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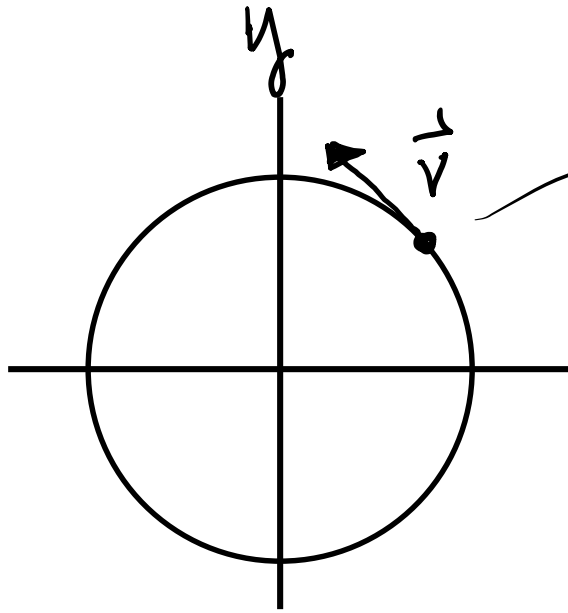
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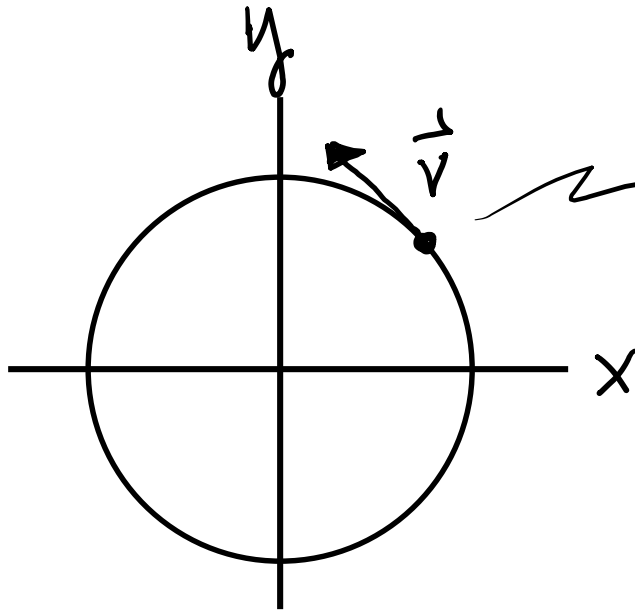
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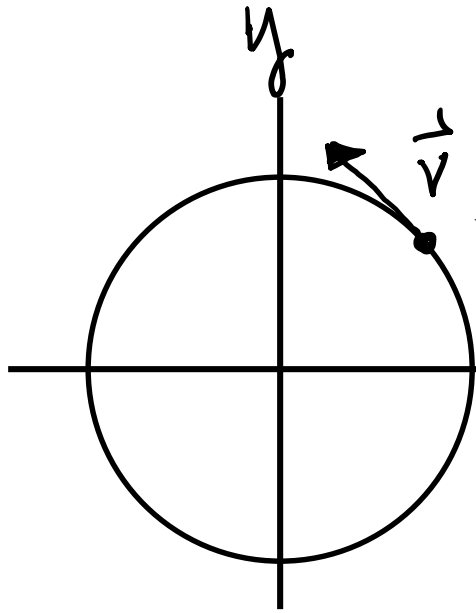
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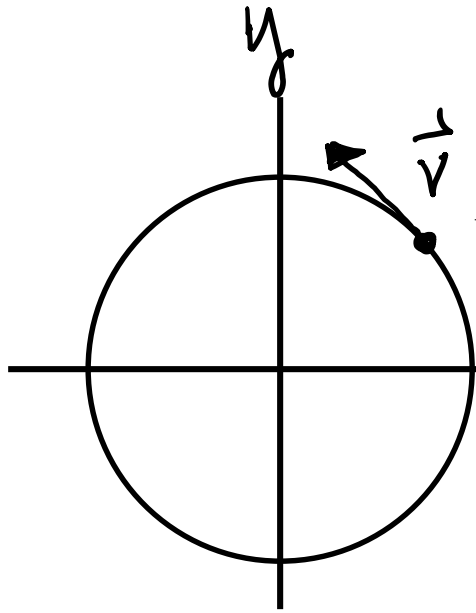
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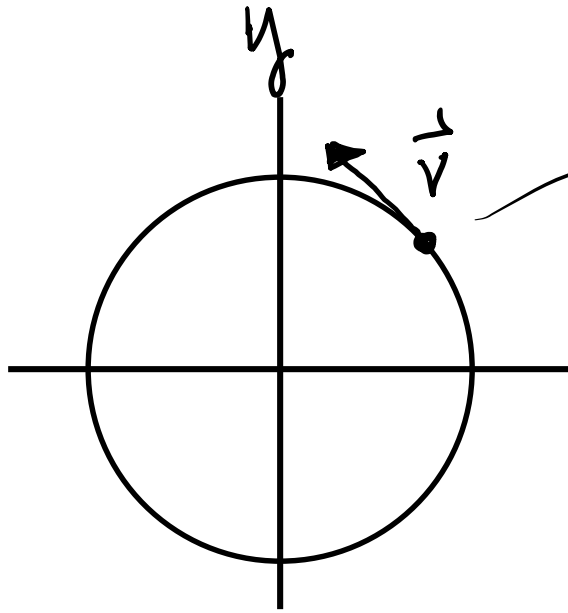
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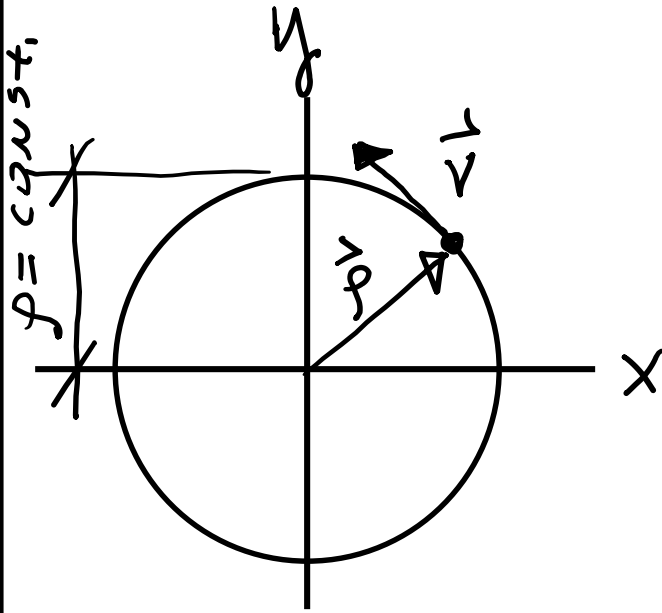
