MATH 162 SOLUTIONS: QUIZ II

1. [20 pts] Consider the region R in the first quadrant that is bounded by the curves $y = (x - 1)^2$ and $y = \sqrt{x - 1}$. Sketch! This region is rotated about the axis x = 3. Using the *shell method* write the volume of this solid of rotation as a Riemann integral.



The thickness of the shell is Δx , so the integrand must be a function of *x*. The distance of the shell from the axis of rotation is 3 - x. Furthermore, the height of the shell is the difference between the two y-values (corresponding to x) which is determined by the two curves.

That is, the height of the shell is

$$\sqrt{x-1} - (x-1)^2$$

Hence the volume of the solid of revolution can be expressed by the integral:

$$2\pi \int_{1}^{2} \left(\sqrt{x-1} - (x-1)^{2} \right) (3-x) \, dx$$

2. [10 pts] Consider the parameterized curve: $x = e^t - 1$, $y = e^{2t}$, where $t \ge 0$, describing the position in the xy-plane of Mehitabel, the cat, at time *t*.

(a) By eliminating the parameter, *t*, express *y* as a function of *x*.

Solution: Since $x = e^t - 1$, $e^t = x + 1$. Hence $y = e^{2t} = (x + 1)^2$. Now, the domain of this function is $[0, \infty)$.

(b) *Sketch* the parameterized curve, using an arrow to indicate the direction of Mehitabel's journey. Also, indicate the birthplace of Mehitabel.



Solution: When t = 0, x = 0 and y = 1. Thus Mehitabel is born at the point (0, 1)

in the xy-plane.

As t > 0 increases, both x and y increase. Thus Mehitabel's direction of motion is northeast.



3. [5 *pts*] Charlotte travels along a straight line from P = (1, -3) to Q = (5, 7). Find a parameterization for this trip. Let us assume that, when t = 0, Charlotte is at *P* and, when t = 1, Charlotte has reached *Q*.



Solution: Let (x(t), y(t)) = (1 - t) (1, -3) + t (5, 7)

Thus x(t) = (1-t)1 + 5t = 4t + 1. and y(t) = (1-t)(-3) + 7t = 10t - 3

The book of nature is written in the language of mathematics.

- Galileo