

CALCULUS BC
WORKSHEET ON PARAMETRICS AND CALCULUS

Work these on **notebook paper**. Do not use your calculator.

On problems 1 – 5, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$.

1. $x = t^2, y = t^2 + 6t + 5$

2. $x = t^2 + 1, y = 2t^3 - t^2$

3. $x = \sqrt{t}, y = 3t^2 + 2t$

4. $x = \ln t, y = t^2 + t$

5. $x = 3\sin t + 2, y = 4\cos t - 1$

6. A curve C is defined by the parametric equations $x = t^2 + t - 1, y = t^3 - t^2$.

(a) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of t .

(b) Find an equation of the tangent line to C at the point where $t = 2$.

7. A curve C is defined by the parametric equations $x = 2\cos t, y = 3\sin t$.

(a) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of t .

(b) Find an equation of the tangent line to C at the point where $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$.

On problems 8 – 10, find:

(a) $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of t .

(b) all points of horizontal and vertical tangency

8. $x = t + 5, y = t^2 - 4t$

9. $x = t^2 - t + 1, y = t^3 - 3t$

10. $x = 3 + 2\cos t, y = -1 + 4\sin t$

On problems 11 - 12, a curve C is defined by the parametric equations given. For each problem, write an integral expression that represents the length of the arc of the curve over the given interval.

11. $x = t^2, y = t^3, 0 \leq t \leq 2$

12. $x = e^{2t} + 1, y = 3t - 1, -2 \leq t \leq 2$

Answers

Answers to Worksheet on Parametrics and Calculus

$$1. \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2t+6}{2t} = 1 + \frac{3}{t}; \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-\frac{3}{t^2}}{2t} = -\frac{3}{2t^3}$$

$$2. \frac{dy}{dt} = 3t-1; \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{3}{2t}$$

$$3. \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6t+2}{\frac{1}{2}t^{-\frac{1}{2}}} = 12t^{\frac{3}{2}} + 4t^{\frac{1}{2}}; \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{18t^{\frac{1}{2}} + 2t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\frac{1}{2}t^{-\frac{1}{2}}} = 36t + 4$$

$$4. \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2t+1}{\frac{1}{t}} = 2t^2 + t; \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{4t+1}{\frac{1}{t}} = 4t^2 + t$$

$$5. \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-4 \sin t}{3 \cos t} = -\frac{4}{3} \tan t; \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-\frac{4}{3} \sec^2 t}{3 \cos t} = -\frac{4}{9} \sec^3 t$$

$$6. (a) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3t^2 - 2t}{2t+1}$$

(b) When $t = 2$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3 \cdot 2^2 - 2 \cdot 2}{2 \cdot 2 + 1} = \frac{8}{5}$, $x = 5$, $y = 4$ so the tangent line equation is

$$y - 4 = \frac{8}{5}(x - 5)$$

$$7. (a) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3 \cos t}{-2 \sin t} = -\frac{3}{2} \cot t$$

(b) When $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{3}{2} \cot \frac{\pi}{4} = -\frac{3}{2}$, $x = \sqrt{2}$, $y = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$ so the tangent line equation is

$$y - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} = -\frac{3}{2}(x - \sqrt{2})$$

8. (a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2t-4}{1}$

- (b) A horizontal tangent occurs when $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$ and $\frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$ so a horizontal tangent occurs when $2t - 4 = 0$ which is at $t = 2$. When $t = 2$, $x = 7$ and $y = -4$ so a horizontal tangent occurs at the point $(7, -4)$. A vertical tangent occurs when $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$ and $\frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$. Since $1 \neq 0$, there is no point of vertical tangency on this curve.
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9. (a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3t^2-3}{2t-1}$

- (b) A horizontal tangent occurs when $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$ and $\frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$ so a horizontal tangent occurs when $3t^2 - 3 = 0$ which is at $t = \pm 1$. When $t = 1$, $x = 1$ and $y = -2$, and when $t = -1$, $x = 3$ and $y = 2$ so a horizontal tangent occurs at the points $(1, -2)$ and $(3, 2)$. A vertical tangent occurs when $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$ and $\frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$ so a vertical tangent occurs when $2t - 1 = 0$ so $t = \frac{1}{2}$. When $t = \frac{1}{2}$, $x = \frac{3}{4}$ and $y = -\frac{11}{8}$ so a vertical tangent occurs at the point $(\frac{3}{4}, -\frac{11}{8})$.
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10. (a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4\cos t}{-2\sin t}$

- (b) A horizontal tangent occurs when $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$ and $\frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$ so a horizontal tangent occurs when $4\cos t = 0$ which is at $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$ and $\frac{3\pi}{2}$. When $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $x = 3$ and $y = 3$, and when $t = \frac{3\pi}{2}$, $x = 3$ and $y = -5$ so a horizontal tangent occurs at the points $(3, 3)$ and $(3, -5)$. A vertical tangent occurs when $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$ and $\frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$ so a vertical tangent occurs when $-2\sin t = 0$ so $t = 0$ and π . When $t = 0$, $x = 5$ and $y = -1$ and when $t = \pi$, $x = 1$ and $y = -1$ so a vertical tangent occurs at the points $(5, -1)$ and $(1, -1)$.
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11. $s = \int_a^b \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt = \int_0^2 \sqrt{(2t)^2 + (3t^2)^2} dt$ or $\int_0^2 \sqrt{4t^2 + 9t^4} dt$

12. $s = \int_a^b \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt = \int_{-2}^2 \sqrt{(2e^{2t})^2 + (3)^2} dt$ or $\int_{-2}^2 \sqrt{4e^{4t} + 9} dt$