

Calculus of inverse trig functions

Specifications:

The calculus of inverse trigonometrical functions

Use of the derivatives of $\sin^{-1} x$, $\cos^{-1} x$, $\tan^{-1} x$ as given in the formulae booklet.

To include the use of the standard integrals.

$\int \frac{1}{a^2 + x^2} dx$; $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx$ given in the formulae booklet

In the formulae book:

Differentiation

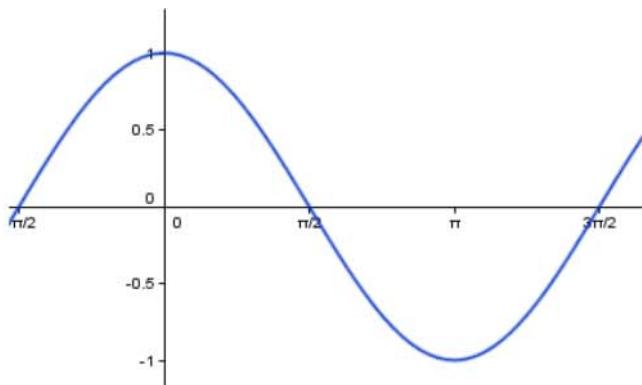
$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
$\sin^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
$\cos^{-1} x$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
$\tan^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$

Integration

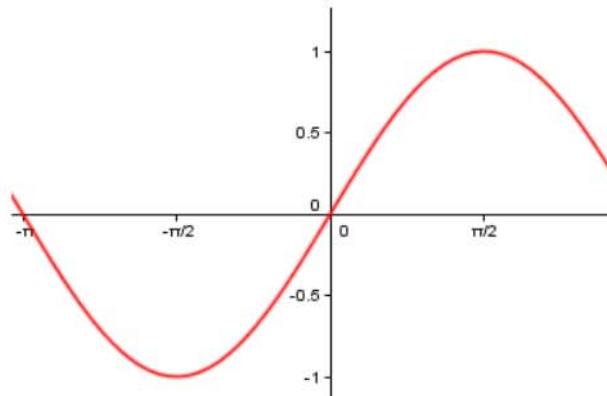
(+ constant; $a > 0$ where relevant)

$f(x)$	$\int f(x) dx$
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$	$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$ ($ x < a$)
$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$	$\frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$

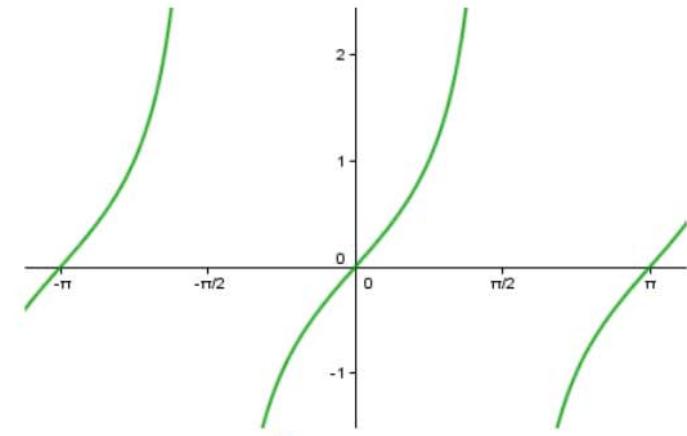
Reminder and introduction



$\text{Cos}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [-1,1]$
 $x \rightarrow \text{Cos}(x)$



$\text{Sin}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [-1,1]$
 $x \rightarrow \text{Sin}(x)$



$\text{Tan}: \mathbb{R} - \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} + k\pi, k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $x \rightarrow \text{Tan}(x) = \frac{\text{Sin}(x)}{\text{Cos}(x)}$

Identities

- $\text{Cos}^2(x) + \text{Sin}^2(x) \equiv 1$

- $\text{Tan}(x) = \frac{\text{Sin}(x)}{\text{Cos}(x)}$

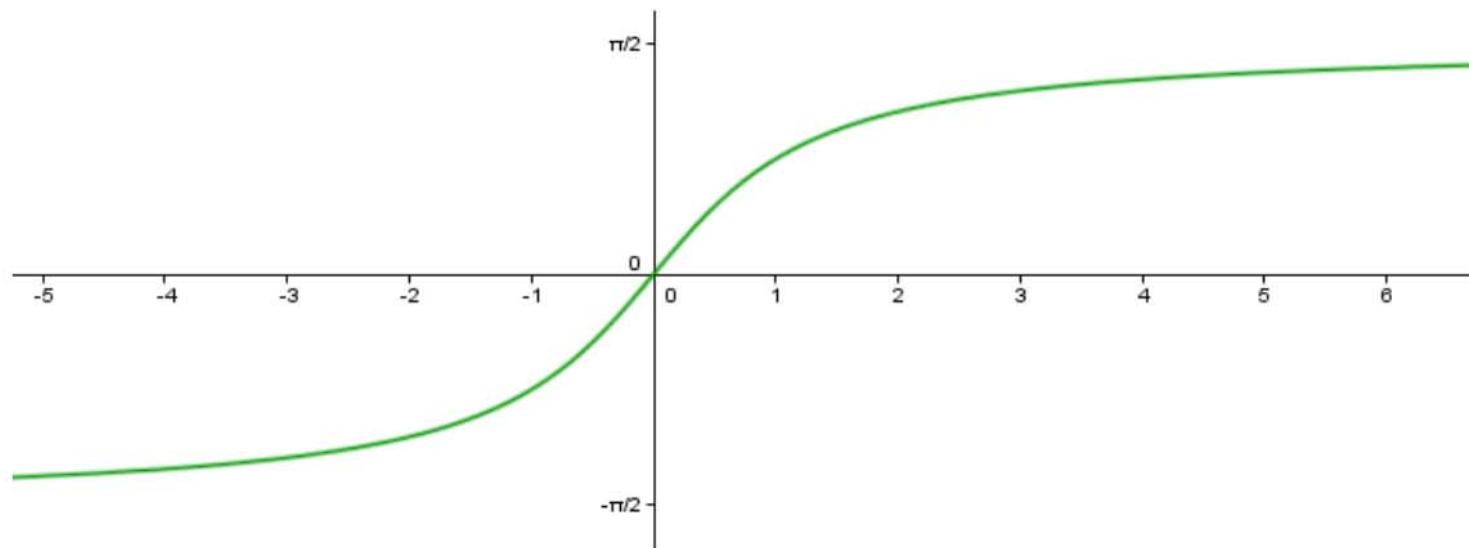
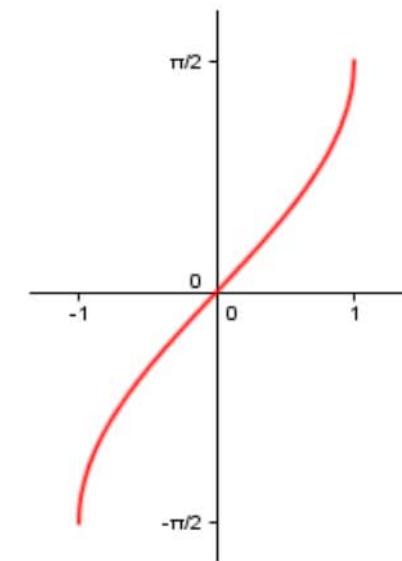
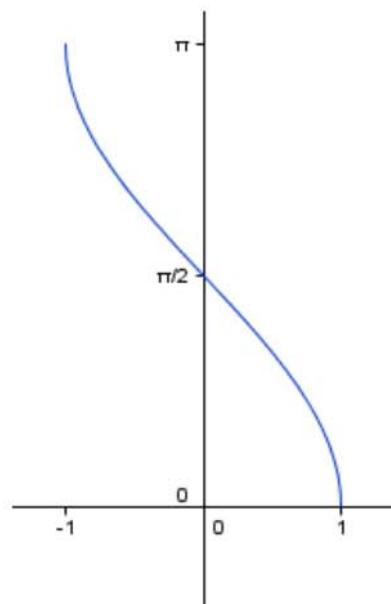
Calculus

