Unit #4: Parametric and Polar Equations *Topic:* Finding Zeros and Maxima of Polar Graphs *Objective: SWBAT find the zeros and the maxima of a polar graph.*

Warm Up #4:

CALCULATOR ALLOWED

Graph each of the following polar equations:



Finding Zeros and Maxima:

To graph in the rectangular coordinate system we construct a table of *x* and *y* values. To graph in the polar coordinate system we construct a table of θ and *r* values. We enter values of θ into a **polar equation** and calculate *r*.

Two additional aids to sketching graphs of polar equations are ...

knowing the θ -values for which | r | is maximum and knowing the θ -values for which r = 0.

Example #1: Find the maximum value and zeros of *r* for the graph of $r = 2 + 2\cos\theta$, then sketch the graph.



Example #2: Find the maximum value and zeros of *r* for the graph of $r = 5cos2\theta$, then sketch the graph.







