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Trig Substitution

Ex 1: Find the area of a circle.

$$2 \int_{-r}^r \sqrt{r^2 - x^2} dx = 4 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{r^2 - r^2 \sin^2 \theta} r \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } x &= r \sin \theta \\ dx &= r \cos \theta d\theta \end{aligned} = 4 \int_0^{\pi/2} r^2 \cos^2 \theta d\theta$$

$$= 4r^2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1 + \cos(2\theta)}{2} d\theta$$

$$= 4r^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \theta + \frac{\sin(2\theta)}{4} \right]_0^{\pi/2}$$

$$= 4r^2 \left[0 - \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + 0 \right) \right]$$

$$= \pi r^2$$

Substitutions:

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

, use $x = a \sin \theta$

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

, use $x = a \tan \theta$

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

, use $x = a \sec \theta$

Ex 2: $\int x^3 \sqrt{x^2 + 4} dx$

Ex 3: $\int \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}}{x^4} dx$

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Ex 4: $\int_0^{2/3} x^3 \sqrt{4-9x^2} dx$

Ex 5: $\int_0^1 \sqrt{x^2+1} dx$

Ex 6: $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9x^2+6x-8}}$

Ex 7: (Groups) $\int \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}}{x}$

Ex 8: (Groups) $\int_0^1 2x \sqrt{1-x^4} dx$

$$u = x^2 \quad du = 2x dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \sqrt{1-u^2} du.$$