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Given a polar curve, how can  
you find an equation of a  
tangent line?

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

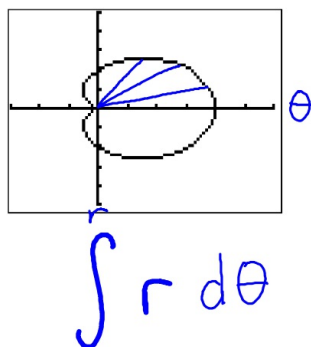
$$\frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = \text{slope}$$

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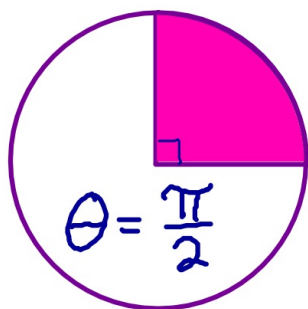
Students will verbally explain how to  
find the area enclosed by polar  
curves

(using the words:  
radius, angle, arc...)

Find the area  
enclosed by  
 $r = 2(1 + \cos \theta)$

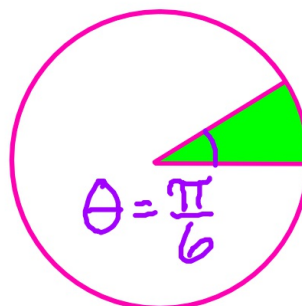


Let's simplify it and look at a circle:



$$A = \frac{\pi r^2}{4}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} r^2$$



$$A = \frac{\pi r^2}{12}$$

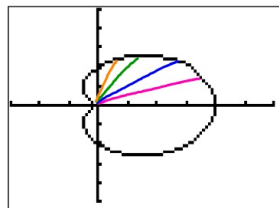
$$A = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{6} r^2$$

# Area of sector

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \theta r^2 = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \theta$$

↑  
in radians

Find the area  
enclosed by  
 $r = 2(1 + \cos \theta)$



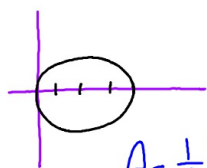
Area of sectors  
w/  $\theta$  as small  
as possible ( $d\theta$ )

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} r^2 d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (2(1 + \cos \theta))^2 d\theta = 18.849$$

Area of  
Polar Curves

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} r^2 d\theta$$

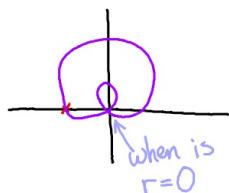
find the area enclosed by  
 $r = 4 \cos \theta$



$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi} (4 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta$$

$$= 12.566$$

find the area inside the smaller loop of  
 $r = 2 \sin \theta - 1$



$$0 = 2 \sin \theta - 1$$

$$1 = 2 \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6} = \theta$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}} (2 \sin \theta - 1)^2 d\theta$$

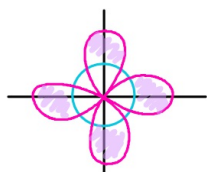
$$= .544$$

Area between curves

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} (r_2)^2 - (r_1)^2 d\theta$$

↑  
outside radius
↑  
inside radius

find the area inside  
 $r = 4 \cos 2\theta$  +  
 outside  $r = 2$



$$4 \cos 2\theta = 2$$

$$\cos 2\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, -\frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$A_{\text{one petal}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{6}} (4 \cos 2\theta)^2 - 2^2 d\theta$$

$$A_{\text{total}} = 4 \left( \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{6}} (4 \cos 2\theta)^2 - 2^2 d\theta \right)$$

$$= 15.306$$