

Two points are defined by  $x = 2 \cos t$  and  $y = \cos 2t$

1. Show that these points lie on a parabolic arc.
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2. Sketch the arc, showing its end points, focus and directrix.
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The chord PQ of the parabola  $x^2 = 4y$  subtend a right angle at the origin O. If the co-ordinates of P and Q are  $(2t, t^2)$  and  $(2s, s^2)$  respectively

3. Write down the gradients of PO and QO.
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4. Show that  $ts = -4$ .
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5. Express the coordinates of Q in terms of t.
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6. Write down the co-ordinates of the mid-point M of PQ.
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7. Determine the cartesian equation of the locus of M, the midpoint of PQ.

PARAMETRICS

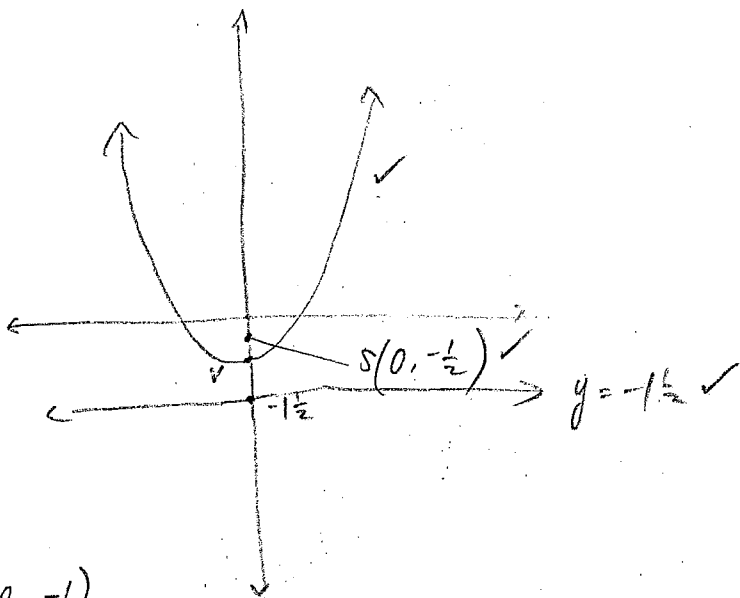
①  $\cos 2t = 2\cos^2 t - 1$   
 $y = 2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 - 1$   
 $= 2\left(\frac{x^2}{4}\right) - 1$   
 $= \frac{x^2}{2} - 1 \checkmark$   
 $2y+2 = x^2$   
 $2(y+1) = x^2 \checkmark$

$2 = 4a$   
 $a = \frac{1}{2}$

vertex  $(0, -1)$

$-1 + \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}$

focus  $(0, -\frac{1}{2})$



③  $PQ = \frac{t^2}{2t}$   $QQ = \frac{s^2}{2s}$   
 $= \frac{t}{2} \checkmark$   $= \frac{s}{2} \checkmark$

④  $\frac{t \times s}{2 \times 2} = -1$   
 $t s = -4 \checkmark$

⑤  $P(2t, t^2)$   $Q(2s, s^2)$

since  $ts = -4$

$s = \frac{-4}{t}$   
 $Q = \left(\frac{-8}{t}, \frac{16}{t^2}\right) \checkmark$

⑥  $P(2t, t^2)$   $Q\left(\frac{-8}{t}, \frac{16}{t^2}\right)$

$\frac{2t - \frac{8}{t}}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{t^2 + \frac{16}{t^2}}{2}$   
 $\frac{2t^2 - 8}{t} \times \frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{t^4 + 16}{t^2}$   
 $\frac{2(t^2 - 4)}{2t} \times \frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{2}{1}$   
 $\frac{t^2 - 4}{t} \times \frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{t^4 + 16}{2t^2}$

$x^2 = \frac{t^4 - 8t^2 + 16}{t^2}$   $y = \frac{t^4 + 16}{2t^2} \checkmark$

$x^2 = \frac{y \cdot 2t^2 - 8t^2}{t^2} \checkmark$   $y \cdot 2t^2 = t^4 + 16$

$x^2 = \frac{t^2(2y - 4)}{t^2}$   $x^2 = 2y - 4 \checkmark$