

# Chapter 13

Vector-Valued Functions and Motion in Space

向量值函数和运动

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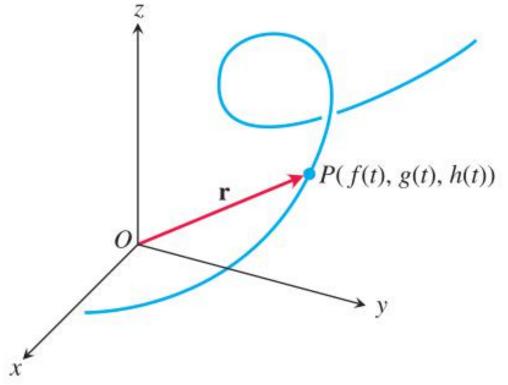
Curves in Space and Their Tangents
空间曲线和切线

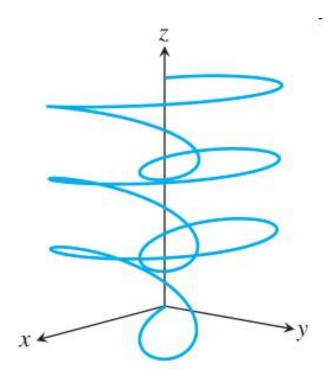
$$x = f(t),$$
  $y = g(t),$   $z = h(t),$   $t \in I.$ 

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \overrightarrow{OP} = f(t)\mathbf{i} + g(t)\mathbf{j} + h(t)\mathbf{k}$$

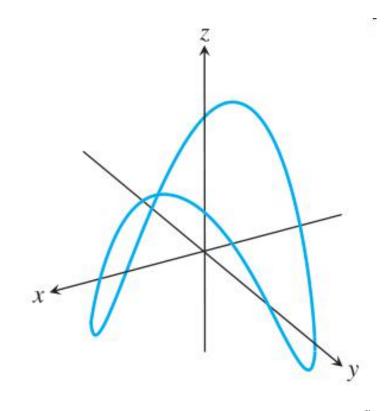
f, g, and h are the **component functions** 

a vector-valued function or vector function on a domain set D

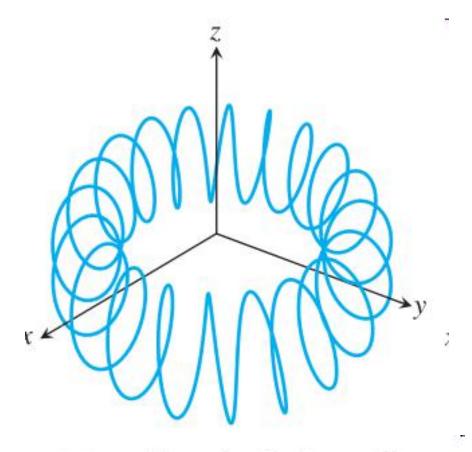




$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (\sin 3t)(\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin 3t)(\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t\mathbf{k}$$



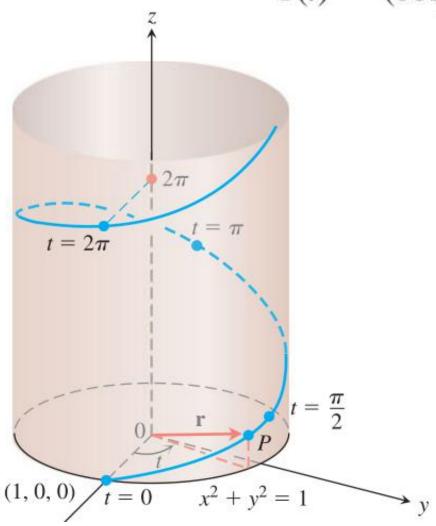
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + (\sin 2t)\mathbf{k}$$

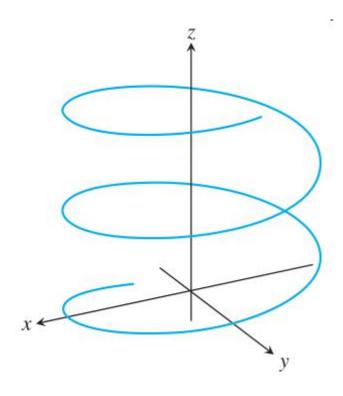


$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (4 + \sin 20t)(\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (4 + \sin 20t)(\sin t)\mathbf{j} + (\cos 20t)\mathbf{k}$$