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We want to find an expression  $\vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt}$  for uniform circular motion

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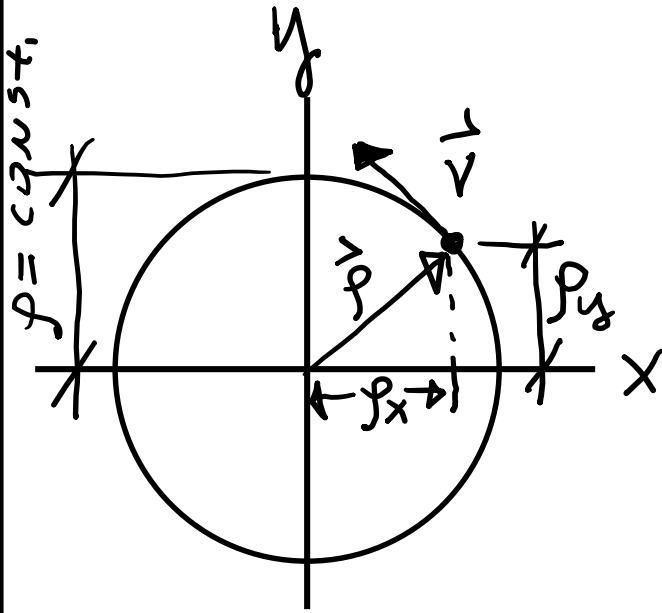
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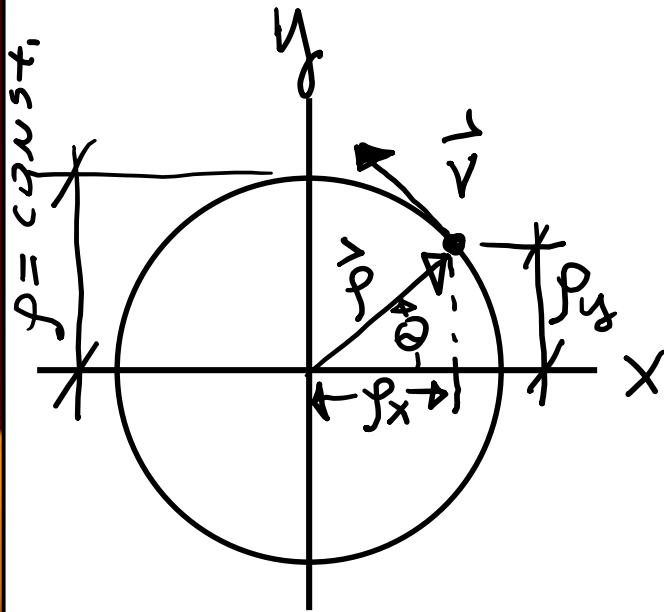
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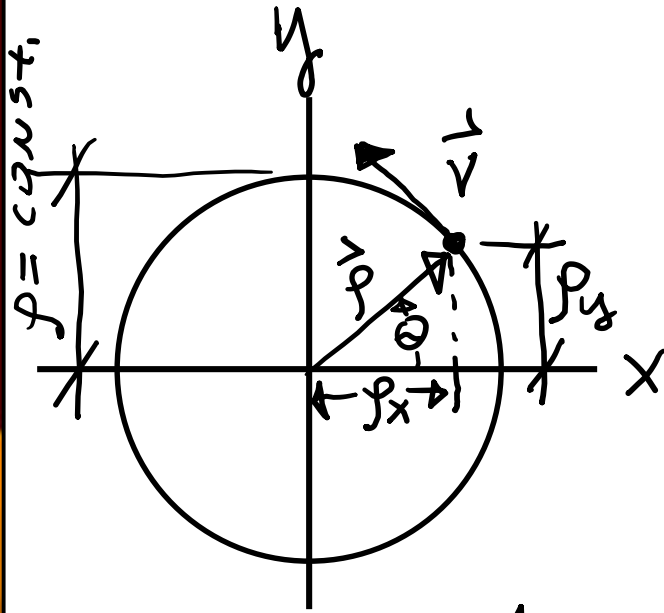


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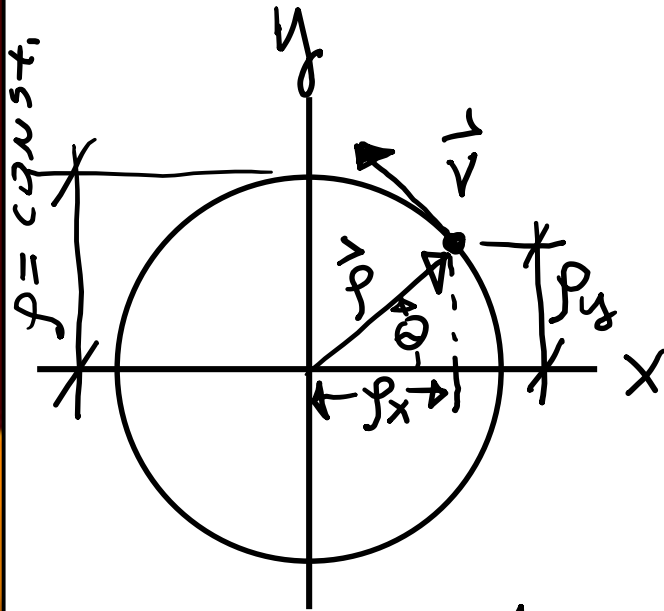
