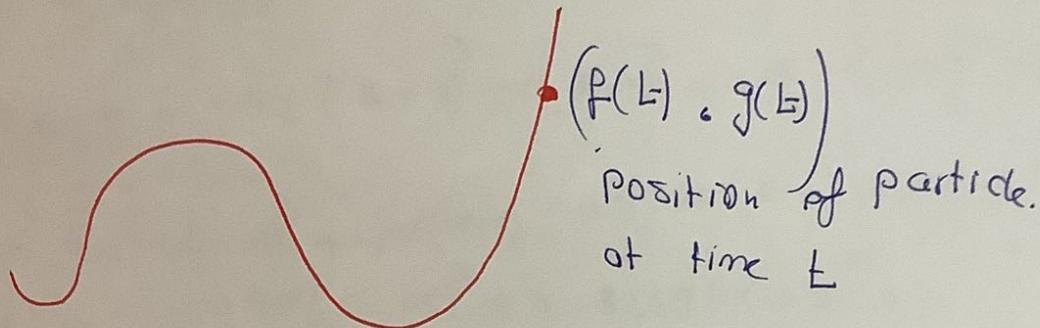


# Ch 10 Parametric Equations and Polar Coordinates ①

## 10.1 Parametrization of plane Curves

### Parametric Equations



#### Definition:

If  $x$  and  $y$  are given as functions

$$x = f(t) \quad y = g(t)$$

over an interval  $I$  of  $t$ -values, then the set

of points  $(x, y) = (f(t), g(t))$  defined by these equations

is **a parametric curve** and the equation

are **parametric equations** of the curve

$t$  = parameter of the curve

$I$  = parameter interval

$a \leq t \leq b \rightarrow (f(a), g(a))$  initial point

$(f(b), g(b))$  terminal point

Example: Sketch the curve defined by the parametric equations

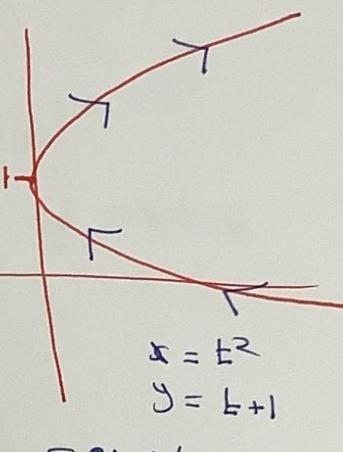
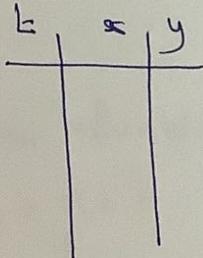
$$x = t^2, \quad y = t + 1, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

Solution:

$$x = t^2 = (y-1)^2$$

$$\text{so } x = (y-1)^2$$

or make it able,



Ex] Graph  
 $x = \cos t, \quad y = \sin t$

$$0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

$$\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1$$

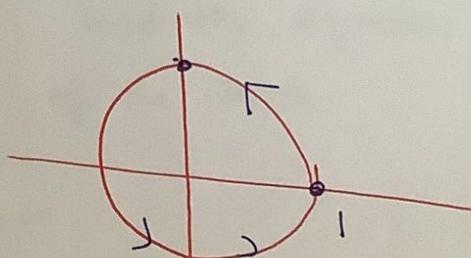
$$x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

~~unit circle~~

$$t = 0 \rightarrow x = 1, y = 0$$

$$t = \frac{\pi}{2} \rightarrow x = 0, y = 1$$

$$t = \pi \rightarrow x = -1, y = 0$$



Ex] Graph  $x = a \cos t$   $y = a \sin t$   $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

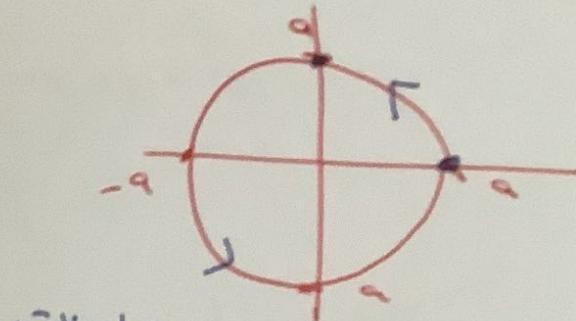
Solution:

$$\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1$$

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

$$x^2 + y^2 = a^2 \quad \text{by}$$

circle  $(0,0)$   $r = a$



$$t=0 \quad x=a \quad y=0$$

$$t=\frac{\pi}{2} \quad x=0 \quad y=a$$

$$t=\pi \quad x=-a$$

Example  $x = \sqrt{t}$  ,  $y = t$  ,  $t \geq 0$

This is the position of a particle moving in the  $xy$ -plane.