# **EXAMPLE 1** Graph the vector function

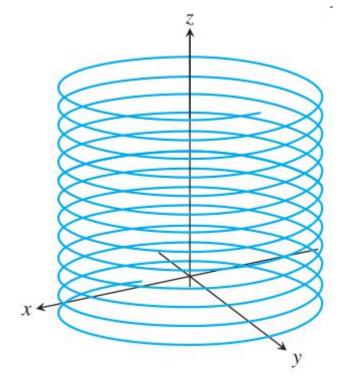
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$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + 0.3t\mathbf{k}$$



# **Limits and Continuity**

**DEFINITION** Let  $\mathbf{r}(t) = f(t)\mathbf{i} + g(t)\mathbf{j} + h(t)\mathbf{k}$  be a vector function with domain D, and  $\mathbf{L}$  a vector. We say that  $\mathbf{r}$  has **limit**  $\mathbf{L}$  as t approaches  $t_0$  and write

$$\lim_{t\to t_0}\mathbf{r}(t)=\mathbf{L}$$

if, for every number  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a corresponding number  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $t \in D$ 

$$|\mathbf{r}(t) - \mathbf{L}| < \epsilon$$
 whenever  $0 < |t - t_0| < \delta$ .

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \overrightarrow{OP} = f(t)\mathbf{i} + g(t)\mathbf{j} + h(t)\mathbf{k}$$

If  $\mathbf{L} = L_1 \mathbf{i} + L_2 \mathbf{j} + L_3 \mathbf{k}$ , then it can be shown that  $\lim_{t \to t_0} \mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{L}$ 

$$|r(t)-L|<\varepsilon$$

$$\sqrt{(f(t)-L_1)^2+(g(t)-L_2)^2+(h(t)-L_3)^2}<\varepsilon$$

precisely when

$$\lim_{t \to t_0} f(t) = L_1, \qquad \lim_{t \to t_0} g(t) = L_2, \qquad \text{and} \qquad \lim_{t \to t_0} h(t) = L_3.$$

$$\lim_{t \to t_0} \mathbf{r}(t) = \left( \lim_{t \to t_0} f(t) \right) \mathbf{i} + \left( \lim_{t \to t_0} g(t) \right) \mathbf{j} + \left( \lim_{t \to t_0} h(t) \right) \mathbf{k}$$

a practical way to calculate limits of vector functions.

EXAMPLE 2

If  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t\mathbf{k}$ , then

$$\lim_{t \to \pi/4} \mathbf{r}(t) = \left(\lim_{t \to \pi/4} \cos t\right) \mathbf{i} + \left(\lim_{t \to \pi/4} \sin t\right) \mathbf{j} + \left(\lim_{t \to \pi/4} t\right) \mathbf{k}$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\pi}{4} \mathbf{k}.$$

**DEFINITION** A vector function  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  is **continuous at a point**  $t = t_0$  in its domain if  $\lim_{t \to t_0} \mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{r}(t_0)$ . The function is **continuous** if it is continuous over its interval domain.

$$\lim_{t \to t_0} r(t) = r(t_0)$$

$$\lim_{t \to t_0} f(t)\vec{i} + \lim_{t \to t_0} g(t)\vec{j} + \lim_{t \to t_0} h(t)\vec{k} = f(t_0)\vec{i} + g(t_0)\vec{j} + h(t_0)\vec{k}$$

$$\lim_{t \to t_0} f(t) = f(t_0), \quad \lim_{t \to t_0} g(t) = g(t_0), \quad \lim_{t \to t_0} h(t) = h(t_0)$$

 $\mathbf{r}(t)$  is continuous at  $t = t_0$  if and only if each component function is continuous there

#### EXAMPLE 3

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (\sin 3t)(\cos t)\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + (\sin 2t)\mathbf{k}$$
$$(\sin 3t)(\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (4 + \sin 20t)(\cos t)\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos 5t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin 5t)\mathbf{j} + t\mathbf{k}$$
$$(4 + \sin 20t)(\sin t)\mathbf{j} + (\cos 20t)\mathbf{k}$$

- (a) All the space curves are continuous at every value of t in  $(-\infty, \infty)$ .
- **(b)** The function  $\mathbf{g}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + \lfloor t \rfloor \mathbf{k}$  is discontinuous at every integer,

