

Lecture 4

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Inverse trigonometric functions, sketching the graphs

- 1 Inverse trigonometric functions: $\sin^{-1} x$, $\cos^{-1} x$ and $\tan^{-1} x$
- 2 Sketching the graphs

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Example: Sketch the graphs of $\sin^{-1} x$, $\cos^{-1} x$ and $\tan^{-1} x$

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Example: Sketch the curve

$$y = (x - 2)^6 + 3$$

Sketching the graphs

Sketch the graphs of the following functions:

$$e^{-x^2}$$

$$\frac{2}{2+x^4}$$

$$|1+x^5|$$

$$\ln x^4$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2x}{x-6}}$$