

# 3.8 Day2

## 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)

$\rightarrow u = 8x^2$

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

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

$\rightarrow u = 4-x$

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

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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)

$$\hookrightarrow u = -x^2$$

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

$$y' = \frac{2x}{1+x^4}$$

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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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