

Math 271A Multivariable Calc HW 1

What got graded: § 11.1 # 9, 19, 26

(9) (a) Sketch the curve
 $x = \sqrt{t}$, $y = 1 - t$

by plotting points.

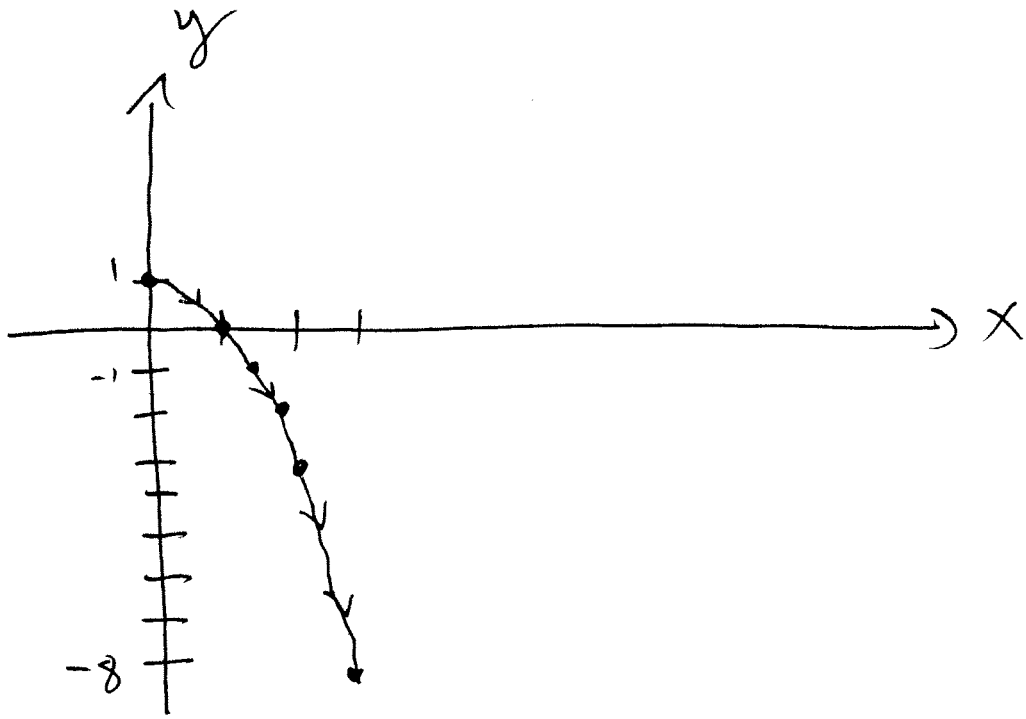
(b) Eliminate the parameter & find the Cartesian eqn of the curve.

Soln:

(a)

