

**AP® CALCULUS BC
2006 SCORING GUIDELINES (Form B)**

Question 2

An object moving along a curve in the xy -plane is at position $(x(t), y(t))$ at time t , where

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \tan(e^{-t}) \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} = \sec(e^{-t})$$

for $t \geq 0$. At time $t = 1$, the object is at position $(2, -3)$.

- (a) Write an equation for the line tangent to the curve at position $(2, -3)$.
- (b) Find the acceleration vector and the speed of the object at time $t = 1$.
- (c) Find the total distance traveled by the object over the time interval $1 \leq t \leq 2$.
- (d) Is there a time $t \geq 0$ at which the object is on the y -axis? Explain why or why not.

(a) slope = $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\sec(e^{-t})}{\tan(e^{-t})} = \frac{\sec(e^{-1})}{\tan(e^{-1})} = 2.781$

$t=1$ at $(2, -3)$

$$y + 3 = 2.781(x - 2)$$

(b) $\langle x''(1), y''(1) \rangle = \boxed{\langle -0.423, -0.152 \rangle}$

$$\text{Speed} = \sqrt{(\tan(e^{-1}))^2 + (\sec(e^{-1}))^2} = \boxed{1.139}$$

(c) $\int_1^2 \sqrt{(\tan(e^{-t}))^2 + (\sec(e^{-t}))^2} dt = \boxed{1.059}$

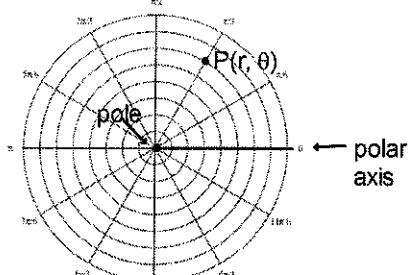
(d) $x(0) = ?$, $x(1) = 2$ $x(1) - x(0) = \int_0^1 \tan(e^{-t}) dt$
 $2 - x(0) = 0.776$
 $x(0) = 1.224 > 0$

The particle starts to the right of the y -axis.
 Since $x'(t) > 0$ for all $t \geq 0$, the object is always moving right.
 Never on the y -axis.

AP Calculus BC

Unit 11 – Parametric Equations & Polar Coordinates

Day 4: Polar Coordinates



Polar coordinates for a point P are in the form $P(r, \theta)$, where r is the distance from the origin (pole) to P and θ is the angle from the polar axis to OP. θ is positive when measured in the counterclockwise direction and negative in the clockwise direction.

With rectangular coordinates, each point (x, y) is a unique point. Not so with polar coordinates.

**The pole can be written as $(0, 0)$, where θ is any angle.

Pole: $(0, 0)$

$$\frac{5\pi}{4} + \frac{8\pi}{4} = \frac{13\pi}{4}$$

Plot these points:

$$A(2, 5\pi/4)$$

$$(-2, \pi/4)$$

$$(2, 13\pi/4)$$

$$B(0, -7\pi/6)$$

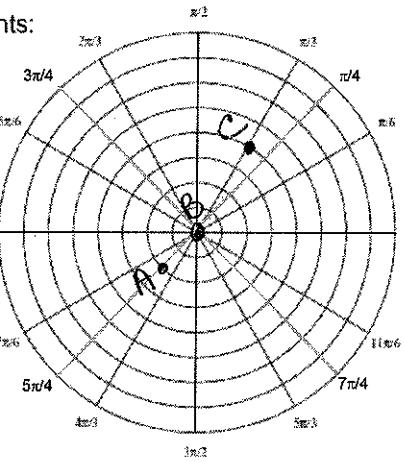
$$(0, 0)$$

$$(0, \pi/2)$$

$$C(4, 4\pi/3)$$

$$(4, \pi/3)$$

$$(-4, 10\pi/3)$$



Give 2 other names for each point.

$$\frac{4\pi}{3} + \frac{6\pi}{3} = \frac{10\pi}{3}$$

Rectangular to Polar: $(x, y) \rightarrow (r, \theta)$

Use $r^2 = x^2 + y^2$ and $\tan \theta = y/x$.

Find two sets of polar coordinates for $(3, -1)$.

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 &= x^2 + y^2 \\ r^2 &= (3)^2 + (-1)^2 \\ r^2 &= 9 + 1 \\ r &= \pm \sqrt{10} \end{aligned}$$

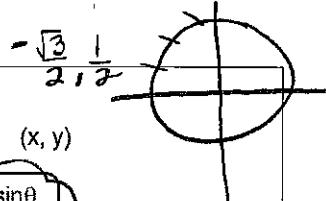
$$\begin{aligned} \tan \theta &= \frac{y}{x} \\ \tan \theta &= \frac{-1}{3} \\ \theta &= -32.2^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} (\sqrt{10}, -32.2^\circ) \\ (-\sqrt{10}, \pi - 32.2^\circ) \end{cases}$$

CONVERT COORDINATES:

Polar to rectangular: $(r, \theta) \rightarrow (x, y)$

Use $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$.



Convert $(-2, 5\pi/6)$ into rectangular coordinates.

