2y^2 - 4x^2 - 4y - 8x - 34 = 0$, and sketch its graph.

Solution :

$$2y^2 - 4x^2 - 4y - 8x - 34 = 0 \Rightarrow (2y^2 - 4y) - (4x^2 + 8x) = 34$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(y^2 - 2y) - 4(x^2 + 2x) = 34$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(y^2 - 2y + 1) - 4(x^2 + 2x + 1) = 34 + 2 - 4 \Rightarrow 2(y-1)^2 - 4(x+1)^2 = 32$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2(y-1)^2}{32} - \frac{4(x+1)^2}{32} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{(y-1)^2}{16} - \frac{(x+1)^2}{8} = 1$$

$$b^2 = 16 \Rightarrow b = 4 \text{ and } a^2 = 8 \Rightarrow a = \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}.$$

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow c^2 = 16 + 8 = 24 \Rightarrow c = \sqrt{24} = 2\sqrt{6}.$$

The center of the hyperbola is $P(-1, 1)$.

The foci of the hyperbola are $F_1(-1, 1 + 2\sqrt{6})$ and $F_2(-1, 1 - 2\sqrt{6})$.

The vertices of the hyperbola are $V_1(-1, 5)$ and $V_2(-1, -3)$.

The transverse axis is parallel to the y -axis and its length is $2b = 8$.

The equations of the asymptotes are

$L_1 : y = \frac{4}{2\sqrt{2}}(x + 1) + 1 = \sqrt{2}(x + 1) + 1$ and $L_2 : y = -\sqrt{2}(x + 1) + 1$

