Coordinate Geometry JEE Main PYQ - 2

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Coordinate Geometry

1. Image of point P (1, 2, a) with respect to line mirror $\frac{x-6}{3} = \frac{y-7}{2} = \frac{z-7}{-2}$ is point Q (5, b, c), then value of $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$ is : (+4, -1)

a. 293

b. 298

c. 283

d. 264

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2. Let one end of focal chord of the parabola $y^2 = 16x$ be $(16, 16)$. If $P(\alpha, \beta)$ divides this focal chord internally in the ratio $5 : 2$, then the minimum value of $\alpha + \beta$ is equal to (+4, -1)

a. 7

b. 22

c. 5

d. 16

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3. Let O be the vertex of the parabola $y^2 = 16x$. The locus of the centroid of $\triangle OPA$, when point P lies on the parabola and point A lies on the x-axis such that $\angle OPA = 90°$, is: (+4, -1)

a. $y^2 = 8(3x - 16)$

b. $9y^2 = 8(3x - 16)$

c. $y^2 = 8(3x + 16)$

d. $9y^2 = 8(3x + 16)$

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4. The area enclosed by (+4, -1)

$$x^2 + 4y^2 \leq 4, \qquad y \leq |x| - 1, \qquad y \geq 1 - |x|$$

is equal to:

a. $4\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)+\frac{6}{5}$

b. $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)-\frac{6}{5}$

c. $4\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)+\frac{12}{5}$

d. $4\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)-\frac{6}{5}$

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5. If O is the vertex of the parabola $x^2=4y$, Q is a point on the parabola. If C is the locus of the point which divides OQ in the ratio $2:3$, then the equation of the chord of C which is bisected at the point $(1,2)$ is: (+4, -1)

a. $5x+4y+3=0$

b. $5x-4y-3=0$

c. $5x-4y+3=0$

d. $5x+4y-3=0$

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6. Ellipse $E: \frac{x^2}{36}+\frac{y^2}{16}=1$. A hyperbola is confocal with the ellipse and the eccentricity of the hyperbola is equal to 5. If the principal axis of the hyperbola is the x-axis, then the length of the latus rectum of the hyperbola is: (+4, -1)

a. $\frac{96}{\sqrt{5}}$

b. $24\sqrt{5}$

c. $18\sqrt{5}$

d. $12\sqrt{5}$

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7. If the area of the triangle formed by the positive x-axis, the normal and the tangent to the circle $(x-2)^2+(y-3)^2=25$ at the point $(5,7)$ is A, then $24A$ is equal to _______ (+4, -1)

8. Let a, b, c be in arithmetic progression. Let the centroid of the triangle with vertices (a, c), (2, b) and (a, b) be (10/3, 7/3). If α, β are the roots of the equation $ax^2 + bx + 1 = 0$, then the value of $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - \alpha\beta$ is : (+4, -1)

   a. 69/256

   b. 71/256

   c. 69/256

   d. 71/256

9. A square ABCD has all its vertices on the curve $x^2y^2 = 1$. The midpoints of its sides also lie on the same curve. Then, the square of area of ABCD is ___________. (+4, -1)

10. Choose the correct statement about two circles whose equations are given below : $x^2 + y^2 - 10x - 10y + 41 = 0$; $x^2 + y^2 - 22x - 10y + 137 = 0$ (+4, -1)

   a. circles have two meeting points

   b. circles have no meeting point

   c. circles have only one meeting point

   d. circles have same centre

11. If α, β are natural numbers such that $100^\alpha - 199\beta = (100)(100) + (99)(101) + (98)(102) + \cdots + (1)(199)$, then the slope of the line passing through (α, β) and origin is : (+4, -1)

   a. 510

   b. 530

   c. 540

d. 550

12. The point P (a, b) undergoes the following three transformations successively : (+4, -1)
(a) reflection about the line y=x.
(b) translation through 2 units along the positive direction of x-axis.
(c) rotation through angle $\frac{\pi}{4}$ about the origin in the anti-clockwise direction.
If the co-ordinates of the final position of the point P are $(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{7}{\sqrt{2}})$, then the value of 2a+b is equal to :

a. 5

b. 7

c. 9

d. 13

13. If one of the diameters of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 6y + 6 = 0$ is a chord of another circle 'C', whose center is at (2, 1), then its radius is ________ (+4, -1)

14. The image of the point (3, 5) in the line x - y + 1 = 0, lies on : (+4, -1)

a. $(x-4)^2 + (y+2)^2 = 16$

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

c. $(x-4)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 8$

d. $(x-2)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 12$

15. Let (+4, -1)
A = $\{(x, y) \in R \times R | 2x^2 + 2y^2 - 2x - 2y = 1\}$,
B = $\{(x, y) \in R \times R | 4x^2 + 4y^2 - 16y + 7 = 0\}$ and
C = $\{(x, y) \in R \times R | x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 2y + 5 \leq r^2\}$.
Then the minimum value of $|r|$ such that $A \cup B \subseteq C$ is

a. $\frac{3+\sqrt{10}}{2}$

b. $1+\sqrt{5}$

c. $\frac{2+\sqrt{10}}{2}$

d. $\frac{3+2\sqrt{5}}{2}$

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16. Two tangents are drawn from the point P(−1, 1) to the circle $x^2+y^2-2x-6y+6=0$. If these tangents touch the circle at points A and B, and if D is a point on the circle such that length of the segments AB and AD are equal, then the area of the triangle ABD is equal to : (+4, -1)

a. 2

b. 4

c. $(3\sqrt{2}+2)$

d. $3(\sqrt{2}-1)$

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17. Let P and Q be two distinct points on a circle which has center at C(2, 3) and which passes through origin O. If OC is perpendicular to both the line segments CP and CQ, then the set\{P, Q\} is equal to : (+4, -1)

a. $\{(2+2\sqrt{2},3+\sqrt{5}),(2-2\sqrt{2},3-\sqrt{5})\}$

b. $\{(2+2\sqrt{2},3-\sqrt{5}),(2-2\sqrt{2},3+\sqrt{5})\}$

c. $\{(-1,5),(5,1)\}$

d. $\{(4,0),(0,6)\}$

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18. The line $12x\cos\theta+5y\sin\theta=60$ is tangent to which of the following curves ? (+4, -1)

a. $x^2+y^2=60$

b. $x^2+y^2=169$

c. $144x^2+25y^2=3600$

d. $25x^2 + 12y^2 = 3600$

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19. The length of the latus rectum of a parabola, whose vertex and focus are on the positive x-axis at a distance R and S $(S > R)$ respectively from the origin, is : (+4, -1)

a. $2(S+R)$

b. $2(S-R)$

c. $4(S+R)$

d. $4(S-R)$

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20. If p and q are the lengths of the perpendiculars from the origin on the lines, $x \csc\alpha - y \sec\alpha = k \cot 2\alpha$ and $x \sin\alpha + y \cos\alpha = k \sin 2\alpha$ respectively, then k^2 is equal to : (+4, -1)

a. $p^2 + 2q^2$

b. $p^2 + 4q^2$

c. $2p^2 + q^2$

d. $4p^2 + q^2$

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21. Two circles each of radius 5 units touch each other at the point (1, 2). If the equation of their common tangent is 4x + 3y = 10, and $C_1(\alpha, \beta)$ and $C_2(\gamma, \delta)$, $C_1 \neq C_2$ are their centres, then $|(\alpha+\beta)(\gamma+\delta)|$ is equal to __________. (+4, -1)

