

4. This problem can be done with either a u -substitution or Trig Substitution

(a) U -Substitution

$$\int \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{x^2-1}} dx \quad u = x^2 - 1 \quad x^2 = u + 1 \\ du = 2x dx \quad dx = \frac{du}{2x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{u+1}{\sqrt{u}} du$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \left(\sqrt{u} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{u}} \right) du$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3} u^{\frac{3}{2}} + 2u^{\frac{1}{2}} + C \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} u^{\frac{3}{2}} + u^{\frac{1}{2}} + C \quad \text{Substitute the } x\text{'s back in}$$

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

(b) Trig Substitution

$$\int \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{x^2-1}} dx \quad x = \sec \theta \quad \sqrt{x^2-1} = \tan \theta \\ dx = \sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta$$



$$= \int \frac{(\sec \theta)^3 (\sec \theta) (\tan \theta) d\theta}{\tan \theta}$$

$$= \int (\sec \theta)^4 d\theta$$

$$= \int (\sec^2 \theta) (\sec^2 \theta) d\theta$$

$$= \int (1 + \tan^2 \theta) (\sec^2 \theta) d\theta$$

We use a u -substitution

$$u = \tan \theta \\ du = \sec^2 \theta d\theta$$

$$= \int (1 + u^2) du$$

$$= u + \frac{u^3}{3} + C$$

$u = \tan \theta = \sqrt{x^2-1}$, so we substitute this back in.

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