

- **Integration by Trig Substitution:**

If the integral contains trig expressions, try substituting some of the basic trig identities:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \sin \theta = \frac{1}{\csc \theta} & \cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sec \theta} \\
 \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta} & \sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \\
 \cos^2 \theta = \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} & \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2} \\
 \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1 & \tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta \\
 \sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cos A & \cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A
 \end{array}$$

If the integral contains the sum or difference of two squares, set up right triangles and make appropriate trig substitutions.

- **Numerical Integration:** When symbolic methods fail, use of some numerical approximation method will give useful answers along a specified interval. Most calculators enact these methods to give extremely exact answers by using very tiny subdivisions.

- **Riemann Sums with Rectangles:** Rectangular Approximation Method.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_a^b f(x) dx &\approx \sum_{i=1}^n (f(x_i) \Delta x) \\
 &\approx \left(\frac{b-a}{n} \right) (y_0 + y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{n-1}) \quad \{\text{Left-Hand Endpoints}\} \\
 &\approx \left(\frac{b-a}{n} \right) (y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + \dots + y_n) \quad \{\text{Right-Hand Endpoints}\}
 \end{aligned}$$

- **Trapezoidal Rule:** Trapezoidal approximation.

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \left(\frac{b-a}{2n} \right) (y_0 + 2y_1 + 2y_2 + 2y_3 + 2y_4 + \dots + 2y_{n-1} + y_n)$$