

MATH 205 ANALYTIC GEOMETRY

Quiz 5

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1. Find the parametric form of the function $y^2 + 2y - x + 2 = 0$ for $x \geq 0$.

Solution:

There are several parametrization.

Since $(y+1)^2 = x-1$ set $y+1=t$. Then $x = t^2+1$

Hence $x = t^2+1$ and $x \geq 0$ means $-\infty < t < \infty$.
 $y = t-1$. OR

Simply take $y=t$. Then $x = t^2+2t+2$ and open $-\infty < t < \infty$.

2. Find the arc length of the function $f(x) = \cos x$ on $[0, \pi/2]$.

Solution:

From $x=t$, $y=\cos t$ we have

$$L = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2} dt = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{1 + (\sin^2 t)} dt$$

or just use the formula:

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + (f'(x))^2} dx.$$

The above integral is not an elementary integral and so called elliptic integrals. "I appreciate your effort" to find it!