

Section 7.4: Trig Substitution

Group work:

Problem 1 For the integral:

$$\int \frac{27x^2}{(4 + 9x^2)^{3/2}} dx$$

find an appropriate constant C and an appropriate trigonometric substitution of one of the forms $x = C \sin \theta$, $x = C \sec \theta$, or $x = C \tan \theta$ to simplify the integral. Then, perform any trigonometric manipulations necessary and evaluate the integral.

Problem 2 Evaluate the following integrals:

$$(a) \int_{-\frac{5}{3}}^{-\frac{5}{6}} \frac{\sqrt{36x^2 - 25}}{x^3} dx$$

$$(b) \int \frac{dx}{(x^2 - 6x + 11)^2}$$

Problem 3 Evaluate the following integrals:

$$(a) \int \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{4x - x^2}} dx$$

$$(b) \int \frac{e^x}{\sqrt{e^{2x} + 9}} dx$$

$$(c) \int \frac{dx}{x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 9x^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

Learning outcomes: