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TUE

94).... Identifying Conic Sections

$$Ax^2 + Cy^2 + Dx + Ey + F = 0$$

Bxy (rotates)

* If only one variable is squared (x^2 or y^2), then it's a Parabola. $\rightarrow A \cdot C = 0$

* If both variables are squared (x^2 and y^2) & both are positive, then it's an Ellipse (or a Circle) $\rightarrow A = C \rightarrow A \cdot C > 0$

* If both variables are squared (x^2 and y^2) & one is negative ($x^2 - y^2$ or $y^2 - x^2$), then it's a Hyperbola. $\rightarrow A \cdot C < 0$

ex 1) $6x^2 + 12x + 3y + 9 = 0$. Identify the conic & complete the square!

$A=6$ $C=0$ (no y^2)

\rightarrow parabola

$$6(x^2 + 2x + 1) + 3y + 9 = 0 + 6 \cdot 1$$

$$6(x+1)^2 + 3y + 9 = 6$$

$$\frac{6(x+1)^2}{6} = \frac{-3y-9}{6} \rightarrow (x+1)^2 = -\frac{1}{2}y - \frac{1}{2}$$

* $(x-h)^2 = 4p(y-k)$

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

ex 2) $4x^2 + 8y = y^2 + 6y + 13$

hyperbola $\leftarrow \underline{4x^2}$
 $A=4$

$\underline{-y^2} + 2y - 13 = 0$
 $C=-1$

... $A \cdot C < 0$ hyperbola

ex 3) $-x^2 - 2x - y^2 - 2y - 6 = 0$

$\underline{-x^2}$ $\underline{-y^2}$
 $A=-1$ $C=-1$

$A \cdot C > 0$ ellipse or circle
 $A=C$