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10.2: Calculus w/parametric curves

Our goal is to explore vector fct which are related to parametric curves... An overview of the calculus of parametric curves is as follows.

If $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ are parametric functions for x and y , then...

1) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}}, \frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0.$

2) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\frac{d}{dt}(\frac{dy}{dx})}{\frac{dx}{dt}}, \frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0.$

Ex 1: Sketch a graph of $x = 10 - t^2$ and $y = t^3 - 12t$

~~$x = (\sqrt{5} + t)(\sqrt{5} - t)$ and $y = t(t + 2\sqrt{5})(t - 2\sqrt{5})$~~

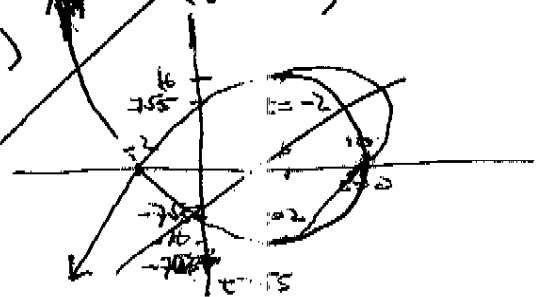
~~$x' = 2t(\sqrt{5} - t) - 2t$ and $y' = 3t^2 - 12 = (t+2)(t-2)$~~

~~x-int @ $x = 10$ and $x = -2$ (double zero)~~

~~y-int @ $\frac{t}{\sqrt{5}} = \pm \sqrt{5} \Rightarrow y = 7\sqrt{5}$ and $y = -7\sqrt{5}$~~

~~horizontal @ $t = 2 \Rightarrow (6, -16)$ and $(6, 16)$~~

~~vertical @ $t = 0 \Rightarrow (10, 0)$~~



Ex1: Sketch a graph of the curve
parametrically given by

$$x(t) = 10 - t^2 \text{ and } y = t^3 - 12t,$$

x-intercepts: ($y=0$)

$$\text{solve } 0 = t^3 - 12t$$

$$= t(t + \sqrt{12})(t - \sqrt{12}),$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 0 \text{ or } t = \pm\sqrt{12}$$

$$t = 0 \Rightarrow (10, 0)$$

$$t = \sqrt{12} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, 0\right)$$

$$t = -\sqrt{12} \Rightarrow (-2, 0)$$

y-intercepts ($x=0$)

$$\text{solve } 0 = 10 - t^2$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \pm\sqrt{10}$$

$$t = \sqrt{10} \Rightarrow (0, -2\sqrt{10})$$

$$t = -\sqrt{10} \Rightarrow (0, 2\sqrt{10})$$

slope ^{undefined} ($x'(t)=0$)

$$\text{solve } 0 = -2t$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 0$$

$$t = 0 \Rightarrow (10, 0)$$

slope = 0 ($y'(t)=0$)

