

Parametric equations 8B

1 a $x = 2 \sin t - 1$

So $\sin t = \frac{x+1}{2}$ (1)

$y = 5 \cos t + 4$

$\cos t = \frac{y-4}{5}$ (2)

Substitute (1) and (2) into $\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t \equiv 1$:

$$\left(\frac{x+1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y-4}{5}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{(x+1)^2}{4} + \frac{(y-4)^2}{25} = 1$$

$$25(x+1)^2 + 4(y-4)^2 = 100$$

b $y = \sin 2t$

$= 2 \sin t \cos t$

So, since $x = \cos t$,

$y = 2x \sin t$ (1)

$\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t \equiv 1$

$\sin^2 t \equiv 1 - \cos^2 t = 1 - x^2$

$\sin t = \sqrt{1-x^2}$ (2)

Substitute (2) into (1):

$y = 2x\sqrt{1-x^2}$

or $y^2 = 4x^2(1-x^2)$

c $y = 2 \cos 2t$

$= 2(2 \cos^2 t - 1)$

So, since $x = \cos t$,

$y = 2(2x^2 - 1)$

$y = 4x^2 - 2$

d $y = \tan 2t$

So $y = \frac{2 \tan t}{1 - \tan^2 t}$ (1)

$\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t \equiv 1$

$\cos^2 t \equiv 1 - \sin^2 t = 1 - x^2$

$\cos t = \sqrt{1-x^2}$ (2)

Substitute (2) and $x = \sin t$ into (1):

$$y = \frac{2 \frac{\sin t}{\cos t}}{1 - \frac{\sin^2 t}{\cos^2 t}} = \frac{\frac{2x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}}{1 - \frac{x^2}{1-x^2}} = \frac{\frac{2x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}}{\frac{1-2x^2}{1-x^2}} = \frac{2x(1-x^2)}{(1-2x^2)\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

Hence $y = \frac{2x\sqrt{1-x^2}}{1-2x^2}$

e $x = \cos t + 2$

$\cos t = x - 2$ (1)

$y = \sec t = \frac{4}{\cos t}$

$\cos t = \frac{4}{y}$ (2)

Substitute (1) into (2):

$x - 2 = \frac{4}{y}$

$y = \frac{4}{x-2}$

f $x = 3 \cot t$

$\cot t = \frac{x}{3}$ (1)

$\operatorname{cosec} t = y$ (2)

Substitute (1) and (2) into

$1 + \cot^2 t \equiv \operatorname{cosec}^2 t$:

$$1 + \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^2 = y^2$$

$$y^2 = 1 + \frac{x^2}{9}$$

2 a $x = \sin t - 5$
 $\Rightarrow \sin t = x + 5$ (1)

$y = \cos t + 2$
 $\Rightarrow \cos t = y - 2$ (2)

Substitute (1) and (2) into $\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t \equiv 1$:
 $(x + 5)^2 + (y - 2)^2 = 1$

b This is a circle with centre $(-5, 2)$ and radius 1

c One full revolution around the circle is obtained for an interval of t corresponding to one period of both parametric equations $y = \cos t + 2$ and $x = \sin t - 5$.
 So $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ is a suitable domain.

3 $x = 4 \sin t + 3$
 $4 \sin t = x - 3$
 $\therefore \sin t = \frac{x - 3}{4}$ (1)

$y = 4 \cos t - 1$
 $4 \cos t = y + 1$
 $\therefore \cos t = \frac{y + 1}{4}$ (2)

Substitute (1) and (2) into $\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t = 1$:

$$\left(\frac{x-3}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y+1}{4}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{(x-3)^2}{4^2} + \frac{(y+1)^2}{4^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{(x-3)^2}{16} + \frac{(y+1)^2}{16} = 1$$

$$(x-3)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 16$$

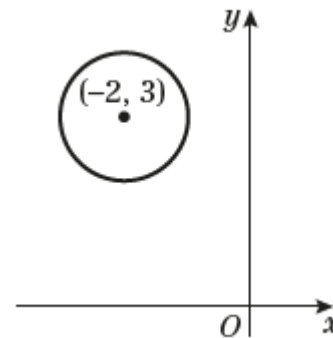
So the radius of the circle is 4 and the centre is $(3, -1)$.

