

Ellipse

Single Correct Answer Type

1. If a variable tangent of the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ intersect the ellipse $x^2 + 2y^2 = 4$ at P and Q then the locus of the points of intersection of the tangents at P and Q is
- A. a circle of radius 2 units
 B. a parabola with focus as (2, 3)
 C. an ellipse with eccentricity $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$
 D. an ellipse with length of latus rectum is 2 units

Key. D

Sol. $x^2 + y^2 = 1; x^2 + 2y^2 = 4$

Let $R(x_1, y_1)$ is pt of intersection of tangents drawn at P,Q to ellipse

$\Rightarrow PQ$ is chord of contact of $R(x_1, y_1)$

$\Rightarrow xx_1 + 2yy_1 - 4 = 0$

This touches circle $\Rightarrow r^2(\ell^2 + m^2) = n^2$

$\Rightarrow 1(x_1^2 + 4y_1^2) = 16$

$\Rightarrow x^2 + 4y^2 = 16$ is ellipse $e = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}; LL' = 2$

2. A circle $S = 0$ touches a circle $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 6y - 23 = 0$ internally and the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 8y + 19 = 0$ externally. The locus of centre of the circle $S = 0$ is conic whose eccentricity is k then $\left[\frac{1}{k} \right]$ is where [.] denotes G.I.F

- A. 7 B. 2 C. 0 D. 3

Key. A

Sol. $c_1(2, -3)r_1 = 6$

$c_2(2, -4)r_2 = 1$

Let C is the center of $S = 0$

$$\therefore \left. \begin{matrix} CC_1 = r_1 - r \\ CC_2 = r_1 + r \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow CC_1 + CC_2 = r_1 + r_2$$

\therefore Locus is an ellipse whose foci are (2, -3) & (2, -4)

$$e = \frac{2ae}{2a} = \frac{c_1 c_2}{r_1 + r_2} = \frac{1}{7} \Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{7}$$

3. If circum centre of an equilateral triangle inscribed in $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ with vertices having eccentric angles α, β, γ respectively is (x_1, y_1) then $\sum \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sum \sin \alpha \sin \beta =$

- A. $\frac{9x_1^2}{a^2} + \frac{9y_1^2}{b^2} + \frac{3}{2}$ B. $9x_1^2 - 9y_1^2 + a^2 b^2$ C. $\frac{9x_1^2}{2a^2} + \frac{9y_1^2}{2b^2} - \frac{3}{2}$ D. $\frac{9x_1^2}{a^2} + \frac{9y_1^2}{b^2} + 3$

Key. C

Sol. $(x_1, y_1) = \left(\frac{a \sum \cos \alpha}{3}, \frac{b \sum \sin \alpha}{3} \right)$

$$\sum \cos \alpha = \frac{3x_1}{a} \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\sum \sin \alpha = \frac{3y_1}{b} \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

Squaring & adding

4. The ratio of the area enclosed by the locus of mid-point of PS and area of the ellipse where P is any point on the ellipse and S is the focus of the ellipse, is

- A. $\frac{1}{2}$ B. $\frac{1}{3}$ C. $\frac{1}{5}$ D. $\frac{1}{4}$

Key. D

Sol. Ellipse equation is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, Area = πab

Let $P = (a \cos \theta, b \sin \theta)$

$S = (ae, 0)$

M(h,k) mid point of PS

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{ae + a \cos \theta}{2}; k = \frac{b \sin \theta}{2}$$

$$= \frac{h - \frac{ae}{2}}{a/2} + \frac{k^2}{(b^2/4)} = 1, \text{ locus of (h,k) is ellipse}$$

$$\text{Area} = \pi \left(\frac{a}{2}\right) \left(\frac{b}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4} \pi ab$$

5. How many tangents to the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 3$ are there which are normal to the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

- A) 3 B) 2 C) 1 D) 0

Key. D

Sol. Equation of normal at $p(3\cos\theta, 2\sin\theta)$ is $3x \sec\theta - 2y \operatorname{cosec}\theta = 5$

$$\frac{5}{\sqrt{9\sec^2\theta + 4\operatorname{cosec}^2\theta}} = \sqrt{3}$$

But Min. of $9\sec^2\theta + 4\operatorname{cosec}^2\theta = 25$

\therefore no such θ^{-1} exists.

6. If the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2-3} + \frac{y^2}{a+4} = 1$ is inscribed in a square of side length $a\sqrt{2}$ then a is

- A) 4 B) 2 C) 1 D) None of these

Key. D

Sol. Sides of the square will be perpendicular tangents to the ellipse so, vertices of the square will lie on director circle. So diameter of director circle is

$$2\sqrt{(a^2-3) + (a+4)} = \sqrt{2a^2 + 2a^2}$$

$$2\sqrt{a^2 + a + 1} = 2a \Rightarrow a = -1$$

But for ellipse $a^2 > 3$ & $a > -4$

So a cannot take the value '-1'

7. Let 'O' be the centre of ellipse for which A,B are end points of major axis and C,D are end points of minor axis, F is focus of the ellipse. If in radius of ΔOCF is '1' then $|AB| \times |CD| =$