$$\text{solve } 0 = 3t^2 - 12$$

$$= 3(t^2 - 4)$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \pm 2$$

$$t = 2 \Rightarrow (6, -16)$$

$$t = -2 \Rightarrow (6, 16)$$

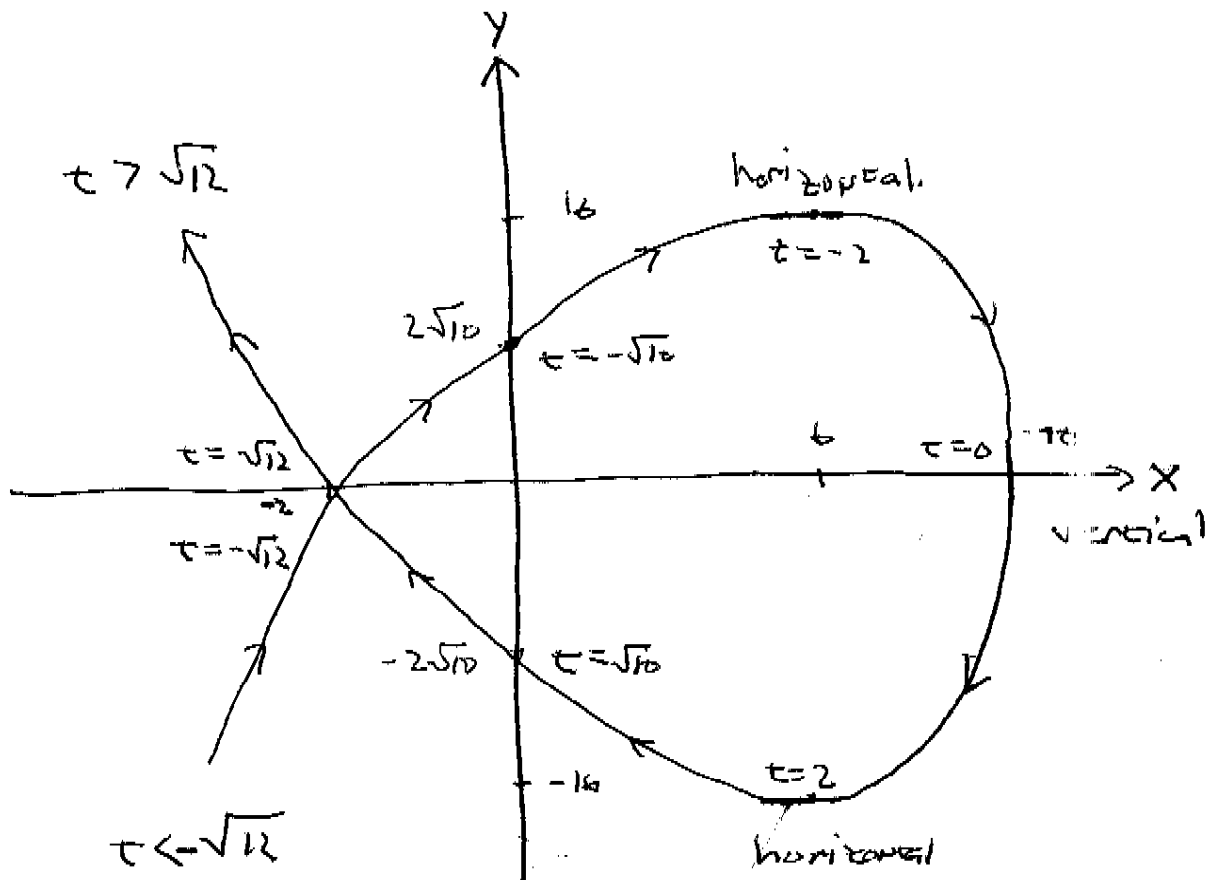
Find the slopes at $t = \pm\sqrt{12}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3t^2 - 12}{-2t}$$

$$= -\frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{t^2 - 4}{t} \right)$$

$$t = \sqrt{12} \Rightarrow m < 0$$

$$t = -\sqrt{12} \Rightarrow m > 0$$



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The area "under" $(x(t), y(t))$ on $a \leq t \leq b$ if the curve is traversed exactly once is given by

$$\boxed{3} \quad A = \int_{t=a}^{t=b} y \, dx = \int_{t=a}^{t=b} y(t) x'(t) \, dt.$$

($t=a$ assumed to be on the left).

Ex 2: Find the area of a circle.

Let $x = \cos \theta$ and $y = \sin \theta$ on $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

$$A = \int_0^{2\pi} y(\theta) x'(\theta) \, d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(\theta) (-\sin(\theta)) \, d\theta$$

$$= \int_{2\pi}^0 \sin^2 \theta \, d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{2\pi}^0 (1 - \cos(2\theta)) \, d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\theta - \frac{\sin(2\theta)}{2} \right]_{2\pi}^0$$

$$= -\pi \quad \leftarrow \text{negative since } \theta=0 \text{ is right of } \theta=2\pi$$

For the right sign, $A = 2 \int_{\pi}^0 y(\theta) x'(\theta) \, d\theta$

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If a curve C w/ pts $(x(t), y(t))$ on $\alpha \leq t \leq \beta$ where x' and y' are cont on $[\alpha, \beta]$ and C is traversed exactly once on $[\alpha, \beta]$, then the arclength of C is

$$\boxed{4} \quad L = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2} dt$$

Ex 3: Find the circumference of a circle w/ radius r .

$$x(\theta) = r \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad y(\theta) = r \sin \theta$$

$$x'(\theta) = -r \sin \theta \quad \text{and} \quad y'(\theta) = r \cos \theta$$

$$L = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{(-r \sin \theta)^2 + (r \cos \theta)^2} d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} r \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta} d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} r d\theta$$

$$= [r\theta]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= 2\pi r$$

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If the curve given by $(x(t), y(t))$ on $\alpha \leq t \leq \beta$ is rotated about the x-axis, where x' and y' are cont and $y(t) \geq 0$ on $[\alpha, \beta]$, then the resulting surface area is.

$$\boxed{5} \quad SA = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} 2\pi y(t) \sqrt{(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2} dt$$

Ex 4: ~~But~~ Find the SA of the sphere w/
radius r .

$$SA = \int_0^{\pi} 2\pi r \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$= \left[-2\pi r \cos \theta \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= -2\pi r [-1 - (1)]$$

$$= 4\pi r^2 //$$