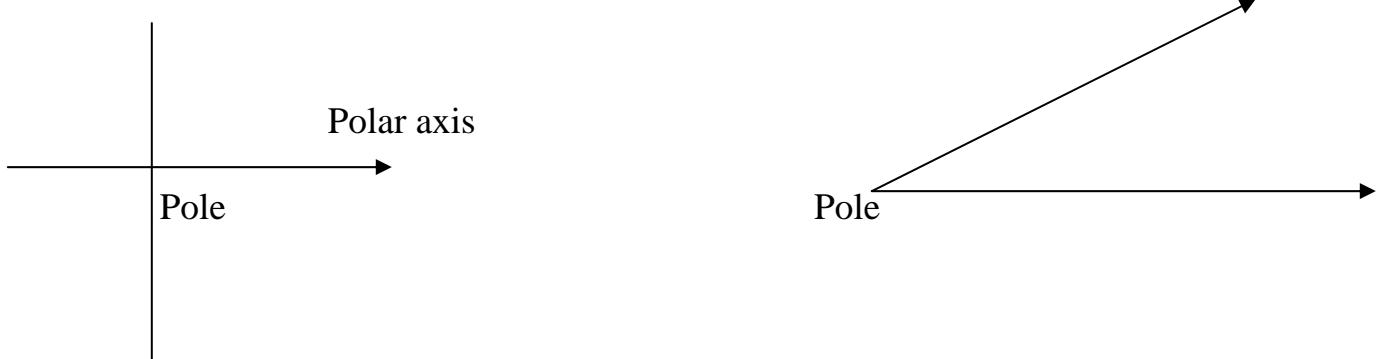


## Section 8.1: Polar coordinates



Ex: Plot the following points  $(2, \frac{\pi}{3}), (3, -\frac{2\pi}{3}), (2, \frac{7\pi}{6})$

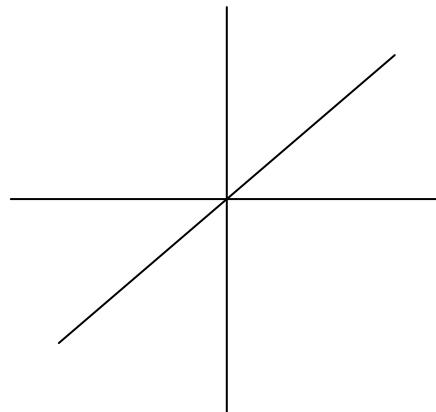
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Finding Several polar coordinates of a single point:

EX:  $(2, \frac{\pi}{3})$

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Polar coordinates  $(r, \theta)$ ,  $r < 0$ :



Ex: Plot  $(2, \frac{4\pi}{3})$ , and  $(-2, \frac{4\pi}{3})$

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### Notes:

- 1) In rectangular coordinates each point has exactly one pair of rectangular coordinates.
- 2) In polar coordinates each point has infinitely many pairs of polar coordinates.

**EX:** Select ALL representation of the following points:

1)  $(r, \theta) = (-2, \frac{5\pi}{3})$

a)  $(-2, \frac{2\pi}{3})$ , b)  $(-2, -\frac{\pi}{3})$ , c)  $(2, \frac{2\pi}{3})$ , d)  $(2, -\frac{5\pi}{3})$ , e)  $(2, -\frac{4\pi}{3})$

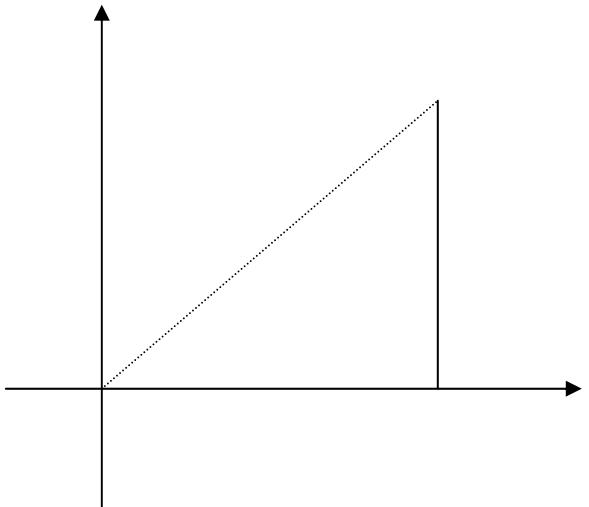
2)  $(r, \theta) = (3, -\frac{5\pi}{6})$

a)  $(-3, \frac{5\pi}{6})$ , b)  $(-3, \frac{7\pi}{6})$ , c)  $(-3, \frac{\pi}{6})$ , d)  $(3, \frac{7\pi}{6})$ , e)  $(-3, -\frac{11\pi}{6})$

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**Conversion from polar to rectangular coordinates, and Vice Versa:**

**Theorem:**



**Ex:** Find the rectangular coordinates for the following polar coordinates.

1)  $(-3, \pi)$ , 2)  $(-2, -\frac{3\pi}{4})$ , 3)  $(3, 0)$ , 4)  $(6, 150^\circ)$

**EX:** Find the polar coordinates for the following rectangular coordinates

1)  $(-3, 3)$ , 2)  $(-\sqrt{3}, -1)$ , 3)  $(-1, 0)$ , 4)  $(0, -1)$

Transforming an equation from Polar to Rectangular and Vice Versa:

**EX:** Transform to polar

1)  $x^2 + y^2 = x$

2)  $y^2 = 2x$

3)  $x = 4$

4)  $x^2 - y^2 = 25$

5)  $xy = 6$

**EX:** Transform to rectangular

1)  $r = \frac{3}{1 - \cos \theta}$

2)  $r = 2 \sin \theta$

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

4)  $r = \cot \theta$

5)  $r = 2$

6)  $r = 8 \sin \theta - 2 \cos \theta$

7)  $r^2 = 4 \sec 2\theta$

8)  $r^2 = 2 \csc 2\theta$

9)  $r - 6 \sin \theta = 0$