- A) 65 B) 52 C) 78 D) 47

Key. A

Sol. $r = \frac{\Delta}{S} \Rightarrow \Delta = S$

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

$$ae = 6 \Rightarrow 6b = 6 + b + \sqrt{36 + b^2} \Rightarrow b = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2(1 - e^2) = \frac{25}{4} \Rightarrow a^2 - 36 = \frac{25}{4} \Rightarrow a = \frac{13}{2}$$

8. If the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{1} = 1$ meet the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{1} + \frac{y^2}{a^2} = 1$ in four distinct points and

$a = b^2 - 10b + 25$, then the value b does not satisfy

1. $(-\infty, 4)$ 2. $(4, 6)$ 3. $(6, \infty)$ 4. $[4, 6]$

Key. 4

Sol. $a > 1$

9. The perimeter of a triangle is 20 and the points $(-2, -3)$ and $(-2, 3)$ are two of the vertices of it. Then the locus of third vertex is :

1. $\frac{(x-2)^2}{49} + \frac{y^2}{40} = 1$ 2. $\frac{(x+2)^2}{49} + \frac{y^2}{40} = 1$ 3. $\frac{(x+2)^2}{40} + \frac{y^2}{49} = 1$ 4.

$$\frac{(x-2)^2}{40} + \frac{y^2}{49} = 1$$

Key. 3

Sol. $PA + PB + AB = 20$ where A & B are foci

10. Tangents are drawn from any point on the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 41$ to the Ellipse $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$ then

the angle between the two tangents is

1. $\frac{\pi}{4}$ 2. $\frac{\pi}{3}$ 3. $\frac{\pi}{6}$ 4. $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Key. 4

Sol. Director circle

11. The area of the parallelogram formed by the tangents at the points whose eccentric angles

are $\theta, \theta + \frac{\pi}{2}, \theta + \pi, \theta + \frac{3\pi}{2}$ on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is

1. ab 2. $4ab$ 3. $3ab$ 4. $2ab$

Key. 2

Sol. Put $\theta = 0^\circ$

12. A normal to $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ meets the axes in L and M. The perpendiculars to the axes through

L and M intersect at P. Then the equation to the locus of P is

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

Key. 4

Sol. $P = (x_1, y_1), \frac{x}{x_1} + \frac{y}{y_1} = 1$ Apply normal condition

13. The points of intersection of the two ellipse $x^2 + 2y^2 - 6x - 12y + 23 = 0, 4x^2 + 2y^2 - 20x - 12y + 35 = 0$

1. Lie on a circle centered at $(\frac{8}{3}, 3)$ and of radius $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{47}{2}}$
2. Lie on a circle centered at $(\frac{8}{3}, -3)$ and of radius $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{47}{3}}$
3. Lie on a circle centered at $(8, 9)$ and of radius $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{47}{2}}$
4. Are not concyclic

Key. 1

Sol. If $S_1 = 0$ and $S_2 = 0$ are the equations, Then $\lambda S_1 + S_2 = 0$ is a second degree curve passing through the points of intersection of $S_1 = 0$ and $S_2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda + 4)x^2 + 2(\lambda + 1)y^2 - 2(3\lambda + 10)x - 12(\lambda + 1)y + (23\lambda + 35) = 0$$

For it to be a circle, choose λ such that the coefficients of x^2 and y^2 are equal $\therefore \lambda = 2$

This gives the equation of the circle as

$$6(x^2 + y^2) - 32x - 36y + 81 = 0 \{u \sin g(1)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - \frac{16}{3}x - 6y + \frac{27}{2} = 0$$

Its centre is $C(\frac{8}{3}, 3)$ and radius is

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{64}{9} + 9 - \frac{27}{2}} = \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{47}{2}}$$

14. In a model, it is shown that an arc of a bridge is semi elliptical with major axis horizontal. If the length of the base is 9m and the highest part of the bridge is 3m from the horizontal; then the height of the arch, 2m from the centre of the base is (in meters)

1. $\frac{8}{3}$ 2. $\frac{\sqrt{65}}{3}$ 3. $\frac{\sqrt{56}}{3}$ 4. $\frac{9}{3}$

Key. 2

Sol. Let the equation of the semi elliptical are be $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 (y > 0)$

Length of the major axis = $2a = 9 \Rightarrow a = 9/2$

So the equation of the arc becomes $\frac{4x^2}{81} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

If $x=2$, then $y^2 = \frac{65}{9} \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{65}$

15. If a tangent of slope 2 of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is normal to the circle

$x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 1 = 0$ then the maximum value of ab is

1. 2 2. 4 3. 6 3. Can n't be found

Key. 2

Sol. A tangent of slope 2 is $y = 2x \pm \sqrt{4a^2 + b^2}$ this is normal to $x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 1 = 0$ then

$0 = -4 \pm \sqrt{4a^2 + b^2} \Rightarrow 4a^2 + b^2 = 16$ using $Am \geq GM$

$ab \leq 4$

16. The distance between the polars of the foci of the Ellipse $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ w.r.to itself is

1. $\frac{25}{2}$ 2. $\frac{25}{9}$ 3. $\frac{25}{8}$ 4. $\frac{25}{3}$

Key. 1

Sol. $\frac{2a}{e}$

17. An ellipse passing through origin has its foci at (5, 12) and (24, 7). Then its eccentricity is

1. $\frac{\sqrt{386}}{38}$ 2. $\frac{\sqrt{386}}{39}$ 3. $\frac{\sqrt{386}}{47}$ 4. $\frac{\sqrt{386}}{51}$

