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(42) 11.4 Areas And Lengths In Polar Coordinates

Example 1

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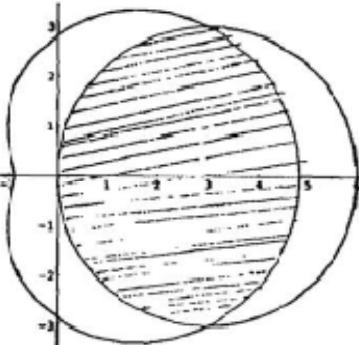
Let

$$r_1 = 6 \cos \theta \text{ and}$$

$$r_2 = 2\sqrt{2} + 2 \cos \theta ,$$

$$\text{where } 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi.$$

Compute the shaded area



Solution

Intersection point

$$6 \cos \theta = 2\sqrt{2} + 2 \cos \theta$$

$$4 \cos \theta = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b r^2 d\theta$$

$$A = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (2\sqrt{2} + 2 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (6 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta$$

$$A = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (8 + 8\sqrt{2} \cos \theta + 4 \cos^2 \theta) d\theta + \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (36 \cos^2 \theta) d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (8 + 8\sqrt{2} \cos \theta + 2 + 2 \cos 2\theta) d\theta + \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (18 + 18 \cos 2\theta) d\theta$$

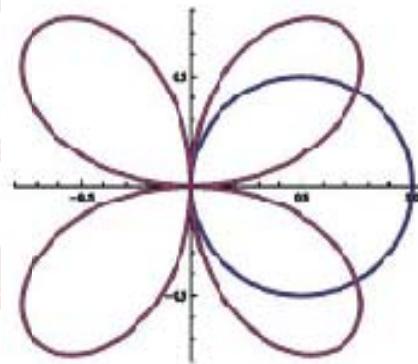
$$= \left[10\theta + 8\sqrt{2} \sin \theta + \sin 2\theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} + \left[18\theta + 9 \sin 2\theta \right]_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{10}{4}\pi + 8 + 1 - 0 + \frac{18}{2}\pi + 0 - \left(\frac{18}{4}\pi + 9 \right) = \left(\frac{10 + 36 - 18}{4} \right)\pi + (8 + 1 - 9) = 7\pi$$

Example 2

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The figure below shows the graphs of the polar equations $r = \cos \theta$ and $r = \sin 2\theta$. Find the area of the region that lies inside both curves.

**Solution**

Intersection point

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 2\theta &= \cos \theta \\ 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta - \cos \theta &= 0 \\ \cos \theta (2 \sin \theta - 1) &= 0 \\ \sin \theta &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \theta &= \frac{\pi}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b r^2 d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} (\sin 2\theta)^2 d\theta + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 \theta d\theta \\ A &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 4\theta \right) d\theta + \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta \right) d\theta \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{2} \theta - \frac{1}{8} \sin 4\theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} + \left[\frac{1}{2} \theta + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2\theta \right]_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{12} - \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) + \frac{\pi}{4} + 0 - \left(\frac{\pi}{12} + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{12} \right) \pi + \left(\frac{-1}{8} + \frac{-1}{4} \right) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{3}{16} \sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$



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Example 3

Let C be the polar curve $r = \sqrt{\theta} \cos \theta$, $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

(a) Sketch the curve.

(1 pts)

(b) Find the equation of the tangent line to C at the point corresponding to $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ (c) Find the area enclosed by C

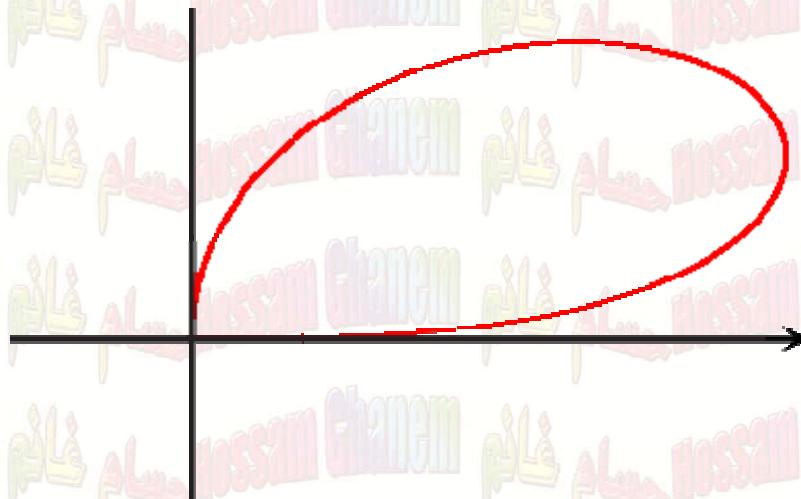
(2 pts)

Solution

(a)

		θ	r
0		0	0
1		$\frac{\pi}{2}$	0

	θ	r
1	$0 \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$	$0 \rightarrow 0$



(b)

$$p$$

$$r = \sqrt{\theta} \cos \theta$$

$$r|_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{4}} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$x = r \cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4}$$

$$y = r \sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4}$$

$$p\left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4}\right)$$

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\theta}} \cos \theta - \sqrt{\theta} \sin \theta$$



$$\left. \frac{dr}{d\theta} \right|_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}}} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} - \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\pi}} - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2-\pi}{2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\pi}}$$

$$m = \frac{\frac{dr}{d\theta} \sin \theta + r \cos \theta}{\frac{dr}{d\theta} \cos \theta - r \sin \theta} = \frac{\frac{2-\pi}{2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{\frac{2-\pi}{2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} = \frac{\frac{2-\pi}{4\sqrt{\pi}} + \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4}}{\frac{2-\pi}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4}} = \frac{2-\pi+\pi}{2-\pi-\pi} = \frac{2}{2-2\pi} = \frac{1}{1-\pi}$$

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$$m = \frac{1}{1-\pi} \quad p\left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4}\right)$$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4} = \frac{1}{1-\pi} \left(x - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4} \right)$$

(c)

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b r^2 d\theta$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sqrt{\theta} \cos \theta)^2 d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \theta \cos^2 \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \theta (1 + \cos 2\theta) d\theta$$

$$u = \frac{1}{4} \theta$$

$$dv = 1 + \cos 2\theta$$

$$du = \frac{1}{4} d\theta$$

$$v = \theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta$$

$$I = uv - \int v du$$

$$A = \frac{1}{4} \left[\theta \left(\theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \right) \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} - \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \right) d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{\pi}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + 0 \right) - 0 \right] - \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{2} \theta^2 - \frac{1}{4} \cos 2\theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\pi^2}{4} \right) - \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{1}{4} (-1) - \left(0 - \frac{1}{4} \right) \right] = \frac{\pi^2}{16} - \frac{\pi^2}{32} - \frac{1}{16} - \frac{1}{16} = \frac{1}{32} (2\pi^2 - \pi^2 - 2 - 2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{32} (\pi^2 - 4)$$



$$1 - \sin \theta = \left(\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right)^2$$

$$1 + \sin \theta = \left(\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right)^2$$

$$1 - \cos \theta = 2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$1 + \cos \theta = 2 \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

The length of a curve

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

Example 4 Find the length of the polar curve
 $r = \sin \theta + \cos \theta$, where $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

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Solution

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \sin \theta + \cos \theta \\ \frac{dr}{d\theta} &= \cos \theta - \sin \theta \\ r^2 &= \sin^2 \theta + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1 + \sin 2\theta \\ \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2 &= \cos^2 \theta - 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta = 1 - \sin 2\theta \\ r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2 &= 1 + \sin 2\theta + 1 - \sin 2\theta = 2 \\ L &= \int_a^b \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{2} d\theta = \sqrt{2} \left[\theta \right]_0^{2\pi} = \sqrt{2} (2\pi - 0) = 2\sqrt{2} \pi \end{aligned}$$



Example 5 Find the length of the curve

$$r = 4 \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

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Solution

$$r = 4 \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos \theta) = 2 + 2 \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = -2 \sin \theta$$

$$r^2 = 4 + 8 \cos \theta + 4 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2 = 4 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2 = 4 + 8 \cos \theta + 4 \cos^2 \theta + 4 \sin^2 \theta \\ = 4 + 8 \cos \theta + 4(\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) = 4 + 8 \cos \theta + 4 = 8 + 8 \cos \theta$$

$$= 8(1 + \cos \theta) = 8 \cdot 2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = 16 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} = 4 \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \left(4 \cos \frac{\theta}{2}\right) d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\pi} \left(4 \cos \frac{\theta}{2}\right) d\theta = 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 \left[\sin \frac{\theta}{2}\right]_0^{\pi} = 16(1 - 0) = 16$$

Example 6

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Sketch the cardioid $r = 2 - 2 \sin \theta$ and the circle $r = 2 \sin \theta$ and label their points of intersection with the axes.

- Show that the cardioid has horizontal tangent lines at $(1, \pi/6)$ and $(1, 5\pi/6)$.
- Find the arc length of the part of the cardioid corresponding to $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$.
- Find the area of the region that is inside the circle and outside the cardioids.

Solution

(a)

$$r = 2 - 2 \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = -2 \cos \theta$$

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

$$\therefore \text{H.T. at } \frac{dr}{d\theta} \sin \theta + r \cos \theta = 0$$

$$(-2 \cos \theta) \sin \theta + (2 - 2 \sin \theta) \cos \theta = 0$$

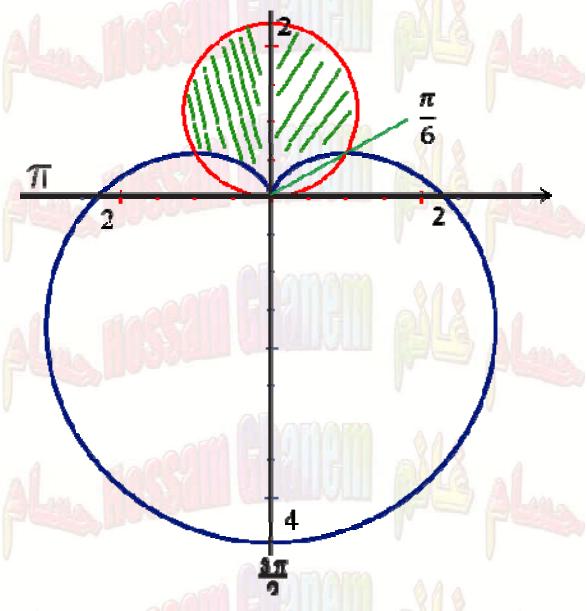
$$\cos \theta [-2 \sin \theta + 2 - 2 \sin \theta] = 0$$

$$\cos \theta [2 - 4 \sin \theta] = 0$$

$$2 \cos \theta [1 - 2 \sin \theta] = 0$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi}{6}$$



$$\boxed{1} \quad \theta = \alpha = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\boxed{2} \quad \theta = \pi - \alpha = \pi - \frac{\pi}{6} = -\frac{5\pi}{6}$$

at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$

$$r = 2 - 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = 2 - 2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2 - 1 = 1$$

at $\theta = -\frac{5\pi}{6}$

$$r = 2 - 2 \sin \frac{5\pi}{6} = 2 - 2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{H.T. at } \left(1, \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \text{ and } \left(1, -\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$$

(b)

$$r = 2 - 2 \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = -2 \cos \theta$$

$$r^2 = 4 - 8 \sin \theta + 4 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2 = 4 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2 + r^2 = 4 - 8 \sin \theta + 4 \sin^2 \theta + 4 \cos^2 \theta = 4 - 8 \sin \theta + 4(\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta)$$

$$= 8 - 8 \sin \theta = 8(1 - \sin \theta) = 8 \left(\cos \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \frac{\theta}{2}\right)^2$$

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} d\theta = \sqrt{8} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left| \cos \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right| d\theta = 2\sqrt{2} \left[2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} + 2 \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{2} \left[2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - (0 + 2) \right] = 4 + 4 - 4\sqrt{2} = 8 - 4\sqrt{2}$$

