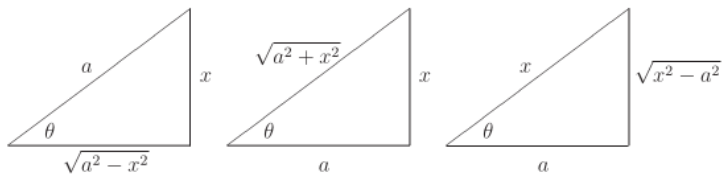


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| $\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$ | $x = a \sin \theta$ | $dx = a \cos \theta d\theta$ | $\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} = a \cos \theta$ |
| $\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$ | $x = a \tan \theta$ | $dx = a \sec^2 \theta d\theta$ | $\sqrt{a^2 + x^2} = a \sec \theta$ |
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In each line, the last entry follows from the second entry by one of the Pythagorean identities.

There are also right triangles you can draw to make the connections between x , a , and θ . The three triangles below refer to the three trig subs, respectively.



1. $\int \frac{x^2 dx}{\sqrt{9 - x^2}}$

2. $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{16 + x^2}}$

$$3. \int \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 25}}{x^3} dx$$

It should be clear from question 2 that $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{u^2 + a^2}} = \ln(|u + \sqrt{u^2 + a^2}|)$ Use the above result and the miracle of completing the square to instantly find

$$4. \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 10}}$$

$$5. \int_{\sqrt{2}}^2 \frac{dx}{x^3 \sqrt{x^2 - 1}}$$

Hint: this looks hard but if you change the limits of integration you don't have to go back to x . The substitution is $x = \sec(\theta)$ making $\theta = \sec^{-1}(x)$ So, for example, the lower limit is $\theta = \sec^{-1}(\sqrt{2}) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$