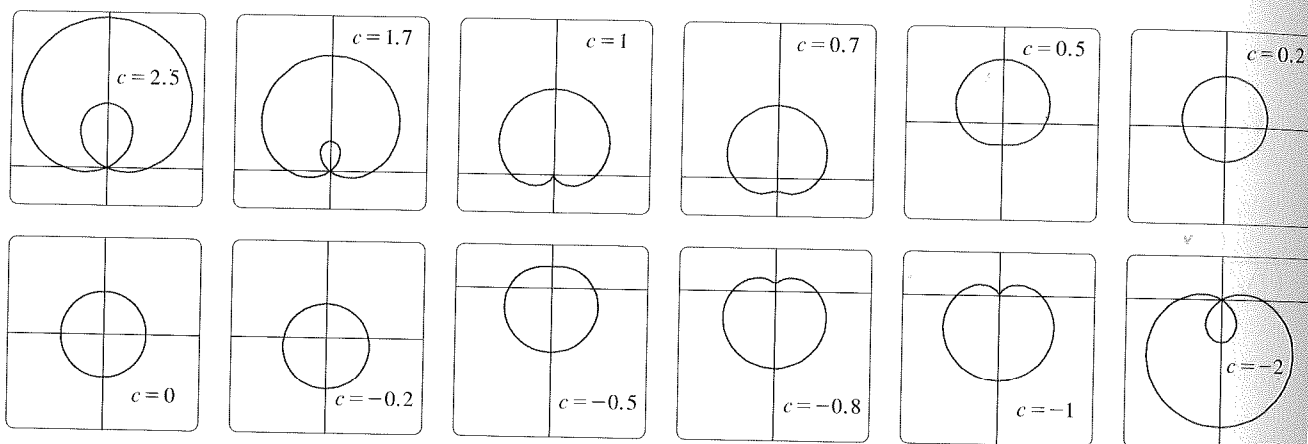**FIGURE 18**
$r = \sin(8\theta/5)$

In Exercise 53 you are asked to prove analytically what we have discovered from the graphs in Figure 19.

Switching from θ to t, we have the equations

$$x = \sin(8t/5)\cos t \qquad y = \sin(8t/5)\sin t \qquad 0 \le t \le 10\pi$$

and Figure 18 shows the resulting curve. Notice that this rose has 16 loops.

V **EXAMPLE 11** Investigate the family of polar curves given by $r = 1 + c\sin\theta$. How does the shape change as c changes? (These curves are called **limaçons**, after a French word for snail, because of the shape of the curves for certain values of c.)

SOLUTION Figure 19 shows computer-drawn graphs for various values of c. For $c > 1$ there is a loop that decreases in size as c decreases. When $c = 1$ the loop disappears and the curve becomes the cardioid that we sketched in Example 7. For c between 1 and $\frac{1}{2}$ the cardioid's cusp is smoothed out and becomes a "dimple." When c decreases from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 0, the limaçon is shaped like an oval. This oval becomes more circular as $c \to 0$, and when $c = 0$ the curve is just the circle $r = 1$.

FIGURE 19
Members of the family of limaçons $r = 1 + c\sin\theta$

The remaining parts of Figure 19 show that as c becomes negative, the shapes change in reverse order. In fact, these curves are reflections about the horizontal axis of the corresponding curves with positive c.

Limaçons arise in the study of planetary motion. In particular, the trajectory of Mars, as viewed from the planet Earth, has been modeled by a limaçon with a loop, as in the parts of Figure 19 with $|c| > 1$.

10.3   Exercises

1–2 Plot the point whose polar coordinates are given. Then find two other pairs of polar coordinates of this point, one with $r > 0$ and one with $r < 0$.

1. (a) $(2, \pi/3)$ (b) $(1, -3\pi/4)$ (c) $(-1, \pi/2)$

2. (a) $(1, 7\pi/4)$ (b) $(-3, \pi/6)$ (c) $(1, -1)$

3–4 Plot the point whose polar coordinates are given. Then find the Cartesian coordinates of the point.

3. (a) $(1, \pi)$ (b) $(2, -2\pi/3)$ (c) $(-2, 3\pi/4)$

4. (a) $\left(-\sqrt{2}, 5\pi/4\right)$ (b) $(1, 5\pi/2)$ (c) $(2, -7\pi/6)$

5–6 The Cartesian coordinates of a point are given.
(i) Find polar coordinates (r, θ) of the point, where $r > 0$ and $0 \le \theta < 2\pi$.
(ii) Find polar coordinates (r, θ) of the point, where $r < 0$ and $0 \le \theta < 2\pi$.

5. (a) $(2, -2)$ (b) $\left(-1, \sqrt{3}\right)$

6. (a) $\left(3\sqrt{3}, 3\right)$ (b) $(1, -2)$

⌨ Graphing calculator or computer required   **1.** Homework Hints available at stewartcalculus.com

7–12 Sketch the region in the plane consisting of points whose polar coordinates satisfy the given conditions.