4 $x = \cos t - 2$
 $\Rightarrow \cos t = x + 2$ (1)

$y = \sin t + 3$
 $\Rightarrow \sin t = y - 3$ (2)

Substitute (1) and (2) into $\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t \equiv 1$:
 $(x + 2)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 1$

This is a circle with centre $(-2, 3)$ and radius 1:



5 a $y = \sin\left(t + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$
 $= \sin t \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \cos t \sin \frac{\pi}{4}$
 $= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin t + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos t$
 $y = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos t$ (1)

(since $x = \sin t$)

$\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t \equiv 1$
 $\cos^2 t \equiv 1 - \sin^2 t = 1 - x^2$
 $\therefore \cos t = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ (2)

Substitute (2) into (1):

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

$$\text{or } y = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} x + \frac{\sqrt{2(1-x^2)}}{2}$$

$x = \sin t, -\frac{\pi}{2} < t < \frac{\pi}{2}$

$\Rightarrow -1 < x < 1$

5 b $x = 3 \cos t$

$$\Rightarrow \cos t = \frac{x}{3}$$

$$y = 2 \cos \left(t + \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$= 2 \cos t \cos \frac{\pi}{6} - 2 \sin t \sin \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$= 2 \cos t \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 2 \sin t \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \sqrt{3} \cos t - \sin t$$

So $y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}x - \sin t$ (1)

$$\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t \equiv 1$$

$$\sin^2 t \equiv 1 - \cos^2 t = 1 - \left(\frac{x}{3} \right)^2$$

$$\sin t = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x}{3} \right)^2}$$
 (2)

Substitute (2) into (1):

$$y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}x - \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x}{3} \right)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}x - \sqrt{\frac{9 - x^2}{9}}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}x - \frac{\sqrt{9 - x^2}}{3}$$

$$x = 3 \cos t, \quad 0 < t < \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} < x < 3$$

c $y = 3 \sin(t + \pi)$

$$= 3 \sin t \cos \pi + 3 \cos t \sin \pi$$

$$= 3 \sin t \times (-1) + 3 \cos t \times 0$$

$$= -3 \sin t$$

Since $x = \sin t$,

$$y = -3x$$

$$x = \sin t, \quad 0 < t < 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 < x < 1$$

6 a $x = 8 \cos t$

$$\cos t = \frac{x}{8}$$

$$\text{So } y = \frac{1}{4} \sec^2 t = \frac{1}{4 \cos^2 t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4 \left(\frac{x}{8} \right)^2} = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{64}{x^2} = \frac{16}{x^2}$$

Therefore a Cartesian equation for C is

$$y = \frac{16}{x^2}$$

$$x = 8 \cos t, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} < t < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

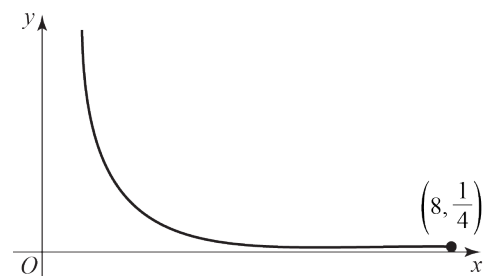
$$\Rightarrow 0 < x < 8$$

b For $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ the range of the

parametric equation $x = 8 \cos t$ is $0 \leq x \leq 8$, so the domain of $y = f(x)$ is $0 \leq x \leq 8$.

The range of the parametric equation $y = \frac{1}{4} \sec^2 t$ is $y \geq \frac{1}{4}$, so the range of

$y = f(x)$ is $y \geq \frac{1}{4}$



7 $x = 3 \cot^2 2t$

$$\cot^2 2t = \frac{x}{3}$$

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

$$\frac{x}{3} + 1 = \frac{1}{\sin^2 2t}$$

$$\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{1}{\sin^2 2t}$$

$$\sin^2 2t = \frac{3}{x+3}$$

$$\therefore y = 3 \sin^2 2t = 3 \times \frac{3}{x+3} = \frac{9}{x+3}$$

For $0 < t \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$ the range of the parametric

function $x = 3 \cot^2 2t$ is $x \geq 0$, so the domain of $f(x)$ is $x \geq 0$.

8 a $x = \frac{1}{3} \sin t$

$$\Rightarrow \sin t = 3x$$

$$y = \sin 3t = \sin(t + 2t)$$

$$= \sin t \cos 2t + \cos t \sin 2t$$

$$= \sin t(1 - 2 \sin^2 t) + \cos t(2 \sin t \cos t)$$

$$= \sin t(1 - 2 \sin^2 t) + 2 \sin t(1 - \sin^2 t)$$

$$= 3x(1 - 2 \times 9x^2) + 6x(1 - 9x^2)$$

$$= 3x - 54x^3 + 6x - 54x^3$$

$$= 9x - 108x^3$$

$$= 9x(1 - 12x^2)$$

So the Cartesian equation of the curve is

$y = 9x(1 - 12x^2)$, which is in the form

$y = ax(1 - bx^2)$ with $a = 9$ and $b = 12$.

b For $0 < t < \frac{\pi}{2}$ the range of the parametric

function $x = \frac{1}{3} \sin t$ is $0 < x < \frac{1}{3}$

so the domain of $y = f(x)$ is $0 < x < \frac{1}{3}$

For $0 < t < \frac{\pi}{2}$ the range of the parametric

function $y = \sin 3t$ is $-1 < y < 1$

so the range of $y = f(x)$ is $-1 < y < 1$.

9 $x = 2 \cos t \Rightarrow \cos t = \frac{x}{2}$

$$y = \sin\left(t - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$= \sin t \cos \frac{\pi}{6} - \cos t \sin \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin t - \frac{1}{2} \cos t$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin t - \frac{1}{4}x \quad (1)$$

$$\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t \equiv 1$$

$$\sin^2 t \equiv 1 - \cos^2 t = 1 - \frac{x^2}{4}$$

$$\therefore \sin t = \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{4}} \quad (2)$$

Substitute (2) into (1):

$$y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{4}} - \frac{1}{4}x$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{12 - 3x^2}{4}} - \frac{1}{4}x$$

So the Cartesian equation is

$$y = \frac{1}{4} \left(\sqrt{12 - 3x^2} - x \right)$$

For $0 < t < \pi$, the range of the parametric

function $x = 2 \cos t$ is $-2 < x < 2$,

so the domain of $y = f(x)$ is $-2 < x < 2$.

10 a $y = 5 \sin t$

So $\sin t = \frac{y}{5}$

$$\sin^2 t = \frac{y^2}{25}$$

$$x = \tan^2 t + 5$$

$$\tan^2 t = x - 5$$

$$\frac{\sin^2 t}{\cos^2 t} = x - 5$$

$$\frac{\sin^2 t}{1 - \sin^2 t} = x - 5$$

$$\frac{1}{x - 5} = \frac{1}{\sin^2 t} - 1$$

$$\frac{1}{x - 5} + 1 = \frac{1}{\frac{y^2}{25}}$$

$$\frac{x - 4}{x - 5} = \frac{25}{y^2}$$

$$\therefore y^2 = 25 \left(\frac{x - 5}{x - 4} \right) = 25 \left(1 - \frac{1}{x - 4} \right)$$

b For $0 < t < \frac{\pi}{2}$, the range of the parametric

function $x = \tan^2 t + 5$ is $x > 5$,

so the domain of the curve is $x > 5$.

The range of the parametric function

$y = 5 \sin t$ is $0 < y < 5$,

so the range of the curve is $0 < y < 5$.

11 $y = 3 \sin(t - \pi)$

$$= 3 \sin t \cos \pi - 3 \cos t \sin \pi$$

$$= 3 \sin t \times (-1) - 3 \cos t \times 0$$

$$= -3 \sin t$$

So $\sin t = -\frac{y}{3}$

$$\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t \equiv 1$$

$$\cos^2 t \equiv 1 - \sin^2 t$$

$$\cos t = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 t} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{y^2}{9}}$$

$$\therefore x = \tan t = \frac{\sin t}{\cos t} = \frac{-\frac{y}{3}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{y^2}{9}}} = \frac{-y}{\sqrt{9 - y^2}}$$

Therefore $x = -\frac{y}{\sqrt{9 - y^2}}$ is a Cartesian equation for C .

Challenge

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \frac{1}{2} \cos 2t \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (2 \cos^2 t - 1) \\
 \therefore \frac{2x+1}{2} &= \cos^2 t \\
 \cos t &= \sqrt{\frac{2x+1}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

But also

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \frac{1}{2} \cos 2t \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (1 - 2 \sin^2 t) \\
 \therefore \sin^2 t &= \frac{1-2x}{2} \\
 \sin t &= \sqrt{\frac{1-2x}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \sin\left(t + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \\
 y &= \sin t \cos \frac{\pi}{6} + \cos t \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \\
 y &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin t + \frac{1}{2} \cos t \\
 y &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1-2x}{2}} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2x+1}{2}} \\
 y &= \sqrt{\frac{3-6x}{8}} + \sqrt{\frac{2x+1}{8}} \\
 y^2 &= \frac{1}{4} (\sqrt{3-12x^2} - 2x + 2) \\
 4y^2 + 2x - 2 &= \sqrt{3-12x^2} \\
 (4y^2 + 2x - 2)^2 + 12x^2 - 3 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$