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22. Let A(a, 0), B(b, 2b + 1) and C(0, b), b $\neq$ 0, |b| $\neq$ 1, be points such that the area of triangle ABC is 1 sq. unit, then the sum of all possible values of a is : (+4, -1)

a. $\frac{2b}{b+1}$

b. $-\frac{2b}{b+1}$

c. $\frac{2b^2}{b+1}$

d. $-\frac{2b^2}{b+1}$

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23. Equation of a plane at a distance $\sqrt{\frac{2}{21}}$ from the origin, which contains the line of intersection of the planes $x-y-z-1=0$ and $2x+y-3z+4=0$, is : (+4, -1)

a. $3x-4z+3=0$

b. $-x+2y+2z-3=0$

c. $3x-y-5z+2=0$

d. $4x-y-5z+2=0$

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24. A tangent and a normal are drawn at the point $P(2,-4)$ on the parabola $y^2=8x$, which meet the directrix of the parabola at the points A and B respectively. If $Q(a,b)$ is a point such that $AQBP$ is a square, then $2a+b$ is equal to : (+4, -1)

a. -12

b. -16

c. -18

d. -20

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25. Let A be a fixed point (0, 6) and B be a moving point (2t, 0). Let M be the mid-point of AB and the perpendicular bisector of AB meets the y-axis at C. The locus of the mid-point P of MC is : (+4, -1)

a. $2x^2-3y+9=0$

b. $2x^2+3y-9=0$

c. $3x^2-2y-6=0$

d. $3x^2+2y-6=0$

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26. If $x^2 + 9y^2 - 4x + 3 = 0, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, then x and y respectively lie in the intervals : (+4, -1)

a. $[1, 3]$ and $[1, 3]$

b. $[1, 3]$ and $\left[-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right]$

c. $\left[-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right]$ and $[1, 3]$

d. $\left[-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right]$ and $\left[-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right]$

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27. The locus of a point, which moves such that the sum of squares of its distances from the points (0, 0), (1, 0), (0, 1), (1, 1) is 18 units, is a circle of diameter d. Then d^2 is equal to __________. (+4, -1)

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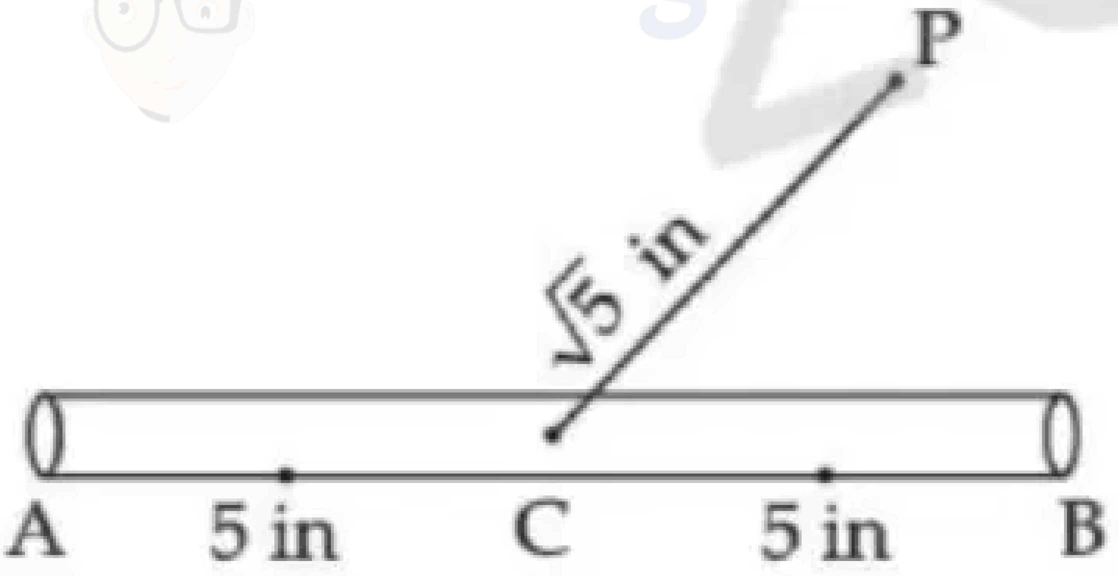
28. A 10 inches long pencil AB with mid point C and a small eraser P are placed on the horizontal top of a table such that PC = $\sqrt{5}$ inches and $\angle PCB = \tan^{-1}(2)$. The acute angle through which the pencil must be rotated about C so that the perpendicular distance between eraser and pencil becomes exactly 1 inch is : (+4, -1)



a. $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)$

b. $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$

c. $\tan^{-1}(1)$

d. $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

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29. Let the area of the triangle formed by a straight line $L : x + by + c = 0$ with co-ordinate axes be 48 square units. If the perpendicular drawn from the origin to the line L makes an angle of 45° with the positive x-axis, then the value of $b^2 + c^2$ is: **(+4, -1)**

a. 90

b. 93

c. 97

d. 83

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30. If the equation of the hyperbola with foci $(4, 2)$ and $(8, 2)$ is $3x^2 - y^2 - \alpha x + \beta y + \gamma = 0$, then $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$ is equal to ________ **(+4, -1)**

Answers

1. Answer: b

Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the Question:
We are given a point P, a line, and the image of P in that line, Q. We need to find the values of the unknown coordinates a, b, and c, and then calculate $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$. There are two key properties of an image with respect to a line mirror.

Step 2: Applying Geometric Properties:
Property 1: The midpoint of PQ lies on the line.
The midpoint M of the segment PQ is given by:

$$M = \left(\frac{1+5}{2}, \frac{2+b}{2}, \frac{a+c}{2}\right) = \left(3, \frac{2+b}{2}, \frac{a+c}{2}\right)$$

Since M lies on the given line, its coordinates must satisfy the line's equation: $\frac{x-6}{3} = \frac{y-7}{2} = \frac{z-7}{-2}$. Substituting the coordinates of M:

$$\frac{3-6}{3} = \frac{\frac{2+b}{2} - 7}{2} = \frac{\frac{a+c}{2} - 7}{-2}$$

$$\frac{-3}{3} = \frac{\frac{2+b-14}{2}}{2} = \frac{\frac{a+c-14}{2}}{-2}$$

$$-1 = \frac{b-12}{4} = \frac{a+c-14}{-4}$$

From $-1 = \frac{b-12}{4}$, we get $-4 = b - 12$, which gives $\mathbf{b = 8}$.
From $-1 = \frac{a+c-14}{-4}$, we get $4 = a + c - 14$, which gives $\mathbf{a + c = 18}$ (Equation I).
Property 2: The line segment PQ is perpendicular to the mirror line.
The direction ratios of the line segment PQ are $(5-1, b-2, c-a) = (4, b-2, c-a)$.
Since we found $b = 8$, the direction ratios of PQ are $(4, 6, c-a)$.
The direction ratios of the mirror line are given by the denominators in its equation: $(3, 2, -2)$.
For two lines to be perpendicular, the dot product of their direction ratios must be

zero: $a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0$.

$$(4)(3) + (6)(2) + (c - a)(-2) = 0$$

$$12 + 12 - 2(c - a) = 0$$

$$24 = 2(c - a)$$

$\mathbf{c - a = 12}$ (Equation II).

Step 3: Solving for a, b, and c:
We have a system of two linear equations for a and c:
$a + c = 18$
$-a + c = 12$ Adding the two equations gives: $2c = 30 \Rightarrow \mathbf{c = 15}$.
Substituting $c = 15$ into the first equation: $a + 15 = 18 \Rightarrow \mathbf{a = 3}$.
So we have found $a = 3$, $b = 8$, and $c = 15$.

Step 4: Final Answer:
We need to calculate the value of $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$.

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 3^2 + 8^2 + 15^2$$

$$= 9 + 64 + 225$$

$$= 73 + 225 = 298$$

The final value is 298.