Key. 1

Sol. Conceptual

18. If $e = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$, its length of latusrectum is

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| 1. $\frac{1}{2}$ (length of major axis) | 2. $\frac{1}{3}$ (length of major axis) |
| 3. $\frac{1}{4}$ (length of major axis) | 4. Length of major axis |

Key. 3

Sol. $LLR = \frac{2b^2}{a}$

19. Number of normals that can be drawn from the point (0, 0) to $3x^2+2y^2=30$ are

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| 1. 2 | 2. 4 | 3. 1 | 4. 3 |
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Key. 2

Sol. It is centre

20. A tangent to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ cuts the axes in M and N. Then the least length of MN is

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| 1. a + b | 2. a - b | 3. $a^2 + b^2$ | 4. $a^2 - b^2$ |
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Key. 1

Sol. Standard

21. $P(\theta), D\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ are two points on the Ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ Then the locus of point of intersection of the two tangents at P and D to the ellipse is

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| 1. $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{1}{4}$ | 2. $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 4$ | 3. $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 2$ | 4. $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{1}{2}$ |
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Key. 3

Sol. $\frac{x}{a} \cos \theta + \frac{y}{b} \sin \theta = 1 \rightarrow 1\text{eq}$

$\frac{x}{a} \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta\right) + \frac{y}{b} \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta\right) = 1 \rightarrow 2\text{eq}$

Eliminate θ from 1 and 2

22. The abscissae of the points on the ellipse $9x^2+25y^2-18x-100y-116=0$ lie between

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| 1. 3, -5 | 2. -4, 6 | 3. 5, 7 | 4. 2, 5 |
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Key. 2

Sol. $-5 \geq x - 1 \leq 5$

23. Tangents to the ellipse $b^2x^2+a^2y^2=a^2b^2$ makes angles θ_1 and θ_2 with major axis such that $\cot \theta_1 + \cot \theta_2 = k$. Then the locus of the point of intersection is

1. $xy=2k(y^2+b^2)$ 2. $2xy=k(y^2-b^2)$ 3. $4xy=k(y^2-b^2)$ 4. $8xy=k(y^2-b^2)$

Key. 2

Sol. Apply sum of the slopes = $\frac{2x_1y_1}{x_1^2 - a^2}$

24. The equation $\frac{x^2}{10-a} + \frac{y^2}{4-a} = 1$ represents an ellipse if

1. $a < 4$ 2. $a > 4$ 3. $4 < a < 10$ 4. $a > 10$

Key. 1

Sol. $10 - a > 0, 4 - a > 0$

25. The locus of the feet of the perpendiculars drawn from the foci of the ellipse $S=0$ to any tangent to it is

1. a circle 2. an ellipse 3. a hyperbola 4. not a conic

Key. 1

Sol. Standard

26. If the major axis is "n" ($n > 1$) times the minor axis of the ellipse, then eccentricity is

1. $\frac{\sqrt{n-1}}{n}$ 2. $\frac{\sqrt{n-1}}{n^2}$ 3. $\frac{\sqrt{n^2-1}}{n^2}$ 4. $\frac{\sqrt{n^2-1}}{n}$

Key. 4

Sol. $2a = n(2b)$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\therefore e = \sqrt{\frac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}} =$$

$$\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{n^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{n^2 - 1}}{n}$$

27. If $(\sqrt{3})bx + ay = 2ab$ is tangent to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, then eccentric angle θ is

1. $\frac{\pi}{4}$ 2. $\frac{\pi}{6}$ 3. $\frac{\pi}{2}$ 4. $\frac{\pi}{3}$

Key. 2

Sol. Equation of tangent at a point $(a \cos \theta, b \sin \theta)$ is $\frac{x}{a} \cos \theta + \frac{y}{b} \sin \theta = 1$

But, it is the same as $\frac{x \sqrt{3}}{a \cdot 2} + \frac{y \cdot 1}{b \cdot 2} = 1$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

28. If PSQ is a focal chord of the ellipse $16x^2 + 25y^2 = 400$ such that SP = 8 then the length of SQ =

1. 2 2. $\frac{11}{3}$ 3. 16 4. 25

Key. 1

Sol. $\frac{1}{SP} + \frac{1}{SQ} = \frac{2a}{b^2}$

29. A man running round a race course notes that the sum of the distances of two flag posts from him is 8 meters. The area of the path he encloses in square meters if the distance between flag posts is 4 is

1. $15\sqrt{3}\pi$ 2. $12\sqrt{3}\pi$ 3. $18\sqrt{3}\pi$ 4. $8\sqrt{3}\pi$

Key. 4

Sol. Area = πab

30. The locus of point of intersection of the two tangents to the ellipse $b^2x^2 + a^2y^2 = a^2b^2$ which makes an angle 60° with one another is

1. $4(x^2 + y^2 - a^2 - b^2)^2 = 3(b^2x^2 + a^2y^2 - a^2b^2)$
 2. $3(x^2 + y^2 - a^2 - b^2)^2 = 4(b^2x^2 + a^2y^2 - a^2b^2)$
 3. $3(x^2 + y^2 - a^2 - b^2)^2 = 2(b^2x^2 + a^2y^2 - a^2b^2)$
 4. $3(x^2 + y^2 - a^2 - b^2)^2 = (b^2x^2 + a^2y^2 - a^2b^2)$

Key. 2

Sol. $Tan\theta = \frac{2ab\sqrt{S_{11}}}{x_1^2 + y_1^2 - a^2 - b^2}$

31. If the equation of the chord joining the points $P(\theta)$ and $D\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ on $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is

$$x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p \text{ then } a^2 \cos^2 \alpha + b^2 \sin^2 \alpha =$$

1. $4p^2$ 2. p^2 3. $\frac{p^2}{2}$ 4. $2p^2$

Key. 4

Sol. $\frac{x}{a} \cos \left(\frac{\theta + \theta + \frac{\pi}{2}}{2} \right) + \frac{y}{b} \sin \left(\frac{\theta + \theta + \frac{\pi}{2}}{2} \right)$

$$= \cos \left(\frac{\theta - \theta - \frac{\pi}{2}}{2} \right) \rightarrow 1 \text{eq}$$

$$x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = P \rightarrow 2 \text{eq}$$

$$(1) = (2)$$

32. The locus of mid point of chords of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ which passes through the foot of the directrix from focus is

1. $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{ex}{a^2}$ 2. $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{x}{ae}$ 3. $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{x}{a^2e}$ 4. $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{x}{ae^2}$

Key. 2

Sol. $S_1 = S_{11}$ passes through $\left(\frac{a}{e}, 0 \right)$

33. Consider two points A and B on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$, circles are drawn having segments of tangents at A and B in between tangents at the two ends of major axis of ellipse as diameter, then the length of common chord of the circles is

- A) 8 B) 6 C) 10 D) $4\sqrt{2}$

Key. A

Sol. All such circles pass through foci \therefore The common chord is of the length $2ae$

$$10 \times \frac{4}{5} = 8$$

34. If 'CF' is the perpendicular from the centre C of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ on the tangent

at any point P and G is the point where the normal at P meets the major axis, then

CF.PG is

- A) b^2 B) $2b^2$ C) $\frac{b^2}{2}$ D) $3b^2$

Key. A

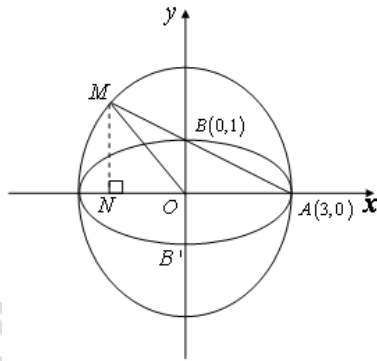
Sol. $CF = \frac{ab}{\sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta}}$ $PG = \frac{b}{a} \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta}$

35. The line passing through the extremity A of the major axis and extremity B of the minor axis of the ellipse $x^2 + 9y^2 = 9$, meets its auxiliary circle at the point M. Then the area of the triangle with vertices at A, M and the origin 'O' is

- A) $\frac{31}{10}$ B) $\frac{29}{10}$ C) $\frac{21}{10}$ D) $\frac{27}{10}$

Key. D

Sol. Equation of given ellipse is $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{1} = 1$
 Equation of auxiliary circle is $x^2 + y^2 = 9$(1)
 Equation of line AB is $\frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{1} = 1 \Rightarrow x = 3(1 - y)$



Putting this in (1), we get $9(1 - y)^2 + y^2 = 9 \Rightarrow 10y^2 - 18y = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0, \frac{9}{5}$

Thus, y coordinate of 'M' is $\frac{9}{5}$

$\Delta OAM = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(OA)(MN) = \frac{1}{2}(3)\frac{9}{5} = \frac{27}{10}$

36. The normal at an end of a latus rectum of the ellipse $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1$ passes through an end of the minor axis if

- (a) $e^4 + e^2 = 1$ (b) $e^3 + e^2 = 1$ (c) $e^2 + e = 1$ (d) $e^3 + e = 1$

Key. A

Sol. Given ellipse equation is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Let $P\left(ae, \frac{b^2}{a}\right)$ be one end of latus rectum.

Slope of normal at $P\left(ae, \frac{b^2}{a}\right) = \frac{1}{e}$

Equation of normal is

$$y - \frac{b^2}{a} = \frac{1}{e}(x - ae)$$

It passes through $B'(0, b)$ then

$$b - \frac{b^2}{a} = -a$$

$$a^2 - b^2 = -ab$$

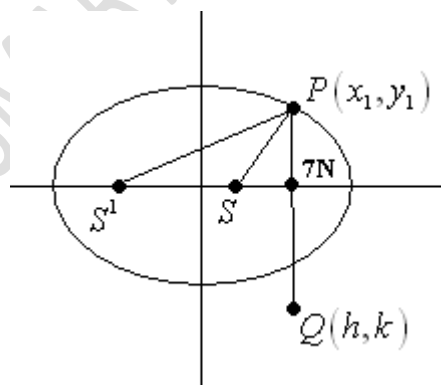
$$a^4 e^4 = a^2 b^2$$

$$e^4 + e^2 = 1$$

37. From any point P lying in first quadrant on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$, PN is drawn perpendicular to the major axis such that N lies on major axis. Now PN is produced to the point Q such that NQ equals to PS, where S is a focus. The point Q lies on which of the following lines

