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LECTURE THREE

Inverse of trigonometric function



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Inverse of trigonometric function:

Definition: If $y = f(x)$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = y'$; then:

- $y = \sin^{-1} x \rightarrow x = \sin y$
- $y = \cos^{-1} x \rightarrow x = \cos y$
- $y = \tan^{-1} x \rightarrow x = \tan y$
- $y = \cot^{-1} x \rightarrow x = \cot y$
- $y = \sec^{-1} x \rightarrow x = \sec y$
- $y = \csc^{-1} x \rightarrow x = \csc y$

Derivative of the inverse trigonometric function:

- $y = \sin^{-1} x \rightarrow y' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
- $y = \cos^{-1} x \rightarrow y' = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
- $y = \tan^{-1} x \rightarrow y' = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$
- $y = \cot^{-1} x \rightarrow y' = \frac{-1}{1+x^2}$
- $y = \sec^{-1} x \rightarrow y' = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$
- $y = \csc^{-1} x \rightarrow y' = \frac{-1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$

Examples:

$$1. y = \sin^{-1}(x^2), \quad y' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-(x^2)^2}} * 2x = \frac{2x}{\sqrt{1-x^4}}$$

Example 2.

Find $f'(2\sqrt{3})$, where $f(x) = x \tan^{-1}(x/2)$

Sol:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 1 * \tan^{-1}(x/2) + x * \frac{1}{1+(x/2)^2} * 1/2 \\ &= \tan^{-1}(x/2) + \frac{x}{2(1+(x/2)^2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$f'(2\sqrt{3}) = \tan^{-1}(2\sqrt{3}/2) + \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{2(1+(2\sqrt{3}/2)^2)} = \pi/3 + \sqrt{3}/4$$

Example 3.

$$Y = x^2 \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{x})$$

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

Example 4: If $y = \sin^{-1} t$, $x = \cos^{-1} t$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$, $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$

Sol:

$$y = \sin^{-1} t \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}}$$

$$x = \cos^{-1} t \rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{1}{\frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}}} = -1$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$$

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1. $y = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x-1}{x+1}\right)$ find $\frac{dy}{dx}$
2. If $y = \frac{\sqrt{x^2-4}}{x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \sec^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)$
3. $y = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{2} t$
4. $y = \cos^{-1} x^2$

