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-3		
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Example. Find the slope of the tangent line to the curve $r = 2 \sin \theta$ at cartesian coordinates $(x, y) = (2, 0)$.