# **Derivatives and Motion**

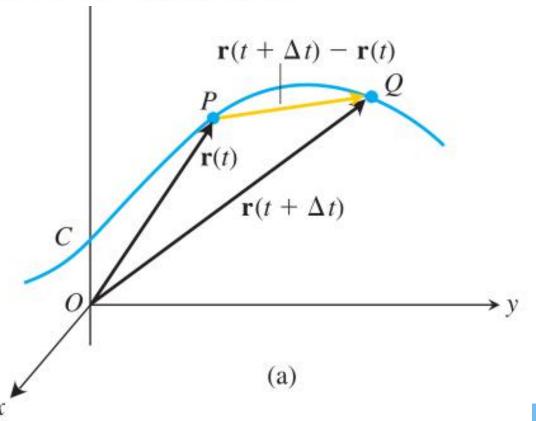
a curve in space  $\mathbf{r}(t) = f(t)\mathbf{i} + g(t)\mathbf{j} + h(t)\mathbf{k}$ f, g, and h are differentiable functions of t.

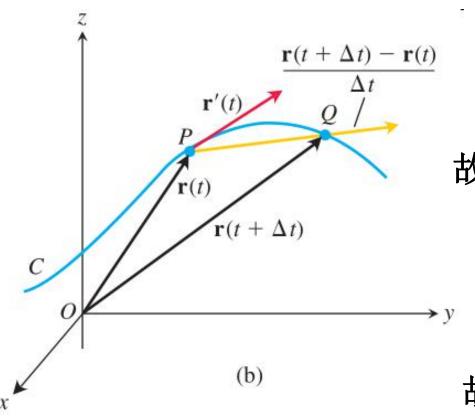
Find the vector tangent to the curve at P.

$$\frac{r(t+\Delta t)-r(t)}{\Delta t}$$

物理上:表示粒子位置变化的速度.

几何上:表示 曲线割线向量.





故  $\frac{\mathbf{r}(t+\Delta t)-\mathbf{r}(t)}{\Delta t}$  指向增加方向;

若 $\Delta t < 0$ ,则 $\mathbf{r}(t + \Delta t) - \mathbf{r}(t)$ 

指向参数t减少的方向,

故  $\frac{\mathbf{r}(t+\Delta t)-\mathbf{r}(t)}{\mathbf{r}(t)}$  指向增加方向.

几何上:表示曲线割线向量,

且指向参数增加的方向.

物理上:表示位置变化速度, 且指向运动的方向.

$$\Delta \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(t + \Delta t) - \mathbf{r}(t)$$

$$= [f(t + \Delta t)\mathbf{i} + g(t + \Delta t)\mathbf{j} + h(t + \Delta t)\mathbf{k}]$$

$$- [f(t)\mathbf{i} + g(t)\mathbf{j} + h(t)\mathbf{k}]$$

$$= [f(t + \Delta t) - f(t)]\mathbf{i} + [g(t + \Delta t) - g(t)]\mathbf{j} + [h(t + \Delta t) - h(t)]\mathbf{k}.$$

$$\lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{\Delta \mathbf{r}}{\Delta t} = \left[ \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{f(t + \Delta t) - f(t)}{\Delta t} \right] \mathbf{i} + \left[ \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{g(t + \Delta t) - g(t)}{\Delta t} \right] \mathbf{j}$$

$$+ \left[ \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{h(t + \Delta t) - h(t)}{\Delta t} \right] \mathbf{k}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{df}{dt} \right] \mathbf{i} + \left[ \frac{dg}{dt} \right] \mathbf{j} + \left[ \frac{dh}{dt} \right] \mathbf{k}.$$

**DEFINITION** The vector function  $\mathbf{r}(t) = f(t)\mathbf{i} + g(t)\mathbf{j} + h(t)\mathbf{k}$  has a **derivative** (is differentiable) at t if f, g, and h have derivatives at t. The derivative is the vector function

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{\mathbf{r}(t + \Delta t) - \mathbf{r}(t)}{\Delta t} = \frac{df}{dt}\mathbf{i} + \frac{dg}{dt}\mathbf{j} + \frac{dh}{dt}\mathbf{k}.$$

物理上:表示位置变化瞬时

速度, 且指向运动的方向.

几何上:表示曲线切线向量, 且指向参数增加的方向.

