



Class XI : Maths Chapter 10 : Conic Sections

Questions and Solutions | Exercise 10.1 - NCERT Books

Question 1:

Find the equation of the circle with centre (0, 2) and radius 2

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The equation of a circle with centre (h, k) and radius r is given as

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

It is given that centre (h, k) = (0, 2) and radius (r) = 2.

Therefore, the equation of the circle is

$$(x-0)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 2^2$$

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

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

Question 2:

Find the equation of the circle with centre (-2, 3) and radius 4

The equation of a circle with centre (h, k) and radius r is given as

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

It is given that centre (h, k) = (-2, 3) and radius (r) = 4.

Therefore, the equation of the circle is

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

$$x^2 + 4x + 4 + y^2 - 6y + 9 = 16$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 6y - 3 = 0$$

Question 3:

Find the equation of the circle with centre $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$ and radius $\frac{1}{12}$

The equation of a circle with centre (h, k) and radius r is given as $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$

It is given that centre
$$(h, k) = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4})$$
; and radius $(r) = \frac{1}{12}$.





$$\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^{2} + \left(y - \frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} = \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)^{2}$$

$$x^{2} - x + \frac{1}{4} + y^{2} - \frac{y}{2} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{1}{144}$$

$$x^{2} - x + \frac{1}{4} + y^{2} - \frac{y}{2} + \frac{1}{16} - \frac{1}{144} = 0$$

$$144x^{2} - 144x + 36 + 144y^{2} - 72y + 9 - 1 = 0$$

$$144x^{2} - 144x + 144y^{2} - 72y + 44 = 0$$

$$36x^{2} - 36x + 36y^{2} - 18y + 11 = 0$$

$$36x^{2} + 36y^{2} - 36x - 18y + 11 = 0$$

Question 4:

Find the equation of the circle with centre (1, 1) and radius $\sqrt{2}$ Answer

The equation of a circle with centre (h, k) and radius r is given as $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$

It is given that centre (h, k) = (1, 1) and radius $(r) = \sqrt{2}$. Therefore, the equation of the circle is

$$(x-1)^{2} + (y-1)^{2} = (\sqrt{2})^{2}$$
$$x^{2} - 2x + 1 + y^{2} - 2y + 1 = 2$$
$$x^{2} + y^{2} - 2x - 2y = 0$$

Question 5:

Find the equation of the circle with centre (-a, -b) and radius $\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}$

Answer

The equation of a circle with centre (h, k) and radius r is given as $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$

It is given that centre (h, k) = (-a, -b) and radius $(r) = \sqrt{a^2 - b^2}$. Therefore, the equation of the circle is





$$(x+a)^{2} + (y+b)^{2} = (\sqrt{a^{2}-b^{2}})^{2}$$
$$x^{2} + 2ax + a^{2} + y^{2} + 2by + b^{2} = a^{2} - b^{2}$$
$$x^{2} + y^{2} + 2ax + 2by + 2b^{2} = 0$$

Question 6:

Find the centre and radius of the circle $(x + 5)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 36$

Answer

The equation of the given circle is $(x + 5)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 36$.

$$(x + 5)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow \{x - (-5)\}^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 6^2, \text{ which is of the form } (x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2, \text{ where } h = -5, k = 3, \text{ and } r = 6.$$

Thus, the centre of the given circle is (-5, 3), while its radius is 6.

Question 7:

Find the centre and radius of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 8y - 45 = 0$

Answer

The equation of the given circle is $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 8y - 45 = 0$.

$$x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 8y - 45 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 - 4x) + (y^2 - 8y) = 45$$

$$\Rightarrow \{x^2 - 2(x)(2) + 2^2\} + \{y^2 - 2(y)(4) + 4^2\} - 4 - 16 = 45$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 65$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)^2 + (y-4)^2 = (\sqrt{65})^2, \text{ which is of the form } (x-h)^2 + (y-k)^2 = r^2, \text{ where } h = 2, k = 4, \text{ and } r = \sqrt{65}.$$

Thus, the centre of the given circle is (2, 4), while its radius is $\sqrt{65}$.