- $\frac{d}{dx} \text{Cos}(x) = -\text{Sin}(x)$

- $\frac{d}{dx} \text{Sin}(x) = \text{Cos}(x)$

- $\frac{d}{dx} \text{Tan}(x) = 1 + \text{Tan}^2(x) = \text{Sec}^2(x) = \frac{1}{\text{Cos}^2(x)}$

Graph of \cos^{-1} , \sin^{-1} , \tan^{-1}



Differentiation

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

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

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

(Explanation: for all y , $\cos^2(y) + \sin^2(y) = 1$
so $\cos(y) = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2(y)}$)

hence: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

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

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

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

(Explanation: for all y , $\cos^2(y) + \sin^2(y) = 1$
so $\sin(y) = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2(y)}$)

hence: $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

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

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

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

$$so \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

Summary

$$\bullet \frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\bullet \frac{d}{dx} \cos^{-1}(x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\bullet \frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$\bullet \frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1}(ax+b) = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1-(ax+b)^2}}$$

$$\bullet \frac{d}{dx} \cos^{-1}(ax+b) = -\frac{a}{\sqrt{1-(ax+b)^2}}$$

$$\bullet \frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}(ax+b) = \frac{1}{1+(ax+b)^2}$$

Exercise:

Differentiate the following:

1. (a) $\tan^{-1} 3x$ (b) $\cos^{-1}(3x-1)$ (c) $\sin^{-1} 2x$

2. (a) $x \tan^{-1} x$ (b) $e^x \cos^{-1} 2x$ (c) $x^2 \sin^{-1}(2x-3)$

3. (a) $\frac{\sin^{-1} 3x}{x^3}$ (b) $\frac{\tan^{-1}(3x^2+1)}{1+x^2}$

4. (a) $\sin^{-1}(ax+b)$ (b) $\tan^{-1}(ax+b)$ where a and b are positive numbers.

4. (a) $\frac{\sqrt{1-(ax+b)^2}}{a}$ (b) $\frac{\sqrt{1-(ax+b)^2}}{a}$

(c) $\frac{(e^{x^2}-1)(3x^2+1)}{2x \tan^{-1}(3x^2+1)}$ (d) $\frac{(e^{x^2}-1)(3x^2+1)}{2x \tan^{-1}(3x^2+1)}$

(e) $\frac{x^2 - 9x^2}{3 \sin^{-1} x} - \frac{x^2}{3 \sin^{-1} x}$

(f) $\frac{\sqrt{1-4x^2}}{2x^2} + \frac{\sqrt{1-4x^2}}{2x^2}$

(g) $\frac{\sqrt{1-4x^2}}{2x^2} - \frac{\sqrt{1-4x^2}}{2x^2}$

(h) $\frac{1+9x^2}{3} + \tan^{-1} x$

(i) $\frac{\sqrt{6x-9}}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{6x-9}}{3}$

Integration

Let's prove that $\int \frac{1}{a^2 + x^2} dx = \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c$

Integrate $\int \frac{1}{a^2 + x^2} dx$ using the substitution $x = a \tan(u)$

Prove that $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c$

Integrate $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx$ *using the substitution* $x = a \sin(u)$

Summary:

$$\bullet \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = \sin^{-1}(x) + c$$

$$\bullet \int \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \tan^{-1}(x) + c$$

$$\bullet \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c$$

$$\bullet \int \frac{dx}{a^2+x^2} = \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c$$

Application:

a) Evaluate $\int_0^2 \frac{dx}{4+x^2}$

b) Evaluate $\int_0^{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{9-x^2}}$

$$\frac{9}{x}(q) - \frac{8}{x}(v)$$

Exercises:

Integrate the following, leaving your answers in terms of π .

$$1. \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \frac{2dx}{1+x^2}$$

$$2. \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 \frac{3dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$3. \int_{-3}^4 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{25-x^2}}$$

$$4. \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1+x^2}$$

$$5. \int_{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}^{\sqrt{3}} \frac{dx}{x^2+1}$$

