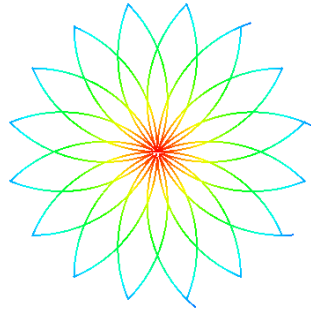


# WORKSHEET XXI

## POLAR COORDINATES



- Convert from polar coordinates to Cartesian coordinates:  
 $(3, 0)$ ,  $(1, \pi/4)$ ,  $(-2^{1/2}, \pi/6)$ ,  $(4, 3\pi/2)$ ,  $(7, 5\pi/3)$
  - Convert from Cartesian coordinates to polar coordinates:  
 $(5, 5)$ ,  $(-3, 0)$ ,  $(1, -3^{1/2})$ ,  $(-7, -11)$
  - Which polar coordinate pairs label the same point?  $(3, 0)$ ,  
 $(-3, 0)$ ,  $(2, 2\pi/3)$ ,  $(2, 7\pi/3)$ ,  $(-3, \pi)$ ,  $(2, \pi/3)$ ,  $(-3, 2\pi)$ ,  $(-2, -\pi/3)$
- Write each of the following polar equations as a Cartesian equation:
  - $r \cos \theta = 2$
  - $r \sin \theta = 0$
  - $r \cos \theta = 0$
  - $r (\cos \theta + \sin \theta) = 1$
  - $r^2 = 4r \sin \theta$
  - $r^2 \sin 2\theta = 2$
  - $r = \frac{5}{\sin \theta - 2 \cos \theta}$
  - $r = 11$

3. Convert each Cartesian equation below to a polar equation.

(a)  $x = 7$

(b)  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

(c)  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$

(d)  $xy = 2$

(e)  $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 1$

(f)  $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$

4. In sketching a polar curve how would one check for symmetry (a) about the origin? (b) about the x-axis? (c) about the y-axis?

5. Sketch the following polar curves:

(a)  $r = 3$

(b)  $\theta = \pi/3, -1 \leq r \leq 3$

(c)  $r = -1, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$

(d)  $r = \theta$  (*spiral of Archimedes*)

(e)  $r = 1 - \cos \theta$  (*cardioid*)

(f)  $r = 6 \sin \theta$

(g)  $r \theta = 1$  (*hyperbolic spiral*)

(h)  $r = 1 + 2 \sin \theta$  (*looped limaçon*)

(i)  $r = 3 + 2 \sin \theta$  (*dimpled limaçon*)

(j)  $r = \cos 2\theta$  (*rose*)

(k)  $r = \cos 3\theta$  (*rose*)

(l)  $r = \cos 4\theta$  (*rose*)

- (m)  $r = e^\theta$  (*logarithmic spiral*)
- (n)  $r^2 = \theta$  (*Fermat's spiral*)
- (o)  $r^2 = \cos 2\theta$  (*lemniscate of Bernoulli*)