Question 8:

Find the centre and radius of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 10y - 12 = 0$

Answer

The equation of the given circle is $x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 10y - 12 = 0$.

$$x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 10y - 12 = 0$$





$$\Rightarrow (x^{2} - 8x) + (y^{2} + 10y) = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow \{x^{2} - 2(x)(4) + 4^{2}\} + \{y^{2} + 2(y)(5) + 5^{2}\} - 16 - 25 = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 4)^{2} + (y + 5)^{2} = 53$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 4)^{2} + \{y - (-5)\}^{2} = (\sqrt{53})^{2}, \text{ which is of the form } (x - h)^{2} + (y - k)^{2} = r^{2}, \text{ where } h$$

$$= 4, k = -5, \text{ and } r = \sqrt{53}.$$

Thus, the centre of the given circle is (4, -5), while its radius is $\sqrt{53}$.

Question 9:

Find the centre and radius of the circle $2x^2 + 2y^2 - x = 0$

Answer

The equation of the given circle is $2x^2 + 2y^2 - x = 0$.

$$2x^{2} + 2y^{2} - x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x^{2} - x) + 2y^{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\left[\left(x^{2} - \frac{x}{2}\right) + y^{2}\right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{x^{2} - 2x\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{2}\right\} + y^{2} - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} + (y - 0)^{2} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{2}, \text{ which is of the form } (x - h)^{2} + (y - k)^{2} = r^{2}, \text{ where } h = \frac{1}{4}, k = 0, \text{ and}$$

$$r = \frac{1}{4}.$$

Thus, the centre of the given circle is $\left(\frac{1}{4},0\right)$, while its radius is $\frac{1}{4}$.

Question 10:

Find the equation of the circle passing through the points (4, 1) and (6, 5) and whose centre is on the line 4x + y = 16.

Answer

Let the equation of the required circle be $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$.





Since the circle passes through points (4, 1) and (6, 5),

$$(4-h)^2 + (1-k)^2 = r^2 \dots (1)$$

$$(6-h)^2 + (5-k)^2 = r^2 \dots (2)$$

Since the centre (h, k) of the circle lies on line 4x + y = 16,

$$4h + k = 16 \dots (3)$$

From equations (1) and (2), we obtain

$$(4-h)^2 + (1-k)^2 = (6-h)^2 + (5-k)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 16 - 8h + h² + 1 - 2k + k² = 36 - 12h + h² + 25 - 10k + k²

$$\Rightarrow$$
 16 - 8h + 1 - 2k = 36 - 12h + 25 - 10k

$$\Rightarrow 4h + 8k = 44$$

$$\Rightarrow h + 2k = 11 ... (4)$$

On solving equations (3) and (4), we obtain h = 3 and k = 4.

On substituting the values of h and k in equation (1), we obtain

$$(4-3)^2 + (1-4)^2 = r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 (1)² + (-3)² = r^2

$$\Rightarrow$$
 1 + 9 = r^2

$$\Rightarrow r^2 = 10$$

$$r = \sqrt{10}$$

Thus, the equation of the required circle is

$$(x-3)^2 + (y-4)^2 = (\sqrt{10})^2$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 + y^2 - 8y + 16 = 10$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 8y + 15 = 0$$

Question 11:

Find the equation of the circle passing through the points (2, 3) and (-1, 1) and whose centre is on the line x - 3y - 11 = 0.

Answer

Let the equation of the required circle be $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$.

Since the circle passes through points (2, 3) and (-1, 1),

$$(2-h)^2 + (3-k)^2 = r^2 \dots (1)$$

$$(-1 - h)^2 + (1 - k)^2 = r^2 \dots (2)$$

Since the centre (h, k) of the circle lies on line x - 3y - 11 = 0,





$$h - 3k = 11 \dots (3)$$

From equations (1) and (2), we obtain

$$(2-h)^2 + (3-k)^2 = (-1-h)^2 + (1-k)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 - 4h + h^2 + 9 - 6k + k^2 = 1 + 2h + h^2 + 1 - 2k + k^2$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 4 - 4h + 9 - 6k = 1 + 2h + 1 - 2k

$$\Rightarrow 6h + 4k = 11 \dots (4)$$

On solving equations (3) and (4), we obtain
$$h = \frac{7}{2}$$
 and $k = \frac{-5}{2}$

On substituting the values of h and k in equation (1), we obtain

$$\left(2 - \frac{7}{2}\right)^2 + \left(3 + \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 = r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{4-7}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{6+5}{2}\right)^2 = r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{-3}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{11}{2}\right)^2 = r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{4} + \frac{121}{4} = r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{130}{4} = r^2$$

Thus, the equation of the required circle is

$$\left(x-\frac{7}{2}\right)^2 + \left(y+\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{130}{4}$$

$$\left(\frac{2x-7}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2y+5}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{130}{4}$$

$$4x^2 - 28x + 49 + 4y^2 + 20y + 25 = 130$$

$$4x^2 + 4y^2 - 28x + 20y - 56 = 0$$

$$4(x^2 + y^2 - 7x + 5y - 14) = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 7x + 5y - 14 = 0$$

Question 12:

Find the equation of the circle with radius 5 whose centre lies on x-axis and passes through the point (2, 3).





