

3.4 Differentiating Inverse Trig Functions

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Quote from the AP Exam:

“Notation: The inverse of a trigonometric function x may be indicated using the inverse function notation f^{-1} or with the prefix “arc” (e.g., $\sin^{-1} x = \arcsin x$.)”

Inverse Trig Derivatives:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1}(x) =$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cos^{-1}(x) =$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sec^{-1}(x) =$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \csc^{-1}(x) =$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}(x) =$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cot^{-1}(x) =$$

Find the derivative.

1. $\frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1}(3x)$

2. $\frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}(2x^2)$

3. $\frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{arcsec}(5x)$

Simplifying $\sec^{-1} x$ Derivatives.

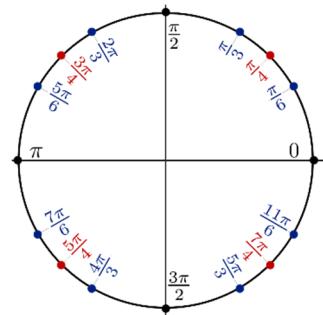
Simplify the following expressions.

4. $\frac{9x^2}{|3x^3|\sqrt{9x^6-1}}$

5. $\frac{4x}{|2x^2|\sqrt{4x^2-1}}$

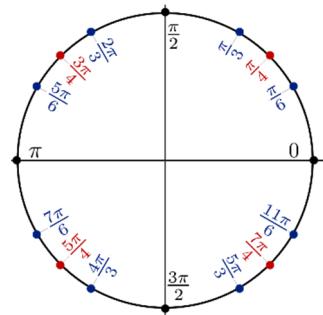
Domain of an inverse trig function.

$$y = \sin^{-1}(x)$$



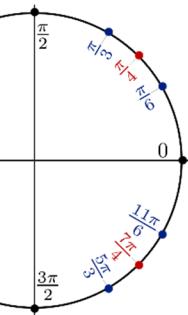
Domain: $-1 \leq x \leq 1$
Range: $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$y = \cos^{-1}(x)$$



Domain: $-1 \leq x \leq 1$
Range: $0 \leq y \leq \pi$

$$y = \tan^{-1}(x)$$



Domain: $-\infty < x < \infty$
Range: $-\frac{\pi}{2} < y < \frac{\pi}{2}$

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Evaluate each function at the given x -value.

6. $f(x) = \arcsin(x)$ at
 $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

7. $f(x) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)$ at
 $x = -2$

8. $f(x) = \arctan(x)$
at $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

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Calculus

Practice

Find the derivative of each expression.

1. $\frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1}(5x)$

2. $\frac{d}{dx} \csc^{-1}(4x^5)$

3. $\frac{d}{dx} \arctan(2x)$

4. $\frac{d}{dx} \sec^{-1}(x^3)$

5. $\frac{d}{dx} \csc 6x$

6. $\frac{d}{dx} \arccos(3x^2)$

7. $\frac{d}{dx} \cot^{-1}(-x)$

8. $\frac{d}{dx} \cos^{-1}(-7x)$

9. $\frac{d}{dx} \arccsc(x^6)$

10. $\frac{d}{dx} \cot^{-1}(4x^4)$

Find the tangent line equation of the curve at the given point.

11. $y = \arcsin(x)$ at the point where $x = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

12. $y = \cos^{-1}(4x)$ at the point where $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}$

13. $y = \arctan(3x^2)$ at the point where $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$

14. $y = \sin^{-1}(5x)$ at the point where $x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{10}$

15. $y = \arccos(x)$ at the point where $x = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

16. $y = \arctan(x)$ at the point where $x = \sqrt{3}$

Test Prep

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17. Let $g(x) = (\arccos x^2)^5$. Then $g'(x) =$

(A) $-10 \frac{(\arccos x^2)^4}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

(B) $-10 \frac{x(\arccos x^2)^4}{\sqrt{1-x^4}}$

(C) $-10 \frac{x(\arcsin x^2)^4}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

(D) $10 \frac{x(\arccos x^2)^4}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

(E) $10 \frac{(\arccos x^2)^4}{\sqrt{1-x^4}}$

18. If $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\arccos(a+h)-\arccos(a)}{h} = -3$, which of the following could be the value of a ?

(A) $\frac{\sqrt{8}}{3}$

(B) $\frac{1}{3}$

(C) 3

(D) 1

19. If $\arctan y = \ln x$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} =$

(A) $\tan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$

(B) $\tan(\ln x)$

(C) $\frac{1+y^2}{xy}$

(D) $\frac{x}{1+y^2}$

(E) $\frac{1+y^2}{x}$