Section 1.5: Inverse Trigonometric Functions

Definition: A function is a rule that assigns to each element in set A exactly one element in set B. Set A is called the **domain**. The **range** of f is the set of all possible values of f(x) where x is in the domain, i.e. range = $\{f(x)|x \in A\}$.

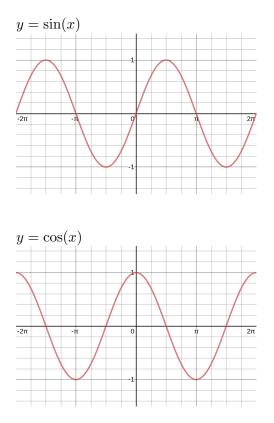
Example: Find the domain of $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 - 25}$

Definition: A function is said to be **one-to-one** if it never takes on the same function value more than once. i.e. if $x_1 \neq x_2$ then $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$.

Definition: Let f be a one-to-one function with domain A and range B. Then its **inverse function** f^{-1} has domain B and range A and is defined, for any y in B, by

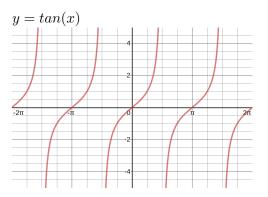
 $f^{-1}(y) = x \iff f(x) = y$

 $\mathbf{y} = \arcsin(\mathbf{x}) = \sin^{-1}(x)$



 $\mathbf{y} = \arccos(\mathbf{x}) = \cos^{-1}(x)$

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



Example: Find the exact value of the expression.

A)
$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right) =$$

B)
$$\arcsin\left(\sin\frac{5\pi}{4}\right) =$$

C)
$$\arccos\left(\cos\frac{5\pi}{4}\right) =$$

D)
$$\cos\left(\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right) =$$

E)
$$\sec\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)\right) =$$

G)
$$\cos\left(\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)\right) =$$