

ANALYTIC GEOMETRY, PROBLEM SET 2

More polar coordinates

1. Let $ABCDEF$ be a regular hexagon with size length l . Find the polar coordinates of its vertices in each of the following cases:
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2. Find the polar equation corresponding to the given Cartesian equation: a) $y = 5$; b) $x + 1 = 0$; c) $y = 7x$; d) $3x + 8y + 6 = 0$; e) $y^2 = -4x + 4$; f) $x^2 - 12y - 36 = 0$; g) $x^2 + y^2 = 36$; h) $x^2 - y^2 = 25$. Briefly give a geometric interpretation for the solutions to these equations.
3. Find the polar coordinates of the point $P \in \mathcal{E}_2$, whose rectangular (Cartesian) coordinates are $(1 + \cos \alpha, \sin \alpha)$, where $\alpha \in (0, 2\pi)$ is fixed.

Cylindrical and spherical (everything is in 3D here)

Warm-up 1. In the cylindrical coordinate system, what do the following equations represent in \mathcal{E}_3 ?

- a) $r = r_0$, where $r_0 \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is fixed;
- b) $\theta = \theta_0$, where $\theta_0 \in [0, 2\pi)$ is fixed;
- c) $z = z_0$, where $z_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ is fixed.

Warm-up 2. In the spherical coordinate system, what do the following equations represent in \mathcal{E}_3 ?

- a) $\rho = \rho_0$, where $\rho_0 \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is fixed;
- b) $\theta = \theta_0$, where $\theta_0 \in [0, 2\pi)$ is fixed;
- c) $\varphi = \varphi_0$, where $\varphi_0 \in [0, \pi]$ is fixed.

4. Let $P_1(r_1, \theta_1, z_1)$ and $P_2(r_2, \theta_2, z_2)$ be points in \mathcal{E}_3 expressed using their cylindrical coordinates. Find the distance P_1P_2 , as an expression of r_i, θ_i, z_i , where $i \in \{1, 2\}$.
5. Let $P_1(r_1, \theta_1, \varphi_1)$ and $P_2(r_2, \theta_2, \varphi_2)$ be points in \mathcal{E}_3 , expressed using their spherical coordinates. Find the distance P_1P_2 , as an expression of r_i, θ_i, φ_i , where $i \in \{1, 2\}$.
6. Determine, in cylindrical coordinates, the equation of the surface whose equation in rectangular coordinates is $z = x^2 + y^2 - 2x + y$.
7. Find the equation, in rectangular coordinates, of the surface whose equation in cylindrical coordinates is $r = 4 \cos(\theta)$. Explain what the equation describes geometrically.
8. (Non-examinable) Three spheres are pairwise exterior tangent; a plane is tangent to these spheres at points A , B and C . Find the radii of the spheres in terms of a , b , c , representing the lengths of the sides of triangle ABC .

Time permitting...

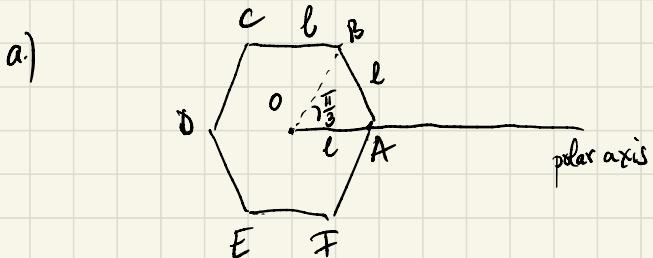
9. Let M and N be the midpoints of two opposite sides of a quadrilateral $ABCD$ and let P be the midpoint of $[MN]$. Prove that $\overrightarrow{PA} + \overrightarrow{PB} + \overrightarrow{PC} + \overrightarrow{PD} = \overrightarrow{0}$.

10. In the plane determined by the triangle ABC , let us consider the points M, N, P, Q such that $\overrightarrow{AM} = \frac{2}{3}\overrightarrow{AB}$, $2\overrightarrow{NA} + \overrightarrow{NC} = \overrightarrow{0}$, $\overrightarrow{AP} = \frac{2}{5}\overrightarrow{AB}$ and $3\overrightarrow{QA} + 2\overrightarrow{QB} + \overrightarrow{QC} = \overrightarrow{0}$.

- (1) Find $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\overrightarrow{QN} = \alpha \cdot \overrightarrow{QM}$.
- (2) Find $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\overrightarrow{CQ} = \beta \cdot \overrightarrow{QP}$.
- (3) Find the value of the ratio $\frac{QA}{QR}$, where $AQ \cap BC = \{R\}$.

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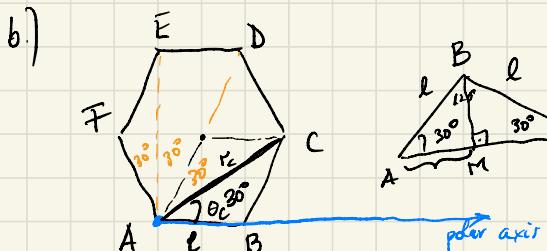


$$P_S(r, \theta)$$

$$A(\ell, o)$$

$$B\left(\ell, \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$

$$c(\ell, \frac{2\pi}{3})$$



$$\mathcal{D}(e, \pi)$$

$$E\left(e, \frac{4T}{3}\right)$$

$$F(l, \frac{\sqrt{11}}{3})$$

PS

$$A(0,0)$$

$$B(e, o)$$

$$C\left(\zeta_3 L, \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$D(2\ell, \frac{1}{3})$$

$$E(SL, \frac{\pi}{2})$$

$$F(l, 4 \frac{\pi}{6})$$

$$\cos A = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{AM}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow AM = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}l \Rightarrow AC = \sqrt{3}l$$

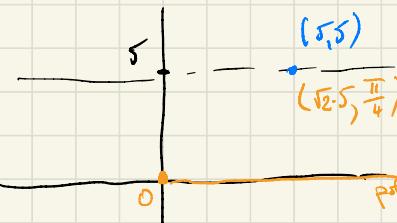
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polar equations are eq. involving PS

Cartesian ——— RS

a) $y = 5$

$P(x, y)$



corresp. eq. in PS

$$r \sin \theta = 5$$

$$\text{check. } \sqrt{5^2} = 5$$

R.S.

$P(x, y)$

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$P(r, \theta)$

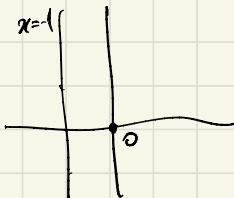
$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\theta = \arctan \frac{y}{x} + k\pi \text{ where } k \dots \text{(see lect.)}$$

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \end{cases}$$

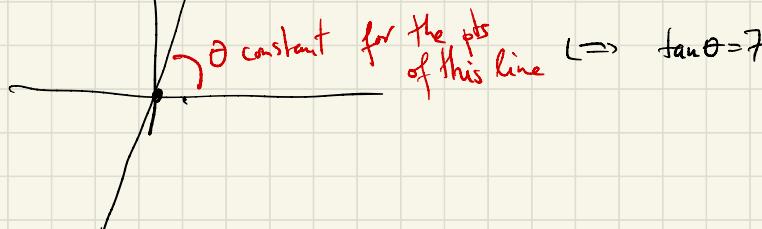
b.) $x + 1 = 0$ in RS has corresponding eq in PS $\underline{r \cos \theta = -1}$ by (*)

$$\stackrel{\text{II}}{\downarrow} \\ x = -1$$



c.) $y = 7x$ $\rightsquigarrow r \sin \theta = 7 r \cos \theta \Leftrightarrow \sin \theta = 7 \cos \theta$

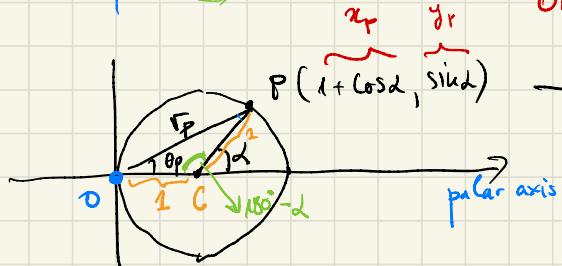
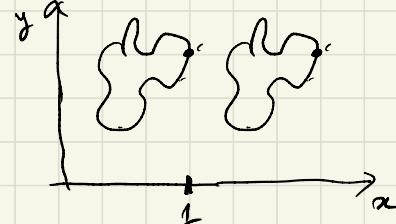
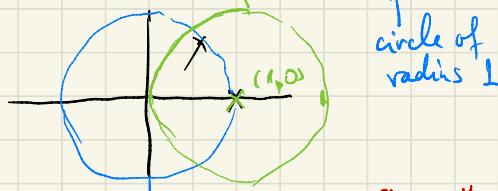
$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = 7$$



