

MA 105 : Calculus

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For any rational number r , we have

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^r) = r x^{r-1} \quad \text{for all } x \in (0, \infty)$$

and hence by the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus,

$$\int_1^x t^s dt = \frac{x^{s+1}}{s+1} - \frac{1}{s+1} \quad \text{for any } x \in (0, \infty),$$

provided $s \neq -1$.

Definition: $\ln x := \int_1^x \frac{1}{t} dt$ for any $x \in (0, \infty)$.
(Natural Logarithm of x)

Note that

this is well-defined since the function $f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(t) = \frac{1}{t}$ is continuous, and hence it is Riemann-integrable^t on every closed & bounded subinterval of $(0, \infty)$.

Basic Properties of the logarithmic function \ln :

① $\ln : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable and

$$(\ln)'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \quad \forall x \in (0, \infty)$$

② $\ln : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is strictly increasing & strictly concave

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \ln(x_1 x_2) = \ln x_1 + \ln x_2 \quad \forall x_1, x_2 \in (0, \infty)$$

④ $\ln x \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $\ln x \rightarrow -\infty$ as $x \rightarrow 0^+$.

⑤ $\ln : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is one-one and onto.

Proof: ① By the FTC and the continuity of $t \mapsto \frac{1}{t}$,
 \ln is diff. on $(0, \infty)$ and $(\ln)'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$.

② $(\ln)'(x) = \frac{1}{x} > 0 \quad \forall x \in (0, \infty) \Rightarrow \ln$ is strictly increasing
and

$(\ln)''(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} < 0 \quad \forall x \in (0, \infty) \Rightarrow \ln$ is strictly concave.

③ Let $x_1, x_2 \in (0, \infty)$. Consider $h: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$h(x) = \ln(x x_2) - \ln x \quad \text{for } x \in (0, \infty).$$

Then h is differentiable and

$$h'(x) = \frac{1}{x x_2} \cdot x_2 - \frac{1}{x} = 0 \quad \forall x \in (0, \infty).$$

Hence h is a constant fn $\Rightarrow h(x) = h(1) = \ln x_2 - \ln 1 = \ln x_2$.

This yields $\ln x_1 x_2 = \ln x_1 + \ln x_2$.

④ By ③ above

$$\ln 2^n = n \ln 2 \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad (\because \ln 2 > 0)$$

and since \ln is strictly increasing on $(0, \infty)$, we see that

$$\ln x \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

Likewise

$$\ln 2^{-n} = -n \ln 2 \rightarrow -\infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

and hence

$$\ln x \rightarrow -\infty \text{ as } x \rightarrow 0^+.$$

⑤ \ln is one-one since it is strictly increasing. Also given any $y \in \mathbb{R}$, $\exists x_1, x_2 \in (0, \infty)$ s.t. $\ln x_1 < y < \ln x_2$, by ④ above. Hence by the IVP, $\exists x \in (x_1, x_2) \subseteq (0, \infty)$ such that $\ln x = y$. So $\ln: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is onto.

Corollary : $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Pf : $\ln n = \int_1^n \frac{1}{t} dt = \sum_{k=2}^n \int_{k-1}^k \frac{1}{t} dt \leq \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{1}{k-1}$.

In other words

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \gg \ln(n+1) \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ since } \ln x \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

Note also that $\ln 2 \leq 1$, while

$$\ln 4 = \int_1^4 \frac{1}{t} dt = \int_1^2 \frac{1}{t} dt + \int_2^4 \frac{1}{t} dt \gg \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2 = 1.$$

Thus $\ln 2 \leq 1 \leq \ln 4$ and so by IVP, \exists unique $e \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $2 \leq e \leq 4$ and $\ln e = 1$.

One can use the above info.
to make a rough sketch of
the graph of \ln :

