

MAC 2312 Trig Substitution

Principle 1: If $y = \frac{a}{b} \sin u$ then $\sqrt{a^2 - b^2 y^2} = a \cos u$

Pg. 508 #2

$\int x^3 \sqrt{9-x^2} dx$ Since $\sqrt{9-x^2} = \sqrt{3^2 - 1^2 \cdot x^2}$ we have $a=3; b=1; y=x$

Let $x = \frac{a}{b} \sin u$ then $\sqrt{9-x^2} = 3 \cos u$ and $x^3 = 3^3 \sin^3 u$

$dx = 3 \cos u du$

$= \int (3^3 \sin^3 u) (3 \cos u) (3 \cos u du)$

save out.

$= 3^5 \int \sin^3 u \cos^2 u du = 3^5 \int \sin^2 u \cos^2 u \cdot \sin u du = 3^5 \int (1 - \cos^2 u) \cos^2 u \cdot \sin u du$

$= 3^5 \int (\cos^2 u - \cos^4 u) \cdot \sin u du = 3^5 \int (w^2 - w^4) (-dw) = 3^5 \int w^4 - w^2 dw$

Let $w = \cos u$

$-dw = \sin u du$

$= 3^5 \left[\frac{1}{5} w^5 - \frac{1}{3} w^3 \right] + C$

$= 3^5 \left[\frac{1}{5} \cos^5 u - \frac{1}{3} \cos^3 u \right] + C$

$= 3^5 \left[\frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{\sqrt{9-x^2}}{3} \right)^5 - \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{\sqrt{9-x^2}}{3} \right)^3 \right] + C$

$= \frac{1}{5} (9-x^2)^{5/2} - 3 (9-x^2)^{3/2} + C$

Principle 2: If $y = \frac{a}{b} \tan u$ then $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 y^2} = a \sec u$

Pg. 508 # 24

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2 - 6x + 13}} \stackrel{\text{Completing the square}}{=} \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{(x-3)^2 + 2^2}} = \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 \cdot (x-3)^2}} \quad \text{so } a=2; b=1 \text{ and } y=x-3$$

Let $x-3 = \frac{a}{b} \tan u$ then $\sqrt{(x-3)^2 + 4} = 2 \sec u = \sqrt{x^2 - 6x + 13}$

$a \rightarrow 2$
 $b \rightarrow 1$

$$x = 2 \tan u + 3 \rightarrow \tan u = \frac{x-3}{2}$$

$$dx = 2 \sec^2 u \, du$$

$$= \int \frac{2 \sec^2 u \, du}{2 \sec u} = \int \sec u \, du \stackrel{\text{memorized fact.}}{=} \ln |\sec u + \tan u| + C$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 - 6x + 13}$$

$$= \ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 6x + 13}}{2} + \frac{x-3}{2} \right| + C$$

$$= \ln \left| \sqrt{x^2 - 6x + 13} + x - 3 \right| \stackrel{\text{logarithm rule}}{-\ln(2)} + C$$

$$= \ln \left| \sqrt{x^2 - 6x + 13} + x - 3 \right| + K$$

where $K = C - \ln(2)$

Principle 3: If $y = \frac{a}{b} \sec u$ then $\sqrt{b^2 y^2 - a^2} = a \tan u$

example $\int \frac{\sqrt{25x^2 - 81}}{x} dx$ Since $\sqrt{25x^2 - 81} = \sqrt{5^2 x^2 - 9^2}$ then $b=5; a=9; y=x$

Let $x = \frac{9}{5} \sec u$ then $\sqrt{25x^2 - 81} = 9 \tan u$

$$u = \sec^{-1}\left(\frac{5x}{9}\right)$$

$$dx = \frac{9}{5} \sec u \tan u du$$

$$= \int \frac{9 \tan u}{\frac{9}{5} \sec u} \cdot \frac{9}{5} \sec u \tan u du = 9 \int \tan^2 u du$$

$$= 9 \int (\sec^2 u - 1) du$$

$$= 9 [\tan u - u] + C$$

$$= 9 \left[\frac{\sqrt{25x^2 - 81}}{9} - \sec^{-1}\left(\frac{5x}{9}\right) \right] + C$$

$$= \sqrt{25x^2 - 81} - 9 \sec^{-1}\left(\frac{5x}{9}\right) + C$$