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Polar Curves:
Angle between radius vector and tangent:

If $r = f(\theta)$, then the angle between radius vector and tangent is given by
$\tan\phi = r\dfrac{d\theta}{dr}$.

1. If ϕ be the angle between radius vector and the tangent at any point of the curve $r = f(\theta)$ then prove that $tan(\phi) = r\dfrac{d\theta}{dr}$.

2. Find the angle between the radius vector and the tangent for the following polar curves.

a) $r = a(1+\cos\theta)$ **Ans**: $\pi/2 + \theta/2$.

b) $r^2 = a^2\sin^2\theta$ **Ans**: $\phi = \theta$

c) $\dfrac{l}{r} = 1 + e\cos\theta$ **Ans**: $\phi = \tan^{-1}\left[\dfrac{1+e\cos\theta}{e\sin\theta}\right]$.

d) $r^m \cos m\theta = a^m$ **Ans**: $\pi/2 - m\theta$

3. Find the angle between the radius vector and the tangent for the following polar curves. And also find slope of the tangent at the given point.

e) $\dfrac{2a}{r} = 1 - \cos\theta$ at $\theta = 2\pi/3$ **Ans**: $\phi = \dfrac{2\pi}{3}, \tan\psi = \sqrt{3}$,.

f) $r\cos^2(\theta/2) = a^2$ at $\theta = 2\pi/3$ **Ans**: $\phi = \dfrac{\pi}{6}$.

g) $r^2\cos(2\theta) = a$ **Ans**: $\phi = \dfrac{\pi}{2} - 2\theta;\ \psi = \dfrac{\pi}{2} - \theta$

Angle between curves:

Angle of intersection of two polar curves = angle of intersection of their tangents denoted by α

$$\alpha = |\phi_2 - \phi_1| \quad \text{or} \quad \tan\alpha = \left|\frac{\tan\phi_1 - \tan\phi_2}{1 + \tan\phi_1 \tan\phi_2}\right|$$

4. Find the angle of intersection of the following pair of curves:

a) $r = \sin\theta + \cos\theta, \quad r = 2\sin\theta$ **Ans:** $\pi/4$

b) $r^2 \sin 2\theta = 4$ and $r^2 = 16\sin 2\theta$ **Ans**: $\pi/3$.

c) $r = a$ and $r = 2a\cos\theta$. **Ans**: $\pi/3$.

d) $r = \dfrac{a}{\log\theta}$ and $r = a\log\theta$ **Ans**: $\tan^{-1}\left(\dfrac{2e}{1-e^2}\right)$.

e) $r = \dfrac{a\theta}{1+\theta}$ and $r = \dfrac{a}{1+\theta^2}$ **Ans**: $\tan^{-1} 3$.

f) $r = a$ and $r = 2a\cos\theta$. **Ans**: $\pi/3$.

g) $r = 3\cos(\theta)$ and $r = 1+\cos(\theta)$ **Ans**: $\dfrac{\pi}{6}$.

5. Show that the following pair of curves intersect each other orthogonally.

a) $r = a(1+\cos\theta)$ and $r = b(1-\cos\theta)$.

b) $r = a\cos\theta$ and $r = a\sin\theta$.

c) $r = 4\sec^2(\theta/2)$ and $r = 9\,\mathrm{cosec}^2(\theta/2)$.

d) $r^n = a^n\cos(n\theta)$ and $r^n = b^n\sin(n\theta)$.

e) $r^2\sin 2\theta = a^2$ and $r^2\cos 2\theta = b^2$.

f) $r = ae^{\theta}$ and $re^{\theta} = b$.

g) $\dfrac{2a}{r} = 1+\cos\theta$ and $\dfrac{2b}{r} = 1-\cos\theta$.

h) $r = a\cos\theta$ and $r = a\sin\theta$.

i) $r = a\theta$ and $r = \dfrac{a}{\theta}$

<u>Length of the perpendicular from pole to the tangent for the polar curve:</u>

$p = r\sin\phi$ or $\dfrac{1}{p^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^2} + \dfrac{1}{r^4}\left(\dfrac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2$

p is the length of perpendicular from pole to the tangent
ϕ is the angle between radius vector and tangent

1. If p denotes the length of the perpendicular from pole to the tangent of the curve $r = f(\theta)$, then prove that $p = r\sin\phi$ and hence deduce that $\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1}{r^4}\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2$
2. Find the length of the perpendicular from the pole to the tangent for the following curves
   a) $r = a(1-\cos\theta)$ at $\theta = \pi/2$ **Ans:** $a/\sqrt{2}$
   b) $r = a(1+\cos\theta)$ at $\theta = \pi/2$. **Ans:** $a/\sqrt{2}$
   c) $r^2 = a^2\cos 2\theta$ at $\theta = \pi$. **Ans:** a
   d) $r^2 = a^2\sec 2\theta$ at $\theta = \pi/6$. **Ans:** $a/\sqrt{2}$.
   e) $\frac{2a}{r} = (1-\cos\theta)$ at $\theta = \pi/2$ **Ans:** $\sqrt{2}(a)$
   f) $r = a\sec^2(\theta/2)$ at $\theta = \pi/3$ **Ans:** $2a/\sqrt{3}$

Pedal Equation:

Relation between r and p, obtained using $p = r\sin\phi$ or $\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1}{r^4}\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2$

1. Find the pedal equation of the following curves:
   a) $r = ae^{\theta\cot\alpha}$. **Ans:** $p = r\sin\alpha$
   b) $r(1-\cos\theta) = 2a$ **Ans:** $p^2 = ar$
   c) $r^m\cos(m\theta) = a^m$ **Ans:** $pr^{m-1} = a^m$.
   d) $\frac{l}{r} = 1 + e\cos\theta$ **Ans:** $\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{e^2-1}{l^2} + \frac{2}{lr}$.
   e) **Ans:** $p^2 = r^2 - a^2$

Curvature and Radius of Curvature

Curvature = $\kappa = \frac{d\psi}{ds}$.