$\begin{cases} x \\ y \end{cases}$

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

$$x = -2 \cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$-2 \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$

$$x = \sqrt{3}$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

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

$$y = -2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$y = -1/2$$

$$(\sqrt{3}, -\frac{1}{2})$$

CONVERTING EQUATIONS

Polar to rectangular:

$$1) r = -2 \quad r^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$(-2)^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4$$

$$2) r = 3 \cos \theta$$

$$r = 3 \left(\frac{x}{r}\right)$$

$$r^2 = 3x$$

$$3) \theta = 5\pi/6$$

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \\ r^2 = x^2 + y^2 \\ \tan \theta = y/x \end{cases}$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 3x$$

$$x^2 - 3x + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + y^2 = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2$$

$$(x - \frac{3}{2})^2 + y^2 = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2}}{-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\begin{cases} x = -\sqrt{3}y \\ \frac{x}{-\sqrt{3}} = y \end{cases}$$

Rectangular to polar:

$$1) x^2 + y^2 = 2x \\ r^2 = 2r \cos \theta \\ r = 2 \cos \theta$$

$$2) x = 10$$

$$r \cos \theta = 10 \\ r = \frac{10}{\cos \theta} \\ r = 10 \sec \theta$$

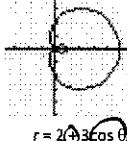
$$3) xy = 4$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} x &= r \cos \theta \\ y &= r \sin \theta \\ r^2 &= x^2 + y^2 \\ \tan \theta &= y/x \end{aligned}$$

Limacons take the form $r = a \pm b \cdot \cos \theta$ or $r = a \pm b \cdot \sin \theta$

*If $a < b$, the limacon has a loop.



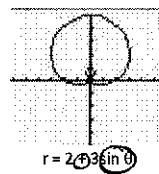
$$r = 2 + 3 \cos \theta$$

right



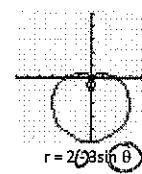
$$r = 2 - 3 \cos \theta$$

left



$$r = 2 + 3 \sin \theta$$

above

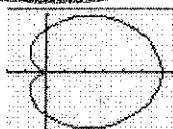


$$r = 2 - 3 \sin \theta$$

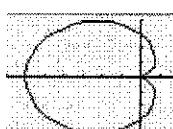
below

$$0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

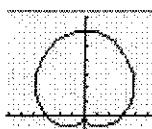
If $a = b$, the limacon is called a cardioid:



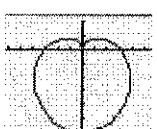
$$r = 3 + 3 \cos \theta$$



$$r = 3 - 3 \cos \theta$$

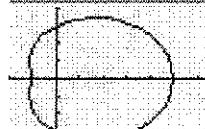


$$r = 3 + 3 \sin \theta$$



$$r = 3 - 3 \sin \theta$$

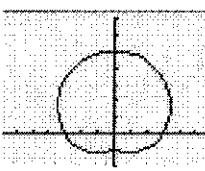
If $a > b$, then we have a dimpled limacon:



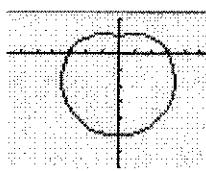
$$r = 3 + 2 \cos \theta$$



$$r = 3 - 2 \cos \theta$$



$$r = 3 + 2 \sin \theta$$



$$r = 3 - 2 \sin \theta$$

Lemniscate

$$r^2 = a^2 \sin 2\theta \\ r^2 = a^2 \cos 2\theta$$

$$0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

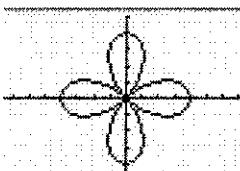
Rose curves take the form $r = a \cos(n\theta)$ or $r = a \sin(n\theta)$.

If n is odd, the curve will have n petals.

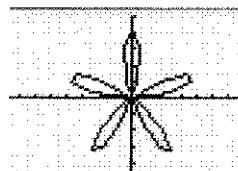
If n is even, the curve will have $2n$ petals.

The length of each petal is a .

Curves in the form $r = a \cos(n\theta)$ will have a petal along the polar axis.



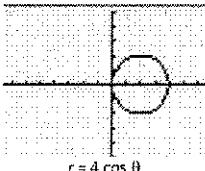
$$r = 4 \cos(2\theta)$$



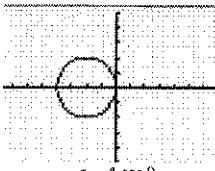
$$r = 4 \sin(5\theta)$$

Circles can also have polar form $r = a \cos \theta$ or $r = a \sin \theta$.

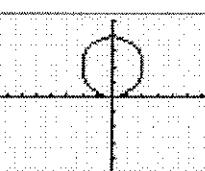
The diameter of the circle will be $|a|$.



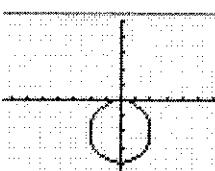
$$r = 4 \cos \theta$$



$$r = -4 \cos \theta$$



$$r = 4 \sin \theta$$



$$r = -4 \sin \theta$$

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