

March 19

SWBAT:

Graph polar functions and
Find their derivatives

Polar
Functions

(r, θ)
radius
(distance from origin)
angle
(from standard position)
(starting on the positive x-axis + moving counter-clockwise)
 $r = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

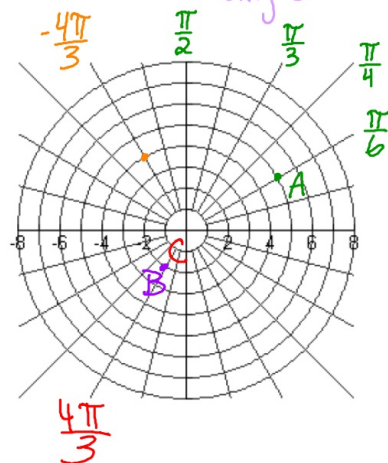
Plot:

A- $(5, \frac{\pi}{6})$

B- $(-2, \frac{\pi}{3})$

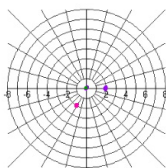
C- $(2, \frac{4\pi}{3})$

D- $(4, -\frac{4\pi}{3})$



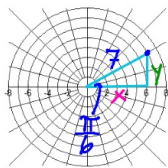
$$r = 2\cos(3\theta)$$

θ	r
0	2
$\frac{\pi}{6}$	0
$\frac{\pi}{3}$	-2
$\frac{\pi}{2}$	0



$$A: (7, \frac{\pi}{6})$$

find the
x + y-coordinates



$$\sin(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{y}{7} \rightarrow y = 7\sin(\frac{\pi}{6})$$

$$\cos(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{x}{7} \rightarrow x = 7\cos(\frac{\pi}{6})$$

To convert to
x + y
coordinates

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

What does $\frac{dr}{d\theta}$
mean?

derivative of r in
terms of θ

→ rate that the radius
is changing with respect
to the angle

What does
the slope of
a line represent?

$\frac{\text{change in } y}{\text{change in } x}$

How can we find
 $\frac{dy}{dx}$ with polar
functions?

① convert to x + y
 $x = r \cos \theta$
 $y = r \sin \theta$

② find $\frac{dx}{d\theta}$
and $\frac{dy}{d\theta}$

③ divide
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}}$

find the equation
of the line tangent
to $r = \cos 2\theta$
at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

point

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

$$x = \cos 2\theta \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$x = \cos\left(2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$x = 0$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

$$y = \cos 2\theta \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$y = \cos\left(2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$y = -1$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = \frac{-2 \sin(2\theta) \cdot \sin \theta + \cos \theta \cdot \cos(2\theta)}{-2 \sin(2\theta) \cdot \cos \theta - \sin \theta \cdot \cos(2\theta)}$$

$$\text{at } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \sin(\pi) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cos(\pi)}{-2 \sin(\pi) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cos(\pi)} = \frac{0}{1} = 0$$

$$y + 1 = 0(x - 0) \rightarrow y = -1$$