

# Math 1432

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1. The polar plot of  $r = 2 + 2 \cos \theta$  is a
2. The polar plot of  $r = 5 - 2 \cos \theta$  is a
3. The polar plot of  $r = 7 - 12 \cos \theta$  is a
4. The polar plot of  $r = 2 \cos 5\theta$  is a
5. The polar plot of  $r = 4 \cos \theta$  is a
6. Give the formula for the area of the region that is enclosed by the polar curve  $r = 1 + 2\sin(\theta)$  and lies **below the x-axis**.
7. Re-write  $(x - 3)^2 + y^2 = 9$  in polar form

## Parametric Curves

Parametric equations are sets of equations that are used to express quantities explicitly in terms of another variable.

So, instead of using  $y = f(x)$  (defining  $y$  in terms of  $x$ ), we let  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  be functions where  $t$  is the parameter.

Then  $(x(t), y(t))$  is the point that traces out the curve.

If  $t$  is restricted to lie on an interval  $[a, b]$  then  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  would have an initial point  $(x(a), y(a))$  and a terminal point  $(x(b), y(b))$ . So a parametric curve has an orientation given by the parameterizing variable.

Ex. 1: Plot  $(\cos(t), \sin(t))$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$  and express the curve by an equation in  $x$  and  $y$ .

Ex. 2: Sketch the curve and eliminate the parameter.

$$x(\theta) = 3 \cos (\theta) \quad y(\theta) = 4 \sin (\theta) \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

Ex. 3: Give a parameterization of the PORTION of the line  
 $y = -2x + 5$  between  $(1, 3)$  and  $(-2, 9)$

To parameterize a line SEGMENT from  $(x_0, y_0)$  to  $(x_1, y_1)$ :

$$x(t) = x_0 + t(x_1 - x_0)$$

$$y(t) = y_0 + t(y_1 - y_0)$$

$$0 \leq t \leq 1$$

For a LINE:  $-\infty < t < \infty$

Ex. 4: Parameterize the **line segment** from  $(3, 6)$  to  $(-2, 5)$ .

Ex. 5: Express the curve by an equation in  $x$  and  $y$ ; then sketch the curve.  $x(t) = 3t - 1$   $y(t) = 5 - 2t$   $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$



Ex. 6: Express the curve by an equation in x and y

$$x(t) = 3 \tan t \quad y(t) = 5 - \sec^2 t$$

Ex. 7: Express the curve by an equation in x and y

$$x(t) = 4 + e^t \quad y(t) = 2e^{2t}$$

8. The parametric curve given by  $( 2\cos(t), 2\sin(t) )$  is a(n)
9. The parametric curve given by  $( 3\cos(t), 5\sin(t) )$  is a(n)
10. Eliminate the parameter and find a corresponding rectangular equation:  $x = 3t^2$  and  $y = 2t + 1$