

Math 53 - Multivariable Calculus

Quiz # 1

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Exercise 1. Describe the motion of a particle with position $(x(t), y(t))$, where $x(t) = 2 \sin(t)$, $y(t) = 4 + \cos(t)$ and $0 \leq t \leq \pi$.

Exercise 2. Set up an integral, but do not evaluate, that represents the length of the curve given by $x(t) = t - t^2$, $y(t) = \frac{4}{3}t^{3/2}$ and $1 \leq t \leq 2$.

Exercise 3. Identify the following curve,

$$r = 2 \sin(\theta) + 2 \cos(\theta), \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi,$$

by finding a Cartesian equation of the curve. (Hint: Start by multiplying both sides by r , then convert to Cartesian coordinates and complete the square.)