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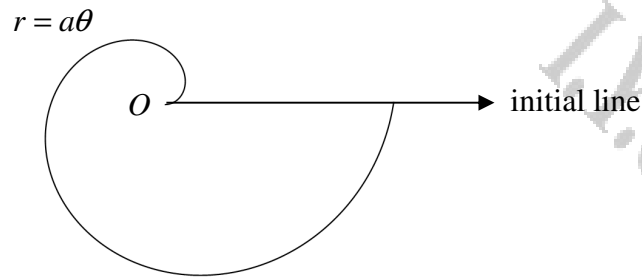
# **POLAR COORDINATES**

## **54 EXAM QUESTIONS**

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# 8 BASIC QUESTIONS

## Question 1 (\*\*)



The figure above shows a spiral curve with polar equation

$$r = a\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi,$$

where  $a$  is a positive constant.

Find the area of the finite region bounded by the spiral and the initial line.

,  $\text{area} = \frac{4}{3}a^2\pi^3$

**Question 2 (\*\*)**

The polar curve  $C$  has equation

$$r = 2(\cos \theta - \sin \theta), \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

Find a Cartesian equation for  $C$  and show it represents a circle, indicating its radius and the Cartesian coordinates of its centre.

$$\boxed{\phantom{000}}, \quad \boxed{(x-1)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 2}, \quad \boxed{r = \sqrt{2}}, \quad \boxed{(1, -1)}$$

USING THE POLAR-TO-CARTESIAN EQUATIONS

$$\begin{aligned} x &= r \cos \theta \\ y &= r \sin \theta \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \frac{x}{r} \\ \sin \theta &= \frac{y}{r} \end{aligned}$$

SUBSTITUTE INTO THE EQUATION

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow r &= 2 \left( \frac{x}{r} - \frac{y}{r} \right) \\ \Rightarrow r &= 2 \left( \frac{x-y}{r} \right) \\ \Rightarrow r^2 &= 2x - 2y \end{aligned}$$

BUT  $r^2 = x^2 + y^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 &= 2x - 2y \\ \Rightarrow x^2 - 2x + y^2 + 2y &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x-1)^2 + (y+1)^2 &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

INDICES A CIRCLE, CENTRE  $(1, -1)$ , RADIUS  $\sqrt{2}$

**Question 3 (\*\*)**

The polar curve  $C$  has equation

$$r = 2 + \cos \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

a) Sketch the graph of  $C$ .

b) Show that the area enclosed by the curve is  $\frac{9}{2}\pi$ .

proof

(a)

(b)  $A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} r^2 d\theta$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (2 + \cos \theta)^2 d\theta \\ A &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (4 + 4\cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta) d\theta \\ A &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( 4 + 4\cos \theta + \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2\theta) \right) d\theta \\ A &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ 4\theta + 4\sin \theta + \frac{1}{4}\theta + \frac{1}{8}\sin 2\theta \right]_0^{2\pi} \\ A &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ (8\pi + 0 + \frac{1}{2}\pi + 0) - (0) \right] \\ A &= \frac{9}{2}\pi \end{aligned}$$



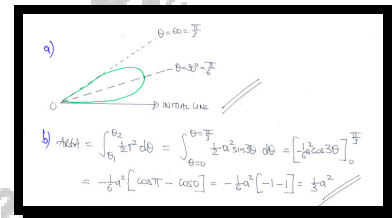
**Question 4** (\*\*+)

The curve  $C$  has polar equation

$$r^2 = a^2 \sin 3\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{3}.$$

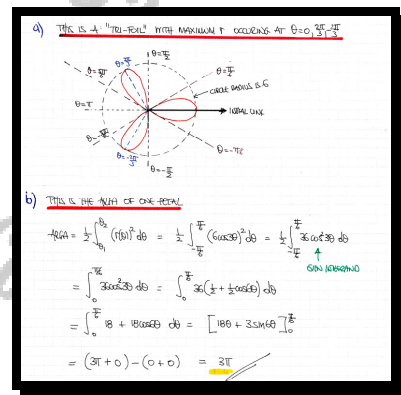
- Sketch the graph of  $C$ .
- Find the exact value of area enclosed by the  $C$ .

$$\text{area} = \frac{1}{3}a^2$$

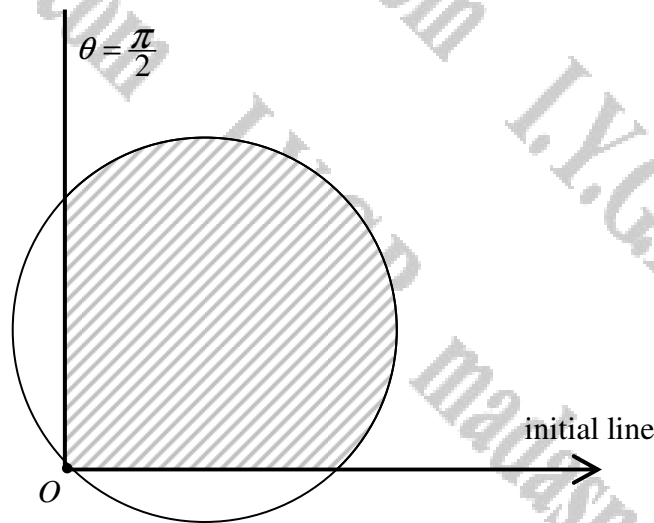


**Question 5** (\*\*+)The curve  $C$  has polar equation

$$r = 6 \cos 3\theta, \quad -\pi < \theta \leq \pi.$$

a) Sketch the graph of  $C$ .b) Find the exact value of area enclosed by the  $C$ , for  $-\frac{\pi}{6} < \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{6}$ .
 , area =  $3\pi$ 


Question 6 (\*\*+)



The figure above shows a circle with polar equation

$$r = 4(\cos \theta + \sin \theta) \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

- Find the exact area of the shaded region bounded by the circle, the initial line and the half line  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .
- Determine the Cartesian coordinates of the centre of the circle and the length of its radius.

,  area =  $4\pi + 8$  ,   $(2, 2)$ , radius =  $\sqrt{8}$

a) FIND THE SHADDED REGION

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow A(\text{sh}) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (r(\theta))^2 d\theta \\ \Rightarrow A(\text{sh}) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 16(\cos \theta + \sin \theta)^2 d\theta \\ \Rightarrow A(\text{sh}) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 16(\cos^2 \theta + 2\cos \theta \sin \theta + \sin^2 \theta) d\theta \\ \Rightarrow A(\text{sh}) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 16(1 + 2\cos \theta \sin \theta) d\theta \\ \Rightarrow A(\text{sh}) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 16(1 + \sin 2\theta) d\theta \\ \Rightarrow A(\text{sh}) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ \Rightarrow A(\text{sh}) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sin \pi \right] - 0 \\ \Rightarrow A(\text{sh}) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} + 0 \right] \\ \Rightarrow A(\text{sh}) &= \frac{\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

b) DETERMINE THE CARTESIAN COORDINATES OF THE CENTRE OF THE CIRCLE

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow r &= 4(\cos \theta + \sin \theta) \\ \Rightarrow r &= 4 \left( \frac{x}{r} + \frac{y}{r} \right) \\ \Rightarrow r &= 4x + 4y \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 &= 4x + 4y \\ \Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + y^2 - 4y &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x-2)^2 - 4 + (y-2)^2 - 4 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x-2)^2 + (y-2)^2 &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  CENTRE AT  $(2, 2)$   
RADIUS  $2\sqrt{2}$

## Question 7 (\*\*\*)

Write the polar equation

$$r = \cos \theta + \sin \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

in Cartesian form, and hence show that it represents a circle, further determining the coordinates of its centre and the size of its radius.

$$\boxed{\phantom{0000}}, \quad \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(y - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

USING THE "STANDARD TRANSFORMATION" EQUATIONS  

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

$$\Rightarrow r = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{x}{r} + \frac{y}{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow r^2 = x + y$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - x - y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} + \left(y - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(y - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{IMAGES A CIRCLE}$$

CENTRE AT  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$   
 RADIUS  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

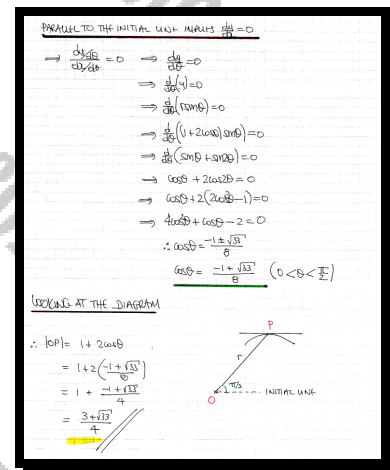
A Cardioid has polar equation

$$r = 1 + 2\cos\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

The point  $P$  lies on the Cardioid so that the tangent to the Cardioid at  $P$  is parallel to the initial line.

Determine the exact length of  $OP$ , where  $O$  is the pole.

$$\boxed{\phantom{000}}, \left\lceil \frac{1}{4}(3 + \sqrt{33}) \right\rceil$$



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# 26 STANDARD QUESTIONS

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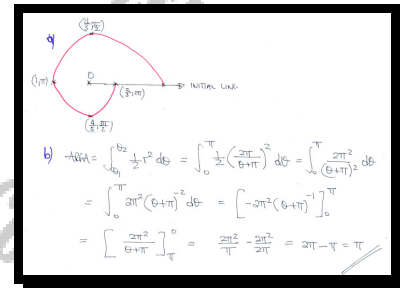
**Question 1** (\*\*\*)

A curve has polar equation

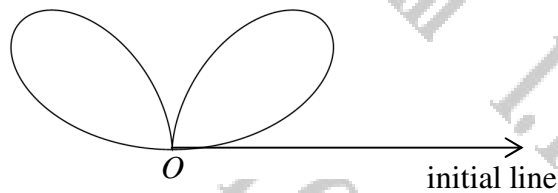
$$r = \frac{2\pi}{\theta + \pi}, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

- Sketch the curve.
- Find the exact value of area enclosed by the curve, the initial line and the half line with equation  $\theta = \pi$ .

area =  $\pi$



Question 2 (\*\*\*)

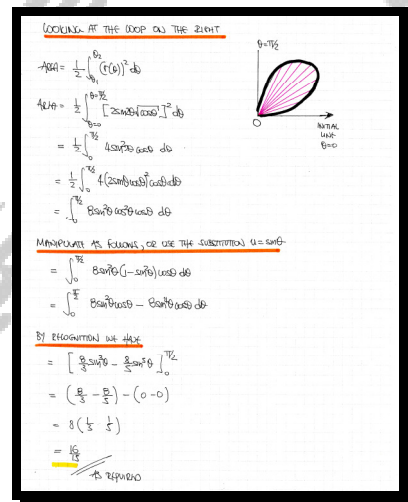


The figure above shows the polar curve  $C$  with equation

$$r = 2 \sin 2\theta \sqrt{\cos \theta}, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

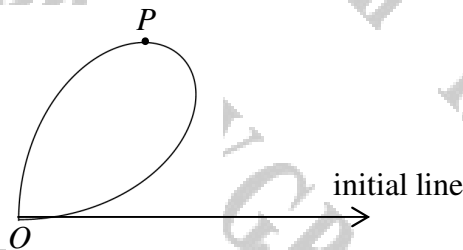
Show that the area enclosed by one of the two identical loops of the curve is  $\frac{16}{15}$ .

, proof





Question 3 (\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the polar curve with equation

$$r = \sin 2\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

- a) Find the exact value of the area enclosed by the curve.

The point  $P$  lies on the curve so that the tangent at  $P$  is parallel to the initial line.

- b) Find the Cartesian coordinates of  $P$ .

