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No calculators, cell phones, computers, notes, etc.

Circle your answer. Make your work **correct, complete** and **coherent**.

The quiz is worth 5 points. The solutions will be posted on my website later today.

Quiz 10, October 7, 2019

The position vector of a particle in the xy -plane at time t is

$$\vec{r}(t) = (t+1)\vec{i} + (t^2-1)\vec{j}.$$

- (a) Eliminate the parameter and find an equation in x and y whose graph is the path of the particle.
- (b) Find the velocity vector of the particle at $t = 1$.
- (c) Find the acceleration vector of the particle at $t = 1$.

ANSWER:

(a) We are given $x = t + 1$ and $y = t^2 - 1$. We eliminate t by dropping $x - 1 = t$ into $y = t^2 - 1$. We obtain $y = (x - 1)^2 - 1$.

(b) The velocity of the particle at time t is $\vec{v}(t) = \vec{i} + 2t\vec{j}$. The velocity of the particle at time $t = 1$ is $\vec{v}(1) = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$.

(c) The acceleration of the particle at time t is $\vec{a}(t) = 2\vec{j}$. The velocity of the particle at time $t = 1$ is $\vec{a}(1) = 2\vec{j}$.