Answers - Parametric integration (page ??)

1. Evaluate $\int_0^1 y \, dx$ for the parametric curve given by $\begin{cases} x = 4 - t \\ y = t^2 - 3t \end{cases}$

Write dx in terms of t and dt

$$dx = -dt$$

Calculate the bounds in terms of t:

Upper:
$$1 = 4 - t \Rightarrow t = 3$$

Lower:
$$0 = 4 - t \Rightarrow t = 4$$

Rewrite integral in terms of t:

$$\int_{4}^{3} (t^2 - 3t) - dt = \int_{4}^{3} (3t - t^2) dt$$

Integrate and calculate definite integral:

$$\left[\frac{3t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{2}\right]_4^3 = \frac{11}{6}$$

2. Write dx in terms of t and dt

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \cos t$$

$$dx = \cos t \, dt$$

Calculate bounds in terms of t:

Upper:
$$1 = \sin t \Rightarrow t = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Lower:
$$-\frac{1}{2} = \sin t \Rightarrow t = -\frac{\pi}{6}$$

Rewrite integral in terms of t:

$$\int_{-\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 2(\cos t - \sin t) \cos t \, dt = 2 \int_{-\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 t - \sin t \, dt$$

Simplify using trig identities:

$$2\int_{-\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}}\cos 2t + 1 - \sin t \, dt$$

$$= \left[\frac{\sin 2t}{2} + t + \frac{\cos 2t}{2}\right]_{-\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} - \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2\pi}{3} = \frac{3\sqrt{3} - 9 + 8\pi}{12}$$

3.
$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \sec^2 t$$

$$dx = \sec^2 t \, dt$$

Calculate bounds in terms of t:

Upper:
$$\tan t = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow t = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Lower:
$$\tan t = 0 \Rightarrow t = 0$$

Rewrite the integral in terms of t:

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \sin t \sec^2 t \, dt = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \sin t \frac{1}{\cos^2 t} \, dt$$

Integrating:

$$\left[\frac{1}{\cos t}\right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} = 1$$

4. Work out the area above the x-axis, and then multiply by 2.

In other words:

$$A = 2 \int_{-r}^{r} y \, dx$$

Find dx:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = r\cos t$$

$$dx = r\cos t \, dt$$

Calculate bounds in terms of t:

Upper:
$$r = r \cos t \Rightarrow 1 = \cos t \Rightarrow t = 0$$

Lower:
$$-r = r \cos t \Rightarrow -1 = \cos t \Rightarrow t = \pi$$

Rewrite the integral in terms of t:

$$\int_{\pi}^{0} r \sin t \times -r \sin t \, dt = -r^2 \int_{\pi}^{0} \sin^2 t \, dt$$

Use the cosine double angle rule to simplify before integrating:

$$-r^2 \int_{\pi}^{0} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\cos 2t}{2} dt$$

$$-r^2 \left[\frac{t}{2} - \frac{\sin 2t}{4} \right]_{\pi}^0$$

$$= -r^2 \Big[\Big(0 - 0 \Big) - \Big(\frac{\pi}{2} - 0 \Big) \Big] = -r^2 \Big[-\frac{\pi}{2} \Big] = \frac{\pi r^2}{2}$$

Multiplying by 2 to get the full area of the circle gives $2 \times \frac{\pi r^2}{2} = \pi r^2$ as required.

5. Need to calculate the area above the x-axis, then double.



Write dx in terms of t and dt:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2at$$

$$dx = 2at dt$$

Bounds in terms of t:

Upper:
$$a = at^2 \Rightarrow t = 1$$

Lower:
$$0 = at^2 \Rightarrow t = 0$$

Rewrite the integral in terms of t:

$$\int_0^1 2at \times 2a \, dt = \int_0^1 4a^2 t^2 \, dt = 4a^2 \int_0^1 t^2 \, dt$$

$$=4a^2 \left[\frac{t^3}{3}\right]_0^1 = \frac{4a^2}{3}$$

Double the result to get the whole area of $\frac{8a^2}{3}$