

Arc Length-8.1

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1. Let $f(x) = \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{3/2}$.

- (a) Find the exact length of the curve $y = f(x)$ on $0 \leq x \leq 32$. Compare this arc length to the length of the line segment connecting $(0, f(0))$ and $(32, f(32))$. Which is longer? Does this answer make sense?
- (b) What is the average value of f over this interval? Must $f(x)$ necessarily equal its average value for some $0 \leq x \leq 32$? Why or why not?

① $y = \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{3/2}$ on $0 \leq x \leq 32$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{1/2} = \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{1/2}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{16} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \frac{9}{32}x$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 1 + \frac{9}{32}x$$

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$$\text{Arc length} = \int_0^{32} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{32} \sqrt{1 + \frac{9}{32}x} dx$$

$$= \int_1^{10} \sqrt{u} \cdot \frac{32}{9} du$$

$$= \frac{32}{9} \int_1^{10} u^{1/2} du$$

$$= \frac{32}{9} \cdot \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \Big|_1^{10}$$

Let $u = 1 + \frac{9}{32}x$. Then

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{9}{32} \Rightarrow \frac{32}{9} du = dx$$

$$\text{Also, } x=0 \Rightarrow u = 1 + \frac{9}{32}(0) = 1,$$

$$x=32 \Rightarrow u = 1 + \frac{9}{32}(32) = 10$$

$$= \frac{64}{27} \left(10^{3/2} - 1^{3/2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{64}{27} \left(10\sqrt{10} - 1 \right) \approx 72.59$$

For the line segment connecting $(0, f(0))$ and $(32, f(32))$:

$$\text{Length} = \sqrt{(f(32) - f(0))^2 + (32 - 0)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(64 - 0)^2 + (32)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{64^2 + 32^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4096 + 1024}$$

$$= \sqrt{5120}$$

$$= 32\sqrt{5} \approx 71.55$$

$$f(0) = \left(\frac{0}{2}\right)^{3/2} = 0$$

$$f(32) = \left(\frac{32}{2}\right)^{3/2}$$

$$= (16)^{3/2}$$

$$= 4^3$$

$$= 64$$

The arc length is longer than the length of the line segment connecting $(0, f(0))$ and $(32, f(32))$ and this makes sense since $y = \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{3/2}$ is not a straight line (and straight line is the shortest path between two distinct points).

$$\begin{aligned}
\textcircled{6} \quad f_{ave} &= \frac{1}{32-0} \int_0^{32} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{3/2} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{32} \int_0^{32} \frac{x^{3/2}}{\sqrt{8}} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{32 \times 2\sqrt{2}} \int_0^{32} x^{3/2} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{64\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{2}{5} x^{5/2} \Big|_0^{32} \\
&= \frac{1}{32\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{32^{5/2}}{5} - 0^{5/2} \right) \\
&= \frac{32^{\frac{5}{2}-1}}{5\sqrt{2}} \\
&= \frac{(2^5)^{3/2}}{5 \cdot 2^{1/2}} \\
&= \frac{2^{\frac{15}{2}-\frac{1}{2}}}{5} \\
&= \frac{2^7}{5} \\
&= \frac{128}{5}
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{25.6}}$$

Suppose $f(c) = f_{\text{ave}} = 25.6$. Then $c = ?$

$$\left(\frac{c}{2}\right)^{3/2} = 25.6 \Rightarrow \frac{c}{2} = 25.6^{2/3}$$
$$\Rightarrow c = 2(25.6)^{2/3}$$

$$\approx 17.3723 \text{ in } [0, 32]$$

So $f(x)$ is equal to its average at $c \approx 17.3723$ in $[0, 32]$.

If you wish to think more rigorously, then notice that f has to be

The Mean Value Theorem for Integrals If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, then there exists a number c in $[a, b]$ such that

$$f(c) = f_{\text{ave}} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

that is,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = f(c)(b-a)$$

continuous on $[a, b]$ in the Mean Value Theorem for Integrals and

$y = \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{3/2}$ is continuous on $[0, 32]$. So we can

conclude from the theorem there is c in $[0, 32]$ such that

$$f_{\text{ave}} = f(c)$$

without computing for c .

2. Consider the function $f(x) = \cosh(x) = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$.

(a) Find the exact length of the curve $y = f(x)$ on $-1 \leq x \leq 1$.

$$y = \cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} \quad \text{on } -1 \leq x \leq 1.$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} = \sinh x \Rightarrow 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 1 + \sinh^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 + \sinh^2 x}$$

$$= \sqrt{\cosh^2 x}$$

$$= \cosh x$$

①

$$\text{Arc length} = \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \cosh x dx$$

$$= \sinh x \Big|_{-1}^1$$

$$= \sinh(1) - \sinh(-1)$$

$$= \sinh(1) + \sinh(1)$$

$$= \underline{\underline{2\sinh(1)}}$$

\sinh is odd function.

3. Let $f(x) = \int_1^x \sqrt{t^4 - 1} dt$, for $x \geq 1$.

(a) Find the exact length of the curve $y = f(x)$ over $1 \leq x \leq 3$

$$y = \int_1^x \sqrt{t^4 - 1} dt \quad \text{on } 1 \leq x \leq 3.$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \int_1^x \sqrt{t^4 - 1} dt = \sqrt{x^4 - 1} \quad \text{by Fundamental Theorem of Calculus and this is continuous on } [1, 3].$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 &= 1 + \left(\sqrt{x^4 - 1}\right)^2 \\ &= 1 + x^4 - 1 \\ &= x^4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} = \sqrt{x^4} = x^2.$$

So

$$\text{Arc length} = \int_1^3 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dy$$

$$= \int_1^3 x^2 dx$$

$$= \left. \frac{x^3}{3} \right|_1^3$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (3^3 - 1^3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (27 - 1)$$

$$= \frac{26}{3}$$

4. Find the arc length function $s(x)$ for the curve $y = \frac{(x^2+2)^{3/2}}{3}$, with starting point $(0, \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3})$

$$y = \frac{(t^2+2)^{3/2}}{3}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{3}{2} \cdot 2t \cdot \frac{(t^2+2)^{1/2}}{3} = t(t^2+2)^{1/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 &= 1 + \left(t(t^2+2)^{1/2}\right)^2 = 1 + t^2(t^2+2) \\ &= 1 + t^4 + 2t^2 \\ &= (1+t^2)^2 \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$s(x) = \int_0^x \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^x \sqrt{(1+t^2)^2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^x (1+t^2) dt$$

$$= t + \frac{t^3}{3} \Big|_0^x$$

$$= t + \frac{t^3}{3} \Big|_0^x$$

$$= x + \frac{x^3}{3}$$

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5. Find the exact length of the curve $y = \ln(\sec x)$, $0 \leq x \leq \pi/4$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(\sec x)'}{\sec x} = \frac{\tan x \sec x}{\sec x} = \tan x.$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 1 + \tan^2 x.$$

So

$$\text{Arc length} = \int_0^{\pi/4} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$$

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

$$= \int_0^{\pi/4} \sqrt{\sec^2 x} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/4} \sec x dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/4} \sec x \left(\frac{\sec x + \tan x}{\dots} \right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sec x \left(\frac{\sec x + \tan x}{\sec x + \tan x} \right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sec^2 x + \sec x \tan x}{\sec x + \tan x} dx$$

$$= \ln(\sec x + \tan x) \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$= \ln\left(\sec\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) - \ln(\sec(0) + \tan(0))$$

$$= \ln(\sqrt{2} + 1) - \ln(1 + 0)$$

$$= \ln(\sqrt{2} + 1)$$

6. Find the exact length of the curve $y = e^{2x}$, $0 \leq x \leq 1$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2e^{2x} \Rightarrow 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 1 + (2e^{2x})^2 = 1 + 4e^{4x}$$

