

Solutions to Parametric Sketches

Solution:

1) Intercepts

$$y = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$0 = 3t^2 - 9$$

$$0 = t^3 - 3t$$

$$0 = 3(t^2 - 3)$$

$$0 = t(t - \sqrt{3})(t + \sqrt{3}) \therefore \text{the curve crosses itself}$$

$$t = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

$$t = 0, \sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3}$$

at $(0,0)$ when $t = \pm\sqrt{3}$

$\therefore x$ -intercepts are: 0

y -intercepts are: $0, -9$

Beginning and Ending Positions

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^3 - 3t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} [t(t^2 \sqrt{3})] \sqrt{\pm\infty}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} y = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (3t^2 - 9) = \infty$$

Coordinates of points of horizontal and vertical tangent lines.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 3t^2 - 3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 6t$$

$$0 = 3(t-1)(t+1)$$

$$0 = 6t$$

$$t = 1, -1 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$$

$$t = 0 \text{ and } \frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has vertical tangents

$\therefore$ The curve has horizontal

at $(-2, -6)$ and $(2, -6)$

tangents at $(0, -9)$

The Chart

We will use the critical values of t to determine the directions of the curve

t	-1	0	1	
$\frac{dx}{dt}$	+	-	-	+
$\frac{dy}{dt}$	-	-	+	+
x	$\rightarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$
y	$\downarrow$	$\downarrow$	$\uparrow$	$\uparrow$
curve	$\searrow$	$\swarrow$	$\nwarrow$	$\nearrow$

Use the above information, especially the curve directions in the chart to sketch the curve. "sketch"

Check the concavity

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{6t}{3t^2-3} \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{\frac{d\left(\frac{6t}{3t^2-3}\right)}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{\frac{6(3t^2-3) - 6t(6t)}{(3t^2-3)^2}}{3t^2-3} \\ &= \frac{18t^3 - 36t^2 - 18t^3 + 18t^2 + 18t - 18}{(3t^2-3)^3} \\ &= \frac{-18t^2 - 18}{(3t^2-3)^3} = \frac{-18(t^2+1)}{27(t-1)^3(t+1)^3}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the numbers which appear on the number line are $t = -1$ and 1 .

t		-1		1	
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	$-$		$+$		$-$
curve	$\cap$		$\cup$		$\cap$

2) Intercepts

$$x = 0$$

$$y = 0$$

$$0 = t^2 - 4$$

$$0 = t^3 - 4t$$

$$0 = (t-2)(t+2)$$

$$0 = t(t-2)(t+2) \quad \therefore \text{the curve crosses itself}$$

$$t = \pm 2$$

$$t = 0, \pm 2 \quad \text{at } (0,0) \text{ when } t = \pm 2$$

$\therefore$ y-intercepts are: 0

x-intercepts are: 0, -4

Beginning and Ending Positions

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^2 - 4) = \infty$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} y = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^3 - 4t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} t(t^2 - 4) = \pm\infty$$

Coordinates of points of horizontal and vertical tangent lines.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 3t^2 - 4$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2t$$

$$0 = (\sqrt{3}t - 2)(\sqrt{3}t + 2)$$

$$0 = 2t$$

$$t = \pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ and } \frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$$

$$t = 0 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has horizontal tangents

$\therefore$ The curve has vertical

$$\text{at } \left(-\frac{8}{3}, -\frac{16}{3\sqrt{3}}\right) \text{ and } \left(-\frac{8}{3}, \frac{16}{3\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

tangent at $(-4, 0)$

The Chart

We will use the critical values of t to determine the directions of the curve

t	$-\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$	0	$\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$
$\frac{dx}{dt}$	-	-	+
$\frac{dy}{dt}$	+	-	+
x	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$
y	$\uparrow$	$\downarrow$	$\uparrow$
curve	$\nwarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$

Use the above information, especially the curve directions in the chart to sketch the curve. "sketch"