The curve traced by  $\mathbf{r}$  is **smooth** if  $d\mathbf{r}/dt$  is continuous and never  $\mathbf{0}$ , On a smooth curve, there are no sharp corners or cusps.

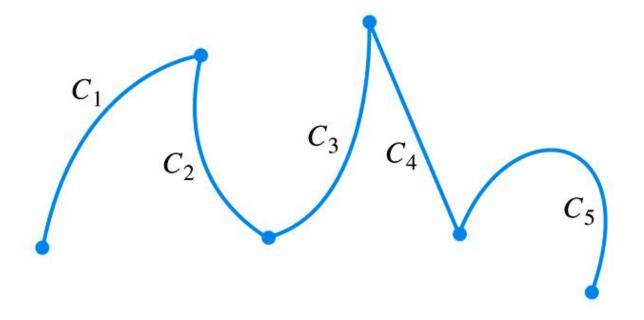


FIGURE 13.6 A piecewise smooth curve made up of five smooth curves connected end to end in a continuous fashion. The curve here is not smooth at the points joining the five smooth curves.

**DEFINITIONS** If **r** is the position vector of a particle moving along a smooth curve in space, then

1. Velocity is the derivative of position:  $\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}$ .

is the direction of motion,

- 2. Speed is the magnitude of velocity: Speed =  $|\mathbf{v}|$ .
- 3. Acceleration is the derivative of velocity:  $\mathbf{a} = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = \frac{d^2\mathbf{r}}{dt^2}$ .
- **4.** The unit vector  $\mathbf{v}/|\mathbf{v}|$  is the direction of motion at time t.

#### **EXAMPLE 4**

Find the velocity, speed, and acceleration of a particle whose motion is given by the position vector  $\mathbf{r}(t) = 2 \cos t \, \mathbf{i} + 2 \sin t \, \mathbf{j} + 5 \cos^2 t \, \mathbf{k}$ .

## Solution

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{r}'(t) = -2\sin t\,\mathbf{i} + 2\cos t\,\mathbf{j} - 10\cos t\sin t\,\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = \mathbf{r}''(t) = -2\cos t\,\mathbf{i} - 2\sin t\,\mathbf{j} - 10\cos 2t\,\mathbf{k},$$

$$|\mathbf{v}(t)| = \sqrt{(-2\sin t)^2 + (2\cos t)^2 + (-5\sin 2t)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 25\sin^2 2t}.$$

#### **Differentiation Rules for Vector Functions**

Let **u** and **v** be differentiable vector functions of t, **C** a constant vector,

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{0} \qquad \frac{d}{dt}[c\mathbf{u}(t)] = c\mathbf{u}'(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[\mathbf{u}(t) \pm \mathbf{v}(t)] = \mathbf{u}'(t) \pm \mathbf{v}'(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[f(t)\mathbf{u}(t)] = f'(t)\mathbf{u}(t) + f(t)\mathbf{u}'(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[\mathbf{u}(t) \cdot \mathbf{v}(t)] = \mathbf{u}'(t) \cdot \mathbf{v}(t) + \mathbf{u}(t) \cdot \mathbf{v}'(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[\mathbf{u}(t) \times \mathbf{v}(t)] = \mathbf{u}'(t) \times \mathbf{v}(t) + \mathbf{u}(t) \times \mathbf{v}'(t)$$

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$$\frac{d}{dt}[\mathbf{u}(f(t))] = f'(t)\mathbf{u}'(f(t))$$

#### Proof of the Chain Rule

# differentiable

Suppose that 
$$\mathbf{u}(s) = a(s)\mathbf{i} + b(s)\mathbf{j} + c(s)\mathbf{k}$$
  $s = f(t)$ 

$$\frac{d}{dt} [\mathbf{u}(s)] = \frac{da}{dt} \mathbf{i} + \frac{db}{dt} \mathbf{j} + \frac{dc}{dt} \mathbf{k}$$

$$= \frac{da}{ds} \frac{ds}{dt} \mathbf{i} + \frac{db}{ds} \frac{ds}{dt} \mathbf{j} + \frac{dc}{ds} \frac{ds}{dt} \mathbf{k}$$

$$= \frac{ds}{dt} \left( \frac{da}{ds} \mathbf{i} + \frac{db}{ds} \mathbf{j} + \frac{dc}{ds} \mathbf{k} \right)$$

$$= \frac{ds}{dt} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{ds} = f'(t) \mathbf{u}'(f(t)).$$

