PARAMETRIC CURVES

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1. Sketch the curve parametrized by

$$x = t^2 - 3$$
 $y = 2t - 1$ $-3 \le t \le 4$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{2t} = \frac{1}{t}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx^2} = \frac{-\frac{1}{t^2}}{2t} = -\frac{1}{2t^3}$$

$$t=-3:(6,-7)$$
 (initial point)

$$t=0$$
: (-3,-1) (vertical tangent)

$$t=y:(13,7)$$
 (terminal point)