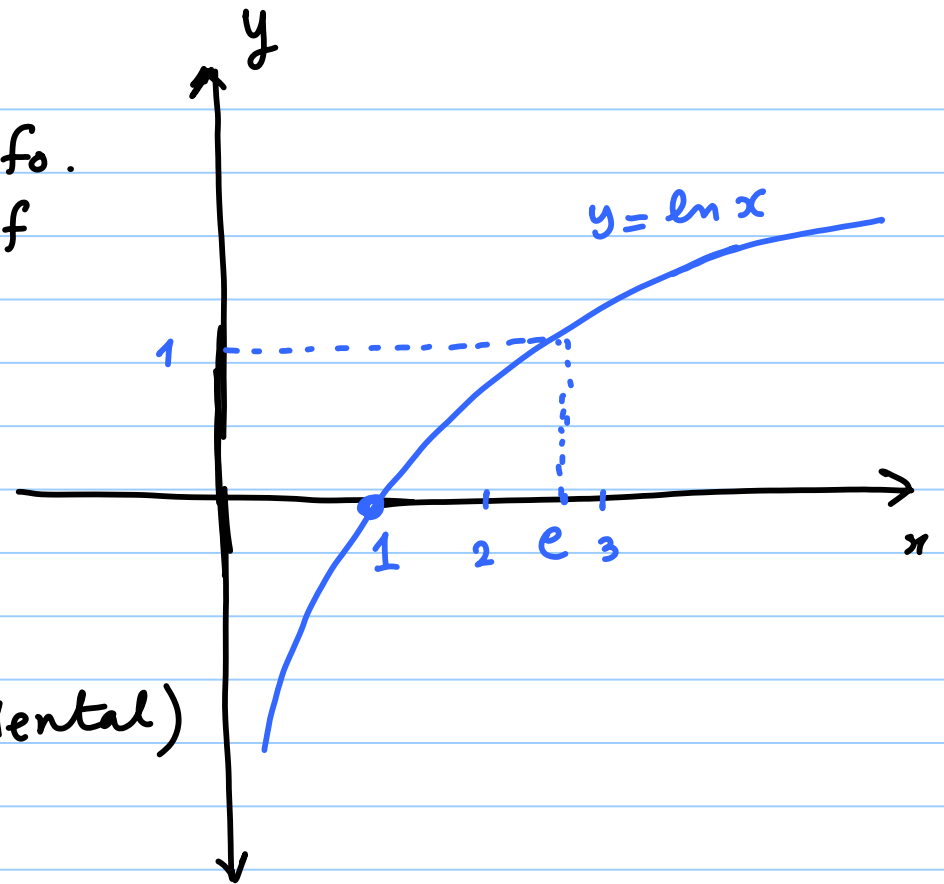
Remark: One has

$$e = 2.71828182 \dots$$

and it can be shown that

e is irrational

(and in fact e is transcendental)



Exponential Function

Since $\ln : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is 1-1 & onto, it has an inverse, which is denoted by \exp . Note that

$$\exp : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$$

is the function determined by the relation

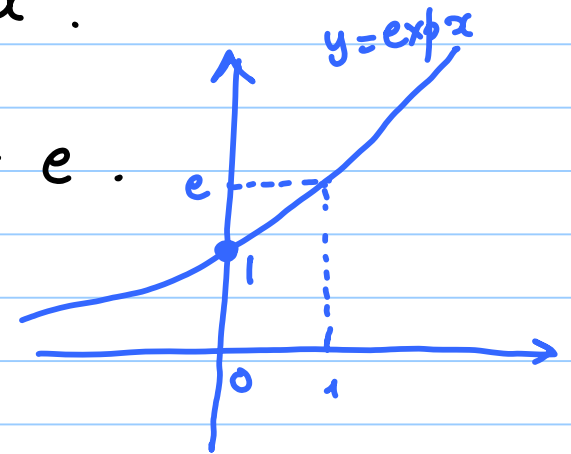
$$\exp x = y \iff \ln y = x.$$

In particular,

$$\exp 0 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \exp 1 = e.$$

and of course

$$\exp x > 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$



Basic Properties of the exponential function

① $\exp : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is differentiable and
 $(\exp)'(x) = \exp(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

② $\exp : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is strictly increasing & strictly convex on \mathbb{R} .

③ $\exp(x_1 + x_2) = (\exp x_1)(\exp x_2) \quad \forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

④ $\exp x \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $\exp x \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$.

Proof: ① if $x = \ln y$ then $(\exp)'(x) = \frac{1}{(\ln)'(y)} = y = \exp x,$

thanks to the Differentiable inverse theorem.

② Follows from ①.

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \exp(x_1) = y_1, \quad \exp(x_2) = y_2 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\ln(y_1 y_2) = \ln y_1 + \ln y_2 = x_1 + x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \exp(x_1 + x_2) = y_1 y_2 = \exp(x_1) \exp(x_2).$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \text{range}(\exp) = (0, \infty) \quad \text{and} \quad \exp \text{ is strictly increasing on } \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exp x \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty \quad \& \quad \exp x \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow -\infty.$$

Note: $(\exp)^{(n)}(x) = \exp x \quad \forall n \geq 1$ & in particular $(\exp)^{(n)}(0) = 1$.

