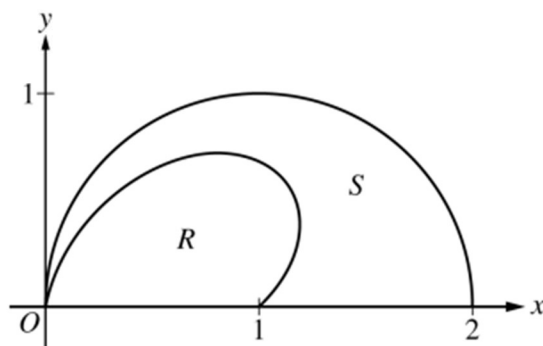


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2. The figure above shows the polar curves $r = f(\theta) = 1 + \sin \theta \cos(2\theta)$ and $r = g(\theta) = 2 \cos \theta$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$. Let R be the region in the first quadrant bounded by the curve $r = f(\theta)$ and the x -axis. Let S be the region in the first quadrant bounded by the curve $r = f(\theta)$, the curve $r = g(\theta)$, and the x -axis.
- (a) Find the area of R .
- (b) The ray $\theta = k$, where $0 < k < \frac{\pi}{2}$, divides S into two regions of equal area. Write, but do not solve, an equation involving one or more integrals whose solution gives the value of k .
- (c) For each θ , $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$, let $w(\theta)$ be the distance between the points with polar coordinates $(f(\theta), \theta)$ and $(g(\theta), \theta)$. Write an expression for $w(\theta)$. Find w_A , the average value of $w(\theta)$ over the interval $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$.
- (d) Using the information from part (c), find the value of θ for which $w(\theta) = w_A$. Is the function $w(\theta)$ increasing or decreasing at that value of θ ? Give a reason for your answer.