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1. Find the exact length of the curve described by the polar equation

$$r = \theta^2, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi.$$

$u$ -substitution will help with computing the antiderivative.

**Solution:** We use the formula for the length of a polar curve:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{(\theta^2)^2 + (2\theta)^2} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\theta^4 + 4\theta^2} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\theta^2 + 4} \theta d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

At this point, we use the  $u$ -substitution  $u = \theta^2 + 4$ , so  $du = 2\theta d\theta$ . The bound  $\theta = 0$  corresponds to  $u = 4$ , and the bound  $\theta = 2\pi$  corresponds to  $u = 4\pi^2 + 4$ . We thus continue our computation:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \int_4^{4\pi^2+4} \sqrt{u} \frac{1}{2} du \\ &= \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \frac{1}{2} \Big|_4^{4\pi^2+4} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left( (4\pi^2 + 4)^{3/2} - 4^{3/2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left( (4\pi^2 + 4)^{3/2} - 8 \right) \\ &= \frac{8}{3} \left( (\pi^2 + 1)^{3/2} - 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

The last two lines are both reasonably simplified answers.

2. (a) Describe the shape formed by the points  $(x, y, z)$  which satisfy both of the equations

$$x^2 + y^2 = 1 \qquad \text{and} \qquad z = 3.$$

Describe the shape in detail, including its size and location.

**Solution:** The equation  $x^2 + y^2 = 1^2$  describes points  $(x, y, z)$  that are at a distance 1 from the  $z$ -axis. Along with the equation  $z = 3$ , we see that we have a horizontal circle with center  $(0, 0, 3)$  and radius 1.

- (b) Describe the surface described by the equation  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ . Again, describe the shape in detail, including its size and location.

**Solution:** In this case, the value of  $z$  is not specified, so the surface contains all points  $(x, y, z)$  that are at a distance of 1 from the  $z$ -axis, namely a cylinder around the  $z$ -axis of radius 1.