

DERIVATIVES of Inverse Trig Functions

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None of the six basic trigonometric functions has an inverse because they are periodic and are not one-to-one. However, if we place certain restrictions on their domains we can find their inverses.

Definitions of Inverse Trigonometric Functions

Function	Domain	Range
$y = \arcsin x$ <i>iff</i> $\sin y = x$	$-1 \leq x \leq 1$	$-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$
$y = \arccos x$ <i>iff</i> $\cos y = x$	$-1 \leq x \leq 1$	$0 \leq y \leq \pi$
$y = \arctan x$ <i>iff</i> $\tan y = x$	$-\infty \leq x \leq \infty$	$-\frac{\pi}{2} < y < \frac{\pi}{2}$
$y = \operatorname{arc} \cot x$ <i>iff</i> $\cot y = x$	$-\infty \leq x \leq \infty$	$0 < y < \pi$
$y = \operatorname{arc} \sec x$ <i>iff</i> $\sec y = x$	$ x \geq 1$	$0 \leq y \leq \pi, \quad y \neq \frac{\pi}{2}$
$y = \operatorname{arc} \csc x$ <i>iff</i> $\csc y = x$	$ x \geq 1$	$-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad y \neq 0$

Evaluate each function:

Ex1: A) $\arcsin\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right) =$

B) $\arccos 0 =$

C) $\arctan \sqrt{3} =$

D) $\csc\left[\arctan\left(\frac{-5}{12}\right)\right] =$

Ex2: Write the expression in algebraic form:

A) $\sec(\arctan 4x)$

B) $\cos(\arcsin \frac{x-h}{r})$

Ex3: Solve the equation: $\arctan(2x - 3) = \frac{\pi}{4}$

Derivatives of Inverse Trigonometric Functions

$\frac{d}{dx}[\arcsin u] = \frac{u'}{\sqrt{1-u^2}}$	$\frac{d}{dx}[\arctan u] = \frac{u'}{1+u^2}$	$\frac{d}{dx}[\operatorname{arcsec} u] = \frac{u'}{ u \sqrt{u^2-1}}$
$\frac{d}{dx}[\arccos u] = \frac{-u'}{\sqrt{1-u^2}}$	$\frac{d}{dx}[\operatorname{arccot} u] = \frac{-u'}{1+u^2}$	$\frac{d}{dx}[\operatorname{arccsc} u] = \frac{-u'}{ u \sqrt{u^2-1}}$

Ex4: Find the derivative:

A) $f(x) = \arcsin x^2$

B) $f(x) = \operatorname{arcsec} 2x$

$$\text{C) } f(x) = x^2 \arctan x$$

$$\text{D) } f(x) = x \arctan 2x - \frac{1}{4} \ln(1 + 4x^2)$$