

## Sec 6.6 Inverse Trig Functions

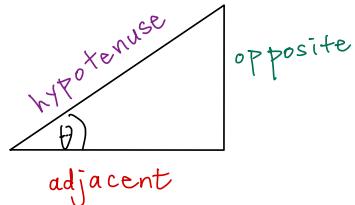
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## Sec 6.6 part (a) Trigonometry

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Def When "theta"  $\theta$  is in  $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$  ...

$$\sin \theta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\csc \theta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\cos \theta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\sec \theta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\tan \theta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{adjacent}}$$

$$\cot \theta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

Convert from rad to deg

$$\pi \text{ rad} \leftrightarrow 180^\circ$$

$$\frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \theta \text{ rad} = (?)^\circ$$

Example:  $\frac{\pi}{6}$  rad  $\leftrightarrow \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \frac{\pi}{6} = \left(\frac{180^\circ}{6}\right) = 30^\circ$

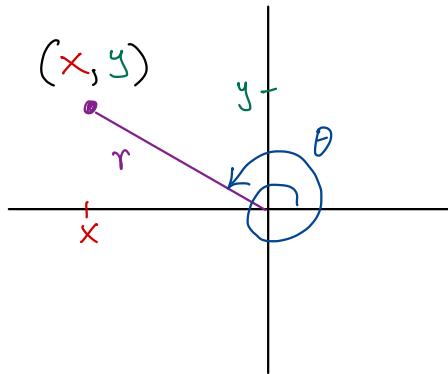
Does  $\cos^{-1} x$  mean the same thing as  $\sec x$ ?

- YES
- NO

# Def of trig functions

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Def When  $\theta$  is any number ...



$$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{r}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x}{r}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

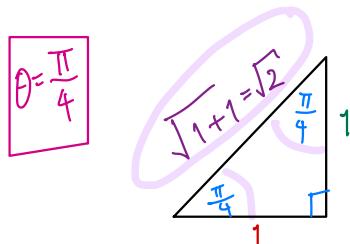
$$\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

- Going counterclockwise ↪ gives positive angle
- Going clockwise ⌈ gives negative angle

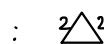
# Computing exact values when $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{3}$

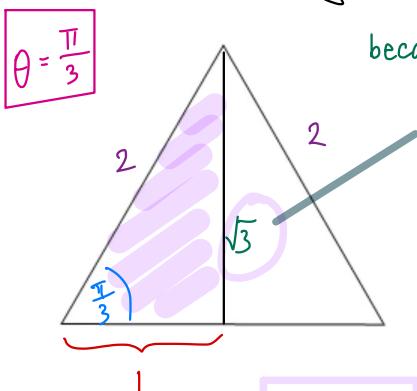
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$$\frac{\pi}{4} \text{ rad} = \left(\frac{180^\circ}{4}\right) = 45^\circ$$

$$\cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \sin \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

Consider an equilateral triangle w/  
sides of length 2: 

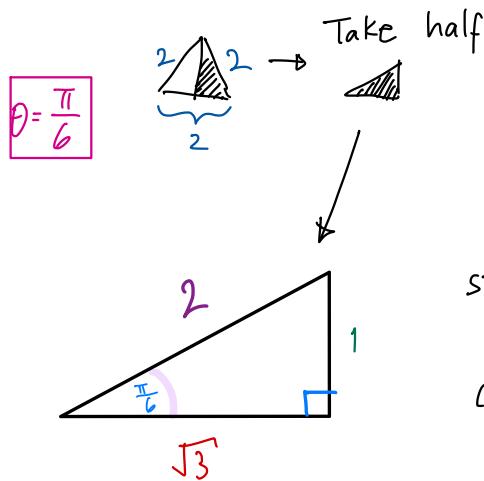


$$\text{because } \sqrt{1^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2} = \sqrt{1+3} = 2$$

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{3} \text{ rad} = \left(\frac{180^\circ}{3}\right) = 60^\circ$$



$$\sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\cos \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{6} \text{ rad} = \left(\frac{180^\circ}{6}\right) = 30^\circ$$

