

§3-3 Derivatives of Trigonometric Functions

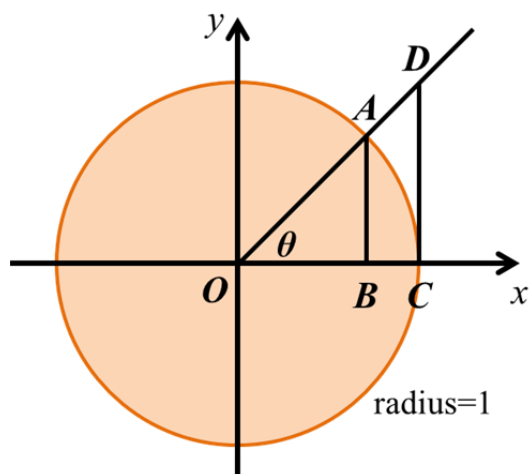
* 欲得三角函數的微分，需先得知(I)式中的極限值。

I.

i. $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1$

ii. $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \theta - 1}{\theta} = 0$

Proof of (I-i) :



$$\overline{AB} < \widehat{AC} < \overline{CD}$$

$$\Downarrow \quad \Downarrow \quad \Downarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta < \theta < \tan \theta.$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 < \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} < \frac{\tan \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} = 1.$$

Similarly, $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} = 1 \Rightarrow \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} = 1.$

* 註記：

i. Why $\widehat{AC} (= \theta) < \overline{CD}$?

扇形 OAC 的面積 < 三角形 OCD 的面積

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \theta < \frac{1}{2} \widehat{AC} < 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \widehat{AC} < \overline{CD}.$$

ii. 利用 (I-i) 和半角公式可得 (I-ii)。

(也就是說，當 θ 很小的時候， $\sin\theta$ 差不多就是 θ ！)

II.

- i. $(\sin x)' = \cos x$ ii. $(\cos x)' = -\sin x$
iii. $(\tan x)' = \sec^2 x$ iv. $(\cot x)' = -\csc^2 x$
v. $(\sec x)' = \sec x \tan x$ vi. $(\csc x)' = -\csc x \cot x$

Proof of (II-i) :

$$\begin{aligned}(\sin x)' &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x+h) - \sin(x)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x)\cos(h) + \cos(x)\sin(h) - \sin(x)}{h} \\ &= \sin x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(h) - 1}{h} + \cos x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(h)}{h} \\ &= \cos x\end{aligned}$$

* 註記：

嚴格的寫法，需先說明第三等式兩個極限存在，因此第二等式等於第三等式。

Proof of (II-iv) :

$$(\cot x)' = \left(\frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \right)' = \left(\frac{\sin x(-\sin x) - \cos x(\cos x)}{\sin^2 x} \right) = \frac{-1}{\sin^2 x} = -\csc^2 x$$

Example 1 : $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{x} = ?$

Solution :

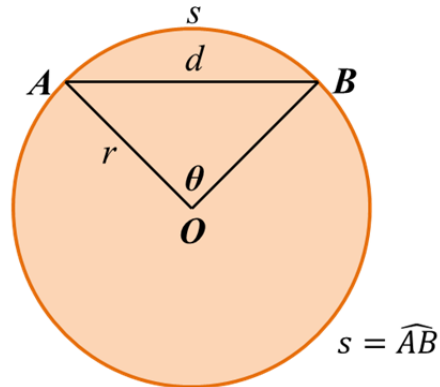
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{x} = 3 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{3x} = 3.$$

Example 2 : $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 3t}{t^2} = ?$

Solution :

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 3t}{t^2} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3t)^2}{t^2} = 9.$$

Example 3 :



求 $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{s}{d} = ?$

Solution :

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{s}{d} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{r\theta}{2r \sin \frac{\theta}{2}} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\theta}{2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2}} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\theta}{2 \times \frac{\theta}{2}} = 1$$

Example 4 : A semicircle with diameter PQ sits on an isosceles triangle PQR to form a region shaped like a two-dimensional ice cream cone, as shown in the figure. If $A(\theta)$ is the area of the semicircle and $B(\theta)$ is the area of the triangle, find $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{A(\theta)}{B(\theta)}$.

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Solution :

Known that the radius of the semicircle $= 10 \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$.

$$\Rightarrow A(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \times \pi (10 \sin \frac{\theta}{2})^2 = 50\pi \sin^2(\frac{\theta}{2})$$

and $B(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \times 10^2 \sin \theta = 50 \sin \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{A(\theta)}{B(\theta)} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{50\pi \sin^2(\frac{\theta}{2})}{50 \sin \theta} = \pi \times \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{(\frac{\theta}{2})^2}{\theta} = 0.$$