 , area =  $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ,  $\left(\frac{2}{9}\sqrt{6}, \frac{4}{9}\sqrt{3}\right)$

a) USING THE SYMMETRICAL PROPERTY FOR THE AREA IN POLARS

$$A_{\text{POLAR}} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{2} r^2 d\theta = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{2} (\sin 2\theta)^2 d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta d\theta$$

Now USING THE TRIGONOMETRIC IDENTITY FOR COSINE DOUBLE ANGLE

$$\cos 2A \equiv 1 - 2\sin^2 A$$

$$\cos 4A \equiv \cos[2(2A)] \equiv 1 - 2\sin^2 2A$$

$$\sin^2 2A \equiv \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \cos 4A$$

$$A_{\text{POLAR}} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{4} \left[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \cos 4\theta \right] d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{16} \cos 4\theta d\theta$$

$$= \left[ \frac{1}{8}\theta - \frac{1}{64} \sin 4\theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= \left( \frac{\pi}{16} - 0 \right) - \left( 0 - 0 \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{16}$$

b) FOR 'HORIZONTAL TANGENT'  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = \frac{d}{d\theta} (r \sin \theta) = \frac{d}{d\theta} (\sin 2\theta \sin \theta) = 0$$

DIFFERENTIATE & SOLVE THE EQUATION

$$\Rightarrow 2\cos 2\theta \sin \theta + \sin 2\theta \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin \theta (2\cos^2 \theta - 1) + 2\sin \theta \cos \theta = 0$$

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

$$\therefore \sin \theta = 0 \quad \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \quad \cos \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

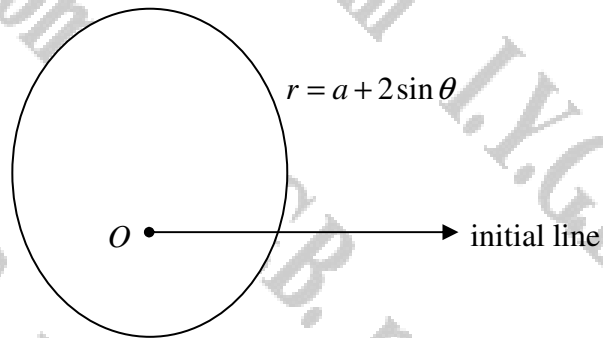
$$\therefore r = \sin 2\theta = 2\sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$= 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

REAL COORDINATES OF  $P$   $\left(\frac{2}{9}\sqrt{6}, \frac{4}{9}\sqrt{3}\right)$

Cartesian coordinates of  $P$   $\left(\frac{2}{9}\sqrt{6}, \frac{4}{9}\sqrt{3}\right)$

## Question 4 (\*\*\*)



The diagram above shows the curve with polar equation

$$r = a + 2 \sin \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi,$$

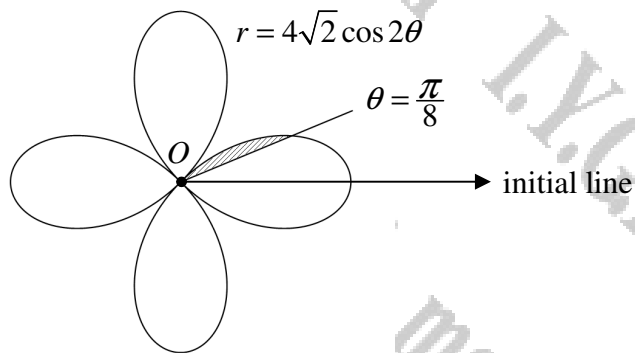
where  $a$  is a positive constant.

Determine the value of  $a$  given that the area bounded by the curve is  $38\pi$ .

$$a = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} r^2 d\theta \\
 \Rightarrow 38\pi &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} (a + 2\sin\theta)^2 d\theta \\
 \Rightarrow 38\pi &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (a^2 + 4a\sin\theta + 4\sin^2\theta) d\theta \\
 \Rightarrow 76\pi &= \int_0^{2\pi} (a^2 + 4a\sin\theta + 4\sin^2\theta) d\theta \\
 \Rightarrow 76\pi &= \int_0^{2\pi} (a^2 + 4a\sin\theta + 2 - 2\cos 2\theta) d\theta \\
 \Rightarrow 76\pi &= [a^2\theta - 4a\cos\theta + 2\theta - \sin 2\theta]_0^{2\pi} \\
 \Rightarrow 76\pi &= (2\pi a^2 - 4a + 4\pi - 0) - (0 - 4a + 0 - 0) \\
 \Rightarrow 76\pi &= 2\pi a^2 + 4\pi \\
 \Rightarrow 38 &= a^2 + 2 \\
 \Rightarrow a^2 &= 36 \\
 \Rightarrow a &= 6 \quad (a > 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 5 (\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the curve with polar equation

$$r = 4\sqrt{2} \cos 2\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

Find in exact form the area of the finite region bounded by the curve and the line with polar equation  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{8}$ , which is shown shaded in the above figure.

area =  $\pi - 2$

$\theta = \frac{\pi}{8}$   
 $\theta = \frac{\pi}{8}$   
 $A_{\text{leaf}} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{8}} \frac{1}{2} r^2 d\theta$   
 $A_{\text{leaf}} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{8}} \frac{1}{2} (4\sqrt{2} \cos 2\theta)^2 d\theta$   
 $A_{\text{leaf}} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{8}} 16 \cos^2 2\theta d\theta$   
 This  
 $A_{\text{leaf}} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{8}} 16 \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos 4\theta \right) d\theta = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{8}} (8 + 8 \cos 4\theta) d\theta$   
 $= \left[ 8\theta + 2 \sin 4\theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{8}} = (2\pi + 0) - (0 + 0)$   
 $= \pi - 2$

**Question 6** (\*\*\*)A curve  $C_1$  has polar equation

$$r = 2 \sin \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

- a) Find a Cartesian equation for  $C_1$ , and describe it geometrically.

A different curve  $C_2$  has Cartesian equation

$$y^2 = \frac{x^4}{1-x^2}, \quad x \neq \pm 1.$$

- b) Find a polar equation for  $C_2$ , in the form  $r = f(\theta)$ .

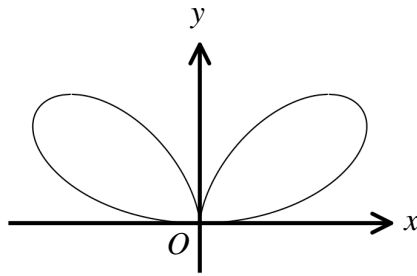
$$x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 1, \quad r = \tan \theta$$

Handwritten solution for Question 6b:

(a)  $r = 2 \sin \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow r = 2 \left( \frac{y}{r} \right)$   
 $\Rightarrow r^2 = 2y$   
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 2y = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 1$   
 Circle centre (0,1)  
 radius 1

(b)  $y^2 = \frac{x^4}{1-x^2}$   
 $\Rightarrow y^2 - xy^2 = x^4$   
 $\Rightarrow y^2 = x^4 + xy^2$   
 $\Rightarrow y^2 = x^2(x^2 + y^2)$   
 $\Rightarrow y^2 = x^2 r^2$   
 $\Rightarrow r^2 = \frac{y^2}{x^2}$   
 $\Rightarrow r = \frac{y}{x} \tan \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow r = \tan \theta$

## Question 7 (\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the curve  $C$  with Cartesian equation

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

- a) Show that a polar equation for  $C$  can be written as

$$r = \sin 2\theta \cos \theta.$$

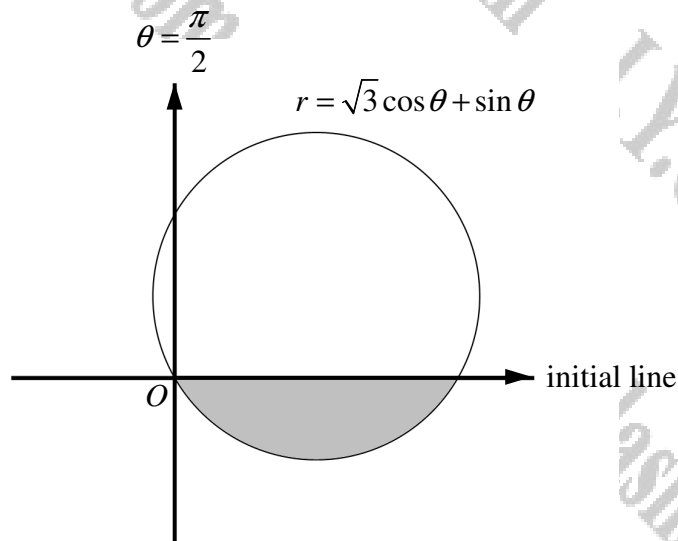
- b) Determine in exact surd form the maximum value of  $r$ .

$$r_{\max} = \frac{4}{9}\sqrt{3}$$

(a)  $(x^2 + y^2)^2 = 2x^2y$   
 $\Rightarrow (r^2)^2 = 2(r \cos \theta)^2(r \sin \theta)$   
 $\Rightarrow r^4 = 2r^3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow r = 2 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow r = (2 \cos^2 \theta) \sin \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow r = \sin 2\theta \cos \theta$

(b)  $\frac{dr}{d\theta} = 2 \cos 2\theta \cos \theta + \sin 2\theta (-\sin \theta)$   
 Set  $\frac{dr}{d\theta} = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 2 \cos 2\theta \cos \theta - \sin 2\theta \sin \theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 2 \cos(2\theta - \theta) - \sin 2\theta \sin \theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 4 \cos^2 \theta - 2 \cos \theta - 2 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 4 \cos^2 \theta - 2 \cos \theta - 2 \cos \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 4 \cos^2 \theta - 2 \cos \theta - 2 \cos \theta + 2 \cos^3 \theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 6 \cos^3 \theta - 4 \cos \theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 2 \cos \theta (3 \cos^2 \theta - 2) = 0$   
 $\bullet \cos \theta \neq 0$  since  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  is a minimum  
 $\Rightarrow 3 \cos^2 \theta = 2$   
 $\Rightarrow \cos^2 \theta = \frac{2}{3}$   
 $\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \pm \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}$   
 $\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}$   
 $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$   
 $\therefore r_{\max} = \frac{4}{9}\sqrt{3}$

Question 8 (\*\*\*)



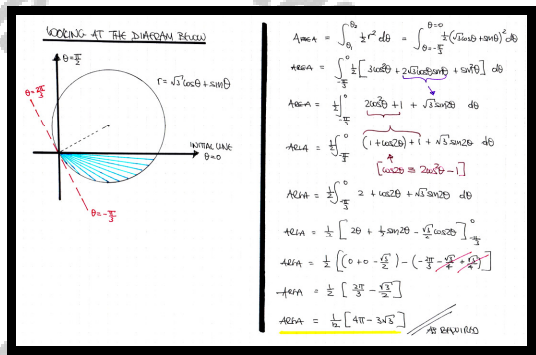
The diagram above shows the curve with polar equation

$$r = \sqrt{3} \cos \theta + \sin \theta, \quad -\frac{\pi}{3} \leq \theta < \frac{2\pi}{3}.$$

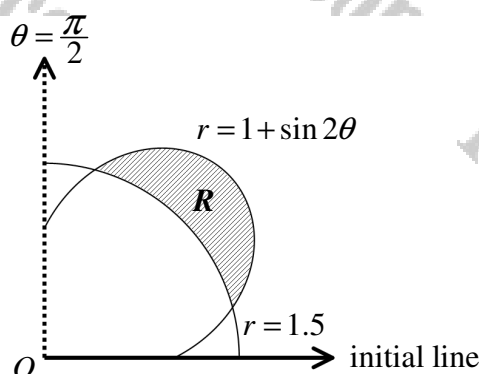
By using a method involving integration in polar coordinates, show that the area of the shaded region is

$$\frac{1}{12}(4\pi - 3\sqrt{3}).$$

,  proof



Question 9 (\*\*\*\*)



The diagram above shows the curves with polar equations

$$r = 1 + \sin 2\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{1}{2}\pi,$$

$$r = 1.5, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{1}{2}\pi.$$

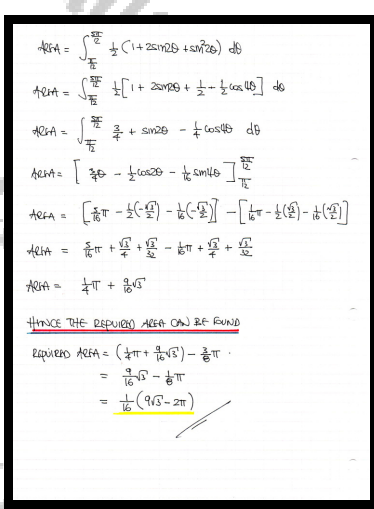
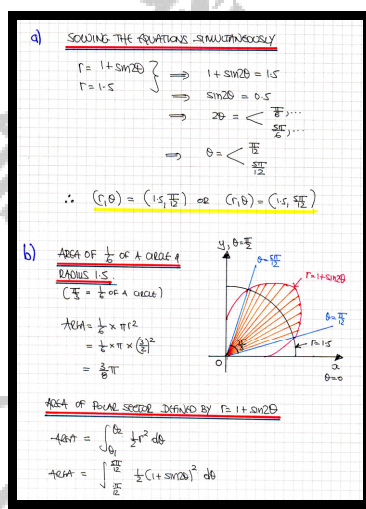
- a) Find the polar coordinates of the points of intersection between the two curves.

The finite region  $R$ , is bounded by the two curves and is shown shaded in the figure.