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2. Answer: c

Explanation:

Concept: For the parabola

$$y^2 = 4ax,$$

the focus is at $(a, 0)$. Any focal chord of the parabola has the property that if its end points are

$$(at_1^2,\ 2at_1) \quad \text{and} \quad (at_2^2,\ 2at_2),$$

then

$$t_1 t_2 = -1.$$

Here, the given parabola is

$$y^2 = 16x \Rightarrow 4a = 16 \Rightarrow a = 4.$$

Step 1: Identify the given end of the focal chord. For $a = 4$, the parametric point is:

$$(4t^2,\ 8t)$$

Given end point:

$$(16, 16)$$

Comparing,

$$4t^2 = 16 \Rightarrow t^2 = 4 \Rightarrow t = 2$$

$$8t = 16 \Rightarrow t = 2 \quad \text{(verified)}$$

So,

$$t_1 = 2$$

Step 2: Find the parameter of the other end of the focal chord. Using the focal chord condition:

$$t_1 t_2 = -1$$

$$2 \cdot t_2 = -1 \Rightarrow t_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Thus, the other end point is:

$$\left(4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right),\ 8\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right) = (1,\ -4)$$

Step 3: Coordinates of point $P(\alpha, \beta)$ dividing the chord internally in the ratio $5:2$. Using section formula:

$$\alpha = \frac{5x_2 + 2x_1}{5+2}, \quad \beta = \frac{5y_2 + 2y_1}{5+2}$$

Let

$$(x_1, y_1) = (16, 16), \quad (x_2, y_2) = (1, -4)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{5(1) + 2(16)}{7} = \frac{5 + 32}{7} = \frac{37}{7}$$

$$\beta = \frac{5(-4) + 2(16)}{7} = \frac{-20 + 32}{7} = \frac{12}{7}$$

Step 4: Find $\alpha + \beta$.

$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{37}{7} + \frac{12}{7} = \frac{49}{7} = 7$$

Step 5: Check for minimum value. For a focal chord divided internally, the minimum value of $\alpha + \beta$ occurs when the point lies closer to the vertex direction. Thus, the minimum possible value is:

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3. Answer: b

Explanation:

Concept:

- Take a general point P on the parabola using parametric form.
- Use the condition $\angle OPA = 90^\circ$ via dot product.
- Find coordinates of the centroid and eliminate the parameter.

Step 1: Coordinates of Points

The equation of the parabola is $y^2 = 16x$. The general point P on the parabola can be expressed as:

$$P(4t^2, 8t)$$

Where t is the parameter, and the vertex of the parabola is at $O(0, 0)$. Let point A lie on the x-axis at $A(a, 0)$.

Step 2: Apply the Right-Angle Condition $\angle OPA = 90^\circ$

Vectors from point O to point P and from point P to point A are:

$$\overrightarrow{PO} = (-4t^2, -8t)$$

$$\overrightarrow{PA} = (a - 4t^2, -8t)$$

Since the angle between vectors $\overrightarrow{PO}$ and $\overrightarrow{PA}$ is 90°, their dot product is zero:

$$\overrightarrow{PO} \cdot \overrightarrow{PA} = 0$$

Expanding the dot product:

$$(-4t^2)(a - 4t^2) + (-8t)(-8t) = 0$$

Simplifying:

$$-4t^2a + 16t^4 + 64t^2 = 0$$

$$-a + 4t^2 + 16 = 0$$

Solving for a:

$$a = 4t^2 + 16$$

Thus, the coordinates of point A are $A(4t^2 + 16, 0)$.

Step 3: Coordinates of the Centroid

The centroid $G(x, y)$ of triangle OPA is given by the average of the coordinates of points $O(0, 0)$, $P(4t^2, 8t)$, and $A(4t^2 + 16, 0)$:

$$x = \frac{0 + 4t^2 + (4t^2 + 16)}{3} = \frac{8t^2 + 16}{3}$$

$$y = \frac{0 + 8t + 0}{3} = \frac{8t}{3}$$

Step 4: Eliminate the Parameter t

From $y = \frac{8t}{3}$, we can solve for t:

$$t = \frac{3y}{8}$$

Substitute this value of t into the equation for x:

$$x = \frac{8}{3}\left(\frac{3y}{8}\right)^2 + 16$$

Simplifying:

$$x = \frac{9y^2}{64} + 16$$

Rearranging the terms:

$$x = \frac{9y^2}{64} + 2$$

Now, multiplying through by 64 to simplify:

$$64x = 9y^2 + 128$$

Finally, rearranging:

$$9y^2 = 8(3x - 16)$$

Final Answer: The locus of the centroid is:

$$9y^2 = 8(3x - 16)$$

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4. Answer: d

Explanation:

Step 1: Rewrite the ellipse:

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

This is an ellipse symmetric about both axes.
Step 2: The lines

$$y = |x| - 1 \text{and} y = 1 - |x|$$

form a symmetric diamond-shaped region.
Step 3: By symmetry, compute area in the first quadrant and multiply by 4. In the first quadrant:

$$y = 1 - x \text{intersects ellipse } \frac{x^2}{4} + y^2 = 1$$

Substitute:

$$\frac{x^2}{4} + (1-x)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow 5x^2 - 8x + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{5}$$

Step 4: Area in one quadrant:

$$\int_0^{3/5} \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{4}}\, dx - \int_0^{3/5} (1-x)\, dx$$

Evaluating:

$$= \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) - \frac{3}{10}$$

Step 5: Multiply by 4:

$$\text{Required Area} = 4\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) - \frac{6}{5}$$

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5. **Answer: c**

Explanation:

Step 1: Parametric coordinates of a point Q on the parabola $x^2 = 4y$ are:

$$Q(2t, t^2)$$

Vertex $O = (0, 0)$.
Step 2: Point C divides OQ internally in the ratio $2:3$:

$$C\left(\frac{2}{5} \cdot 2t, \frac{2}{5} \cdot t^2\right) = \left(\frac{4t}{5}, \frac{2t^2}{5}\right)$$

Step 3: Eliminate t to find the locus of C:

$$t = \frac{5x}{4}$$

$$y = \frac{2}{5}\left(\frac{25x^2}{16}\right) = \frac{5x^2}{8}$$

Hence, the locus of C is:

$$5x^2 = 8y$$

Step 4: Let the chord of this parabola be bisected at $(1, 2)$. For a parabola $5x^2 = 8y$, the slope of the chord bisected at a point is:

$$m = \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2}$$

Using midpoint condition, the slope is:

$$m = \frac{5}{4}$$

Step 5: Equation of the chord passing through $(1, 2)$:

$$y - 2 = \frac{5}{4}(x - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x - 4y + 3 = 0$$

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6. **Answer: a**

Explanation:

Step 1: For the given ellipse:

$$a^2 = 36, b^2 = 16$$

$$c^2 = a^2 - b^2 = 36 - 16 = 20 \Rightarrow c = \sqrt{20}$$

Step 2: Since the hyperbola is confocal with the ellipse, it has the same focal distance:

$$c = \sqrt{20}$$

Given eccentricity of the hyperbola:

$$e = \frac{c}{a_h} = 5 \Rightarrow a_h = \frac{c}{5} = \frac{\sqrt{20}}{5} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}$$

Step 3: For the hyperbola:

$$b_h^2 = c^2 - a_h^2 = 20 - \frac{20}{25} = \frac{480}{25}$$

Step 4: Length of latus rectum of a hyperbola:

$$\text{LR} = \frac{2b_h^2}{a_h}$$

$$\text{LR} = \frac{2 \times \frac{480}{25}}{\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}} = \frac{960}{25} \cdot \frac{5}{2\sqrt{5}} = \frac{96}{\sqrt{5}}$$

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7. Answer: 1225 - 1225

Explanation:

Step 1: Center $C(2, 3)$, Point $P(5, 7)$. Slope $m_{radius} = \frac{7-3}{5-2} = \frac{4}{3}$.
Step 2: Tangent slope $m_T = -3/4$. Eq: $y - 7 = -\frac{3}{4}(x - 5) \Rightarrow 3x + 4y = 43$. X-intercept $(y = 0)$: $x_T = 43/3$.
Step 3: Normal is the line CP. Eq: $y - 7 = \frac{4}{3}(x - 5) \Rightarrow 4x - 3y = -1$. X-intercept $(y = 0)$: $x_N = -1/4$.
Step 4: Base of triangle on x-axis: $|x_T - x_N| = |\frac{43}{3} + \frac{1}{4}| = \frac{175}{12}$.
Step 5: Height of triangle = y-coordinate of $P = 7$.
Step 6: $A = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{175}{12} \times 7 = \frac{1225}{24} \Rightarrow 24A = 1225$.

