

C4

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1 Parametric Curves

Parametric curves occur when x and y are defined in terms of a parameter, a parameter being a value that is the same in both the functions for x and for y . In a parametric curve C with parameter t ;

$$C : x = f(t), y = g(t)$$

One differentiates a parametric equation using the chain rule. If we were to differentiate y with respect to x by the chain rule, we would find

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)}$$

Integration of parametric curves is done by integrating with respect to t . If one has to integrate with respect to something else, one can transform it hence;

$$\int_{f(t)=a}^b g(t) df(t) = \int_{t=f^{-1}(a)}^b g(t) f'(t) dt$$

This is then isomorphic to integration of non-parametric curves.

2 Implicit Differentiation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} xy &= \frac{dy}{dx} x + y \\ \frac{d}{dx} y^n &= \frac{dy}{dx} ny^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

3 Forming Differential Equations

Differential equations describe scenarios in which;

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \propto y$$

Newton's law of cooling states that the rate of loss of temperature $-\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t}$ is proportional to the difference between the temperature θ of the body and the temperature θ_0 of its surroundings;

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = -k(\theta - \theta_0)$$

4 Integrating using Trigonometric Identities

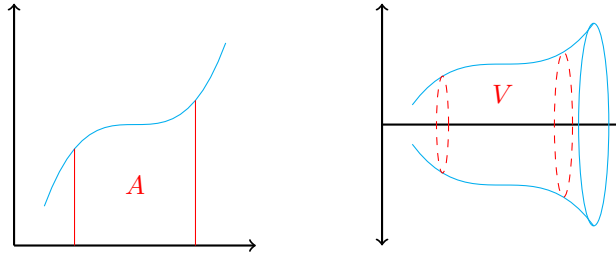
4.1 Examples

$$\int \tan^2 x \, dx = \int (\sec^2 x - 1) \, dx = \tan x - x + \text{const.}$$

$$\int \sin^2 x \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \int [1 - \cos(2x)] \, dx = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + \text{const.}$$

$$\int \sin(3x) \cos(3x) \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \sin(6x) \, dx = -\frac{1}{12} \cos(6x) + \text{const.}$$

5 Volumes of Revolution



To calculate the volume if $y = f(x)$ has been revolved around the x-axis, we can model the volume of that as a cylinder with radius that varies with y .

πy^2 would be the ‘surface area’ of a given cross section. Therefore, the following would give you the volume between a point a and b :

$$\int_a^b \pi y^2 dx \rightarrow \pi \int_a^b y^2 dx$$