

$$\begin{cases} y^2 = x^2(x+1) \\ y = tx \end{cases}$$

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

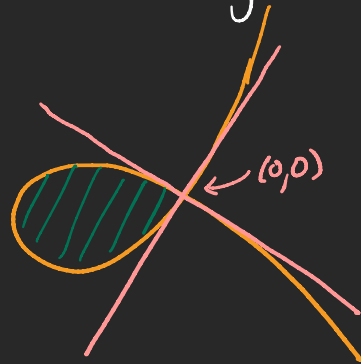
$$x^2(t^2 - x - 1) = 0$$

This means  $x=0$  or  $x=t^2-1$   
 $\Rightarrow y=0$  gives the origin  
 $\Rightarrow y = t(t^2-1)$


$$f(t) = t^2 - 1$$

$$g(t) = t^3 - t$$

Some questions that one might ask:



- 1) What are the slopes of these tangents @  $(0,0)$ ?

2) What's the area of  enclosed by the "loop" in the curve?

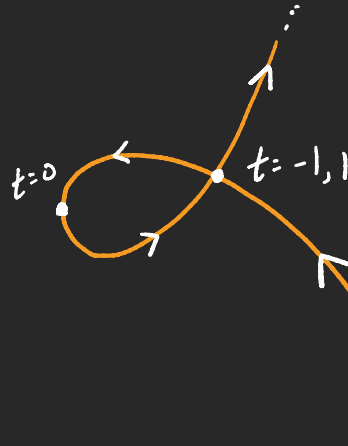
1) Recall  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt}$  (provided  $\frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$ )

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

To find the  $t$  values: solve

$$\begin{cases} t^2 - 1 = 0 \\ t(t^2 - 1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

The only solutions are  $t = -1, 1$ .



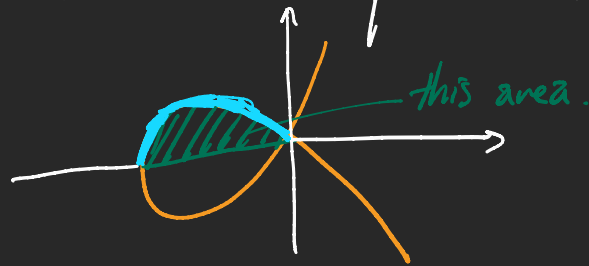
The slopes are thus

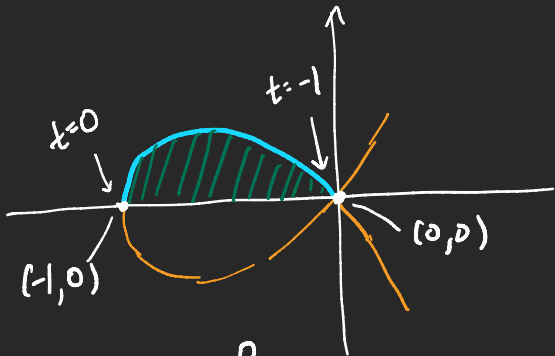
$$\frac{3(-1)^2 - 1}{2(-1)} = -1$$

$$\frac{3(1)^2 - 1}{2(1)} = 1$$

2) Note that  $y^2 = x^2(x+1)$  has vertical symmetry since replacing  $y$  with  $-y$  does not change the equation.

So the area in question is 2 times



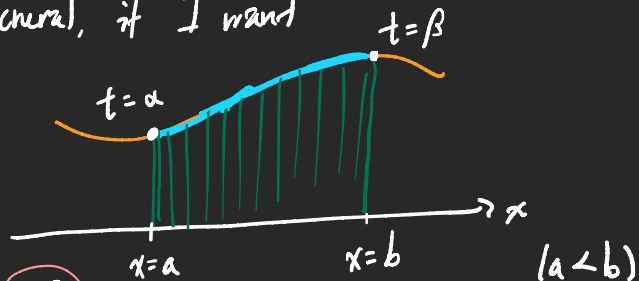


$$\text{Area} = \int_{-1}^0 y \, dx \quad (\text{from single-var calculus.})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } x = f(t), \quad dx &= \frac{dx}{dt} dt \\ &= f'(t) dt \\ &= 2t dt \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_0^{-1} g(t) f'(t) dt = \int_0^{-1} (t^3 - t) 2t dt$$

In general, if I want



$$= \int_a^\beta g(t) f'(t) dt$$

even if  $\beta$  is smaller!

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^{-1} (2t^4 - 2t^2) dt \\ &= \left( \frac{2}{5} t^5 - \frac{2}{3} t^3 \right) \Big|_{t=0}^{-1} = -\frac{2}{5} + \frac{2}{3} \\ &= \frac{4}{15} \end{aligned}$$

So the final answer is  $2 \cdot \frac{4}{15} = \boxed{\frac{8}{15}}$ .