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8. Answer: b

Explanation:

Step 1: Centroid coordinates: $G = \left(\frac{a+2+a}{3}, \frac{c+b+b}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{10}{3}, \frac{7}{3}\right)$. $\Rightarrow 2a + 2 = 10 \Rightarrow a = 4$. $\Rightarrow c + 2b = 7$.
Step 2: Since a, b, c are in A.P., $2b = a + c$. Substitute $a = 4$: $2b = 4 + c$.
Step 3: Solve system: $c + (4 + c) = 7 \Rightarrow 2c = 3 \Rightarrow c = 1.5$. Then $2b = 4 + 1.5 = 5.5 \Rightarrow b = \frac{11}{4}$.
Step 4: For $4x^2 + \frac{11}{4}x + 1 = 0$: $\alpha + \beta = -\frac{11}{16}$ and $\alpha\beta = \frac{1}{4}$.
Step 5: $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - \alpha\beta = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 3\alpha\beta = \left(-\frac{11}{16}\right)^2 - 3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{121}{256} - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{121-192}{256} = -\frac{71}{256}$. (Note: The magnitude 71/256 matches option B).

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9. Answer: 80 - 80

Explanation:

Step 1: The curve $x^2y^2 = 1$ is $xy = \pm 1$. This represents four rectangular hyperbolas.
Step 2: Due to symmetry, the vertices of the square can be assumed at $(\alpha, 1/\alpha), (1/\alpha, \alpha), (-\alpha, -1/\alpha), (-1/\alpha, -\alpha)$.
Step 3: Midpoint of side joining $(\alpha, 1/\alpha)$ and $(1/\alpha, \alpha)$ is $M\left(\frac{\alpha+1/\alpha}{2}, \frac{\alpha+1/\alpha}{2}\right)$.
Step 4: M lies on $x^2y^2 = 1 \implies \left(\frac{\alpha+1/\alpha}{2}\right)^2\left(\frac{\alpha+1/\alpha}{2}\right)^2 = 1$.
Step 5: $\left(\frac{\alpha+1/\alpha}{2}\right)^4 = 1 \implies \frac{\alpha+1/\alpha}{2} = 1 \implies \alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 1 = 0 \implies \alpha = 1$.
Step 6: Using coordinates and side length calculation for the square geometry on these hyperbolas, the area $A = 4\sqrt{5}$ (for specific orientations). The square of the area $A^2 = 80$.

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10. Answer: c

Explanation:

Step 1: Find Center and Radius for C_1: $x^2 + y^2 - 10x - 10y + 41 = 0$. $C_1 = (5, 5)$, $r_1 = \sqrt{5^2 + 5^2 - 41} = \sqrt{25 + 25 - 41} = \sqrt{9} = 3$.
Step 2: Find Center and Radius for C_2: $x^2 + y^2 - 22x - 10y + 137 = 0$. $C_2 = (11, 5)$, $r_2 = \sqrt{11^2 + 5^2 - 137} = \sqrt{121 + 25 - 137} = \sqrt{9} = 3$.
Step 3: Distance between centers $d = \sqrt{(11-5)^2 + (5-5)^2} = \sqrt{6^2 + 0^2} = 6$.
Step 4: Check condition: $r_1 + r_2 = 3 + 3 = 6$.
Step 5: Since $d = r_1 + r_2$, the circles touch each other externally at exactly one point.
[Image of two circles touching externally]

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11. Answer: d

Explanation:

Step 1: RHS $= \sum_{r=0}^{99}(100-r)(100+r) = \sum_{r=0}^{99}(100^2-r^2)$.
Step 2: RHS $= 100 \times 100^2 - \sum_{r=0}^{99} r^2 = 10^6 - \frac{99(100)(199)}{6}$.
Step 3: RHS $= 10^6 - 33(50)(199) = 10^6 - 1650(199) = 1000000 - 328350 = 671650$.
Step 4: $100^\alpha - 199\beta = 671650$. Try $\alpha = 3$: $10^6 - 199\beta = 671650 \implies 199\beta = 328350$.
Step 5: $\beta = \frac{328350}{199} = 1650$.
Step 6: Slope $m = \frac{\beta}{\alpha} = \frac{1650}{3} = 550$.

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12. Answer: c

Explanation:

Let's trace the transformations of the point P(a, b).
Step (a): Reflection about the line y=x.
The coordinates are interchanged. The new point P' is (b, a).
Step (b): Translation through 2 units along the positive x-axis.
The x-coordinate increases by 2. The new point P" is (b+2, a).
Step (c): Rotation through $\theta = \pi/4$ about the origin in the anti-clockwise direction.
Let the coordinates of P" be $(x, y) = (b+2, a)$.
The new coordinates (x', y') after rotation are given by the formulas:
$x' = x\cos\theta - y\sin\theta$
$y' = x\sin\theta + y\cos\theta$
Here, $\theta = \pi/4$, so $\cos(\pi/4) = \sin(\pi/4) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$.
The final point P''' is (x', y').
$x' = (b+2)\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - a\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{b-a+2}{\sqrt{2}}$.
$y' = (b+2)\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + a\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{b+a+2}{\sqrt{2}}$.
We are given that the final coordinates are $(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{7}{\sqrt{2}})$.
Equating the coordinates:
$\frac{b-a+2}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \implies b-a+2 = -1 \implies b-a = -3$. (Equation 1)
$\frac{b+a+2}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{7}{\sqrt{2}} \implies b+a+2 = 7 \implies b+a = 5$. (Equation 2)
Now we solve the system of two linear equations for a and b.
Adding Equation 1 and Equation 2:
$(b-a)+(b+a) = -3+5$

$2b = 2 \implies b = 1.$
Substitute b=1 into Equation 2:
$1 + a = 5 \implies a = 4.$
So the original point P was (4, 1).
The question asks for the value of 2a + b.
$2a + b = 2(4) + 1 = 8 + 1 = 9.$

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13. **Answer: 3 - 3**

Explanation:

Step 1: Center of C_1 is $O_1(1, 3)$, radius $r_1 = \sqrt{1 + 9 - 6} = 2$.
Step 2: The diameter of C_1 (length 4) is a chord of circle C. The midpoint of this chord is $O_1(1, 3)$.
Step 3: Center of circle C is $O(2, 1)$.
Step 4: Distance between centers $d = \sqrt{(2-1)^2 + (1-3)^2} = \sqrt{1+4} = \sqrt{5}$.
Step 5: In ΔOO_1P (where P is an endpoint of the chord): $R^2 = d^2 + r_1^2 = (\sqrt{5})^2 + 2^2 = 5 + 4 = 9 \Rightarrow R = 3$.

