

3.5. Derivative of Trig Functions

$$f(x) = \sin x.$$

In Leibnitz notation:

$$\text{Then } f'(x) = \cos x.$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [\sin x] = \cos x$$

E.g. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ given $y = x^2 \sin(x)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x \sin(x) + x^2 \cos(x) \quad (\text{Product Rule})$$

If $f(x) = \cos x$, then $f'(x) = -\sin x$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [\cos x] = -\sin x.$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dx} [\tan x] = \sec^2 x.}$$

Prf: $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \right] = \frac{\cos x \cdot \cos x - \sin x \cdot (-\sin x)}{\cos^2 x}$

$$= \frac{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} = \sec^2 x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [\cot x] = -\csc^2 x. \quad ; \quad \frac{d}{dx} [\csc x] = -\csc x \cot x.$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [\sec x] = \sec x \tan x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) = \cos x$$

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Higher derivatives $y = \sin x$; $y = \cos x$

$$\underline{y = \sin x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \cos x ; \quad \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\sin x ; \quad \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = -\cos x ; \quad \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} = \sin x$$

$$\text{What is } \frac{d^{2017} y}{dx^{2017}} (\sin x) = \cos x$$

$$\text{In general, } \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} (\sin x) \begin{cases} \cos x ; & 4 \mid n \quad R=1 \\ -\sin x ; & 4 \mid n \quad R=2 \\ -\cos x ; & 4 \mid n \quad R=3 \\ \sin x ; & 4 \mid n \quad R=0 \end{cases}$$

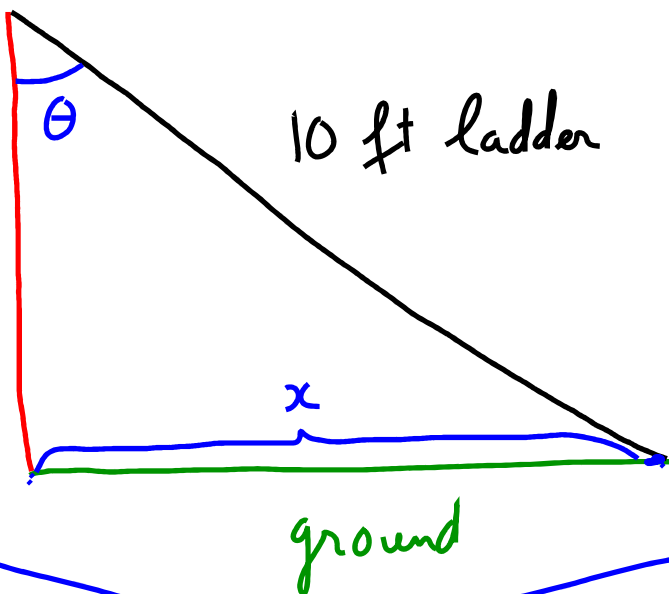
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E.g.

Wall



10 ft ladder

x

ground

(a) Express the distance x as a function of θ

(b) Ladder slides away from wall, how fast does x

change w.r.t. θ when $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$.

R.O.C. of
x w.r.t. θ
when $\theta = \pi/3$