# Turn $\sin(x)$ into a one-to-one function

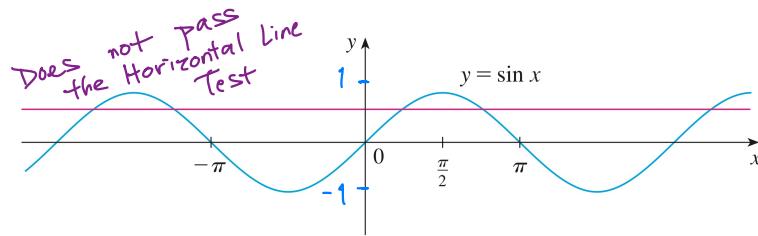


FIGURE 1  $\sin(x)$  with domain  $(-\infty, \infty)$

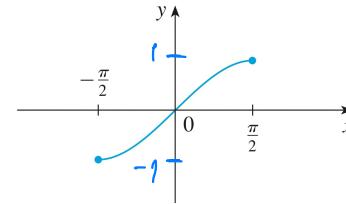


FIGURE 2

$$y = \sin x, -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Restricted domain

- $g(x) = \sin x$  with domain  $(-\infty, \infty)$  is not one-to-one
  - all possible inputs
- Define  $f(x) = \sin x$  with domain  $[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ . Then  $f(x)$  is one-to-one.

Image/range of  $f$  is  $[-1, 1]$ .  
all possible outputs

Inverse of  $\sin(x)$  is called  $\arcsin(x)$

- $f(x) = \sin x$

domain of  $f$ :  $[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

Image of  $f$ :  $[-1, 1]$

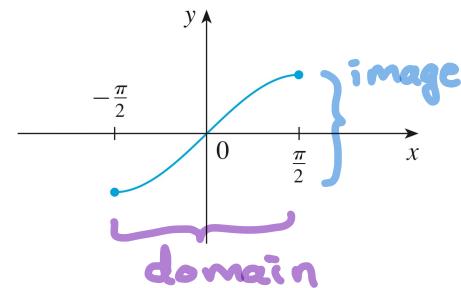


FIGURE 2

$$y = \sin x, -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

- Let  $\arcsin(x)$  or  $\sin^{-1}(x)$  denote the inverse function of  $f$  ( $\sin x$  with restricted domain)

Recall (Sec 6.1) def of  $f^{-1}$  says ...

$$f^{-1}(x) = y \iff f(y) = x$$

So,  $\arcsin(x) = y \iff \sin(y) = x$  and  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$(\text{domain of } f^{-1}) = (\text{image of } f)$$

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domain of  $\arcsin(x)$ :  $[-1, 1]$

image of  $\arcsin(x)$ :  $[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

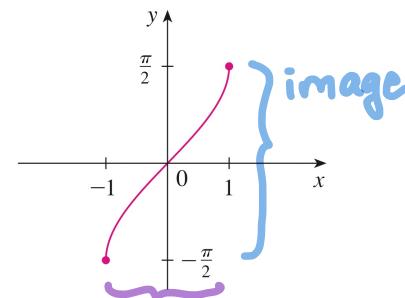


FIGURE 4

$$y = \sin^{-1} x = \arcsin x$$

Inverse of  $\cos(x)$  is called  $\arccos(x)$

- Restrict the domain of  $\cos(x)$  to  $[0, \pi]$ .  
all possible inputs

Then this function is one-to-one.

Image :  $[-1, 1]$   
all possible outputs

- Let  $\arccos(x)$  or  $\cos^{-1}(x)$  denote the inverse function

$$\text{So, } \arccos(x) = y \Leftrightarrow \cos(y) = x \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq \pi$$

domain of  $\arccos(x)$ :  $[-1, 1]$

image of  $\arccos(x)$ :  $[0, \pi]$

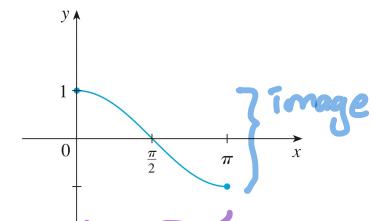


FIGURE 6 domain  
 $y = \cos x, 0 \leq x \leq \pi$

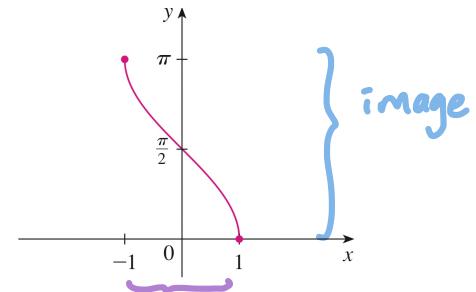


FIGURE 7 domain  
 $y = \cos^{-1} x = \arccos x$

Does  $\cos^{-1} x$  mean the same thing as  $\sec(x)$ ?

- YES
- NO

# Computing exact values for $\arccos(x)$

•  $\arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = ?$

Answer (Remember that  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  are special values)

for  $\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{3}$   
for  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

Because • the input is  $\frac{1}{2}$

• know  $\cos(\theta) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{x}{r}$

• r is positive

Set  $x = 1$  and  $r = 2$  and draw →

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ so } \arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

•  $\arccos\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = ?$

Answer

Because • the input is  $-\frac{1}{2}$

• know  $\cos(\theta) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{x}{r}$

• r is positive

Set  $x = -1$  and  $r = 2$  & draw →

$$\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{2}, \text{ so } \arccos\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \pi - \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

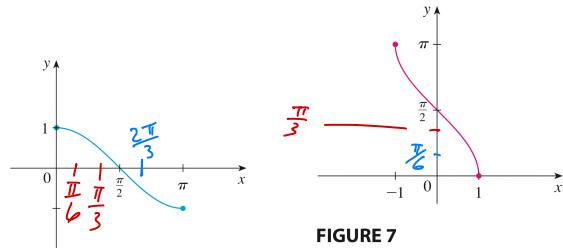


FIGURE 6  
 $y = \cos x, 0 \leq x \leq \pi$

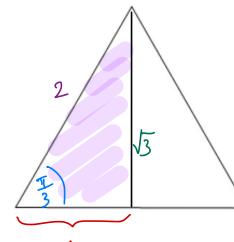
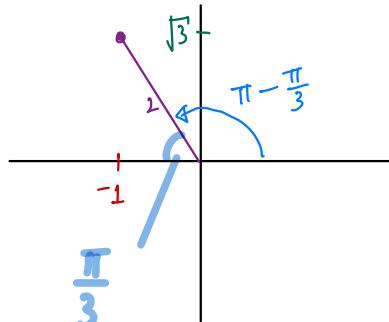


FIGURE 7  
 $y = \cos^{-1}x = \arccos x$

In chapter 6, 7,  
assume r is  
positive!

(See the next page for why  $\theta = \pi - \frac{\pi}{3}$ )



We know not to go to the 3rd quadrant because ...

the image of  $\arccos(x)$  is  $[0, \pi]$

$$\arccos\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = ?$$

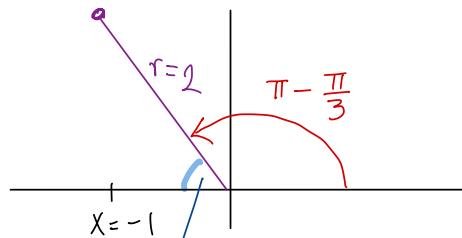
Answer

$$\cos(\boxed{\theta}) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

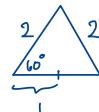
must be between  
0 and  $\pi$  because  
the domain of the  
(restricted)  $\cos(x)$   
is  $[0, \pi]$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \implies \begin{cases} x = -1 \\ r = 2 \end{cases}$$

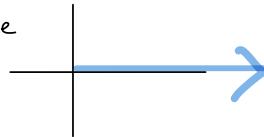
We can put the point in the  
2nd or 3rd quadrant, but  
since  $\theta$  must be in  $[0, \pi]$ ,  
the point cannot be in the  
3rd quadrant.



