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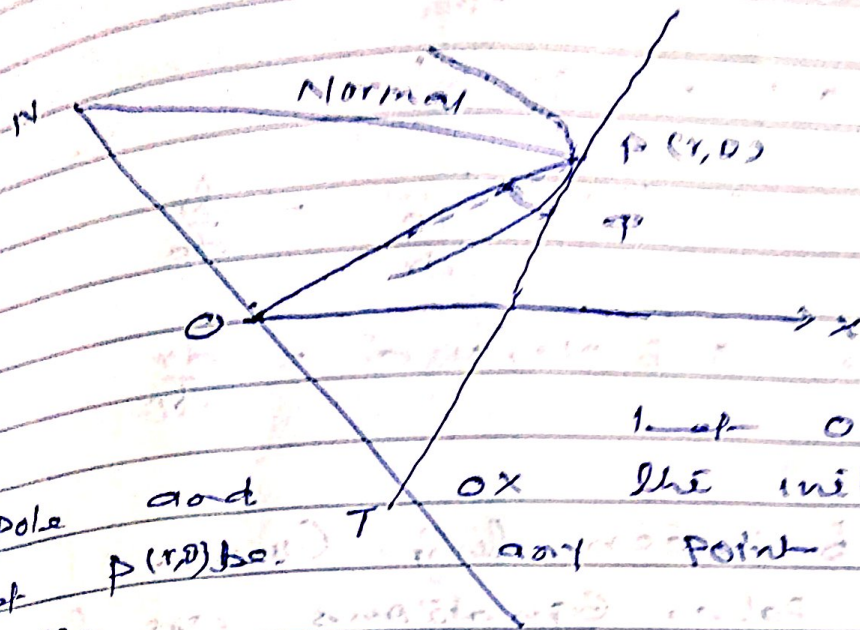
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Let O be the initial line.
Let $P(x, y)$ be any point on the curve.

PT and PN be the Normal drawn at P. From O a line not is drawn which is perpendicular to OP. Let this line meets the Tangent at T and Normal at the point N. Then OT is called the polar sub-tangent and ON is polar sub-normal.

Let $\angle OPT = \phi$

then from ΔPOT $\tan \phi = \frac{OT}{OP}$

$$\therefore OT = OP \tan \phi$$

$$= r \tan \phi$$

$$= r \cdot r \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$= r^2 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Therefore,

$$\text{Polar Sub-tangent} = r^2 \frac{d\theta}{dr}$$

Again Since $\angle OPT = \phi$

$$\therefore \angle OPN = 90 - \phi$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle ONP = \phi$$

From $\triangle OPT$

$$\tan \phi = \frac{OP}{ON}$$

$$ON = OP \cdot \frac{1}{\tan \phi}$$

$$= r \cdot \frac{1}{r \frac{d\theta}{dr}} = \frac{dr}{d\theta}$$

$$\therefore \text{Polar Sub-Normal} = \frac{dr}{d\theta}$$

Angle between two Curves
Whose polar Equations are given.

Let the polar Equations of
two Curves be

$$r = f(\theta) \quad \text{and} \quad r = g(\theta)$$

Let P = point of intersection
of these two curves

Since the angle of intersection
of two curves is same as the
angle between their tangents at their
point of intersection

Let the angle between radius
vectors and tangents at these
point be ϕ_1 and ϕ_2

$$\tan \phi_1 = \frac{dy_1}{dx} = f'(x)$$

$$\tan \phi_2 = \frac{dy_2}{dx} = g'(x)$$

If α be the angle between them

$$\alpha = \phi_1 - \phi_2$$

$$\tan \alpha = \tan(\phi_1 - \phi_2)$$

$$= \frac{\tan \phi_1 - \tan \phi_2}{1 + \tan \phi_1 \tan \phi_2}$$

$$= \frac{f'(x) - g'(x)}{1 + f'(x)g'(x)}$$

$$= \frac{f(x)g'(x) - g(x)f'(x)}{f(x)g(x) + f'(x)g'(x)}$$

$$= \frac{f(x)g'(x) - g(x)f'(x)}{f(x)g(x) + f'(x)g'(x)}$$

$$\alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{f(x)g'(x) - g(x)f'(x)}{f(x)g(x) + f'(x)g'(x)} = 0$$

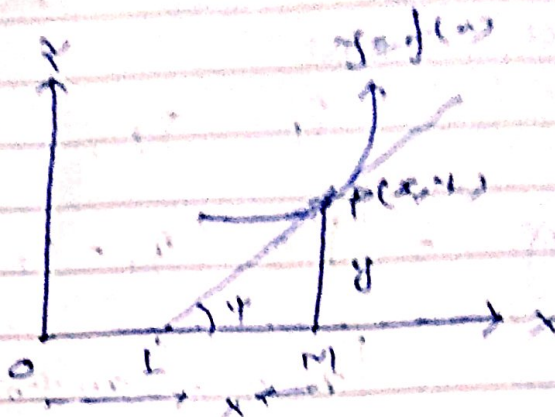
$\Rightarrow$ the given two curves touch each other

$$\therefore f(x)g'(x) - g(x)f'(x) = 0$$

$$\text{If } \alpha = \pi/2$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x)g'(x) + f(x)g(x) = 0$$

Problem 2: Show that in the curve $y = a \log(x^2 - a^2)$, the sum of the tangents and subtangents makes the product of the ordinates of the points.



