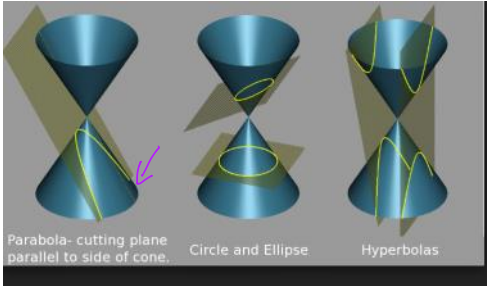


# Parabolas and Ellipses (and Hyperbolas)

## Goals:

1. To graph these conics.
2. To write a given conic in standard form



## Homework

1. See Announcement posted on Webassign
2. Watch YouTube Video for Section 8.5. Expect a quiz.

## Standard Form of a Parabola with vertex (h,k)

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

Focus point:  $p > 0$  (up),  $p < 0$  (down)  
 Vertex:  $V(h, k)$

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

$(x-h)^2 = y-k$   
 $(x-h)^2 = \frac{1}{a}(y-k)$   
 where  $a = \frac{1}{4p}$

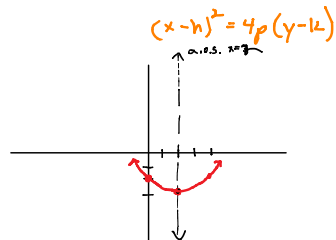
Example: Find the vertex, axis of symmetry and graph the parabola.

a)  $(x-2)^2 = 4(y+3)$

$V(2, -3)$   
 axis:  $x=2$   
 $4p=4$   
 $p=1 > 0$   

|   |    |
|---|----|
| x | y  |
| 0 | -2 |
| 4 | -2 |

 $4 = 4(y+3)$   
 $1 = y+3$   
 $y = -2$

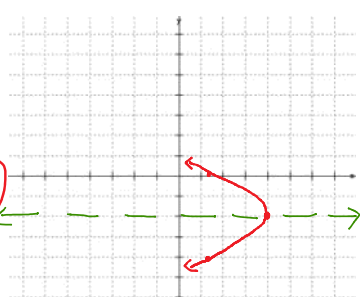


b)  $2y^2 + 3x + 8y - 4 = 0$

$2y^2 + 8y = -3x + 4$   
 $2(y^2 + 4y + 4) = -3x + 4 + 8$   
 $2(y+2)^2 = -3x + 12$   
 $\frac{2}{2}(y+2)^2 = \frac{-3}{2}(x-4)$

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

$a, o, s.$   
 $y = -2$



std. Form  $y = -1$

|                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| x              | y             |
| $1\frac{1}{3}$ | $\frac{4}{3}$ |
| $3\frac{1}{3}$ | -1            |
| $1\frac{1}{3}$ | -4            |

$-\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{2}(x-4)$   
 $-\frac{2}{3} = x - 4$   
 $x = 4 - \frac{2}{3}$   
 $\frac{12}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$

$y=0$  1st eqns

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

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

$V(4, -2)$       $\frac{1}{4}4p = \frac{-3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow p = \frac{-3}{8} < 0$

$$y=0 \text{ 1st eqns}$$

$$3x-4=0$$

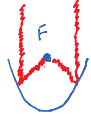
$$x = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$x = 4 - \frac{2}{3}$$

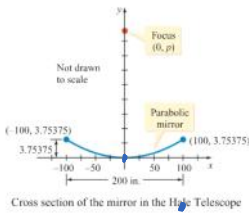
$$\frac{12}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{10}{3}$$

### Reflective Property of a Parabola



48. **The Hale Telescope** The parabolic mirror in the Hale Telescope at the Palomar Observatory in Southern California has a diameter of 200 inches and a concave depth of 3.75375 inches. Determine the location of its focus (to the nearest inch).



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

$$x^2 = 4py$$

$$\frac{(100)^2}{4(3.75375)} = \frac{4p(3.75375)}{4(3.75375)}$$

$$p = \frac{100^2}{(4 \cdot 3.75375)}$$

$$p \approx 666 \text{ inches}$$

$$x^2 = (4 \cdot 666)y$$

### Standard Equation of a Circle

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{r^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{r^2} = \frac{r^2}{r^2}$$

[center (h,k) radius = r]

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{r^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{r^2} = 1$$

### Standard Equations of an Ellipse with center (h,k)

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

major axis horizontal

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{b^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{a^2} = 1$$

major axis vertical

$a > b$

**Example:** Find the standard equation of the following ellipse and graph it.

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

graph like a circle

$$9x^2 + 4y^2 - 36x + 24y + 36 = 0$$

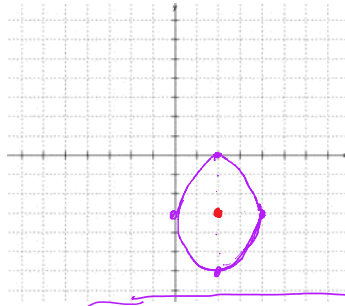
$$9x^2 - 36x + 4y^2 + 24y + 36 = 0$$

$$9x^2 - 36x + 36 + 4y^2 + 24y + 36 = -36$$

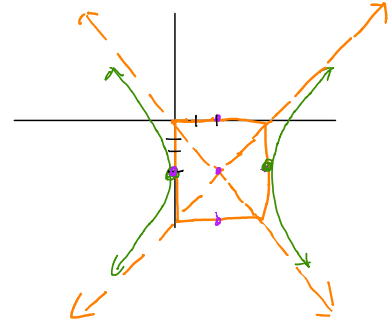
$$9(x^2 - 4x + 4) + 4(y^2 + 6y + 9) = -36 + 36 + 36$$

$$\frac{9(x-2)^2}{36} + \frac{4(y+3)^2}{36} = \frac{36}{36}$$

$$\frac{(x-2)^2}{36/9} + \frac{(y+3)^2}{36/4} = 1$$



ex  $\frac{(x-2)^2}{4} - \frac{(y+3)^2}{9} = 1$   
 center (2, -3) hyperbola

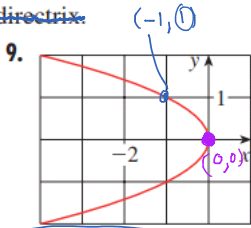


$$\frac{(x-2)^2}{4} + \frac{(y+3)^2}{9} = 1$$

center (2, -3)

$\sqrt{4} = 2$  left/right  
 $\sqrt{9} = 3$  up/down 3

**9-10** Find an equation of the parabola. Then find the focus and directrix.

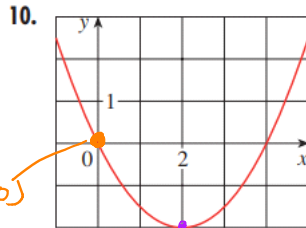


$$(y-k)^2 = 4p(x-h)$$

$$y^2 = 4px$$

$$1^2 = 4p(-1) \rightarrow -4p = 1$$

$$p = -\frac{1}{4}$$



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

$$(x-2)^2 = 4p(y+2)$$

$$4 = 4p(2)$$

$$p = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(x-2)^2 = 2(y+2)$$

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

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

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

$$(x-2)^2 = 4p(y+2)$$

$$4 = 4p(2)$$

$$p = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(x-2)^2 = 2(y+2)$$