This angle is  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  ( $60^\circ$ ) because  
of the equilateral triangle



- We always measure  $\theta$  from the half-line



$$\text{so } \theta = \pi - \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\text{So } \cos\left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{2},$$

$$\text{So } \arccos\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \pi - \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

# Practice computing exact values

- $\cos(\arccos(-\frac{1}{2})) = ?$

Answer:  $-\frac{1}{2}$ , since  $f(f^{-1}(b)) = b$  for all  $b$  in the domain of  $f^{-1}$

- $\arcsin(\sin(\frac{\pi}{6})) = ?$

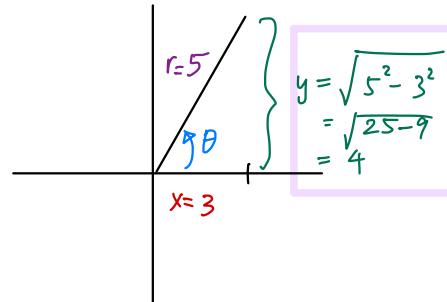
Answer:  $\frac{\pi}{6}$ , since  $f^{-1}(f(a)) = a$  for all  $a$  in the domain of  $f$ .

- Exercise 8 (textbook):  $\csc(\arccos \frac{3}{5}) = ?$

Answer: Let  $\theta = \arccos \frac{3}{5}$ ,

i.e. angle where  $\frac{x}{r} = \frac{3}{5}$

$$\csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\frac{y}{r}} = \frac{r}{y} = \frac{5}{y} = \frac{5}{4}$$



[ Practice similar technique : • Textbook Example 1  
• Textbook Solution 2 of Example 2 ]

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## Sec 6.6 part (b) Calculus of $\arcsin(x)$ and $\arccos(x)$

[Go to Sec 2.4 pg 148 & review]

memorize

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan x = (\sec x)^2$$

memorize, or compute

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \right) \text{ using product rule + chain rule}$$

Don't memorize —

More practical to leave  
in terms of  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$   
when evaluating integrals

$$\frac{d}{dx} \csc x = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{\sin x} \right) = -\frac{1}{(\sin x)^2} \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sec x = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{\cos x} \right) = -\frac{1}{(\cos x)^2} -\sin x = \frac{\sin x}{(\cos x)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \cot x &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{\tan x} \right) = -\frac{1}{(\tan x)^2} \cdot (\sec x)^2 \\ &= -\left( \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{(\cos x)^2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{(\sin x)^2} \\ &= -(\csc x)^2 \end{aligned}$$

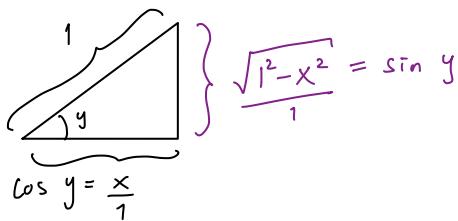
Compute  $\frac{d}{dx} [\arccos(x)]$  (Use implicit differentiation)

Let  $y = \arccos(x)$

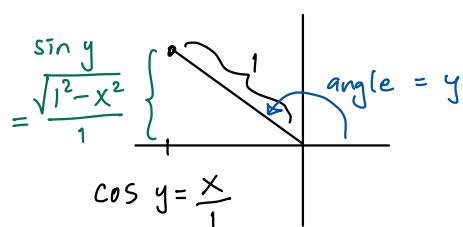
$$\cos(y) = x \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cos y = \frac{d}{dx} x$$

if  $x$  is in  $(0, 1)$



if  $x$  is in  $(-1, 0]$



$$-\sin y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{\sin y}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad \text{(because } \sin y = \sqrt{1-x^2}\text{)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [\arccos(x)] = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

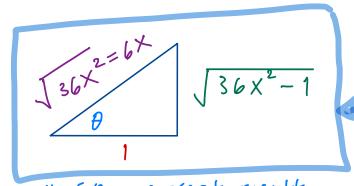
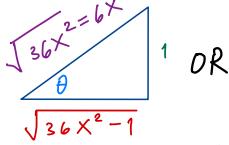
Practice similar technique:

See textbook eq 3 or recommended Khan Academy for  $\frac{d}{dx} [\sin^{-1}(x)]$

## Webwork Prob 5

Evaluate  $\int \frac{1}{x\sqrt{36x^2-1}} dx$

Step 1.  
Draw  $\rightarrow$



I choose

either picture will give a correct result

Step 2 Convert all to  $\theta$

$$\frac{1}{6x} = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}} = \cos \theta \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