- (A) $2y - 3x - 25 = 0$ (B) $3x + 5y + 25 = 0$
 (C) $2x - 5y - 25 = 0$ (D) $2x - 5y + 25 = 0$

Key. B



Sol.

$$a^2 = 25$$

$$b^2 = 16$$

$$e = \sqrt{\frac{25-16}{25}} = \frac{3}{5}$$

Let point Q be (h, k), where $K < 0$

Given that $|K| = a + eh$ (as $x_1 = h$)

$$-y = a + ex$$

$$-y = 5 + \frac{3}{5}x$$

$$3x + 5y + 25 = 0$$

38. A circle of radius 'r' is concentric with the Ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$. Then inclination of common tangent with major axis is _____ ($b < r < a$)

1. $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$ 2. $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{rb}{a}\right)$ 3. $\tan^{-1}\sqrt{\frac{r^2 - b^2}{a^2 - r^2}}$ 4. $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Key. 3

Sol. The tangent of Ellipse is $y = mx + \sqrt{a^2m^2 + b^2}$, this line touches $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$

Condition is $\left| \frac{\sqrt{a^2m^2 + b^2}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} \right| = r$

$$a^2m^2 + b^2 = r^2m^2 + r^2$$

$$m^2(a^2 - r^2) = r^2 - b^2 \Rightarrow m^2 = \frac{r^2 - b^2}{a^2 - r^2}$$

$$m = \sqrt{\frac{r^2 - b^2}{a^2 - r^2}}$$

Inclination is $\tan^{-1}\sqrt{\frac{r^2 - b^2}{a^2 - r^2}}$

39. A circle cuts the X-axis and Y-axis such that intercept on X-axis is a constant a and intercept on Y-axis is a constant b. Then eccentricity of locus of centre of circle is

1. 1 2. $\frac{1}{2}$ 3. $\sqrt{2}$ 4. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

Key. 3

Sol. Locus of centre of circle is a rectangular hyperbola hence its eccentricity is $\sqrt{2}$

40. Consider two points A and B on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$, circles are drawn having segments of tangents at A and B in between tangents at the two ends of major axis of ellipse as diameter, then the length of common chord of the circles is

- A) 8 B) 6 C) 10 D) $4\sqrt{2}$

Key. A

Sol. All such circles pass through foci \therefore The common chord is of the length $2ae$

$$10 \times \frac{4}{5} = 8$$

41. If 'CF' is the perpendicular from the centre C of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ on the tangent at any point P and G is the point where the normal at P meets the major axis, then CF.PG is

- A) b^2 B) $2b^2$ C) $\frac{b^2}{2}$ D) $3b^2$

Key. A

Sol. $CF = \frac{ab}{\sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta}}$ $PG = \frac{b}{a} \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta}$

42. The line passing through the extremity A of the major axis and extremity B of the minor axis of the ellipse $x^2 + 9y^2 = 9$, meets its auxiliary circle at the point M. Then the area of the triangle with vertices at A, M and the origin 'O' is

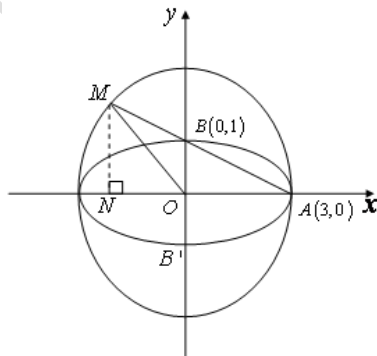
- A) $\frac{31}{10}$ B) $\frac{29}{10}$ C) $\frac{21}{10}$ D) $\frac{27}{10}$

Key. D

Sol. Equation of given ellipse is $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{1} = 1$

Equation of auxiliary circle is $x^2 + y^2 = 9$(1)

Equation of line AB is $\frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{1} = 1 \Rightarrow x = 3(1 - y)$



Putting this in (1), we get $9(1-y)^2 + y^2 = 9 \Rightarrow 10y^2 - 18y = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0, \frac{9}{5}$

Thus, y coordinate of 'M' is $\frac{9}{5}$

$$\Delta OAM = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(OA)(MN) = \frac{1}{2}(3)\frac{9}{5} = \frac{27}{10}$$

43. If $2x^2 + y^2 - 24y + 80 = 0$ then maximum value of $x^2 + y^2$ is

- A. 20
- B. 40
- C. 200
- D. 400

Key. D

Sol. Given equation is $2x^2 + y^2 - 24y + 80 = 0$

$$2x^2 + (y-12)^2 = 64$$

$$\frac{x^2}{32} + \frac{(y-12)^2}{64} = 1$$

If is an ellipse with center (0, 12)

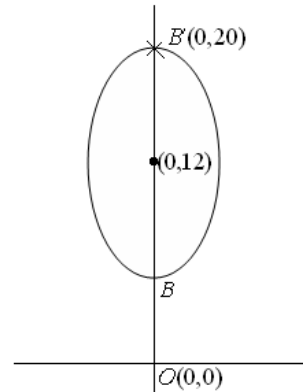
If (x, y) is any point on this distance from origin is $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

$x^2 + y^2$ is max if $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ is

max

$B^1(1, \infty)$ is at max distance from 0

$$\therefore \max(x^2 + y^2) = 400$$



44. An ellipse whose foci (2, 4) (14, 9) touches x-axis then its eccentricity is

- A. $\frac{13}{\sqrt{313}}$
- B. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{313}}$
- C. $\frac{2}{\sqrt{313}}$
- D. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}$