Check the concavity

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{3t^2 - 4}{2t}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{3t^2 - 4}{2t}\right)}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{6t(2t) - 2(3t^2 - 4)}{(2t)^2} = \frac{3t^2 + 4}{4t^3}$$

Therefore, the number which appear on the number line is $t = 0$.

t	0	
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	$-$	$+$
curve	$\cap$	$\cup$

3) Intercepts

$$x = 0$$

$$y = 0$$

$$0 = t^2 - t$$

$$0 = t^3 - 3t$$

$$0 = t(t-1)$$

$$0 = t(t-\sqrt{3})(t+\sqrt{3})$$

$$t = 0, 1$$

$$t = 0, \pm\sqrt{3}$$

$\therefore y$ -intercepts are: $0, -2$

x -intercepts are: $0, 3-\sqrt{3}, 3+\sqrt{3}$

Beginning and Ending Positions

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^2 - t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} t(t-1) = \infty$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} y = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^3 - 3t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} t(t^2 - 3) = \pm\infty$$

Coordinates of points of horizontal and vertical tangent lines.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 3t^2 - 3$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2t - 1$$

$$0 = 3(t-1)(t+1)$$

$$0 = 2t - 1$$

$$t = \pm 1 \text{ and } \frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has horizontal tangents

$\therefore$ The curve has vertical

at $(0, -2)$ and $(2, 2)$

tangent at $\left(-\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{11}{8}\right)$

The Chart

We will use the critical values of t to determine the directions of the curve

t	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	
$\frac{dx}{dt}$	$-$	$-$	$+$	$+$
$\frac{dy}{dt}$	$+$	$-$	$-$	$+$
x	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$
y	$\uparrow$	$\downarrow$	$\downarrow$	$\uparrow$
curve	$\nwarrow$	$\swarrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$

Use the above information, especially the curve directions in the chart to sketch the curve. “sketch”

Check the concavity

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

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\frac{d\left(\frac{3t^2 - 3}{2t - 1}\right)}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{6t(2t - 1) - 2(3t^2 - 3)}{(2t - 1)^2} = \frac{6(t^2 - t + 1)}{(2t - 1)^3}$$

Therefore, the number which appear on the number line is $t = \frac{1}{2}$.

t	$\frac{1}{2}$	
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	-	+
curve	$\cap$	$\cup$

4) Intercepts

$$y = 0$$

$$0 = t^2 + t$$

$$0 = t(t + 1)$$

$$t = 0, -1$$

$\therefore$ x – intercepts are: 0, -1

$$x = 0$$

$$0 = t^2 + 2t$$

$$0 = t(t + 2)$$

$$t = 0, -2$$

y – intercepts are: 0, 2

Beginning and Ending Positions

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^2 + 2t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} [t(t + 2)] = \infty$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} y = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^2 + t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} t(t + 1) = \infty$$

Coordinates of points of horizontal and vertical tangent lines.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2t + 2$$

$$0 = 2(t + 1)$$

$$t = -1 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has vertical tangent

at $(-1, 0)$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t + 1$$

$$0 = 2t + 1$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has horizontal

tangent at $\left(-\frac{3}{4}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$

The Chart

We will use the critical values of t to determine the directions of the curve

t	-1	$\frac{-1}{2}$
$\frac{dx}{dt}$	$-$	$+$
$\frac{dy}{dt}$	$-$	$+$
x	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$
y	$\downarrow$	$\uparrow$
curve	$\swarrow$	$\nearrow$

Use the above information, especially the curve directions in the chart to sketch the curve. "sketch"

Check the concavity

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{2t+1}{2t+2} \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{2t+1}{2t+2}\right)}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{2(2t+2) - 2(2t+1)}{(2t+2)^2} \\ &= \frac{2}{(2t+2)^3} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the number which appears on the number line is $t = -1$.

t	-1	
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	-	+
curve	$\cap$	$\cup$

5) Intercepts

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 y = 0 & x = 0 \\
 0 = t^2 - 2t & 0 = t^2 \\
 0 = t(t - 2) & 0 = 0 \\
 t = 0, 2 & y\text{-intercepts are: } 0 \\
 \therefore x\text{-intercepts are: } 0, 4
 \end{array}$$

Beginning and Ending Positions

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} t^2 = \infty \\
 \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} y = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^2 - 2t) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} t(t - 2) = \infty
 \end{array}$$

Coordinates of points of horizontal and vertical tangent lines.

