

Answer on Question #80501 – Math – Analytic Geometry

Question

Obtain eqñ of parabola with focus (3,2)

Directrix $3x-4y+9=0$

Solution

The parabola is the locus of points in that plane that are equidistant from both the directrix and the focus.

The distance from point (x, y) to the point $(3,2)$ is $\sqrt{(x-3)^2 + (y-2)^2}$

The distance from point (x, y) to the line $3x - 4y + 9 = 0$ is $\frac{|3x-4y+9|}{\sqrt{3^2+4^2}}$

These distances must be equal. The equation will be

$$\sqrt{(x-3)^2 + (y-2)^2} = \frac{|3x-4y+9|}{\sqrt{3^2+4^2}}$$

After squaring both sides

$$(x-3)^2 + (y-2)^2 = \frac{(3x-4y+9)^2}{25}$$

$$25(x^2 - 6x + 9 + y^2 - 4y + 4) = 9x^2 + 16y^2 - 24xy + 54x - 72y + 81$$

from which

$$16x^2 + 9y^2 + 24xy - 204x - 28y + 244 = 0$$

$$\text{Answer: } 16x^2 + 9y^2 + 24xy - 204x - 28y + 244 = 0$$