From $\triangle LMP$
 Since $\frac{MP}{LP} = \sin \phi$

$$\Rightarrow LP = \frac{MP}{\sin \phi} = y \sec \phi$$

Length of Tangent

and $\frac{MP}{LM} = \tan \phi$

$$\Rightarrow LM = \frac{MP}{\tan \phi} = \frac{y}{\tan \phi}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Subtangent} = \frac{y}{\tan \phi} \quad \text{Where } y = \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

Since Equation of curve is $y = a \log(x^2 - a^2)$

$$y = a \log(x^2 - a^2)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{a}{x^2 - a^2} \times 2x$$

$$y = \frac{2ax}{x^2 - a^2}$$

$$\therefore \sec \phi = \sqrt{1 + \frac{y^2}{a^2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{\tan^2 \phi}}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 + \cot^2 \phi} = \frac{1 + y^2}{y}$$

$$\text{Length of Tangent} = y \sec \phi$$

$$= \frac{y}{\sin \phi} \cdot \sqrt{1+y^2}$$

$$\text{Length of Subtangent} = \frac{y}{\sin \phi}$$

$$\therefore \text{Sum of Tangent and Subtangent}$$

$$= \frac{y \sqrt{1+y^2}}{\sin \phi} + \frac{y}{\sin \phi}$$

$$= \frac{y \sqrt{1+y^2} + y}{\sin \phi}$$

$$= y \left[\sqrt{1+y^2} + 1 \right]$$

$$= y \sqrt{1 + \frac{4a^2x^2}{(x^2-a^2)^2}} + 1$$

$$\frac{2ax}{x^2-a^2}$$

$$= y \left[\sqrt{(x^2-a^2)^2 + 4a^2x^2} + 1 \right]$$

$$x^2 - a^2$$

$$2ax$$

$$x^2 - a^2$$

$$= y \left[x^2 + a^2 + x^2 - a^2 \right]$$

$$(x^2/a^2) \times \frac{2ax}{x^2-a^2}$$

$$= \frac{y \times 2x}{a} = \frac{2xy}{a}$$

Thus Sum of Tangent and Subtangent = $\frac{1}{a} = \text{const.}$

$\Rightarrow$ Sum of tangent and subtangent is constant.
Hence the result.

Problem $\rightarrow$

Find the angle of intersection of curves

$$r = a(1 + \cos \theta) = f(\theta) \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$r = b(1 - \cos \theta) = g(\theta) \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

From (i)

$$r = a(1 + \cos \theta)$$

$$\log r = \log a + \log(1 + \cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{r} \frac{dr}{d\theta} = \frac{1}{1 + \cos \theta} (-\sin \theta)$$

$$= - \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \cos \theta}$$

$$= - \frac{2 \sin \theta/2 \cos \theta/2}{2 \cos^2 \theta/2}$$

$$= - \tan \theta/2$$

$$\therefore r \frac{d\theta}{dr} = - \tan \theta/2$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \phi_1 = - \tan \theta/2$$

From (ii)

$$r = b(1 - \cos \theta)$$

Taking log on both sides

$$\log r = \log b + \log(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{dr}{d\theta} = \frac{1}{1 - \cos \theta} \times \sin \theta$$

$$= \frac{2 \sin \theta/2 \cos \theta/2}{2 \sin^2 \theta/2}$$

$$= \cot \theta/2$$

$$\frac{r d\theta}{dr} = \tan \theta/2$$

$$\tan \phi_2 = \tan \theta/2$$

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$$\text{Here } \phi_1 = \phi_2 = \theta/2$$

$$\text{Here } \tan \phi_1 \cdot \tan \phi_2 = -\cot \theta/2 \times \tan \theta/2 = -1$$

Hence the two curves cut each other at $\theta/2$.

Prove that the curves $r^m = a^m \cos m\theta$

$$r^m = b^m \sin m\theta$$

Cut orthogonally.

$$\text{Here } r^m = a^m \cos m\theta$$

$$m \log r = m \log a + \log \cos m\theta$$

$$\frac{m}{r} \frac{dr}{d\theta} = \frac{1}{\cos m\theta} (-m \sin m\theta)$$

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{dr}{d\theta} = -\tan m\theta$$

$$r \frac{d\theta}{dr} = -\cot m\theta = \tan(\pi/2 + m\theta)$$

$$\tan \phi_1 = \tan(\pi/2 + m\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_1 = \pi/2 + m\alpha$$

Again From (ii)

$$r^m = b^m \sin^m \alpha$$

$$m \log r = m \log b + \log \sin^m \alpha$$

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{dr}{d\alpha} = 0 + \frac{1}{\sin \alpha} \times m \cos \alpha$$

$$= \cot m\alpha$$

$$r \frac{d\alpha}{dr} = \frac{1}{\cot m\alpha} = \tan m\alpha$$

$$\therefore \phi_2 = m\alpha$$

Now angle between the curves

= the angle of intersection

$$= \phi_1 - \phi_2$$

$$= \pi/2 + m\alpha - m\alpha$$

$$= \pi/2$$

Shows that the given

Curves intersect orthogonally