Mathematics Department

Integral Calculus: Learning Module No. 7

Topic	METHODS OF INTEGRATION
Sub-Topic	Trigonometric Substitution
Duration	3 hours
Introduction	There are certain types of integrals involving algebraic expressions which can be transformed into a problem of evaluating trigonometric integrals. The transformation will involve appropriate trigonometric substitutions for the original variable of integration.
Theories/Concepts/Formulas	3. Trigonometric Substitution
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Sample Problems	Ex.1. Evaluate $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$ $a^2 = a^2 \qquad u^2 = x^2$

$$a = a \qquad u = x$$

$$use: u = a \sin\theta \qquad dx = a \cos\theta d\theta$$

$$sin\theta = \frac{x}{a} \qquad a \qquad x$$

$$\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$

$$cos\theta = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}{a}$$

$$\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} = a \cos\theta$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \int \frac{d \cos\theta d\theta}{d \cos\theta}$$

$$= \int d\theta$$

$$= \theta + C$$
but
$$sin\theta = \frac{x}{a}$$
and
$$\theta = Arcsin\frac{x}{a}$$
Thus,
$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = Arcsin\frac{x}{a} + C$$

$$Ex.2. Evaluate \int \frac{(x+3)dx}{\sqrt{16-x^2}}$$

$$a^2 = 16 \qquad u^2 = x^2$$

$$a = 4 \qquad u = x$$

use:
$$u = a \sin\theta$$

 $x = 4 \sin\theta$ $dx = 4 \cos\theta d\theta$

$$sin\theta = \frac{x}{4} \qquad 4$$

$$\sqrt{16 - x^2}$$

$$cos\theta = \frac{\sqrt{16 - x^2}}{4}$$

$$\sqrt{16 - x^2} = 4 \cos\theta$$

$$\int \frac{(x+3)dx}{\sqrt{16 - x^2}} = \int \frac{(4\sin\theta + 3)(4\cos\theta d\theta)}{4\cos\theta}$$

$$= \int (4\sin\theta + 3)d\theta$$

$$= 4\int \sin\theta d\theta + 3\int d\theta$$

$$= 4(-\cos\theta) + 3\theta + C$$
but
$$-\cos\theta = -\frac{\sqrt{16 - x^2}}{4}$$
and
$$\theta = Arcsin\frac{x}{4}$$

$$= 4\left(-\frac{\sqrt{16 - x^2}}{4}\right) + 3(Arcsin\frac{x}{4}) + C$$
Thus,

$$\int \frac{(x+3)dx}{\sqrt{16-x^2}} = 3Arcsin \frac{x}{4} - \sqrt{16-x^2} + C$$

Ex.3. Evaluate
$$\int \frac{dx}{(x^2+16)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$= \int \frac{dx}{(\sqrt{x^2+16})^3}$$

$$a^2 = 16 \qquad u^2 = x^2$$

$$a = 4 \qquad u = x$$

$$use: u = a \tan\theta$$

$$x = 4 \tan\theta \qquad dx = 4 \sec^2\theta d\theta$$

$$\tan\theta = \frac{x}{4} \qquad \frac{4}{\sqrt{x^2+16}}$$

$$\sqrt{x^2+16} = 4 \sec\theta$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{(\sqrt{x^2+16})^3} = \int \frac{4 \sec^2\theta d\theta}{(4 \sec\theta)^3}$$

$$= \int \frac{4 \sec^2\theta d\theta}{64 \sec^3\theta}$$

$$= \frac{4}{64} \int (\frac{\sec^2\theta}{\sec^3\theta} d\theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \int \frac{d\theta}{\sec\theta}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sec \theta} = \cos \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \int \cos\theta \, d\theta$$
$$= \frac{1}{16} (\sin\theta) + C$$

but

$$\sin\theta = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 16}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{16} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 16}} \right) + C$$

Thus,

$$\int \frac{dx}{(x^2+16)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{x}{16(x^2+16)^{\frac{1}{2}}} + C$$