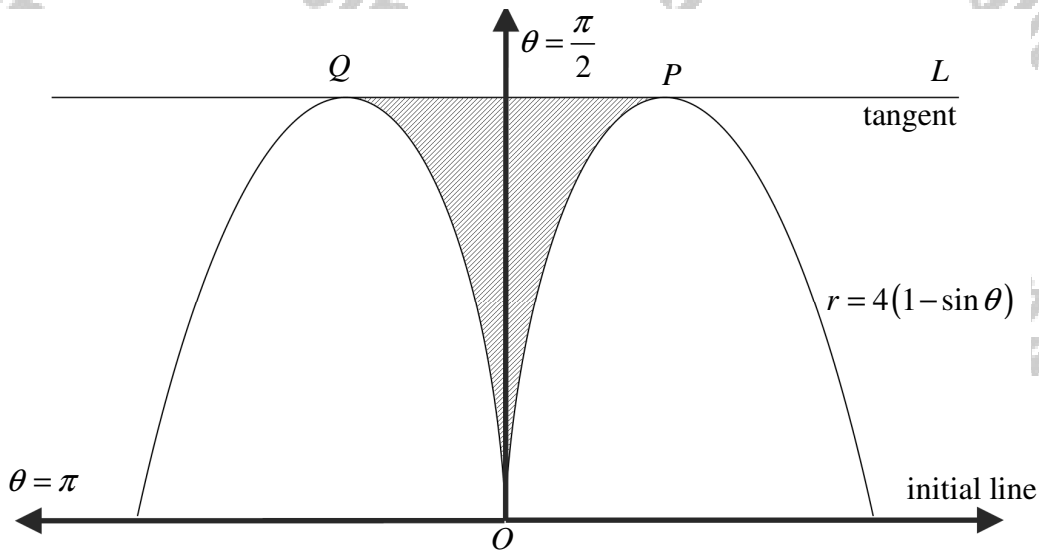
- b) Show that the area of  $R$  is

$$\frac{1}{16}(9\sqrt{3} - 2\pi).$$

$$\left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{\pi}{12}\right), \left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{12}\right)$$



Question 10 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the graph of the curve with polar equation

$$r = 4(1 - \sin \theta), \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi.$$

The straight line  $L$  is a tangent to the curve parallel to the initial line, touching the curve at the points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

- Find the polar coordinates of  $P$  and the polar coordinates of  $Q$ .
- Show that the area of the shaded region is exactly

$$15\sqrt{3} - 8\pi.$$

$$\boxed{\phantom{000}}, \quad P\left(2, \frac{1}{6}\pi\right), \quad Q\left(2, \frac{5}{6}\pi\right)$$

a) CONDITION FOR A "HORIZONTAL TANGENT"

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta}(4(1 - \sin \theta)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta}(4 - 4\sin \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta}(4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta}(-4\sin \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -4\cos \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = 0$$

THESE ARE THE SOLUTIONS FOR  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$

$$\cos \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

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

b) LOOKING AT THE DIAGRAM ABOVE

AREA OF  $\triangle OPQ = \frac{1}{2} |OP| |OQ| \sin(\pi - 2\pi/6)$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 2 \times \sin(\frac{\pi}{3})$$

$$= \sqrt{3}$$

AREA OF THE "GREEN" - POLAR SECTORS FROM  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$  TO  $\theta = \frac{5\pi}{6}$

$$A = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \frac{1}{2} r^2 d\theta = \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}} \frac{1}{2} [4(1 - \sin \theta)]^2 d\theta = \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}} 8(1 - 2\sin \theta + \sin^2 \theta) d\theta$$

$$= \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}} 8(1 - 2\sin \theta + \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2}) d\theta$$

$$= \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}} (4 - 8\sin \theta + 4 - 4\cos 2\theta) d\theta = \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}} (8 - 8\sin \theta - 4\cos 2\theta) d\theta$$

$$= [8\theta + 8\cos \theta - 2\sin 2\theta]_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}}$$

$$= (8(\frac{5\pi}{6}) + 8\cos(\frac{5\pi}{6}) - 2\sin(\frac{5\pi}{3})) - (8(\frac{\pi}{6}) + 8\cos(\frac{\pi}{6}) - 2\sin(\frac{\pi}{3}))$$

$$= (4\pi - 4\sqrt{3}) - (4\pi - 4\sqrt{3}) = 0$$

THIS IS THE AREA OF THE "GREEN" - POLAR SECTORS FROM  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$  TO  $\theta = \frac{5\pi}{6}$

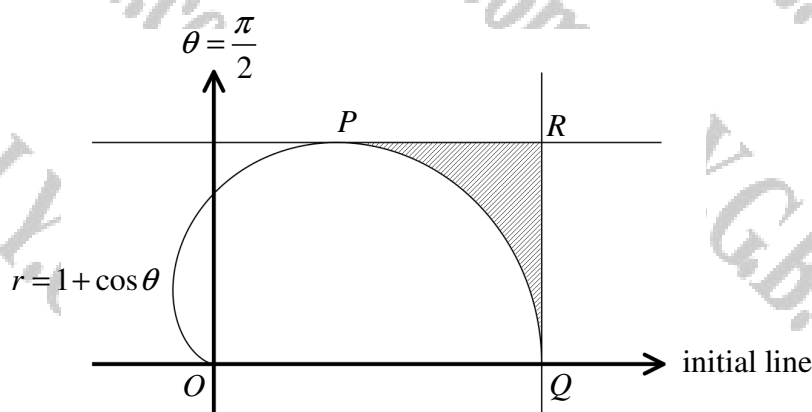
$$= \sqrt{3} - 8\pi + 14\sqrt{3}$$

$$= 15\sqrt{3} - 8\pi$$

As Required



Question 11 (\*\*\*\*)



The diagram above shows the curve with polar equation

$$r = 1 + \cos \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi.$$

The curve meets the initial line at the origin  $O$  and at the point  $Q$ . The point  $P$  lies on the curve so that the tangent to the curve at  $P$  is parallel to the initial line.

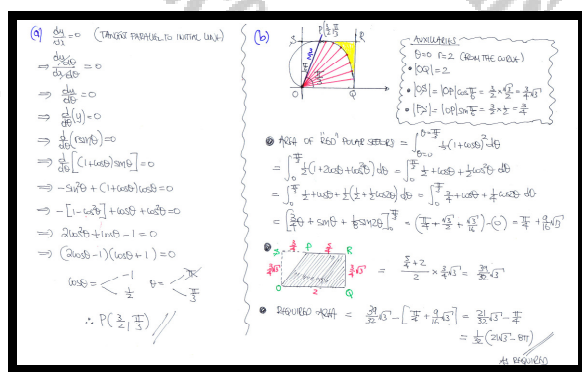
- a) Determine the polar coordinates of  $P$ .

The tangent to the curve at  $Q$  is perpendicular to the initial line and meets the tangent to the curve at  $P$ , at the point  $R$ .

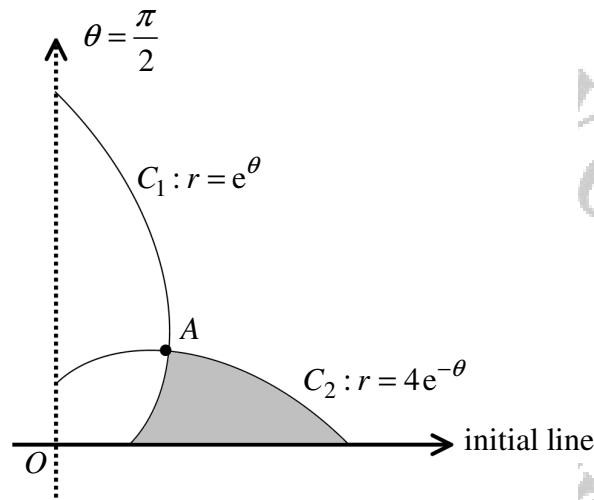
- b) Show that the area of the finite region bounded by the line segments  $PR$ ,  $QR$  and the arc  $PQ$  is

$$\frac{1}{32}(21\sqrt{3} - 8\pi).$$

$$P\left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$



Question 12 (\*\*\*\*)



The diagram below shows the curves with polar equations

$$C_1 : r = e^\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

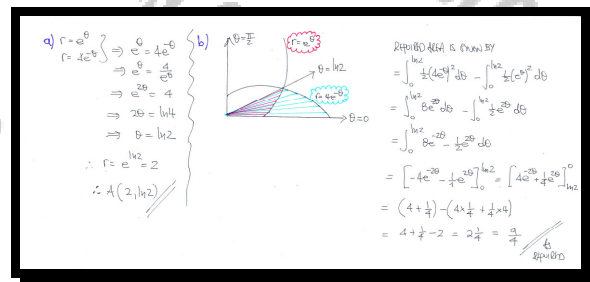
$$C_2 : r = 4e^{-\theta}, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

The curves intersect at the point A.

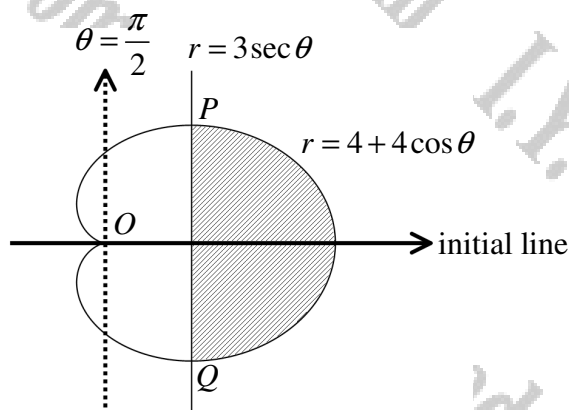
a) Find the exact polar coordinates of A.

b) Show that area of the shaded region is  $\frac{9}{4}$ .

$$A(2, \ln 2)$$



Question 13 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows a curve and a straight line with respective polar equations

$$r = 4 + 4 \cos \theta, -\pi < \theta \leq \pi \quad \text{and} \quad r = 3 \sec \theta, -\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

The straight line meets the curve at two points,  $P$  and  $Q$ .

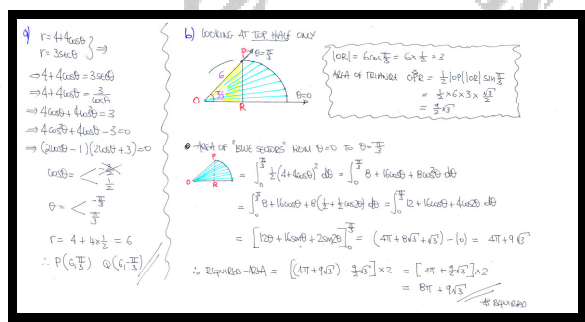
- a) Determine the polar coordinates of  $P$  and  $Q$ .

The finite region, shown shaded in the figure, is bounded by the curve and the straight line.

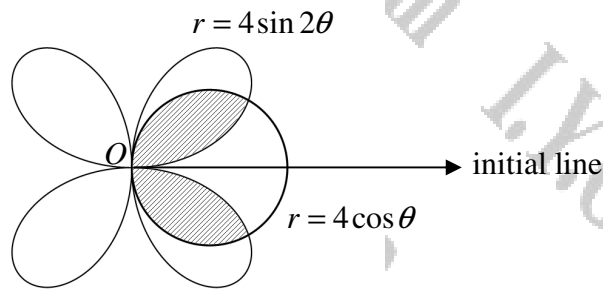
- b) Show that the area of this finite region is

$$8\pi + 9\sqrt{3}.$$

$$P\left(6, \frac{\pi}{3}\right), Q\left(6, -\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$



Question 14 (\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the curves with polar equations

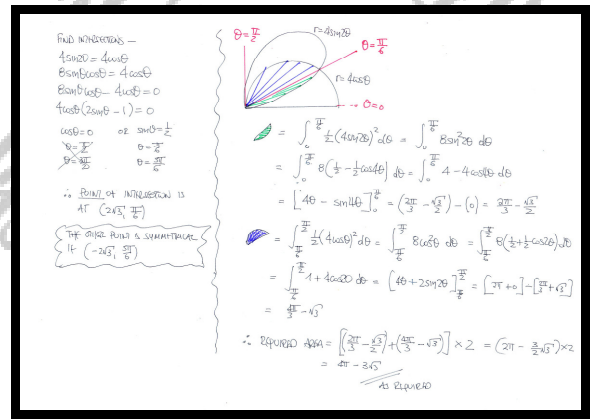
$$r = 4 \cos \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi,$$

$$r = 4 \sin 2\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi.$$

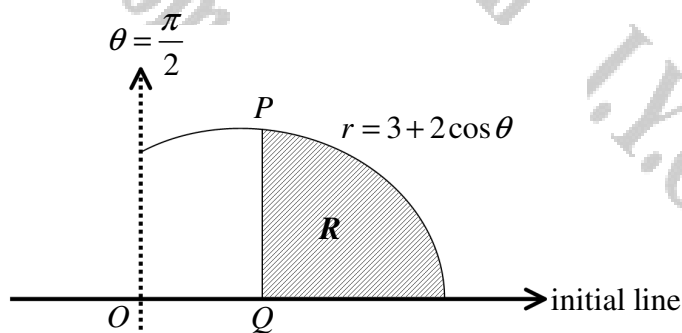
Show that the area of the shaded region which consists of all the points which are bounded by **both** curves is

$$4\pi - 3\sqrt{3}.$$

proof



Question 15 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the cardioid with polar equation

$$r = 3 + 2 \cos \theta, \quad 0 < \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

The point  $P$  lies on the cardioid and its distance from the pole  $O$  is 4 units.

