

# MATH 277

## Problem Set # 2 for Labs

**Note :** Problems marked with (\*) are left for students to do at home.

1. In each case identify the plane curve given by the specified vector equation :

(i)  $\vec{r}(t) = (-2 + t) \vec{i} + (4 + 8t) \vec{j}$  ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

(ii)  $\vec{r}(t) = (-2 + 6\cos(t)) \vec{i} + (4 + 8\sin(t)) \vec{j}$  ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

(iii)  $\vec{r}(t) = (-2 + 6\cos(t)) \vec{i} + (4 + 6\sin(t)) \vec{j}$  ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

(iv)  $\vec{r}(t) = (2 + 6\cosh(t)) \vec{i} + (-4 + 8\sinh(t)) \vec{j}$  ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

(v)  $\vec{r}(t) = (t - 1, t^2 + 2)$  ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

2. In each case, find a parametric representation of the curve of intersection of the two given surfaces :

(i)  $4x^2 + y^2 = 16$  ,  $2x + 3y + 2z = 1$

(ii)  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$  ,  $z = x + 1$ .

(iii)\*  $x^2 - y^2 - z = 3$  ,  $2y^2 + z = 1$ .

(iv)\*  $z^2 + y - x = 2$  ,  $x + yz + 1 = 0$  ( using  $t = -z$  as a parameter).

3. Find the Cartesian equation of the plane curve **C** given parametrically by :

$x(t) = -2 + 3\cos(t)$  ,  $y(t) = 4 + 3\sin(t)$  ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

Name the curve and sketch.

4\* Find the Cartesian equation of the plane curve given by :

$\vec{r}(t) = (2 + 7\cos(t)) \vec{i} + (-1 + 2\sin(t)) \vec{j}$  ,  $t \in [0, \pi]$ .

Name the curve.

5\* Find the Cartesian equation of the plane curve given parametrically by :

$x(t) = 2\cosh(t)$  ,  $y(t) = 4\sinh^2(t)$   $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Identify the curve and sketch its graph.

6. In each case , find a parametrization of the curve of intersection of the two given surfaces :

(a)  $z = x^2 + y^2$  ,  $2x - 8y + z + 8 = 0$

(b)\*  $4x^2 - y = 1$  ,  $4x + y - z = -2$

7. A ball of ice is having mass 100 *gram* (g) at time  $t = 0$  is melting and therefore losing mass

at a steady rate 1 g /s. The ball has initial velocity  $\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$  and is subject to a constant

force  $\vec{F} = 3\vec{i}$  thereafter. What is the velocity of the ball after 1 min ?

8. A rocket moves forward in a straight line by expelling particles of a fuel mixture backward ( that is in the opposite direction of motion). Assume the exhaust gases are ejected at a constant rate  $\alpha$  and at constant velocity with magnitude  $v_e$  relative to the rocket.

Let M be the total initial mass of rocket and assume it starts motion from rest.

(a) Find an expression for the speed  $v(t)$  of the rocket at any time  $t > 0$ .

(b) What percentage of the total initial mass M would the rocket have to burn as fuel in order to accelerate to the speed of its own exhaust gasses?

(c) What percentage of the total initial mass M would the rocket have to burn as fuel in order to accelerate to twice the speed of its own exhaust gasses?

(d) What is the speed of rocket when 50% of its initial mass is ejected during the burn?

You may assume that there are no external forces acting on the rocket as it travels in deep space

9\*. Refer to problem above.

If the rocket is fired vertically upward in a constant gravitational field of magnitude  $g$ .

Find an expression for the speed  $v(t)$  of the rocket at any time  $t > 0$ .

Find an expression for the distance travelled by the rocket at any time  $t > 0$ .

10. A rocket has mass 25,000 kilogram (kg), which includes 20,000 kg of fuel mixture is

fired vertically upward in a constant gravitational field of magnitude  $g = 9.8 \text{ metre/s}^2$ .

During the burning process the exhaust gases are ejected at a constant rate 1000 kg/s and at constant velocity with magnitude 400 metre/s relative to the rocket.

If the rocket was initially at rest , find its velocity after 15 , 20 , and 30 seconds.

