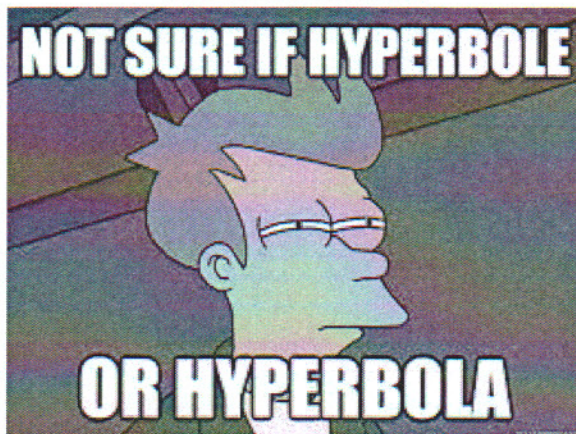


Precalculus  
 Lesson 10.4: The Hyperbola  
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A **hyperbola** is the collection (locus) of all points in the plane, the difference of whose distances from two fixed points, called the foci, is a constant.

Equation of a Hyperbola Centered about the origin with Transverse Axis along the x-axis

Who is first? } x  
 Who is positive? } x

run  $\rightarrow$  x  
 $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$   
 rise  $\leftarrow$  y

Transverse Axis variable is first & positive.

where  
 $b^2 = c^2 - a^2$   
 $a = \text{run}$   
 $b = \text{rise}$

center at  $(0, 0)$ ; foci at  $(\pm c, 0)$ ; and vertices at  $(\pm a, 0)$

two oblique asymptotes:  $y = \pm \frac{b}{a}x$

Find an equation of the hyperbola with center at the origin, one focus at  $(3, 0)$  and one vertex at  $(-2, 0)$ . Graph

rise  
 run is inline with vertex

$a = 2$   $c = 3$   
 $a^2 = 4$   $c^2 = 9$   
 $b^2 = c^2 - a^2$   
 $b^2 = 9 - 4 = 5 \rightarrow b = \pm\sqrt{5}$

Asymptote slope:  $\frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$   
 $\pm \frac{b}{a} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$

$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

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

Analyze the equation; find the center, transverse axis, vertices, and foci. Graph.

$$\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

$$a^2 \quad b^2$$

*x* - first/positive (Horizontal)

$$a^2 = 16$$

$$b^2 = 4$$

$$b^2 = c^2 - a^2$$

$$a = 4$$

$$b = 2$$

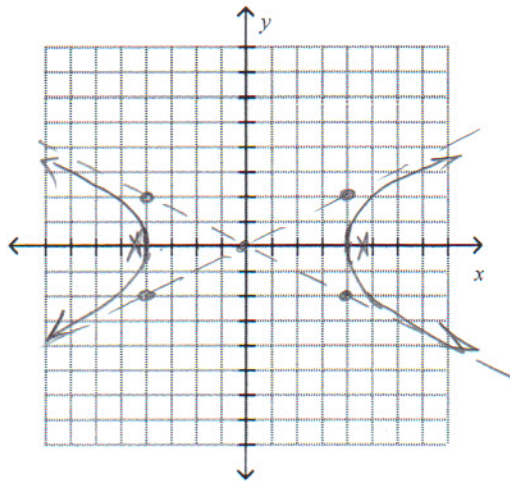
$$4 = c^2 - 16$$

$$\text{Asymptote} = \pm \frac{2}{4}$$

$$20 = c^2$$

$$\pm 2\sqrt{5} = c$$

(between 4 & 5)



← Transv. axis  
Horizontal

Note! slope =  $\frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$  is in line w/ <sup>vertex</sup>

