

CHAPTER - 66. TWO DIMENSIONALANALYTICAL GEOMETRY6.2 Locus At A PointPoint:

* A Point is an exact position or location on a plane surface.

Locus:

* A Path traced out by a moving point under a certain condition is called the locus of that point.

Example:* Circle:

* A Point moves equal distance from a fixed point 'O'.

* Angle bisector of the angle $\angle xoy$:

* A Point P moves such that it is equal distance from two fixed lines ox and Oy .

Example: 6.1

Find the locus of a point which moves such that its distance from the x -axis is equal to the distance from the y -axis.

Sol

Let,

$P(h, k)$ be the point on the locus.

From the given data,

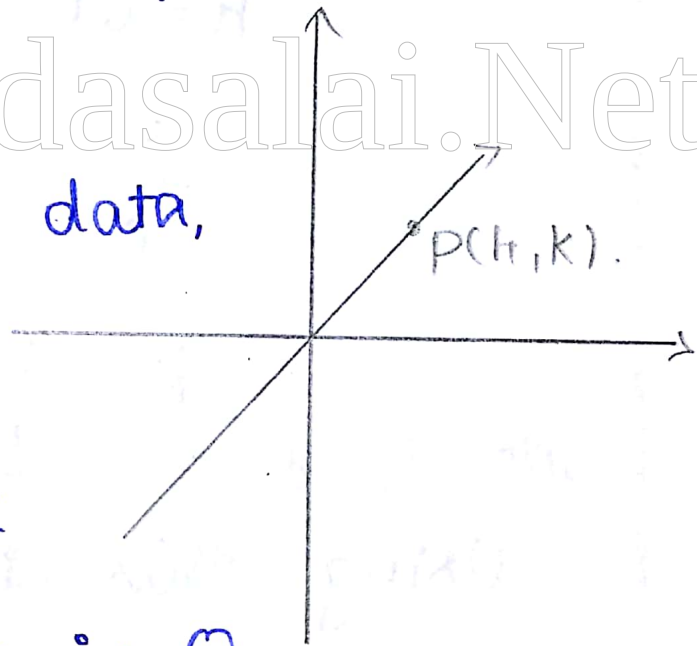
$$h = k \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Replace, h by x

k by y in $\textcircled{1}$

$$x = y$$

It is the locus of the Point 'P'.



It is a line passing through origin.

Example: 6.2

Find the path traced out by the point $(ct, \frac{c}{t})$ here $t \neq 0$ is the parameter and c is a constant.

Sol

Let.

$P(h, k)$ be a point on the

locus.

From the given data,

$$h = ct$$

$$\frac{h}{c} = t$$

$$k = \frac{c}{t} \rightarrow (1)$$

Using this in equation 1

$$k = \frac{h}{t}$$

$\left(t = \frac{h}{c} \right)$ substitute the value of t

$$K = \frac{c}{\frac{h}{c}}$$

$$= c \times \frac{c}{h}$$

$$= \frac{c^2}{h}$$

$$K = \frac{c^2}{h}$$

$$hK = c^2$$

Put,

$$h = x, \quad K = y$$

$$xy = c^2$$

$$\therefore xy = c^2$$

$\therefore$ The required locus of the point is $xy = c^2$.

Example: 6.3

Find the locus of a Point P moves such that its distances

from two fixed points A(1,0) and B(5,0) are always equal.

Sol

Let,

P(h,k) be the point on the locus.

From the given data,

$$PA = PB$$

Squaring both sides,

$$(PA)^2 = (PB)^2$$

$$(h-1)^2 + (k-0)^2 = (h-5)^2 + (k-0)^2$$

$$(h-1)^2 + k^2 = (h-5)^2 + k^2$$

$$(h-1)^2 + k^2 - k^2 = (h-5)^2$$

$$(h-1)^2 = (h-5)^2$$

$$h^2 + 1 - 2h = h^2 + 25 - 10h$$

$$h^2 - h^2 + 1 - 25 - 2h + 10h = 0.$$

$$-24 + 8h = 0.$$

$$-24 + 8h = 0.$$

$$-2h = -8h$$

$$\frac{+2h^3}{+8} = h$$

$$h = 3$$

Put,

$$h = 3$$

$$(h = x)$$

$$x = 3$$

$\therefore$ The Locus of P is $x = 3$.

Example: 6.4

If θ is a parameter, find the equation of the locus of a moving point, whose co-ordinates are $(a \sec \theta, b \tan \theta)$.

Sol

Let $P(h, k)$ be a point of the locus.

$$h = a \sec \theta$$

$$\frac{h}{a} = \sec \theta \rightarrow \text{①}$$

$$k = b \tan \theta$$

$$\frac{k}{b} = \tan \theta \rightarrow (2)$$

Squaring both 1 & 2 equations,

$$\frac{h^2}{a^2} = \sec^2 \theta \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\frac{k^2}{b^2} = \tan^2 \theta \rightarrow (4)$$

Subtracting the equations 3 and 4,

3-4,

$$\frac{h^2}{a^2} - \frac{k^2}{b^2} = \sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta$$

$$\frac{h^2}{a^2} - \frac{k^2}{b^2} = 1$$

Put,

$$h = x, \quad k = y$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1.$$

$\therefore$ The locus of the point is,

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1.$$

Example: 6.5

A straight rod of the length 6 units, slides with its ends A and B always on the x and y axes respectively. If O is the origin, then find the locus of the centroid of $\triangle OAB$.

Sol Let,

$P(h, k)$ be a point on

the locus.

Let the co-ordinates

of O, A and B be, $O(0, 0)$

A $(a, 0)$ and B $(0, b)$

From the data,

$P(h, k)$ is mid point of A and B

$$h = \frac{a + 0 + 0}{3}$$

$$3h = a$$

$$a = 3h$$

$$K = \frac{0+b+0}{3}$$

$$3K = b$$

$$\triangle OAB, OA^2 + OB^2 = AB^2$$

$$OA^2 + OB^2 = AB^2$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 6^2$$

$$(3h)^2 + (3k)^2 = 6^2$$

$$4h^2 + 4k^2 = 36$$

$$9h^2 + 9k^2 = 36$$

$$9(h^2 + k^2) = 36$$

$$h^2 + k^2 = \frac{36}{9}$$

$$h^2 + k^2 = 4$$

Put,

$$h = x, \quad k = y$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4$$

$\therefore$ Locus of (h, k) is a circle,

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4.$$

Example: 6.6

If θ is a parameter, find the equation of the locus of a moving point, whose coordinates are $(a(\theta - \sin\theta), a(1 - \cos\theta))$.

Sol

Let,

$P(h, k)$ be the point on the locus

$$h = a(\theta - \sin\theta) \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\frac{h}{a} = \theta - \sin\theta$$

$$\sin\theta = \theta - \frac{h}{a}$$

$$k = a(1 - \cos\theta)$$

$$\frac{k}{a} = 1 - \cos\theta$$

$$\cos\theta = 1 - \frac{k}{a}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{a - k}{a}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{a-k}{a} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{a-k}{a} \right)$$

$$\sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{a-k}{a} \right)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - \frac{(a-k)^2}{a^2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{a^2 - (a^2 + k^2 - 2ak)}{a^2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{a^2 - a^2 + k^2 + 2ak}{a^2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2ak - k^2}{a^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2ak - k^2}}{a}$$

From eqn ①

$$h = a(1 - \sin \theta)$$

$$h = a \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{a-k}{a} \right) - \sqrt{2ak-k^2}$$

Put, $h=x$, $k=y$

$$x = a \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{a-y}{a} \right) - \sqrt{2ay-y^2}$$

The locus of (h,k) is

$$x = a \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{a-y}{a} \right) - \sqrt{2ay-y^2}.$$

Exercise: 6.1

1) Find the locus of P, if for all values of α , the co-ordinates of a moving point P is

i) $(9 \cos \alpha, 9 \sin \alpha).$

Sol

Let,

$P(h,k)$ be a point on the

locus.

From the given data,

$$h = 9 \cos \alpha$$

$$h = q \cos \alpha$$

$$\frac{h}{q} = \cos \alpha \rightarrow (1)$$

$$k = q \sin \alpha$$

$$\frac{k}{q} = \sin \alpha \rightarrow (2)$$

Squaring both equations,

$$\frac{h^2}{q^2} = \cos^2 \alpha \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\frac{k^2}{q^2} = \sin^2 \alpha \rightarrow (4)$$

Adding
Subtracting the equations 3 and 4,
3+4

$$\frac{h^2}{q^2} + \frac{k^2}{q^2} = \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$\frac{h^2}{q^2} + \frac{k^2}{q^2} = 1$$

$$h^2 + k^2 = q^2$$

$$\text{Put, } h=x, k=y$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 9^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 81.$$

$\therefore$ The Locus of P is $x^2 + y^2 = 81$.

ii) $(9 \cos \alpha, 6 \sin \alpha)$.