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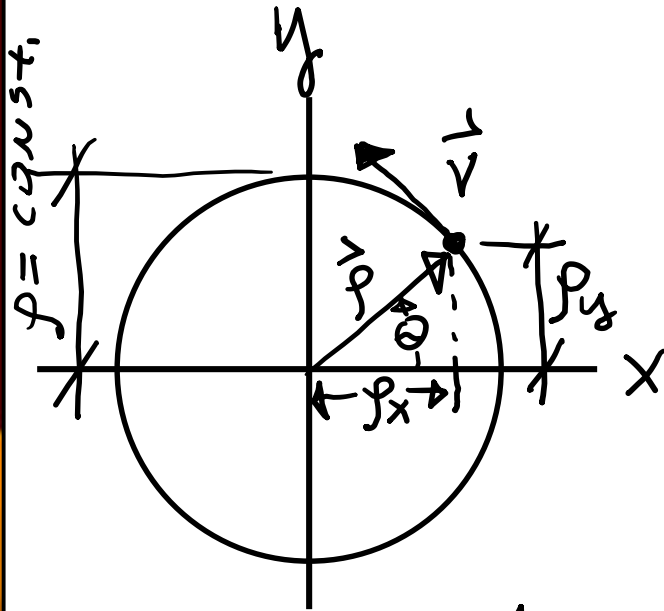
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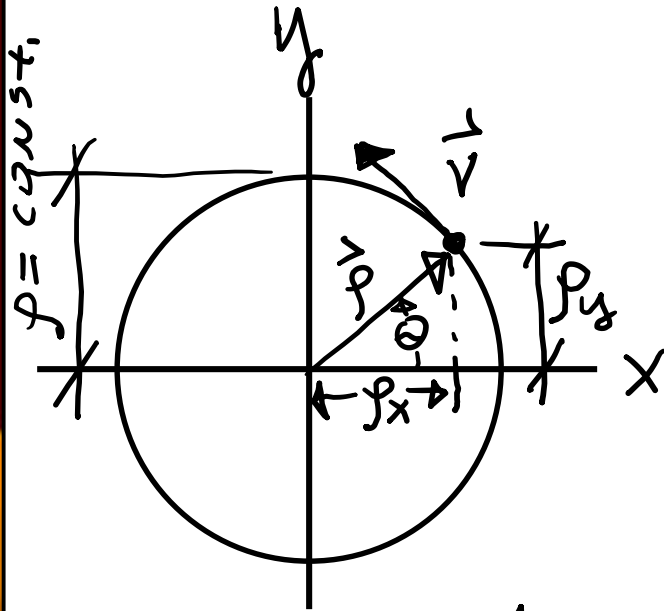
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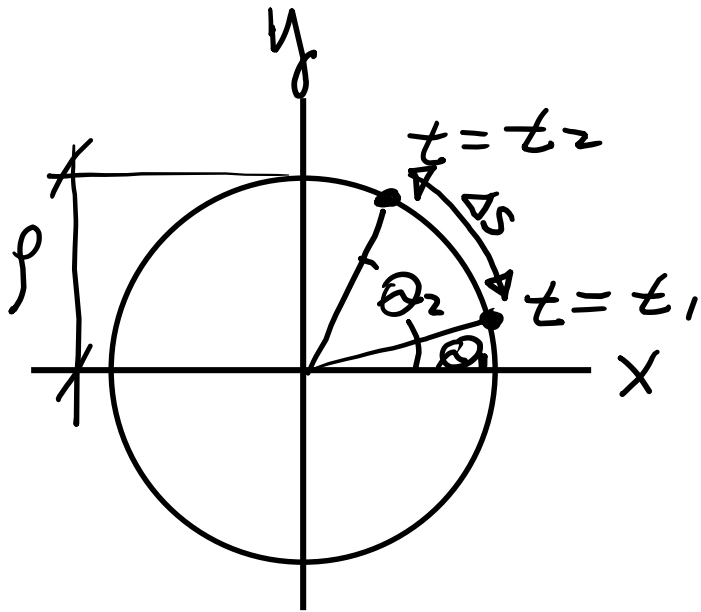
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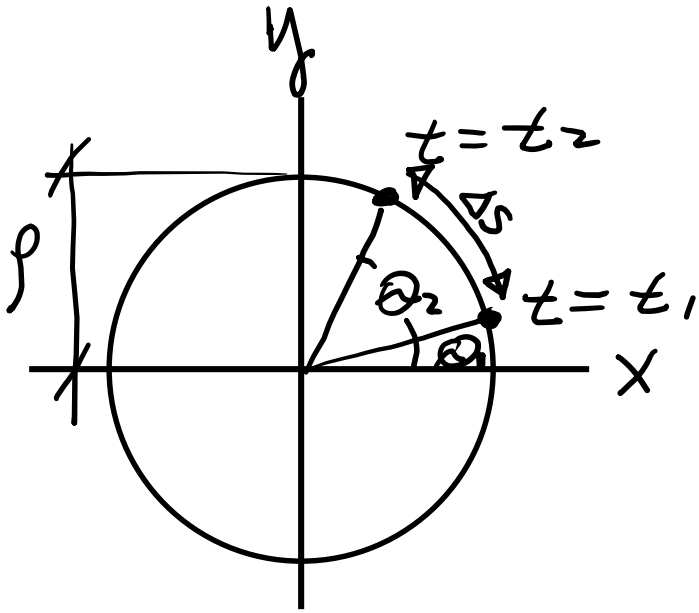
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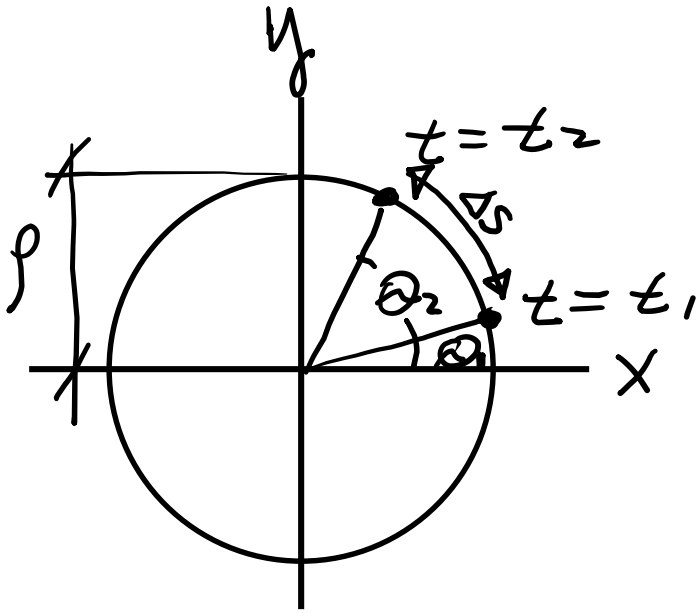
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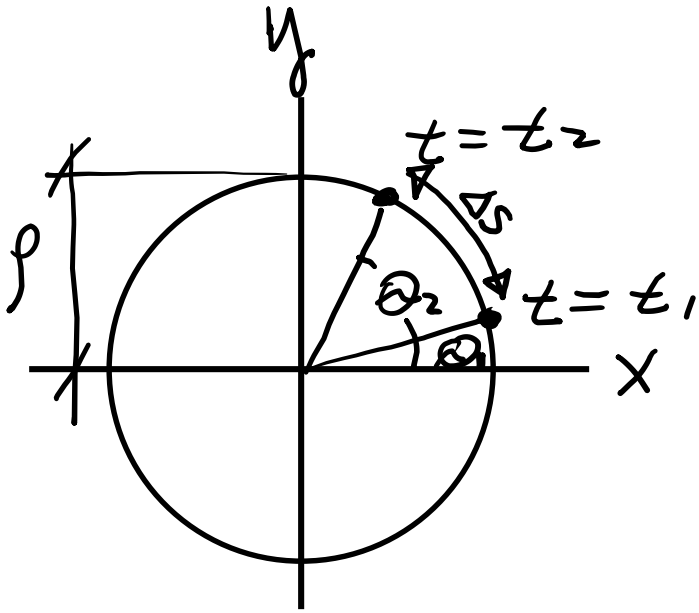


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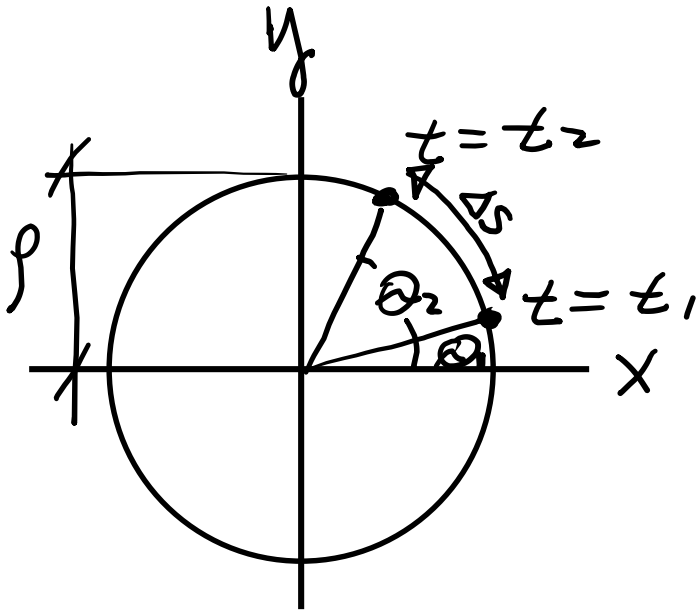
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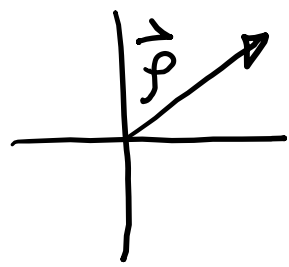
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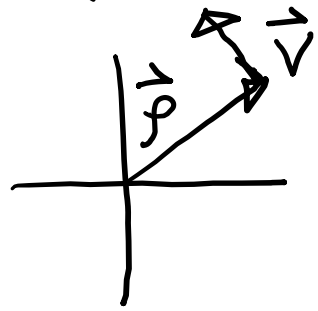


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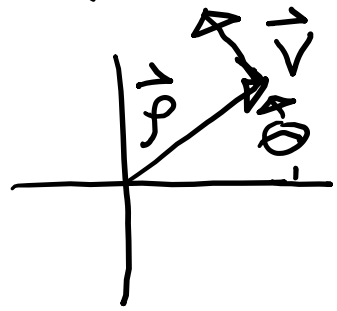


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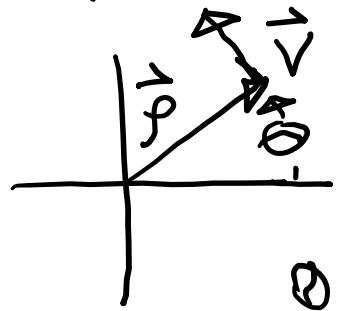


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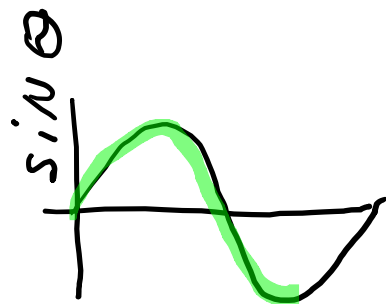
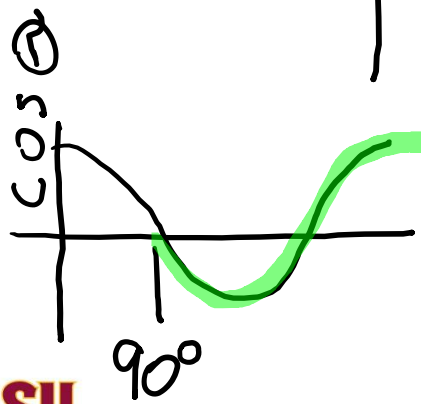
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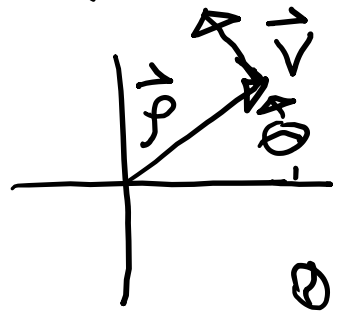


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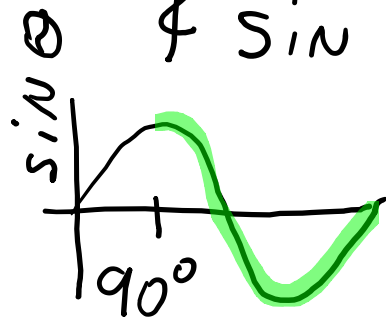
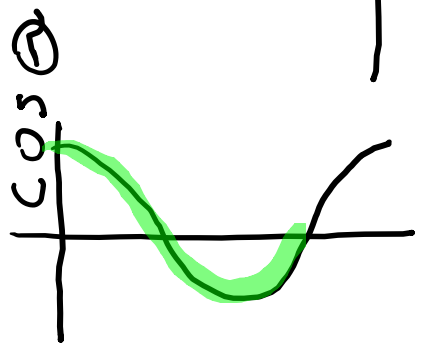
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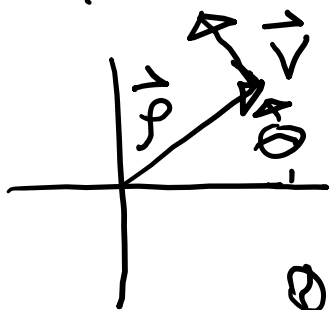


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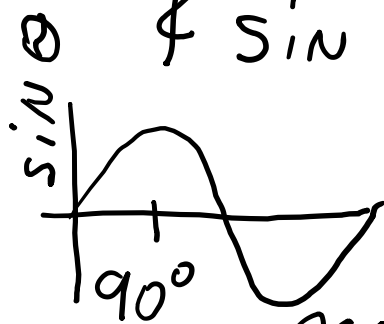
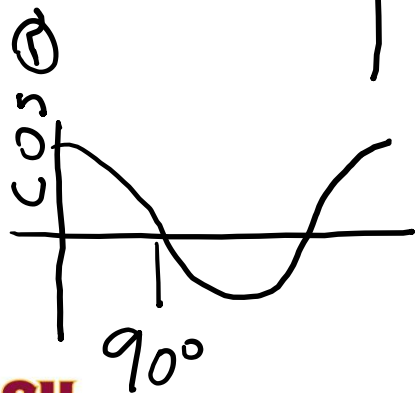
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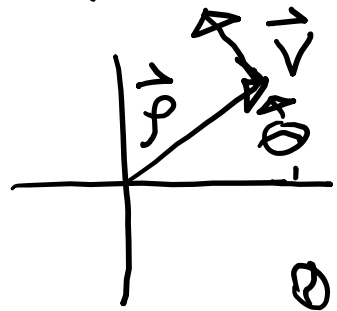
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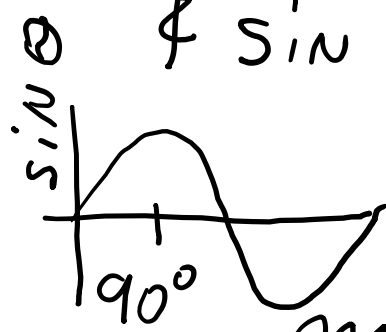
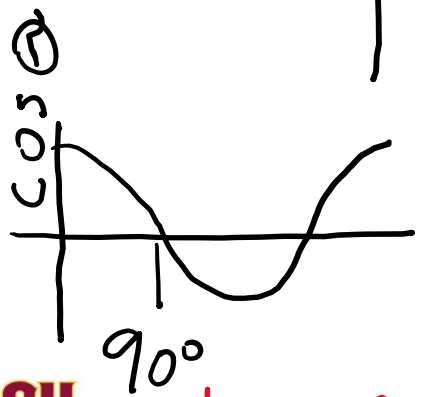
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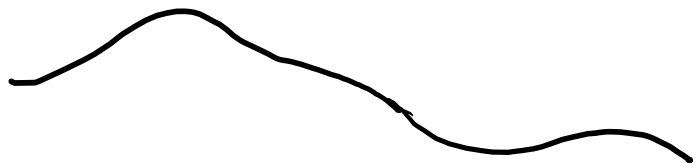
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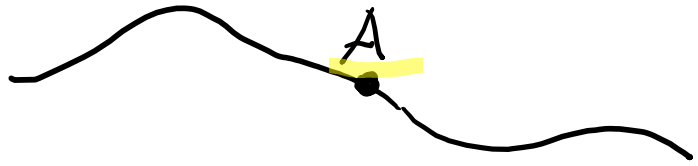
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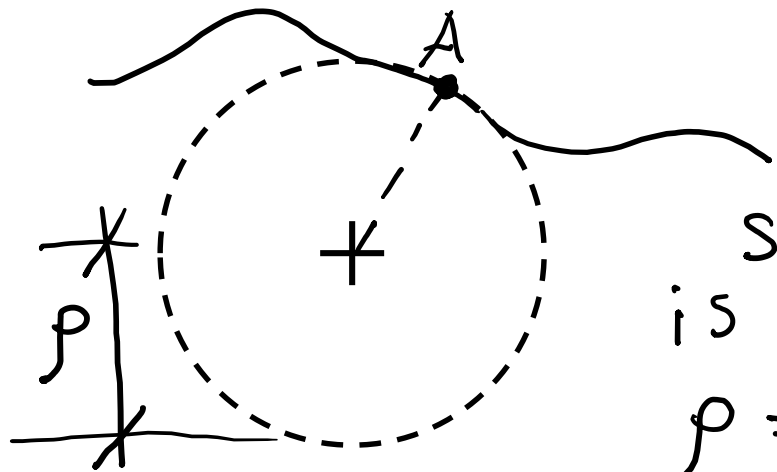


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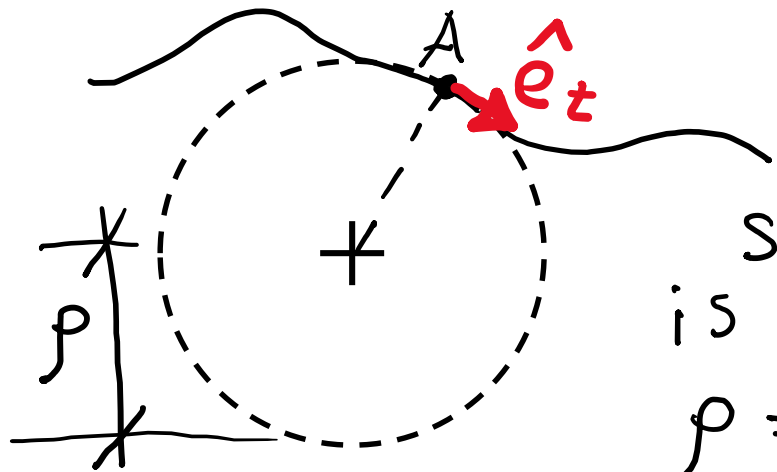
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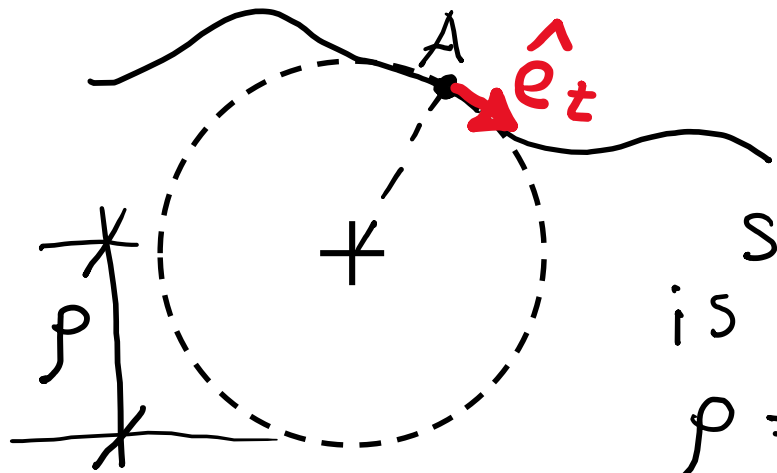
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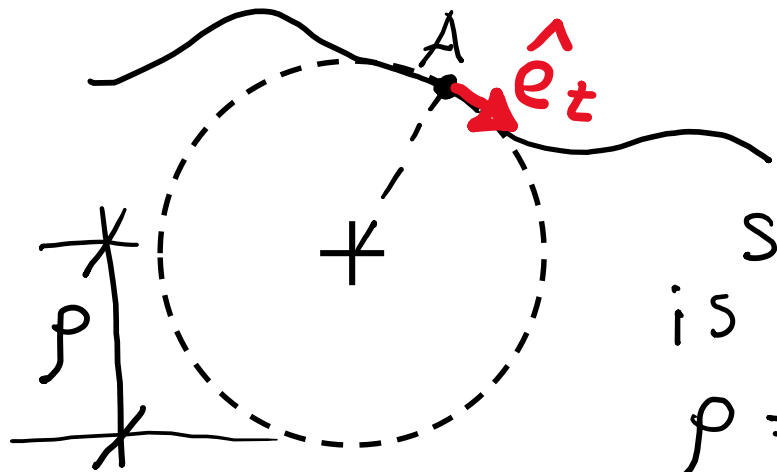
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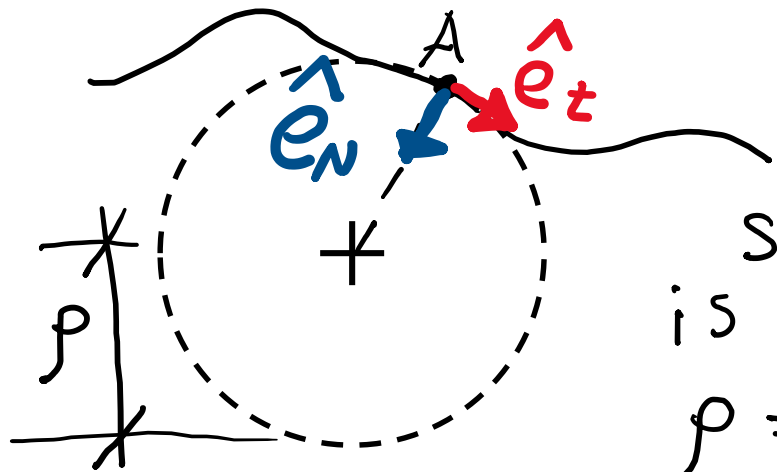
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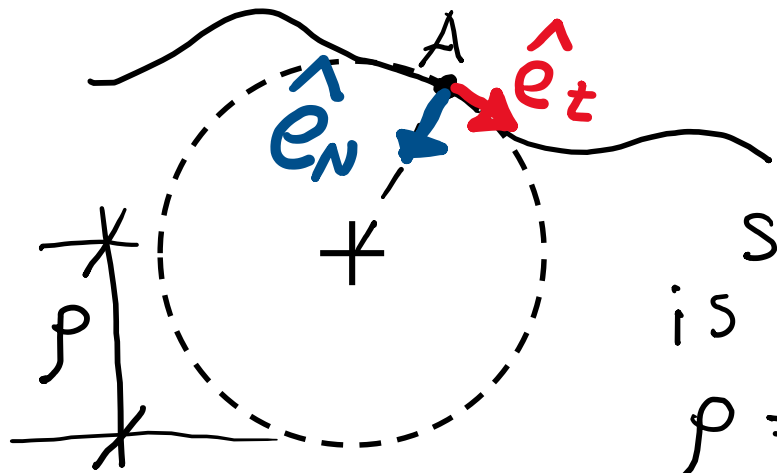


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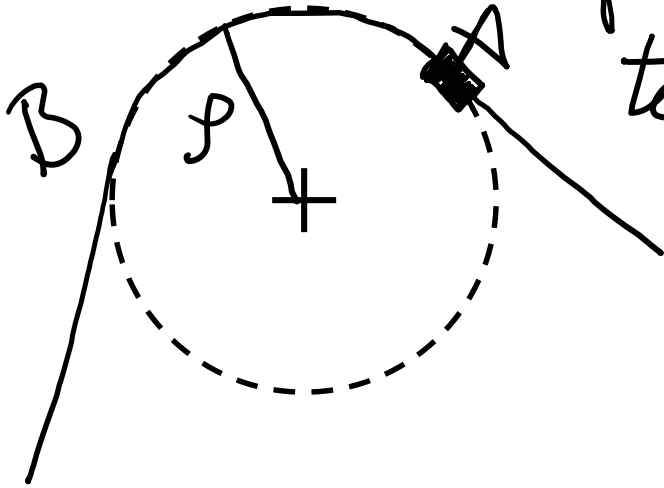
