39. 
$$F = (4,0) (4,-15)$$
  
 $(X-h)^2 = 4p(Y-k)$   
 $(Y-4)^2 = 4p(-15-k)$   
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## 7-2 Study Guide and Intervention

## Ellipses and Circles

Analyze and Graph Ellipses and Circles An ellipse is the locus of points in a plane such that the sum of the

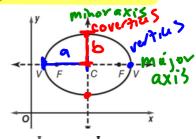
distances from two fixed points, called foci, is constant.

The standard form of the equation of an ellipse is

 $\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$  when the **major axis** is horizontal. In this case,  $a^2$  is in the

denominator of the x-term. The standard form is  $\frac{(y-k)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(x-h)^2}{b^2} = 1$  when the

major axis is vertical. In this case,  $a^2$  is in the denominator of the y-term. In both cases,  $c^2 = a^2 - b^2$ .



Example: Graph the ellipse given by the equation  $\frac{(y-1)^2}{25} + \frac{(x+2)^2}{9} = 1$ .

The equation is in standard form. Use the values of h, k, a, and b to determine the vertices and axes of the ellipse. Since  $a^2 > b^2$ ,  $a^2 = 25$  and  $b^2 = 9$ , or a = 5 and b = 3. Since  $a^2$  is the denominator of the y-term, the major axis is parallel to the y-axis.

orientation: vertical

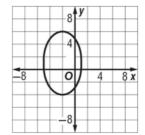
center: (-2, 1)

(-2, 1) (h, k) (-2, 6), (-2, -4) (h, k)

vertices: (-2, 6), (-2, -4)  $(h, k \pm a)$  co-vertices: (-5, 1), (1, 1)  $(h \pm b, k)$ 

major axis: x = -2 x = h

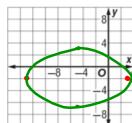
minor axis: y = 1 y = k



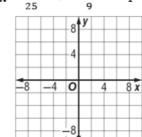
## **Exercises**

Graph the ellipse given by each equation.

1. 
$$\frac{(x+5)^2}{64 = 6}$$
  $\frac{(y+2)^2}{25 = 6}$ 



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



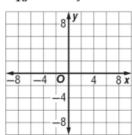
Eccentricity: value, e, that tells us how circular an ellipse is.

Ex: Find the eccentrility of the previous ellipse.

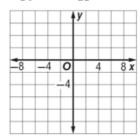
$$C = \sqrt{a^2 - b^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{64 - 25}$$

$$3. \frac{(y-1)^2}{16} + \frac{(x+3)^2}{9} = 1$$



$$4.\frac{(y+3)^2}{64} + \frac{(x-2)^2}{25} = 1$$



A. Write an equation for an ellipse with a major axis from (5, -2) to (-1, -2) and a minor axis from (2, 0) to (2, -4).

Use the major and minor axes to determine a and b.

Half the length of major axis

Half the length of minor axis

$$a = \frac{5 - (-1)}{2}$$
 or 3

$$b = \frac{0 - (-4)}{2}$$
 or 2

The center of the ellipse is at the midpoint of the major axis.

$$(h,k) = \left(\frac{5+(-1)}{2}, \frac{-2+(-2)}{2}\right)$$
 Midpoint formula  
=  $(2, -2)$  Simplify.

The *y*-coordinates are the same for both endpoints of the major axis, so the major axis is horizontal and the value of *a* belongs with the  $x^2$ -term. An equation for the ellipse is  $\frac{(x-2)^2}{9} + \frac{(y+2)^2}{4} = 1$ .

## B. Write an equation for an ellipse with vertices at (3, -4) and (3, 6) and foci at (3, 4) and (3, -2)

$$\frac{(x + h)^{2}}{b^{2}} + \frac{(y - k)^{2}}{a^{2}} = \begin{vmatrix} h = 3 \\ k = -4 + 6 \\ 2 = \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Vertices:} (h, \frac{k \pm a}{2}) \neq \underbrace{3, 6}$$

$$\text{k+a=6}$$

$$a = 5$$

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$$\text{Foci:} (h, \frac{k \pm c}{2}) = \underbrace{(3, 4)}$$

$$\text{k+(=4)}$$

$$1 + c = 4$$

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unswer:  $\frac{(y-1)^2}{x^2} + \frac{(x-3)^2}{x^2} = 1$ 

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

3. 
$$x^{2}+q^{2}z - \frac{14}{12}x + \frac{36}{12}y + \frac{449-0}{142-049}$$
 $(x^{2}-14x+49) + (9x^{2}+36y) = -49+49$ 
 $(x^{2}-14x+49) + 9(x^{2}+4x+4) = -49+49+xy + \frac{1}{2}(2) = 4$ 
 $(x-7)^{2} + 9(x+2)^{2} = \frac{36}{36}$ 
 $(x-7)^{2} + (x+2)^{2} =$ 

**Determine Types of Conic Sections** If you are given the equation for a conic section, you can determine what type of conic is represented using the characteristics of the equation. The standard form of an equation for a circle with center (h, k) and radius r is  $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$ .



Example: Write each equation in standard form. Identify the related conic.

a. 
$$4x^2 + 9y^2 + 24x - 36y + 36 = 0$$
  
 $4x^2 + 9y^2 + 24x - 36y + 36 = 0$   
 $4(x^2 + 6x + ?) + 9(y^2 - 4y + ?) = -36 + ? + ?$   
 $4(x^2 + 6x + 9) + 9(y^2 - 4y + 4) = -36 + 36 + 36$   
 $4(x + 3)^2 + 9(y - 2)^2 = 36$   
 $\frac{(x + 3)^2}{9} + \frac{(y - 2)^2}{4} = 1$ 

Original equation

Complete the square.

$$\left(\frac{6}{2}\right)^2 = 9, \left(-\frac{4}{2}\right)^2 = 4$$

Factor.

Divide each side by 36.

Write each equation in standard form. Identify the related conic.

$$1. y^2 + 2y + 6x^2 - 24x = 5$$

**2.** 
$$y^2 + 2y + x^2 - 24x = 14$$

Write each equation in standard form. Identify the related conic.

$$4.(x^{2}+4x)+(y^{2}-2)-49=0$$

$$+49$$

$$+2(2)=4$$

$$-2+2(-1)^{2}=1$$

$$-2+2(-1)^{2}=1$$

$$(x+2)^{2}+(y-1)^{2}=54$$

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