Sol Let,

$P(h, k)$ be a point on the locus.

From the given data,

$$h = 9 \cos \alpha$$

$$\frac{h}{9} = \cos \alpha \rightarrow (1)$$

$$k = 6 \sin \alpha$$

$$\frac{k}{6} = \sin \alpha \rightarrow (2)$$

Squaring both equations,

$$\frac{h^2}{9^2} = \cos^2 \alpha \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\frac{k^2}{6^2} = \sin^2 \alpha \rightarrow (4)$$

Adding the equations 3 and 4,

3 + 4,

$$\frac{h^2}{9^2} + \frac{k^2}{6^2} = \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$\frac{h^2}{9^2} + \frac{k^2}{6^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{h^2}{81} + \frac{k^2}{36} = 1$$

Put, $h = x$ $k = y$

$$\frac{x^2}{81} + \frac{y^2}{36} = 1$$

$\therefore$ The Locus of P is

$$\frac{x^2}{81} + \frac{y^2}{36} = 1$$

- 2) Find the locus of a point P that moves at a constant distant of 12 units from the x-axis.

Sol Let,

$P(h, k)$ be a point on the

from the given data,

$$k=2 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Replace k by y in equation 1,

$$y=2$$

$\therefore y=2$ is the required locus of given point 'P' and it is the line parallel to x axis.

ii) Three units from the y -axis.

Sol:

Let,

$P(h, k)$ be a point on

the locus.

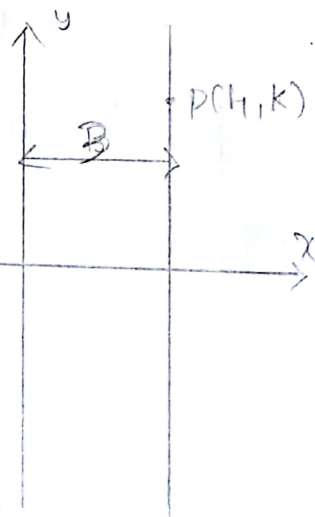
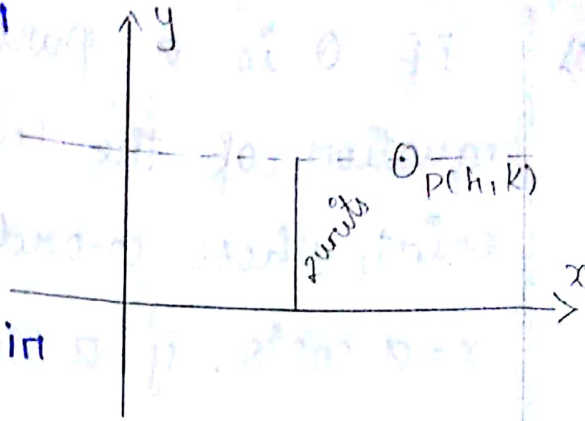
From the given data

$$h=3 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Put, $h=k$ in equation 2,

$$x=3$$

$\therefore x=3$ is the required locus of given point 'P' and it is the line parallel to y axis.



3)

If θ is a parameter, find the equation of the locus of a moving point, whose co-ordinates are $x = a \cos^3 \theta$, $y = a \sin^3 \theta$.

Sol Let,

$P(h, k)$ be a point on the locus
From the given data,

$$h = a \cos^3 \theta$$

$$\frac{h}{a} = \cos^3 \theta$$

$$\left(\frac{h}{a} \right)^{1/3} = \cos \theta \rightarrow (1)$$

$$k = a \sin^3 \theta$$

$$\frac{k}{a} = \sin^3 \theta$$

$$\left(\frac{k}{a} \right)^{1/3} = \sin \theta \rightarrow (2)$$

Adding and
squaring the both
equations,

Squaring the both

$$\left(\frac{h}{a}\right)^{2/3} + \left(\frac{k}{a}\right)^{2/3} = \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta$$

$$\left(\frac{h}{a}\right)^{2/3} + \left(\frac{k}{a}\right)^{2/3} = 1$$

$$h^{2/3} + k^{2/3} = a^{2/3}$$

Put, $h = x, k = y$

$$x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = a^{2/3}$$

$\therefore$ The required locus is

$$x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = a^{2/3}$$

- 4) Find the value of k and b , if the points $P(-3, 1)$ and $Q(2, b)$ lie on the locus of $x^2 - 5x + ky = 0$.