Answer

Let the equation of the required circle be $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$.

Since the radius of the circle is 5 and its centre lies on the x-axis, k = 0 and r = 5.

Now, the equation of the circle becomes $(x - h)^2 + y^2 = 25$.

It is given that the circle passes through point (2, 3).

$$(2-h)^2 + 3^2 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow (2-h)^2 = 25-9$$

$$\Rightarrow (2-h)^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow 2-h=\pm\sqrt{16}=\pm4$$

If
$$2 - h = 4$$
, then $h = -2$.

If
$$2 - h = -4$$
, then $h = 6$.

When h = -2, the equation of the circle becomes

$$(x + 2)^2 + y^2 = 25$$

$$x^2 + 4x + 4 + y^2 = 25$$

$$x^2 + v^2 + 4x - 21 = 0$$

When h = 6, the equation of the circle becomes

$$(x-6)^2 + y^2 = 25$$

$$x^2 - 12x + 36 + v^2 = 25$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 12x + 11 = 0$$

Question 13:

Find the equation of the circle passing through (0, 0) and making intercepts a and b on the coordinate axes.

Answer

Let the equation of the required circle be $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$.

Since the centre of the circle passes through (0, 0),

$$(0-h)^2 + (0-k)^2 = r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow h^2 + k^2 = r^2$$

The equation of the circle now becomes $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = h^2 + k^2$.

It is given that the circle makes intercepts a and b on the coordinate axes. This means that the circle passes through points (a, 0) and (0, b). Therefore,

$$(a - h)^2 + (0 - k)^2 = h^2 + k^2 \dots (1)$$





$$(0-h)^2 + (b-k)^2 = h^2 + k^2 \dots (2)$$

From equation (1), we obtain

$$a^2 - 2ah + h^2 + k^2 = h^2 + k^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 2ah = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a - 2h) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 0 \text{ or } (a - 2h) = 0$$

However, $a \neq 0$; hence, $(a - 2h) = 0 \Rightarrow h = \frac{a}{2}$.

From equation (2), we obtain

$$h^2 + b^2 - 2bk + k^2 = h^2 + k^2$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 2bk = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b(b-2k)=0$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 0 \text{ or}(b - 2k) = 0$$

However, $b \neq 0$; hence, $(b - 2k) = 0 \Rightarrow k = \frac{b}{2}$.

Thus, the equation of the required circle is

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

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{2x-a}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2y-b}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{a^2+b^2}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - 4ax + a^2 + 4y^2 - 4by + b^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 4y^2 - 4ax - 4by = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - ax - by = 0$$

Question 14:

Find the equation of a circle with centre (2, 2) and passes through the point (4, 5).

Answer

The centre of the circle is given as (h, k) = (2, 2).

Since the circle passes through point (4, 5), the radius (r) of the circle is the distance between the points (2, 2) and (4, 5).

$$\therefore r = \sqrt{(2-4)^2 + (2-5)^2} = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-3)^2} = \sqrt{4+9} = \sqrt{13}$$





Thus, the equation of the circle is

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

$$(x-2)^{2} + (y-2)^{2} = (\sqrt{13})^{2}$$

$$x^{2} - 4x + 4 + y^{2} - 4y + 4 = 13$$

$$x^{2} + y^{2} - 4x - 4y - 5 = 0$$

Question 15:

Does the point (-2.5, 3.5) lie inside, outside or on the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 25$?

Answer

The equation of the given circle is $x^2 + y^2 = 25$.

$$x^2 + y^2 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-0)^2 + (y-0)^2 = 5^2$$
, which is of the form $(x-h)^2 + (y-k)^2 = r^2$, where $h = 0$, $k = 0$, and $k = 0$.

∴Centre = (0, 0) and radius = 5

Distance between point (-2.5, 3.5) and centre (0, 0)

$$= \sqrt{(-2.5 - 0)^2 + (3.5 - 0)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{6.25 + 12.25}$$

$$= \sqrt{18.5}$$

$$= 4.3 \text{ (approx.)} < 5$$

Since the distance between point (-2.5, 3.5) and centre (0, 0) of the circle is less than the radius of the circle, point (-2.5, 3.5) lies inside the circle.