



ANSWER BOOK

Arc length and surface area

Further Pure 2 · Year FM

6 questions · 22 marks

NAVY EDITION

SECTION A · Warm-up

- A1** $dy/dx = x^{1/2}$, so $1 + (dy/dx)^2 = 1 + x$ and the integrand is $\sqrt{1+x}$. Integrating gives $(2/3)(1+x)^{3/2}$, which runs from $2/3$ to $16/3$. The length is $14/3$, about 4.667.
- A2** $dy/dx = \sinh x$ and $1 + \sinh^2 x = \cosh^2 x$, so the integrand is $\cosh x$ itself: the one curve for which the square root disappears. The length is $[\sinh x]$ from 0 to 1 = $\sinh 1$, about 1.175.

SECTION B · Standard

- B1** $dx/dt = 2t$ and $dy/dt = 3t^2$, so the integrand is $\sqrt{(4t^2 + 9t^4)} = t\sqrt{4 + 9t^2}$ for $t \geq 0$. [4]
Substituting $u = 4 + 9t^2$ gives $(1/27)(4 + 9t^2)^{3/2}$, which runs from $8/27$ to $13^{3/2}/27$. The length is $(13\sqrt{13} - 8)/27$, about 1.440.
- B2** In polar form the integrand is $\sqrt{r^2 + (dr/d\theta)^2}$. Here $dr/d\theta = e^\theta$ as well, so the bracket is $2e^{2\theta}$ and the integrand is $\sqrt{2} e^\theta$. Integrating gives $\sqrt{2}(e^\pi - 1)$, about 31.31. Every polar arc length needs r and its derivative, never r alone.
- B3** The surface integral is $2\pi \int y \, ds = 2\pi \int x^3 \sqrt{1 + 9x^4} \, dx$ from 0 to 1. Substituting $u = 1 + 9x^4$ [4]
gives $(\pi/27)(1 + 9x^4)^{3/2}$, which runs from $\pi/27$ to $10\sqrt{10} \pi/27$. The area is $(\pi/27)(10\sqrt{10} - 1)$, about 3.563 square units.

SECTION C · Stretch

- C1** Since $ds = \cosh x \, dx$, the integral is $2\pi \int \cosh^2 x \, dx$ from 0 to 1. Writing $\cosh^2 x = (\cosh 2x + 1)/2$ gives $2\pi[x/2 + \sinh(2x)/4]$, so the area is $2\pi(1/2 + (\sinh 2)/4) = \pi + \pi(\sinh 2)/2$, about 8.839 square units. The identity is what makes the integral elementary.