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### Solutions to Problem Set # 2

$$\begin{aligned} 1. (i) \quad \vec{r}(t) &= (-2+t)\vec{i} + (4+8t)\vec{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ &= (-2, 4) + t(1, 8), \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

This is an equation of a straight line segment in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  joining the points  $P = \vec{r}(0) = (-2, 4)$ , and the point  $Q = \vec{r}(1) = (-2, 4) + 1(1, 8) = (-1, 12)$

(ii) Recall: The parametric equations of an ellipse centred at  $(h, k)$  and has semi-axes of length  $a, b$  are

$$\begin{cases} x = h + a \cos(t) \\ y = k + b \sin(t) \end{cases}, \quad t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

Now,  $\vec{r}(t) = (-2 + 6 \cos(t))\vec{i} + (4 + 8 \sin(t))\vec{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$  is equivalent to

$$\begin{cases} x = -2 + 6 \cos(t) \\ y = 4 + 8 \sin(t) \end{cases} \quad t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

Those are the parametric equations of an ellipse centred at the point  $(h, k) = (-2, 4)$ , and has semi-axis of length  $a = 6$ , and  $b = 8$

(iii) Recall: The Vector Equation

$$\vec{r}(t) = (h + a \cos(t)) \vec{i} + (k + a \sin(t)) \vec{j},$$

$0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ ,  $a > 0$  is an equation of a circle with centre at  $(h, k)$  and radius  $r$ .

Therefore

$$\vec{r}(t) = (-2 + 6 \cos(t)) \vec{i} + (4 + 6 \sin(t)) \vec{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

is an eq. of a circle centred at  $(-2, 4)$  and has radius 6 units

$$(iv) \quad \vec{r}(t) = (2 + 6 \cosh(t)) \vec{i} + (-4 + 8 \sinh(t)) \vec{j}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Here } x(t) = 2 + 6 \cosh(t) \Rightarrow \cosh(t) = \frac{x-2}{6}$$

$$y(t) = -4 + 8 \sinh(t) \Rightarrow \sinh(t) = \frac{y+4}{8}$$

$$\text{Recall: } \cosh^2(t) - \sinh^2(t) = 1, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\therefore \frac{(x-2)^2}{6^2} - \frac{(y+4)^2}{8^2} = 1$$

This is an equation of a Hyperbola with centre at  $(2, -4)$  and which opens to the left and right, and vertices at  $(\underline{8}, -4)$ , and  $(-4, -4)$ .

$$\text{But since } \cosh(t) = \frac{x-2}{6} \geq 1 \Rightarrow x \geq 8$$

$\therefore \vec{r}(t)$  represents: Only the Right-Hand Branch!

$$(v) \quad \vec{r}(t) = (t-1, t^2+2), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\therefore x = t-1, \quad \dots (1)$$

$$y = t^2 + 2 \quad \dots (2)$$

To identify curve, let us find its Cartesian equation by eliminating "t" among (1), (2)

$$\text{From (1): } t = x+1$$

Substituting  $t = x+1$  into (2):

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

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

This is an equation of a parabola with vertex at  $(h, k) = (-1, 2)$  and which opens upward.

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$$2. (i) \quad 4x^2 + y^2 = 16 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$$

This equation viewed in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is an equation of an ellipse centred at  $(h, k) = (0, 0)$ , and has semi-axes of length  $a = \sqrt{4} = 2$ , and  $b = \sqrt{16} = 4$

A parametrization is thus given by

$$x = h + a \cos(t) \Rightarrow x = 0 + 2 \cos(t),$$

$$y = k + b \sin(t) \Rightarrow y = 0 + 4 \sin(t) \quad t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

Substituting  $x, y$  into 2nd. equation

$$2x + 3y + 2z = 1$$

we have

$$2(2 \cos(t)) + 3(4 \sin(t)) + 2z = 1$$

$$2z = 1 - 4 \cos(t) - 12 \sin(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{2} - 2 \cos(t) - 6 \sin(t)$$

The curve of intersection is given parametrically by

$$\begin{cases} x = 2 \cos(t) \\ y = 4 \sin(t) \\ z = \frac{1}{2} - 2 \cos(t) - 6 \sin(t) \end{cases} \quad t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

or  $\vec{r}(t) = (2 \cos(t), 4 \sin(t), \frac{1}{2} - 2 \cos(t) - 6 \sin(t)),$   
 $t \in [0, 2\pi]$

(ii)  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ ,  $z = x + 1$

Consider the equation  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ . This equation may be thought of as an equation of a circle in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  centred at  $(0, 0)$  and is of radius 2 units.

