

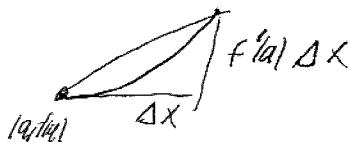
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2/27/07 7.4 Arc Length

Consider graph $y=f(x)$



How long is this curve?



$$\begin{aligned} \text{length curve} \approx \text{length of line segment} &= \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + (f'(a)\Delta x)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1 + f'(a)^2} \Delta x \end{aligned}$$

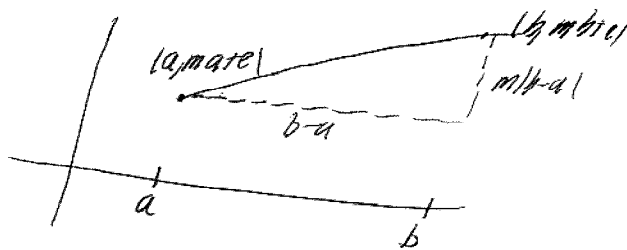
$$\text{Add up length} \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{1 + f'(x_i)^2} \Delta x_i$$

Theorem Suppose $f'(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$. Then the length of the curve $y=f(x)$ $a \leq x \leq b$ is

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + (f'(x))^2} dx \\ &= \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx \end{aligned}$$

#3,
2: Hint algebra \rightarrow part squared under $\sqrt{\quad}$
13 Hint $u=e^x$ then use tables

Example 1 $y = mx + e$



$$\sqrt{m^2(b-a)^2 + (b-a)^2}$$

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{1+m^2} dx = \sqrt{1+m^2} x \Big|_a^b$$

$$= (b-a) \cdot \sqrt{1+m^2}$$

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matches Pythag. Thm

Example 2 Parabola $y = x^2$ from (0,0) to (1,1)



$$L = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1+(2x)^2} dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \sqrt{1+4x^2} dx$$

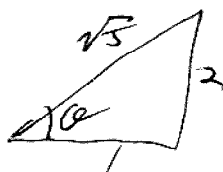
$$x = \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta \quad dx = \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 \theta d\theta$$

$$\int \sqrt{1+4x^2} dx = \int \sqrt{1+\tan^2 \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 \theta d\theta$$

$x=0 \Rightarrow \theta=0$
 $x=1 \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} 2$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \sec^3 \theta d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} (\sec \theta \tan \theta + \ln |\sec \theta + \tan \theta|) \right) \Big|_0^{\tan^{-1} 2}$$



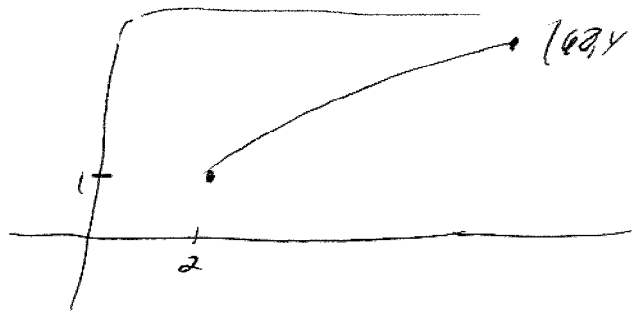
$$\sec \theta = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\tan \theta = 2$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (2\sqrt{5} + \ln |2+\sqrt{5}|) - (0)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + \frac{\ln |2+\sqrt{5}|}{2}$$

EX $x = y + y^3$ $1 \leq y \leq 4$



Then curve is $x = g(y)$ $1 \leq y \leq 4$ then length is

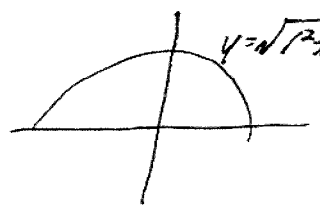
$$L = \int_1^4 \sqrt{1 + |g'(y)|^2} dy = \int_1^4 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2} dy$$

A: $\int_1^4 \sqrt{1 + (1+3y^2)^2} dy = \int_1^4 \sqrt{2 + 6y^2 + 9y^4} dy$

= ??? MAPLE GIVES ANSWER AS CLOSE AS WE WANT!

Remark Most times the integral $\int \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$ will be not easy!

Example Find circumference of a circle, radius r .



$$y' = \frac{-2x}{2\sqrt{r^2 - x^2}} = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{r^2 - x^2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Circ} &= 2 \int_{-r}^r \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx \\ &= 2 \int_{-r}^r \sqrt{1 + \frac{x^2}{r^2 - x^2}} dx = 2 \int_{-r}^r \sqrt{\frac{r^2}{r^2 - x^2}} dx \end{aligned}$$

Let $x = r \sin \theta$ $x = r$ $\theta = -\pi/2$
 $dx = r \cos \theta d\theta$ $x = r$ $\theta = \pi/2$

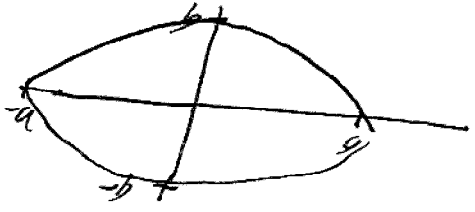
$$= 2 \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \sqrt{\frac{r^2}{r^2(1-\sin^2\theta)}} \cdot r \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$= 2 \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{\cancel{\cos \theta}} \cdot r \cos \theta d\theta = 2 \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} r d\theta = 2r\theta \Big|_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2}$$

$$= 2\pi r = \text{C.D.}$$

Example Perimeter of ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$



$$\frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}$$

$$y^2 = b^2 - \frac{b^2}{a^2} x^2$$

$$y = \sqrt{b^2 - \frac{b^2}{a^2} x^2}$$

$$y = b \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}}$$

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$$y' = b \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}}} \cdot \frac{-2}{a^2} x$$

$$y' = \frac{-bx}{\sqrt{1 - x^2/a^2}}$$

$$P = 2 \int_{-a}^a \sqrt{1 + \frac{b^2 x^2}{1 - x^2/a^2}} = 2 \int_{-a}^a \sqrt{\frac{1 + (b^2 - \frac{b^2}{a^2})x^2}{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}}}$$

$$= 2 \int_{-a}^a \sqrt{\frac{a^2 + (b^2 a^2 - 1)x^2}{a^2 - x^2}}$$

elliptic integral

Examples

#9 $y = \ln|\sec x|$ $0 \leq x \leq \pi/4$

Find length

$$y' = \frac{1}{\sec x} \sec x \tan x$$

$$\int_0^{\pi/4} \sqrt{1 + \tan^2 x} \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/4} \sec^2 x \, dx = \tan x \Big|_0^{\pi/4} = 1$$

$$= \ln|\sec x + \tan x| \Big|_0^{\pi/4} = \ln(\sqrt{2} + 1) - \ln(1 + 0)$$
$$= \ln|\sqrt{2} + 1|$$

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SET UP integral for length of $y = 2^x$ $0 \leq x \leq 3$

$$y' = 2^x \ln 2$$

$$\int_0^3 \sqrt{1 + (2^x \ln 2)^2} \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^3 \sqrt{1 + 2^{2x} (\ln 2)^2} \, dx$$