MATH 243: SECTION 10.2 GROUPWORK

(1) Consider the curve given by the parametric equations

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

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where $-\infty < t < \infty$. Calculate $\frac{dy}{dx}$. At what points, if any, is the curve's tangent vertical? What about horizontal?

(2) Consider the curve given by the parametric equations

$$x = t^2 - 2t$$

$$y = \sqrt{t}$$

where $0 \le t < \infty$. Set up an integral to calculate the area of the bounded region enclosed by this curve and the y axis. If you have time, compute the integral.

(3) Set up an integral to find the arc length of the curve given by the parametric equations

$$x = t \cos t$$

$$y = t \sin t$$

where $0 \le t \le \pi$.