Sol The Point $P(-3, 1)$ lies on the locus of $x^2 - 5x + ky = 0$.

$$x = -3$$

$$y = 1$$

$$(-3)^2 - 5(-3) + k(1) = 0$$

$$9 + 15 + k = 0$$

$$24 + k = 0.$$

$$k = -24$$

∴ The locus and the value
of $k = -24$.

A (2, b) is on,

$$x^2 - 5x - 24y = 0.$$

$$(2)^2 - 5(2) - 24(b) = 0.$$

$$4 - 10 - 24b = 0$$

$$-6 - 24b = 0$$

$$-24b = 6$$

$$b = \frac{-6}{24}$$

$$b = -1/4.$$

$\therefore$ The value of $k = -24$

The value of $b = \frac{-1}{4}$.

- 5) A straight rod of length 8 units slides with its ends A and B always on the x and y axes respectively. Find the locus of the mid point of the line segment AB.

Sol: Let,

$P(h, k)$ be a point on the locus.

Let the co-ordinates of

A and B be,

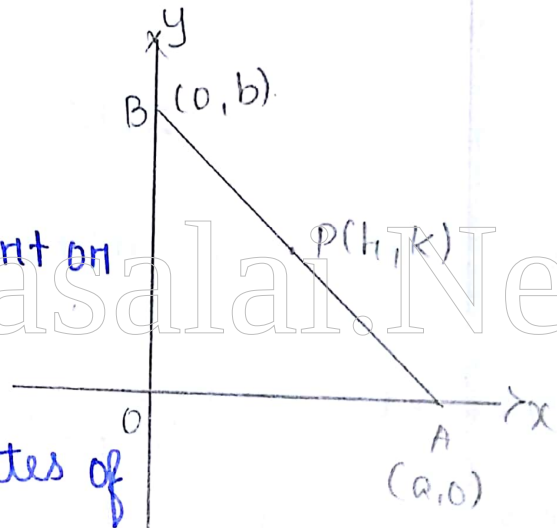
$A(a, 0)$ and $B(0, b)$

From the data,

$P(h, k)$ is mid point of A and B

$$h = \frac{a+0}{2}$$

$$2h = a$$



$$k = \frac{0+b}{2}$$

$$2k = b$$

$\triangle OAB$,

$$OA^2 + OB^2 = AB^2$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 8^2$$

$$4h^2 + 4k^2 = 64$$

$$4(h^2 + k^2) = 64$$

$$h^2 + k^2 = \frac{64}{4}$$

$$h^2 + k^2 = 16$$

Put,

$$h = x, \quad k = y$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 16.$$

$\therefore$ The locus of the midpoint
is $x^2 + y^2 = 16.$

- 6) Find the equation of the locus of a point such that the sum of the squares of the distance from the points $(3, 5)$, $(1, -1)$ is equal to 20.

Sol: Let,

$P(h, k)$ be any point on the locus.

From the given data,

$$(PA)^2 + (PB)^2 = 20.$$

$$[(h-3)^2 + (k-5)^2] + [(h-1)^2 + (k+1)^2] = 20$$

$$(h^2 + 9 + k - 25) + (h^2 + 1 - 2h + k^2 + 1 + 2k) = 20$$

$$h^2 + 9 - 6h + k^2 + 25 - 10k + h^2 + 1 - 2h + k^2 + 1 + 2k = 20$$

$$2h^2 + 2k^2 - 8h - 8k + 16 = 0.$$

Divided by 2,

$$h^2 + k^2 - 4h - 4k + 8 = 0.$$

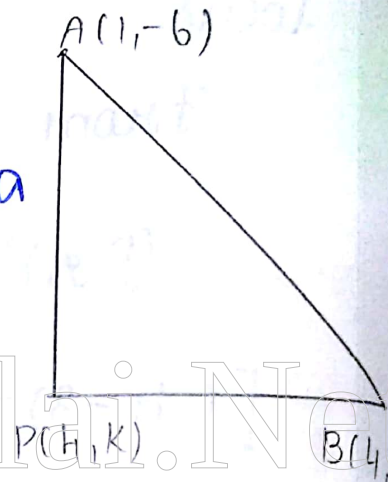
$$\text{Put, } h = x, \quad k = y$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 4y + 8 = 0.$$

7) Find the equation of the locus of the point P such that the line segment AB, joining the points A(1, -6) and B(4, -2), subtends a right angle at P.