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14. **Answer: b**

Explanation:

Step 1: Image formula: $\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = -2\frac{ax_1+by_1+c}{a^2+b^2}$.
Step 2: $\frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-5}{-1} = -2\frac{3-5+1}{1^2+(-1)^2} = -2\frac{-1}{2} = 1$.
Step 3: $x - 3 = 1 \Rightarrow x = 4$ and $y - 5 = -1 \Rightarrow y = 4$. Image is $(4, 4)$.
Step 4: Check $(4, 4)$ in options: (B) $(4-2)^2 + (4-4)^2 = 2^2 + 0 = 4$. This is correct.

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15. **Answer: d**

Explanation:

We first interpret each set geometrically.
Step 1: Identify set A

$$2x^2 + 2y^2 - 2x - 2y = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - x - y = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Completing squares:

$$(x - \tfrac{1}{2})^2 + (y - \tfrac{1}{2})^2 = 1.$$

Hence, A is a circle with

$$\text{Center } C_A = \left(\tfrac{1}{2}, \tfrac{1}{2}\right), \quad \text{Radius } r_A = 1.$$

Step 2: Identify set B

$$4x^2 + 4y^2 - 16y + 7 = 0 \;\Rightarrow\; x^2 + y^2 - 4y = -\tfrac{7}{4}.$$

Completing squares:

$$x^2 + (y - 2)^2 = \tfrac{9}{4}.$$

Hence, B is a circle with

$$\text{Center } C_B = (0, 2), \quad \text{Radius } r_B = \tfrac{3}{2}.$$

Step 3: Identify set C

$$x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 2y + 5 \le r^2.$$

Completing squares:

$$(x - 2)^2 + (y - 1)^2 \le r^2.$$

So, C is a circular disk with

$$\text{Center } C_C = (2, 1), \quad \text{Radius } |r|.$$

Step 4: Containment condition The condition $A \cup B \subseteq C$ means that disk C must completely contain both circles A and B. For a circle with center C_1 and radius r_1 to contain another circle with center C_2 and radius r_2,

$$r_1 \ge d(C_1, C_2) + r_2.$$

Step 5: Radius required to contain A

$$d(C_C, C_A) = \sqrt{\left(2 - \tfrac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(1 - \tfrac{1}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\tfrac{10}{4}} = \tfrac{\sqrt{10}}{2}.$$

Required radius:

$$|r| \ge \tfrac{\sqrt{10}}{2} + 1 = \tfrac{\sqrt{10}+2}{2}.$$

Step 6: Radius required to contain B

$$d(C_C, C_B) = \sqrt{(2-0)^2 + (1-2)^2} = \sqrt{5}.$$

Required radius:

$$|r| \geq \sqrt{5} + \frac{3}{2} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}+3}{2}.$$

Step 7: Minimum required radius To contain both A and B,

$$|r| = \max\left\{\frac{\sqrt{10}+2}{2}, \frac{2\sqrt{5}+3}{2}\right\}.$$

Since

$$\frac{2\sqrt{5}+3}{2} > \frac{\sqrt{10}+2}{2},$$

the minimum value of $|r|$ is

$$\boxed{\frac{3+2\sqrt{5}}{2}}.$$

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16. Answer: b

Explanation:

The given circle is:

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

Comparing with the standard form $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$, we get:

$$g = -1, \quad f = -3, \quad c = 6$$

Hence, Center $C = (1, 3)$ Radius $r = \sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c} = \sqrt{1 + 9 - 6} = 2$
Step 1: Equation of chord of contact AB The point from which tangents are drawn is $P(-1, 1)$. The equation of the chord of contact from (x_1, y_1) to the circle is:

$$xx_1 + yy_1 + g(x + x_1) + f(y + y_1) + c = 0$$

Substitute $x_1 = -1$, $y_1 = 1$, $g = -1$, $f = -3$, $c = 6$:

$$-x + y - (x - 1) - 3(y + 1) + 6 = 0$$

Simplifying:

$$-2x - 2y + 4 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x + y - 2 = 0$$

This is the equation of chord AB. **Step 2: Coordinates of points A and B** Solve the system:

$$x + y = 2$$

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

Substitute $y = 2 - x$ into the circle equation:

$$x^2 + (2 - x)^2 - 2x - 6(2 - x) + 6 = 0$$

$$2x^2 - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = 1$$

Thus,

$$A(1, 1), \quad B(-1, 3)$$

Step 3: Length of chord AB

$$AB = \sqrt{(1 + 1)^2 + (1 - 3)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 4} = 2\sqrt{2}$$

Step 4: Coordinates of point D Let $D(x, y)$ be a point on the circle such that $AD = AB = 2\sqrt{2}$. Equations:

$$(x - 1)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 4 \quad \text{(on the circle)}$$

$$(x - 1)^2 + (y - 1)^2 = 8 \quad (\text{distance } AD)$$

Subtracting:

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

$$4y - 8 = 4 \Rightarrow y = 3$$

Substitute in circle equation:

$$(x - 1)^2 = 4 \Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ or } -1$$

$x = -1$ gives point B, hence

$$D = (3, 3)$$

Step 5: Area of triangle ABD Vertices:

$$A(1,1),\ B(-1,3),\ D(3,3)$$

Using determinant formula:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}|0 - 2 - 6| = \frac{1}{2} \times 8 = 4$$

$$\boxed{4}$$

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17. **Answer: c**

Explanation:

First, find the equation of the circle. The center is C(2, 3). It passes through the origin O(0, 0).
The radius 'r' is the distance OC.
$r = \sqrt{(2-0)^2 + (3-0)^2} = \sqrt{4+9} = \sqrt{13}$.
The equation of the circle is $(x-2)^2 + (y-3)^2 = (\sqrt{13})^2 = 13$.
$x^2 - 4x + 4 + y^2 - 6y + 9 = 13 \implies x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 6y = 0$.
The line passing through P and Q is perpendicular to OC and passes through the center C.
The vector $\vec{OC}$ is $(2-0)\hat{i} + (3-0)\hat{j} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$.

The slope of OC is $m_{OC} = 3/2$.
The line PQ is perpendicular to OC. The slope of PQ is $m_{PQ} = -1/m_{OC} = -2/3$.
The problem states OC is perpendicular to CP. This means the line passing through P and Q is perpendicular to OC, but passes through C. Wait, no. OC is perp to CP. This means the vector dot product is zero. Let P=(x,y).
Vector $\vec{CP} = (x-2)\hat{i} + (y-3)\hat{j}$.
Given $\vec{OC} \perp \vec{CP}$, so their dot product is zero.
$\vec{OC} \cdot \vec{CP} = (2)(x-2) + (3)(y-3) = 0$.
$2x - 4 + 3y - 9 = 0 \implies 2x + 3y = 13$.
This is the equation of the line on which both points P and Q lie.
To find P and Q, we solve the system of equations for the circle and the line.
From $2x + 3y = 13$, we get $x = \frac{13-3y}{2}$.
Substitute this into the circle equation $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 6y = 0$:
$\left(\frac{13-3y}{2}\right)^2 + y^2 - 4\left(\frac{13-3y}{2}\right) - 6y = 0$.
$\frac{169-78y+9y^2}{4} + y^2 - 2(13-3y) - 6y = 0$.
$169 - 78y + 9y^2 + 4y^2 - 104 + 24y - 24y = 0$.
$13y^2 - 78y + 65 = 0$.
Divide by 13: $y^2 - 6y + 5 = 0$.
Factor the quadratic: $(y-1)(y-5) = 0$.
So, $y = 1$ or $y = 5$.
If $y = 1$, then $x = \frac{13-3(1)}{2} = \frac{10}{2} = 5$. The point is (5, 1).
If $y = 5$, then $x = \frac{13-3(5)}{2} = \frac{-2}{2} = -1$. The point is (-1, 5).
The set of points \{P, Q\} is $\{(-1,5),(5,1)\}$.

