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Prove that the derivative of  $f(x) = \cot^{-1} x$  is  $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{1+x^2}$  using a proof similar to the ones for the derivatives of  $\sin^{-1} x$  and  $\tan^{-1} x$ .

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Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve  $x^2y^4 - y^3 = 1 + xy^2$  at (-1, 1).

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Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve  $x^3y^4 - y^2 = 1 - xy^2$  at (1, -1).

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Find and simplify the derivatives of the following.

[a] 
$$f(x) = \frac{\sin^{-1} \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}}$$

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[b] 
$$f(x) = \ln \sqrt{\sec x - \tan x}$$

$$[c] f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tan^{-1} x}}$$

[d] 
$$f(x) = (\sec x)(\ln \cos x)$$

[e] 
$$\sqrt{x^2 - y^3} + y^2 = x$$

$$[f] \qquad \sqrt{x^3 - y^2} - y^3 = x$$

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