Identify the path traced by the particle

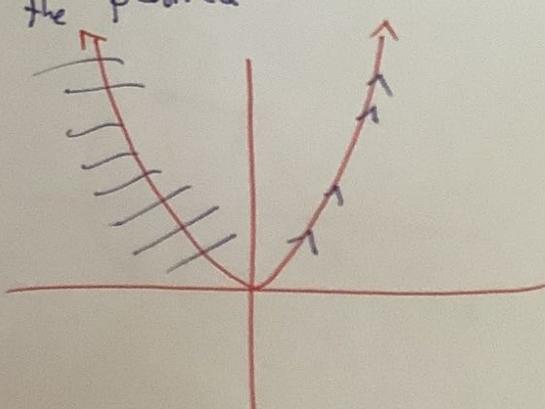
Solution:

$$x = \sqrt{t} = \sqrt{y} \quad t \geq 0$$

$$\boxed{x^2 = y}$$

$$t=0 \rightarrow x=0, y=0$$

$$t=1 \rightarrow x=1, y=1$$



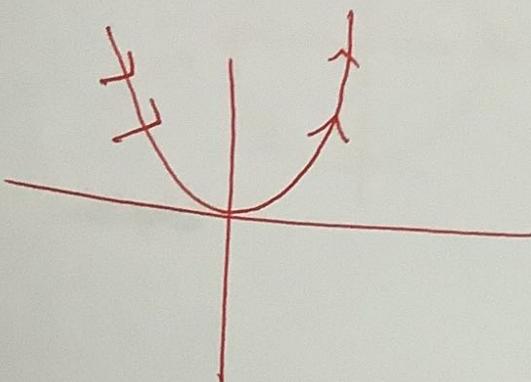
E-x A parametrization of the graph of  $f(x) = x^2$  is given by

$$x = t \quad y = f(t) = t^2, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

$$x = t$$

$$y = t^2$$

$$y = x^2, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$



E-x Find a parametrization of the line through the point  $(a, b)$  having slope  $m$

Solution:

$$y = m(x - a) + b \quad (\text{slope - point form})$$

$$t = x - a \rightarrow x = t + a$$

$$y = mt + b$$

so the parametric equations are

$$x = a + t \quad \& \quad y = b + mt, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

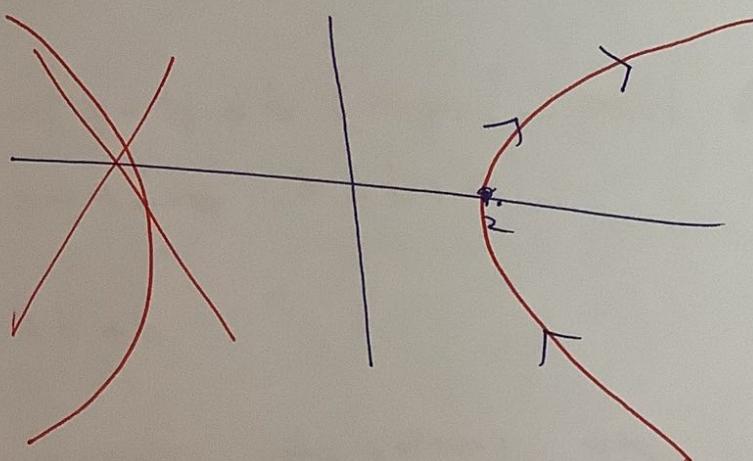
Ex] Sketch and identify the path traced by the point  $P(x,y)$  if

$$x = L + \frac{1}{L} \quad , \quad y = L - \frac{1}{L} \quad , \quad L > 0$$

$$x - y = \frac{2}{L} \quad , \quad x + y = 2L$$

$$(x-y)(x+y) = 4$$

$$x^2 - y^2 = 4$$



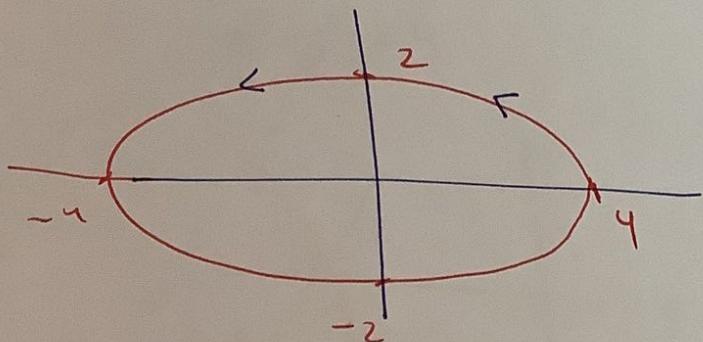
Exercise ⑦

$$\textcircled{7} \quad x = 4 \cos t, \quad y = 2 \sin t \quad , \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

$$\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1$$

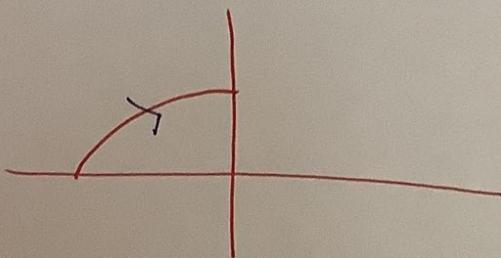
$$\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1 \quad \text{ellipse} = \frac{y^2}{4} + \frac{x^2}{16}$$



$$\textcircled{13} \quad x = b, \quad y = \sqrt{1-b^2} \quad , \quad -1 \leq b \leq 0$$

$$y = \sqrt{1-x^2} \quad , \quad -1 \leq x \leq 0$$



$$⑯ \quad x = -\sec t \quad y = \tan t \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} < t < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

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$$\sec^2 t + \tan^2 t = 1$$

$$1 + \tan^2 t = \sec^2 t$$

$$1 + y^2 = x^2$$

$$y^2 = x^2 - 1$$

$$y^2 - x^2 \geq 1$$

$$x^2 - y^2 = 1$$

