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The total mechanical energy of a simple pendulum, with length l and mass m , is given here as TE . θ is the angle formed by the motion of the pendulum and $\dot{\theta} = d\theta/dt$

In[5]:= **\$Assumptions = {l > 0, g > 0, $\theta > 0$, $\theta < \text{Pi}$, $\theta_n > 0$, $\theta_n < \text{Pi}$, m > 0};**

The solve function is used to find $d\theta$

In[6]:= **TE = (1/2) (m l^2 ($\dot{\theta}$)^2) + m g l (1 - Cos[θ]) == m g l (1 - Cos[θ_n])**

sol = Solve[TE, $\dot{\theta}$] [[2]]

Out[6]=
$$\frac{1}{2} l^2 m \dot{\theta}^2 + g l m (1 - \text{Cos}[\theta]) == g l m (1 - \text{Cos}[\theta_n])$$

Out[7]=
$$\left\{ \dot{\theta} \rightarrow \sqrt{2} \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}} \sqrt{\text{Cos}[\theta] - \text{Cos}[\theta_n]} \text{ if } \theta < \theta_n \right\}$$

Dummy variable is created to transform the expression

In[8]:= **b = $\dot{\theta}$ /. sol**

Out[8]=
$$\sqrt{2} \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}} \sqrt{\text{Cos}[\theta] - \text{Cos}[\theta_n]} \text{ if } \theta < \theta_n$$

Simplify function is used to find the simplest form of the expression

In[9]:= **dT = Simplify[(1/b) / (2 Pi Sqrt[l/g])]**

Out[9]=
$$\frac{1}{2 \sqrt{2} \pi \sqrt{\text{Cos}[\theta] - \text{Cos}[\theta_n]}} \text{ if } \theta < \theta_n$$

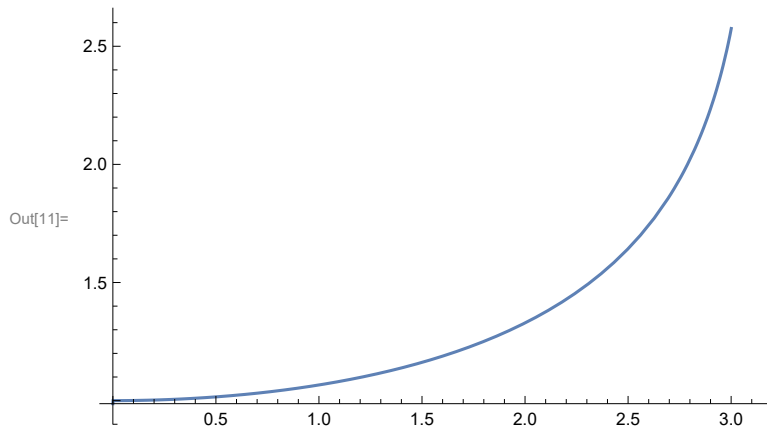
Using the integrate function to find the period of oscillation in relation to dt

In[10]:= **T = 4 Integrate[dT, { θ , 0, θ_n }]**

Out[10]=
$$\frac{2 \sqrt{2} \text{EllipticF}\left[\frac{\theta_n}{2}, \text{Csc}\left[\frac{\theta_n}{2}\right]^2\right]}{\pi \sqrt{1 - \text{Cos}[\theta_n]}}$$

Plotting the newly integrated function, its shown in the graph that as θ_n goes to π , the graph goes to infinity

Plot[T, {θn, 0, Pi}]



Numerical Integration

In[]:= NIntegrate[T, {θn, 0, Pi}]

Out[]:= 4.37688

Using the substitute $\sin(\theta/2) = Au$ to find a new integral for the period as a function of θn

In[]:= Tθn = 2 / Pi Integrate[(1 / Sqrt[1 - u^2]) × (1 / Sqrt[1 - A^2 u^2]), {u, 0, 1}]

Out[]:=
$$\frac{2 \text{EllipticK}[A^2]}{\pi} \quad \text{if } \text{Re}[A^2] \leq 1 \mid A^2 \notin \mathbb{R}$$

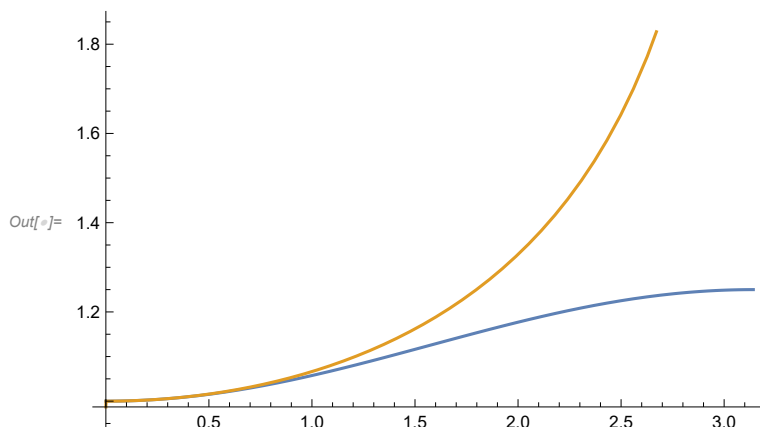
Series function is used to expand to the lowest non zero order

In[]:= eT = Series[Tθn, {A, 0, 2}] /. A → Sin[θn / 2] // Normal

Out[]:=
$$1 + \frac{1}{4} \sin^2\left[\frac{\theta n}{2}\right]$$

The new function(blue) is plotted on the same graph as the old one(orange) which shows the expansion only works for θn less than one

In[]:= Plot[{eT, T}, {θn, 0, Pi}]



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