
ONE-TO-ONE FUNCTIONS &
INVERSE TRIG FUNCTIONS



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For next week

For Monday (Nov 19), watch the videos:

- Local extrema: 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4

For Wednesday (Nov 21), watch the videos:

- Rolle's Theorem: 5.5, 5.6
- The MVT: 5.7, 5.8, 5.9

- 1 Write the formal definition of “ $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is one-to-one”.
- 2 Let f be the function defined on \mathbb{R} by $f(x) = 2x^3 + 7$.
Prove that f is one-to-one.
- 3 Let g be the function defined on \mathbb{R} by $g(x) = 2x^2 + 7$.
Prove that g is not one-to-one.

Strictly increasing functions are one-to-one

Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a function whose domain D is a subset of \mathbb{R} .

- 1 Recall the definition of “ f is strictly increasing”.
- 2 Recall the definition of “ f is one-to-one” (from the previous slide).
- 3 Prove the following result.

Theorem

If f is strictly increasing then f is one-to-one.

- 4 Now let $D = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi, n \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$.
Is $\tan : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ strictly increasing? Is it one-to-one?
- 5 What about $\tan|_{\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)}$, the restriction of \tan to $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$?

Composition of one-to-one functions

Assume for simplicity that all functions in this problem have domain \mathbb{R} . Prove the following theorem.

Theorem

Let f and g be functions.
IF f and g are one-to-one,
THEN $f \circ g$ is one-to-one.

Suggestion:

- 1 Write the definition of what you want to prove.
- 2 Figure out the formal structure of the proof.
- 3 Complete the proof (use the hypotheses!)

Composition of one-to-one functions – 2

Assume for simplicity that all functions in this problem have domain \mathbb{R} .

Is the following claim TRUE or FALSE?
Prove it or give a counterexample.

Claim

Let f and g be functions.
IF $f \circ g$ is one-to-one,
THEN f is one-to-one.

Assume for simplicity that all functions in this problem have domain \mathbb{R} .

Is the following claim TRUE or FALSE?
Prove it or give a counterexample.

Claim

Let f and g be functions.
IF $f \circ g$ is one-to-one,
THEN g is one-to-one.

Composition and inverses

Assume for simplicity that all functions in this problem have domain \mathbb{R} .

Let f and g be functions. Assume they each have an inverse.

Is $(f \circ g)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$?

- If YES, prove it.
- If NO, fix the statement.

If you do not know how to start, experiment with the functions

$$f(x) = x + 1, \quad g(x) = 2x.$$

Definition of arctan

- 1 Sketch the graph of \tan .
- 2 Prove that \tan is not one-to-one.
- 3 Select the largest interval containing 0 such that the restriction of \tan to it is one-to-one.
Briefly explain why \tan is one-to-one on this interval.
- 4 What's the range of \tan restricted to the above interval?
- 5 We define \arctan as the inverse of \tan restricted to the above interval.
What are the domain and the range of \arctan ?
- 6 Sketch the graph of \arctan .

Definition of arctan – 2

Remember from the previous slide that $\arctan : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ is defined as the inverse of $\tan : \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

- 1 Fill: $\forall x \in \dots, \forall y \in \dots, (y = \tan(x) \Leftrightarrow x = \arctan(y))$.
- 2 What can you say about $\tan(\arctan(x))$?
And about $\arctan(\tan(x))$?
(For which x are these functions defined? What are they equal to? Sketch their graphs.)
- 3 Compute:
 - 1 $\tan(\arctan(0))$
 - 2 $\tan(\arctan(\sqrt{2} + \pi))$
 - 3 $\arctan(\tan(1))$
 - 4 $\arctan(\tan(3))$
 - 5 $\arctan\left(\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right)$
 - 6 $\arctan(\tan(-6))$

Obtain (and prove) a formula for the derivative of arctan.

Hint: Differentiate the identity

$$\forall t \in \dots \quad \tan(\arctan(t)) = t$$

Compute the derivative of

$$f(x) = 2x^2 \arctan(x^2) - \ln(x^4 + 1)$$

and simplify it as much as possible.