Therefore we may use the standard parametric equations

$$x = h + a \cos(t) \Rightarrow x = 0 + 2 \cos(t) = 2 \cos(t),$$

$$y = k + a \sin(t) \Rightarrow y = 0 + 2 \sin(t) = 2 \sin(t),$$

$$t \in [0, 2\pi].$$

It follows that  $z = x + 1 = 2 \cos(t) + 1$

$\therefore$  Curve of intersection is given parametrically by

$$x = 2 \cos(t), y = 2 \sin(t), z = 2 \cos(t) + 1, t \in [0, 2\pi],$$

or  $\vec{r}(t) = 2 \cos(t) \vec{i} + 2 \sin(t) \vec{j} + (2 \cos(t) + 1) \vec{k}, 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi.$

(iii), (iv): For students to do at Home. Very Important.

Answer :

(iii) A possible parametrization is given by

$$x = 2 \cos(t), y = 2 \sin(t), z = 1 - 8 \sin^2(t), t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

(iv) The parametric equations are

$$x = t^2 + t - 1, y = 1 + t, z = -t, t \in \mathbb{R}, t \neq 1$$

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3. Find the Cartesian equation of the plane curve C given parametrically by

$$x(t) = -2 + 3 \cos(t), \quad y(t) = 4 + 3 \sin(t),$$

$0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ . Name curve and sketch.

Solution :

$$x = -2 + 3 \cos(t) \quad \dots (1)$$
$$y = 4 + 3 \sin(t) \quad \dots (2)$$

From (1):  $x + 2 = 3 \cos(t)$

$$\Rightarrow \cos(t) = \left( \frac{x+2}{3} \right)$$

From (2):  $y - 4 = 3 \sin(t)$

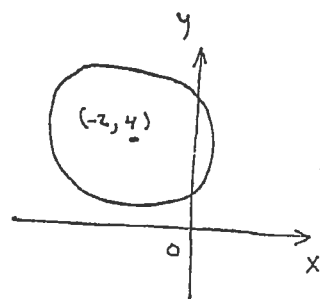
$$\Rightarrow \sin(t) = \left( \frac{y-4}{3} \right)$$

Recall:  $\cos^2(t) + \sin^2(t) = 1$

$$\therefore \left( \frac{x+2}{3} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{y-4}{3} \right)^2 = 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{(x+2)^2}{9} + \frac{(y-4)^2}{9} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+2)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 9$$



This is an equation of a circle centred at  $(-2, 4)$ , and is of radius 3 units.

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4. For students to do at home.

Answer: The upper half of the ellipse with centre at  $(2, -1)$ , and semi-axes of length  $a = 7$ , and  $b = 2$ .

5. For students to do at home.

Answer  $y = x^2 - 4$  (in first quadrant!)

Hint: To eliminate "t" between  $x(t)$ , and  $y(t)$

use the identity:  $\cosh^2(t) - \sinh^2(t) = 1$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

Note also that  $x(t) > 0$ ,  $y(t) \geq 0$ .

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6. In each Case, find a parametrization of the curve of intersection of the two given surfaces:

(a)  $z = x^2 + y^2$ ,  $2x - 8y + z + 8 = 0$

(b)  $4x^2 - y = 1$ ,  $4x + y - z = -2$

Hint: For Simplicity, use  $t = x$  as a parameter!

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Solution:

(a)  $z = x^2 + y^2$  --- (1)

$2x - 8y + z + 8 = 0$  --- (2)

The idea is to use equations (1), (2) to obtain an equation containing only two variables. Such an equation may be viewed as a curve in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ !

let us eliminate "z" among (1), (2) as follows:

From eq. (2):  $z = -8 - 2x + 8y$

substituting into eq. (1), we have

$$-8 - 2x + 8y = x^2 + y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x + y^2 - 8y = -8$$

Complete the square in both x, y-terms to get:

$$(x^2 + 2x + (1)^2) + (y^2 - 8y + (-4)^2) = (-1)^2 + (-4)^2 - 8$$

$$(x+1)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 9$$

This is an equation of a circle (in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ) with centre at  $(h, k) = (-1, 4)$ , and radius  $a = 3$