↓

$$\begin{aligned} dx &= \frac{1}{6} \left( -\frac{1}{(\cos \theta)^2} \right) \frac{d}{d\theta} \cos \theta d\theta \\ &= -\frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{(\cos \theta)^2} (\sin \theta) d\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$dx = \frac{1}{6} \frac{\sin \theta}{(\cos \theta)^2} d\theta$$

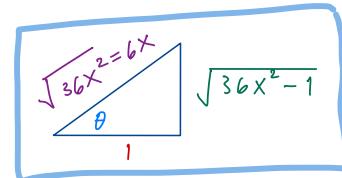
$$\frac{\sqrt{36x^2-1}}{1} = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}} = \tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{36x^2-1}} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} \frac{1}{\sqrt{36x^2-1}} dx = \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots$$

## Webwork Prob 5

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Step 1.  
Draw  $\rightarrow$



Step 2 Convert all to  $\theta$

$$\frac{1}{6x} = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}} = \cos \theta \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \Leftrightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{1}{6x}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = 6 \cos \theta$$

$$dx = \frac{1}{6} \frac{\sin \theta}{(\cos \theta)^2} d\theta$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{36x^2-1}} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \int \left[ \frac{1}{x} \right] \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{36x^2-1}} \right] dx &= \int (6 \cos \theta) \left( \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) \frac{1}{6} \frac{\sin \theta}{(\cos \theta)^2} d\theta \\ &= \int d\theta \\ &= \theta + C \\ &= \arccos\left(\frac{1}{6x}\right) + C \end{aligned}$$

$\theta = \arccos\left(\frac{1}{6x}\right)$  because  $\frac{1}{6x} = \cos \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Check: } \frac{d}{dx} \arccos\left(\frac{1}{6x}\right) &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{1}{6x}\right)^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{6} \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right) \\ &= \frac{?}{?} \\ &= \frac{1}{x} \frac{1}{\sqrt{36x^2-1}} \end{aligned}$$

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## Sec 6.6 part (c) Calculus of other inverse trig functions

Restrict domain of  $\tan(x)$  to  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$

- $\cos(x) = 0$  if and only if

$$x = k\frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{for some odd integer } k$$

- $\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$

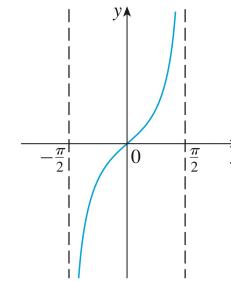
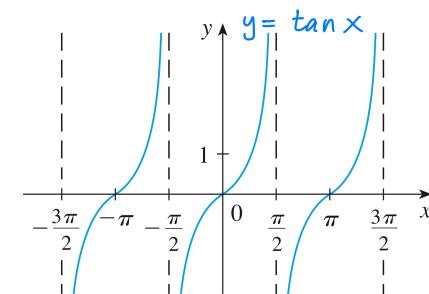
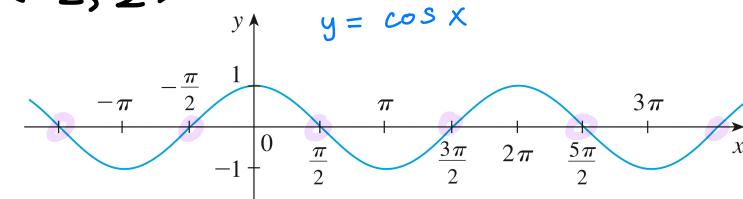
has domain all numbers  $x$  such that  $\cos x \neq 0$ ,

i.e. all numbers except for  $k\frac{\pi}{2}$  where  $k$  is an odd integer.

the most natural choice

- Define  $f(x) = \tan x$  with domain  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ .

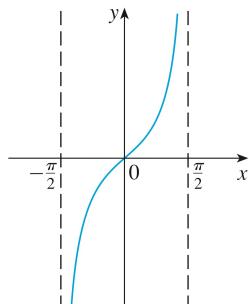
Then  $f(x)$  is one-to-one.



