

7.4 Answers to 7.3 Exercise

Further A-Level Pure Mathematics, Core 2 Polar Coordinates

Answer 1

(a) When the curves intersect,

$$2 \sin \theta = 1.5 - \sin \theta$$

$$3 \sin \theta = 1.5$$

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

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

With the diagram as a guide, $P\left(1, \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$, $Q\left(1, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$

[3 marks]

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} (2 \sin \theta)^2 d\theta + 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\frac{3}{2} - \sin \theta \right)^2 d\theta \\ &= 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \sin^2 \theta d\theta + \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{9}{4} - 3 \sin \theta + \sin^2 \theta d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} 2 - 2 \cos 2\theta d\theta + \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{9}{4} - 3 \sin \theta + \frac{2}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \times 2 \cos 2\theta d\theta \\ &= \left[2\theta - \sin 2\theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} + \left[\frac{11\theta}{4} + 3 \cos \theta - \frac{1}{4} \sin 2\theta \right]_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{11\pi}{8} - \frac{11\pi}{24} - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ &= \frac{5}{4}\pi - \frac{15}{8}\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

[8 marks]

Answer 2**(a)** When the poles intersect,

$$7 \cos \theta = 3(1 + \cos \theta)$$

$$4 \cos \theta = 3$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\theta = \pm 0.7227...$$

With the diagram as a guide, $P\left(\frac{21}{4}, 0.7227...\right)$, $Q\left(\frac{21}{4}, -0.7227...\right)$

[3 marks]

(b) Let $\phi = \arccos\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \Rightarrow \cos \phi = \frac{3}{4}$, $\sin \phi = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}$

$$Area = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\phi 3^2 (1 + \cos \theta)^2 d\theta + 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \int_\phi^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 7^2 \cos^2 \theta d\theta$$

$$= 9 \int_0^\phi 1 + 2 \cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta d\theta + 49 \int_\phi^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 \theta d\theta$$

$$= 9 \int_0^\phi 1 + 2 \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \times 2 \cos 2\theta d\theta + 49 \int_\phi^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \times 2 \cos 2\theta d\theta$$

$$= 9 \left[\frac{3\theta}{2} + 2 \sin \theta + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2\theta \right]_0^\phi + 49 \left[\frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2\theta \right]_\phi^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{27\phi}{2} + 18 \sin \phi + \frac{9}{4} \sin 2\phi + \frac{49\pi}{4} - \frac{49\phi}{2} - \frac{49}{4} \sin 2\phi$$

$$= \frac{49\pi}{4} - 11\phi + 18 \sin \phi - 10 \sin 2\phi$$

$$= \frac{49\pi}{4} - 11\phi + 18 \sin \phi - 20 \sin \phi \cos \phi$$

$$= \frac{49\pi}{4} - 11 \arccos\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + 18 \times \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} - 20 \times \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \times \frac{3}{4}$$

$$= \frac{49\pi}{4} - 11 \arccos\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + \frac{3\sqrt{7}}{4} \quad * \text{ The exact answer } *$$

$$= 32.5187....$$

[7 marks]