Sol. Let, P(h, k) be a point on the locus.

From the given data and the picture,



$$AB^2 = AP^2 + BP^2$$

$$(1-4)^2 + (-6+2)^2 = (h-1)^2 + (k+6)^2 + (h-4)^2 + (k+2)^2$$

$$(3)^2 + (4)^2 = h^2 + 1 + 2h + k^2 + 36 + 12k + h^2 + 16 - 8h + k^2 + 4 + 4k$$

$$9 + 16 = h^2 + 1 + 2h + k^2 + 36 + 12k + h^2 + 16 - 8h + k^2 + 4 + 4k$$

$$2h^2 + 2k^2 - 10h + 16k + 32 = 0$$

Divided by 2,

$$h^2 + k^2 - 5h + 8k + 16 = 0$$

Put,

$$h = x$$

$$k = y$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 5x + 8y + 16 = 0.$$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 - 5x + 8y + 16 = 0.$$

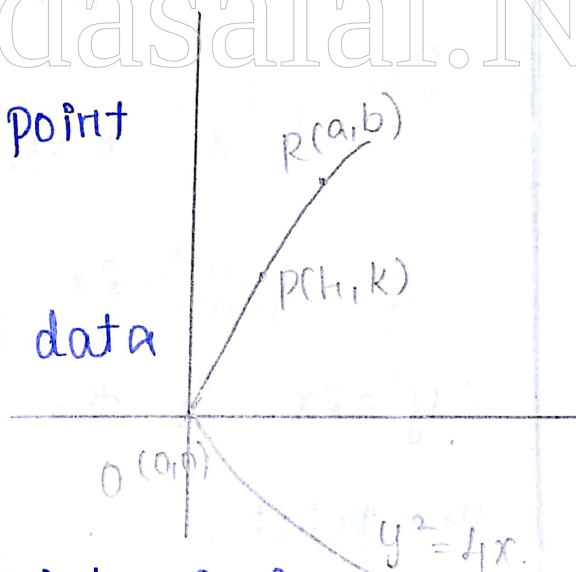
If O is origin and R is a variable point on $y^2 = 4x$, then find the equation of the locus of the mid-point of the line segment OR .

Sol

Let P be a point on the locus.

From the given data and picture,

$P(h, k)$ is midpoint of R and O .



$$h = \frac{a+0}{2}$$

$$2h = a$$

$$k = \frac{0+b}{2}$$

$$2k = b$$

$R(a, b)$ is the point on,

$$y^2 = 4x$$

$$b^2 = 4a$$

$$4k^2 = 8h$$

$$k^2 = \frac{8h}{4}$$

$$k^2 = 2h$$

Put,

$$h = x \quad k = y$$

$$y^2 = 2x.$$

$\therefore y^2 = 2x$ is the required locus of the point P.

- 9) The coordinates of a moving point P are $\left(\frac{a}{2} (\cos \theta + \sin \theta), \frac{b}{2} (\cos \theta - \sin \theta) \right)$ where θ is a variable parameter. Show that the equation of the locus P is $b^2 x^2 - a^2 y^2 = a^2 b^2$.