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$$\mathcal{E}_2 = \{ P(1 + \cos \alpha, \sin \alpha) : \alpha \in (0, 2\pi) \} = " \text{pts of the form } (\cos \alpha, \sin \alpha) \text{ to which we add 1 to the first coord}"$$

$$\mathcal{E}_2 = \{ Q(\cos \alpha, \sin \alpha) : \alpha \in (0, 2\pi) \}$$



$$\arcsin\left(\frac{y_p}{r_p}\right) = \arcsin\left(\frac{\sin \alpha}{\sqrt{1 + \cos \alpha}}\right) = \dots$$

$$\arccos\left(\frac{x_p}{r_p}\right) = \arccos\left(\frac{1 + \cos \alpha}{\sqrt{1 + \cos \alpha}}\right) = \dots$$

$$\Delta OPC \text{ isoscel: } 180^\circ - 2\theta_p = 180^\circ - \alpha \Rightarrow \theta_p = \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(\sqrt{2(1 + \cos \alpha)}, \frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$$

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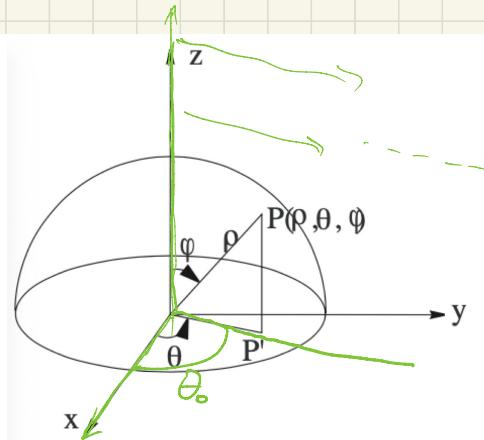
a) ρ is constant equal to $\rho_0 \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

\rightsquigarrow sphere of radius ρ_0

b.) $\theta = \theta_0$ for some $\theta_0 \in [0, 2\pi)$

half plane

$$\rho = \rho_0$$



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$$P_1P_2 = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2 + (z_1 - z_2)^2} \quad \text{if } P_i = (x_i, y_i, z_i) \quad \text{in RS}$$

$$x_1 = \rho_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1, \quad y_1 = \rho_1 \sin \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1, \quad z_1 = \rho_1 \cos \varphi_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} (P_1P_2)^2 &= (\underbrace{\rho_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1}_x - \underbrace{\rho_2 \cos \theta_2 \sin \varphi_2}_x)^2 + (\underbrace{\rho_1 \sin \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1 - \rho_2 \sin \theta_2 \sin \varphi_2}_z)^2 + \\ &\quad + (\underbrace{\rho_1 \cos \varphi_1 + \rho_2 \cos \varphi_2}_y)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (P_1 P_2)^2 &= g_1^2 \cos^2 \varphi_1 \sin^2 \theta_1 - 2 g_1 g_2 \cos \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1 \cos \theta_2 \sin \varphi_2 + g_2^2 \cos^2 \varphi_2 \sin^2 \theta_2 \\
 &\quad + g_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_1 \sin^2 \varphi_1 - 2 g_1 g_2 \sin \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1 \sin \theta_2 \sin \varphi_2 + g_2^2 \sin^2 \theta_2 \sin^2 \varphi_2 \\
 &\quad + (g_1 \cos \varphi_1 + g_2 \cos \varphi_2)^2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \\
 &= g_1^2 \sin^2 \varphi_1 - 2 g_1 g_2 \sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2 \underbrace{(\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2)}_{\cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)} \\
 &\quad + g_2^2 \sin^2 \varphi_2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_1 P_L &= \sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2 - 2 g_1 g_2 \left(\sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + \cos \varphi_1 \cos \varphi_2 \right)} \\
 &\parallel \\
 P_2 P_1 &
 \end{aligned}$$