

1. The curve  $C$  has parametric equations

$$x = \sin 2\theta \quad y = \operatorname{cosec}^3 \theta \quad 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

(a) Find an expression for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  in terms of  $\theta$  (3)

(b) Hence find the exact value of the gradient of the tangent to  $C$  at the point where  $y = 8$  (3)

a)  $y = \operatorname{cosec}^3 \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{d\theta} &= 3\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta \times -\operatorname{cosec} \theta \cot \theta \\ &= -3\operatorname{cosec}^3 \theta \cot \theta \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{d\theta} \div \frac{dx}{d\theta} \quad (1)$$

$$x = \sin 2\theta$$

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = 2\cos 2\theta$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3\operatorname{cosec}^3 \theta \cot \theta}{2\cos 2\theta} \quad (1)$$

b) find  $\theta$  when  $y = 8$

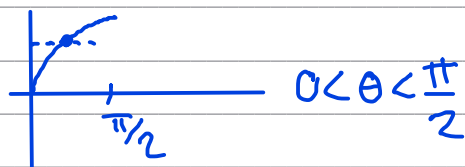
$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3\operatorname{cosec}^3 \frac{\pi}{6} \cot \frac{\pi}{6}}{2\cos \frac{2\pi}{6}} \quad (1)$$

$$8 = \operatorname{cosec}^3 \theta$$

$$\operatorname{cosec} \theta = 2$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -24\sqrt{3} \quad (1)$$



$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

2.

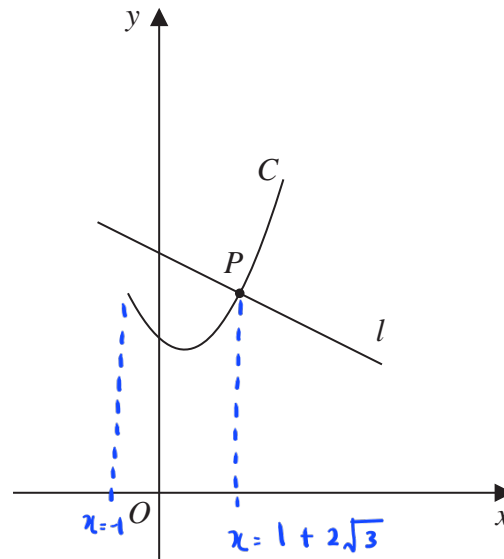


Figure 6

Figure 6 shows a sketch of the curve  $C$  with parametric equations

$$x = 2 \tan t + 1 \quad y = 2 \sec^2 t + 3 \quad -\frac{\pi}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{3}$$

The line  $l$  is the normal to  $C$  at the point  $P$  where  $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$

(a) Using parametric differentiation, show that an equation for  $l$  is

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{17}{2} \quad (5)$$

(b) Show that all points on  $C$  satisfy the equation

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

The straight line with equation

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + k \quad \text{where } k \text{ is a constant}$$

intersects  $C$  at two distinct points.

(c) Find the range of possible values for  $k$ .

(5)

$$a) \quad x = 2(\tan t) + 1$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2 \sec^2 t \quad (1)$$

$$y = 2(\sec t)^2 + 3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 4(\sec t) \sec t \tan t = 4 \sec^2 t \tan t$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{4 \sec^2 t \tan t}{2 \sec^2 t} = 2 \tan t \quad (1)$$

$$\text{when } t = \frac{\pi}{4}, \quad x = 2 \tan \frac{\pi}{4} + 1 = 3$$

$$y = 2 \sec^2 \frac{\pi}{4} + 3 = 7 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \tan \frac{\pi}{4} = 2 \quad (\text{gradient of tangent})$$

$$\therefore \text{gradient of normal is } -\frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\therefore \text{Equation of normal: } y - 7 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 3) \quad (1)$$

$$l: y = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{17}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{b) from point } x: x = 2 \tan t + 1$$

$$\tan t = \frac{x-1}{2}$$

$$\tan^2 t = \left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)^2 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{from point } y: y = 2 \sec^2 t + 3$$

$$= 2(1 + \tan^2 t) + 3 \quad (1)$$

$$y = 2 \tan^2 t + 5 \quad (2)$$

substitute ① into ②

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

$$y = \frac{1}{2} (x-1)^2 + 5 \text{ --- ③ (shown)}$$

c) domain of ③ :  $2 \tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + 1 \leq x \leq 2 \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) + 1$

$$-1 \leq x \leq 1 + 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + k \text{ --- ④}$$

simultaneous equation of ③ and ④

$$\frac{1}{2} (x-1)^2 + 5 = -\frac{1}{2}x + k$$

$$(x-1)^2 + 10 = -x + 2k$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 + 10 = -x + 2k$$

$$x^2 - x + (11 - 2k) = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac > 0 : (-1)^2 - 4(1)(11 - 2k) > 0 \text{ ①}$$

$$8k - 43 > 0$$

$$k > \frac{43}{8} \text{ ①}$$

$$\text{when } x = -1 : (-1)^2 - (-1) + (11 - 2k) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$2k = 13$$

$$k = \frac{13}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$\therefore \text{range of values of } k \text{ is : } \frac{43}{8} < k \leq \frac{13}{2} \quad (1)$$