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**INVERSE TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS
& Their Properties**

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THINGS TO REMEMBER

★ **Inverse Functions :**

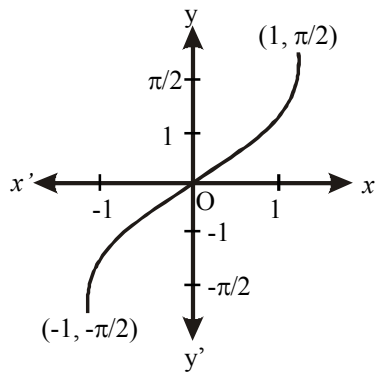
If a function is one-one and onto from A to B then function g which associates each element $y \in B$ to one and only one element $x \in A$, such that $y = f(x)$, then g is called the inverse function of f, denoted by $x = g(y)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore & \quad g = f^{-1} \\ \therefore & \quad x = f^{-1}(y) \end{aligned}$$

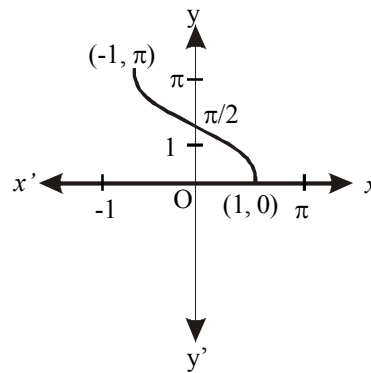
★ **Inverse Trigonometric Functions :**

The trigonometric functions are periodic function, so they are not one to one and onto. But if we restrict their domains, then the inverse of trigonometric function exist.

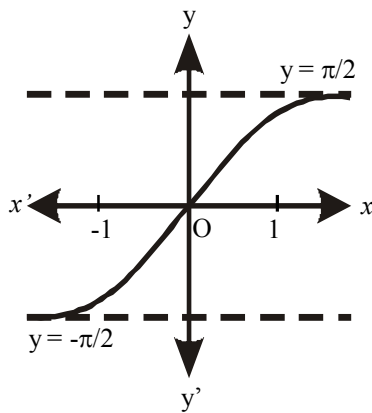
★ **Graph of Inverse Trigonometric Function :**



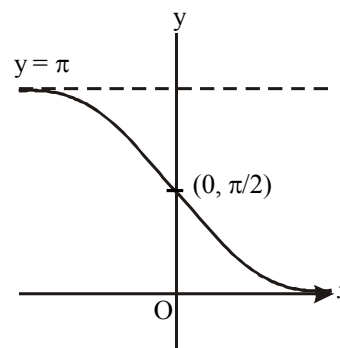
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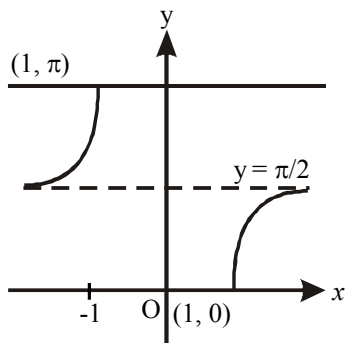
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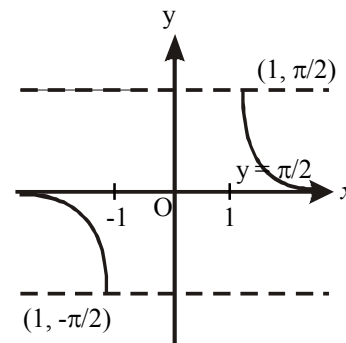
(c) $y = \tan^{-1}x$



(d) $y = \cot^{-1}x$



(e) $y = \sec^{-1}x$



(e) $y = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x$

★ **Domain and Range of Inverse Trigonometric Functions :**

S. No.	Function	Domain	Range
1.	$\sin^{-1}x$	$[-1, 1]$	$[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$
2.	$\cos^{-1}x$	$[-1, 1]$	$[0, \pi]$
3.	$\tan^{-1}x$	\mathbb{R}	$(-\pi/2, \pi/2)$
4.	$\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x$	$(-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$	$[-\pi/2, \pi/2] - \{0\}$
5.	$\sec^{-1}x$	$(-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$	$[0, \pi] - \{\pi/2\}$
6.	$\cot^{-1}x$	\mathbb{R}	$(0, \pi)$

★ **Inverse Trigonometric Functions :**

S. No.	Function	Interval of Principal Value
1.	$\sin^{-1}x$	$-\pi/2 \leq y \leq \pi/2$, where $y = \sin^{-1}x$
2.	$\cos^{-1}x$	$0 \leq y \leq \pi$, where $y = \cos^{-1}x$
3.	$\tan^{-1}x$	$\pi/2 < y < \pi/2$, where $y = \tan^{-1}x$
4.	$\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x$	$-\pi/2 \leq y \leq \pi/2$, where $y = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x$, $y \neq 0$
5.	$\sec^{-1}x$	$0 \leq y \leq \pi$, where $y = \sec^{-1}x$, $y \neq \pi/2$
6.	$\cot^{-1}x$	$0 < y < \pi$, where $y = \cot^{-1}x$

