

Section 7.4: Trigonometric Substitutions

A. Trigonometric Substitutions ($a > 0$)

1. For integrals involving $\sqrt{a^2 - u^2}$, let $u = a \sin \theta$. Then $\sqrt{a^2 - u^2} = a \cos \theta$, where $-\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$
2. For integrals involving $\sqrt{a^2 + u^2}$, let $u = a \tan \theta$. Then $\sqrt{a^2 + u^2} = a \sec \theta$, where $-\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$
3. For integrals involving $\sqrt{u^2 - a^2}$, let $u = a \sec \theta$. Then $\sqrt{u^2 - a^2} = \pm \tan \theta$, where $0 \leq \theta < \pi/2$ or $\pi/2 < \theta \leq \pi$

B. Theorem 7.2: Special Integration Formulas ($a > 0$)

$$\int \sqrt{a^2 - u^2} du = \frac{1}{2} \left(a^2 \arcsin \frac{u}{a} + u \sqrt{a^2 - u^2} \right) + C$$

$$\int \sqrt{u^2 - a^2} du = \frac{1}{2} \left(u \sqrt{u^2 - a^2} - a^2 \ln \left| u + \sqrt{u^2 - a^2} \right| \right) + C \quad u > a$$

$$\int \sqrt{u^2 + a^2} du = \frac{1}{2} \left(u \sqrt{u^2 + a^2} + a^2 \ln \left| u + \sqrt{u^2 + a^2} \right| \right) + C$$

Examples: 6, 10, 14, 34, 42