

SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS

MC EXAM QUESTIONS

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+1}}, \text{ with } y=1 \text{ when } x=1.$$

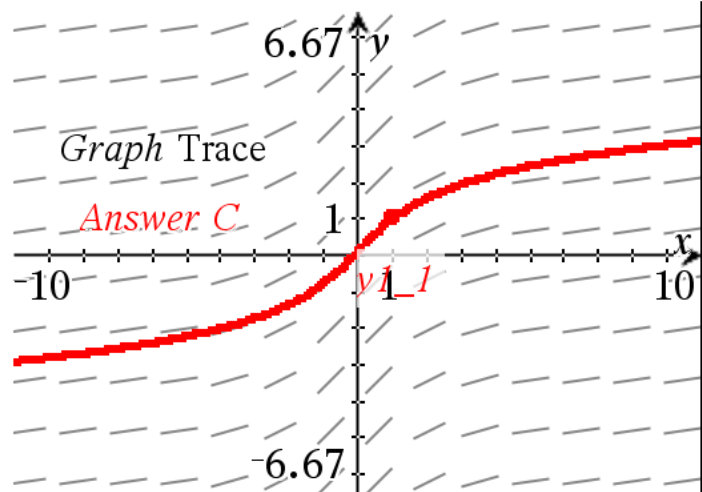
Using Euler's method with a step size of 0.1, the approximate value of y when $x=1.2$, correct to 3 dp, is:

- A. 1.140
 B. 1.071 C. 1.138

$$\text{euler}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+1}}, x, y, \{1, 1.2\}, 1, 0.1\right)$$

1.	1.1	1.2
1.	1.07071	1.13798

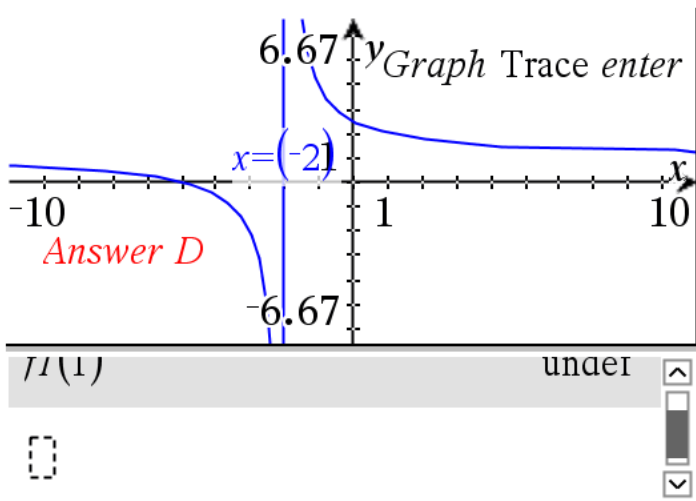
Euler's Method graphically, using euler from catalogue and using euler in notes page.



The features of the graph of the function

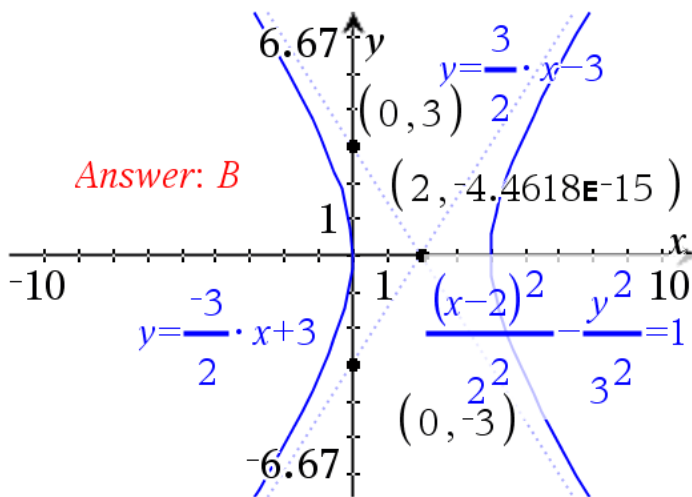
with rule $f(x) = \frac{x^2+4x-5}{x^2+x-2}$ include

