

Integration Using Trigonometric Substitutions

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Here some standard formulae and the methods to solve some standard integrals with the help of these formulae.

(a)
$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 - a^2} = \frac{1}{2a} \log \left| \frac{x - a}{x + a} \right| + C$$

(b)
$$\int \frac{dx}{a^2 - x^2} = \frac{1}{2a} \log \left| \frac{a + x}{a - x} \right| + C$$

(c)
$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 + a^2} = \frac{1}{a} tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C$$

(d)
$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} = \log|x + \sqrt{x^2 - a^2}| + C$$

(e)
$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} = \log |x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2}| + C$$

(f)
$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C$$

Example



Evaluate

(a)
$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 - 16}$$

$$(b) \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{9 - 25x^2}}$$

Integrals in Different Forms



Integral of the form
$$\int \frac{1}{ax^2+bx+c} dx$$
 or $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{ax^2+bx+c}}$

We write
$$ax^2 + bx + c = a\left(x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{c}{a}\right) = a\left\{\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c}{a} - \frac{b^2}{4a^2}\right)\right\}$$
$$= a(t^2 \pm k^2), \text{ here } t = x + \frac{b}{2a}, \frac{c}{a} - \frac{b^2}{4a^2} = \pm k^2$$

Thus
$$\int \frac{1}{ax^2+bx+c} dx = \frac{1}{a} \int \frac{1}{t^2\pm k^2} dt$$
 and $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{ax^2+bx+c}} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^2\pm k^2}} dt$ which can be

integrated by using suitable formulae.

Example



Evaluate

$$(a) \int \frac{1}{3x^2 + 13x - 10} dx$$

$$(b) \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{3-x+x^2}} dx$$

Integrals in Different Forms



Integral of the type
$$\int \frac{px+q}{ax^2+bx+c} dx$$
 and $\int \frac{px+q}{\sqrt{ax^2+bx+c}} dx$

To evaluate such integrals we first write the numerator as

$$px + q = A\left\{\frac{d}{dx}(ax^2 + bx + c)\right\} + B$$

$$\Rightarrow px + q = A(2ax + b) + B$$

Then find A and B by comparing the coefficients of like powers of x from both sides.

Now the given integral reduced to one of the known forms which can be integrated easily.

Example



Evaluate the following integrals

$$(a) \int \frac{x+2}{2x^2+6x+5} dx$$

(b)
$$\int \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{2x^2+x-3}} dx$$

Assignments



1. Evaluate the integrals

(a)
$$\int \frac{1}{4x^2 + 12x + 5} dx$$

$$(c)\int \frac{1-3x}{3x^2+4x+2} dx$$

(b)
$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{16-6x-x^2}} dx$$

(d)
$$\int \frac{5x+3}{\sqrt{x^2+4x+10}} dx$$



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