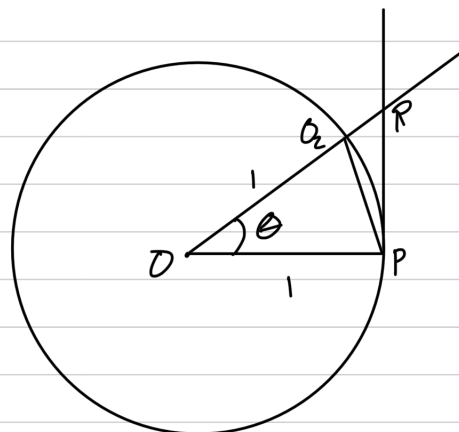
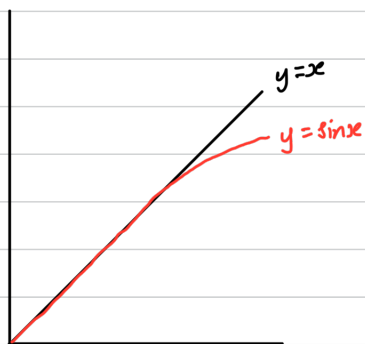


2025-02-15 STEP Practice: Differentiation of $\sin x$



$$\text{Area of triangle } OPA_2 = \frac{1}{2}ab \sin C = \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta$$

$$\text{Area of sector } OPA_2 = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}\theta$$

$$\text{Area of triangle } OPR = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height} = \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta \quad \overline{PR} = \tan \theta$$

From observation of the diagram:

$$\frac{1}{2} \sin \theta < \frac{1}{2} \theta < \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta$$

$$\sin \theta < \theta < \tan \theta$$

$$\frac{1}{\sin \theta} > \frac{1}{\theta} > \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

$$1 > \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} > \cos \theta \quad \therefore \sin \theta \text{ is increasing in the interval we are considering.}$$

$$\cos \theta < \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} < 1$$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left(\cos \theta < \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} < 1 \right)$$

$$1 < \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} < 1$$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1 \quad (\text{via squeeze rule/theorem})$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

$$\sin'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x+h) - \sin x}{h}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sin'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cos(x + \frac{h}{2}) \sin(\frac{h}{2})}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x + \frac{h}{2}) \sin(\frac{h}{2})}{\frac{h}{2}} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \cos(x + \frac{h}{2}) \underbrace{\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\frac{h}{2})}{\frac{h}{2}}}_1 \\
 &= \cos x \quad (x \text{ in radians})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sin A + \sin B = 2 \sin\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right)$$

$$\sin A - \sin B = 2 \cos\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \cos x \\
 y &= (1 - \sin^2 x)^{\frac{1}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{2} (1 - \sin^2 x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot -2 \sin x \cos x \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\cos x} \cdot -2 \sin x \cos x \\
 &= -\sin x
 \end{aligned}$$

$$y = \tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\cos x \cdot \cos x - \sin x \cdot -\sin x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} = \sec^2 x$$

$$y = \sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{0 \cdot \cos x - 1 \cdot -\sin x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{\sin x \cos x}{\cos^2 x} = \sec x \tan x$$

$$y = \csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{0 \cdot \sin x - 1 \cdot \cos x}{\sin^2 x} = -\frac{\cos x}{\sin^2 x} = -\sec x \cot x$$

$$y = \cot x = \frac{1}{\tan x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{0 \cdot \tan x - 1 \cdot \sec^2 x}{\tan^2 x} = -\frac{\sec^2 x}{\tan^2 x} = -\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \cdot \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2 x} = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$$

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{100n}\right)^{nt} \quad \text{for interest paid } n \text{ times each year}$$

A = return

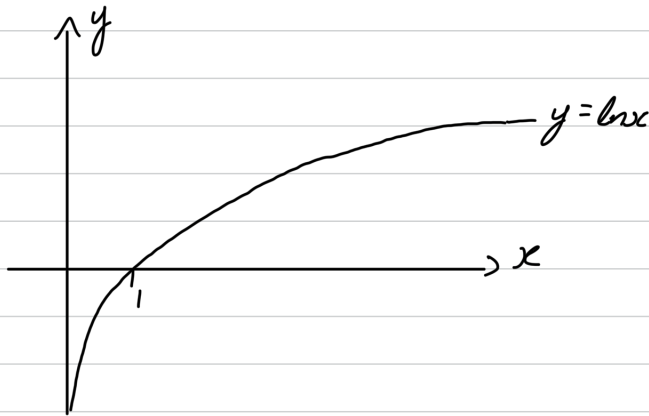
P = the principal (amount invested)

r = interest rate as a % per year

t = time in years

$$A = 1 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{100}{100n}\right)^n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = e$$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln x = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln x = +\infty$$

$$\ln 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln x = \frac{1}{x} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \log_a x = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\ln x}{\ln a} = \frac{1}{x \ln a}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d}{dx} \ln x = 0^+$$

The domain of $\ln x$ is $(0, \infty)$

The range of $\ln x$ is $(-\infty, \infty)$

$\ln x$ is one to one and onto the whole range of the real numbers

$\ln x$ has an inverse function, which is e^x .