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \frac{dx}{dt} = 2t & \frac{dy}{dt} = 2t - 2 \\
 0 = 2t & 0 = 2t - 2 \\
 t = 0 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0 & t = 1 \text{ and } \frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0 \\
 \therefore \text{The curve has vertical tangent} & \therefore \text{The curve has horizontal} \\
 \text{at } (0, 0) & \text{tangent at } (1, -1)
 \end{array}$$

The Chart

We will use the critical values of t to determine the directions of the curve

t	0		1
$\frac{dy}{dt}$	-	-	+
$\frac{dx}{dt}$	-	+	+
x	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$
y	$\downarrow$	$\downarrow$	$\uparrow$
curve	$\swarrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$

Use the above information, especially the curve directions in the chart to sketch the curve. "sketch"

Check the concavity

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{2t-2}{2t}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\frac{d\left(\frac{2t-2}{2t}\right)}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{\frac{2(2t) - 2(2t-2)}{(2t)^2}}{2t}$$

$$= \frac{4}{(2t)^3}$$

Therefore, the number which appears on the number line is $t = 0$.

t	$\frac{0}{\quad}$
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	$\begin{array}{cc} - & + \end{array}$
<i>curve</i>	$\begin{array}{cc} \cap & \cup \end{array}$

6) Intercepts

$$y = 0$$

$$0 = t^2 + t - 2$$

$$0 = (t+2)(t-1)$$

$$t = 1, -2$$

$\therefore x$ -intercepts are: $-1, 2$

$$x = 0$$

$$0 = t^2 + 2t - 1$$

$$t = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 + 4}}{2}$$

$$t = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

y -intercepts are: $\pm \sqrt{2}$

Beginning and Ending Positions

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^2 + 2t - 1) = \infty$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} y = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^2 + t - 2) = \infty$$

Coordinates of points of horizontal and vertical tangent lines.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2t + 2$$

$$0 = 2(t + 1)$$

$$t = -1 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has vertical tangent

$$\text{at } (-2, -2)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t + 1$$

$$0 = 2t + 1$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has horizontal

$$\text{tangent at } \left(-\frac{7}{4}, -\frac{9}{4}\right)$$

The Chart

We will use the critical values of t to determine the directions of the curve

t	-1	$\frac{-1}{2}$	
	— —	— —	
$\frac{dx}{dt}$	—	+	+
$\frac{dy}{dt}$	—	—	+
x	←	→	→
y	↓	↓	↑
curve	↙	↘	↗

Use the above information, especially the curve directions in the chart to sketch the curve. “sketch”

Check the concavity

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{2t+1}{2t+2} \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{2t+1}{2t+2}\right)}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{2(2t+2) - 2(2t+1)}{(2t+2)^2} \\ &= \frac{2}{(2t+2)^3} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the number which appears on the number line is $t = -1$.

t	$\frac{-1}{ }$	
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	-	+
curve	$\cap$	$\cup$

7) Intercepts

$$y = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$0 = t^3 - 3t^2$$

$$0 = t^3 - 3t$$

$$0 = t^2(t - 3)$$

$$0 = t(t - \sqrt{3})(t + \sqrt{3})$$

$$t = 0, 3$$

$$t = 0, \sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3}$$

$\therefore x$ - intercepts are: 0, 18

y - intercepts are: $0, \pm 3\sqrt{3} - 9$

Beginning and Ending Positions

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^3 - 3t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} [t(t^2 - 3)] = \pm\infty \sqrt{\quad} \quad \sqrt{\quad}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} y = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^3 - 3t^2) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} [t^2(t - 3)] = \pm\infty \quad \sqrt{\quad}$$