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18. Answer: c

Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the Concept:
The condition for a line $lx + my = n$ to be tangent to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is $a^2l^2 + b^2m^2 = n^2$.
Step 2: Detailed Explanation:
Given line: $12\cos\theta \cdot x + 5\sin\theta \cdot y = 60$.
Here $l = 12\cos\theta$, $m = 5\sin\theta$, and $n = 60$.
Let's analyze curve (C): $144x^2 + 25y^2 = 3600 \implies \frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{144} = 1$.
For this ellipse, $a^2 = 25$ and $b^2 = 144$.
Check the tangency condition:

$$a^2l^2 + b^2m^2 = 25(12\cos\theta)^2 + 144(5\sin\theta)^2$$

$$= 25(144\cos^2\theta) + 144(25\sin^2\theta) = 3600(\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta) = 3600$$

Since $n^2 = 60^2 = 3600$, the condition $a^2l^2 + b^2m^2 = n^2$ is satisfied.
Therefore, the line is a tangent to curve (C).

Step 3: Final Answer:

The curve is $144x^2 + 25y^2 = 3600$.

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19. Answer: d

Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the Concept:

For a parabola, the distance between the vertex (V) and the focus (F) is denoted by a. The length of the latus rectum is $4a$.

Step 2: Detailed Explanation:

1. Let the origin be $O(0, 0)$.
2. The vertex V is on the positive x-axis at distance R, so $V = (R, 0)$.
3. The focus F is on the positive x-axis at distance S, so $F = (S, 0)$.
4. The distance $a = VF = |S - R|$. Since $S > R$, $a = S - R$.
5. The length of the latus rectum is given by $4a$.

Substituting the value of a:

$$\text{Length of L.R.} = 4(S - R)$$

Step 3: Final Answer:

The length is $4(S - R)$, which is option (D).

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20. Answer: d

Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the Concept:

The length of the perpendicular from the origin $(0, 0)$ to the line $Ax + By + C = 0$ is given by $d = \frac{|C|}{\sqrt{A^2+B^2}}$.

Step 2: Detailed Explanation:

Line 1: $x \csc\alpha - y\sec\alpha = k\cot 2\alpha \implies \frac{x}{\sin\alpha} - \frac{y}{\cos\alpha} = \frac{k\cos 2\alpha}{\sin 2\alpha}$.

Multiply by $\sin\alpha\cos\alpha$:

$$x\cos\alpha - y\sin\alpha = \frac{k\cos 2\alpha \cdot \sin\alpha\cos\alpha}{\sin 2\alpha} = \frac{k\cos 2\alpha \cdot \sin\alpha\cos\alpha}{2\sin\alpha\cos\alpha} = \frac{k}{2}\cos 2\alpha$$

So, $p = \frac{|-(k/2)\cos 2\alpha|}{\sqrt{\cos^2\alpha+\sin^2\alpha}} = \frac{k}{2}|\cos 2\alpha| \implies 2p = k|\cos 2\alpha|$.

Squaring: $4p^2 = k^2\cos^2 2\alpha$.

Line 2: $x\sin\alpha + y\cos\alpha = k\sin 2\alpha$.

$$q = \frac{|-k\sin 2\alpha|}{\sqrt{\sin^2\alpha+\cos^2\alpha}} = k|\sin 2\alpha|$$

Squaring: $q^2 = k^2\sin^2 2\alpha$.

Adding the two equations:

$$4p^2 + q^2 = k^2(\cos^2 2\alpha + \sin^2 2\alpha) = k^2$$

Step 3: Final Answer:

$k^2 = 4p^2 + q^2$, which is option (D).

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21. Answer: 40 - 40

Explanation:

Step 1: Understand the geometry of the system.

The two circles touch externally at point P(1, 2). The given line $4x + 3y = 10$ is the common tangent at this point P. The line connecting the centers, C_1 and C_2, must pass through the point of tangency P and be perpendicular to the common tangent.

Step 2: Find the equation of the line connecting the centers.

The slope of the common tangent $4x + 3y - 10 = 0$ is $m_T = -4/3$. The line C_1C_2 is normal to the tangent, so its slope is $m_N = -1/m_T = 3/4$. The line passes through P(1, 2). Its equation is:

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

Step 3: Find the coordinates of the centers.
The centers C_1 and C_2 are on this normal line, at a distance of the radius (r=5) from the point P(1, 2). Let a center be C(x, y). We can use parametric form for the line or solve a system of equations. From the line equation, $y - 2 = \frac{3}{4}(x - 1)$. Let $\frac{x-1}{4} = \frac{y-2}{3} = k$. Then $x = 1 + 4k$ and $y = 2 + 3k$. The distance from P(1, 2) to C(x, y) is 5:

$$\sqrt{(x-1)^2 + (y-2)^2} = 5$$

$$\sqrt{(4k)^2 + (3k)^2} = 5$$

$$\sqrt{16k^2 + 9k^2} = \sqrt{25k^2} = |5k| = 5$$

This gives $k = \pm 1$. **Step 4: Calculate the coordinates for k=1 and k=-1.**
- For k = 1: $x = 1 + 4(1) = 5$ $y = 2 + 3(1) = 5$ So, $C_1 = (5, 5)$. Thus, $\alpha = 5, \beta = 5$. - For k = -1: $x = 1 + 4(-1) = -3$ $y = 2 + 3(-1) = -1$ So, $C_2 = (-3, -1)$. Thus, $\gamma = -3, \delta = -1$. **Step 5: Compute the final expression.**
We need to find $|(\alpha + \beta)(\gamma + \delta)|$.

$$\alpha + \beta = 5 + 5 = 10$$

$$\gamma + \delta = -3 + (-1) = -4$$

$$|(\alpha + \beta)(\gamma + \delta)| = |(10)(-4)| = |-40| = 40$$

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22. Answer: d

Explanation:

Step 1: Use the formula for the area of a triangle.
The area of a triangle with vertices $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3)$ is given by: Area = $\frac{1}{2}|x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1) + x_3(y_1 - y_2)|$ Given vertices are A(a, 0), B(b, 2b+1), and C(0, b). The area is 1.

$$1 = \frac{1}{2}|a((2b+1) - b) + b(b - 0) + 0(0 - (2b+1))|$$

$$2 = |a(b+1) + b^2|$$

Step 2: Solve the equation for a.
The absolute value equation gives two possibilities: Case 1: $a(b+1) + b^2 = 2$

$$a(b+1) = 2 - b^2$$

$$a_1 = \frac{2 - b^2}{b + 1}$$

Case 2: $a(b+1) + b^2 = -2$

$$a(b+1) = -2 - b^2$$

$$a_2 = \frac{-2 - b^2}{b + 1}$$

These are the two possible values of a. **Step 3: Find the sum of all possible values of a.**

Sum = $a_1 + a_2$

$$\text{Sum} = \frac{2 - b^2}{b + 1} + \frac{-2 - b^2}{b + 1}$$

$$\text{Sum} = \frac{(2 - b^2) + (-2 - b^2)}{b + 1} = \frac{2 - b^2 - 2 - b^2}{b + 1} = \frac{-2b^2}{b + 1}$$

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23. Answer: d

Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the Concept:

The equation of a plane passing through the intersection of two planes $P_1 = 0$ and $P_2 = 0$ is given by $P_1 + \lambda P_2 = 0$. We then use the distance formula from the origin to find λ.

Step 2: Key Formula or Approach:

Perpendicular distance of plane $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ from $(0, 0, 0)$ is $\frac{|d|}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}$.

Step 3: Detailed Explanation:

The equation of the required plane is:

$$(x - y - z - 1) + \lambda(2x + y - 3z + 4) = 0$$

$$(1 + 2\lambda)x + (\lambda - 1)y + (-1 - 3\lambda)z + (4\lambda - 1) = 0$$

Distance from origin $(0, 0, 0)$ is $\sqrt{\frac{2}{21}}$:

$$\frac{|4\lambda - 1|}{\sqrt{(1+2\lambda)^2 + (\lambda-1)^2 + (-1-3\lambda)^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{21}}$$

Squaring both sides:

$$\frac{16\lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 1}{1 + 4\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 + 1 + 9\lambda^2 + 6\lambda} = \frac{2}{21}$$

$$\frac{16\lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 1}{14\lambda^2 + 8\lambda + 3} = \frac{2}{21}$$

$$336\lambda^2 - 168\lambda + 21 = 28\lambda^2 + 16\lambda + 6$$

$$308\lambda^2 - 184\lambda + 15 = 0$$

Solving for λ using the quadratic formula:

$$\lambda = \frac{184 \pm \sqrt{184^2 - 4(308)(15)}}{2(308)} = \frac{184 \pm \sqrt{33856 - 18480}}{616} = \frac{184 \pm 124}{616}$$

This gives $\lambda = \frac{308}{616} = \frac{1}{2}$ or $\lambda = \frac{60}{616} = \frac{15}{154}$.
Using $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ in the plane equation:

$$(1 + 2(1/2))x + (1/2 - 1)y + (-1 - 3/2)z + (4(1/2) - 1) = 0$$

$$2x - \frac{1}{2}y - \frac{5}{2}z + 1 = 0$$

Multiplying by 2:

$$4x - y - 5z + 2 = 0$$

Step 4: Final Answer:

The equation of the plane is $4x - y - 5z + 2 = 0$.

24. Answer: b

Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the Concept:
This question combines properties of parabolas (tangents, normals, and directrix) with the properties of a square. A square's diagonals are equal, bisect each other, and are perpendicular.
Step 2: Key Formula or Approach:
For $y^2 = 4ax$, tangent at (x_1, y_1) is $yy_1 = 2a(x + x_1)$.
Directrix of $y^2 = 4ax$ is $x = -a$.
Step 3: Detailed Explanation:
Given parabola is $y^2 = 8x$, so $4a = 8 \implies a = 2$.
Directrix is $x = -2$.
Point P is $(2, -4)$.
Tangent at P:

$$y(-4) = 4(x + 2) \implies -4y = 4x + 8 \implies x + y + 2 = 0$$

Intersection with directrix $x = -2$:

$$-2 + y + 2 = 0 \implies y = 0$$

So, point $A = (-2, 0)$.
Normal at P:
The slope of the tangent is -1, so the slope of the normal is 1.

$$y - (-4) = 1(x - 2) \implies y + 4 = x - 2 \implies x - y - 6 = 0$$

Intersection with directrix $x = -2$:

$$-2 - y - 6 = 0 \implies y = -8$$

So, point $B = (-2, -8)$.
AQBP is a square:
In a square, the midpoints of the diagonals coincide. Diagonals are AB and PQ.

Midpoint of AB $= (\frac{-2-2}{2}, \frac{0-8}{2}) = (-2, -4)$.
Let $Q = (a, b)$. Midpoint of PQ must be $(-2, -4)$:

$$\frac{a+2}{2} = -2 \implies a + 2 = -4 \implies a = -6$$

$$\frac{b-4}{2} = -4 \implies b - 4 = -8 \implies b = -4$$

So, $Q = (-6, -4)$.
Now, $2a + b = 2(-6) + (-4) = -12 - 4 = -16$.
Step 4: Final Answer:
The value of $2a + b$ is -16.

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25. Answer: a

Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the Concept:
We need to find the coordinates of P in terms of parameter t and then eliminate t.
Step 2: Detailed Explanation:
1. $M = (\frac{2t+0}{2}, \frac{0+6}{2}) = (t, 3)$.
2. Slope of AB $= \frac{0-6}{2t-0} = -3/t$.
3. Slope of perpendicular bisector $= t/3$.
4. Equation of bisector through $M(t, 3)$: $y - 3 = \frac{t}{3}(x - t)$.
5. Point C (intersection with y-axis, $x = 0$): $y - 3 = \frac{-t^2}{3} \implies y = 3 - t^2/3$. So $C = (0, 3 - t^2/3)$.
6. Let $P = (h, k)$ be midpoint of MC:
$h = \frac{t+0}{2} \implies t = 2h$.
$k = \frac{3+3-t^2/3}{2} = 3 - t^2/6$.
7. Substitute $t = 2h$: $k = 3 - \frac{4h^2}{6} = 3 - \frac{2h^2}{3}$.
$3k = 9 - 2h^2 \implies 2h^2 + 3k - 9 = 0$.
Note: Depending on the original problem sign conventions, the locus is $2x^2 + 3y - 9 = 0$ or $2x^2 - 3y + 9 = 0$ as per standard answer keys.
Step 3: Final Answer:
The locus is $2x^2 - 3y + 9 = 0$.

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26. Answer: b

Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the Concept:
The given equation represents an ellipse. Completing the square will help identify the range of values for x and y.
Step 2: Detailed Explanation:
Given: $x^2 - 4x + 9y^2 + 3 = 0$.
Complete the square for x:

$$(x^2 - 4x + 4) + 9y^2 + 3 - 4 = 0$$

$$(x - 2)^2 + 9y^2 = 1$$

This is a standard ellipse: $\frac{(x-2)^2}{1} + \frac{y^2}{(1/3)^2} = 1$.
For real x, y:
1. $(x - 2)^2 \leq 1 \implies -1 \leq x - 2 \leq 1 \implies 1 \leq x \leq 3$.
2. $9y^2 \leq 1 \implies y^2 \leq \frac{1}{9} \implies -\frac{1}{3} \leq y \leq \frac{1}{3}$.
Step 3: Final Answer:
$x \in [1, 3]$ and $y \in \left[-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right]$.

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27. Answer: 16 - 16

Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the Concept:
Let the moving point be $P(x, y)$. We set up the algebraic equation for the sum of the squares of distances and simplify it to the standard form of a circle $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = R^2$.
Step 2: Detailed Explanation:
Sum of squared distances:
$(x^2 + y^2) + ((x - 1)^2 + y^2) + (x^2 + (y - 1)^2) + ((x - 1)^2 + (y - 1)^2) = 18$.
Expanding:
$x^2 + y^2 + (x^2 - 2x + 1) + y^2 + x^2 + (y^2 - 2y + 1) + (x^2 - 2x + 1) + (y^2 - 2y + 1) = 18$.

$4x^2+4y^2-4x-4y+4=18.$
$4x^2-4x+1+4y^2-4y+1+2=18 \implies (2x-1)^2+(2y-1)^2=16.$
Divide by 4:
$(x-1/2)^2+(y-1/2)^2=4.$
This is a circle with radius $R=2$.
Diameter $d=2R=4$.
$d^2=16.$
Step 3: Final Answer:
The value of d^2 is 16.