Sol

Let, $P(h, k)$ be the point on the locus.

$$h = \frac{a}{2} (\operatorname{cosec} \theta + \sin \theta)$$

$$\frac{2h}{a} = \operatorname{cosec} \theta + \sin \theta \rightarrow (1)$$

$$k = \frac{b}{2} (\operatorname{cosec} \theta - \sin \theta)$$

$$\frac{2k}{b} = (\operatorname{cosec} \theta - \sin \theta) \rightarrow (2)$$

Squaring the both equations,

$$\left(\frac{2h}{a}\right)^2 = \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\frac{4h^2}{a^2} = \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\left(\frac{2k}{b}\right)^2 = \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\frac{4k^2}{b^2} = \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \rightarrow (4)$$

Subtracting the equations 3 and 4,
3-4,

$$\frac{4h^2}{a^2} - \frac{4k^2}{b^2} = (\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta) - (\cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta)$$

$$\frac{4h^2}{a^2} - \frac{4k^2}{b^2} = \cos^4\theta + \sin^4\theta + 2\cos^2\theta\sin^2\theta + (-2\cos^4\theta - \sin^4\theta + 2\cos^2\theta\sin^2\theta)$$

$$\frac{4h^2}{a^2} - \frac{4k^2}{b^2} = 4 \cos^2\theta \sin^2\theta$$

$$\frac{4(h^2 - k^2)}{a^2 - b^2} = 4$$

$$\frac{h^2 - k^2}{a^2 - b^2} = \frac{4}{4}$$

$$\frac{h^2}{a^2} - \frac{k^2}{b^2} = 1.$$

$$h^2 b^2 - a^2 k^2 = a^2 b^2$$

Put, $h=x$, $k=y$

$$b^2 x^2 - a^2 y^2 = a^2 b^2$$

$\therefore$ It is the required locus of the Point.

If $P(2, -1)$ is a given point and Q is a point on $2x^2 + 9y^2 = 18$, then find the equations of the locus of the mid-point of PQ .

Sol

Let,

$Q(a, b)$ a

point on $2x^2 + 9y^2 = 18$.

$M(h, k)$ be the mid point of PQ .

$$h = \frac{a+2}{2}$$

$$2h = a+2$$

$$2h - 2 = a$$

$$k = \frac{b-1}{2}$$

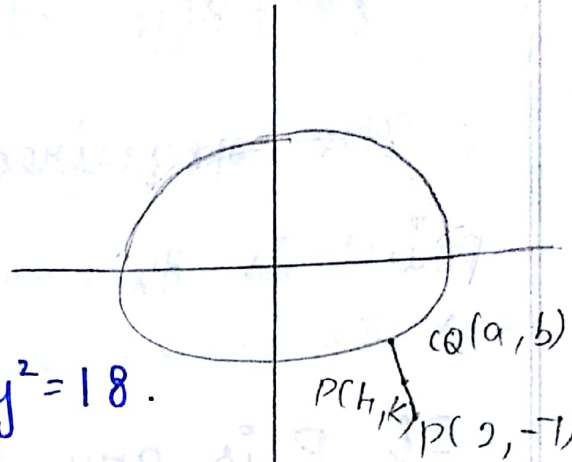
$$2k = b-1$$

$$2k + 1 = b$$

$Q(a, b)$ lies on,

$$2x^2 + 9y^2 = 18.$$

$$2(2h-2)^2 + 9(2k+1)^2 = 18$$



$$8H^2 + 36K^2 - 16H + 252K + 431 = 0.$$

Put, $h = x$ $k = y$

$$8x^2 + 36y^2 - 16x + 252y + 431 = 0.$$

$\therefore$ The required locus of the point is $8x^2 + 36y^2 - 16x + 252y + 431 = 0.$

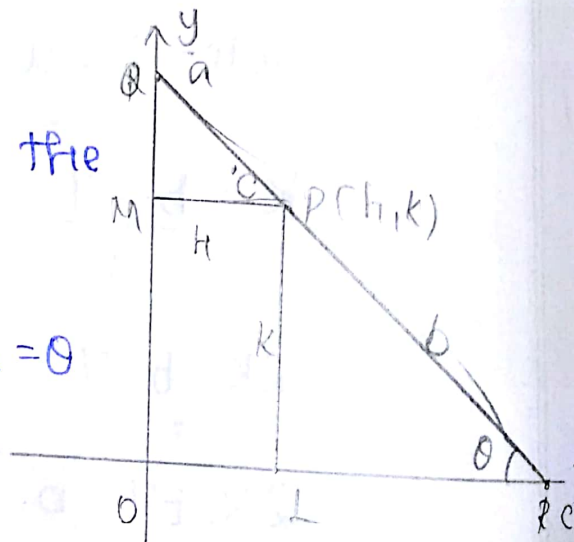
If R is any point on the x-axis and Q is any point on the y-axis and P is a variable point on RQ with

RP = b, PQ = a, then find the equation of locus of P.

