

Table of Trigonometric Substitutions

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$\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$	$x = a \sin \theta, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$	$1 - \sin^2 \theta = \cos^2 \theta$
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$$I = \int_0^{3\sqrt{2}/4} \frac{y^2}{(9 - 4y^2)^{3/2}} dy = \int_0^{3\sqrt{2}/4} \frac{y^2}{(\sqrt{3^2 - (2y)^2})^3} dy$$

$$2y = 3 \sin \theta \quad y = \frac{3}{2} \sin \theta$$

$$dy = \frac{3}{2} \cos \theta d\theta \quad y=0 \Rightarrow \theta=0$$

$$y = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4} = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\sqrt{3^2 - (2y)^2})^3 &= (\sqrt{3^2 - 3^2 \sin^2 \theta})^3 \\ &= (3 \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta})^3 = (3 \cos \theta)^3 = 27 \cos^3 \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$I = \int_0^{\pi/4} \frac{\frac{1}{4} \sin^2 \theta}{27 \cos^3 \theta} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\pi/4} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\pi/4} \tan^2 \theta \, d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\pi/4} (\sec^2 \theta - 1) \, d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[\tan \theta - \theta \right]_0^{\pi/4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left(\tan \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{4} - \tan 0 + 0 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left(1 - \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} - \frac{\pi}{32}$$

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$$I = \int \frac{x}{\sqrt{3-2x-x^2}} dx$$

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$$3-2x-x^2 = 3 - (x^2 + 2x)$$

$$= (3+1) - (x^2 + 2x + 1) = 2^2 - (x+1)^2$$

$$x+1 = 2 \sin \theta \quad x = 2 \sin \theta - 1$$

$$dx = 2 \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$I = \int \frac{2 \sin \theta - 1}{\sqrt{2^2 - 2^2 \sin^2 \theta}} 2 \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$= \int \frac{2 \sin \theta - 1}{\cancel{2\sqrt{1-\sin^2 \theta}}} \cancel{2 \cos \theta} d\theta$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{1-\sin^2 \theta} \\ = \cos \theta \end{array} \right.$$

$$= \int (2 \sin \theta - 1) d\theta$$

$$= -2 \cos \theta - \theta + C$$

$$= -\sqrt{3-2x-x^2}$$

$$- \arcsin \left(\frac{x+1}{2} \right)$$

$$+ C$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} x+1 = 2 \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta = \frac{x+1}{2} \\ \theta = \arcsin \left(\frac{x+1}{2} \right) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\sqrt{2^2 - (x+1)^2} = \sqrt{3-2x-x^2}$$