

# CONVERSION BETWEEN 2-DIMENSIONAL COORDINATES

	Cartesian	Polar
Cartesian		$x = r \cos \theta$ $y = r \sin \theta$
Polar	$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ $\tan \theta = y/x$	

$$\theta = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1}(y/x) & \text{if } x > 0, y \geq 0 \\ \tan^{-1}(y/x) + 2\pi & \text{if } x > 0, y < 0 \\ \tan^{-1}(y/x) + \pi & \text{if } x < 0 \\ \pi/2 & \text{if } x = 0, y > 0 \\ 3\pi/2 & \text{if } x = 0, y < 0 \\ \text{indeterminate} & \text{if } x = y = 0 \end{cases}$$