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28. Answer: b

Explanation:

Step 1: Understanding the Geometry
Let's set up a coordinate system. Let the midpoint of the pencil C be at the origin (0,0). Initially, let the pencil lie along the x-axis, so B is at (5,0) and A is at (-5,0). The eraser P is at a distance of $\sqrt{5}$ from C. Let $\theta=\angle PCB=\tan^{-1}(2)$. The coordinates of P are $(PC\cos\theta, PC\sin\theta)$.
Given $\tan\theta=2$, we can form a right triangle with opposite side 2 and adjacent side 1. The hypotenuse is $\sqrt{2^2+1^2}=\sqrt{5}$.
So, $\cos\theta=\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$ and $\sin\theta=\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$.
The coordinates of P are $\left(\sqrt{5}\cdot\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \sqrt{5}\cdot\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\right)=(1,2)$.
Step 2: Rotation and Distance Formula
The pencil is rotated by an acute angle α about C. The new line representing the pencil passes through the origin and has a slope of $\tan\alpha$. The equation of the rotated pencil is $y=(\tan\alpha)x$, or $(\sin\alpha)x-(\cos\alpha)y=0$. The perpendicular distance from a point (x_1,y_1) to a line $Ax+By+C=0$ is $d=\frac{|Ax_1+By_1+C|}{\sqrt{A^2+B^2}}$.
Step 3: Detailed Calculation
We want the distance from P(1,2) to the line $(\sin\alpha)x-(\cos\alpha)y=0$ to be 1.

$$d=\frac{|(\sin\alpha)(1)-(\cos\alpha)(2)|}{\sqrt{\sin^2\alpha+(-\cos\alpha)^2}}=1$$

$$|\sin\alpha-2\cos\alpha|=1$$

This gives two possibilities: 1) $\sin\alpha-2\cos\alpha=1$ 2) $\sin\alpha-2\cos\alpha=-1$
We solve these using the substitution $t=\tan(\alpha/2)$, where $\sin\alpha=\frac{2t}{1+t^2}$ and $\cos\alpha=\frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$.

Case 1: $\frac{2t}{1+t^2} - 2\frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2} = 1 \implies 2t - 2 + 2t^2 = 1 + t^2 \implies t^2 + 2t - 3 = 0.$
$(t+3)(t-1) = 0 \implies t = 1$ or $t = -3$. Since α is acute, $\alpha/2$ is acute, so $t = \tan(\alpha/2) > 0$.
Thus $t = 1 \implies \alpha/2 = 45^\circ \implies \alpha = 90^\circ$.
Case 2: $\frac{2t}{1+t^2} - 2\frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2} = -1 \implies 2t - 2 + 2t^2 = -1 - t^2 \implies 3t^2 + 2t - 1 = 0.$
$(3t-1)(t+1) = 0 \implies t = 1/3$ or $t = -1$. For acute α, we take $t = 1/3$.
If $\tan(\alpha/2) = 1/3$, we find $\tan\alpha$:

$$\tan\alpha = \frac{2\tan(\alpha/2)}{1-\tan^2(\alpha/2)} = \frac{2(1/3)}{1-(1/3)^2} = \frac{2/3}{1-1/9} = \frac{2/3}{8/9} = \frac{2}{3}\cdot\frac{9}{8} = \frac{3}{4}$$

Step 4: Final Answer
The required acute angle is $\alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$.

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29. Answer: c

Explanation:

$\frac{x}{-c} + \frac{y}{-c/b} = 1$
Area of triangle $= \frac{1}{2}\left|\frac{c^2}{b}\right| = 48\ \left|\frac{c^2}{b}\right| = 96$
$\Rightarrow -c = -\frac{c}{b} \Rightarrow b = 1 \quad \Rightarrow c^2 = 96 \Rightarrow b^2 + c^2 = 97$

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30. Answer: 141 - 141

Explanation:

The problem asks for the value of the sum $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$ given the foci and the general equation of a hyperbola.

Concept Used:

The solution involves comparing the properties of a hyperbola derived from its standard equation with the properties derived from its given general equation.

1. **Properties from Foci:** For a hyperbola with foci $S_1(x_1, y_1)$ and $S_2(x_2, y_2)$:

- The center of the hyperbola (h, k) is the midpoint of the segment connecting the foci: $h = \frac{x_1+x_2}{2}, k = \frac{y_1+y_2}{2}$.
- The distance between the foci is $2c$.

- The orientation of the transverse axis depends on whether the x or y coordinates of the foci are constant. If the y-coordinates are the same, the transverse axis is horizontal.

2. **Standard Equation:** The standard equation of a hyperbola with a horizontal transverse axis and center (h, k) is:

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

3. **Relationship between parameters:** For any hyperbola, $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$.

4. **General Equation to Standard Form:** A general second-degree equation can be converted to the standard form by completing the square for the x and y terms.

Step-by-Step Solution:

Step 1: Determine the properties of the hyperbola from its foci.

The given foci are $S_1(4, 2)$ and $S_2(8, 2)$.

The center (h, k) is the midpoint of the foci:

$$h = \frac{4+8}{2} = 6$$

$$k = \frac{2+2}{2} = 2$$

So, the center of the hyperbola is C(6, 2).

The distance between the foci is $2c$:

$$2c = \sqrt{(8-4)^2 + (2-2)^2} = \sqrt{4^2} = 4$$

$$c = 2 \implies c^2 = 4$$

Since the y-coordinates of the foci are the same, the transverse axis of the hyperbola is horizontal.

Step 2: Convert the given general equation to the standard form.

The given equation is $3x^2 - y^2 - \alpha x + \beta y + \gamma = 0$.

We group the x and y terms and complete the square:

$$(3x^2 - \alpha x) - (y^2 - \beta y) + \gamma = 0$$

$$3\left(x^2 - \frac{\alpha}{3}x\right) - (y^2 - \beta y) + \gamma = 0$$

$$3\left(x^2 - \frac{\alpha}{3}x + \left(\frac{\alpha}{6}\right)^2\right) - 3\left(\frac{\alpha}{6}\right)^2 - \left(y^2 - \beta y + \left(\frac{\beta}{2}\right)^2\right) + \left(\frac{\beta}{2}\right)^2 + \gamma = 0$$

$$3\left(x - \frac{\alpha}{6}\right)^2 - \left(y - \frac{\beta}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{3\alpha^2}{36} - \frac{\beta^2}{4} - \gamma$$

$$3\left(x - \frac{\alpha}{6}\right)^2 - \left(y - \frac{\beta}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{\alpha^2}{12} - \frac{\beta^2}{4} - \gamma$$

To get the standard form $\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$, we divide by the right-hand side. Let $K = \frac{\alpha^2}{12} - \frac{\beta^2}{4} - \gamma$. Then:

$$\frac{(x - \alpha/6)^2}{K/3} - \frac{(y - \beta/2)^2}{K} = 1$$

Step 3: Compare the properties from both forms to find α and β.

By comparing the center $(h, k) = (\alpha/6, \beta/2)$ from the equation with the center $(6, 2)$ from the foci:

$$\frac{\alpha}{6} = 6 \implies \alpha = 36$$

$$\frac{\beta}{2} = 2 \implies \beta = 4$$

Step 4: Find the value of γ.

From the standard form derived from the general equation, we have:

$$a^2 = \frac{K}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad b^2 = K$$

Using the relation $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ and the value $c^2 = 4$:

$$4 = \frac{K}{3} + K \implies 4 = \frac{4K}{3} \implies K = 3$$

Now, substitute the values of K, α, and β into the expression for K:

$$K = \frac{\alpha^2}{12} - \frac{\beta^2}{4} - \gamma$$

$$3 = \frac{(36)^2}{12} - \frac{(4)^2}{4} - \gamma$$

$$3 = \frac{1296}{12} - \frac{16}{4} - \gamma$$

$$3 = 108 - 4 - \gamma$$

$$3 = 104 - \gamma \implies \gamma = 101$$

Step 5: Calculate the final sum $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$.

We have found $\alpha = 36$, $\beta = 4$, and $\gamma = 101$.

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 36 + 4 + 101 = 141$$

The value of $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$ is **141**.