7. $1 \leq r \leq 2$

8. $0 \leq r < 2, \quad \pi \leq \theta \leq 3\pi/2$

9. $r \geq 0, \quad \pi/4 \leq \theta \leq 3\pi/4$

10. $1 \leq r \leq 3, \quad \pi/6 < \theta < 5\pi/6$

11. $2 < r < 3, \quad 5\pi/3 \leq \theta \leq 7\pi/3$

12. $r \geq 1, \quad \pi \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

13. Find the distance between the points with polar coordinates $(2, \pi/3)$ and $(4, 2\pi/3)$.

14. Find a formula for the distance between the points with polar coordinates $(r_1; \theta_1)$ and (r_2, θ_2).

15–20 Identify the curve by finding a Cartesian equation for the curve.

15. $r = 2$

16. $r \cos \theta = 1$

17. $r = 2 \cos \theta$

18. $\theta = \pi/3$

19. $r^2 \cos 2\theta = 1$

20. $r = \tan \theta \sec \theta$

21–26 Find a polar equation for the curve represented by the given Cartesian equation.

21. $y = 2$

22. $y = x$

23. $y = 1 + 3x$

24. $4y^2 = x$

25. $x^2 + y^2 = 2cx$

26. $xy = 4$

27–28 For each of the described curves, decide if the curve would be more easily given by a polar equation or a Cartesian equation. Then write an equation for the curve.

27. (a) A line through the origin that makes an angle of $\pi/6$ with the positive x-axis
(b) A vertical line through the point $(3, 3)$

28. (a) A circle with radius 5 and center $(2, 3)$
(b) A circle centered at the origin with radius 4

29–46 Sketch the curve with the given polar equation by first sketching the graph of r as a function of θ in Cartesian coordinates.

29. $r = -2 \sin \theta$

30. $r = 1 - \cos \theta$

31. $r = 2(1 + \cos \theta)$

32. $r = 1 + 2 \cos \theta$

33. $r = \theta, \ \theta \geq 0$

34. $r = \ln \theta, \ \theta \geq 1$

35. $r = 4 \sin 3\theta$

36. $r = \cos 5\theta$

37. $r = 2 \cos 4\theta$

38. $r = 3 \cos 6\theta$

39. $r = 1 - 2 \sin \theta$

40. $r = 2 + \sin \theta$

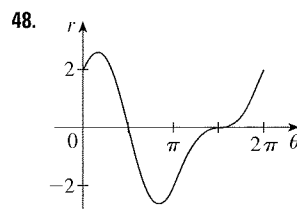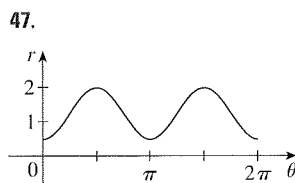**41.** $r^2 = 9 \sin 2\theta$

42. $r^2 = \cos 4\theta$

43. $r = 2 + \sin 3\theta$

44. $r^2\theta = 1$

45. $r = 1 + 2 \cos 2\theta$

46. $r = 3 + 4 \cos \theta$

47–48 The figure shows a graph of r as a function of θ in Cartesian coordinates. Use it to sketch the corresponding polar curve.

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49. Show that the polar curve $r = 4 + 2 \sec \theta$ (called a **conchoid**) has the line $x = 2$ as a vertical asymptote by showing that $\lim_{r \to \pm\infty} x = 2$. Use this fact to help sketch the conchoid.

50. Show that the curve $r = 2 - \csc \theta$ (also a conchoid) has the line $y = -1$ as a horizontal asymptote by showing that $\lim_{r \to \pm\infty} y = -1$. Use this fact to help sketch the conchoid.

51. Show that the curve $r = \sin \theta \tan \theta$ (called a **cissoid of Diocles**) has the line $x = 1$ as a vertical asymptote. Show also that the curve lies entirely within the vertical strip $0 \leq x < 1$. Use these facts to help sketch the cissoid.

52. Sketch the curve $(x^2 + y^2)^3 = 4x^2y^2$.

53. (a) In Example 11 the graphs suggest that the limaçon $r = 1 + c \sin \theta$ has an inner loop when $|c| > 1$. Prove that this is true, and find the values of θ that correspond to the inner loop.
(b) From Figure 19 it appears that the limaçon loses its dimple when $c = \frac{1}{2}$. Prove this.

