

Converting Polar/Rectangular Equations

Convert the rectangular equation into polar form.

1) $x^2 + y^2 - 121 = 0$

$r^2 = 121$

$r = 11$

~~$x^2 + y^2 - 49 = 0$~~

~~$r^2 = 49$~~

~~$r = 7$~~

~~$x^2 + y^2 - 28x + 22y = 0$~~

~~$r^2 - 28r\cos\theta + 22r\sin\theta = 0$~~

~~$r = 28\cos\theta - 22\sin\theta$~~

~~$x^2 + y^2 - 22x + 30y = 0$~~

~~$r^2 - 22r\cos\theta + 30r\sin\theta = 0$~~

~~$r = 22\cos\theta - 30\sin\theta$~~

5) $x^2 + y^2 - 22x + 10y = 0$

$r^2 - 22r\cos\theta + 10r\sin\theta = 0$

$r = 22\cos\theta - 10\sin\theta$

6) $(x-3)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 25$

$x^2 - 6x + 9 + y^2 - 8y + 16 = 25$

$x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 8y = 0$

$r^2 - 6r\cos\theta - 8r\sin\theta = 0$

$r = 6\cos\theta + 8\sin\theta$

7) $(x+2)^2 + (y+6)^2 = 40$

$x^2 + 4x + 4 + y^2 + 12y + 36 = 40$

$x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 12y = 0$

$r^2 + 4r\cos\theta + 12r\sin\theta = 0$

$r = -4\cos\theta - 12\sin\theta$

8) $(x-11)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 125$

$x^2 - 22x + 121 + y^2 - 4y + 4 = 125$

$x^2 + y^2 - 22x - 4y = 0$

$r^2 - 22r\cos\theta - 4r\sin\theta = 0$

$r = 22\cos\theta + 4\sin\theta$

9) $x = 16$

$r \cos \theta = 16$

$r = \frac{16}{\cos \theta}$

$r = 16 \sec \theta$

11) $y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}x$

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

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

$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$



13) $y = 0$

$r \sin \theta = 0$

$r = \frac{0}{\sin \theta}$

$r = 0$

10) $y = x$

$\frac{y}{x} = 1$

$\tan \theta = 1$

$\theta = \tan^{-1}(1)$

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

12) $4x + 5y = -40$

$4r \cos \theta + 5r \sin \theta = -40$

$40 = -4r \cos \theta - 5r \cos \theta$

14) $y = 6x + 5$

$r \sin \theta = 6r \cos \theta + 5$

$r \sin \theta - 6r \cos \theta = 5$

$5 = r \sin \theta - 6r \cos \theta$

Convert the polar equation into rectangular form.

15) $\theta = \frac{5\pi}{6}$

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

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

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

line
slope = $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$
y-int (0,0)

16) $\theta = -\frac{\pi}{6}$

$\tan \theta = \tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$

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

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

line slope = $-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$
y-int (0,0)

17) $r^2 = 4^2$

$x^2 + y^2 = 16$

circle

center (0,0)

radius = 4

18) $r^2 = 2^2$

$r^2 = 4$

$x^2 + y^2 = 4$

circle
center (0,0) r=2

19) $r = 4 \sin \theta$

$r^2 = 4r \sin \theta$

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

$x^2 + y^2 - 4y + 4 = 0 + 4$

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

circle, center (0,2) radius=2

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

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

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

$x^2 + y^2 - 2y + 1 = 0 + 1$

$x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 1$ circle center (0,1)

r=1

$$21) r = \frac{3}{\cos \theta}$$

$$r \cos \theta = 3$$

$$x = 3$$

Vertical line

$$23) r = 5 \cos \theta - 8 \sin \theta$$

$$r^2 = 5r \cos \theta - 8r \sin \theta$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 5x - 8y$$

$$x^2 - 5x + \frac{25}{4}y^2 + 8y + 16 = \frac{25}{4} + 16$$

$$\left(x - \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 + (y + 4)^2 = \frac{89}{4}$$

$$\text{Center } \left(\frac{5}{2}, -4\right) \quad r = \frac{\sqrt{89}}{2}$$

$$25) r = -\frac{11}{\sin \theta}$$

$$r \sin \theta = -11$$

$$y = -11$$

horizontal line

$$27) r = 9 \sec \theta$$

$$r = \frac{9}{\cos \theta}$$

$$r \cos \theta = 9$$

$$x = 9$$

Vertical line

$$29) r = \frac{4}{1 - \cos \theta}$$

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

$$r - x = 4$$

$$r = x + 4$$

$$r^2 = (x + 4)^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = x^2 + 8x + 16$$

$$\frac{y^2}{8} - \frac{16}{8} = \frac{8x}{8}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{8}y^2 - 2$$

parabola
Vertex (-2, 0)

$$22) r = 8$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 64$$

Center (0, 0)

$$r = 8$$

$$24) r = -8 \cos \theta + 10 \sin \theta$$

$$r^2 = -8r \cos \theta + 10r \sin \theta$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = -8x + 10y$$

$$x^2 + 8x + 16 + y^2 - 10y + 25 = 16 + 25$$

$$(x + 4)^2 + (y - 5)^2 = 41$$

$$\text{Center } (-4, 5) \quad r = \sqrt{41}$$

$$26) r = 4 \csc \theta$$

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

$$r \sin \theta = 4$$

$$y = 4$$

horizontal line

$$28) \theta = 315^\circ$$

$$\tan \theta = \tan(315^\circ)$$

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

$$y = -x$$

line
slope = -1
y-int (0, 0)

$$30) r = \frac{3}{3 + \sin \theta}$$

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

$$3r + y = 3$$

$$(3r)^2 = (3 - y)^2$$

$$9r^2 = 9 - 6y + y^2$$

$$9x^2 + 9y^2 = 9 - 6y + y^2$$

$$9x^2 + 8y^2 + 6y - 9 = 0$$

Ellipse

$$31) \quad r = \frac{2}{3+2\cos\theta}$$

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

$$3r + 2x = 2$$

$$(3r)^2 = (2-2x)^2$$

$$9r^2 = 4 - 8x + 4x^2$$

$$9x^2 + 9y^2 = 4 - 8x + 4x^2$$

$$\boxed{5x^2 + 9y^2 + 8x - 4 = 0}$$

Ellipse

$$32) \quad r = \frac{5}{2-4\sin\theta}$$

$$2r - 4r\sin\theta = 5$$

$$2r - 4y = 5$$

$$(2r)^2 = (4y+5)^2$$

$$4r^2 = 16y^2 + 40y + 25$$

$$4x^2 + 4y^2 = 16y^2 + 40y + 25$$

$$\boxed{4x^2 - 12y^2 - 40y - 25 = 0}$$

Hyperbola