Radius of curvature = $\rho = \frac{1}{\kappa};\ \kappa \neq 0$.

Cartesian Form:

Radius of curvature (Cartesian form), $\rho = \frac{\left(1+y_1^2\right)^{3/2}}{y_2}$, where $y_1 = \frac{dy}{dx}$ and $y_2 = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$

If $y_1 \to \infty$ then $\rho = \frac{\left[\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2 + 1\right]^{3/2}}{\frac{d^2x}{dy^2}}$

Find the radius of curvature for the following curves:

1.
   a. The Folium $x^3 + y^3 = 3axy$ at the point $\left(3a/2, 3a/2\right)$
   b. Catenary $y = c\cosh\left(x/c\right)$ at $(0,c)$.
   c. $y^2 = \frac{a^2(a-x)}{x}$ at $(a,0)$. Ans: $a/2$
   d. $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = \sqrt{a}$ at $\left(\frac{a}{4}, \frac{a}{4}\right)$. Ans: $\frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}$
   e. $y = 4\sin x - \sin(2x)$ at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$. Ans: $\frac{5\sqrt{5}}{4}$

2. Find the radius of curvature for $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ at $(a,0)$ and $(0,b)$. Ans:
3. If ρ be the radius of curvature at any point on the parabola and S be its focus then show that varies as
4. If ρ is the radius of curvature for $y = \frac{ax}{a+x}$ then prove that $\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2\rho}{a}\right)^{2/3}$.

Parametric form:

Radius of curvature in parametric form:

$$\rho = \frac{\left(x_1^2 + y_1^2\right)^{3/2}}{x_1y_2 - x_2y_1}; \text{ where } x_1 = \frac{dx}{dt}; y_1 = \frac{dy}{dt}, x_2 = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}, y_2 = \frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$$

Find the radius of curvature for the following curves:

1. $x = 6t^2 - 3t^4;\ y = 8t^3$

1. $x = e^t + e^{-t};\ y = e^t - e^{-t}$ at $t = 0$
2. $x = \dfrac{a\cos(t)}{t};\ y = \dfrac{a\sin(t)}{t}$
3. $x = a\ln(\sec t + \tan t);\ y = a\sec t$
4. $x = 1 - t^2;\ y = t - t^3;\ at\, t = \pm 1$
5. $x = 2t^2 - t^4;\ y = 4t^3\ \ at\, t = 1$
6. $x = a\left(t - \dfrac{t^3}{3}\right);\ y = at^2$
7. $x = \ln(t);\ y = \dfrac{1}{2}\left(t + t^{-1}\right)$
8. $x = a(t + \sin t);\ y = a(1 - \cos t)\ \ at\ t = \pi$
9. $x = a\cos t;\ \ y = a\sin t$
10. $x = a\ln\left(\tan\left(\dfrac{\pi}{4} + \dfrac{\theta}{2}\right)\right);\ y = a\sec(\theta)$
11. $x = a\cos^3 t;\ y = a\sin^3 t$

Polar form:

Radius of curvature in polar coordinates: $\rho = \dfrac{\left(r^2 + r_1^2\right)^{3/2}}{r^2 + 2r_1^2 - rr_2};$ where $r_1 = \dfrac{dr}{d\theta}$ and $r_2 = \dfrac{d^2r}{d\theta^2}$

Alternative:

Radius of curvature in **Pedal form**: $\rho = r\dfrac{dr}{dp}$

1. If ρ_1 and ρ_2 are the radii of curvature at the extremities of a chord through the pole for the polar curve $r = a(1 + \cos\theta)$, prove that $\rho_1^2 + \rho_2^2 = \dfrac{16a^2}{9}$.
2. Show that for the curve $r(1 - \cos\theta) = 2a$, ρ^2 varies as r^3.
3. For the cardioid $r = a(1 + \cos\theta)$, show that $\dfrac{\rho^2}{r}$ is constant.
4. Find the radius of curvature at the point (r, θ) for the curve $r^n = a^n \sin n\theta$.

5. Find the radius of curvature for the curve $\frac{l}{r}=1+e\cos\theta$ at any point (r,θ).
6. Write the $p-r$ equation of the polar curve $r^n = a^n \sin n\theta$ and find the radius of curvature to the curve.
7. Find the radius of curvature at the point (r,θ) for the curve $r = ae^{\theta\cot\alpha}$.
8. Find the radius of curvature for the curve $r^2 = a^2\cos 2\theta$ at the point (r,θ).
9. Find the radius of curvature at the point (r,θ) for the curve $r^m = a^m \cos m\theta$.