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### Section 7.3 Trigonometric Substitution

Expression in the integral

Substitution

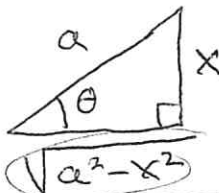
Identity

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

$$x = a \sin \theta$$

$$1 - \sin^2 \theta = \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\frac{x}{a} = \sin \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}}$$

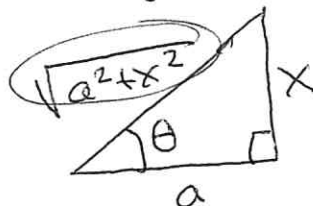


$$\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$$

$$x = a \tan \theta$$

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

$$\frac{x}{a} = \tan \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$$

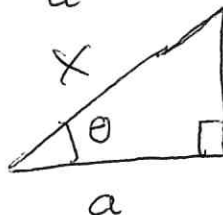


$$\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}$$

$$x = a \sec \theta$$

$$\sec^2 \theta - 1 = \tan^2 \theta$$

$$\frac{x}{a} = \sec \theta = \frac{\text{hyp}}{\text{adj}}$$



$$x^2 - a^2$$

Ex  $I = \int \frac{dx}{x^2 \sqrt{9-x^2}}$  here use  $\sqrt{a^2-x^2}$   
 where  $a = \sqrt{9} = 3$

Let  $x = 3 \sin \theta$

$\frac{x}{3} = \sin \theta$

$dx = 3 \cos \theta d\theta$

Now work with  $\sqrt{9-x^2}$

$= \sqrt{9 - (3 \sin \theta)^2}$

$= \sqrt{9 - 9 \sin^2 \theta}$

$= \sqrt{9(1 - \sin^2 \theta)}$

$= 3 \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta}$

$= 3 \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta}$

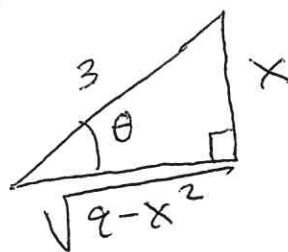
$= 3 \cos \theta$

Back to I

$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 \sqrt{9-x^2}} = \int \frac{3 \cos \theta d\theta}{(3 \sin \theta)^2 \cdot 3 \cos \theta} = \int \frac{d\theta}{9 \sin^2 \theta}$

$= \frac{1}{9} \int \frac{d\theta}{\sin^2 \theta} = \frac{1}{9} \int \csc^2 \theta d\theta = -\frac{1}{9} \cot \theta + C$

Now, find  $\theta$  in terms of  $x$



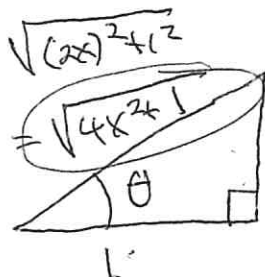
So  $\cot \theta = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{opp}} = \frac{\sqrt{9-x^2}}{3}$

So  $\int \frac{dx}{x^2 \sqrt{9-x^2}} = -\frac{1}{9} \left( \frac{\sqrt{9-x^2}}{3} \right) + C$

$= \frac{-\sqrt{9-x^2}}{9x} + C$

Ex  $I = \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{4x^2+1}}$

solution  $I = \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{(2x)^2+1^2}}$



Let  $u = 2x$ ,  $a = 1$

so,  $\frac{2x}{1} = 2x = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}} = \tan \theta$

$2x = \tan \theta$

$2dx = \sec^2 \theta d\theta$

$dx = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \sec^2 \theta d\theta$

so  $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{4x^2+1}} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\sec^2 \theta d\theta}{\sec \theta} = \frac{1}{2} \int \sec \theta d\theta$

To find ? work with  $\sqrt{4x^2+1}$

$\sqrt{4x^2+1} = \sqrt{4\left(\frac{\tan \theta}{2}\right)^2+1} = \sqrt{\tan^2 \theta + 1} = \sec \theta$

so  $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{4x^2+1}} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\sec^2 \theta d\theta}{\sec \theta} = \frac{1}{2} \int \sec \theta d\theta$

$= \frac{1}{2} \ln |\sec \theta + \tan \theta| + C$

Now find  $\theta$  in terms of  $x$

~~$\sec \theta = \frac{\text{hyp}}{\text{adj}} = \frac{2x}{1} = 2x$  and  $\tan \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}} =$~~

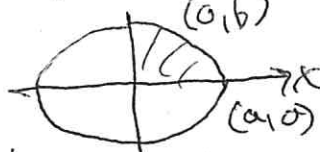
$\sec \theta = \frac{\text{hyp}}{\text{adj}} = \frac{\sqrt{4x^2+1}}{1} = \sqrt{4x^2+1}$

$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}} = \frac{2x}{1} = 2x$

so  $I = \frac{1}{2} \ln |\sqrt{4x^2+1} + 2x| + C$

Application Find the area enclosed by the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$



First find  $y$  in terms of  $x$

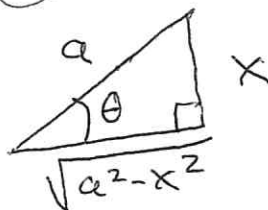
$$\frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2} = \frac{a^2 - x^2}{a^2}, \text{ or } y = \pm \frac{b}{a} \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$

By symmetry we only need to find the area enclosed in the first quadrant, and then multiply by 4.

Seek  $\int_0^a f(x) dx = \int_{x=0}^{x=a} \left( \frac{b}{a} \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \right) dx = \left( \frac{b}{a} \right) \int_0^a \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx$

Let  $x = a \sin \theta$

$$\frac{x}{a} = \sin \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}}$$



$$dx = a \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$\text{So } I = \int \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx = \int \sqrt{a^2 - a^2 \sin^2 \theta} a \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$\text{Note } \sqrt{a^2 - a^2 \sin^2 \theta} = \sqrt{a^2(1 - \sin^2 \theta)} = a \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta} = a \cos \theta$$

$$I = \int a \cos \theta a \cos \theta d\theta = a^2 \int \cos^2 \theta d\theta$$

For our bounds

When  $x=0$ ,  $a \sin \theta = 0$ , so  $\sin \theta = 0$ , so  $\theta = 0$

or  $x=a$ ,  $a \sin \theta = a$ ,  $\sin \theta = 1$ , so  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

So, we want  $\left( \frac{b}{a} \right) a^2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 \theta d\theta$

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$$= \cancel{ab} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= ab \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 \theta d\theta$$

$$= \frac{ab}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 + \cos 2\theta) d\theta$$

$$= \frac{ab}{2} \left[ \theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos 2\theta d\theta$$

$u = 2\theta$   
 $du = 2d\theta$

$$= \frac{\pi ab}{4}$$

So the total area is  $4 \left( \frac{\pi ab}{4} \right) = \pi ab$

In the special case of a circle: radius  $r = a = b$

So the area enclosed by a circle is

$$A = \pi r^2$$