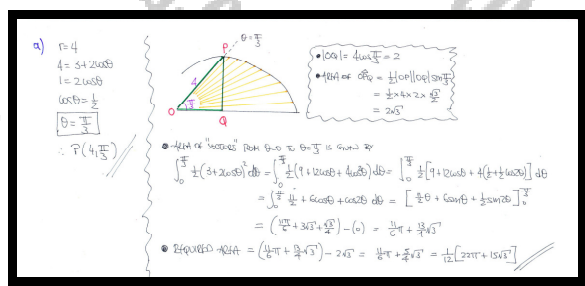
- a) Determine the polar coordinates of  $P$ .

The point  $Q$  lies on the initial line so that the line segment  $PQ$  is perpendicular to the initial line. The finite region  $R$ , shown shaded in the figure, is bounded by the curve, the initial line and the line segment  $PQ$ .

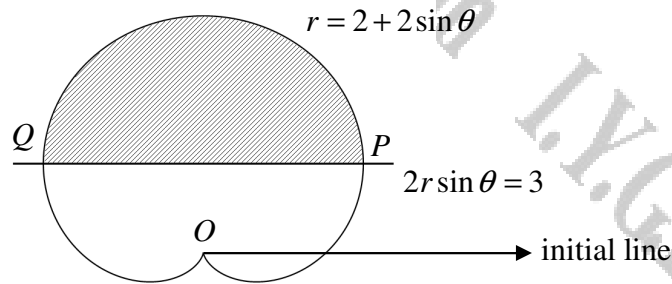
- b) Show that the area of  $R$  is

$$\frac{1}{12}(22\pi + 15\sqrt{3}).$$

$$P\left(4, \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$



Question 16 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the curve with polar equation

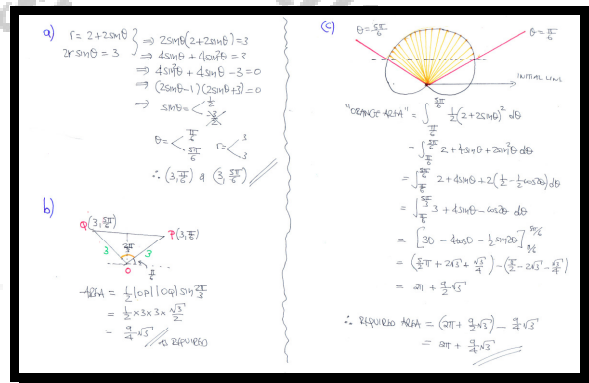
$$r = 2 + 2 \sin \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi,$$

intersected by the straight line with polar equation

$$2r \sin \theta = 3, \quad 0 < \theta < \pi.$$

- Find the coordinates of the points  $P$  and  $Q$ , where the line meets the curve.
- Show that the area of the triangle  $OPQ$  is  $\frac{9}{4}\sqrt{3}$ .
- Hence find the exact area of the **shaded** region bounded by the curve and the straight line.

$$P\left(3, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right), \quad Q\left(3, \frac{\pi}{6}\right), \quad \text{area} = 2\pi + \frac{9}{4}\sqrt{3}$$



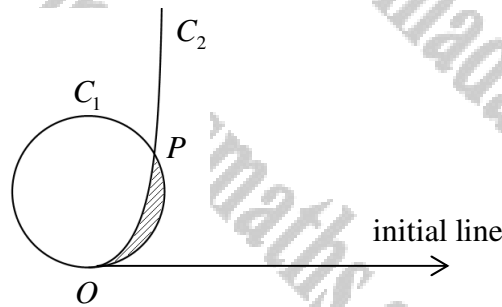
**Question 17** (\*\*\*\*)

The curves  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  have respective polar equations

$$C_1: r = 2\sin\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

$$C_2: r = \tan\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

- a) Find a Cartesian equation for  $C_1$  and a Cartesian equation for  $C_2$ .

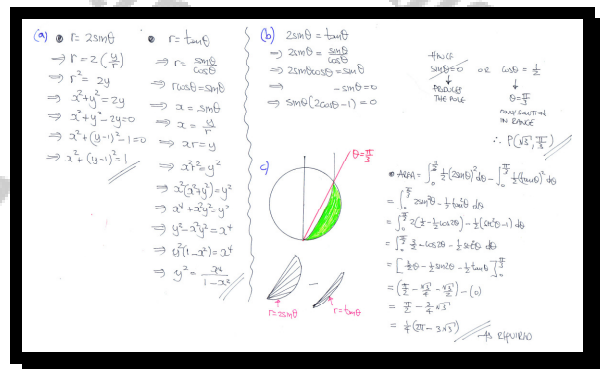


The figure above shows the two curves intersecting at the pole and at the point  $P$ .

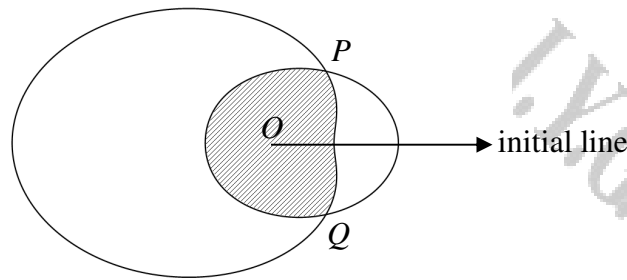
The finite region, shown shaded in the figure, is bounded by the two curves.

- b) Determine the exact polar coordinates of  $P$ .
- c) Show that the area of the shaded region is  $\frac{1}{2}(2\pi - 3\sqrt{3})$ .

$$C_1: x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 1, \quad C_2: x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 1, \quad P\left(\sqrt{3}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$



## Question 18 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows two overlapping closed curves  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , with respective polar equations

$$C_1: r = 3 + \cos \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

$$C_2: r = 5 - 3\cos \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

The curves meet at two points,  $P$  and  $Q$ .

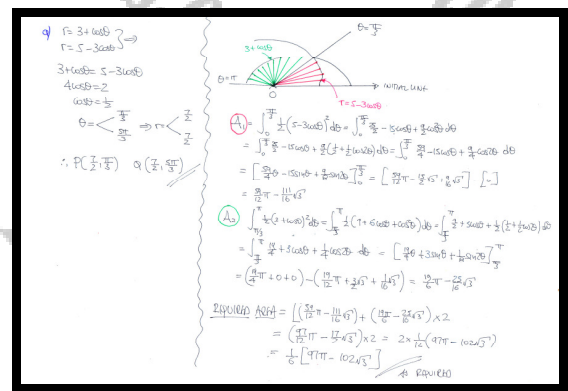
- a) Determine the polar coordinates of  $P$  and  $Q$ .

The finite region  $R$ , shown shaded in the figure, consists of all the points which lie inside both  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

- b) Show that the area of  $R$  is

$$\frac{1}{6}(97\pi - 102\sqrt{3}).$$

$$P\left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right), Q\left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{3}\right),$$





## Question 19 (\*\*\*\*)

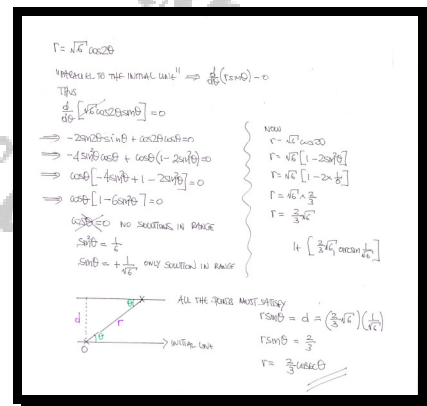
The curve  $C$  with polar equation

$$r = \sqrt{6} \cos 2\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

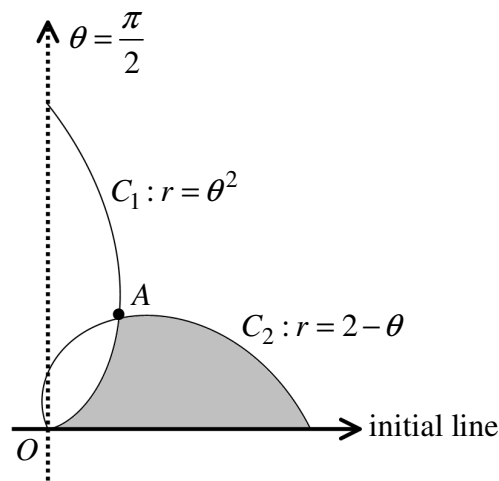
The straight line  $l$  is parallel to the initial line and is a tangent to  $C$ .

Find an equation of  $l$ , giving the answer in the form  $r = f(\theta)$ .

$$r = \frac{2}{3} \operatorname{cosec} \theta$$



Question 20 (\*\*\*\*)



The diagram above shows the curves with polar equations

$$C_1 : r = \theta^2, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

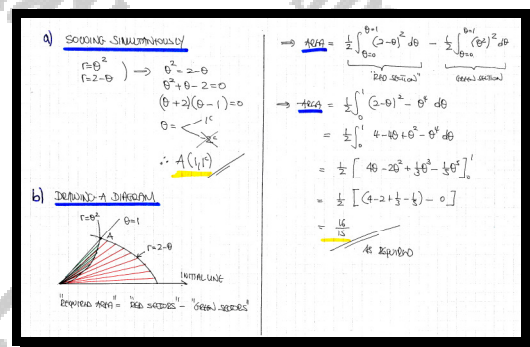
$$C_2 : r = 2 - \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2.$$

The curves intersect at the point A.

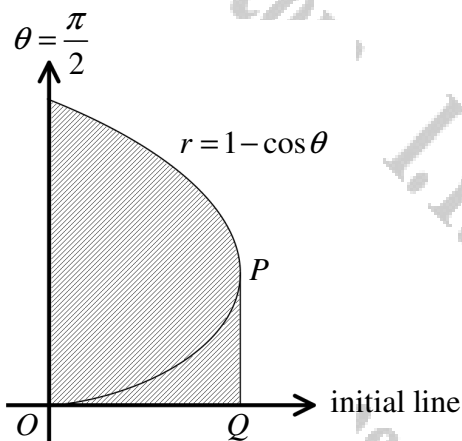
a) Find the polar coordinates of A.

b) Show that the area of the shaded region is  $\frac{16}{15}$ .

 , A(1,1)



Question 21 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the curve  $C$  with polar equation

$$r = 1 - \cos \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

The point  $P$  lies on  $C$  so that tangent to  $C$  is perpendicular to the initial line.

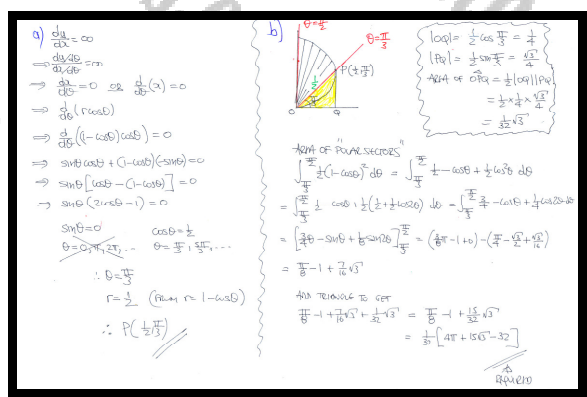
- a) Determine the polar coordinates of  $P$ .

The finite region  $R$  consists of all the points which are bounded by  $C$ , the straight line segment  $PQ$ , the initial line and the line with equation  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

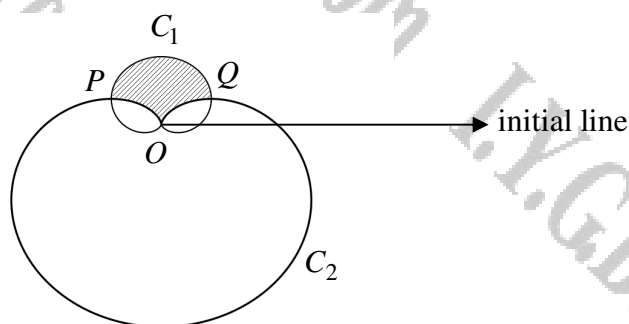
- b) Show that the area of  $R$ , shown shaded in the figure above, is exactly

$$\frac{1}{32}(4\pi + 15\sqrt{3} - 32).$$

$$P\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$



Question 22 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows two closed curves with polar equations

$$C_1: r = a(1 + \sin \theta), 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \quad \text{and} \quad C_2: r = 3a(1 - \sin \theta), 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi,$$

intersecting each other at the pole  $O$  and at the points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

a) Find the polar coordinates of the points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

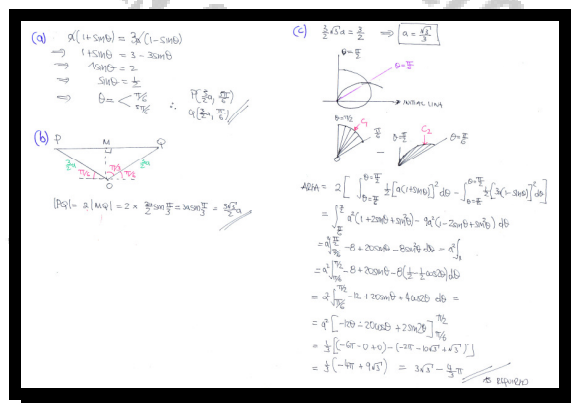
b) Show that the distance  $PQ$  is  $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}a$ .