Key. A

Sol. Equation of auxiliary circle $(x-8)^2 + \left(y-\frac{13}{2}\right)^2 = a^2$

(2, 0) lies on it

$$36 + \frac{169}{4} = a^2 \Rightarrow \frac{313}{4} = a^2$$

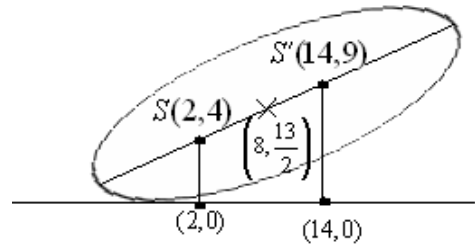
$$a = \frac{\sqrt{313}}{2}$$

But $SS' = 2ae$

$$\sqrt{144 + 25} = 2ae$$

$$13 = 2ae$$

$$e = \frac{13}{2a} = \frac{13}{\sqrt{313}}$$



45. A circle of radius 2 is concentric with the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{7} + \frac{y^2}{3} = 1$ then inclination of common tangent with X-axis

- A. $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- B. $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- C. $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- D. $\frac{\pi}{6}$

Key. D

Sol. tangent is $y = mx + \sqrt{7m^2 + 3}$

$$\frac{x^2}{7} + \frac{y^2}{3} = 1$$

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

It is also touching $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

$$\frac{\sqrt{7m^2 + 3}}{\sqrt{m^2 + 1}} = 2$$

$$7m^2 + 3 = 4m^2 + 4$$

$$m^2 = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow m = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore \tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

46. The points of intersection of two ellipses $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ and $\frac{x^2}{\alpha^2} + \frac{y^2}{\beta^2} = 1$ be at the extremities

of conjugate diameters of $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ then $\frac{a^2}{\alpha^2} + \frac{b^2}{\beta^2} =$

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

Key. B

Sol. Clearly $P(a \cos \theta, b \sin \theta)$ $Q(-a \sin \theta, b \cos \theta)$ are extremities of conjugate diameters of

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

P and Q lies on $\frac{x^2}{\alpha^2} + \frac{y^2}{\beta^2} = 1$

$$\frac{a^2 \cos^2 \theta}{\alpha^2} + \frac{b^2 \sin^2 \theta}{\beta^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{a^2 \sin^2 \theta}{\alpha^2} + \frac{b^2 \cos^2 \theta}{\beta^2} = 1$$

$$(+)\quad \frac{a^2}{\alpha^2} + \frac{b^2}{\beta^2} = 2$$

47. From the focus $(-5, 0)$ of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{45} + \frac{y^2}{20} = 1$ a ray of light is sent which makes angle $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)$ with the positive direction of X-axis upon reacting the ellipse the ray is reflected from it. Slope of the reflected ray is
 A) $-3/2$ B) $-7/3$ C) $-5/4$ D) $-2/11$

Key. D

Sol. Let $\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}}\right) \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}} \Rightarrow \tan \theta = -2$

Foci are $(\pm 5, 0)$

Equation of line through $(-5, 0)$ with slope -2 is $y - 0 = -2(x + 5) \Rightarrow y = -2x - 10$

This line meets the ellipse above X-axis at $(-6, 2)$

$$\therefore \text{Slope} = \frac{2 - 0}{-6 - (-5)} = -\frac{2}{11}$$

48. If $f(x)$ is a decreasing function for all $x \in R$ and $f(x) > 0 \forall x \in R$ then the range of K so that the equation $\frac{x^2}{f(K^2 + 2K + 5)} + \frac{y^2}{f(K + 11)} = 1$ represents an ellipse whose major axis is the X-axis is
 A) $(-2, 3)$ B) $(-3, 2)$
 C) $(-\infty, -3) \cup (2, \infty)$ D) $(-\infty, -2) \cup (3, \infty)$

Key. B

Sol. Conceptual

49. P, Q are points on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$ such that PQ is a chord through the point $R(3, 0)$. If $|PR| = 2$ then length of chord PQ is
 A) 8 B) 6 C) 10 D) 4

Key. C

Sol. Conceptual

50. Let $Q = (3, \sqrt{5}), R = (7, 3\sqrt{5})$. A point P in the XY-plane varies in such a way that perimeter of ΔPQR is 16. Then the maximum area of ΔPQR is
 A) 6 B) 12 C) 18 D) 9

Key. B

Sol. P lies on the ellipse for which Q, R are foci and length of major axis is 10 and eccentricity is $3/5$.