- A. asymptotes at $x=1$ and $x=-2$
 B. asymptotes at $x=1$ and $x=-5$
 C. an asymptote at $x=1$ and a point of discontinuity at $x=-2$
 D. an asymptote at $x=-2$ and a point of discontinuity at $x=1$



The asymptotes of the hyperbola given by $\frac{(x-2)^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ intersect the coordinate axes at

- A. (0,-4.5),(0,4.5),(2,,0)
- B. (0,2),(0,-2),(3,0)
- C. (0,2),(0,-2),(-3,0)



factor($f(x)$)

$$\frac{x+5}{x+2}$$

$$\text{expand}\left(\frac{x+5}{x+2}\right)$$

$$\frac{3}{x+2} + 1$$

$$\text{factor}(x^2+x-2)$$

$$(x-1) \cdot (x+2)$$



The ellipse given by $3x^2 - 12x + y^2 - 2y + 12 = 0$ has centre, length of horizontal semi-axis and length of vertical semi-axis respectively of

- A. (2,1), 1, 3
- B. (2,1), $\frac{1}{2}$, 1

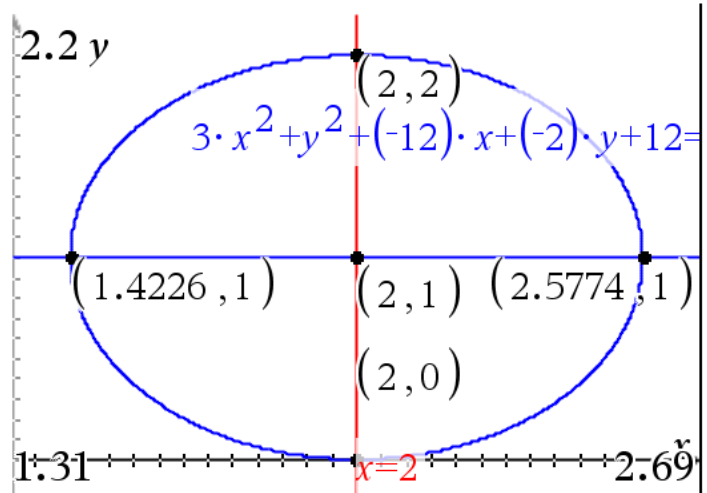
completeSquare($3 \cdot x^2 - 12 \cdot x + y^2 - 2 \cdot y + 12 = 0$)

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

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$$\text{©}a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, b = 1$$

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A body moves in a straight line such that its velocity v m/s is given by $v = (1-x)^2$, where x metres is its displacement from the origin. If the body starts at the origin, its acceleration after 2 seconds is

- A. $-\frac{2}{27}ms^{-2}$ B. $-\frac{1}{4}ms^{-2}$ C.

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left(\frac{t}{t+1} \right) = \frac{-2}{(t+1)^3}$$

$$\frac{-2}{(t+1)^3} \Big|_{t=2} = \frac{-2}{27}$$

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A particle moves in a straight line such that its acceleration is given by $a = \sqrt{v^2 - 4}$, where v is its velocity and x is its displacement from a fixed point. Given that $v = 2$ when $x = 1$, the velocity in terms of x is:

- A. $v = \sqrt{x+2}$ B. $v = 1 + |x+2|$ C. $v = \sqrt{x-2}$

$$\sqrt{v^2 - 4} = x - 1$$

solve $(\sqrt{v^2 - 4} = x - 1, v)$

$$v = -\sqrt{x^2 - 2 \cdot x + 5} \text{ and } x \geq 1 \text{ or } v = \sqrt{x^2 - 2 \cdot x + 5} \text{ and } x \geq 1$$

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If $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{(x^3 - 1)^5}$ and $y = 3$ when $x = 1$,