The finite region shown shaded in the above figure consists of all the points inside  $C_1$  but outside  $C_2$ .

c) Given that the distance  $PQ$  is  $\frac{3}{2}$ , show that the area of the shaded region is

$$3\sqrt{3} - \frac{4}{3}\pi.$$

$$P\left(\frac{3}{2}a, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right), \quad Q\left(\frac{3}{2}a, \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$



**Question 23** (\*\*\*\*)

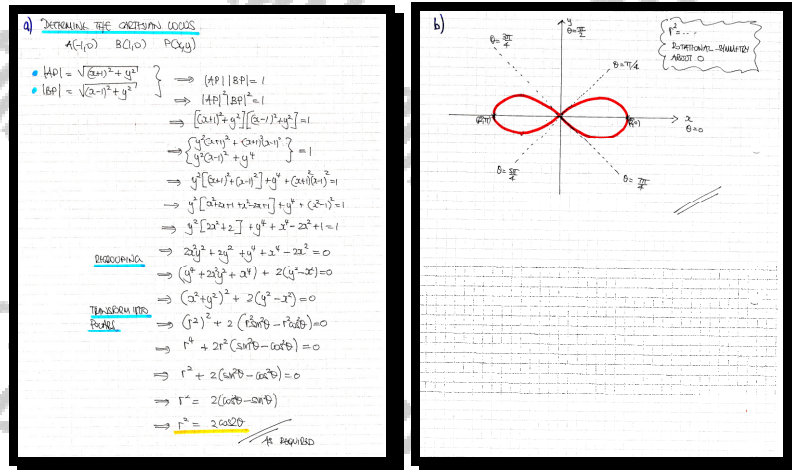
The points  $A$  and  $B$  have respective coordinates  $(-1,0)$  and  $(1,0)$ .

The locus of the point  $P(x, y)$  traces a curve in such a way so that  $|AP||BP|=1$ .

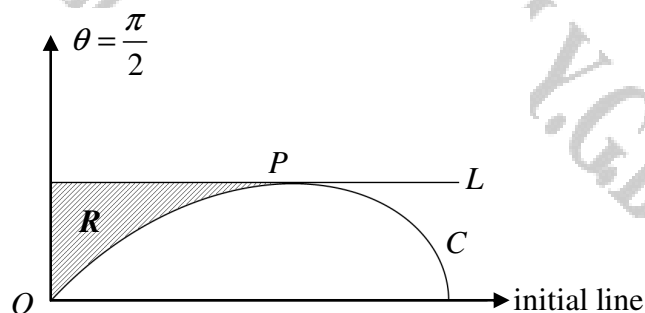
- a) By forming a Cartesian equation of the locus of  $P$ , show that the polar equation of the curve is

$$r^2 = 2\cos 2\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

- b) Sketch the curve.**

 $\square$ ,  $\square$  proof

## Question 24 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows a curve  $C$  with polar equation

$$r^2 = 2 \cos 2\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

The straight line  $L$  is parallel to the initial line and is a tangent to  $C$  at the point  $P$ .

- a) Show that the polar coordinates of  $P$  are  $\left(1, \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$ .

The finite region  $R$ , shown shaded in the figure above, is bounded by  $C$ ,  $L$  and the half line with equation  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

- b) Show that the area of  $R$  is

$$\frac{1}{8}(3\sqrt{3} - 4).$$

,  proof

[solution overleaf]

a) PERPENDICULAR TO THE INITIAL UNIT IMPACT  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{d\theta} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta}(y) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta}(r \sin \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta}(r^2 \sin \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta}(2 \cos 2\theta \sin \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -4 \sin \theta \cos \theta + 4 \cos 2\theta \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -8 \sin \theta \cos \theta + 4 \cos 2\theta \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sin \theta \cos \theta (\cos 2\theta - 2 \sin^2 \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta - 2(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta - 1 + \cos 2\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos 2\theta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

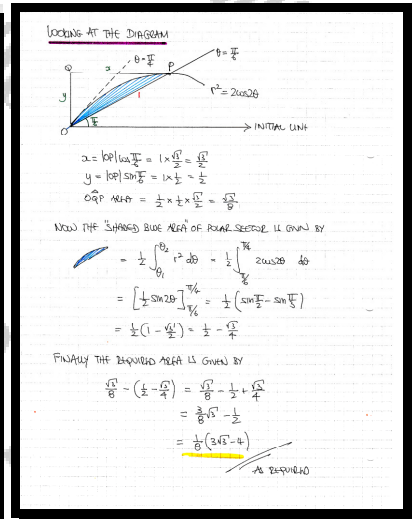
$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{3}, \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

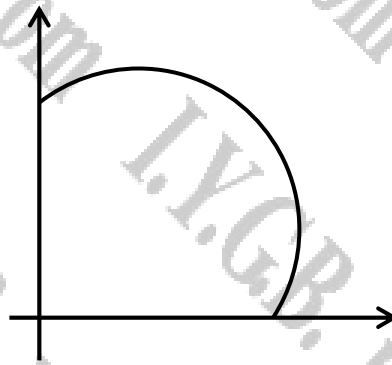
$$r^2 = 2 \cos(2\theta) = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$r = 1 \quad r > 0$$

$\therefore (1, \frac{\pi}{6})$



Question 25 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the curve  $C$ , with Cartesian equation

$$(2x-1)^2 + (2y-1)^2 = 2, \quad x \geq 0, \quad y \geq 0$$

- Find a polar equation for  $C$ , in the form  $r = f(\theta)$ .
- Show that the area bounded by  $C$  and the coordinate axes is  $\frac{1}{4}(\pi + 2)$ .
- Determine, in exact simplified form, the polar coordinates of the point on  $C$ , where the tangent to  $C$  is parallel to the  $x$  axis.

$$s = \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{5} + \ln \left[ \frac{1}{4}(1 + \sqrt{5}) \right]$$

**0)**  $(2x-1)^2 + (2y-1)^2 = 2$   
 $4x^2 - 4x + 1 + 4y^2 - 4y + 1 = 2$   
 $4x^2 + 4y^2 = 4x + 4y$   
 $x^2 + y^2 = x + y$   
 $r^2 = r \cos \theta + r \sin \theta$   
 $r = \cos \theta + \sin \theta$

**1)**  $\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} r^2 d\theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\cos \theta + \sin \theta)^2 d\theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 + \sin 2\theta) d\theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \theta - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \left( 0 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \frac{1}{4}(\pi + 2)$

**c) METHOD A (IN CARTESIAN)**  
 OXIDEAN EQUATION OF THE CURVE IS  $x^2 + y^2 = x + y$   
 DIFF W.R.T  $x$  GIVES  $2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + \frac{dy}{dx}$   
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow 2x = 1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}$   
 FROM THE EQUATION  
 $\Rightarrow \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + y^2 = \frac{1}{2} + y$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} + y^2 = \frac{1}{2} + y$   
 $\Rightarrow y^2 - y = \frac{1}{4}$   
 $\Rightarrow 4y^2 - 4y - 1 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 2y = 1 \pm \sqrt{5}$

$y = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow y > 0$   
 $\Rightarrow y = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$

$r = \sqrt{\left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1 + 2\sqrt{5} + 5}{4}} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{5}}$   
 $\Rightarrow r = \frac{\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{5}}}{\sqrt{2}}$   
 $\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{y}{x} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{1} = 1 + \sqrt{5}$   
 $\Rightarrow \theta = \arctan(1 + \sqrt{5})$

**METHOD B (IN POLARS)**  
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dr}{d\theta} = \frac{dy}{d\theta} \frac{dy}{dr} = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{d\theta} = \frac{dy}{dr} (r \sin \theta) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta} [(\cos \theta + \sin \theta) \sin \theta] = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta} [\cos \theta \sin \theta + \sin^2 \theta] = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \sin 2\theta + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 3 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0$  or  $\cos \theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \theta = 0$  or  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$   
 $\therefore \theta = \arctan(1 + \sqrt{5})$

TO FIND  $r = \sin \theta + \cos \theta$   
 $\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \cos 2\theta$   
 $\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \cos 2\theta$   
 $\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)$   
 $\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{8}$   
 $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}$   
 $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}$   
 $r = \sin \theta + \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{4} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{4} = 1$

TO CHECK BY GEOMETRY THREE TO FIND  $r = \cos \theta$   
 $(2x-1)^2 + (2y-1)^2 = 2$   
 $4(x-\frac{1}{2})^2 + 4(y-\frac{1}{2})^2 = 2$   
 $(x-\frac{1}{2})^2 + (y-\frac{1}{2})^2 = \frac{1}{2}$   
 RADIUS IS  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

BY THE COSINE RULE  
 $\cos^2 \theta = \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - 2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \cos \theta$   
 $\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta$   
 $\cos^2 \theta + \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta - \frac{1}{4} = 0$   
 $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $\therefore r = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$



## Question 26 (\*\*\*\*)

A curve has polar equation

$$r = \frac{\cos \theta + \sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta + \sin 2\theta + 1}, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

Find a Cartesian equation of the curve giving the answer in the form  $f(x, y) = 0$ .

$$\boxed{v}, \boxed{\phantom{000}}, \boxed{2x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - x - y = 0}$$

SOLVE WITH SMART ALGEBRAIC MANIPULATIONS

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

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

NOW USE THE STANDARD TRANSFORMATION:  $x = r \cos \theta$  &  $y = r \sin \theta$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{r^2 + r}{(r^2 + \frac{y^2}{r^2}) + \frac{x^2}{r^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{r^2 + \frac{y^2}{r^2}}{\frac{r^2 + \frac{y^2}{r^2}}{r^2} + \frac{x^2}{r^2}} \quad \text{Multiply top & bottom of the fraction by } r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{r^2(x+y)}{(x+y)^2 + x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{x+y}{(x+y)^2 + x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+y)^2 + x^2 = x+y$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2xy + y^2 + x^2 = x+y$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{2x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - x - y = 0}$$

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# 10 HARD QUESTIONS

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**Question 1** (\*\*\*\*+)

Show that the polar equation of the top half of the parabola with Cartesian equation

$$y = \sqrt{2x+1}, \quad x \geq -\frac{1}{2},$$

is given by the polar equation

$$r = \frac{1}{1 - \cos \theta}, \quad r \geq 0.$$

proof

Handwritten proof showing the conversion of the Cartesian equation  $y = \sqrt{2x+1}$  to the polar equation  $r = \frac{1}{1 - \cos \theta}$ .

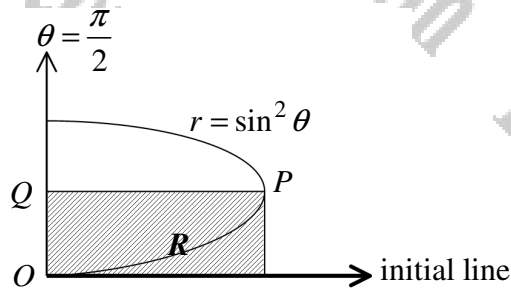
Left side of the proof:

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \sqrt{2x+1} \\ \Rightarrow y^2 &= 2x+1 \\ \Rightarrow y^2 + x^2 &= x^2 + 2x + 1 \\ \Rightarrow r^2 &= (x+1)^2 \\ \Rightarrow r &= x+1 \\ \Rightarrow r-1 &= r \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

Right side of the proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow r - r \cos \theta &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow r(1 - \cos \theta) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow r &= \frac{1}{1 - \cos \theta} \end{aligned}$$

Question 2 (\*\*\*\*+)



The figure above shows the curve with polar equation

$$r = \sin^2 \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

The point  $P$  lies on the curve so that the tangent to the curve at  $P$  is perpendicular to the initial line.

