

Lecture 9 Activity: Trigonometric Derivatives, Chain Rule Preview

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1. Compute derivatives of the following functions.

1.1 $\csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x}$

1.2 $\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x}$

1.3 $\cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$

1.4 $e^x \sin x$

1.5 $\frac{\sin x \cos x}{x^2 + 2x + 1}$

2. Let $f(x) = a \cos x + b \sin x$.

2.1 Suppose that $f(0) = 3$ and $f(\pi/2) = -2$. What are a and b ?

2.2 Suppose that $f(0) = -1$ and $f'(\pi) = 4$. What are a and b ?

2.3 Suppose that $f''(\pi) = 0$ and $f'''(2\pi) = 3$. What are a and b ?

3. For each of the functions below, determine whether or not you would use the chain rule to take the derivative of the function. If it is, what is u ?

3.1 $\sin(e^x)$

3.2 $e^x \sin x$

3.3 $\cos(1/x)$

3.4 $\frac{1}{x^2}$

3.5 $5x + e^{(x^2)}$

3.6 $\sin \cos x$