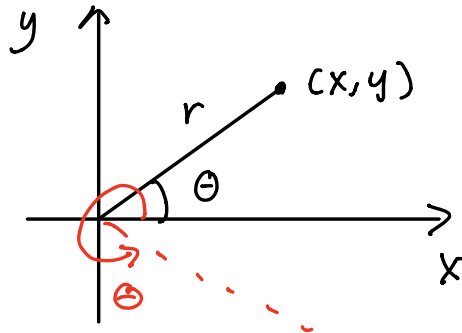


## 1.2.1 Intro



form:  $(r, \theta)$

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$$

- ①  $\theta$  is defined only up to adding mod of  $2\pi$
- ② Sometime we allow  $r < 0$ .

### Curves in Polar coordinates

$$r = f(\theta), \alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta$$

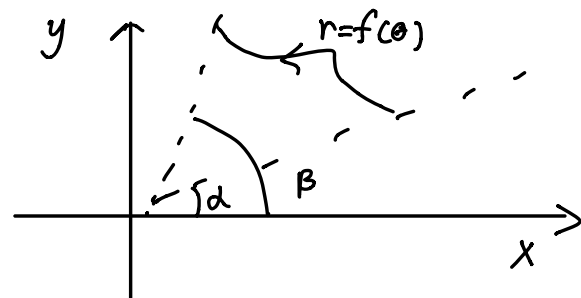
parametrized curve in  $x, y$  coords

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

Parametrized curve in  $x, y$  coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} x &= f(\theta) \cos \theta \\ y &= f(\theta) \sin \theta \\ \alpha &\leq \theta \leq \beta \end{aligned}$$



How to sketch  $r=f(\theta)$ ,  $\alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta$ .

① Plot points

e.g.  $r=2\sin\theta$ ,  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$

$\theta$	$r$
0	0
$\frac{\pi}{4}$	$\sqrt{2}$
$\frac{\pi}{2}$	2
$3\pi/4$	$\sqrt{2}$
$\pi$	0

connect dots, arrow goes in dir. of increasing  $\theta$ .

② Convert to Cartesian  $(x, y)$  coordinates

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

$$r^2 = 2r \sin \theta$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 2y$$

$$x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 1 \quad \text{circle of radius 1 with center } (0, 1).$$

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1.2.2. Slope and area in polar coordinates

Slope of a polar curve  $r=f(\theta)$

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

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

$$\text{slope} = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/d\theta}{dx/d\theta} = \frac{\frac{d}{d\theta} (f(\theta) \sin \theta)}{\frac{d}{d\theta} (f(\theta) \cos \theta)}$$

e.g. slope of  $r = 1 - 2 \cos \theta$  at  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

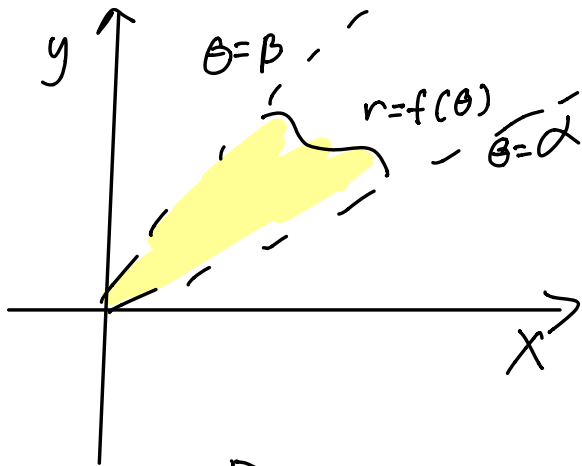
$$x = (1 - 2 \cos \theta) \cos \theta$$

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

$$\text{slope} = \frac{dy/d\theta}{dx/d\theta} = \frac{\frac{d}{d\theta} [(1 - 2 \cos \theta) \sin \theta]}{\frac{d}{d\theta} [(1 - 2 \cos \theta) \cos \theta]} = \frac{(2 \sin \theta) \sin \theta + (1 - 2 \cos \theta) \cos \theta}{(2 \sin \theta) (\cos \theta) + (1 - 2 \cos \theta) (-\sin \theta)}$$

$$\dots = -2$$

• area :  $r = f(\theta)$ ,  $\alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta$ , assume  $f \geq 0$

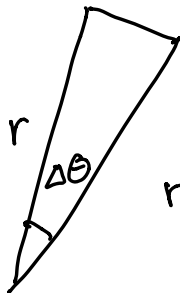


Area =

$$\lim_{\Delta \theta \rightarrow 0} \sum \text{Area(Pie Slice)}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta \theta \rightarrow 0} \sum \frac{r^2 \Delta \theta}{2}$$

$$= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \frac{r^2}{2} d\theta = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \frac{f(\theta)^2}{2} d\theta$$

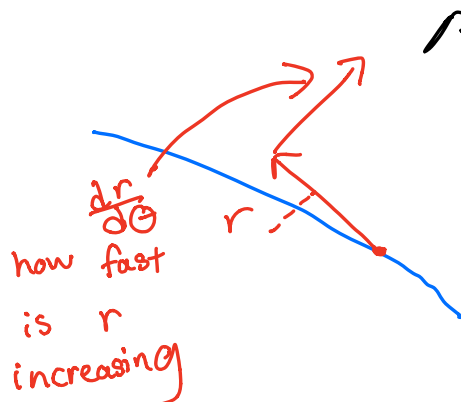


$$\text{Area} : \frac{r^2 \Delta \theta}{2}$$

### 1.2.4 Length of a polar coordinate

$$r = f(\theta), \alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta$$

$$L = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} d\theta$$



#### \* Cartesian Explanation

$$x = r(\theta) \cos \theta, y = r(\theta) \sin \theta$$

$$L = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{d\theta}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{d\theta}\right)^2} d\theta$$

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

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

... gives us: