

**MA 114 Worksheet #23: Polar coordinates**

- Convert from rectangular to polar coordinates:
  - $(1, \sqrt{3})$
  - $(-1, 0)$
  - $(2, -2)$
- Convert from polar to rectangular coordinates:
  - $(2, \frac{\pi}{6})$
  - $(-1, \frac{\pi}{2})$
  - $(1, -\frac{\pi}{4})$
- List all the possible polar coordinates for the point whose polar coordinates are  $(-2, \pi/2)$ .
- Sketch the graph of the polar curves:
  - $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}$
  - $r = \pi$
  - $r = \cos \theta$
  - $r = \cos(2\theta)$
  - $r = 1 + \cos \theta$
  - $r = 2 - 5 \sin \theta$
- Find the equation in polar coordinates of the line through the origin with slope  $\frac{1}{3}$ .
- Find the polar equation for:
  - $x^2 + y^2 = 9$
  - $x = 4$
  - $y = 4$
  - $xy = 4$
- Convert the equation of the circle  $r = 2 \sin \theta$  to rectangular coordinates and find the center and radius of the circle.
- Find the distance between the polar points  $(3, \pi/3)$  and  $(6, 7\pi/6)$ .

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1. What is the slope of the line  $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ ?
2. Match each equation in Cartesian coordinates with its equation in polar coordinates:
  - $x^2 + y^2 = 4$
  - $(x - 1)^2 + y^2 = 1$
  - $x^2 - y^2 = 4$
  - $x + y = 4$
  - $r^2(1 - 2\sin^2 \theta) = 4$
  - $r(\cos \theta + \sin \theta) = 4$
  - $r = 2 \cos \theta$
  - $r = 2$
3. Find an equation in polar coordinates of the line  $\mathcal{L}$  with point closest to the origin having polar coordinates  $(2, \frac{\pi}{9})$ .
4. Using the equations  $x = r \cos(\theta)$  and  $y = r \sin(\theta)$  and the formula for finding  $dy/dx$  of a parametric curve, derive the formula for  $dy/dx$  of the curve  $r = f(\theta)$ .