★ **Properties of Inverse Trigonometric Functions :**

Self Adjustig Property

$$(i) \quad \sin^{-1}(\sin \theta) = \theta; \forall \theta \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$$

$$(ii) \quad \cos^{-1}(\cos \theta) = \theta; \forall \theta \in [\theta, \pi]$$

$$(iii) \quad \tan^{-1}(\tan \theta) = \theta; \forall \theta \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$$

$$(iv) \quad \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(\operatorname{cosec} \theta) = \theta; \forall \theta \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right], \theta \neq 0$$

$$(v) \quad \sec^{-1}(\sec \theta) = \theta; \forall \theta \in [0, \pi], \theta \neq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$(vi) \quad \cot^{-1}(\cot \theta) = \theta; \forall \theta \in (0, \pi)$$

$$(vii) \quad \sin(\sin^{-1}x) = x, \forall x \in [-1, 1]$$

$$(viii) \quad \cos(\cos^{-1}x) = x, \forall x \in [-1, 1]$$

$$(ix) \quad \tan(\tan^{-1}x) = x, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(x) \operatorname{cosec}(\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x) = x, \forall x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$

$$(xi) \sec(\sec^{-1}x) = x, \forall x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$

$$(xii) \cot(\cot^{-1}x) = x, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Negative Arguments

$$(i) \sin^{-1}(-x) = -\sin^{-1}(x), \forall x \in [-1, 1]$$

$$(ii) \cos^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \cos^{-1}(x), \forall x \in [-1, 1]$$

$$(iii) \tan^{-1}(-x) = -\tan^{-1}x, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(iv) \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x, \forall x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$

$$(v) \sec^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \sec^{-1}x, \forall x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$

$$(vi) \cot^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \cot^{-1}x, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Reciprocal Arguments

$$(i) \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x, \forall x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$

$$(ii) \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \sec^{-1}x, \forall x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$

$$(iii) \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \begin{cases} \cot^{-1}x, & \forall x > 0 \\ -\pi + \cot^{-1}x, & \forall x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Inverse Sum Identities

$$(i) \sin^{-1}x + \cos^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \forall x \in [-1, 1]$$

$$(ii) \tan^{-1}x + \cot^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(iii) \sec^{-1}x + \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \forall x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$

Sum and Difference of Inverse Trigonometric Function

$$(i) \tan^{-1}x + \tan^{-1}y = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy}\right), & \text{if } xy < 1 \\ \pi + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy}\right), & \text{if } x > 0, y > 0 \text{ and } xy > 1 \\ -\pi + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy}\right), & \text{if } x < 0, y < 0 \text{ and } xy > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(ii) \quad \tan^{-1} x - \tan^{-1} y = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x-y}{1+xy}\right), & \text{if } xy > -1 \\ \pi + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x-y}{1+xy}\right), & \text{if } x > 0, y < 0 \text{ and } xy < -1 \\ -\pi + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x-y}{1+xy}\right), & \text{if } x < 0, y > 0 \text{ and } xy < -1 \end{cases}$$

(iii) If $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\tan^{-1} x_1 + \tan^{-1} x_2 + \dots + \tan^{-1} x_n = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{S_1 - S_3 + S_5 - \dots}{1 - S_2 + S_4 - S_6 + \dots}\right)$$

Where, $S_1 = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = \Sigma x_1$

$S_2 = x_1 x_2 + x_1 x_3 + \dots + x_{n-1} x_n = \Sigma x_1 x_2$

$S_2 = \Sigma x_1 x_2 x_3, \dots$ and so on.