**FIGURE 8**  
 $y = \tan x, -\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$

# $\arctan(x)$ definition

- Denote the inverse of  $\tan(x)$  by  $\arctan(x)$  or  $\tan^{-1}(x)$



Reflect across  
 $y = x$   
line

FIGURE 8

$$y = \tan x, -\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

(restricted)  $\tan x$

$$\text{Domain: } \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

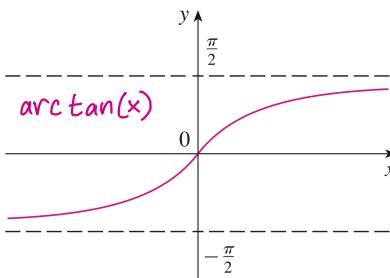
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Warning:

$\tan^{-1}(x)$  is NOT  $[\tan(x)]^{-1}$

$$\cdot (\tan(x))^{-1} = \frac{1}{\tan(x)}$$

$\cdot \tan^{-1}(x)$  means the inverse of  $\tan(x)$



Is  $\arctan x$  the  
same as  $\frac{1}{\tan x}$ ?

- YES
- NO

$\arctan x$

Domain: all numbers

Image/Range:  $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

Compute  $\frac{d}{dx} [\arctan(x)]$

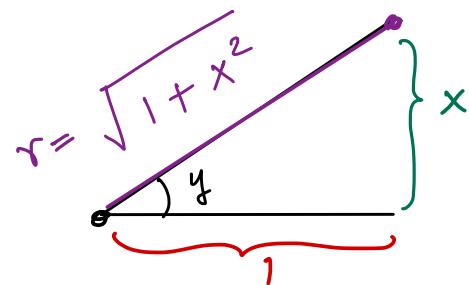
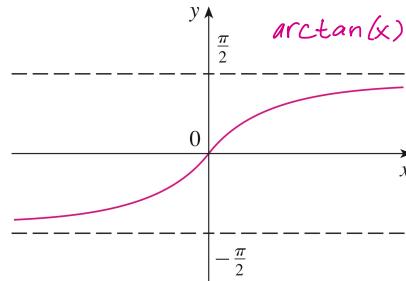
Step 1

Let  $y = \arctan(x)$

$$\tan(y) = x$$

Step 2

"Draw a triangle"



(cont below for steps 3,4)

Compute  $\frac{d}{dx} [\arctan(x)]$

Step 1

Let  $y = \arctan(x)$

$$\tan(y) = x$$

Step 3

Implicit Differentiation

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan y) = \frac{d}{dx}(x) \quad \text{Recall}$$

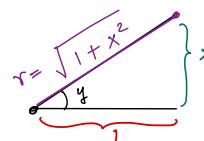
$\Downarrow \quad \frac{d}{d\theta} \tan \theta = (\sec \theta)^2$

$$(\sec y)^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{(\sec y)^2}$$

$$\triangleq (\cos y)^2$$

Step 4 Express  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  in terms of  $x$



$$\cos y = \frac{\text{adj}}{r} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$$

$$(\cos y)^2 \triangleq \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \triangleq (\cos y)^2$$

$$\triangleq \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [\arctan(x)] = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

# Webwork Prob 13 (my version)

Evaluate

$$\int \frac{-8 \sin x}{1 + (\cos x)^2} dx$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{1 + (\cos x)^2} = \frac{1}{1 + u^2} \\ -8 \sin x dx = 8 du \end{array} \right]$$

$$\int \frac{-8 \sin x}{1 + (\cos x)^2} dx = \int \frac{1}{1 + u^2} \cdot 8 du \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{make sure} \\ \text{there are no } x \\ \text{(only } u\text{)} \end{array} \right\}$$

Since  $\frac{d}{du} \arctan u = \frac{1}{1+u^2}$

we know

$$\left[ \int \frac{1}{1+u^2} du = \arctan u + C \right] = 8 \arctan u + C$$

$$= \boxed{8 \arctan(\cos x) + C}$$



Try  $u$ -substitution

Try •  $u = \sin x \quad du = \cos x \quad dx$

**may work** •  $u = \cos x \quad du = -\sin x \quad dx$

•  $u = (\cos x)^2 \quad du = 2 \cdot \cos x \cdot (-\sin x) \quad dx$

•  $u = \frac{1}{1 + (\cos x)^2} \quad du = -\frac{1}{(1 + (\cos x)^2)^2} \cdot 2 \cos x \cdot (-\sin x) \quad dx$

Problems requiring similar technique:

- Textbook Example 8, 9
- Webwork Prob 3, 7, 12