

## Practice Questions of Lecture 16 to 22\_Solution

**Q.1:** Find the angle between the following pair of lines.

(a)  $11x^2 + 16xy - y^2 = 0$

(b)  $3x^2 + 7xy + 2y^2 = 0$

**Solution:**

(a)

If we compare with general equation of pair of straight lines  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ , we get :

$$a = 11, b = -1, h = 8$$

Let  $\theta$  be the angle between the two lines, then

$$\begin{aligned}\tan \theta &= \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a + b} \\ \tan \theta &= \frac{2\sqrt{(8)^2 - (11)(-1)}}{11 - 1} = \frac{2\sqrt{64 + 11}}{10} = \frac{\sqrt{75}}{5}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{75}}{5}\right) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

(b)

$$\text{Here } a = 3, b = 2, h = \frac{7}{2}$$

Let  $\theta$  be the angle between the two lines, then

$$\begin{aligned}\tan \theta &= \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a + b} \\ \tan \theta &= \frac{2\sqrt{\left(\frac{7}{2}\right)^2 - (3)(2)}}{3 + 2} = \frac{2\sqrt{\frac{49 - 24}{4}}}{5} = \frac{\sqrt{25}}{5} = 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } \theta = \tan^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

**Q.2:** For what value of  $\lambda$  will the following equation represent a pair of straight lines

$$4x^2 - 9y^2 - 2(8 + \lambda)x - 18y = 29 + 2\lambda$$

**Solution:**

Compare the given equation with general equation of second degree in  $x, y$  which is  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$ , we get :

$$\text{Here } a=4; b=-9; c=-29-2\lambda; h=0; g=-(8+\lambda); f=-9,$$

Now, the condition for equation of pair of straight lines is:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & h & g \\ h & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 0 & -(8+\lambda) \\ 0 & -9 & -9 \\ -(8+\lambda) & -9 & -29-2\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Expand the above determinant by 1st row, we get:

$$4(261 + 18\lambda - 81) - (8 + \lambda)(0 - (72 + 9\lambda)) = 0$$

$$1296 + 216\lambda + 9\lambda^2 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + 24\lambda + 144 = 0$$

$$(\lambda + 12)^2 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -12$$

**Q.3:** Express the equation  $r = 1 + \sin \theta$  in rectangular coordinates.

**Solution:**

$$\text{Given } r = 1 + \sin \theta,$$

Multiply both sides by  $r$ , we get

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

As we know that  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$ , and  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ , so above eq. becomes:

$$x^2 + y^2 = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + y$$

This is the required equation in rectangular coordinates.

**Q.4:** Express the equation  $r = a \cos \theta, a > 0$  in rectangular coordinate system.

**Solution:**

Given  $r = a \cos \theta$ ,

Multiply both sides by  $r$ , we get

$$r^2 = ar \cos \theta$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = ax$$

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

This is the required equation in Cartesian coordinate system.

**Q.5:** Find polar coordinates of the point P whose rectangular coordinates are (1, 1).

**Solution:**

$x = 1$  and  $y = 1$ , so

$$r = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2} \text{ and } \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \tan^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

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So, in polar coordinate, the point is  $\left(\sqrt{2}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ .

**Q.6:** Find Cartesian coordinates of the point P whose polar coordinates are (16,  $30^\circ$ ).

**Solution:**

Here

$r = 16$  and  $\theta = 30^\circ$ , so

$$x = r \cos \theta = 16 \cos 30^\circ = 14(\text{approx.})$$

$$y = r \sin \theta = 16 \sin 30^\circ = 8$$

Hence required point in Cartesian coordinated is (14,8).

**Q.7:** Find the eccentricity and length of semi-latus rectum of the conic  $\frac{4}{r} = 5 + 4 \sin \theta$ .

**Solution:**

$$\text{Given } \frac{4}{r} = 5 + 4 \sin \theta$$

$$r = \frac{4}{5 + 4 \sin \theta}$$

$$r = \frac{5}{5(1 + \frac{4}{5} \sin \theta)} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{4}{5} \sin \theta}$$

Compare the equation with

$$r = \frac{l}{1 + e \sin \theta}$$

we get

$l = 1$  (required length of semi latus rectum) and

$$e = \frac{4}{5}$$

**Q.8:** Identify the conic  $\frac{4}{r} = 2 + \sin \theta$ . Find also its eccentricity and the length of latus-rectum.

**Solution:**

$$\text{Given } \frac{4}{r} = 2 + \sin \theta$$

$$r = \frac{4}{2 + \sin \theta}$$

$$r = \frac{4}{2(1 + \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta)} = \frac{4/2}{1 + \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta}$$

Compare the equation with

$$r = \frac{l}{1 + e \sin \theta}$$

we get

$$e = \frac{1}{2} < 1 \text{ (The conic is an ellipse)}$$

$$l = 2(2) = 4 \text{ (required length of latus rectum)}$$

**Q.9:** Find the angle  $\psi$  for the polar curve  $r = a(1 - \cos \theta)$  at  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

**Solution:**

Given  $r = a(1 - \cos \theta)$ ,

We know that  $\tan \psi = r \frac{d\theta}{dr}$ , so first we need to find  $\frac{dr}{d\theta}$ .

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = a(0 + \sin \theta) = a \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\theta}{dr} = \frac{1}{a \sin \theta}$$

Therefore,

$$\tan \psi = a(1 - \cos \theta) \frac{1}{a \sin \theta} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\text{at } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2},$$

$$\tan \psi = \frac{1 - \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)} = \frac{1 - 0}{1} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi = \tan^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

**Q.10:** Find the angle of intersection of the curves  $r = 2$  and  $r = 4 \sin \theta$ .

**Solution:**

Here  $r_1 = 2$  and  $r_2 = 4 \sin \theta$

Solving both equations to find  $\theta$ :

$$2 = 4 \sin \theta$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Now,  $\frac{dr_1}{d\theta} = 0$  and  $\frac{dr_2}{d\theta} = 4 \cos \theta$ .

As we know that  $\tan \psi = r \frac{d\theta}{dr}$ , so

$$\tan \psi_1 = r_1 \frac{d\theta}{dr_1} = 1 \left( \frac{1}{0} \right) = \infty \Rightarrow \psi_1 = \tan^{-1}(\infty) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

and,

$$\tan \psi_2 = r_2 \frac{d\theta}{dr_2} = 4 \sin \theta \left( \frac{1}{4 \cos \theta} \right) = \tan \theta \Rightarrow \psi_2 = \theta$$

$$\text{As } \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \text{ so } \psi_2 = \frac{\pi}{6}.$$

$$\text{Now angle between two curves} = |\psi_1 - \psi_2| = \left| \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{6} \right| = \frac{\pi}{3}$$