

Properties of Ellipses

1) Governing equation :

$$r[\phi] := 1 / (c * (1 + e * \cos[\phi]))$$

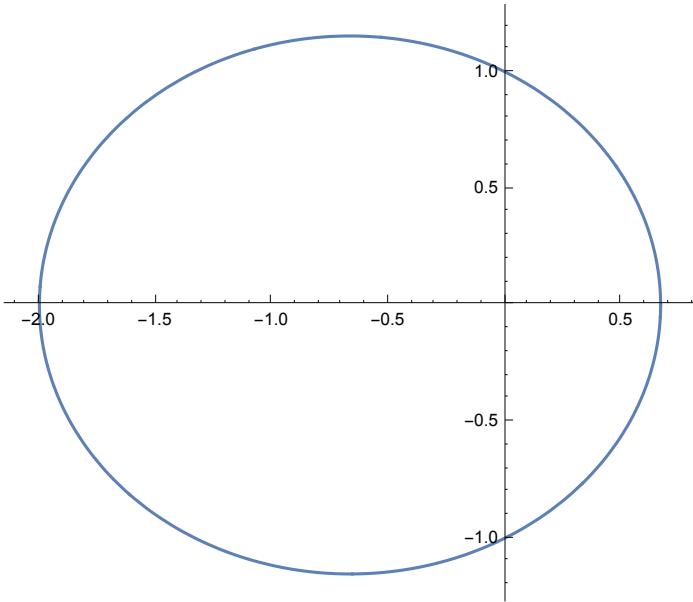
$$c = 1$$

$$1$$

$$e = 0.5$$

$$0.5$$

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ParametricPlot[{r[ph] * Cos[ph], r[ph] * Sin[ph]}, {ph, 0, 2 * Pi}]
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Clear[c, e]
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rmin = r[0]
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$$\frac{1}{c (1 + e)}$$

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rmax = r[Pi]
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$$\frac{1}{c (1 - e)}$$

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a = FullSimplify[1/2 * (rmin + rmax)]
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$$\frac{1}{c - c e^2}$$

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offs = Simplify[a - rmin]
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$$\frac{e}{c - c e^2}$$

$a \cdot e$ which is the distance between the center in the middle of r_{\min} and $r_{\max} (= O')$ and O (origin of coordinate system in which r and ϕ are defined).

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Clear[a]
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$$cc = \text{Solve}\left[\frac{1}{c - c e^2} - a == 0, c\right]$$

$$\left\{\left\{c \rightarrow -\frac{1}{a (-1 + e^2)}\right\}\right\}$$

$$c = \frac{1}{a (1 - e^2)}$$

$$\frac{1}{a (1 - e^2)}$$

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r[xx]
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$$\frac{a (1 - e^2)}{1 + e \cos[xx]}$$

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Simplify[offs]
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$a e$

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phib = Solve[r[ph] * Cos[ph] == -a * e, ph, Reals]
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$$\left\{\left\{ph \rightarrow \text{ConditionalExpression}[-\text{ArcCos}[-e] + 2 \pi C[1], C[1] \in \text{Integers} \& -1 < e < 1]\right\}, \left\{ph \rightarrow \text{ConditionalExpression}[\text{ArcCos}[-e] + 2 \pi C[1], C[1] \in \text{Integers} \& -1 < e < 1]\right\}\right\}$$

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rb = r[ArcCos[-e]]
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a

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b = Sqrt[rb^2 - (a * e)^2]
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$$\sqrt{a^2 - a^2 e^2}$$

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b = a * Sqrt[1 - e^2]
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$$a \sqrt{1 - e^2}$$

c = 1

1

e = 0.5

0.5

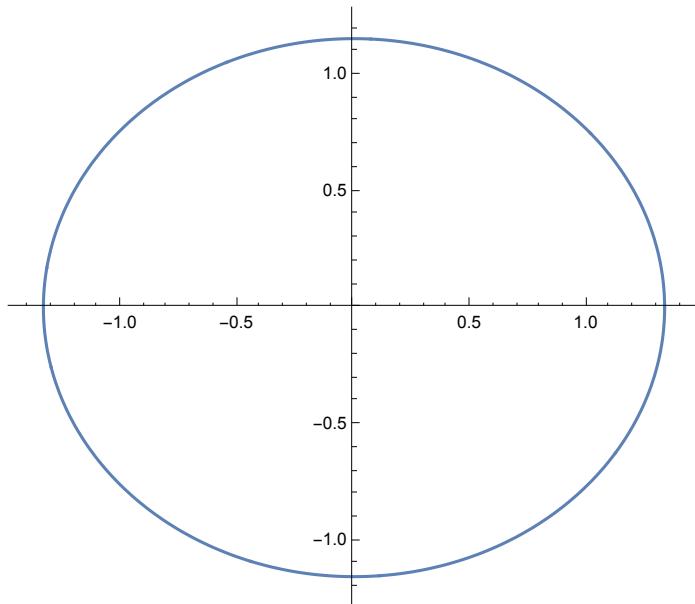
$$a = \frac{1}{c - c e^2}$$

1.33333

$a * e$

0.666667

ParametricPlot[{a * Cos[ph], b * Sin[ph]}, {ph, 0, 2 * Pi}]



Clear[a, e, c]

$$c = \frac{1}{a(1 - e^2)}$$

$$\frac{1}{a(1 - e^2)}$$

x[phi_] := r[phi] * Cos[phi]

y[phi_] := r[phi] * Sin[phi]

xp[phi_] := x[phi] + a * e

yp[phi_] := y[phi]

Simplify[xp[ph]^2 / a^2 + yp[ph]^2 / b^2]

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This is the standard equation for an ellipse with major half axis a , minor half axis b , and centered on the origin of the (xp, yp) coordinate system. Finally, we introduce the vector rp from the mirror point $-ae$ to the point on the circumference

rp[phi_] := Sqrt[(xp[phi] + a * e)^2 + (yp[phi])^2]

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Simplify[rp[ph]]

$$\sqrt{\frac{a^2 (1 + e^2 + 2 e \cos[ph])^2}{(1 + e \cos[ph])^2}}$$


FullSimplify[rp[ph], {a > 0, 1 + e Cos[ph] > 0, 1 + e^2 + 2 e Cos[ph] > 0}]

$$\frac{a (1 + e^2 + 2 e \cos[ph])}{1 + e \cos[ph]}$$


r[ph]

$$\frac{a (1 - e^2)}{1 + e \cos[ph]}$$


Simplify[r[ph] + rp[ph], {a > 0, 1 + e Cos[ph] > 0, 1 + e^2 + 2 e Cos[ph] > 0}]
2 a

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This is the third generating relationship for an ellipse.

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cospsi[phi_] := xp[phi] / a

Simplify[cospsi[ph]]

$$\frac{e + \cos[ph]}{1 + e \cos[ph]}$$


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