So,

$$\text{Arc length} = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + 4e^{4x}} dx \quad u = 1 + 4e^{4x}$$

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

$$= \int_0^1 u^{1/2} \cdot \frac{du}{16e^{4x}}$$

$$= \int_0^1 u^{1/2} \cdot \frac{du}{16e^{4\left(\frac{1}{4}\ln\left(\frac{u-1}{4}\right)\right)}}$$

$$= \int_0^1 u^{1/2} \cdot \frac{du}{16e^{\ln\left(\frac{u-1}{4}\right)}}$$

$$= \int_0^1 u^{1/2} \cdot \frac{du}{16\left(\frac{u-1}{4}\right)}$$

$$= \int_0^1 u^{1/2} \cdot \frac{du}{4(u-1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{u^{1/2}}{u-1} du$$

Could have applied $v = u^{1/2}$ sub here but I thought the method I took would be shorter!

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{u}}{(\sqrt{u}-1)(\sqrt{u}+1)} du$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{u}-1+1}{(\sqrt{u}-1)(\sqrt{u}+1)} du$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{u}+1} du + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{(\sqrt{u}-1)(\sqrt{u}+1)} du$$

$$u = 1 + 4e^{4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 16e^{4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{du}{16e^{4x}} = dx$$

$$\frac{u-1}{4} = e^{4x} \Rightarrow \ln\left(\frac{u-1}{4}\right) = 4x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \ln\left(\frac{u-1}{4}\right) = x$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{1 + \sqrt{u} - \sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{u} + 1} du + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u-1} du$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 1 du - \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{u}}{1+\sqrt{u}} du + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u-1} du$$

$$v = 1 + \sqrt{u}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{du} = \frac{1}{2} u^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} u \Big|_{x=0}^1 - \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{u}}{v} \cdot 2\sqrt{u} dv + \frac{1}{4} \ln|u-1| \Big|_{x=0}^1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sqrt{u} dv = du$$

$$\text{Also } (v-1)^2 = u$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (1+4e^{4x}) \Big|_0^1 - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{(v-1)^2}{v} dv + \frac{1}{4} \ln(1+4e^{4x}-1) \Big|_0^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (1+4e^4 - (1+4)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{v^2 - 2v + 1}{v} dv + \frac{1}{4} \ln(4e^4) \Big|_0^1$$

$$= (e^4 - 1) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (v - 2 + v^{-1}) dv + \frac{1}{4} (\ln(4e^4) - \ln(4))$$

$$= (e^4 - 1) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{v^2}{2} - 2v + \ln v \right) \Big|_{x=0}^1 + \frac{1}{4} (\ln 4 + 4 - \ln 4)$$

$$= (e^4 - 1) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(1+\sqrt{u})^2}{2} - 2(1+\sqrt{u}) + \ln(1+\sqrt{u}) \right) \Big|_{x=0}^1 + 1$$

$$= (e^4 - 1) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1 + 2\sqrt{u} + u}{2} - 2 - 2\sqrt{u} + \ln(1+\sqrt{u}) \right) \Big|_{x=0}^1 + 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (e^4 - 1) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1 + 2\sqrt{u} + u}{2} - 2 - 2\sqrt{u} + \ln(1 + \sqrt{u}) \right) \Big|_{x=0}^{+1} \\
&= e^4 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1 + 2\sqrt{u} + u - 4 - 4\sqrt{u} + 2\ln(1 + \sqrt{u})}{2} \right) \Big|_{x=0}^1 \\
&= e^4 - \frac{1}{4} \left(2\ln(1 + \sqrt{1 + 4e^{4x}}) - 2\sqrt{1 + 4e^{4x}} + 1 + 4e^{4x} - 3 \right) \Big|_0^1 \\
&= e^4 - \frac{1}{4} \left(2\ln(1 + \sqrt{1 + 4e^4}) - 2\sqrt{1 + 4e^4} - 2 + 4e^4 \right) + \frac{1}{4} \left(2\ln(1 + \sqrt{5}) - 2\sqrt{5} + 2 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