Coordinates of points of horizontal and vertical tangent lines.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 3t^2 - 3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 3t^2 - 6t$$

$$0 = 3(t - 1)(t + 1)$$

$$0 = 3t(t - 2)$$

$$t = 1, -1 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$$

$$t = 0, 2 \text{ and } \frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has vertical tangents

$\therefore$ The curve has horizontal

at $(-2, -2)$ and $(2, -4)$

tangents at $(0, 0)$ and $(2, -4)$

Therefore, the curve crosses itself at $(2, -4)$ when $t = -1$ and $t = 2$.

The Chart

We will use the critical values of t to determine the directions of the curve

t	-1	0	1	2
$\frac{dx}{dt}$	+	-	-	+
$\frac{dy}{dt}$	+	+	-	+
x	$\rightarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$
y	$\uparrow$	$\uparrow$	$\downarrow$	$\downarrow$
curve	$\nearrow$	$\nwarrow$	$\swarrow$	$\nearrow$

Use the above information, especially the curve directions in the chart to sketch the curve. “sketch”

Check the concavity

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{3t^2 - 6t}{3t^2 - 3} = \frac{t^2 - 2t}{t^2 - 1} \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{t^2 - 2t}{t^2 - 1}\right)}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{(2t - 2)(t^2 - 1) - 2t(t^2 - 2t)}{(t^2 - 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{2(t^2 - t + 1)}{3(t^2 - 1)^3} \\ &= \frac{2(t^2 - t + 1)}{3(t - 1)^3(t + 1)^3}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the numbers which appear on the number line are $t = -1$ and 1 .

t		-1		1	
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	+		-		+
curve	∪		∩		∪

8) Intercepts

$$\begin{aligned}y &= 0 & x &= 0 \\ 0 &= t^2 - 2t & 0 &= t^3 \\ 0 &= t(t - 2) & t &= 0 \\ t &= 0, 2 & y\text{-intercepts are: } &0 \\ \therefore x\text{-intercepts are: } &0, 8\end{aligned}$$

Beginning and Ending Positions

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} x &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} t^3 = \pm\infty \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} y &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^2 - 2t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} [t(t - 2)] = \infty\end{aligned}$$

Coordinates of points of horizontal and vertical tangent lines.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 3t^2$$

$$0 = 3t^2$$

$$t = 0 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has vertical tangents
at $(0, 0)$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t - 2$$

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

$$t = 1 \text{ and } \frac{dx}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has horizontal
tangents at $(1, -1)$

The Chart

We will use the critical values of t to determine the directions of the curve

t	0	1
$\frac{dy}{dt}$	-	+
$\frac{dx}{dt}$	+	+
x	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$
y	$\downarrow$	$\uparrow$
curve	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$

Use the above information, especially the curve directions in the chart to sketch the curve. "sketch"

Check the concavity

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{2t - 2}{3t^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{2t - 2}{3t^2}\right)}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{2(3t^2) - 6t(2t - 2)}{(3t^2)^3} = \frac{4 - 2t}{9t^5}$$

Therefore, the number which appear on the number line is $t = 0$.

t	0	2
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	-	+
curve	$\cap$	$\cup$

9) Intercepts

$$y = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$0 = t^2 - 2t$$

$$0 = t^3 - 3t$$

$$0 = t(t - 2)$$

$$0 = t(t - \sqrt{3})(t + \sqrt{3})$$

$$t = 0, 2$$

$$t = 0, \sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3}$$

$\therefore x$ -intercepts are: 0, 2

y -intercepts are: $0, 3 \pm 2\sqrt{3}$

Beginning and Ending Positions

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^3 - 3t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} [t(t^2 - 3)] = \pm\infty$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} y = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} (t^2 - 2t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} t(t - 2) = \infty$$

Coordinates of points of horizontal and vertical tangent lines.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 3t^2 - 3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t - 2$$

$$0 = 3(t - 1)(t + 1)$$

$$0 = 2t - 2$$

$$t = 1, -1 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0 \text{ when } t = -1$$

$$t = 1 \text{ and } \frac{dx}{dt} = 0$$

$$\text{But } \frac{dy}{dt} = 0 \text{ when } t = 1$$

What happens when $t=1$?

