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$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} dx = \sqrt{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} dx} \int_{-\infty}^{2} \frac{e^{-\frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} dy$$

$$= \sqrt{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} dx} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} dy$$

$$= \sqrt{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2+(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma^2 2\pi} dx dy}$$

Substitute $x' = x - \mu$ and $y' = y - \mu$. Since the bounds are infinite, they do not change, and dx' = dx and dy' = dy. Thus, we have

$$\sqrt{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2 + (y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma^2 2\pi} \, dx \, dy} = \sqrt{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\frac{(x')^2 + (y')^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma^2 2\pi} \, dx' \, dy'}.$$

Converting to polar coordinates, we obtain

$$\sqrt{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\frac{(x')^2 + (y')^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma^2 2\pi} dx' dy'} = \sqrt{\int_{0}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \frac{re^{-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma^2 2\pi} dr d\theta}$$

$$= \sqrt{\int_{0}^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}} \sqrt{\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{re^{-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma^2} dr}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\theta}{2\pi}} \Big|_{0}^{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \int_{0}^{\infty} re^{-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}} dr}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{2\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma^2} \left(-e^{-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}}\right)} \Big|_{0}^{\infty}$$

$$= \sqrt{1}\sqrt{1}$$

$$= 1.$$