7. A length of string, chain, etc. which is hanging by both ends is called a catenary. Mathematically, a catenary is described by $f(x) = a \cosh\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$, with $a > 0$. What is the length of a catenary with its ends fixed at $(1, 1)$ and $(-1, 1)$? (A bicycle or car with square wheels would drive smoothly along a road lined with inverted catenary speed bumps.)

$$y = a \cosh\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) \text{ on } [-1, 1].$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sinh\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) \Rightarrow 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 1 + \sinh^2\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$$

So

$$\text{Length of catenary} = \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1 + \sinh^2\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)} dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{\cosh^2\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)} dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \cosh\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) dx$$

$$= a \sinh\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) \Big|_{-1}^1$$

$$= a \sinh\left(\frac{1}{a}\right) - a \sinh\left(\frac{-1}{a}\right)$$

$$= a \sinh\left(\frac{1}{a}\right) + a \sinh\left(\frac{1}{a}\right)$$

$$= \underline{\underline{2a \sinh\left(\frac{1}{a}\right)}}$$

8. Sketch the astroid given by $x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = 1$ (there should be a section of curve in each of the 4 quadrants). Find the perimeter of the astroid (hint: use symmetry to reduce the amount of work).

$$x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = 1 \Rightarrow y^{2/3} = 1 - x^{2/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = (1 - x^{2/3})^{3/2} \quad (\text{consider the top function only by symmetry})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{3}{2} \cdot -\frac{2}{3} x^{-1/3} (1 - x^{2/3})^{1/2} \\ &= -x^{-1/3} (1 - x^{2/3})^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 &= 1 + x^{-2/3} (1 - x^{2/3}) \\ &= 1 + x^{-2/3} - 1 \\ &= x^{-2/3} \end{aligned}$$

So, by symmetry (from the graph),

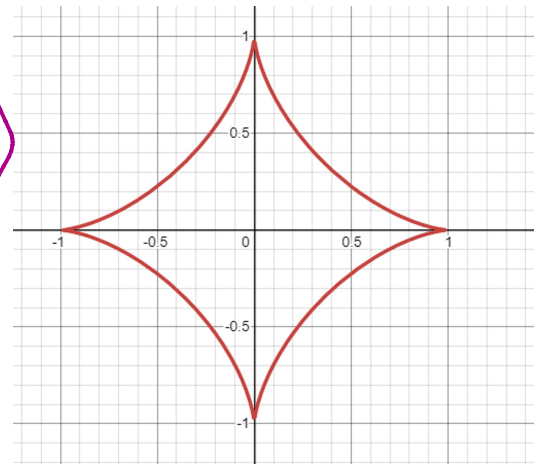
$$\text{Perimeter of astroid} = 4 \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$$

$$= 4 \int_0^1 \sqrt{x^{-2/3}} dx$$

$$= 4 \int_0^1 x^{-1/3} dx$$

$$= 4 \cdot \frac{3}{2} x^{2/3} \Big|_0^1$$

$$= 6 (1^{2/3} - 0^{2/3})$$



$$= 6$$

9. The function $f(x) = \cos^{-1}(e^x)$ defines a function on $(-\infty, 0]$. Set up 2 integrals (one with respect to x and one with respect to y) to find the arc length of the curve $y = f(x)$ on $-\frac{\ln 2}{2} \leq x \leq 0$. Compute the integral of your choice.

$$y = \cos^{-1}(e^x) \text{ on } \left[-\frac{\ln 2}{2}, 0\right].$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos y = e^x \Rightarrow -\sin y \frac{dy}{dx} = e^x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{e^x}{-\sin y} \\ &= \frac{e^x}{-\sqrt{1-e^{2x}}} \end{aligned}$$

