

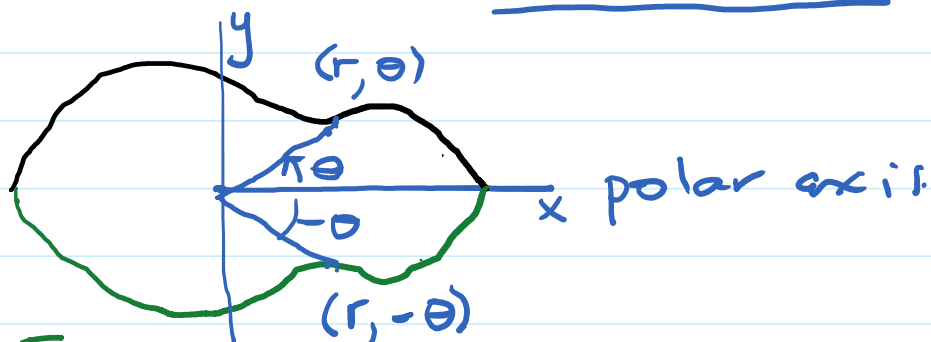
Classes and Monday's test
CANCELLED as of end of today
 - updates will be posted.

§ 10.3 Polar Coordinates cont'd.

Polar Curve. : $r = f(\theta)$

Symmetry.

① If $f(-\theta) = f(\theta)$
 curve is symmetric about
 the POLAR axis

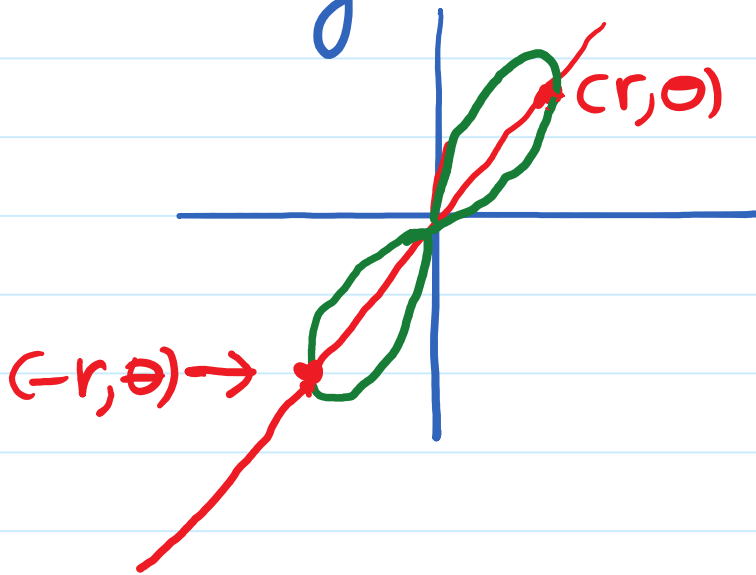


Example: $r = \cos(\theta)$

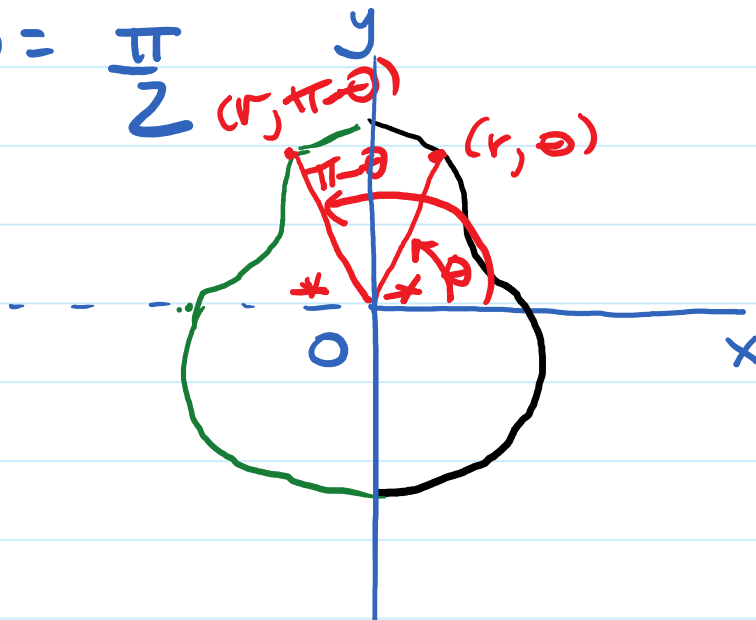
$$f(\theta) = \cos(\theta)$$

$$f(-\theta) = \cos(-\theta) = \cos(\theta)$$

- ② If $f(\theta) = f(\theta + \pi)$
 curve is unchanged
 if r is replaced by $-r$
 i.e. if rotate curve
 by 180° (i.e. by π rad)

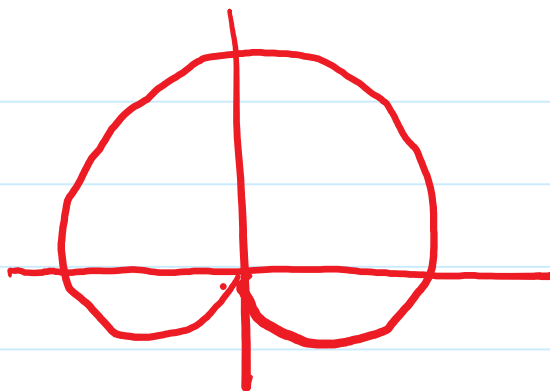


- ③ If $f(\theta) = f(\pi - \theta)$
 curve is symmetric
 about the vertical line
 $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$