So the n^{th} Taylor polynomial of \exp around 0 is

$$P_n(x) = \exp 0 + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\exp^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{x^k}{k!}.$$

Real Powers of positive numbers

First note that for any $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $a \in (0, \infty)$

$$\ln a^r = r \ln a$$

[e.g. since the derivative of $\ln x^r - r \ln x$ is 0 and since its value at $x=1$ is also 0.]

Defn: For any $b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a \in (0, \infty)$

$$a^b := \exp(b \ln a)$$

$a \rightarrow$ base

$b \rightarrow$ exponent

or equivalently,

$$\ln a^b = b \ln a.$$

Note that this defn. is consistent with the defn. of rational powers.

Basic Properties: For all $a, a_1, a_2 \in (0, \infty)$ and $b, b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

• $a^{b_1+b_2} = a^{b_1} a^{b_2}$

• $(a_1 a_2)^b = a_1^b a_2^b$

• $(a^{b_1})^{b_2} = a^{b_1 b_2}$

• For fixed $a \in (0, \infty)$, the function $f_a: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ defined by $f_a(x) = a^x$ is differentiable and $f_a'(x) = a^x (\ln a)$.

• For fixed $b \in \mathbb{R}$, the function $g_b: (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ defined by $g_b(x) = x^b$ is differentiable and $g_b'(x) = b x^{b-1}$.

Proof: Everything follows easily from the defn:

$$a^b := \exp(b \ln a)$$

and the properties of \ln and \exp proved earlier.

Remark: Taking $a = e$, we find

$$e^b = \exp(b \ln e) = \exp b, \quad \forall b \in \mathbb{R}$$

With this in view, we may write

$$\exp x = e^x$$

and in particular,

$$a^b = e^{b \ln a}.$$

Applications of Riemann Integration

We have seen already that the notion of Riemann integration can be used to define and determine the AREA of a large class of planar regions, e.g.

- Area between two curves:

If $R = \{ (x, y) : a \leq x \leq b \text{ \& } f_1(x) \leq y \leq f_2(x) \}$

where $f_1, f_2: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are Riemann integrable functions such that $f_1 \leq f_2$ i.e., $f_1(x) \leq f_2(x), \forall x \in [a, b]$, then

$$\text{Area}(R) = \int_a^b [f_2(x) - f_1(x)] dx.$$

Similarly if $R = \{ (x, y) : c \leq y \leq d \text{ \& } g_1(y) \leq x \leq g_2(y) \}$ where $g_1, g_2: [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are integrable and $g_1 \leq g_2$, then

$$\text{Area}(R) = \int_c^d [g_2(y) - g_1(y)] dy.$$

Examples: ① Find the area of the region bounded by the parabolas $x = -2y^2$ and $x = 1 - 3y^2$.

First find points of intersection:

$$-2y^2 = 1 - 3y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm 1$$

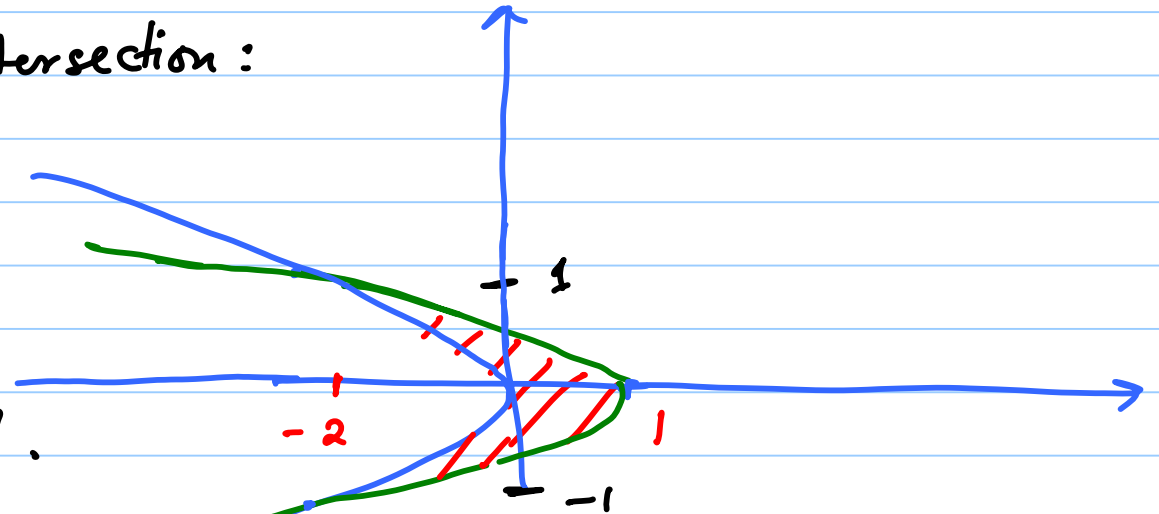
Note that

$$1 - 3y^2 > -2y^2$$

$$\forall y \in [-1, 1].$$

So

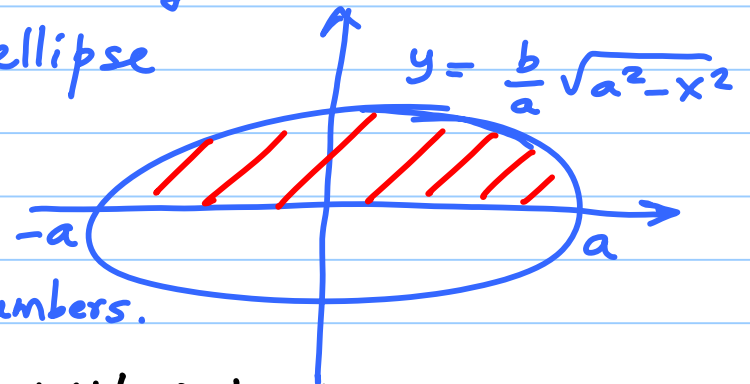
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \int_{-1}^1 [(1 - 3y^2) - (-2y^2)] dy \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 (1 - y^2) dy = \frac{4}{3}. \end{aligned}$$



② Consider the problem of finding the area of the region enclosed by the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

where a, b are positive real numbers.



The given region can be split into two non-overlapping regions and hence the desired area is

$$2 \times \text{Area}(\text{region between } y = \frac{b}{a} \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}, x \in [-a, a] \text{ \& } y = 0)$$
$$= 2 \int_{-a}^a \frac{b}{a} \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} = \frac{2b}{a} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} a^2 \cos^2 \theta d\theta = \pi ab.$$

As a special case (viz. $b = a$) we find that

Area of a disk of radius $a = \pi a^2$.

③ Consider the sector of a disk of radius a , which subtends an angle θ at the center.

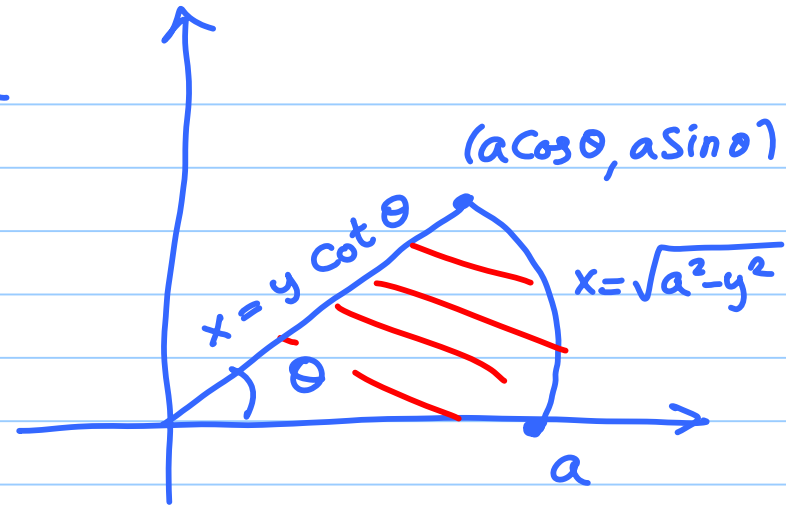
This can be viewed as the region bounded by curves

$$x = y \cot \theta \quad \& \quad x = \sqrt{a^2 - y^2}, \quad 0 \leq y \leq a \sin \theta.$$

Hence the desired area is

$$\int_0^{a \sin \theta} \left[\sqrt{a^2 - y^2} - (\cot \theta) y \right] dy = a^2 \int_0^{\theta} \cos^2 t dt - \frac{(\cot \theta) a^2 \sin^2 \theta}{2}$$

$$= \frac{a^2 \theta}{2}.$$



Review of polar coordinates

For any point $P = (x, y)$ of the plane \mathbb{R}^2 , numbers r and θ satisfying

$$x = r \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad y = r \sin \theta$$

are called polar coordinates of P . More precisely and for definitiveness, note that if P is not the origin, i.e., if $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$, then there are unique $r, \theta \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$r > 0, \quad \theta \in (-\pi, \pi], \quad x = r \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad y = r \sin \theta.$$

We refer to the pair (r, θ) as the polar coordinates of P . Note that $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. Exer: Express θ as a fn. of x, y .