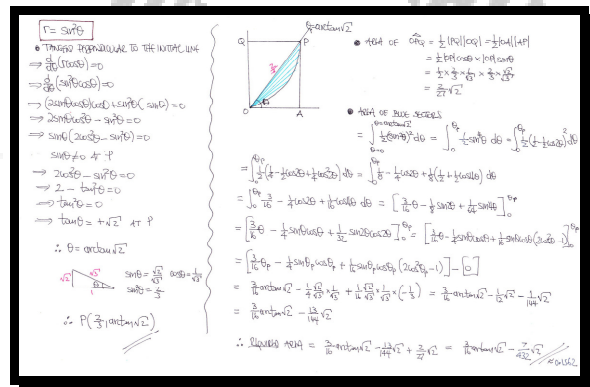
- a) Find, in exact form, the polar coordinates of  $P$

The point  $Q$  lies on the half line  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , so that  $PQ$  is parallel to the initial line.

The finite region  $R$ , shown shaded in the above figure, is bounded by the curve and the straight line segments  $PQ$  and  $OQ$ , where  $O$  is the pole.

- b) Determine the area of  $R$ , in exact simplified form.

$$P\left(\frac{2}{3}, \arctan \sqrt{2}\right), \quad \text{area} = \frac{1}{2} \arctan \sqrt{2} - \frac{7}{432} \sqrt{2} \approx 0.1562$$

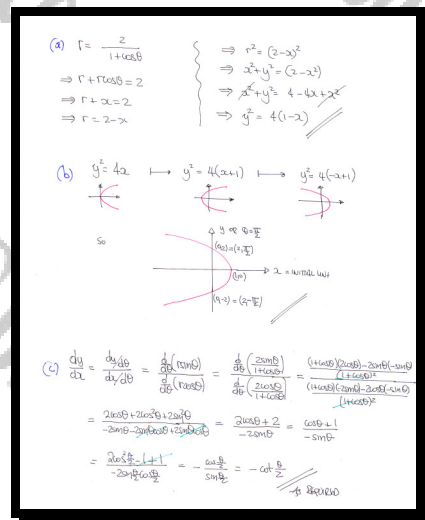


A curve  $C$  has polar equation

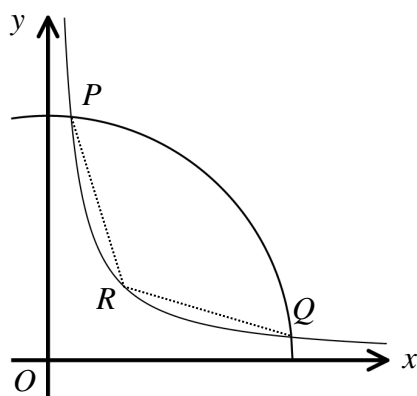
$$y^2 = 4(1-x)$$

- $$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\cot \frac{\theta}{2}.$$

$$y^2 = 4(1-x)$$



Question 4 (\*\*\*\*+)



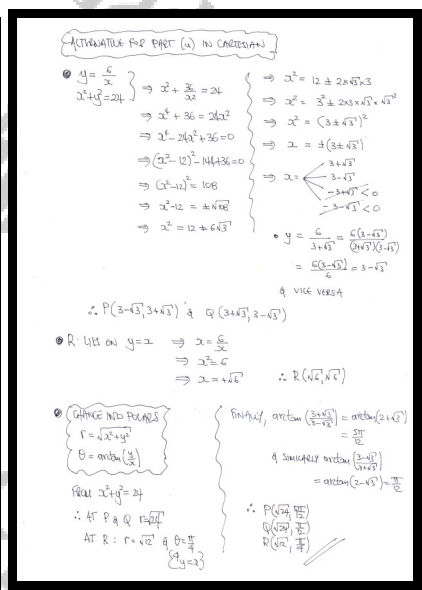
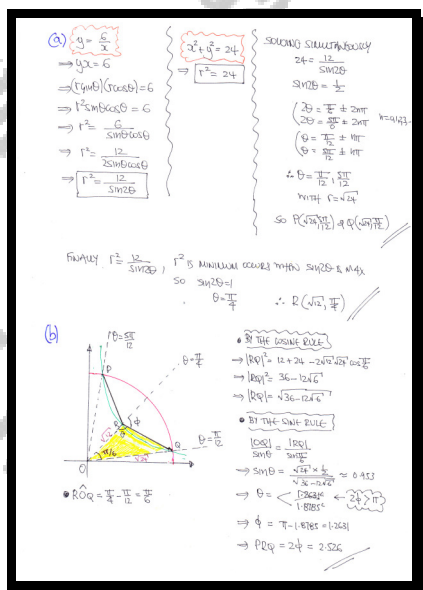
The figure above shows a hyperbola and a circle with respective Cartesian equations

$$y = \frac{6}{x}, x > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x^2 + y^2 = 8, x > 0, y > 0.$$

The points  $P$  and  $Q$  are the points of intersection between the hyperbola and the circle, and the point  $R$  lies on the hyperbola so that the distance  $OR$  is least.

- Determine the polar coordinates of  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $R$ .
- Calculate in radians the angle  $PRQ$ , correct to 3 decimal places.

$$P\left(\sqrt{24}, \frac{5\pi}{12}\right), Q\left(\sqrt{24}, \frac{\pi}{12}\right), R\left(\sqrt{12}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right), \angle ABC \approx 2.526^\circ$$



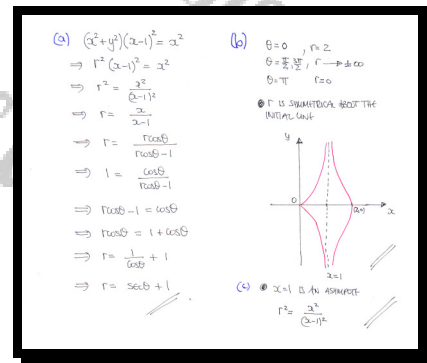
## Question 5 (\*\*\*\*+)

The curve  $C$  has Cartesian equation

$$(x^2 + y^2)(x-1)^2 = x^2.$$

- a) Find a polar equation of  $C$  in the form  $r = f(\theta)$ .
- b) Sketch the curve in the Cartesian plane.
- c) State the equation of the asymptote of the curve.

$$r = 1 + \sec \theta, \quad x = 1$$



Question 6 (\*\*\*\*+)

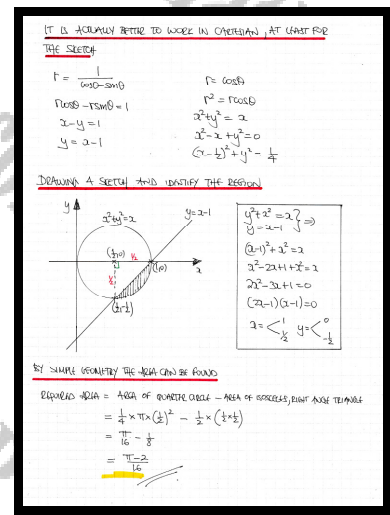
The following polar equations are given.

$$r_1 = \cos \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi.$$

$$r_2 = \frac{1}{\cos \theta - \sin \theta}, \quad -\frac{1}{4}\pi \leq \theta \leq \frac{5}{4}\pi.$$

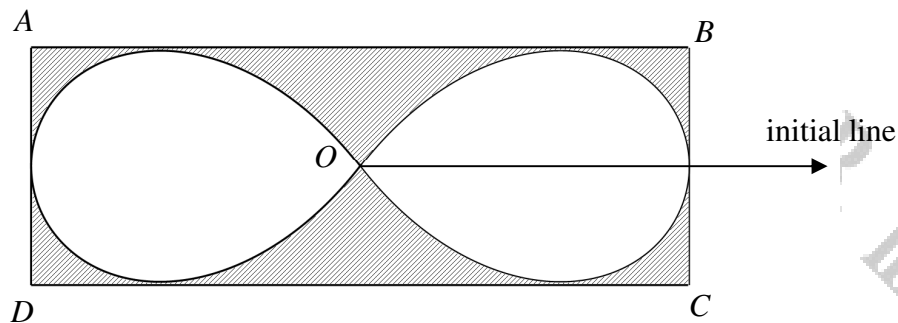
Find, in exact simplified form, the area of the **smaller** of the two finite regions, bounded by  $r_1$  and  $r_2$ .

V, , area =  $\frac{3\pi + 2}{16}$





Question 7 (\*\*\*\*+)



The figure above shows the rectangle  $ABCD$  enclosing the curve with polar equation

$$r^2 = \cos 2\theta, \quad \theta \in \left[0, \frac{1}{4}\pi\right] \cup \left[\frac{3}{4}\pi, \frac{5}{4}\pi\right] \cup \left[\frac{7}{4}\pi, 2\pi\right).$$

Each of the straight line segments  $AB$  and  $CD$  is a tangent to the curve parallel to the initial line, while each of the straight line segments  $AD$  and  $BC$  is a tangent to the curve perpendicular to the initial line.

Show with detailed calculations that the total area enclosed between the curve and the rectangle  $ABCD$  is  $\sqrt{2}-1$ .

 , proof

• BY INSPECTING THE "VERTICAL" TANGENT HAS  $r=1$ , AS  $|\cos 2\theta| \leq 1$

• NEXT FIND THE HORIZONTAL TANGENT

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta}(\cos 2\theta) = 0$$

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• IF  $\sin 2\theta = 0$   $2\theta = 0, \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, \dots$  NOT RELEVANT  
 $\theta = 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots$

• IF  $-2\sin\theta + \cos 2\theta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow -2\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\cos 2\theta\right) + \cos 2\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 + \cos 2\theta + \cos 2\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\cos 2\theta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{3}, \frac{11\pi}{3}, \dots$

$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6}, \dots$

• WE JUST NEED ONE RELEVANT POINT TO ENTER ON THE REQUIRED FREQUENCY

$r^2 = \cos 2\theta$   
 $r^2 = \cos\left(2 \times \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$   
 $r^2 = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$   
 $r^2 = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $r = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

HENCE  $|PQ| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$   
 $|PQ| = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$   
 $|PQ| = \frac{1}{4}$

• THE AREA OF THE RECTANGLE ABCD IS

$$(2 \times 1) \times \left(2 \times \frac{1}{2}\right) = \sqrt{2}$$

• NOW THE AREA ENCLOSED BY THE CURVE USING "QUINTE" SIMILARITY

$$\text{AREA} = 4 \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{1}{2} r^2 d\theta$$

$$\text{AREA} = 4 \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta d\theta$$

$\text{AREA} = 4 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \right]_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}}$

$\text{AREA} = \left[ \sin 2\theta \right]_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}}$

$\text{AREA} = 1 - 0$

$\text{AREA} = 1$

• HENCE BY SUBTRACTION THE REQUIRED AREA IS

$$\sqrt{2} - 1$$

or required

**Question 8** (\*\*\*\*+)

The curves  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  have polar equations

$$C_1: r = 2\cos\theta - \sin\theta, \quad 0 < \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$C_2: r = \sqrt{2} + \sin\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi.$$

The point  $P$  lies on  $C_1$  so that the tangent at  $P$  is parallel to the initial line.

- a) Show clearly that at  $P$

$$\tan 2\theta = 2$$

- b) Hence show further that the exact distance of  $P$  from the origin  $O$  is

$$\frac{\sqrt{5-\sqrt{5}}}{2}.$$

The point  $Q$  is the point of intersection between  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

- c) Find the value of  $\theta$  at  $Q$ .

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{12}$$

**(a)**  $r = 2\cos\theta - \sin\theta$   
 $\frac{dr}{d\theta} = -2\sin\theta - \cos\theta$   
 $\therefore \frac{dr}{d\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow -2\sin\theta - \cos\theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dr}{d\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow -2\sin\theta = \cos\theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dr}{d\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \tan\theta = -\frac{1}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dr}{d\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \tan 2\theta = 2$

**(b)** Now  $\tan 2\theta = 2$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{2\tan\theta}{1-\tan^2\theta} = 2$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{T}{1-T^2} = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow T = 1-T^2$   
 $\Rightarrow T^2 + T - 1 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow (T + \frac{1}{2})^2 - \frac{5}{4} = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow (T + \frac{1}{2})^2 = \frac{5}{4}$   
 $\Rightarrow T + \frac{1}{2} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \tan\theta = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$   
 $\therefore 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{3}$   
 $\Rightarrow \tan\theta = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$

**(c)**  $2\cos\theta - \sin\theta = \sqrt{2} + \sin\theta$   
 $\Rightarrow 2\cos\theta - 2\sin\theta = \sqrt{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \cos\theta - \sin\theta = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(\cos\theta - \sin\theta) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \cos\theta - \sin\theta = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \cos\theta = 1 + \sin\theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \cos^2\theta = (1 + \sin\theta)^2$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 - \sin^2\theta = 1 + 2\sin\theta + \sin^2\theta$   
 $\Rightarrow -2\sin^2\theta - 2\sin\theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow -2\sin\theta(\sin\theta + 1) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \sin\theta = 0$  or  $\sin\theta = -1$   
 $\Rightarrow \theta = 0$  or  $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{2}$   
 $\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{12}$

## Question 9 (\*\*\*\*+)

The curve  $C$  has polar equation

$$r = \tan \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Find a Cartesian equation of  $C$  in the form  $y = f(x)$ .