54. Match the polar equations with the graphs labeled I–VI. Give reasons for your choices. (Don't use a graphing device.)
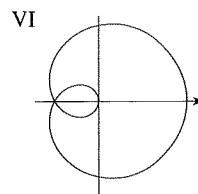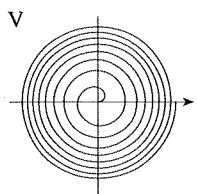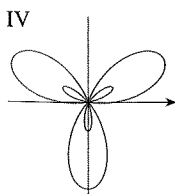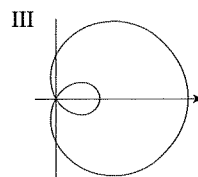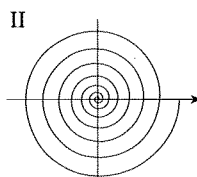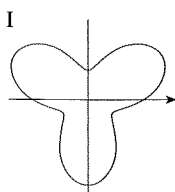(a) $r = \sqrt{\theta}, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 16\pi$
(b) $r = \theta^2, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 16\pi$
(c) $r = \cos(\theta/3)$
(d) $r = 1 + 2\cos \theta$
(e) $r = 2 + \sin 3\theta$
(f) $r = 1 + 2 \sin 3\theta$

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III

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VI

55–60 Find the slope of the tangent line to the given polar curve at the point specified by the value of θ.

55. $r = 2 \sin \theta$, $\theta = \pi/6$

56. $r = 2 - \sin \theta$, $\theta = \pi/3$

57. $r = 1/\theta$, $\theta = \pi$

58. $r = \cos(\theta/3)$, $\theta = \pi$

59. $r = \cos 2\theta$, $\theta = \pi/4$

60. $r = 1 + 2 \cos\theta$, $\theta = \pi/3$

61–64 Find the points on the given curve where the tangent line is horizontal or vertical.

61. $r = 3 \cos \theta$

62. $r = 1 - \sin\theta$

63. $r = 1 + \cos \theta$

64. $r = e^{\theta}$

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65. Show that the polar equation $r = a \sin \theta + b \cos \theta$, where $ab \neq 0$, represents a circle, and find its center and radius.

66. Show that the curves $r = a \sin \theta$ and $r = a \cos \theta$ intersect at right angles.

67–72 Use a graphing device to graph the polar curve. Choose the parameter interval to make sure that you produce the entire curve.

67. $r = 1 + 2 \sin(\theta/2)$ (nephroid of Freeth)

68. $r = \sqrt{1 - 0.8 \sin^2\theta}$ (hippopede)

69. $r = e^{\sin \theta} - 2 \cos(4\theta)$ (butterfly curve)

70. $r = |\tan \theta|^{|\cot \theta|}$ (valentine curve)

71. $r = 1 + \cos^{999}\theta$ (PacMan curve)

72. $r = \sin^2(4\theta) + \cos(4\theta)$

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73. How are the graphs of $r = 1 + \sin(\theta - \pi/6)$ and $r = 1 + \sin(\theta - \pi/3)$ related to the graph of $r = 1 + \sin \theta$? In general, how is the graph of $r = f(\theta - \alpha)$ related to the graph of $r = f(\theta)$?

74. Use a graph to estimate the y-coordinate of the highest points on the curve $r = \sin 2\theta$. Then use calculus to find the exact value.

75. Investigate the family of curves with polar equations $r = 1 + c \cos \theta$, where c is a real number. How does the shape change as c changes?

76. Investigate the family of polar curves

$$r = 1 + \cos^n\theta$$

where n is a positive integer. How does the shape change as n increases? What happens as n becomes large? Explain the shape for large n by considering the graph of r as a function of θ in Cartesian coordinates.

77. Let P be any point (except the origin) on the curve $r = f(\theta)$. If ψ is the angle between the tangent line at P and the radial line OP, show that

$$\tan \psi = \frac{r}{dr/d\theta}$$

[*Hint:* Observe that $\psi = \phi - \theta$ in the figure.]
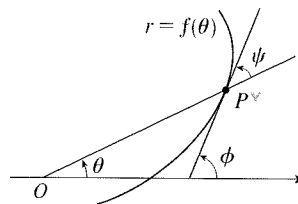
78. (a) Use Exercise 77 to show that the angle between the tangent line and the radial line is $\psi = \pi/4$ at every point on the curve $r = e^{\theta}$.
   (b) Illustrate part (a) by graphing the curve and the tangent lines at the points where $\theta = 0$ and $\pi/2$.
   (c) Prove that any polar curve $r = f(\theta)$ with the property that the angle ψ between the radial line and the tangent line is a constant must be of the form $r = Ce^{k\theta}$, where C and k are constants.

LABORATORY PROJECT ◩ FAMILIES OF POLAR CURVES

In this project you will discover the interesting and beautiful shapes that members of families of polar curves can take. You will also see how the shape of the curve changes when you vary the constants.

1. (a) Investigate the family of curves defined by the polar equations $r = \sin n\theta$, where n is a positive integer. How is the number of loops related to n?
   (b) What happens if the equation in part (a) is replaced by $r = |\sin n\theta|$?

2. A family of curves is given by the equations $r = 1 + c \sin n\theta$, where c is a real number and n is a positive integer. How does the graph change as n increases? How does it change as c changes? Illustrate by graphing enough members of the family to support your conclusions.

◩ Graphing calculator or computer required