Sol. Let P(h, k) be the point on PQ.

Such that $\angle ORQ = \theta$

$$\Delta PLR \quad \sin \theta = \frac{k}{b}$$



$$\Delta PMR \quad \cos \theta = \frac{h}{a}$$

$$PR = b, PQ = a$$

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

$$\frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} = 1$$

Put, $h=x$ $k=y$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1.$$

$\therefore$ The required equation of the locus of P is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1.$

- 12) If the point $P(6,2)$ and $Q(-2,1)$ and R are the vertices of a ΔPQR and R is the point on the locus $y = x^2 - 3x + 4$, then find the equation of the locus of centroid of ΔPQR .

Sol. Let,

$P(h,k)$ be the centroid of

ΔPQR .

Let, $P(6,2), Q(-2,1)$

$$h = \frac{6 - 2 + a}{3}$$

$$h = \frac{6-2+a}{3}$$

$$h = \frac{4+a}{3}$$

$$3h = 4+a$$

$$\boxed{3h - 4 = a}$$

$$k = \frac{2+1+b}{3}$$

$$k = \frac{3+b}{3}$$

$$3k = 3+b$$

$$\boxed{3k - 3 = b}$$

$R(a,b)$ is the point on the locus,

$$y = x^2 - 3x + 4$$

$$3k - 3 = (3h + 4)^2 - 3(3h + 4) + 4$$

$$3k - 3 = 9h^2 - 24h + 16 - 9h - 12 + 4$$

$$9h^2 - 33h - 3k + 35 = 0.$$

$\therefore$ The Required locus of the point.

If Q is a point on the locus of $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 3y + 7 = 0$, then find the equation of locus of P which divides segment OQ externally in the ratio 3:4, where O is origin.

Sol. Let, Q(a, b) be the point on $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 3y + 7 = 0$.

Let, P(h, k) be a point on locus.
Given,

P divides OQ externally in the ratio 3:4

$$(h, k) = \frac{3a - 4(0)}{-1}, \frac{3b - 4(0)}{-1}$$

$$h = \frac{3a - 0}{-1}$$

$$h = -3a$$

$$a = \frac{-h}{3}$$

$$k = -3b$$

$$b = \frac{-k}{3}$$

Q(a,b) lies on $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 3y + 7 = 0$.

$$\left(\frac{h}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{k}{3}\right)^2 - \frac{4h}{3} + \frac{3k}{3} + 7 = 0.$$

$$\frac{h^2}{9} + \frac{k^2}{9} - \frac{4h}{3} + k + 7 = 0.$$

Multiplied 9,

$$h^2 + k^2 - 12h + 9k + 63 = 0.$$

put $h = x$, $k = y$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 12x + 9y + 63 = 0.$$

$\therefore$ The Required Locus of the point is $x^2 + y^2 - 12x + 9y + 63 = 0$.

The sum of the distance of a moving point from the points (4,0) and (-4,0) is always 10 units. Find the equation of the locus of the moving point.

Sol

Let,

$P(h,k)$ be a point on the locus.

$$PA + PB = 10$$

$$\sqrt{(h-4)^2 + (k-0)^2} + \sqrt{(h+4)^2 + (k-0)^2} = 10$$

$$\sqrt{(h-4)^2 + k^2} = 10 - \sqrt{(h+4)^2 + k^2}$$

Squaring both sides,

$$(h-4)^2 + k^2 = 100 + (h+4)^2 + k^2$$

$$h^2 + 16 - 8h + k^2 = 100 + h^2 + 16 + 8h + k^2 - 20\sqrt{(h+4)^2 + k^2}$$

$$16h^2 + 625 + 200h = 25(h^2 + k^2 + 8h + 16)$$

$$16h^2 + 625 + 200h = 25h^2 + 25k^2 + 200h + 400$$

$$16h^2 + 625 - 25h^2 - 25k^2 = 400.$$

$$9h^2 - 25k^2 + 625 - 400 = 0.$$

$$9h^2 - 25k^2 - 225 = 0.$$

$$9h^2 + 25k^2 = 225.$$

Divided by 225,

$$\frac{h^2}{25} + \frac{k^2}{9} = 1.$$

Put, $h=x$, $k=y$

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

∴ The Locus of Point is $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1.$



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