

SECTION 3.3 DERIVATIVES OF TRIG FUNCTIONS

1. Fill in the table below.

**Derivatives of Trigonometric Functions:**

- $\frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) = \frac{\cos(x)}{}$
- $\frac{d}{dx}(\cos x) = \frac{-\sin(x)}{}$
- $\frac{d}{dx}(\tan x) = \frac{(\sec(x))^2}{}$

- $\frac{d}{dx}(\csc x) = \frac{-\csc(x)\cot(x)}{}$
- $\frac{d}{dx}(\sec x) = \frac{\sec(x)\tan(x)}{}$
- $\frac{d}{dx}(\cot x) = \frac{-(\csc(x))^2}{}$

2. Find the derivative of  $y = \frac{\sec x}{1 - x \tan x}$ .

$$y' = \frac{(1 - x \tan(x))(\sec(x)\tan(x)) - (\sec(x))(-[x(\sec(x))^2 + \tan(x)])}{(1 - x \tan(x))^2}$$

$$= \frac{(1 - x \tan(x))(\sec(x)\tan(x)) + \sec(x)(x(\sec(x))^2 + \tan(x))}{(1 - x \tan(x))^2}$$

3. If  $f(\theta) = e^\theta \sin(\theta)$ , find  $f''(\theta)$ . Simplify your answers.

$$f'(\theta) = e^\theta \cos(\theta) + \sin(\theta)e^\theta = e^\theta(\cos \theta + \sin \theta)$$

$$f''(\theta) = e^\theta(-\sin \theta + \cos \theta) + (\cos(\theta) + \sin \theta)e^\theta$$

$$= -e^\theta \sin \theta + e^\theta \cos \theta + e^\theta \cos \theta + e^\theta \sin \theta$$

$$= 2e^\theta \cos \theta$$

4. Find  $\frac{d}{dt}[t \sin t \cos t]$ .

$$\frac{d}{dt}((t \sin t)\cos t) = (t \sin t)(-\sin t) + \cos t \frac{d}{dt}(t \sin t)$$

$$= -t(\sin t)^2 + \cos t[t \cos t + \sin t]$$

$$= -t(\sin t)^2 + t(\cos t)^2 + \sin t \cos t \quad (\text{just for fun})$$

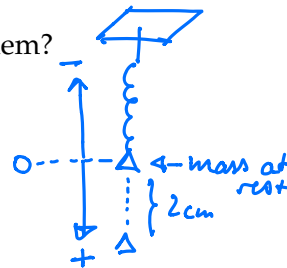
5. An elastic band is hung on a hook and a mass is hung on the lower end of the band. When the mass is pulled down 2 cm past its rest position and then released, it vibrates vertically. The equation of motion is

$$s = 2 \cos t + 3 \sin t, \text{ for } t \geq 0,$$

where  $s$  is measured in centimeters and  $t$  is measured in seconds. (We are taking the positive direction to be downward.)

- (a) Why might you expect to use sines and cosines to model this particular problem?

The bouncing is periodic, as are sines & cosines



- (b) Find  $s(0)$ ,  $s'(0)$ , and  $s''(0)$  including units.

$$s'(t) = 2(-\sin t) + 3 \cos t = -2 \sin t + 3 \cos t$$

$$s''(t) = -2 \cos t - 3 \sin t$$

$$s(0) = 2 \text{ cm}$$

$$s'(0) = 3 \text{ cm/s}$$

$$s''(0) = -2 \text{ cm/s}^2 = -2 \text{ cm/s}^2$$

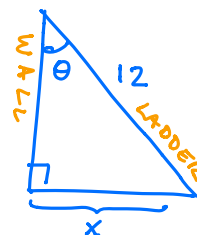
- (c) What do the numbers from part (a) indicate about the mass in the context of the problem?

- The displacement at time  $t=0$  is 2 cm
- The initial velocity is 3 cm/s
- The initial acceleration is  $-2 \text{ cm/s}^2$

6. A 12 foot ladder rests against a wall. Let  $\theta$  be the angle between the ladder and the wall and let  $x$  be the distance from the base of the ladder and the wall.

- (a) Compute  $x$  as a function of  $\theta$ . (Drawing a picture will help.)

$$\frac{x}{12} = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}} = \sin \theta \Rightarrow x = 12 \sin \theta$$



- (b) How fast does  $x$  change with respect to  $\theta$  when  $\theta = \pi/6$ ? (Get an exact answer and a decimal approximation.)

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = 12 \cos \theta \text{ so } \left. \frac{dx}{d\theta} \right|_{\theta=\pi/6} = 12 \cos(\pi/6) = \frac{12 \cdot \sqrt{3}}{2} = 6\sqrt{3}$$

$$\approx 10.39$$



- (c) Interpret your answer from part (b) in the context of the problem. (Units will help you here.)

When the angle is  $\pi/6$ , the end of the ladder is sliding away from the wall at a rate of  $6\sqrt{3}$  ft/radians  $\approx 10.39$  ft/radians

- (d) Determine how far the ladder is from the wall when  $\theta = \pi/6$ .

$$\text{When } \theta = \pi/6, x = 12 \sin(\pi/6) = 12 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 6$$

The ladder is 6 ft from the wall.



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