Ex.4. Evaluate
$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 + 8x + 17}$$

$$= \int \frac{dx}{x^2 + 8x + 16 + 1}$$

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$$= \int \frac{dx}{(x^4 + 4)^2 + 1}$$

$$a^2 = 1 \qquad u^2 = (x + 4)^2$$

$$a = 1 \qquad u = x + 4$$

use:
$$u = a \tan \theta$$

$$x+4 = \tan\theta$$
 $dx = \sec^2\theta d\theta$
 $(x+4)^2 = \tan^2\theta$

$$tan\theta = x + 4 \underbrace{(x^{2}x^{3})^{2}x^{3}}_{1}$$
 X+4

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 + 8x + 17} = \int \frac{\sec^2 \theta \, d\theta}{\tan^2 \theta + 1}$$

but from trigonometric identities

$$\tan^{2}\theta + 1 = \sec^{2}\theta$$

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

$$= \int d\theta$$

$$= \theta + C$$

from

$$x + 4 = tan\theta$$

and

$$\theta = Arctan(x + 4)$$

Thus,

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 + 8x + 17} = Arctan(x+4) + C$$

Ex.5. Evaluate
$$\int \frac{x^2 dx}{\sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}$$

$$a^2 = 9$$
 $u^2 = 4x^2 = (2x)^2$
 $a = 3$ $u = 2x$

use:
$$u = a \sec \theta$$

$$2x = 3\sec\theta, \quad 2dx = 3\sec\theta \tan\theta d\theta$$

$$x = \frac{3}{2}\sec\theta, \quad dx = \frac{3}{2}\sec\theta \tan\theta d\theta$$

$$x^2 = \frac{9}{4}\sec^2\theta$$

$$\sec\theta = \frac{2x}{3}$$

$$2x$$

$$\int \frac{x^2dx}{\sqrt{4x^2 - 9}} = \int \frac{\frac{9}{4}\sec^2\theta}{\frac{9}{4}\sec^2\theta} \frac{(\frac{3}{2}\sec\theta \tan\theta d\theta)}{3\tan\theta}$$

$$= \frac{9}{8}\int \sec\theta \cdot \sec^2\theta d\theta$$

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$$= \sec\theta \tan\theta \qquad v = \tan\theta$$

$$\int \sec^3\theta d\theta = \sec\theta \tan\theta$$

$$-\int (\tan\theta)(\sec\theta \tan\theta d\theta)$$

$$\int \sec^3\theta d\theta = \sec\theta \tan\theta$$

$$-\int \tan^2\theta \cdot \sec\theta d\theta$$
but from trigonometric identities
$$\tan^2\theta = \sec^2\theta - 1$$

$$\int \sec^3\theta d\theta = \sec\theta \tan\theta - \int (\sec^2\theta - 1)\sec\theta d\theta$$

$$\int \sec^3\theta \, d\theta = \sec\theta \tan\theta - \int \sec^3\theta \, d\theta$$

$$+ \int \sec\theta \, d\theta$$

$$2 \int \sec^3\theta \, d\theta = \sec\theta \tan\theta + \int \sec\theta \, d\theta$$

$$2 \int \sec^3\theta \, d\theta = \sec\theta \tan\theta + \ln(\sec\theta + \tan\theta) + C$$

$$\int \sec^3\theta \, d\theta = \frac{1}{2} [\sec\theta \tan\theta + \ln(\sec\theta + \tan\theta)] + C$$

$$= \frac{9}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{2} [\sec\theta \tan\theta + \ln(\sec\theta + \tan\theta)] + C$$

$$= \frac{9}{16} \left[\left(\frac{2x}{3} \right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}{3} \right) + \ln \left(\frac{2x}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}{3} \right) \right] + C$$

$$= \frac{9}{16} \left[\frac{2x\sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}{9} + \ln \left(\frac{2x + \sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}{3} \right) \right] + C$$

$$= \frac{2x\sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}{8} + \frac{9}{16} \ln \left(\frac{2x + \sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}{3} \right) + C$$
Thus,
$$\int \frac{x^2 \, dx}{\sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}$$

$$= \frac{x\sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}{8} + \ln \left(\frac{2x + \sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}{3} \right) + C$$