

For students who will take the course Integral Calculus.

You need to know the following Topics :

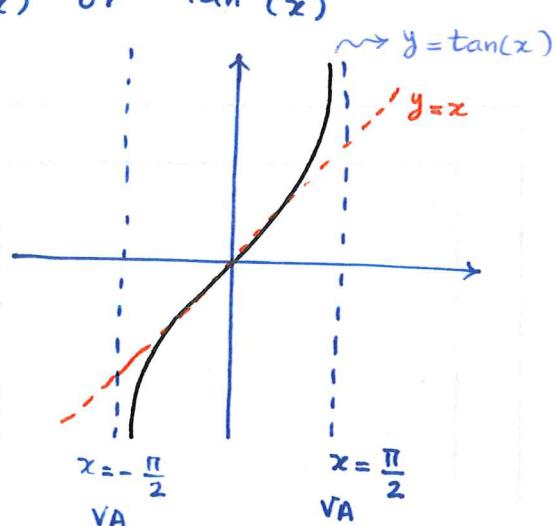
(1) Inverse of the function  $y = \tan(x)$  is denoted by

$$y = \arctan(x) \text{ or } \operatorname{Arctan}(x) \text{ or } \tan^{-1}(x)$$

Recall the shape of  $y = \tan(x)$

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

$$\text{Range : } \mathbb{R}$$

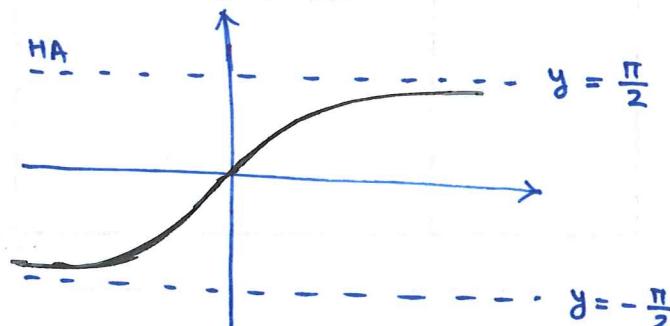


To find the graph of  $y = \arctan(x)$

as we learned in Term 1 We should reflect the above graph across the diagonal line  $y = x$  , then you'll have

$$\text{Domain : } \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Range : } (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$$



Derivative of  $\arctan(x)$ :

$$y = \arctan(x) \Rightarrow y' = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$y = \arctan(f(x)) \xrightarrow{\text{chain rule}} y' = \frac{1}{1+(f(x))^2} \cdot f'(x)$$

(2) Functions of the form  $y = x^x$  or in general  $y = f(x)^{g(x)}$

To deal with these type of functions, we need to use the following properties of the functions  $e^x$  and  $\ln(x)$ .

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1. e^{\ln(x)} = x, \quad e^{\ln(f(x))} = f(x) \\ 2. \ln x^n = n \cdot \ln(x), \quad \ln(f(x))^n = n \cdot \ln(f(x)) \end{array} \right.$$

Now, let's find the following limit:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^x = 0^0 \quad \text{indeterminate limit.}$$

How to resolve this? Use the two tricks above:

$$x^x = e^{\ln(x^x)} = e^{x \ln x}$$

Property 1                                    Property 2

$$\text{So } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{x \ln x} = e^{0 \cdot \ln(0)} = e^{0 \cdot \infty} = e$$

still indeterminate

How to resolve  $0 \cdot \infty$ ? Use the trick  $a \cdot b = \frac{a}{\frac{1}{b}}$  or  $\frac{b}{\frac{1}{a}}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{x \ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{\frac{\ln x}{\frac{1}{x}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{\frac{\ln 0}{0}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{\frac{\infty}{\infty}}$$

How to resolve this? Use L'Hôpital's rule

still indeterminate!

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{\frac{\ln x}{\frac{1}{x}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{\frac{\frac{1}{x}}{-\frac{1}{x^2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{-\frac{x^2}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{-x} = e^0 = 1$$

So

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{x \ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{\frac{\ln x}{\frac{1}{x}}} = 1$$

log tricks      0.∞ trick      l'Hôpital

Now let's find the derivative of  $y = x^x$ .

Again use the trick :  $y = x^x$

take ln  
from both sides  $\ln(y) = \ln x^x$

trick(2)  $\ln(y) = x \ln x$

Now take the derivative  
of both sides  $(\ln y)' = (x \ln x)'$

implicit differentiation  $\frac{1}{y} \cdot y' = 1 \cdot \ln x + x \cdot \frac{1}{x}$

solve for  
 $y'$   $y' = y \cdot (\ln x + 1)$

replace  
 $y = x^x$   $y' = x^x (\ln x + 1)$