Center:  $(0, 0)$  w/ Horizontal  
Vertices:  $(0, \pm 4)$  Transverse  
Axis

foci:  $(0 \pm 2\sqrt{5})$

Equation of a Hyperbola; Center at  $(0, 0)$ ; Transverse Axis along the y-axis

$$\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$b^2 = c^2 - a^2$$

center at  $(0, 0)$ ; foci at  $(0, \pm c)$ ; and vertices at  $(0, \pm a)$

two oblique asymptotes:  $y = \pm \frac{a}{b}x$

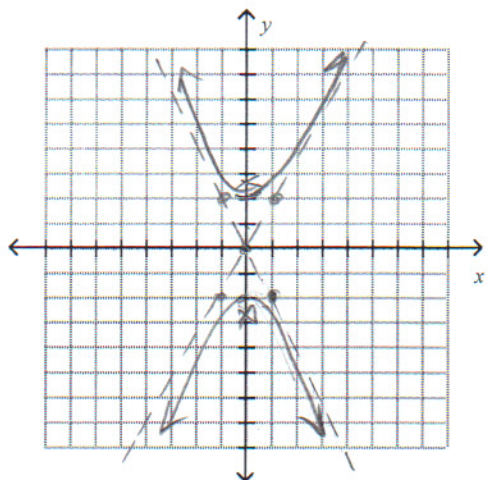
Analyze the equation, find the center, transverse axis, vertices, and foci and graph:

y is first

Vertical transverse axis;

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

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



Center  $(0,0)$

Vertices  $(0, \pm 2)$

Foci  $(0, \pm \sqrt{5})$

Asymptote slope

$$\pm \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$a^2 = 4 \quad a = 2$$

$$b^2 = 1 \quad b = 1$$

$$b^2 = c^2 - a^2$$

$$1 = c^2 - 4$$

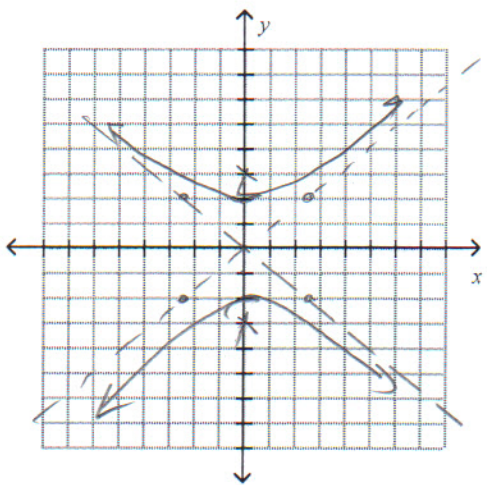
$$5 = c^2; \quad c = \pm \sqrt{5}$$

Find an equation of the hyperbola having one vertex at  $(0,2)$  and foci at  $(0,-3)$  and  $(0,3)$ . Graph.

$$c = 3 \quad a = 2$$

$$b^2 = 9 - 4$$

$$b^2 = 5$$



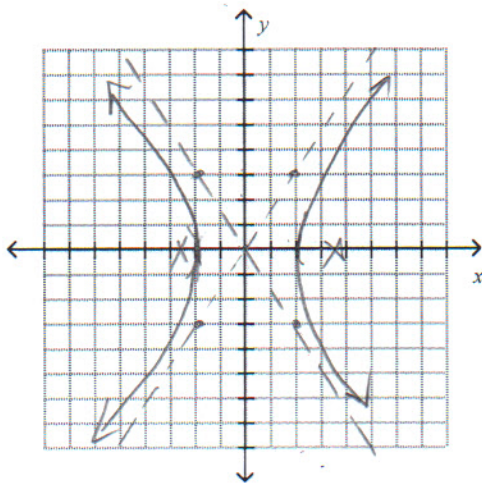
Vertical  $\rightarrow \frac{y^2}{4} + \frac{x^2}{5} = 1$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$