Parametric equations of circle are thus given by

$$x = h + a \cos(t)$$

$$y = k + a \sin(t), \quad t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

$$\therefore x = -1 + 3 \cos(t), \quad y = 4 + 3 \sin(t), \quad t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

To find z: Recall  $z = -8 - 2x + 8y$

$$\therefore z = -8 - 2[-1 + 3 \cos(t)] + 8[4 + 3 \sin(t)]$$

$$= -8 + 2 - 6 \cos(t) + 32 + 24 \sin(t)$$

$$z = 26 - 6 \cos(t) + 24 \sin(t)$$

$\therefore$  parametric equations are:

$$\begin{cases} x = -1 + 3 \cos(t) \\ y = 4 + 3 \sin(t) \\ z = 26 - 6 \cos(t) + 24 \sin(t) \end{cases}, \quad t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

(b) Answer:  $\begin{cases} x = t \\ y = 4t^2 - 1 \\ z = (2t+1)^2 \end{cases}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$

Note: Answer above is not unique. There are infinitely many possible parametrizations!!

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## 7. Recall: Newton's Second Law of Motion:

Let  $m$  be the mass of a moving object at time " $t$ ",  
 $\vec{v}$  be its Velocity, and  $\vec{F}$  be the net force  
acting on the object.

$$\text{Then } \frac{d}{dt}(m\vec{v}) = \vec{F}$$

Here, Since ball is losing mass at a constant rate  
1 g/s, the mass at time " $t$ " is thus given by

$$m = m_0 (\text{Initial mass}) - 1 \cdot t$$

$$\therefore m = 100 - t$$

$$\text{Let } \vec{v} = (x, y), \text{ hence } \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \left( \frac{dx}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt} \right)$$

Now, from (\*):

$$\frac{d}{dt} [(100 - t)\vec{v}] = \vec{F}$$

By product Rule

$$(100 - t) \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} - 1 \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{F} = 3\vec{i} = (3, 0)$$

$$\therefore (100 - t) \left( \frac{dx}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt} \right) - (x, y) = (3, 0)$$

$$\therefore (100 - t) \frac{dx}{dt} - x = 3 \quad \dots (1)$$

$$(100 - t) \frac{dy}{dt} - y = 0 \quad \dots (2)$$

Note also that

$$\vec{v}(0) = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} = (1, 2) \Rightarrow x(0) = 1, y(0) = 2$$

Consider (1)

$$(100-t) \frac{dx}{dt} - x = 3, \quad x(0) = 1$$

$$\therefore (100-t) \frac{dx}{dt} = x + 3$$

$$\therefore \frac{dx}{x+3} = \frac{dt}{100-t}$$

Integrating:

$$\ln(x+3) = -\ln(100-t) + \text{constant say } \ln C$$

$$\ln(x+3) = \ln\left(\frac{C}{100-t}\right)$$

$$\text{or } x+3 = \frac{C}{100-t}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{C}{100-t} - 3$$

But  $x=1$  at  $t=0$ , hence

$$1 = \frac{C}{100} - 3 \Rightarrow 4 = \frac{C}{100} \quad \text{or } C = 400$$

$$\therefore \boxed{x(t) = \frac{400}{100-t} - 3}$$

$$\text{Consider (2): } (100-t) \frac{dy}{dt} - y = 0, \quad y(0) = 2$$

Student may verify:

$$y(t) = \frac{200}{100-t}$$

$$\therefore \vec{v} = (x(t), y(t)) = \left( \frac{400}{100-t} - 3, \frac{200}{100-t} \right)$$

After 1 minutes, that is  $t = 60$  seconds,  
we have  $\vec{v} = \left( \frac{400}{100-60} - 3, \frac{200}{100-60} \right) = (7, 5) = 7\vec{i} + 5\vec{j}$

8(a) Let  $\vec{v}(t)$  be the velocity of the rocket at time " $t$ " and  $\vec{v}_e$  be the velocity of the ejected gases relative to the rocket (assumed constant)

$$\therefore m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} - \vec{v}_e \frac{dm}{dt} = \vec{F}$$

where  $m(t)$  is the mass of the rocket at time " $t$ ".

$$\therefore m(t) = M - \alpha t, \text{ and } \frac{dm}{dt} = -\alpha \text{ (Rocket is losing Mass!!).}$$

$$\therefore (M - \alpha t) \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} - \vec{v}_e (-\alpha) = \vec{F}$$