$$(iv) \quad \sin^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} y = \begin{cases} \sin^{-1}\{x\sqrt{1-y^2} + y\sqrt{1-x^2}\} & \text{if } -1 < x, y < 1 \text{ and } \\ & x^2 + y^2 < 1 \text{ or if } xy < 0 \\ & \text{and } x^2 + y^2 > 1 \\ \pi - \sin^{-1}\{x\sqrt{1-y^2} + y\sqrt{1-x^2}\} & \text{if } 0 < x, y < 1 \\ & \text{and } x^2 + y^2 > 1 \\ -\pi - \sin^{-1}\{x\sqrt{1-y^2} + y\sqrt{1-x^2}\} & \text{if } -1 < x, y < 0, \\ & \text{and } x^2 + y^2 > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(v) \quad \sin^{-1} x - \sin^{-1} y = \begin{cases} \sin^{-1}\{x\sqrt{1-y^2} - y\sqrt{1-x^2}\} & \text{if } -1 \leq x, y \leq 1 \text{ and } \\ & x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \text{ or if } xy > 0 \\ & \text{and } x^2 + y^2 > 1 \\ \pi - \sin^{-1}\{x\sqrt{1-y^2} - y\sqrt{1-x^2}\} & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \\ & -1 \leq y \leq 0 \text{ and } x^2 + y^2 > 1 \\ -\pi - \sin^{-1}\{x\sqrt{1-y^2} - y\sqrt{1-x^2}\} & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 0, \\ & 0 < y \leq 1 \text{ and } x^2 + y^2 > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(vi) \quad \cos^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} y = \begin{cases} \cos^{-1}\{xy - \sqrt{1-x^2}\sqrt{1-y^2}\} & \text{if } -1 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ & \text{and } x + y \geq 0 \\ 2\pi - \cos^{-1}\{xy - \sqrt{1-x^2}\sqrt{1-y^2}\} & \text{if } -1 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ & \text{and } x + y \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(vii) \quad \cos^{-1} x - \cos^{-1} y = \begin{cases} \cos^{-1}\{xy + \sqrt{1-x^2}\sqrt{1-y^2}\} & \text{if } -1 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ & \text{and } x \leq y \\ -\cos^{-1}\{xy + \sqrt{1-x^2}\sqrt{1-y^2}\} & \text{if } -1 \leq y \leq 0 \\ & \text{and } 0 < x \leq 1 \text{ and } x \geq y \end{cases}$$

Conversion Property

$$(i) \quad \sin^{-1} x = \cos^{-1} \sqrt{1-x^2} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right) = \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{x} \right) = \sec^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right) = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)$$

$$(ii) \quad \cos^{-1} x = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{1-x^2} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{x} \right) = \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right) = \sec^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right)$$

$$(iii) \quad \tan^{-1} x = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right) = \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) = \sec^{-1} \sqrt{1-x^2} = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{x} \right)$$

Inverse Trigonometric Ratio of Multiple Angles

$$(i) \quad 2 \sin^{-1} x = \begin{cases} \sin^{-1}(2x\sqrt{1-x^2}), & \text{if } -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \pi - \sin^{-1}(2x\sqrt{1-x^2}), & \text{if } -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \leq x \leq 1 \\ -\pi - \sin^{-1}(2x\sqrt{1-x^2}), & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{cases}$$

$$(ii) \quad 3 \sin^{-1} x = \begin{cases} \sin^{-1}(3x-4x^3), & \text{if } -\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \pi - \sin^{-1}(3x-4x^2), & \text{if } -\frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \\ -\pi - \sin^{-1}(3x-4x^2), & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq -\frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$(iii) \quad 2 \cos^{-1} x = \begin{cases} \cos^{-1}(2x^2-1), & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 2\pi - \cos^{-1}(2x^2-1), & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(iv) \quad 3 \cos^{-1} x = \begin{cases} \cos^{-1}(4x^3-3x), & \text{if } -\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1 \\ 2\pi - \cos^{-1}(4x^3-3x), & \text{if } -\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 2\pi + \cos^{-1}(4x^3-3x), & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq -\frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$(v) \quad 2 \tan^{-1} x = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right), & \text{if } -1 < x \leq 1 \\ \pi + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right), & \text{if } x > 1 \\ -\pi + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right), & \text{if } x < -1 \end{cases}$$

$$(vi) \quad 3 \tan^{-1} x = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3x-x^2}{1-3x^2}\right), & \text{if } -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < x < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \pi + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3x-x^2}{1-3x^2}\right), & \text{if } x > \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ -\pi + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3x-x^2}{1-3x^2}\right), & \text{if } x < -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{cases}$$

$$(vii) \quad 2 \tan^{-1} x = \begin{cases} \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2}\right), & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq 1 \\ \pi - \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2}\right), & \text{if } x > 1 \\ -\pi - \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2}\right), & \text{if } x < -1 \end{cases}$$

$$(viii) \quad 2 \tan^{-1} x = \begin{cases} \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1-x^2}{1+x^2}\right), & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq \infty \\ -\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1-x^2}{1+x^2}\right), & \text{if } -\infty < x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Note :

- If no branch of an inverse trigonometric function is mentioned, then it means the principal value branch of the function.
- If $\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \frac{\pi}{2}$, then $xy = 1$.
- If $\cot^{-1} x + \cot^{-1} y = \frac{\pi}{2}$, then $xy = 1$.
- if $\sin^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} y + \sin^{-1} z = \frac{\pi}{2}$, then $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xyz = 1$
- if $\sin^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} y + \sin^{-1} z = \pi$ then $x\sqrt{1-x^2} + y\sqrt{1-y^2} + z\sqrt{1-z^2} = 2xyz$
- if $\sin^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} y = \theta$ then $\cos^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} y = \pi - \theta$
- if $\cos^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} y = \theta$ then $\sin^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} y = \pi - \theta$