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Mock Exam:  
March 27th - 7:30 am  
Room 5

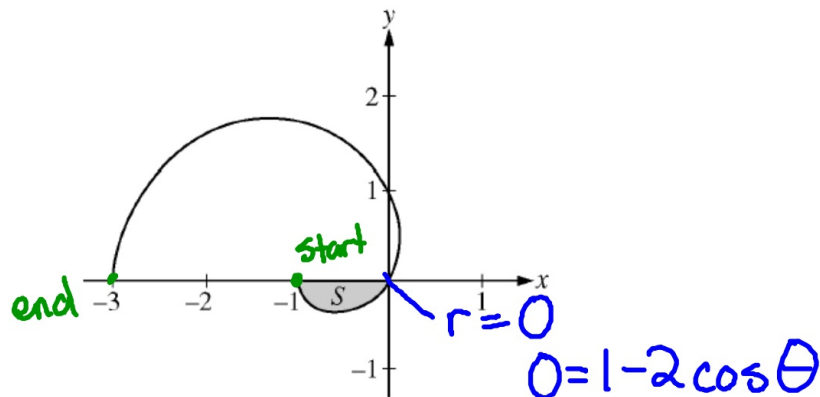
How are parametric functions  
similar to polar functions?

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

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

No calculator is allowed for these problems.



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Handwritten notes for problem 4:

- Integral expression for area:  $\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi} r^2 d\theta$
- Parametric equations:  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$
- Tangent line equation:  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
- Point and slope: point, slope

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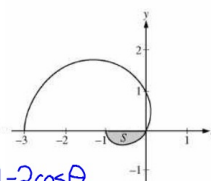
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(a)  $r(0) = -1$ ;  $r(\theta) = 0$  when  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ .  
Area of  $S = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi/3} (1 - 2 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta$

(b)  $x = r \cos \theta$  and  $y = r \sin \theta$

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

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = \frac{dr}{d\theta} \cos \theta - r \sin \theta = 4 \sin \theta \cos \theta - \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = \frac{dr}{d\theta} \sin \theta + r \cos \theta = 2 \sin^2 \theta + (1 - 2 \cos \theta) \cos \theta$$

$$x = (1 - 2 \cos \theta) \cos \theta$$

$$y = (1 - 2 \cos \theta) \sin \theta$$

(c) When  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , we have  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 1$ .

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}} = \left. \frac{dy/d\theta}{dx/d\theta} \right|_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}} = -2$$

The tangent line is given by  $y = 1 - 2x$ .

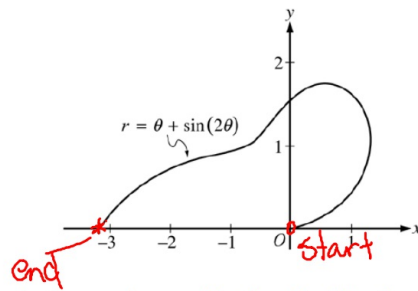
$$y - 1 = -2(x - 0)$$

4: { 1: uses  $x = r \cos \theta$  and  $y = r \sin \theta$   
1:  $\frac{dr}{d\theta}$   
2: answer

$$2 \sin \theta \cos \theta - (-2 \cos \theta) \sin \theta$$

3: { 1: values for  $x$  and  $y$   
1: expression for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$   
1: tangent line equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \text{ at } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \rightarrow -2$$



2. The curve above is drawn in the  $xy$ -plane and is described by the equation in polar coordinates  $r = \theta + \sin(2\theta)$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$ , where  $r$  is measured in meters and  $\theta$  is measured in radians. The derivative of  $r$  with respect to  $\theta$  is given by  $\frac{dr}{d\theta} = 1 + 2\cos(2\theta)$ .

(a) Find the area bounded by the curve and the  $x$ -axis.

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^\pi (\theta + \sin(2\theta))^2 d\theta = ?$$

(b) Find the angle  $\theta$  that corresponds to the point on the curve with  $x$ -coordinate  $-2$ .

(c) For  $\frac{\pi}{3} < \theta < \frac{2\pi}{3}$ ,  $\frac{dr}{d\theta}$  is negative. What does this fact say about  $r$ ? What does this fact say about the curve?

$$x = r \cos \theta = (\theta + \sin 2\theta) \cos \theta = -2$$

$\theta_1$   $\theta_2$

(d) Find the value of  $\theta$  in the interval  $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$  that corresponds to the point on the curve in the first quadrant with greatest distance from the origin. Justify your answer.