But for one-dimensional motion,

$$\vec{v}(t) = v(t) \vec{i}, \quad \vec{v}_e = -v_e \vec{i}, \text{ and } \vec{F} = F \vec{i}$$

$$\therefore (M - \alpha t) \frac{dv}{dt} \vec{i} - v_e \alpha \vec{i} = F \vec{i}$$

$$\text{or } (M - \alpha t) \frac{dv}{dt} - \alpha v_e = F$$

$$\text{Here } F = 0,$$

$$\therefore (M - \alpha t) \frac{dv}{dt} - \alpha v_e = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{\alpha v_e}{M - \alpha t}, \quad v(0) = 0$$

(Rocket started from Rest)

Integrating, we get

$$V(t) = V_e \int \frac{\alpha}{M - \alpha t} dt \leftarrow \text{use substitution } u = M - \alpha t$$

$$= -V_e \ln(M - \alpha t) + C$$

$$V(0) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$0 = -V_e \ln(M) + C \Rightarrow C = V_e \ln(M)$$

Hence  $V(t) = -V_e \ln(M - \alpha t) + V_e \ln(M)$

$$= V_e [\ln(M) - \ln(M - \alpha t)]$$

$$\therefore V(t) = V_e \ln\left(\frac{M}{M - \alpha t}\right)$$

But  $m(t) = M - \alpha t$

$$\therefore \text{speed } V(t) = V_e \ln\left(\frac{M}{m(t)}\right) \quad (*)$$

(b) If  $V(t) = V_e$ ,  $(*) \Rightarrow$

$$V_e = V_e \ln\left(\frac{M}{m}\right)$$

$$\therefore \ln\left(\frac{M}{m}\right) = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{M}{m} = e \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{m}{M} = \frac{1}{e}}$$

It follows that:

$$\text{Percentage of burnt fuel} = \frac{M - m}{M}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{m}{M} = 1 - \frac{1}{e}$$

(c) percentage =  $1 - \frac{1}{e^2}$

(students may verify!).

(d) Note that:

50% of Initial Mass is Ejected means

50% of Initial Mass remains

$$\therefore m(t) = 0.5 M$$

$$\text{Now, } V(t) = V_e \ln \left( \frac{M}{m(t)} \right) = V_e \ln \left( \frac{M}{0.5M} \right)$$

$$\therefore V(t) = V_e \ln 2$$

$$\approx 0.69 V_e$$

$\therefore$  speed of rocket is approximately 0.69 of the speed of ejected gases.

9. For students to do at home.

Answer:

$$(a) \quad V(t) = V_0 \ln \left( \frac{M}{M - \alpha t} \right) - g t$$

$$(b) \quad \text{Distance } x(t) = V_e t + \frac{V_e}{\alpha} (M - \alpha t) \ln \left( \frac{M - \alpha t}{M} \right) - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

Hint: part (a) is identical to problem (8) except that force  $F = -mg$ .

For part (b): write  $v = \frac{dx}{dt}$ , then integrate!



10. From problem (9) part (a)

$$V(t) = V_e \ln \left( \frac{M}{M - \alpha t} \right) - g t$$

Here  $M = 25,000$ ,  $\alpha = 1000$ ,  $V_e = 400$ , and  $g = 9.8$

$$\therefore V(t) = 400 \ln \left( \frac{25,000}{25,000 - 1000t} \right) - 9.8t$$

At  $t = 15$

$$V(15) = 400 \ln \left( \frac{25,000}{25,000 - 1000(15)} \right) - (9.8)(15)$$

$$= 400 \ln(2.5) - 147$$

$$\approx 220 \text{ m/s}$$

At  $t = 20$

$$V(20) = 400 \ln \left( \frac{25,000}{25,000 - 1000(20)} \right) - (9.8)(20)$$

$$= 400 \ln(5) - 196$$

$$\approx 448 \text{ m/s}$$

At  $t = 30$ :

Note: The 20,000 kg of fuel will be completely burnt in 20 seconds!

so for  $t \geq 20$  velocity

$$V(t) = V_0 - g t, \quad V_0 = 448 \text{ m/s}$$

$$= 448 - (9.8)t$$

At  $t = 30$ ,

$$V(30) = 448 - (9.8)(30 - 20) = 448 - (9.8)(10) \\ = 350 \text{ m/s.}$$