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C4 Parametric Equations

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1. Write the following parametric equations in cartesian form:

(a) $x = t, \quad y = 2t.$ [2]

(b) $x = t^2, \quad y = t^2.$ [1]

(c) $x = t - 1, \quad y = 4t + 2.$ [2]

(d) $x = t - 1, \quad y = t^2 - 2t + 1.$ [2]

(e) $x = 2 \cos x, \quad y = 2 \sin x.$ [2]

(f) $x = t^2 - 1, \quad y = \sin(t^2).$ [2]

(g) $x = \ln t, \quad y = e^t.$ [2]

(h) $x = (e^{\ln t})^2, \quad y = e^{4t^2}.$ [3]

(i) $x = e^{2t}, \quad y = t^2 e^t.$ [3]

2. Sketch the curves parameterised by the following equations:

(a) $x = 2 \cos t, \quad y = 2 \sin t.$ [2]

(b) $x = 3 \cos t, \quad y = 3 \sin t.$ [2]

(c) $x = \cos t, \quad y = 2 \sin t.$ [3]

(d) $x = t, \quad y = 2t.$ [2]

(e) $x = 2 \cos t + 1, \quad y = 2 \sin t.$ [3]

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3. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for each of the following sets of parametric equations. Leave your answer in terms of t . Hint:
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}}$:

- (a) $x = t^2, \quad y = t^2.$ [2]
- (b) $x = \tan t, \quad y = \sin t.$ [2]
- (c) $x = 5t, \quad y = t^3 + 1.$ [3]
- (d) $x = e^t, \quad y = \ln t.$ [2]
- (e) $x = \sin t, \quad y = t \sin t.$ [3]
- (f) $x = \frac{1}{2}t \sin(2t) + \frac{1}{4} \cos(2t), \quad y = \sin t \cos t.$ [3]

4. Consider the set of parametric equations:

$$\begin{aligned}x &= e^t, \\y &= e^{2t} - 1.\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of the parameter $t.$ [2]
- (b) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ without the t dependence. [2]
- (c) Give the formula for the function parametrised by the above equations in the form $y = f(x).$ [2]