Intersection point

$$2 \sin \theta = 2 - 2 \sin \theta$$

$$4 \sin \theta = 2$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b r^2 d\theta$$

$$A = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (2 \sin \theta)^2 - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (2 - 2 \sin \theta)^2 d\theta$$

$$= \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 4 \sin^2 \theta - (4 - 8 \sin \theta + 4 \sin^2 \theta) d\theta = \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (8 \sin \theta - 4) d\theta = \left[-8 \cos \theta - 4\theta \right]_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= 0 - 4 \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - 8 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 4 \left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = -2\pi + 8 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{2}{3} \pi = 4\sqrt{3} - \frac{4\pi}{3}$$



Example 7

(2 + 2 pts.) Consider the curve given by the polar equation

$$r = (\pi - \theta)^2 ; \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

- (a) Sketch the curve.
 (b) Find the area inside the curve

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Solution

	θ	r
0	0	π^2
1	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	$\frac{\pi^2}{4}$
2	π	0
3	$\frac{3\pi}{2}$	$\frac{\pi^2}{4}$
4	2π	π^2

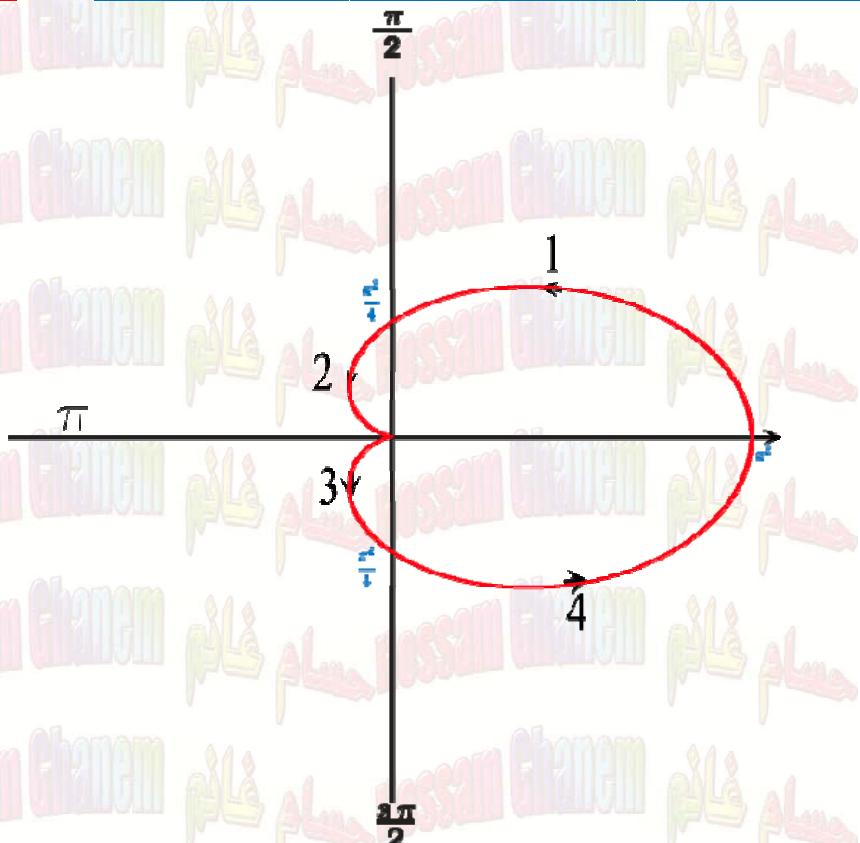
	θ	r
1	$0 \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$	$\pi^2 \rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{4}$
2	$\frac{\pi}{2} \rightarrow \pi$	$\frac{\pi^2}{4} \rightarrow 0$
3	$\pi \rightarrow \frac{3\pi}{2}$	$0 \rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{4}$
4	$\frac{3\pi}{2} \rightarrow 2\pi$	$\frac{\pi^2}{4} \rightarrow \pi^2$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b r^2 d\theta$$

$$A = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi} (\pi - \theta)^4 d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} (-1) \left[(\pi - \theta)^5 \right]_0^\pi$$

$$= \frac{-1}{5} (0 - \pi^5) = \frac{\pi^5}{5}$$



Homework

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(4 pts.) Find the length of the curve given by
 $r = \cos^2(\theta/2)$ for $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$

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