Cardoid

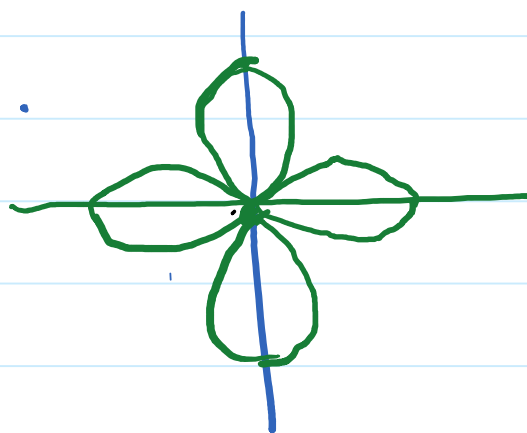
$$r = 1 + \sin \theta$$



Symmetric about the vertical axis.

4-leaved-rose.

$$r = \cos(2\theta)$$



- symmetric about the polar axis
since $\cos(2\theta) = \cos(-2\theta)$

- symmetric about the vertical axis.

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(2(\pi - \theta)) &= \cos(2\pi - 2\theta) \\ &= \cos(-2\theta) \\ &= \cos(2\theta).\end{aligned}$$

Tangents to Polar Curves.

$$r = f(\theta)$$

$$x = r \cos \theta = f(\theta) \cos(\theta)$$

$$y = r \sin \theta = f(\theta) \sin(\theta)$$

Slope of the tangent line:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{dr}{d\theta} \sin \theta + r \cos \theta}{\frac{dr}{d\theta} \cos \theta - r \sin \theta}$$

BEWARE
 r is a
 function
 of θ
 $r = f(\theta)$.

NOTE: At $r=0$

this simplifies to

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \tan \theta$$

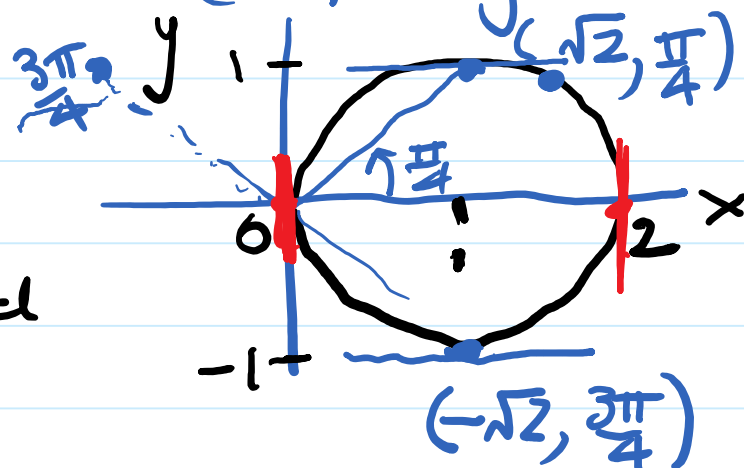
provided $\frac{dr}{d\theta} \neq 0$

Example: $r = 2 \cos \theta$

We showed this

is: $(x-1)^2 + y^2 = 1$

Find points where there are vertical and horizontal tangents?



$$x = r(\theta) \cos(\theta)$$

$$y = r(\theta) \sin(\theta)$$

$$r(\theta) = 2 \cos(\theta)$$

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = -2 \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = \frac{\frac{dr}{d\theta} \sin \theta + r(\theta) \cos \theta}{\frac{dr}{d\theta} \cos \theta - r(\theta) \sin \theta}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \sin \theta \sin \theta + 2 \cos \theta \cos \theta}{-2 \sin \theta \cos \theta - 2 \cos \theta \sin \theta}$$

$$= \frac{\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta}{-2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}$$

horizontal tangent

(usually $\frac{dy}{d\theta} = 0$, $\frac{dx}{d\theta} \neq 0$)

or just look at numerator = 0
denominator $\neq 0$

numerator: $\cos^2 \theta - \rho \sin^2 \theta = 0$.

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}.$$

$$r = 2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}.$$

$$\theta = \frac{3\pi}{4} \text{ gives } (-\sqrt{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4})$$

$$\theta = \frac{5\pi}{4} \text{ give } (-\sqrt{2}, \frac{5\pi}{4})$$

$$\theta = \frac{7\pi}{4} \text{ give } (\sqrt{2}, \frac{7\pi}{4})$$

$$= (-\sqrt{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4})$$

$$= (\sqrt{2}, -\frac{\pi}{4})$$

Note denominator

$$-2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \neq 0.$$

Vertical tangents.

when $\frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$, $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$

OR. denominator = 0
numerator $\neq 0$.

denominator : $-2\rho \sin\theta \cos\theta$
 $r = 2\cos\theta$

$\rho \sin\theta = 0$, $\theta = 0, \pi, 2\pi$

$(2, 0)$

$(-2, \pi)$

$(2, 2\pi)$

$\cos\theta = 0$

$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$

$(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$

$(0, \frac{3\pi}{2})$

NOTE: The numerator $\neq 0$ at any of these angles.

§ 4.1 Functions of Several Variables.