

In [1]:

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var('x,a')
assume(a>0)
assume(a>x)
f(x)=sqrt(a^2-x^2)
L(x)=integrate(sqrt(1+(derivative(f(x),x))^2),x)
show(L)
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Out[1]:

$$x \mapsto a \arcsin\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) \operatorname{sgn}(a^2 - x^2) \operatorname{sgn}(a)$$

In [2]:

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#since 0 < x < a, sgn(a^2-x^2)=1, sgn(a)=1 for all x
L(x)=a*arcsin(x/a)
show(L)
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Out[2]:

$$x \mapsto a \arcsin\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$$

In [3]:

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show(L(a)-L(0))
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Out[3]:

$$\frac{1}{2} \pi a$$

In [0]: