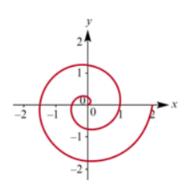
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2 a Since $x = r \cos \theta$, this equation becomes

$$x = 4$$

$$r\cos heta=4$$

$$r = \frac{4}{\cos \theta}$$

b Since $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$ this equation becomes

$$xy = 1$$

$$r^2\cos\theta\sin\theta=1$$

$$r^2 = rac{1}{\cos heta \sin heta}$$

c Since $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$ this equation becomes

$$y=x^2$$

$$r\sin heta=r^2\cos^2 heta$$

$$r\cos^2\theta=\sin\theta$$

$$r=rac{\sin heta}{\cos^2 heta}$$

$$= an heta \sec heta$$

d This is just a circle of radius 3 centred at the origin and so has equation r=3. We can check this by letting $x=r\cos\theta$ and $y=r\sin\theta$ this equation becomes

$$x^2 + y^2 = 9$$

$$r^2\cos^2\theta + r^2\sin^2\theta = 9$$

$$r^2(\cos^2\theta+\sin^2\theta)=9$$

$$r^2=9$$

- In fact, since we are allowing negative r values we could take either r=3 or r=-3 as the equation of this circle.
- **e** Since $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$ this equation becomes

$$x^2-y^2=9$$

$$r^2\cos^2\theta - r^2\sin^2\theta = 1$$

$$r^2(\cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta) = 1$$

$$r^2\cos 2 heta=1$$

$$r^2=rac{1}{\cos 2 heta}$$

f Since $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$ this equation becomes

$$2x - 3y = 5$$

$$2r\cos\theta - 3r\sin\theta = 5$$

$$r(2\cos\theta - 3\sin\theta) = 5$$

$$r = \frac{3}{2\cos\theta - 3\sin\theta}$$

3 a The trick here is to first multiply both sides of the expression through by $\cos \theta$ to get

$$r\cos\theta=2$$

Since $r\cos\theta=x$, this equation simply becomes,

$$x = 2$$
.

- **b** Since r=2, this is just a circle of radius 2 centred at the origin. Its cartesian equation will then be simply $x^2+y^2=2^2$.
- **c** Here, for all values of r the angle is constant and equal to $\pi/4$. This corresponds to the straight line through the origin, y = x. To see this algebraically, note that

$$rac{y}{x}= an(\pi/4)=1.$$

Therefore, y = x.

d Rearranging the equation we find that

$$rac{4}{3\cos\theta - 2\sin\theta} = r$$
 $r(3\cos\theta - 2\sin\theta) = 4$
 $3r\cos\theta - 2r\sin\theta = 4$ (1)

Then since $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$, equation (1) becomes

$$3x - 2y = 4$$
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The trick here is to first multiply both sides of the expression through by r to get

$$r^2 = 6r\cos\theta \qquad (1)$$

Since $r^2=x^2+y^2$ and $r\cos\theta=x$, equation (1) becomes,

$$x^2 + y^2 = 6x$$
$$x^2 - 6x + y^2 = 0$$

(completing the square)

$$(x^2 - 6x + 9) - 9 + y^2 = 0$$
$$(x - 3)^2 + y^2 = 9.$$

This is a circles whose centre is (3,0) and whose radius is 3.

b The trick here is to first multiply both sides of the expression through by r to get

$$r^2 = 4r\sin\theta \qquad (1)$$

Since $r^2 = x^2 + y^2$ and $r \sin \theta = y$, equation (1) becomes,

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4y$$
$$x^2 + y^2 - 4y = 0$$

(completing the square)

$$x^{2} + (y^{2} - 4y + 4) - 4 = 0$$
$$x^{2} + (y - 2)^{2} = 4.$$

This is a circle whose centre is (0,2) and whose radius is 2.

c The trick here is to first multiply both sides of the expression through by r to get

$$r^2 = 2r\sin\theta \qquad (1)$$

Since $r^2=x^2+y^2$ and $r\cos\theta=x$, equation (1) becomes,

$$x^2 + y^2 = -6x$$
$$x^2 + 6x + y^2 = 0$$

(completing the square)

$$(x^2 + 6x + 9) - 9 + y^2 = 0$$

$$(x+3)^2 + y^2 = 9$$

d The trick here is to first multiply both sides of the expression through by r to get

$$r^2 = 2r\sin\theta$$
 (1)

Since $r^2=x^2+y^2$ and $r\sin\theta=y$, equation (1) becomes,

$$x^2 + y^2 = -8y$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + 8y = 0$$

$$x^2 + (y^2 + 8y + 16) - 16 = 0$$

(completing the square)

$$x^2 + (y+4)^2 = 16.$$

This is a circle whose centre is (0, -4) and whose radius is 4.

The trick here is to first multiply both sides of the expression through by r to get

$$r^2 = 2ar\cos\theta \tag{1}$$

Since $r^2=x^2+y^2$ and $r\cos\theta=x$, equation (1) becomes,

$$x^2+y^2=2ax$$

$$x^2 - 2ax + y^2 = 0$$

$$(x^2 - 2ax + a^2) - a^2 + y^2 = 0$$

(completing the square)

$$(x-a)^2 + y^2 = a^2.$$

This is a circle whose centre is (a, 0) and whose radius is a.

6 a The trick here is to first multiply both sides of the expression through by $\cos \theta$ to obtain,

$$r\cos\theta=a$$

$$x = a$$

which is the equation of a vertical line.

b Let $y = r \sin \theta$ so that

$$r\sin\theta=a$$

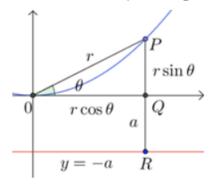
$$r = \frac{a}{\sin \theta}$$
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7 a The distance from *P* to the line is

$$RP = RQ + QP$$

$$= a + r \sin \theta.$$

b Consider the complete diagram shown below.



Since we are told that OP = RP, this implies that

$$OP = RP$$

$$r = a + r \sin \theta$$

$$r - r \sin \theta = a$$

$$r(1-\sin\theta)=a$$

$$r = \frac{a}{1 - \sin \theta},$$

as required.