

Sine & Cosine at Key Angles

with Cofunction Identities

(dbhoriya.github.io/teaching_F101/tutorial_2.pdf) or SCAN:



Some Trigonometry identities:

Exact Values at Common Angles

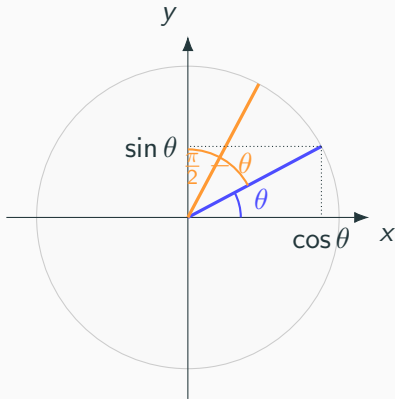
θ	0°	30°	45°	60°	90°
$\sin \theta$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	1
$\cos \theta$	1	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0

Some identities:

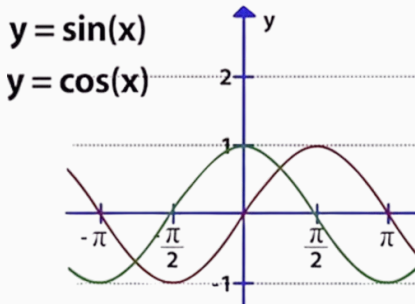
$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \cos \theta,$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \sin \theta.$$

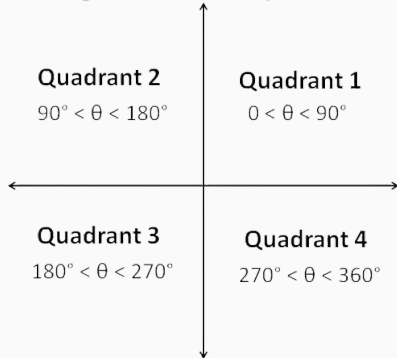
Example: $\sin 30^\circ = \cos 60^\circ = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \cos 30^\circ = \sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}.$



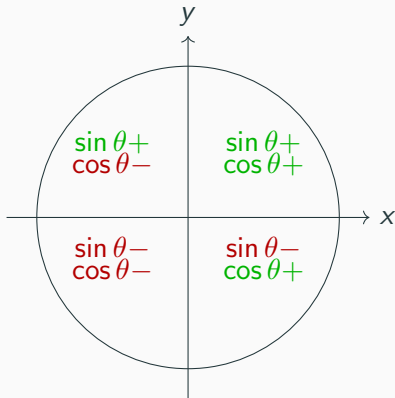
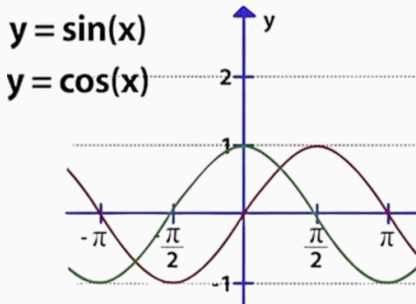
Sin-Cos in various quadrants



Angles in different quadrants



Sin-Cos in various quadrants



Polar co-ordinates

Definition and motivation

Polar Coordinates: Definition & Formulas

- A point (x, y) is represented as (r, θ) :

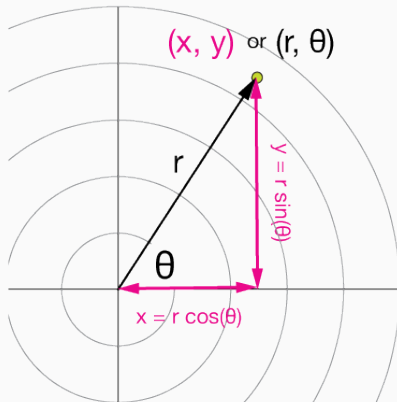
- r = distance from origin
- θ = angle from positive x-axis

- Conversion to Cartesian coordinates:

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta$$

- Conversion from Cartesian coordinates:

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \theta = \arctan \frac{y}{x} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x} \right)$$



Why Do We Need Polar Coordinates? Real-Life Motivation

- Some situations are easier to describe with **distance + angle** than (x, y) .
- **Examples:**
 - GPS: “5 km at 30° NE”
 - Radar/Sonar: Track objects by angle & range
 - Lighthouses: Light beam at a specific distance & direction
 - CCTV: Camera coverage via rotation & reach



Engineering & Math Usefulness

- **Engineering:**

- AC circuits: voltages/currents as polar vectors
- Mechanical systems: gears, turbines, rotating parts
- Robotics: arm positions via joint angles
- Civil structures: domes, arches, tunnels

- **Mathematics:**

- Circle equation: $x^2 + y^2 = a^2 \Rightarrow r = a$ (simpler in polar)
- Ideal for problems with circular or rotational symmetry

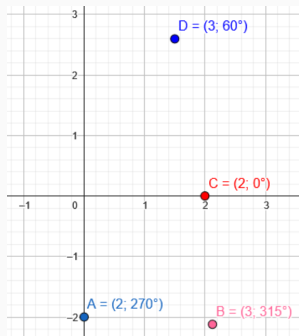
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Question 1: Plot the following points, given in polar coordinates, and find all polar coordinates for each point.

A: $(-2, \pi/2)$, **C:** $(-2, -5\pi)$

B: $(3, -\pi/4)$, **D:** $(3, \pi/3)$

Hint: Remember that a point (r, θ) is equivalent to $(-r, \theta + \pi)$ and that angles can be expressed modulo 2π .



Answer:

A: $(-2, \pi/2 + 2n\pi), (2, -\pi/2 + 2n\pi)$ where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

B: $(3, -\pi/4 + 2n\pi), (-3, 3\pi/4 + 2n\pi)$ where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

C: $(-2, -\pi + 2n\pi), (2, 2n\pi)$ where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

D: $(3, \pi/3 + 2n\pi), (-3, -2\pi/3 + 2n\pi)$ where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

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Question 2: Find the polar coordinates of the following points.

(a) $(\sqrt{3}, -1)$, with $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ and $r \leq 0$.

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Answer: (a) $(-2, \pi - \pi/6)$ (b) $(2, -\pi/6)$

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(a) $x^2 + y^2 + 2r \cos \theta r \sin \theta = 1 \iff x^2 + y^2 + 2xy = 1$

(b) $r \sin \theta = \ln r + \ln \cos \theta \implies r \sin \theta = \ln r \cos \theta$.

This gives $y = \ln x$

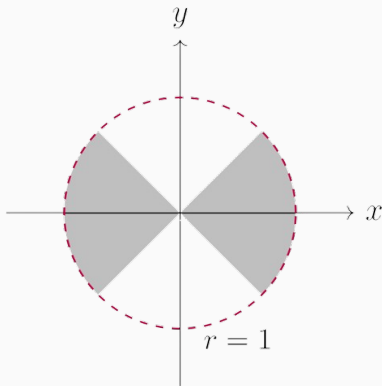
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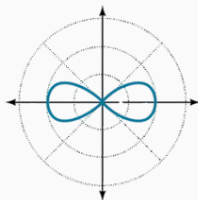
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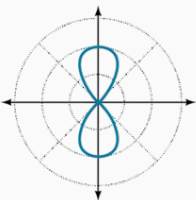


Polar Coordinates: lemniscate (a polar curve resembling the infinity symbol ∞)



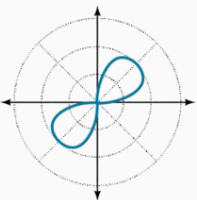
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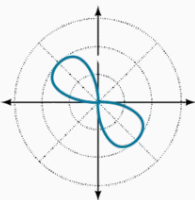
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(b)



$$r^2 = a^2 \sin(2\theta)$$

(c)



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(d)

Question 4: Draw the graph of the curve $r^2 = -\sin 2\theta$.

