

[29r] My dear Lady Lovelace

I have made some additional  
notes on your papers.

[diagram in original] The meaning of  $\frac{\theta}{\sin \theta}$  is as follows

$\theta : 1$  and  $1 : \sin \theta$  compounded

give it in arithmetic

In fact  $\frac{a}{b}$  in arithmetic is another way of writing  
 $a : b$ .

In geometry  $AB : AO$  is  $\theta[:]1$

and  $AO$  or  $OB : BM$  is  $\sin \theta$

The compounded ratio is that of  $AB : BM$   
which approaches without limit to the  
ratio of 1 to 1 as  $AB$  is diminished

Your notion of the ratio approximating to  
unity is correct. The term 'ratio approximating  
to  $a$ ' is a mixture of the geometrical and

[29v] arithmetical mode of speaking, it  
should be 'ratio approximating to

$a : 1$ .

I think you have got over the diffi-  
culty of that part of the subject

I was sorry to have been out  
when Lord Lovelace called, and  
could not get down to S<sup>t</sup> James' Square  
till you had gone. With best  
remembrances I am

Yours very truly  
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