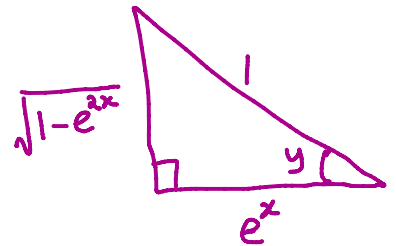
$$\Rightarrow 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 1 + \left(\frac{e^x}{-\sqrt{1-e^{2x}}}\right)^2$$

$$= 1 + \frac{e^{2x}}{(1-e^{2x})}$$

$$= \frac{1 - e^{2x} + e^{2x}}{1 - e^{2x}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - e^{2x}}$$

$$\cos y = e^x:$$



$$= \frac{1}{1 - e^{2x}}$$

So,

$$\text{Arc length} = \int_{-\frac{\ln 2}{2}}^0 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\frac{\ln 2}{2}}^0 \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 - e^{2x}}} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\frac{\ln 2}{2}}^0 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - e^{2x}}} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{1}{u} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{1 - e^{2x}}}{-e^{2x}} du$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{1}{u} \cdot \frac{u}{1 - u^2} du$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{1}{(1-u)(1+u)} du$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \left(\frac{1/2}{1-u} + \frac{1/2}{1+u} \right) du$$

$$u = \sqrt{1 - e^{2x}} \quad (\Rightarrow e^{2x} = 1 - u^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(-2e^{2x})(1 - e^{2x})^{-1/2}$$

$$= \frac{-e^{2x}}{\sqrt{1 - e^{2x}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{1 - e^{2x}}}{-e^{2x}} du = dx$$

$$\text{Also } x = -\frac{\ln 2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \sqrt{1 - e^{2(-\frac{\ln 2}{2})}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

and

$$\Rightarrow u = \sqrt{1 - e^{2(0)}} = 0$$

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \ln|1-u| + \frac{1}{2} \ln(1+u) \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right) - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \ln 1 + \frac{1}{2} \ln 1 \right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}} \div \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}-1}\right)$$

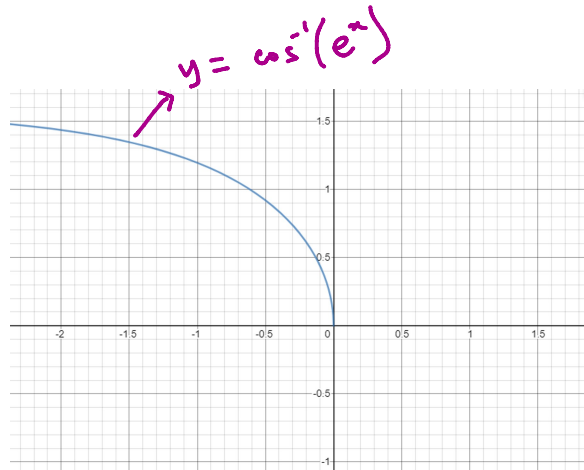
$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}-1}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{(\sqrt{2}+1)(\sqrt{2}+1)}{(\sqrt{2}-1)(\sqrt{2}+1)}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{2+2\sqrt{2}+1}{2-1}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln(3 + 2\sqrt{2})$$

Alternatively:



$$y = \cos^{-1}(e^x) \Rightarrow \cos y = e^x \Rightarrow x = \ln(\cos y)$$

and

$$x = -\frac{\ln 2}{2} \Rightarrow y = \cos^{-1}\left(e^{-\frac{\ln 2}{2}}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4},$$

$$x = 0 \Rightarrow y = \cos^{-1}(e^0) = \cos^{-1}(1) = 0$$

So,

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{-\sin y}{\cos y} = -\tan y \Rightarrow 1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2 = 1 + \tan^2 y$$

Thus,

$$\text{Arc length} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sqrt{1 + \tan^2 y} \, dy$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sqrt{\sec^2 y} \, dy$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/4} \sqrt{\sec^2 y} \, dy$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/4} \sec y \, dy$$

$$= \ln |\sec y + \tan y| \Big|_0^{\pi/4}$$

$$= \ln(\sqrt{2} + 1) - \ln(1 + 0)$$

$$= \ln(\sqrt{2} + 1)$$

The two methods yield same result but the second method is easier.