More practice:

$$4 \quad \int \frac{dx}{9+x^2}$$

$$12 \quad \int \frac{dx}{x^2+16}$$

$$16 \quad \int \frac{dx}{4x^2+9}$$

$$24 \quad \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{5-x^2}}$$

$$7 \quad \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{16-x^2}}$$

$$13 \quad \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{25-9x^2}}$$

$$19 \quad \int \frac{dx}{9x^2+4}$$

$$25 \quad \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{5-4x^2}}$$

Q16 Q25) Let $2x$ be u

Q13 Q19) Let $3x$ be u

$$7 \quad \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{4} + C \quad 13 \quad \frac{1}{3} \sin^{-1} \frac{3x}{5} + C \quad 19 \quad \frac{1}{6} \tan^{-1} \frac{3x}{2} + C \quad 25 \quad \frac{1}{2} \sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{\sqrt{5}} + C$$
$$4 \quad \frac{1}{3} \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{x} + C \quad 12 \quad \frac{1}{4} \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{4} + C \quad 16 \quad \frac{1}{6} \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{2x} + C \quad 24 \quad \sin^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{5}}{x} + C$$

Integrating using the completed square form

To integrate functions of the kind $\frac{1}{ax^2 + bx + c}$ or $\frac{1}{\sqrt{ax^2 + bx + c}}$,

write $ax^2 + bx + c$ in its completed square form $a(x + p)^2 + q$.

Then use an appropriate substitution (i.e $u = \sqrt{a}(x + p)$) in order to obtain

an expression of the form $u^2 + p$...

Example : $\int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 10} dx$

$$I = \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 10} dx = \int \frac{1}{(x+1)^2 + 9} dx$$

Let $u = x + 1$, then $du = dx$ and I becomes

$$I = \int \frac{1}{u^2 + 9} du = \frac{1}{3} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{u}{3}\right) + c = \frac{1}{3} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x+1}{3}\right) + c$$

Example : $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{12 - 4x - x^2}} dx$

$$I = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{12 - 4x - x^2}} dx = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{16 - (x+2)^2}} dx$$

Let $u = x + 2$, then $du = dx$ and I becomes

$$I = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{16 - u^2}} du = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{u}{4}\right) + c = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x+2}{4}\right) + c$$

Exercises:

1. Integrate

(a) $\frac{1}{x^2 + 4x + 5}$

(b) $\frac{1}{2x^2 - 4x + 5}$

(c) $\frac{1}{x^2 - x + 2}$

2. Integrate

(a) $\frac{2x}{x^2 + 2x + 3}$

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

3. Find

(a) $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{7+6x-x^2}}$

(b) $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{3+2x-x^2}}$

(c) $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x(1-2x)}}$

4. Find

(a) $\int \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx$

(b) $\int \frac{3x-2}{\sqrt{3+2x-x^2}} dx$

(c) $\int \frac{(1-x)}{\sqrt{1-x-x^2}} dx$

(e) $\left(\frac{\sqrt{z}}{1+x^2} \right) \sin^{-1} \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} + \sqrt{1-x^2} \sqrt{1-z^2}$

(q) $\left(\frac{z}{1-x} \right) \sin^{-1} \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} + \sqrt{1-x^2} \sqrt{1-z^2}$

4. (a) $\sin^{-1} \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

(c) $\left(\frac{z}{1-x} \right) \sin^{-1} \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

(q) $\left(\frac{z}{1-x} \right) \sin^{-1} \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

(q) $\left(\frac{\sqrt{z}}{1+x^2} \right) \tan^{-1} \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} - (1+x+z^2) \ln \frac{z}{1-x}$

2. (a) $\ln \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} - (z+x+\sqrt{z}) \tan^{-1} \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

1. (a) $\tan^{-1}(x+2)$ (b) $\frac{\sqrt{z}}{1-x^2} \tan^{-1} \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ (c) $\frac{\sqrt{z}}{1-x^2} \tan^{-1} \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ (d) $\frac{\sqrt{z}}{1-x^2} \tan^{-1} \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$