t	x	y
0	0	1
1	1	0
2	$\sqrt{2}$	-1
3	$\sqrt{3}$	-2
4	2	-3
9	3	-8

t can't be negative
b/c of the
square root



(b) $t = 1 - y$ and $x = \sqrt{t}$

\downarrow \downarrow
 $t = 1 - y$ and $x^2 = t$

\downarrow \swarrow
 $x^2 = 1 - y$

\downarrow
 $y = 1 - x^2$

19

Describe the motion of the curve

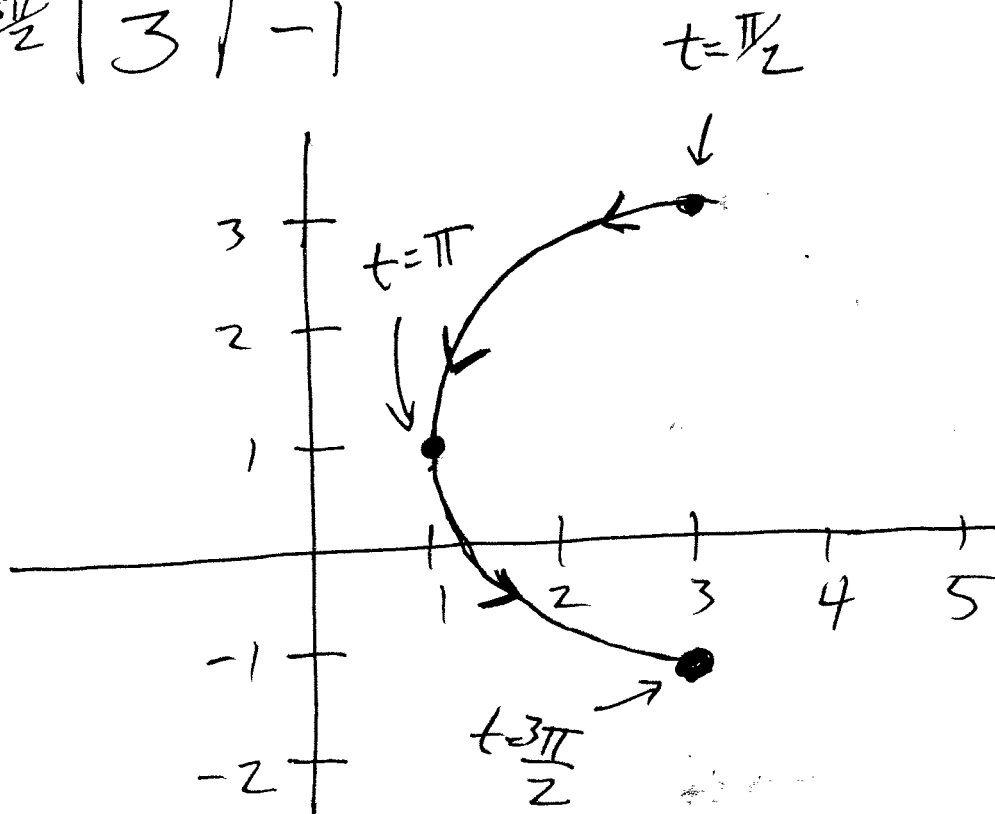
$$x = 3 + 2\cos t$$

$$y = 1 + 2\sin t$$

$$\frac{\pi}{2} \leq t \leq \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

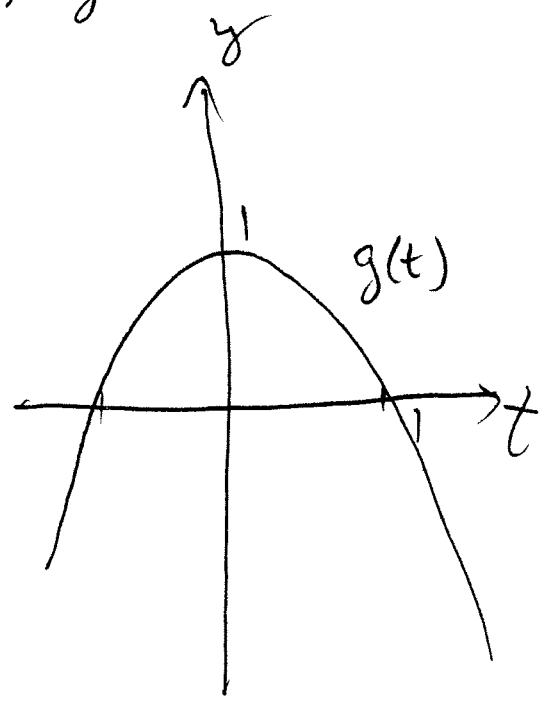
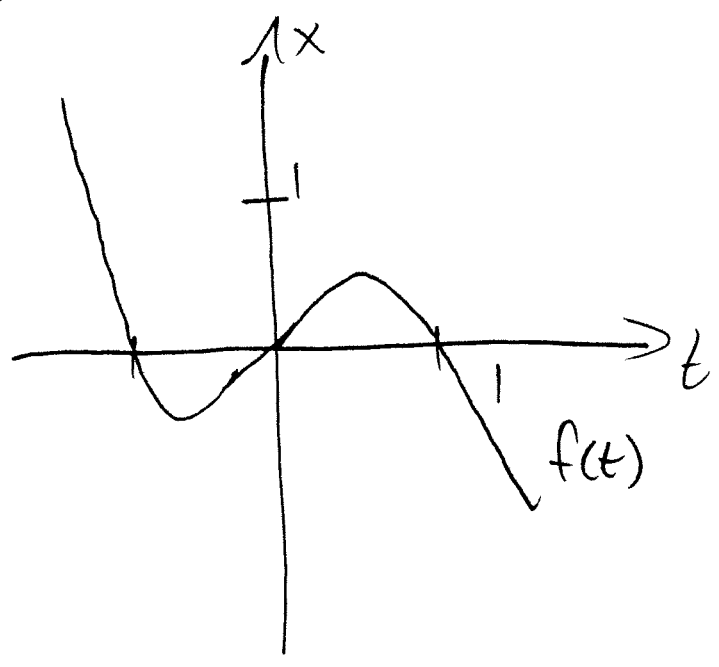
Sol'n: This is a portion of the circle with center $(3, 1)$ and radius 2. To find out what portion of the circle it is, plug in points

t	x	y
$\frac{\pi}{2}$	3	3
π	1	1
$\frac{3\pi}{2}$	3	-1



26

Use the graphs to sketch the curve $x=f(t)$ $g(t)=y$



Solution: Plot some points

t	x	y
-1	0	0
$-\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
0	0	1
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
1	0	0