Analyze the equation, find the center, transverse axis, vertices, foci, and asymptotes and graph:

$$9x^2 - 4y^2 = 36 \quad \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$



Horizontal

$$a^2 = 4 \quad b^2 = 9$$

$$a = 2 \quad b = 3$$

$$c = \sqrt{c^2 - 4}$$



$$b^2 = c^2 - a^2$$

$$\pm \sqrt{b^2} = c$$

$$\pm \sqrt{9} = c$$

$$\text{Slope} = \pm \frac{3}{2}$$

**Hyperbolas at a center of (h, k)**  
**Transverse Axis Parallel to a Coordinate Axis**  
 $b^2 = c^2 - a^2$

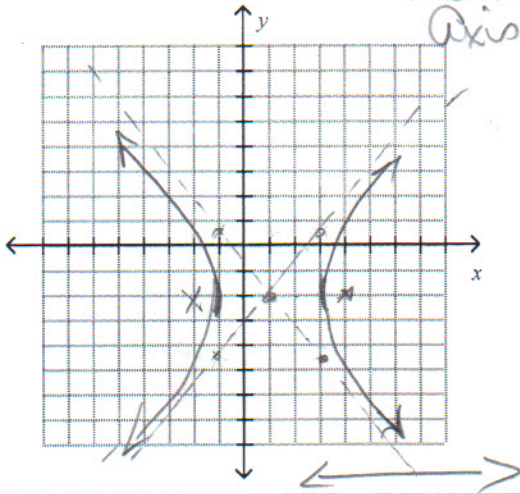
Opens	Opens left and right Transverse axis x-axis 	Opens up and down Transverse axis y-axis 
Form:	$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$	$\frac{(y-k)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(x-h)^2}{b^2} = 1$
Center:	(h, k)	(h, k)
Vertices	(h + a, k) and (h - a, k)	(h, k + a) and (h, k - a)
Slope of Asymptotes	$\pm \frac{b}{a}$	$\pm \frac{a}{b}$
Equation of Asymptotes	$y - k = \pm \frac{b}{a}(x - h)^*$	$y - k = \pm \frac{a}{b}(x - h)^*$
Foci	(h + c, k), (h - c, k)	(h, k + c), (h, k - c)

\*The homework will ask for the equation of the asymptote. For the quiz and test, all you will be expected to answer is the slope of the asymptote line.

Find an equation for the hyperbola with center at  $(1, -2)$ , one focus at  $(4, -2)$ , and one vertex at  $(3, -2)$ . Graph the equation by hand.

$(-1, -2)$

Horizontal  
Transverse  
Axis



$$\text{Slope} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$(-2, -2)$   
Distance  
 $c = 4 - 1 = 3$

$$a = 3 - 1 = 2$$

$$a^2 = 4$$

$$b^2 = c^2 - a^2$$

$$b^2 = 9 - 4 = 5$$

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

Analyze the equation, find the center, transverse axis, vertices, foci, and asymptotes and graph:

$$-x^2 + 4y^2 - 2x - 16y + 11 = 0$$

$$4y^2 - 16y + 16 - x^2 - 2x - 1 = -11$$

$$4(y^2 - 4y + 4) - (x^2 + 2x + 1) = 4$$

$$4(y-2)^2 - (x+1)^2 = 4$$

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

$$+ (h, k) = (-1, 2)$$

+ y positive vertical axis

$$a^2 = 1 \quad b^2 = 4$$

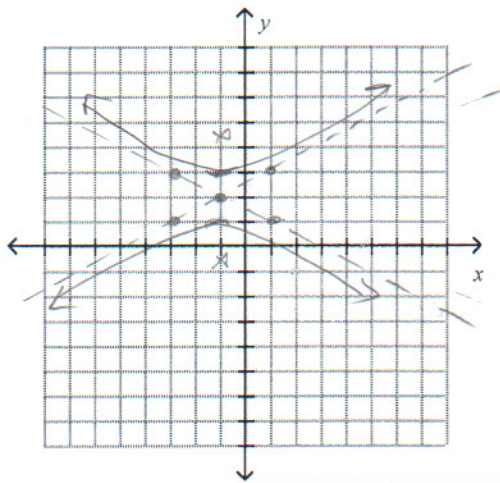
$$a = 1 \quad b = 2$$

$$4 = c^2 - 1$$

$$5 = c^2 \rightarrow c = \pm\sqrt{5}$$

+ vertices  $(-1, 3)$   $(-1, 2)$

+ foci  $(-1, 2 \pm \sqrt{5})$



$$M = \frac{1}{2}$$