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$x = \frac{1}{\theta} \cos \theta$ $y = \frac{1}{\theta} \sin \theta$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{1}{\theta} \cdot \cos \theta + \sin \theta \cdot \frac{-1}{\theta^2}}{\frac{1}{\theta} \cdot -\sin \theta + \cos \theta \cdot \frac{-1}{\theta^2}}$$

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

$x = 2 \cos 2\theta \cos \theta$ $y = 2 \cos 2\theta \sin \theta$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2 \cos 2\theta \cdot \cos \theta + \sin \theta \cdot 2 \cdot -\sin 2\theta \cdot 2}{2 \cos 2\theta \cdot -\sin \theta + \cos \theta \cdot 2 \cdot -\sin 2\theta \cdot 2}$$

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$x = (2 - \sin \theta) \cos \theta$ $y = (2 - \sin \theta) \sin \theta$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(2 - \sin \theta) \cos \theta + \sin \theta (-\cos \theta)}{(2 - \sin \theta) \cdot -\sin \theta + \cos \theta (-\cos \theta)}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{\theta = \pi/3} = \frac{(2 - \sin \pi/3) \cos \pi/3 + \sin \pi/3 (-\cos \pi/3)}{(2 - \sin \pi/3) \cdot -\sin \pi/3 + \cos \pi/3 (-\cos \pi/3)}$$

$$= \frac{(2 - \sqrt{3}/2)(1/2) + (\sqrt{3}/2)(-1/2)}{(2 - \sqrt{3}/2)(-\sqrt{3}/2) + (1/2)(-1/2)}$$

5. $r = 1 + 2 \cos \theta$, $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$

$x = (1 + 2 \cos \theta) \cos \theta$ $y = (1 + 2 \cos \theta) \sin \theta$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(1 + 2 \cos \theta) \cos \theta + \sin \theta (-2 \sin \theta)}{(1 + 2 \cos \theta) \cdot -\sin \theta + \cos \theta (-2 \sin \theta)}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{\theta = \pi/3} = \frac{(1 + 2 \cos \pi/3) \cos \pi/3 + \sin \pi/3 (-2 \sin \pi/3)}{(1 + 2 \cos \pi/3) \cdot -\sin \pi/3 + \cos \pi/3 (-2 \sin \pi/3)} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{9}$$

4. $r = \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{3}\right)$, $\theta = \pi$

$x = \cos(\theta/3) \cos \theta$ $y = \cos(\theta/3) \sin \theta$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\cos(\theta/3) \cos \theta + \sin \theta \cdot -\sin(\theta/3) \cdot 1/3}{\cos(\theta/3) \cdot -\sin \theta + \cos \theta \cdot -\sin(\theta/3) \cdot 1/3}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{\theta = \pi} = \frac{\cos \pi/3 \cdot \cos \pi + \sin \pi \cdot -\sin \pi/3 \cdot 1/3}{\cos \pi/3 \cdot -\sin \pi + \cos \pi \cdot -\sin \pi/3 \cdot 1/3}$$

$$= \frac{1/2 \cdot -1 + 0}{1/2 \cdot 0 + -1 \cdot -\sqrt{3}/2 \cdot 1/3} = \boxed{-\sqrt{3}}$$