3.8 Derivatives of Inverse Functions

Objectives:

- I can find the derivative of an inverse function

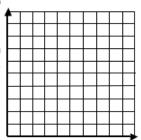
- I can find the derivative of an inverse trig function

## Part I:

- a. Graph  $f(x) = x^2$  for  $x \ge 0$
- b. What is f(2)?

c. Draw the point on the graph that you just found. Label it A.

- d. What is f '(2)?
- e. Draw the tangent line at x=2 (point a)



- f. Find  $f^{-1}(x)$
- g. Graph  $f^{-1}(x)$
- h. Draw the point on  $f^{-1}(x)$  that is the reflection of point A. Label it point B.
- i. Find the slope of the tangent line

of  $f^{-1}(x)$  at point B.

j. Draw the line.

k. What is the relationship between the slopes of the tangent lines of this "reflected pair" A and B?

I. Do you think that relationship is true of all "reflected pairs" of points?

Summary:

$$f(a) = b \longrightarrow f^{-1}(b) = a$$
$$f'(a) = c \longrightarrow (f^{-1})'(b) = \frac{1}{c}$$

Given  $f(x) = x^4 - 3x^2 + 4x + 2$  find the following: a) f(1), f'(1) b)  $f^{-1}(4), (f^{-1})'(4)$  Given  $f(x) = \cos x + x$  find the following:

a) f(0), f'(0) b)  $f^{-1}(1), (f^{-1})'(1)$ 

Part II: Inverse trig functions

Find 
$$\frac{dy}{dx}$$
 if  $y = \sin^{-1} x$ 

Find 
$$\frac{dy}{dx}$$
 if  $y = \tan^{-1} x$ 

Rule Sheet: 67-72
Helpful identities

67. 
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1}x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$
68.  $\frac{d}{dx}(\cos^{-1}x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ 
sec^{-1}x = cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)

69.  $\frac{d}{dx}(\tan^{-1}x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ 
70.  $\frac{d}{dx}(\cot^{-1}x) = \frac{-1}{1+x^2}$ 
csc^{-1}x = sin^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)

71.  $\frac{d}{dx}(\sec^{-1}x) = \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$ 
cot^{-1}x = tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)

72.  $\frac{d}{dx}(\csc^{-1}x) = \frac{-1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$ 
cot^{-1}x = tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)

 $f(x) = \cos^{-1}(3x)$   $y = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{x}\right)$ 

Derive:  
$$f(x) = \csc^{-1}(3x+2)$$
  $y = \tan^{-1}\sqrt{x^2+2}$ 

$$g(x) = \sin^{-1} x^2$$
  $g(x) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{x^2}\right)$   $y = \sec^{-1}(3x^2)$   $f(x) = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$