Ellipse

Integer Answer Type

1. Any ordinate MP of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ meets the auxiliary circle of Q; then locus of the point of intersection of normals of P and Q to the respective curves is a circle of radius ____

Key. 8

Sol. The locus is $x^2 + y^2 = 64$

2. The distance between the directrices of the ellipse $(4x - 8)^2 + 16y^2 = (x + \sqrt{3}y + 10)^2$ is K then $\frac{K}{2}$ is

Key. 8

Sol. $(x - 2)^2 + y^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \frac{(x + \sqrt{3}y + 10)^2}{4}$

$$(h, k) = (z, 0), e = 1/2$$

Perpendicular distance from $(2, 0)$ to $x + \sqrt{3}y + 10 = 0$ is $\frac{a}{e} - ae$

$$2a - \frac{a}{2} = 6 \Rightarrow a = 4$$

Distance between directrics = $\frac{2a}{e} = 16 = K$

3. A circle concentric to an ellipse $\frac{4x^2}{289} + \frac{4y^2}{\lambda^2} = 1 \left(\lambda < \frac{17}{2} \right)$ passes through foci F_1 and F_2 cuts the ellipse at 'P' such that area of triangle P $F_1 F_2$ is 30 sq.units. If $F_1 F_2 = 13K$ where $K \in \mathbb{Z}$ then K =

Key. 1

Sol. Since F_1 & F_2 are the ends of the diameter

$$\text{Area of } \Delta PF_1 F_2 = \frac{1}{2} (F_1 P)(F_2 P) = \frac{1}{2} x(17 - x) = 30 \Rightarrow x = 5 \text{ or } 12 \Rightarrow F_1 F_2 = 13$$

4. If F_1, F_2 are the feet of the perpendiculars from foci S_1, S_2 of the ellipse $16x^2 + 25y^2 = 400$ on the tangent at any point P on the ellipse then minimum value of $S_1 F_1 + S_2 F_2$ is

Key. 8

Sol. The minimum perpendiculars from two foci upon any tangent is b^2

$$S_1F_1 \cdot S_2F_2 = 16$$

$$AM \geq GM \Rightarrow \frac{S_1F_1 + S_2F_2}{2} \geq \sqrt{S_1F_1 \times S_2F_2} \Rightarrow S_1F_1 + S_2F_2 \geq 8$$

5. The equation of an ellipse is given by $5x^2 + 5y^2 - 6xy - 8 = 0$. If r_1, r_2 are distances of points on the ellipse which are at maximum & minimum distance from origin then $r_1 + r_2 =$

Key. 3

Sol. Any point on ellipse at a distance r from origin is $(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)$

$$\Rightarrow r^2 = \frac{8}{5 - 3 \sin 2\theta} \text{ is maximum if } 5 - 3 \sin 2\theta \text{ is minimum } \Rightarrow r^2 = 4$$

$$r^2 \text{ is minimum if } (5 - 3 \sin 2\theta) \text{ is maximum} = 8 \Rightarrow r^2 = 1$$

$$r_1 + r_2 = 2 + 1 = 3$$

6. The equation of the curve on reflection of the ellipse $\frac{(x-4)^2}{16} + \frac{(y-3)^2}{9} = 1$ about the line $x - y - 2 = 0$ is $16x^2 + 9y^2 + ax - 36y + b = 0$ then the value of $a + b - 125 =$

Key. 7

Sol. Let $P(4, 0)$ & $Q(0, 3)$ are two points on given ellipse E_1

P_1 and Q_1 are images of P, Q w.r.to $x - y - 2 = 0$

$\therefore P_1(2, 2)$ $Q_1(5, -2)$ lies on E_2

$$\therefore a = -160, b = 292$$

7. Number of points on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{50} + \frac{y^2}{20} = 1$ from which pair of perpendicular tangents are drawn to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ is

Key. 4

Sol. Director circle of $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ is $x^2 + y^2 = 25$

The director circle will cut the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{50} + \frac{y^2}{20} = 1$ at 4 points.

8. If L be the length of common tangent to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$ and the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 16$ intercepted by the coordinate axis then $\frac{\sqrt{3}L}{2}$ is

Key. 7

Sol. The equation of the tangent at $(5\cos\theta, 2\sin\theta)$ is $\frac{x}{5}\cos\theta + \frac{y}{2}\sin\theta = 1$

If it is a tangent to the circle then $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{\cos^2\theta}{25} + \frac{\sin^2\theta}{4}}} = 4$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = \frac{10}{4\sqrt{7}}, \sin\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{7}}$$

Let A and B be the points where the tangent meets the coordinate axis then

$$A\left(\frac{5}{\cos\theta}, 0\right), B\left(0, \frac{2}{\sin\theta}\right)$$

$$L = \sqrt{\frac{25}{\cos^2\theta} + \frac{4}{\sin^2\theta}} = \frac{14}{\sqrt{3}}$$

9. An ellipse is sliding along the coordinate axes. If the foci of the ellipse are (1, 1) and (3, 3) then the area of the director circle of the ellipse is $K\pi$. Then K = __

Key. 7

Sol. Since axes are tangents, $b^2 = 3$ and $ae = \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow a^2 - b^2 = 2 \therefore a^2 = 5$

10. Tangents are drawn from points on the line $x - y + 2 = 0$ to the ellipse $x^2 + 2y^2 = 2$, then all the chords of contact pass through the point whose distance from $\left(2, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ is

Key. 3

Sol. Consider any point $(t_1, t + 2)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$ on the line $x - y + 2 = 0$

The chord of contact of ellipse with respect to this point is $x(t) + 2y(t + 2) - 2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (4y - 2) + t(x + 2y) = 0, y = \frac{1}{2}, x = -1$$

Hence, the point is $\left(-1, \frac{1}{2}\right)$, Where distance from $\left(2, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ is 3.

11. If P and Q are the ends of a pair of conjugate diameters and C is the centre of the ellipse $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36$ then the area of ΔCPQ in square units.