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Answer:

- Equation $r^2 = -\sin(2\theta) \implies \sin(2\theta) \leq 0$.
- Therefore, $\pi \leq 2\theta \leq 2\pi$. That is $\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \pi$.
- Also, the graph is symmetric about the origin because if (r, θ) lies on the graph, then $(-r, \theta)$ also lies on the graph.
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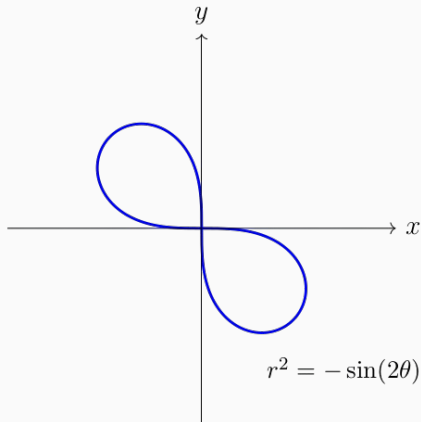
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- Slopes: $dr/d\theta = -\frac{\cos 2\theta}{\sqrt{-\sin 2\theta}}$
- At $\theta = \pi/2$, it has a vertical tangent since slope is infinite, and at $\theta = \pi$, it has a horizontal slope = 0.

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Answer:



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Recall: Area and length of the curve in polar coordinates:

- The formula for area in polar coordinates:

$$A = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \frac{1}{2} r^2 d\theta$$

- The length of a curve given in polar coordinates is

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} d\theta.$$

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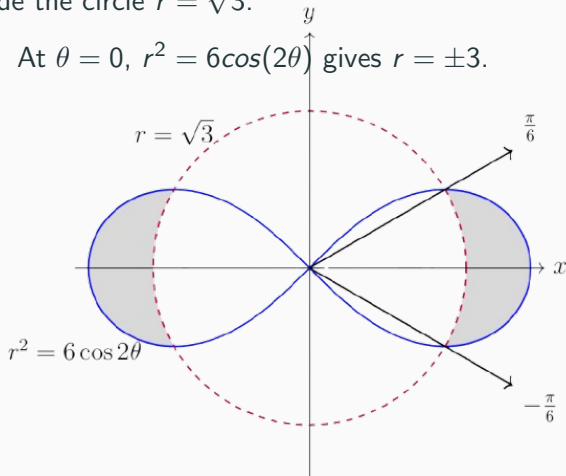
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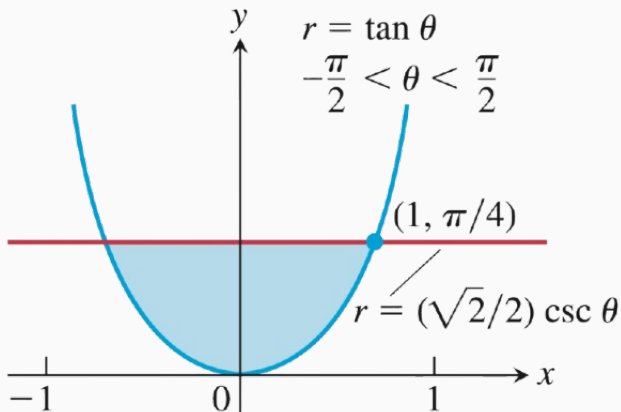
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By symmetry, the required area is

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi/6} \left(6\cos 2\theta - (\sqrt{3})^2 \right) d\theta \\ &= 2 \left[3\sin 2\theta - 3\theta \right]_0^{\pi/6} \\ &= 3\sqrt{3} - \pi. \end{aligned}$$

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Question 7: Find the area of the shaded region in the following figure:



Answer: Area = $2 \left[\int_0^{\pi/4} \frac{1}{2} \tan^2 \theta d\theta + \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \csc \theta \right)^2 d\theta \right]$

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Question 8: Find the length of the curve given by $r = \sqrt{1 - \sin 2\theta}$ where θ lies in the interval $[0, \pi/2]$.

Answer: The length of a curve given in polar coordinates is

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} d\theta.$$

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Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{1 - \sin 2\theta + \frac{\cos^2 2\theta}{1 - \sin 2\theta}} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{(1 - \sin 2\theta)^2 + \cos^2 2\theta}{1 - \sin 2\theta}} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{2(1 - \sin 2\theta)}{1 - \sin 2\theta}} d\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \sqrt{2}. \end{aligned}$$