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*Solution.* We start by distributing the  $\sec x$ , and then we should recognize some antiderivatives.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\pi/3} \sec x(9 \sec x + 6 \tan x) dx &= \int_0^{\pi/3} (9 \sec^2 x + 6 \sec x \tan x) dx \\ &= (9 \tan x + 6 \sec x) \Big|_0^{\pi/3} \\ &= 6 + 9\sqrt{3}\end{aligned}$$

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### Word problems

Everyone's favorite part of math is undoubtedly the word problems. The ones in this lesson test your understanding of what the integral represents. In such application problems we should know what it means if we take an integral. As a general rule, if you are given a rate, and you integrate, you get some sort of displacement.

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*Solution.*

1. Here we are given the rate  $r(t)$  at which water flows into the tank. So if we compute  $\int_a^b r(t) dt$ , then we will find the total water added to the tank during the time interval  $[a, b]$ . Since time is given in hours after 9 am, here  $a = 1$  and  $b = 4$ . Then

$$\int_1^4 8\sqrt{t} dt = 8 \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) t^{3/2} \Big|_1^4 = 8 \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) 4^{3/2} - 8 \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) = \frac{112}{3}.$$

2. Here we know the total amount of water in the tank, what we don't know is how long it took. So 92 is the value of our integral. Since we want the total amount in the tank, we should start at time  $t = 0$ . What we don't know is the end time. So

$$92 = \int_0^x 8\sqrt{t} dt. \quad (*)$$

It may seem unnerving to have two variables in  $(*)$ , but it's okay because the  $t$  is going to go away when we integrate. Now

$$\begin{aligned} 92 &= \int_0^x 8\sqrt{t} dt \\ &= 8 \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) t^{3/2} \Big|_0^x \\ &= \frac{16}{3} x^{3/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\frac{276}{16} = x^{3/2}$ , which means that

$$x = \left( \frac{276}{3} \right)^{2/3} \sim 6.676 \text{ hours}$$