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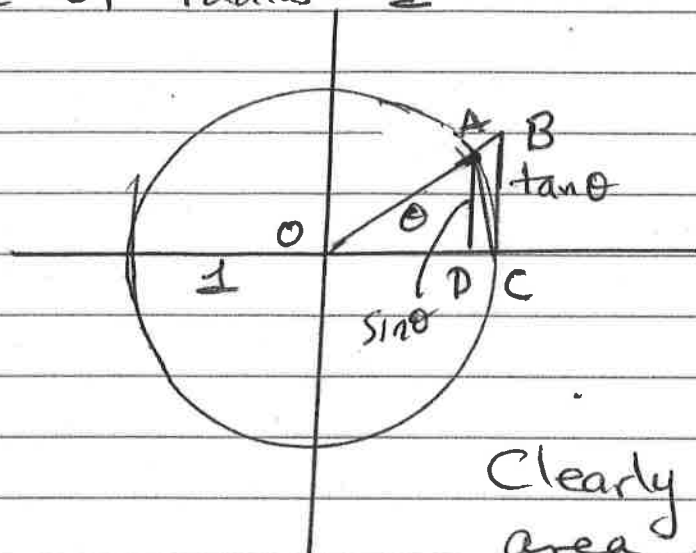
$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1, \quad \text{where } \theta \text{ is in radians.}$$

(This is not true if  $\theta$  is in degrees)

We use some trig and geometry for this.

First note  $\cos 0 = 1$ .

We draw (badly) a circle of radius 1



(1) - The segment OAC has area  $\frac{1}{2} \theta 1^2 = \frac{1}{2} \theta$ .

(2) The length CB is  $\tan \theta$ .

(3) The length DA is  $\sin \theta$ .

Clearly triangle ODA has area smaller than segment OAC which has area

smaller than OCB

The area of a triangle is  $\frac{1}{2}$  base  $\times$  height.

$$\text{So } \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta < \frac{1}{2} \theta < \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta, \quad \theta \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$$

$$\text{Or } \sin \theta < \theta < \tan \theta$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}, \quad \text{so this gives}$$

$$\sin \theta < \theta < \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \quad \text{or} \quad 1 < \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} < \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\text{which means } \cos \theta < \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} < 1.$$

$$\text{Now } \cos \theta \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } \theta \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{so } \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} \rightarrow 1$$

as  $\theta \rightarrow 0$  if  $\theta \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, 0)$  the proof is basically the same.

(2)

$$(2) \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \theta - 1}{\theta} = 0$$

We deduce this from the previous limit.

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \theta - 1}{\theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos \theta + 1)(\cos \theta - 1)}{\theta(\cos \theta + 1)}$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos^2 \theta - 1}{\theta(\cos \theta + 1)}$$

$$= - \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\theta(\cos \theta + 1)}$$

$$= - \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta + 1}$$

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$$= -1 \times 0$$

$$= 0$$