

**LESSON 9-5**     **INTEGRATION INVOLVING  
INVERSE TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS**

Since  $\frac{d}{dx} \arcsin u = \frac{u'}{\sqrt{1-u^2}}$  and  $\frac{d}{dx} \arctan u = \frac{u'}{1+u^2}$ , it follows that

$$\int \frac{u'}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} dx = \arcsin u + C \quad \text{and} \quad \int \frac{u'}{1+u^2} dx = \arctan u + C \quad (\text{where } u \text{ is a function of } x).$$

Extending these integration rules gives us these more general **integration rules**.

Identify form

Find  
 $a, u, u'$

$$1. \int \frac{u'}{\sqrt{a^2-u^2}} dx = \arcsin \frac{u}{a} + C \qquad 2. \int \frac{u'}{a^2+u^2} dx = \frac{1}{a} \arctan \frac{u}{a} + C$$

**Note:** Since  $\frac{d}{dx} \arcsin x$  and  $\frac{d}{dx} \arccos x$  differ only in sign, it is not necessary to have a third integration rule which integrates into  $\arccos x$ .

**Warm-up Example:** Differentiate  $y = \arcsin \frac{x}{2}$ .

$$y = \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-\frac{x^2}{4}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \quad \begin{array}{l} a=2 \\ u=x \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

**Examples:** Integrate.

arcsin form  
 $a=2$   
 $u=x$   
 $u'=1$

$$1. \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx = \arcsin \frac{x}{2} + C$$

arctan form  
 $a=5$   
 $u=2x$   
 $u'=2$

$$2. \int \frac{dx}{4x^2+25} = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{2}{25+4x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{5} \arctan \frac{2x}{5} + C$$

arctan form  
 $a=\sqrt{3}$   
 $u=2x$   
 $u'=2$

$$3. \int \frac{8}{3+4x^2} dx = 4 \int \frac{2}{3+4x^2} dx = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \arctan \frac{2x}{\sqrt{3}} + C$$

$$4. \int \frac{8x}{3+4x^2} dx = \ln(3+4x^2) + C$$

$\frac{u'}{u}$  form      $u$      Easy if you see it!

Divide

$$5. \int \frac{8x^2}{3+4x^2} dx = \int 2x dx - 3 \int \frac{2}{3+4x^2} dx = 2x - 3 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \arctan\left(\frac{2x}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + C$$

(See Example 3)

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 - \frac{6}{4x^2+3} \\ 4x^2+3 \overline{) 8x^2} \\ \underline{-8x^2+6} \\ -6 \end{array}$$

$$6. \int \frac{x+4}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx = \int \frac{x}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx + 4 \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx = -\frac{1}{2} \int (4-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (-2x) dx + 4 \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx = -(4-x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 4 \arcsin \frac{x}{2} + C$$

(See Example 1)

Examples 7. Complete the square to find  $\int \frac{1}{x^2+4x+8} dx$ .

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2+4x+4+4} dx$$

$$\int \frac{1}{(x+2)^2 + 4}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \arctan \frac{x+2}{2} + C$$