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1. (a) (10 pts) Find the arclength of the catenary $\alpha(t) = (t, \cosh t)$ for $0 \leq t \leq b$.

Solution. $\sinh b$ \square

- (b) (10 pts) Reparametrize the catenary by arclength.

Solution. $\beta(s) = (\log(s + \sqrt{s^2 + 1}), \sqrt{s^2 + 1})$ \square

2. (20 pts) Calculate the Frenet apparatus $(\mathbf{T}, k, \mathbf{N}, \mathbf{B}, \tau)$ of the following curve:

$$\alpha(t) = (e^t \cos t, e^t \sin t, e^t).$$

Solution. $\mathbf{T} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\cos t - \sin t, \cos t + \sin t, 1)$, $k = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3e^t}$,
 $\mathbf{N} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\cos t - \sin t, \cos t - \sin t, 0)$, $\mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\sin t - \cos t, -\cos t - \sin t, 2)$,
 $\tau = \frac{1}{3e^t}$ \square

3. (10 pts) Suppose C is a simple closed plane curve with $0 < \kappa \leq c$. Prove that $\text{length}(C) \geq 2\pi/c$.

Proof. Let $L = \text{length}(C)$. Then by Hopf rotation theorem, we have

$$2\pi = \int_0^L \kappa(s) ds \leq \int_0^L c ds = cL,$$

so $L \geq 2\pi/c$. \square

4. Consider the helicoid

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = (u \cos v, u \sin v, bv).$$

- (a) (6 pts) Compute the first fundamental form of the helicoid.

Solution. $E = 1, F = 0, G = u^2 + b^2$ \square

- (b) (10 pts) Find the surface area of a portion of the helicoid
 $(1 < u < 3, 0 \leq v \leq 2\pi)$.

Solution. $\pi (3\sqrt{b^2 + 9} + b^2 \ln |\sqrt{b^2 + 9} + 3| - \sqrt{b^2 + 1} - b^2 \ln |\sqrt{b^2 + 1} + 1|)$ \square

5. Consider the torus

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = ((a + b \cos u) \cos v, (a + b \cos u) \sin v, b \sin u) \quad (0 < b < a).$$

(a) (6 pts) Find the first fundamental form.

$$\text{Solution. } E = b^2, F = 0, G = (a + b \cos u)^2 \quad \square$$

(b) (4 pts) Find the surface unit normal.

$$\text{Solution. } (-\cos u \cos v, -\cos u \sin v, -\sin u) \quad \square$$

(c) (6 pts) Find the second fundamental form.

$$\text{Solution. } l = b, m = 0, n = \cos u(a + b \cos u) \quad \square$$

(d) (4 pts) Find the matrix of the shape operator.

$$\text{Solution. } \begin{pmatrix} 1/b & 0 \\ 0 & \cos u/(a + b \cos u) \end{pmatrix} \quad \square$$

(e) (4 pts) Find the mean curvature H and the Gaussian curvature K .

$$\text{Solution. } H = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{b} + \frac{\cos u}{a + b \cos u} \right), K = \frac{\cos u}{b(a + b \cos u)} \quad \square$$

6. (10 pts) Apply Meusnier's Formula to prove that the curvature of any curve lying on a sphere of radius a satisfies $\kappa \geq 1/a$.

Proof. By Example 2 of P.46, $S_p = -\frac{1}{a} \text{Id}$. Hence, for any unit vector v and any p on the sphere, $II_p(v, v) = S_p(v) \cdot v = -\frac{1}{a}$. Let $\alpha(s)$ be a unit-speed curve with curvature k on the sphere such that $\alpha(0) = p$ and $\alpha'(0) = v$. By Meusnier's formula,

$$-\frac{1}{a} = II_p(v, v) = k_n = k \cos \phi,$$

where ϕ is the angle between the surface unit normal n and the principal unit normal N of the curve. Therefore, $k \geq |k \cos \phi| = \frac{1}{a}$.

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2. (10 points) Evaluate the integrals: $\int \sec x \, dx$ and $\int \sec^3 x \, dx$.

$$\bullet \int \sec x \, dx = \int \sec x \cdot \frac{\sec x + \tan x}{\sec x + \tan x} \, dx$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Let } u = \sec x + \tan x \\ du = \sec x \tan x + \sec^2 x \, dx \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{u} \, du$$

$$= \ln |u| + C$$

$$= \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C$$

$$\bullet \int \sec^3 x \, dx = \int \underbrace{\sec x}_f \cdot \underbrace{\sec^2 x}_{g'} \, dx$$

$$= \sec x \tan x - \int \sec x \tan x \cdot \tan x \, dx$$

integration by parts

$$= \sec x \tan x - \int \sec x (\sec^2 x - 1) \, dx$$

$$= \sec x \tan x - \int \sec^3 x \, dx + \int \sec x \, dx$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \int \sec^3 x \, dx = \sec x \tan x + \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \sec^3 x \, dx = \frac{1}{2} (\sec x \tan x + \ln |\sec x + \tan x|) + C_2$$