

Math 233 - November 5, 2009

Solutions

- Polar Day (Part 2)

1. An apple pie has radius 3 units. You take a slice of pie that is quarter of the whole pie, $\Delta\theta = \pi/2$. What is the area of your slice of pie?

Solution: $\frac{9\pi}{4}$

2. Same pie. Now your slice has $\Delta\theta = \pi/4$. What is the area of your slice of pie?

Solution: $\frac{9\pi}{8}$

3. General pie with radius r and a slice with angle $\Delta\theta$. What is the area of your slice of pie?

Solution: $\frac{\Delta\theta}{2}r^2$

Lecture Problems

4. Transform the following Cartesian equations into polar equations. (If possible, express r as a function of θ .)

(a) $x = 1$

Solution: $r = \sec \theta$

(b) $x = 2$

Solution: $r = 2 \sec \theta$

(c) $y = 0$

Solution: $\theta = 0$

(d) $y = 1$

Solution: $r = \csc \theta$

(e) $x^2 + y^2 = 16$

Solution: $r = 4$

(f) $x^2 + (y - 1/2)^2 = 1/4$

Solution: $r = \sin \theta$

(g) $(x - 1/2)^2 + y^2 = 1/4$

Solution: $r = \cos \theta$

5. Use polar coordinates to compute

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x^2-y^2}} dy dx &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-r^2}} r dr d\theta \\ &= \frac{(2-\sqrt{3})\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

6. Use polar coordinates to compute

$$\begin{aligned}\int_1^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{2x-x^2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} dy dx &= \int_0^{\pi/4} \int_{\sec \theta}^{2 \cos \theta} \frac{1}{r} r dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/4} 2 \cos \theta - \sec \theta dr d\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})\end{aligned}$$

7. Use rectangular coordinates to compute

$$\int_0^{\pi/4} \int_0^{\sec \theta} r^3 \sin^2 \theta dr d\theta =$$