

3.8 Day 2

Derivatives of Inverse Trigonometric Functions

$y = \sin^{-1} x$
 OR
 $y = \text{Arc Sin } x$

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How do we find the derivative of $y = \sin^{-1} x$?
 Where did this equation come from?
 If $y = \sin x$ then the inverse is $x = \sin y$ which is equivalent to $y = \sin^{-1} x$ so if we find the d/dx of $x = \sin y$ then that is the derivative we want, so by implicit differentiation...

$1 = \cos y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\cos y}$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 y}}$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$

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

This shows where the rule for #17 in your d/dx formula packet comes from we are not going to derive the other 2 we are simply going to use the shortcuts in the packet from now on!

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Derivative of Inverse Trig Functions

If u is a differentiable function of x with $|u| < 1$, we apply the Chain Rule to get

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1} u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} \frac{du}{dx}, \quad |u| < 1.$$

The derivative is defined for all real numbers. If u is a differentiable function of x , we apply the Chain Rule to get

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1} u = \frac{1}{1+u^2} \frac{du}{dx}.$$

If u is a differentiable function of x with $|u| > 1$, we have the formula

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sec^{-1} u = \frac{1}{|u|\sqrt{u^2-1}} \frac{du}{dx}, \quad |u| > 1.$$

Note: the derivative rules for the remaining 3 Inverse Trig functions are the same just negative.
 Note: $\sin^{-1}(x) = \text{Arcsin}(x)$
 $\tan^{-1}(x) = \text{Arctan}(x)$
 and so on for the remaining inverse trig functions.

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We are going to fill in examples on your Derivative Formulas Packet #s 17 - 22:

If $y = \sin^{-1} 8x^2$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$. (#17 in packet)

$\hookrightarrow u = 8x^2$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-64x^4}} \cdot 16x = \frac{16x}{\sqrt{1-64x^4}}$

If $y = \cos^{-1}(4-x)$, find y' . (#18 in packet)

$\hookrightarrow u = 4-x$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-(4-x)^2}} \cdot (-1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-(4-x)^2}}$

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If $y = \tan^{-1}(3x)$, find y' . (#19 in packet)

$\hookrightarrow u = 3x$
 $y' = \frac{1}{1+9x^2} \cdot 3$
 $y' = \frac{3}{1+9x^2}$

If $y = \cot^{-1}(-x^2)$, find y' . (#20 in packet)

$\hookrightarrow u = -x^2$
 $y' = \frac{-1}{1+x^4} \cdot (-2x)$
 $y' = \frac{2x}{1+x^4}$

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Given $y = \sec^{-1}(3x-4)$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$. (#21 in packet)

$\hookrightarrow u = 3x-4$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{|3x-4|\sqrt{(3x-4)^2-1}}$

If $y = \csc^{-1}(x^2+2)$, find dy/dx . (#22 in packet)

$\hookrightarrow u = x^2+2$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-1}{|x^2+2|\sqrt{(x^2+2)^2-1}} \cdot 2x = \frac{-2x}{(x^2+2)\sqrt{(x^2+2)^2-1}}$

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