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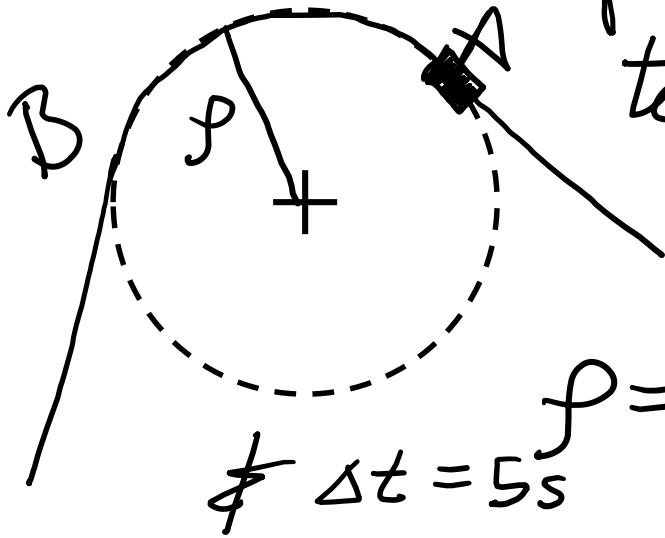
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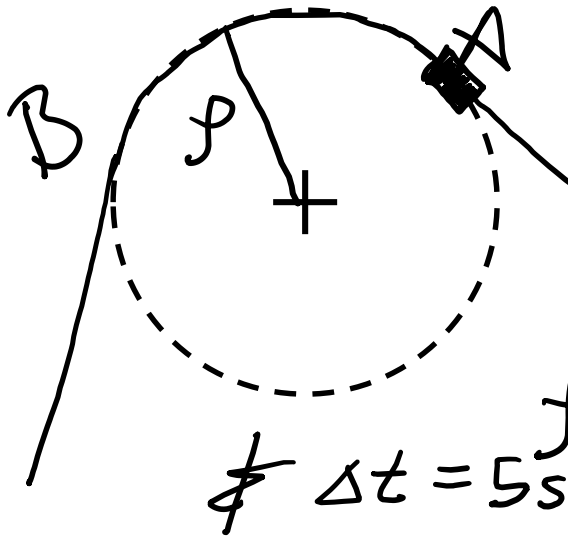
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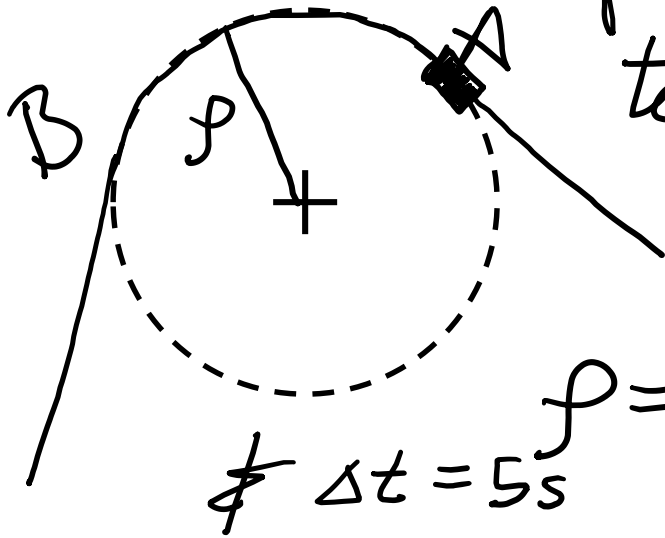
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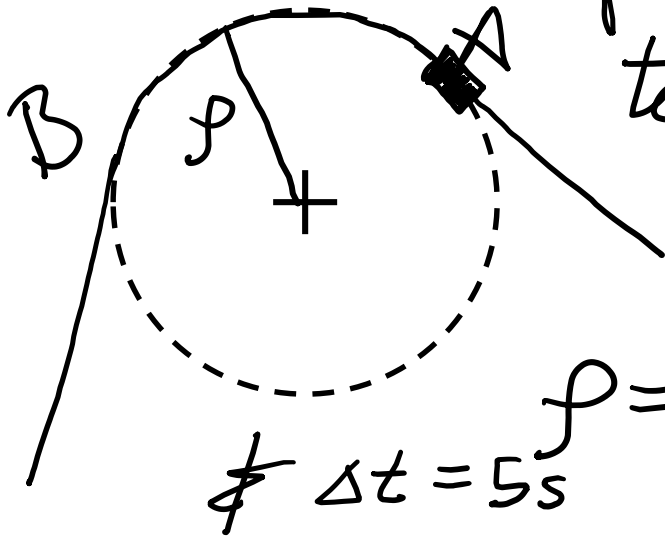
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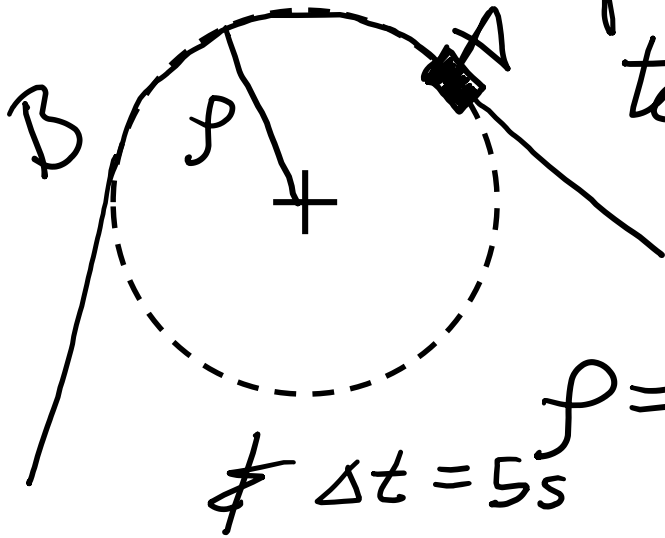
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