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

Handwritten solution for the Cartesian equation of the curve  $C$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 r &= \tan \theta \\
 \Rightarrow r^2 &= \tan^2 \theta \\
 \Rightarrow r^2 &= \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} \\
 \Rightarrow r^2 \cos^2 \theta &= \sin^2 \theta \\
 \Rightarrow (r \cos \theta)^2 &= \sin^2 \theta \\
 \Rightarrow x^2 &= \sin^2 \theta \\
 \Rightarrow x^2 &= 1 - \cos^2 \theta \\
 \Rightarrow \cos^2 \theta &= 1 - x^2 \\
 \Rightarrow \sec^2 \theta &= \frac{1}{1-x^2} \\
 \Rightarrow 1 + \tan^2 \theta &= \frac{1}{1-x^2} \\
 \Rightarrow 1 + r^2 &= \frac{1}{1-x^2} \\
 \Rightarrow 1 + \tan^2 \theta &= \frac{1}{1-x^2} \\
 \Rightarrow \sec^2 \theta &= \frac{1}{1-x^2} \\
 \Rightarrow \sec \theta &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \\
 \Rightarrow r &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \\
 \Rightarrow \tan \theta &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \\
 \Rightarrow y &= \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

The curve  $C$  has polar equation

$$y^2 = \frac{1}{16}(16 + 24x - 7x^2)$$

- [illegible]

# 10 ENRICHMENT QUESTIONS

**Question 1** (\*\*\*\*)

Two curves,  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , have polar equations

$$C_1: r = 12 \cos \theta, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$C_2: r = 4 + 4 \cos \theta, \quad -\pi < \theta \leq \pi.$$

One of the points of intersection between the graphs of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  is denoted by  $A$ .

The area of the **smallest** of the two regions bounded by  $C_1$  and the straight line segment  $OA$  is

$$6\pi - 9\sqrt{3}.$$

The finite region  $R$  represents points which lie inside  $C_1$  but outside  $C_2$ .

Show that the area of  $R$  is  $16\pi$ .

, proof

START BY SKETCHING

$C_1 = 12 \cos \theta$  is a circle with diameter at  $(0,0)$  and  $(12,0)$   
 $C_2 = 4 + 4 \cos \theta$  is a "cardioid" cardioid

FINDING THE POINTS OF INTERSECTION

$C_1 = C_2$   
 $\Rightarrow 12 \cos \theta = 4 + 4 \cos \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow 8 \cos \theta = 4$   
 $\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \theta = \pm \frac{\pi}{3}$   $\therefore (6, \frac{\pi}{3})$  &  $(6, -\frac{\pi}{3})$

LOOKING AT PART OF THE DIAGRAM - LIST  $A(6, \frac{\pi}{3})$

- WE REQUIRE THE "BLUE AREA TWICE"
- SKETCHING THE POLAR GRAPHS, LINKING TO  $C_2$  FROM  $\theta=0$  TO  $\theta=\frac{\pi}{3}$

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{1}{2} (4 + 4 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} 8 + 16 \cos \theta + 8 \cos^2 \theta d\theta$$

NOW THE REQUIRED AREA BE FOUND

[ AREA OF SEMICIRCLE - (AREA BOUND + AREA (SHOWN)) ]  $\times 2$

$\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
 $4\pi + 9\sqrt{3}$   $(6\pi - 9\sqrt{3})$

$\therefore \left[ \frac{1}{2} \pi \times 6^2 - (4\pi + 9\sqrt{3} + 6\pi - 9\sqrt{3}) \right] \times 2$

$= [18\pi - 10\pi] \times 2$

$= 16\pi$

At Required

**Question 2** (\*\*\*\*)

A curve has polar equation

$$r = 1 + \tan \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{1}{2}\pi.$$

The point  $P$  lies on the curve where  $\theta = \frac{1}{3}\pi$ .

The point  $Q$  lies on the initial line so that the straight line  $L$ , which passes through  $P$  and  $Q$  meets the initial line at right angles.

Determine, in exact simplified form, the area of the finite region bounded by the curve and  $L$ .

$$\boxed{\phantom{000}}, \quad \boxed{\frac{1}{2}[\ln 3 - 1]}$$

SOLVE WITH A SKETCH

By inspection  
 $P(1+\sqrt{3}, \frac{\pi}{3})$   
 $Q(1+\sqrt{3}, 0)$   
 $L: y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(x - 1 - \sqrt{3})$   
 $L: y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

NEXT WE NEED THE POLAR COORDINATES OF POINT R

$r = 1 + \tan \theta$   
 $r \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})$   
 $(1 + \tan \theta) \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})$   
 $(1 + \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}) \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})$   
 $\cos \theta + \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})$

SINUSOID APPROACH

$(\cos \theta + \sin \theta)^2 = \frac{1}{4}(1 + \sqrt{3})^2$   
 $\cos^2 \theta + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta + \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4}(1 + 2\sqrt{3} + 3)$   
 $1 + \sin 2\theta = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$   
 $\sin 2\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$   
 $2\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$  (Principal value holds)  
 $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$

ONE THAT YOU KNOW A FEW MORE TRIG VALUES (15°/75°)

$\sin(\frac{\pi}{6}) \cos \theta + \cos(\frac{\pi}{6}) \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})$   
 $\sin(\frac{\pi}{6} + \theta) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})$   
 $\sin(\frac{\pi}{6} + \theta) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$   
 $\frac{\pi}{6} + \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$  (Principal value)  
 $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$

THIS WE NOW HAVE THE COORDINATES OF R

$R(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{\pi}{6}) \Rightarrow |OR| = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

AREA OF THE TRIANGLE OPR IS

$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}|OP||OR| \sin(\frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}) \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{4}(1 + \sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{3})$   
 $= \frac{1}{4}(2 + \sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3} + 3) = \frac{1}{4}(5 + 3\sqrt{3})$

AREA OF POLAR SECTOR NEXT

$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (1 + \tan \theta)^2 d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (1 + 2 \tan \theta + \tan^2 \theta) d\theta$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (1 + 2 \tan \theta + \sec^2 \theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (1 + 2 \tan \theta + \sec^2 \theta) d\theta$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} [\theta + 2 \ln |\sec \theta| + \tan \theta]_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} = \frac{1}{2} [\theta + 2 \ln |\sec \theta| + \tan \theta]_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}}$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} [\frac{\pi}{3} + 2 \ln(2) + \sqrt{3} - (\frac{\pi}{6} + 2 \ln(\frac{4}{3}) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})]$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} [\frac{\pi}{6} + 2 \ln(2) + \sqrt{3} - \ln(4) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}]$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} [\frac{\pi}{6} + 2 \ln(2) + \sqrt{3} - \ln(4) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}]$

THE REQUIRED AREA (SHADED IN YELLOW IN THE DIAGRAM) IS GIVEN BY

$\text{Required Area} = \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 + \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 - (\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{3})$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 + \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{3}$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{3}$

**Question 3** (\*\*\*\*)

A set of cartesian axes is superimposed over a set of polar axes, so that both set of axes have a common origin  $O$ , and the positive  $x$  axis coincides with the initial line.

A parabola  $P$  has Cartesian equation

$$y^2 = 8(2-x), \quad x \leq 2.$$

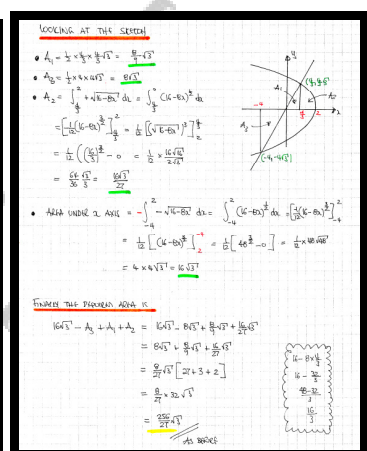
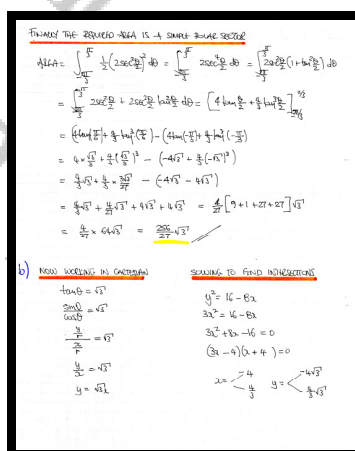
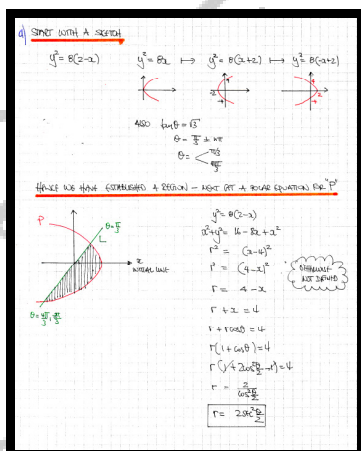
A straight line  $L$  has polar equation

$$\tan \theta = \sqrt{3}, \quad -\pi < \theta \leq \pi.$$

a) Use polar coordinates to determine, in exact simplified form, the area of the finite region bounded by  $P$  and  $L$ .

b) Verify the answer of part (a) by using calculus in cartesian coordinates

$$\boxed{\phantom{000}}, \quad \frac{256}{27}\sqrt{3}$$





### Question 4 (\*\*\*\*)

A curve has polar equation

$$r = 1 + \tan \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{1}{2}\pi,$$

meets the initial line at the point  $P$ .

Another curve has polar equation

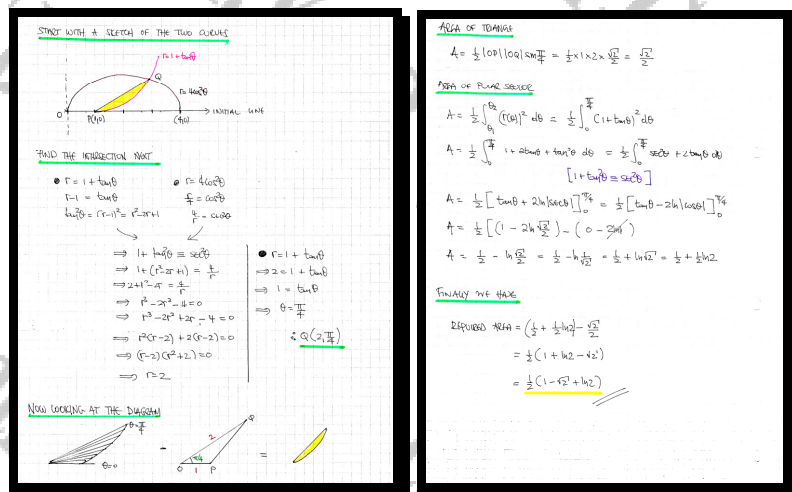
$$r = 4\cos^2 \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{1}{2}\pi.$$

The two curves meet at the point  $Q$ .

Determine, in exact simplified form, the area of the finite region bounded by the straight line through  $P$  and  $Q$ , and the curve with equation  $r = 1 + \tan \theta$ .

