

RECTANGULAR HYPERBOLA**1. Asymptote:**

A line that gradually approaches and becomes tangent at infinity is termed the asymptote of the curve. In the case of a hyperbola, the equation of the hyperbola and the combined equation of asymptotes vary only by a constant term, and the asymptotes pass through the center.

Let the hyperbola be $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Combined equation of asymptotes is

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 0 \Rightarrow y = \pm \frac{b}{a}x$$

2. Rectangular Hyperbola:

A hyperbola is termed a rectangular hyperbola if its asymptotes are perpendicular to each other.

$$\frac{b}{a} \times -\frac{b}{a} = -1 \Rightarrow b = a$$

$x^2 - y^2 = a^2$ is the equation of rectangular hyperbola whose asymptotes are $y = \pm x$ eccentricity of a rectangular hyperbola is always $\sqrt{2}$.

$$e = \sqrt{1 + \frac{b^2}{a^2}} = \sqrt{1+1} (\because b = a)$$

$$e = \sqrt{2}$$

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



All solutions of the form $x^2 - y^2 = a^2$ are derived by substituting $b = a$ in $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

3. Rectangular hyperbola whose asymptotes are the co-ordinate axes :

The equations for the x-axis and y-axis are $y = 0$ and $x = 0$, respectively.

The combined equation of the asymptotes is $xy = 0$.

The equation of a rectangular hyperbola with asymptotes along the coordinate axes is:

$$xy = c^2 \text{ or } xy = -c^2$$

$x^2 - y^2 = a^2$ is a rectangular hyperbola whose asymptotes are $y = \pm x$

Let the axes be rotated about the origin through an angle of 45° in a clockwise direction.

Putting

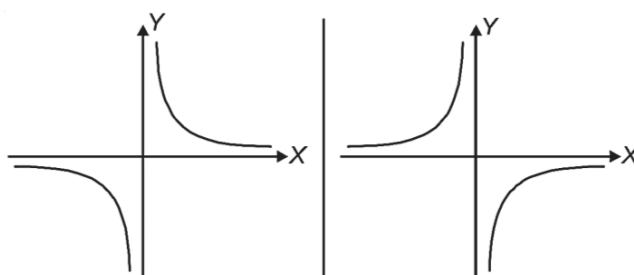
$$x = \frac{x+y}{\sqrt{2}}, y = \frac{-x+y}{\sqrt{2}}, \text{ we get}$$

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

$$4xy = 2a^2$$

$$xy = \frac{a^2}{2}$$

$$xy = c^2 \text{ whose } c^2 = \frac{a^2}{2}$$

**4. Parametric Form**

The parametric equation of the hyperbola $xy = c^2$ are $x = ct$ and $y = \frac{c}{t}$.

A general point of rectangular hyperbola $xy = c^2$ is $(ct, \frac{c}{t})$

5. Equation Of Tangent

- (a) The equation of tangent at (x_1, y_1) is $xy_1 + x_1y = 2c^2$ or $\frac{x}{x_1} + \frac{y}{y_1} = 2$
- (b) The equation of tangent at $(ct, \frac{c}{t})$ is $\frac{x}{t} + ty = 2c$

6. Equation Of The Normal

- (a) The equation of the normal at (x_1, y_1) is $xx_1 - yy_1 = x_1^2 - y_1^2$
- (b) The equation of the normal at $(ct, \frac{c}{t})$ is $t^3x - ty - ct^4 + c = 0$

Ex. Demonstrate that the equation $3x^2 - 3y^2 - 18x + 12y + 2 = 0$ represents a rectangular hyperbola. Determine its center, foci, and eccentricity.

Sol. The given equation is

$$\begin{aligned} 3x^2 - 3y^2 - 18x + 12y + 2 &= 0 \\ 3(x^2 - 6x) - 3(y^2 - 4y) + 2 &= 0 \\ 3(x^2 - 6x + 9) - 3(y^2 - 4y + 4) &= 13 \\ \frac{(x-3)^2}{\frac{13}{3}} - \frac{(y-2)^2}{\frac{13}{3}} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

This represents a hyperbola where the length of its transverse axis is equal to the length of the conjugate axis. $= \sqrt{\frac{13}{3}}$

Therefore, the provided hyperbola is a rectangular hyperbola.

The center of the hyperbola is located at $(3, 2)$, and its eccentricity is. $= \sqrt{2}$

The foci are $(3 \pm \sqrt{\frac{26}{3}}, 2)$.

Ex. Demonstrate that two concentric hyperbolas, with axes meeting at an angle of 45° , intersect orthogonally.

Sol. Consider the equation for the rectangular hyperbola as follows:

$$x^2 - y^2 = a^2 \quad \dots (1)$$

Considering that the asymptotes of one hyperbola are the axes of the other, and vice versa, the equation of the other hyperbola can be expressed as:

$$xy = c^2 \quad \dots (2)$$

Suppose the intersection point of the two hyperbolas (1) and (2) is denoted as $P(a \sec\theta, a \tan\theta)$.

The equations for the tangent at point P to hyperbolas (1) and (2) are given, respectively, by:

$$x - y \sin \alpha = a \cos \alpha$$

$$y + x \sin \alpha = \frac{2c^2}{a} \cos \alpha$$

In this observation, we note that the product of the slopes of the tangents to the hyperbolas is...

$$= \frac{1}{\sin \alpha} \times -\sin \alpha = -1$$

The tangents are perpendicular, implying that the two hyperbolas intersect orthogonally.