Polar Curves or Curves given by a polar equation

An equation in the polar coordinates r and θ , such as an equation of the form

$$r = p(\theta), \quad \theta \in [\alpha, \beta]$$

(where usually $\alpha, \beta \in [-\pi, \pi]$) determines a curve in the plane, namely

$$\{ (p(\theta) \cos \theta, p(\theta) \sin \theta) : \theta \in [\alpha, \beta] \}$$

Remark: Several examples and pictures of such curves can be found in pages 262-263 of [GL-1].

Now consider the planar region bounded by a polar curve $r = p(\theta)$ and the rays $\theta = \alpha$ & $\theta = \beta$.

Assume that the function

$$p: [\alpha, \beta] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is integrable. The region R enclosed by $r = p(\theta)$ and by the

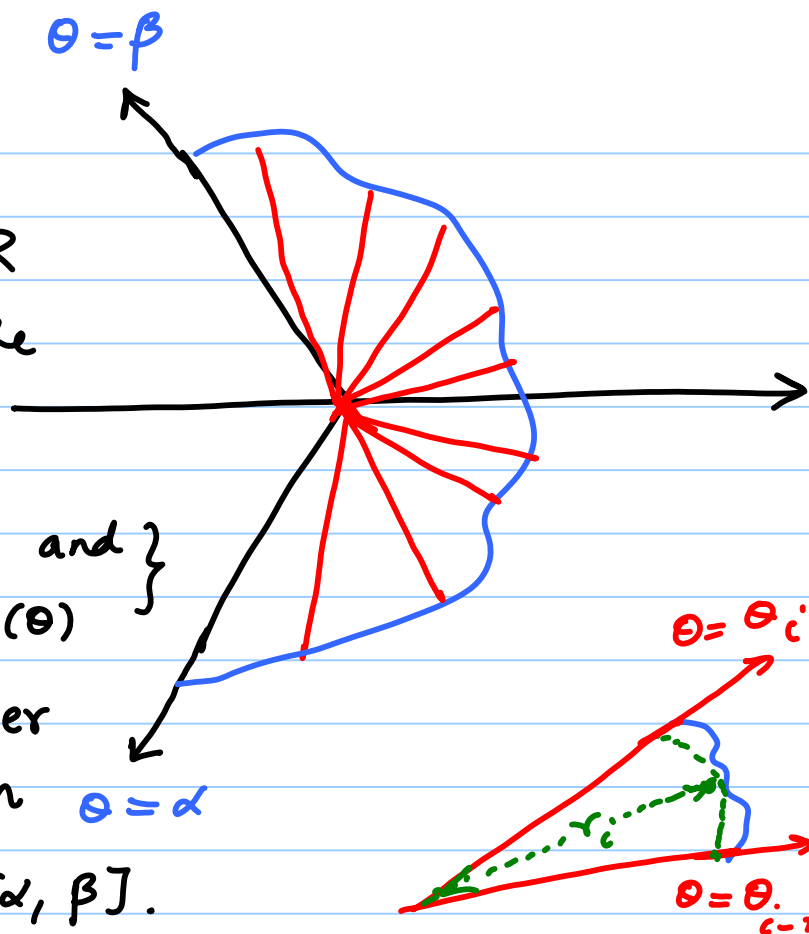
rays $\theta = \alpha$ and $\theta = \beta$, i.e.,

$$R = \left\{ (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) : \alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta \text{ and } 0 \leq r \leq p(\theta) \right\}$$

can be subdivided into smaller regions by taking a partition

$$\{\theta_0, \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n\} \text{ of } [\alpha, \beta].$$

The area of the subregion between $\theta = \theta_{i-1}$ and $\theta = \theta_i$ can be approximated by the area of a sector of disk of radius r_i



where $r_i = p(s_i)$, $s_i \in [\theta_{i-1}, \theta_i]$. In view of Example (3) above, this area is equal to

$$\frac{1}{2} r_i^2 \theta_i - \frac{1}{2} r_i^2 \theta_{i-1} = \frac{1}{2} r_i^2 (\theta_i - \theta_{i-1})$$

and hence the area of R is approximately

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2} r_i^2 (\theta_i - \theta_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2} p(s_i)^2 (\theta_i - \theta_{i-1}).$$

It seems clear that these approximations become better as the partition $\{\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n\}$ gets finer and finer. With this in view we define

$$\text{Area}(R) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} r^2 d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} p(\theta)^2 d\theta.$$

Example Consider the cardioid

$$r = a(1 + \cos \theta) \quad \theta \in (-\pi, \pi].$$

The area enclosed by this is

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [a(1 + \cos \theta)]^2 d\theta$$

$$= \frac{a^2}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(1 + 2\cos \theta + \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} \right) d\theta$$

$$= \frac{3a^2\pi}{2}.$$

