

8.6 Matches Requiring Special Substitutions

(A) $u = x^{\frac{1}{n}}$ in which n is the LCD of the exponents.

Example 1 Evaluate

$$a) \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{1 + \sqrt[3]{x}} dx \quad b) \int \frac{dx}{2 + 2\sqrt{x}} \quad c) \int \sqrt{1 + e^x} dx$$

(B) Rational Function of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$

Some examples are

$$\frac{\sin x + 3\cos^2 x}{\cos x + 4\sin x}, \frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x - \cos^2 x}, \frac{3\sin^5 x}{1 + 4\sin x},$$

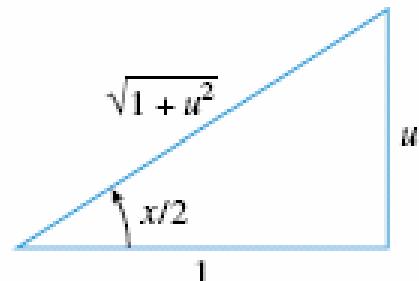
$$u = \tan \frac{x}{2}, \quad -\pi/2 < x/2 < \pi/2 \quad x = 2 \tan^{-1} u, \quad dx = \frac{2}{1+u^2} du$$

To express $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ in terms of u , we will use

$$\sin x = 2 \sin(x/2) \cos(x/2)$$

$$\cos x = \cos^2(x/2) - \sin^2(x/2)$$

$$\sin(x/2) = \frac{u}{\sqrt{1+u^2}} \text{ and } \cos(x/2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+u^2}}$$



$$\sin x = 2 \left(\frac{u}{\sqrt{1+u^2}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+u^2}} \right) = \frac{2u}{1+u^2}$$

$$\cos x = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+u^2}} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{u}{\sqrt{1+u^2}} \right)^2 = \frac{1-u^2}{1+u^2}$$

$$\boxed{\sin x = \frac{2u}{1+u^2}, \quad \cos x = \frac{1-u^2}{1+u^2}, \quad dx = \frac{2}{1+u^2} du}$$

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$$\int \frac{1}{1 - \sin x + \cos x} dx$$