

Derivatives of Inverse Trig.

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

Think about $y = \sin x$

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

$1 = \cos y \cdot y'$

$y' = \frac{1}{\cos y}$

$y' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\sin^2 y}}$

$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-(\sin y)^2}}$

$y' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

$\star \sin^2 y + \cos^2 y = 1$
 $\cos^2 y = 1 - \sin^2 y$
 $\cos y = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 y}$

Chain Rule

$\star \frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1}x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1}u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} \cdot u' \star$

ex: $\frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1}(2x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-(2x)^2}} \cdot 2 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-4x^2}}$

$\star \frac{d}{dx} \cos^{-1}x = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \cos^{-1}u = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} \cdot u'$

$\star \frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}x = \frac{1}{1+x^2} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}u = \frac{1}{1+u^2} \cdot u'$

$\frac{d}{dx} \cot^{-1}x = \frac{-1}{1+x^2} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \cot^{-1}u = \frac{-1}{1+u^2} \cdot u'$

$\star \frac{d}{dx} \sec^{-1}x = \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \sec^{-1}u = \frac{1}{|u|\sqrt{u^2+1}} u'$

$\star \frac{d}{dx} \csc^{-1}x = \frac{-1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \csc^{-1}u = \frac{-1}{|u|\sqrt{u^2+1}} u'$

examples: find y'

a. $y = \tan^{-1}(x^2-1)$

$y' = \frac{1}{1+(x^2-1)^2} (2x)$

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

$y' = \frac{-1}{|\cos x| \sqrt{\cos^2 x - 1}} \cdot (-\sin x)$

c. $y = \sin(x^3-2x)$

$y' = \cos(x^3-2x) (3x^2-2)$

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

$y' = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2}$

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

$y' = \cos(\cos^{-1}x) \cdot \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

f. $y = \sec^{-1}(3x)$

$y' = \frac{1}{|3x| \sqrt{9x^2-1}} \cdot 3$