then the value of y when $x = 2$ is given by

A. $\int_1^2 \left(\sqrt{(x^3 - 1)^5} + 3 \right) dx$

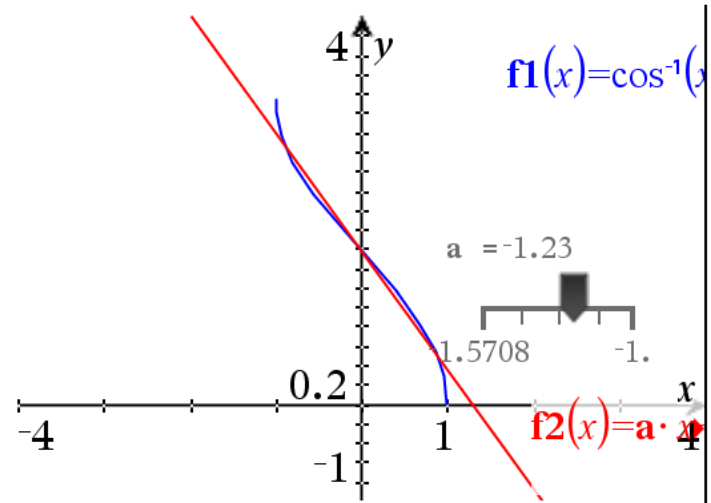
deSolve($y' = \sqrt{(x^3 - 1)^5}$ and $y(1) = 3, x$)
 $y = \int_1^x \sqrt{(c2^3 - 1)^5} d(c2) + 3$

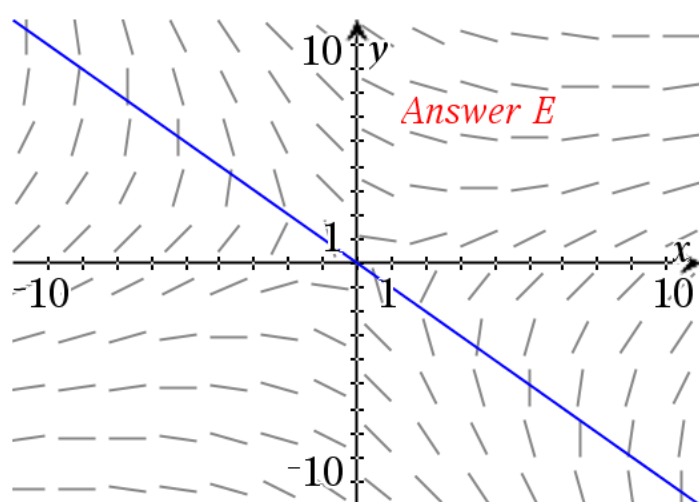
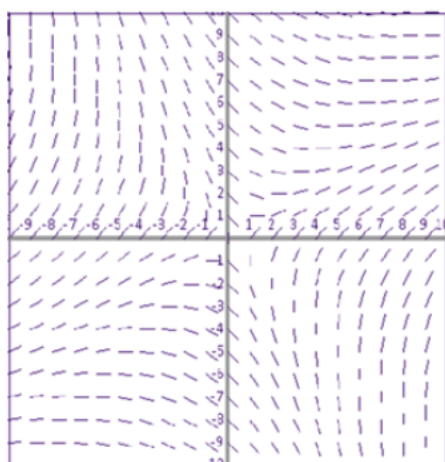
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The graph of $y=ax+\frac{\pi}{2}$ intersects with the graph of $y=\arccos(x)$ exactly three times if

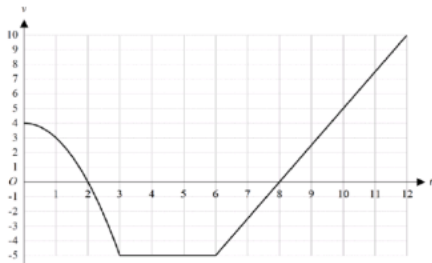
A. $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq a < -1$

B. $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq a \leq 1$





The velocity–time graph below shows the motion of a particle travelling in a straight line, where $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$ is its velocity at time t seconds.



If $v = 4 - t^2$ for $0 \leq t < 3$, after 12 seconds the distance of the particle from its starting point is

- A. 3 m
- B. 10 m

1

$$3 - 3 \cdot 5$$

$$-12$$

$$-12 - 0.5 \cdot 5 \cdot 2$$

$$-17.$$

$$-17. + 0.5 \cdot 4 \cdot 10$$

$$3.$$

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The velocity, m/s, of a particle at time t seconds is given by:

$$\text{Define } v(t) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{100-t^2}, & 0 \leq t \leq 10 \\ 10-t, & t > 10 \end{cases}$$

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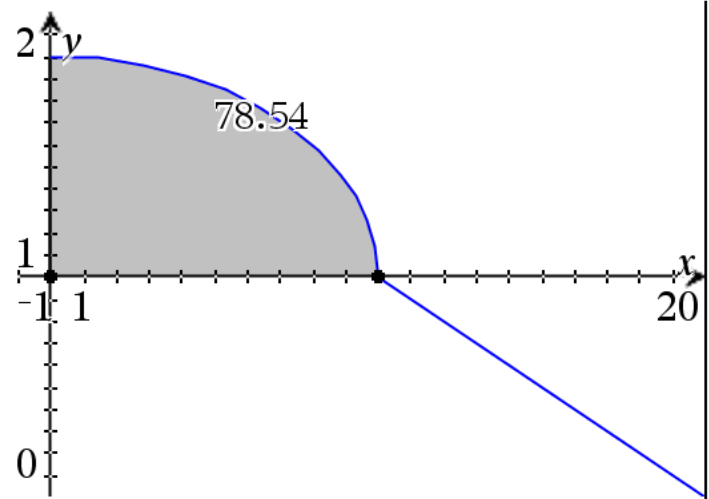
If the particle starts at the origin, the time at which it returns to the origin, in seconds, is:

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$$\text{solve} \left(\frac{-m^2}{2} + 10 \cdot m - 50 = -78.5398163 \right) \blacktriangleright$$

$$m = -2.53314 \text{ or } m = 22.5331$$

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A particle moves in a straight line and, at time t seconds, its displacement from a fixed origin is x metres. If $a = \frac{1}{t^2 + 1}$ and $v = 0$ when $t = 0$, its average velocity in the third second of its motion, in m/s, is closest to:

$$v = \tan^{-1}(t)$$

$$\int_2^3 \tan^{-1}(t) \, dt$$

$$1.18627$$

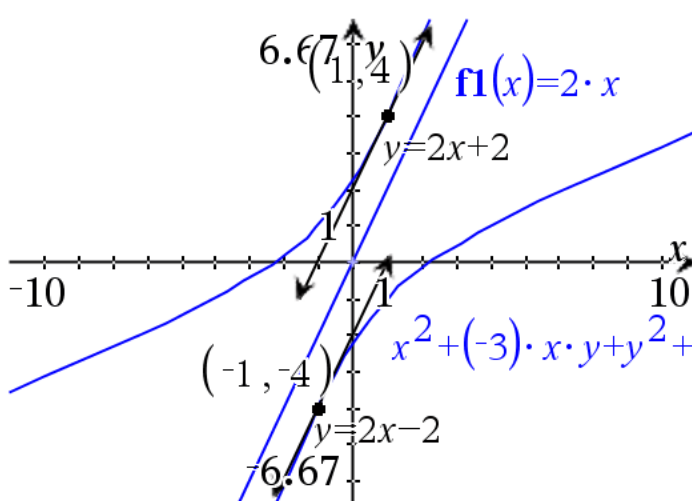
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A curve is defined by

$x^2 - 3 \cdot x \cdot y + y^2 = 5$. There are two points on the curve where the gradient of the tangent to the curve is equal to 2. The coordinates of the points are

- A. $(-1, 4)$, $(1, -4)$ B. $(1, 4)$, $(-1, 4)$
 C. $(-1, 1)$, $(1, -1)$ D.



$$\frac{2 \cdot x - 3 \cdot y}{3 \cdot x - 2 \cdot y}$$

solve $\left(\frac{2 \cdot x - 3 \cdot y}{3 \cdot x - 2 \cdot y} = 2 \text{ and } x^2 - 3 \cdot x \cdot y + y^2 = 5 \right)$
 $x = -1 \text{ and } y = -4 \text{ or } x = 1 \text{ and } y = 4$



A particle starts from the origin and moves in a straight line with velocity

$$\text{given by } v(t) = \begin{cases} t+1, & 0 \leq t \leq 2 \\ 2t - \frac{t^2}{4}, & 2 < t < 12 \end{cases}$$

The distance covered by the particle in the first 12 seconds of its motion is



Define $v(t) = \begin{cases} 2 \cdot t - \frac{t^2}{4}, & 2 < t < 12 \end{cases}$

Done

$$\int_0^{12} |v(t)| dt$$

$$\frac{130}{3}$$

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