Key. 3

Sol. $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$, so $P = (3\cos\theta, 2\sin\theta)$ and $Q = \left(3\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta\right), 2\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta\right)\right)$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle CPQ = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 3\cos\theta & 2\sin\theta & 1 \\ -3\sin\theta & 2\cos\theta & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3.$$

12. The maximum distance from the origin to any normal chord drawn to the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1 \text{ is}$$

Key. 3

Sol. The other end of the normal drawn at $P(t)$ in $Q\left(t - \frac{2a^2}{t}, \frac{2b^2}{t}\right)$

If A is the vertex, slope of AP slope AQ = -1

$$P \frac{2(-2)}{t - \frac{2a^2}{t}} = -1 \Rightarrow t^2 + 2 = 4 \Rightarrow t^2 = 2$$

13. The area of the quadrilateral formed by the tangents at the end point of latus rectum to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{5} = 1$ is $3K$. Then K is equal to

Key. 9

Sol. $e = 2/3$

Equation of tangent at L is $\frac{2x}{9} + \frac{y}{3} = 1$ it meets x-axis at $A\left(\frac{9}{2}, 0\right)$ & y axis at $B(0, 3)$.

$$\therefore \text{area} = 4 \left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{9}{2} \cdot 3 \right] = 27$$

14. If a tangent of slope 2 of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is normal to the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 1 = 0$, then the maximum value of ab is _____

Key. 4

Sol. A tangent of slope 2 is $y = 2x \pm \sqrt{4a^2 + b^2} \rightarrow (1)$

This is normal to the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 1 = 0$

i.e., (1) passes through $(-2, 0) \Rightarrow 4a^2 + b^2 = 16$

$$\text{Using AM} \geq \text{GM} \Rightarrow \frac{4a^2 + b^2}{2} \geq \sqrt{4a^2 \cdot b^2} \Rightarrow ab \leq 4$$

15. If a line through $P(a, 2)$ meets the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$ at A and D and meets the axes at B and C, so that PA, PB, PC, PD are in G.P., then the minimum value of $|a|$ is....

Key. 6

Sol. $\frac{x-a}{\cos \theta} = \frac{y-2}{\sin \theta} = r$ ($a+r \cos \theta, 2+r \sin \theta$) lies on ellipse for A and D.

$$\frac{(a+r \cos \theta)^2}{9} + \frac{(2+r \sin \theta)^2}{4} = 1 \Rightarrow r_1 r_2 = PA.PD$$

PA, PB, PC, PD are in G.P PA. PD = PB. PC. etc.....

16. The number of values of c such that the straight line $y = 4x + c$ touches the curve

$$x^2 / 4 + y^2 = 1 \text{ is } K \text{ then } K = \dots\dots\dots$$

Key. 2

Sol. If $y = mx + c$ is tangent to $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ then

$$C^2 = a^2 m^2 + b^2$$

$$y = 4x + c, \quad \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{1} = 1$$

$$C = \pm \sqrt{65}$$

17. Tangent is drawn to ellipse $x^2 / 27 + y^2 = 1$ at $(3\sqrt{3} \cos \theta, \sin \theta)$ (where $\theta \in (0, \pi / 2)$). Then the value of θ such that sum of intercepts on coordinate axes made by this tangent is least is

$$\frac{\pi}{K} \text{ then } K =$$

Key. 6

Sol. $\frac{x^2}{27} + \frac{y^2}{1} = 1, P(3\sqrt{3} \cos \theta, \sin \theta)$

$$\frac{3\sqrt{3} \cos \theta}{27} + \frac{\sin \theta y}{1} = 1$$

$$A\left(\frac{3\sqrt{3} \cos \theta}{27}, 0\right), B = \left(0, \frac{1}{\sin \theta}\right)$$

$$f(\theta) = 3\sqrt{3} \sec \theta + \cos \theta$$

$$f'(\theta) = \frac{3\sqrt{3} \sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} - \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^3 \theta = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^3$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

18. The maximum distance from the origin to any normal chord drawn to the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1 \text{ is}$$

Key. 3

Sol. The other end of the normal drawn at P(t) in $Q\left(\frac{ae}{t}, t - \frac{2b^2}{t}\right)$

If A is the vertex, slope of AP slope AQ = -1

$$P\left(\frac{2}{t}, \frac{(-2)}{t}\right) = -1 \Rightarrow t^2 + 2 = 4 \Rightarrow t^2 = 2$$

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Key. 9

Sol. $e = 2/3$

Equation of tangent at L is $\frac{2x}{9} + \frac{y}{3} = 1$ it meets x-axis at $A\left(\frac{9}{2}, 0\right)$ & y axis at B(0, 3).

$$\therefore \text{area} = 4 \left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{9}{2} \cdot 3 \right] = 27$$

20. If a tangent of slope 2 of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is normal to the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 1 = 0$, then the maximum value of ab is _____

Key. 4

Sol. A tangent of slope 2 is $y = 2x \pm \sqrt{4a^2 + b^2} \rightarrow (1)$

This is normal to the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 1 = 0$

i.e., (1) passes through $(-2, 0) \Rightarrow 4a^2 + b^2 = 16$

$$\text{Using AM} \geq \text{GM} \Rightarrow \frac{4a^2 + b^2}{2} \geq \sqrt{4a^2 \cdot b^2} \Rightarrow ab \leq 4$$