#### Integral FIZ 102E

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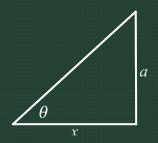
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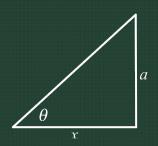
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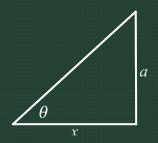
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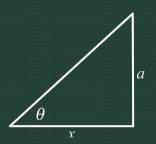
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• Using  $1 + \cot^2 \theta = \csc^2 \theta$  we obtain

$$I = \int \frac{-a \csc^2 \theta \ d\theta}{a^3 \csc^3 \theta}$$
$$= -\frac{1}{a^2} \int \sin \theta \ d\theta$$
$$= \frac{1}{a^2} \cos \theta = \frac{1}{a^2} \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}}$$