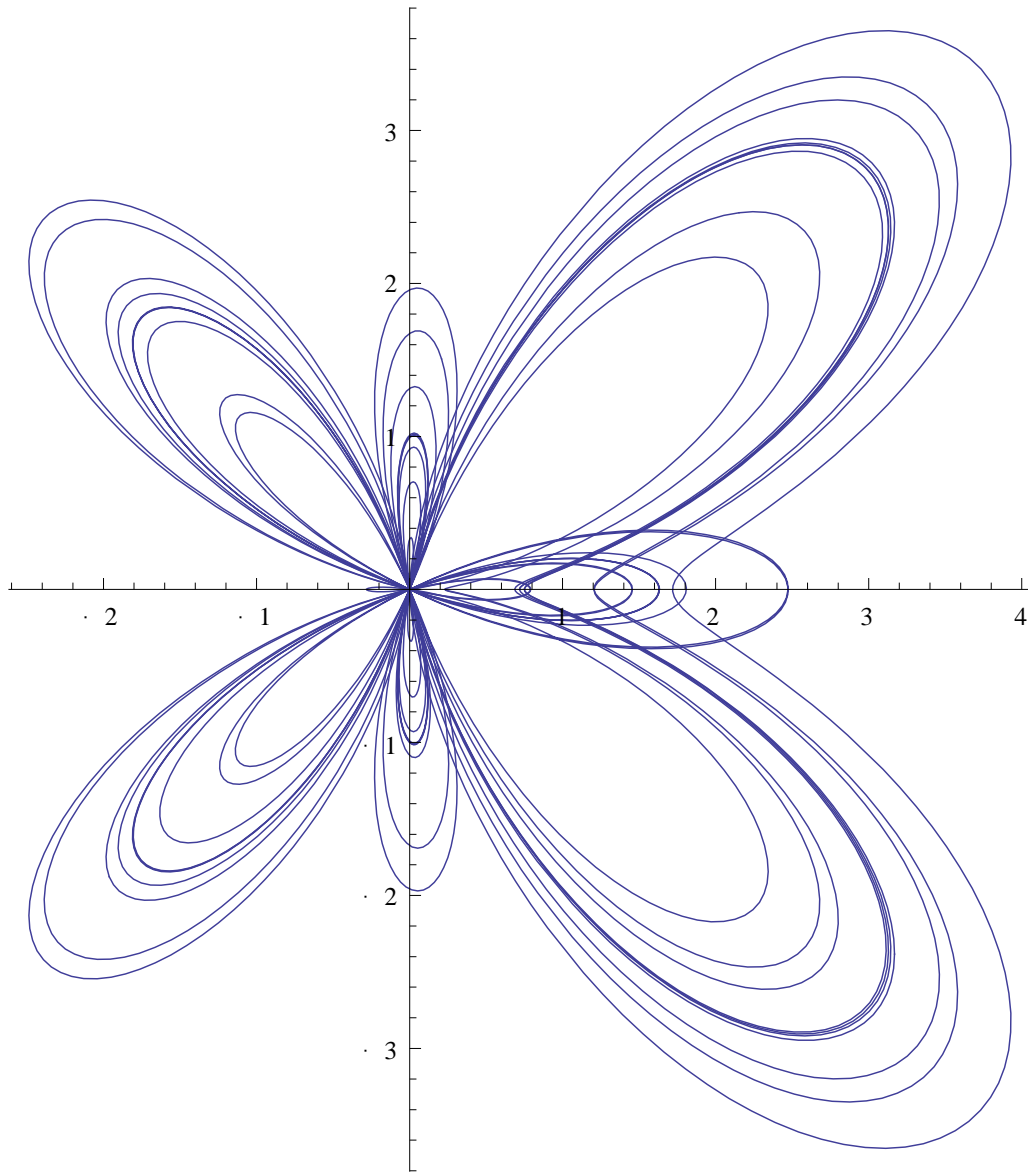
6. Derive a formula for the area of the fan-shaped region between the origin and the curve  $r = f(\theta)$ ,  $\alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta$ .

Find the area of the region:

- (a) bounded by the spiral  $r = \theta$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$
- (b) enclosed by the cardioid  $r = 2(1 + \cos \theta)$
- (c) inside the circle  $r = 1$  and outside the cardioid  $r = 1 - \cos \theta$
- (d) enclosed by the smaller loop of the limaçon  $r = 2 \cos \theta + 1$
- (e) enclosed by one leaf of the four-leaved rose  $r = \cos 2\theta$

7. Derive a formula for the arc length of a curve  $r = f(\theta)$ ,  $\alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta$ . Find the arc length of the

- (a) circle  $r = b$
- (b) circle  $r = a \cos \theta$ ,  $-\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$
- (c) spiral  $r = \theta^2$ ,  $0 \leq \theta \leq \sqrt{5}$
- (d) cardioid  $r = 1 - \cos \theta$



Mathematica polar plot of  $r = e^{\cos \theta} - 2\cos(4\theta) + \sin^5(\theta/12)$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq 20\pi$

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