$\therefore$ The curve has vertical tangents

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2t - 2}{3t^2 - 3} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ when } t=1 \right]$$

at (2, 3)

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \frac{2}{6t} = \frac{1}{3}$$

ie. When $t = 1$ the slope of the tangent approaches $\frac{1}{3}$.

The Chart

We will use the critical values of t to determine the directions of the curve

t	-1	1
$\frac{dx}{dt}$	+	+
$\frac{dy}{dt}$	-	+
x	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$
y	$\downarrow$	$\uparrow$
curve	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$

Use the above information, especially the curve directions in the chart to sketch the curve. "sketch"

Check the concavity

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{2t-2}{3t^2-3} \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{2t-2}{3t^2-3}\right)}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{2(3t^2-3) - 6t(2t-2)}{(3t^2-3)^2} \\ &= \frac{-6(t-1)^2}{27(t^2-1)^3} \\ &= \frac{-6(t-1)^2}{27(t-1)^3(t+1)^3}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the numbers which appear on the number line are $t = -1$ and 1 .

t		-1		1	
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	$-$		$+$		$-$
curve	$\cap$		$\cup$		$\cap$

10) Intercepts

$$y = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$0 = 4e^{\frac{t}{2}}$$

$$0 = e^t - t$$

$$\emptyset$$

$$t = e^t$$

$\emptyset$, since the curves $y = x$ and $y = e^x$ do not intersect.

There are no intercepts.

Beginning and Ending Positions

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (e^t - t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t \left(\frac{e^t}{t} - 1 \right) \quad \text{But } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{e^t}{t} \right) \left[\frac{\infty}{\infty} \right]$$

$$\stackrel{[H]}{=} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{e^t}{t} \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{e^t}{1} \right) = \infty$$

$$\therefore \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t \left(\frac{e^t}{t} - 1 \right) = \infty \cdot \infty = \infty$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} (e^t - t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left(\frac{1}{e^t} + t \right) = 0 + \infty = \infty$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} 4e^{\frac{t}{2}} = \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} y = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} 4e^{\frac{t}{2}} = 0$$

Coordinates of points of horizontal and vertical tangent lines.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = e^t - 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 4e^{\frac{t}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$0 = e^t - 1$$

$$0 = 4e^{\frac{t}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$e^t = 1$$

$$\emptyset$$

$$t = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The curve has vertical tangents at $(1, 4)$.

The Chart

We will use the critical values of t to determine the directions of the curve

t	0	
$\frac{dy}{dt}$	+	+
$\frac{dx}{dt}$	-	+
x	←	→
y	↑	↑
curve	↖	↗

Use the above information, especially the curve directions in the chart to sketch the curve. "sketch"

Check the concavity

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{2e^{\frac{t}{2}}}{e^t - 1}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{2e^{\frac{t}{2}}}{e^t - 1}\right)}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{e^{\frac{t}{2}}(e^t - 1) - e^t \cdot 2e^{\frac{t}{2}}}{(e^t - 1)^2} = \frac{-e^{\frac{t}{2}}(e^t - 1 - 2e^t)}{(e^t - 1)^3}$$

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

$\therefore$ if $e^t - 1 = 0$ then $t = 0$

Therefore, the number which appear on the number line is $t = 0$.

t	$\xrightarrow{\hspace{1.5cm}}$ 0 $\mid$
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	$\quad + \qquad \qquad -$
<i>curve</i>	$\quad \cup \qquad \qquad \cap$