Give the answer in the form  $\frac{1}{k}[1 - \sqrt{k} + \ln k]$ , where  $k$  is a positive integer.

$$\square, \left[ \frac{1}{2} [1 - \sqrt{2} + \ln 2] \right]$$



## Question 5 (\*\*\*\*)

A cardioid has polar equation

$$r = 4(1 + \cos \theta), \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{1}{2}\pi.$$

A tangent to the curve at some point  $P$  has gradient  $-1$ .Find, in the form  $r = f(\theta)$ , the polar equation of this tangent.

$$\boxed{V}, \boxed{SP}, \boxed{r = \frac{5 + 3\sqrt{3}}{\cos \theta + \sin \theta}}$$

STEP 1: DERIVATIVE OF THE GRADIENT FUNCTION

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = \frac{\frac{d}{d\theta}(4(1+\cos\theta)\sin\theta)}{\frac{d}{d\theta}(4(1+\cos\theta)\cos\theta)}$$

$$= \frac{4(\cos\theta + \cos\theta\sin\theta)}{4(\cos\theta - \sin\theta)} = \frac{\cos\theta + \cos\theta\sin\theta}{\cos\theta - \sin\theta}$$

$$= \frac{\cos\theta(1+\sin\theta)}{\cos\theta - \sin\theta}$$

SETTING  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -1$  YIELDS THE FOLLOWING TRIGONOMETRIC EQUATION

$$\frac{\cos\theta(1+\sin\theta)}{\cos\theta - \sin\theta} = -1$$

$$\cos\theta + \cos\theta\sin\theta = -\cos\theta + \sin\theta$$

NOW NEED SOME IDENTITIES - IF NOT GIVEN OR KNOWN

$$\cos(A+B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B \quad \sin(A+B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$$

$$\cos(A-B) = \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B \quad \sin(A-B) = \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$$

$$\therefore \cos(A+B) + \cos(A-B) = 2\cos A \cos B \quad \therefore \sin(A+B) + \sin(A-B) = 2\sin A \cos B$$

LET  $A+B = P$      $A-B = Q$

$$\therefore \cos P + \cos Q = 2\cos \frac{P+Q}{2} \cos \frac{P-Q}{2} \quad \therefore \sin P + \sin Q = 2\sin \frac{P+Q}{2} \cos \frac{P-Q}{2}$$

RETURNING TO THE 'MAIN LINE'

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta + \cos 2\theta = \sin\theta + \sin 2\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\cos \frac{3\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} = 2\sin \frac{3\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} (\cos \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \frac{\theta}{2}) = 0$$

NOW  $\cos \frac{3\theta}{2} = 0$  - CHECK SOLUTIONS OUT OF RANGE

$$\Rightarrow \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{3\theta}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \frac{3\theta}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6} \quad (\text{ONLY SOLUTION IN RANGE})$$

THIS  $r = 4(1 + \cos \frac{\pi}{6}) = 4(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}) = 4 + 2\sqrt{3}$

EQUATION OF TANGENT

$$y - (2 + \sqrt{3}) = -1(x - (2 + \sqrt{3}))$$

$$y - 2 - \sqrt{3} = -x + 2 + \sqrt{3}$$

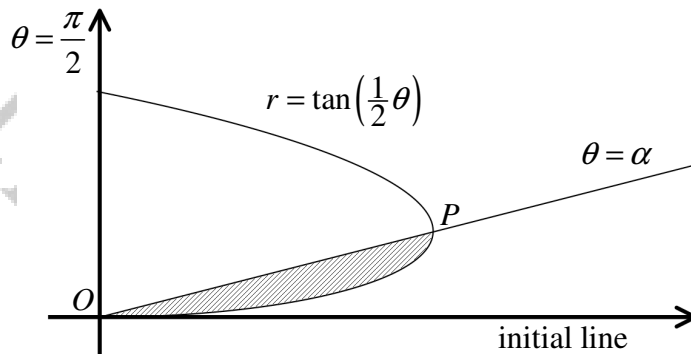
$$y + x = 5 + 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\sin \theta + \cos \theta = \frac{5 + 2\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$r(\cos \theta + \sin \theta) = \frac{5 + 2\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$r = \frac{5 + 2\sqrt{3}}{\cos \theta + \sin \theta}$$

Question 6 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the curve  $C$  with polar equation

$$r = \tan\left(\frac{1}{2}\theta\right), \quad 0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

The point  $P$  lies on  $C$  so that tangent to  $C$  is perpendicular to the initial line.

The half line with equation  $\theta = \alpha$  passes through  $P$ .

Find, in exact simplified form, the area of the finite region bounded by  $C$  and the above mentioned half line.

,  $\text{area} = \sqrt{-2 + \sqrt{5}} - \arctan \sqrt{-2 + \sqrt{5}}$

• FIRSTLY WE NEED THE  $\theta$  CO-ORDINATE OF  $P$ , WHICH IS WHERE THE TANGENT IS "VERTICAL"

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = \infty \quad \therefore \frac{dx}{d\theta} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta} (r \cos \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta} \left[ \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \cos \theta \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \theta - \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \theta - 2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \theta = 0$$

• SOLVING THE ABOVE TRIGONOMETRIC EQUATION - EITHER BY DIVIDING BY  $\cos \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \tan \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \left[ \frac{2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \right] = 0$$

$$\tan 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

LET  $\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = T$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + T^2 - 2T \left( \frac{2T}{1 - T^2} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + T^2 - \frac{4T^2}{1 - T^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + T^2)(1 - T^2) - 4T^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - T^4 - 4T^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = T^4 + 4T^2 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (T^2 + 2)^2 - 4 - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (T^2 + 2)^2 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow T^2 + 2 = \pm \sqrt{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = \begin{cases} -2 + \sqrt{5} \\ -2 - \sqrt{5} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \begin{cases} \sqrt{-2 + \sqrt{5}} \\ -\sqrt{-2 + \sqrt{5}} \end{cases} \quad 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{2} = \arctan \sqrt{-2 + \sqrt{5}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 2 \arctan \sqrt{-2 + \sqrt{5}}$$

• NOW FINDING THE REQUIRED AREA

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\theta} r^2 d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\theta} \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} d\theta$$

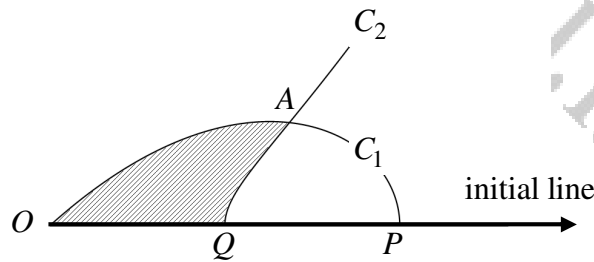
$$\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\theta} \left( \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 1 \right) d\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} - \theta \right]_0^{\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 2 \sqrt{-2 + \sqrt{5}} - 2 \arctan \sqrt{-2 + \sqrt{5}} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \sqrt{-2 + \sqrt{5}} - \arctan \sqrt{-2 + \sqrt{5}}$$

**Question 7** (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the curves  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  with respective polar equations

$$r_1 = \sec \theta (1 - \tan^2 \theta) \quad \text{and} \quad r_2 = \frac{1}{2} \sec^3 \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < \frac{1}{4} \pi.$$

The points  $P$  and  $Q$  are the respective points where  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  meet the initial line, and the point  $A$  is the intersection of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

- a)** Find the exact area of the curvilinear triangle  $OAQ$ , where  $O$  is the pole.

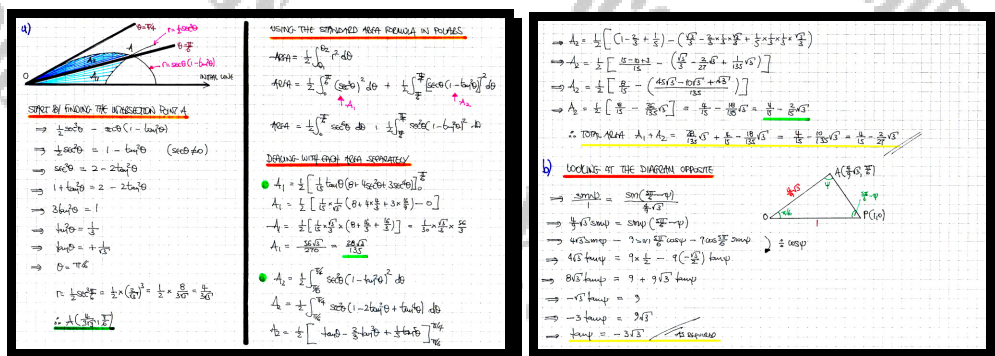
The angle  $OAP$  is denoted by  $\psi$ .

- b)** Show that  $\tan \psi = -3\sqrt{3}$ .

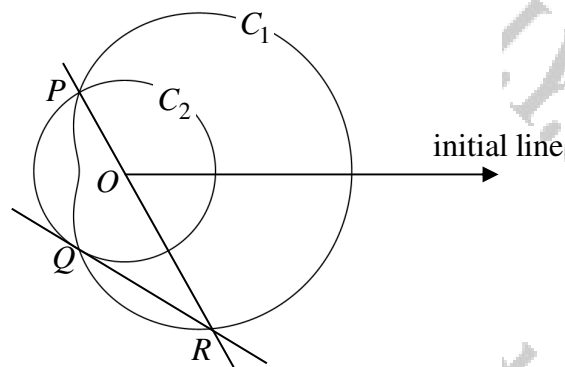
**You may assume without proof**

$$\int \sec^6 x \, dx = \frac{1}{15} (8 + 4 \sec^2 x + 3 \sec^4 x) \tan x + C$$

$$\boxed{\phantom{000}}, \frac{2(18-5\sqrt{3})}{135}$$



Question 8 (\*\*\*\*)



The figure above shows the curves  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  with respective polar equations

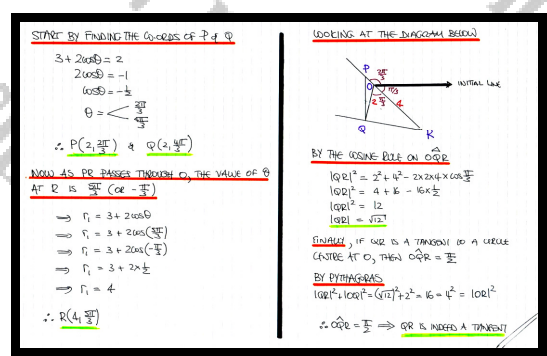
$$r_1 = 3 + 2\cos\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi \quad \text{and} \quad r_2 = 2.$$

The two curves intersect at the points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

A straight line passing through  $P$  and the pole  $O$  intersects  $C_1$  again at the point  $R$ .

Show that  $RQ$  is a tangent of  $C_1$  at  $Q$ .

, proof



**Question 9** (\*\*\*\*)

The curves  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  have respective polar equations

$$r = 1 + \sin \theta, \quad 0 < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi \quad \text{and} \quad r = 1 + \cos 2\theta, \quad 0 < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi.$$

The point  $P$  is the point of intersection of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

A straight line, which is parallel to the initial line, passes through  $P$  and intersects  $C_2$  at the point  $Q$ .

Show that

$$|PQ| = \frac{1}{32} \left[ 24\sqrt{3} - (2 + 2\sqrt{13})^{\frac{3}{2}} \right].$$

 , proof

START BY OBTAINING THE POLAR COORDINATES OF P

$$\begin{aligned} r &= 1 + \sin \theta \\ r &= 1 + \cos 2\theta \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} r &= 1 + \sin \theta \\ r &= 1 + \cos 2\theta \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \sin \theta &= \cos 2\theta \\ \sin \theta &= 1 - 2\sin^2 \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin^2 \theta + \sin \theta - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\sin \theta - 1)(\sin \theta + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \sin \theta = -1$$

$\therefore$  ONLY SOLUTION IN RANGE IS  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$

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

WORKING AT THE ORIGIN LEVEL

Equation of L is  $y = \frac{1}{2}$

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

OR

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

SOVEREIGNLY WITH  $C_1$  TO FIND THE COORDINATES OF Q

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

- $r \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$
- $r^2 \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4}$
- $\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4r^2}$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = 16r^2 - 8r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 8r^2 - 16r^2 + 9 = 0$$

$\therefore r = \frac{3}{4}$  IS A SOLUTION, FREEDOM BY INSPECTION

$$\Rightarrow (2r-3)(4r^2 + 4r - 3) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} -6r - 34r &= 0 \\ -3r(2+4) &= 0 \\ 4 &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2r-3)(4r^2 - 2r - 3) = 0$$

SOVEREIGN THE QUADRATIC (REARRANGE OR COMPLETING THE SQUARE)

$$\Rightarrow 4r^2 - 2r - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 48}}{8} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{52}}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{13}}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{13}}{4}$$

$r > 0$

TO FIND THE CHARGE OF  $\theta$ , AS Q LIES ON  $C_2$   $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{4}$

$$\Rightarrow r \sin \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{13} \right) \sin \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + \sqrt{13}) \sin \theta = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{13} + 1)(\sqrt{13} - 1) \sin \theta = 3(\sqrt{13} - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 12 \sin \theta = 3(\sqrt{13} - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{1}{4}(\sqrt{13} - 1)$$

NOW WORKING AT THE ORIGIN LEVEL

PROCEED TO FIND THE EXACT VALUE OF  $\cos \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{16}(\sqrt{13} - 1)^2 = \frac{1}{16}(13 - 2\sqrt{13} + 1) = \frac{1}{16}(14 - 2\sqrt{13})$$

$$= \frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{8}\sqrt{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \theta = 1 - \sin^2 \theta = 1 - \left( \frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{8}\sqrt{13} \right)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8}\sqrt{13}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{8}(1 + \sqrt{13})}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{13}}$$

FINALLY WE HAVE

$$|PQ| = |OB| - |OA| = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{13} - \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{13} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{13}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{13} - \frac{1}{4}(1 + \sqrt{13}) \left[ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{13}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{13} - \frac{1}{8}(1 + \sqrt{13})^{\frac{3}{2}}$$



**Question 10** (\*\*\*\*)

A straight line  $L$ , whose gradient is  $-\frac{3}{11}$ , is a tangent to the curve with polar equation

$$r = 25 \cos 2\theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{1}{2}\pi$$

Show that the area of the finite region bounded by the curve, the straight line  $L$  and the initial line is

$$\frac{25}{12}\left[46-75\arctan\frac{1}{3}\right].$$

, proof

[illegible]