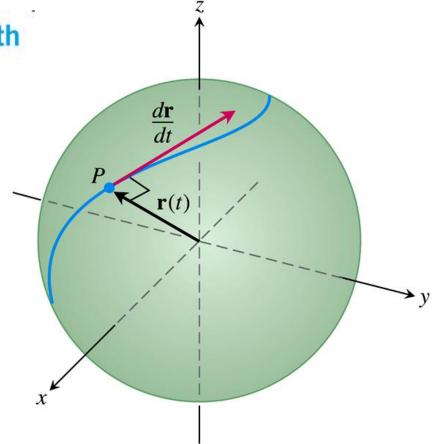
**Vector Functions of Constant Length** 

$$\mathbf{r}(t) \cdot \mathbf{r}(t) = c^{2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [\mathbf{r}(t) \cdot \mathbf{r}(t)] = 0$$

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) \cdot \mathbf{r}(t) + \mathbf{r}(t) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t) = 0$$

$$2\mathbf{r}'(t) \cdot \mathbf{r}(t) = 0.$$



**FIGURE 13.8** If a particle moves on a sphere in such a way that its position  $\mathbf{r}$  is a differentiable function of time, then  $\mathbf{r} \cdot (d\mathbf{r}/dt) = 0$ .

If  $\mathbf{r}$  is a differentiable vector function of t of constant length, then

$$\mathbf{r} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = 0.$$

# 13.2

# Integrals of Vector Functions; Projectile Motion

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**DEFINITION** The **indefinite integral** of **r** with respect to t is the set of all antiderivatives of **r**, denoted by  $\int \mathbf{r}(t) dt$ . If **R** is any antiderivative of **r**, then

$$\int \mathbf{r}(t) dt = \mathbf{R}(t) + \mathbf{C}. \qquad d\mathbf{R}/dt = \mathbf{r}$$

### **EXAMPLE 1**

$$\int ((\cos t)\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2t\mathbf{k}) dt = \left(\int \cos t \, dt\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(\int dt\right)\mathbf{j} - \left(\int 2t \, dt\right)\mathbf{k}$$

$$= (\sin t + C_1)\mathbf{i} + (t + C_2)\mathbf{j} - (t^2 + C_3)\mathbf{k}$$

$$= (\sin t)\mathbf{i} + t\mathbf{j} - t^2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{C} \qquad C = C_1\mathbf{i} + C_2\mathbf{j} - C_3\mathbf{k}$$

**DEFINITION** If the components of  $\mathbf{r}(t) = f(t)\mathbf{i} + g(t)\mathbf{j} + h(t)\mathbf{k}$  are integrable over [a, b], then so is  $\mathbf{r}$ , and the **definite integral** of  $\mathbf{r}$  from a to b is

$$\int_{a}^{b} \mathbf{r}(t) dt = \left( \int_{a}^{b} f(t) dt \right) \mathbf{i} + \left( \int_{a}^{b} g(t) dt \right) \mathbf{j} + \left( \int_{a}^{b} h(t) dt \right) \mathbf{k}.$$

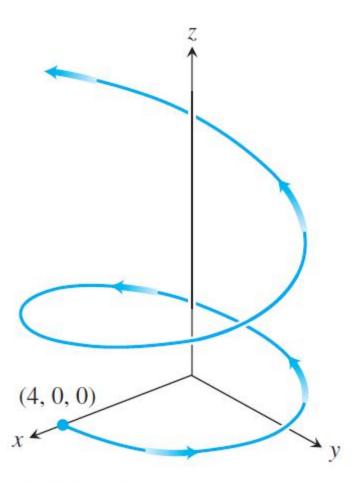
#### **EXAMPLE 2**

$$\int_0^{\pi} ((\cos t)\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2t\mathbf{k}) dt = \left(\int_0^{\pi} \cos t \, dt\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(\int_0^{\pi} dt\right)\mathbf{j} - \left(\int_0^{\pi} 2t \, dt\right)\mathbf{k}$$
$$= \left[\sin t\right]_0^{\pi} \mathbf{i} + \left[t\right]_0^{\pi} \mathbf{j} - \left[t^2\right]_0^{\pi} \mathbf{k} = \pi \mathbf{j} - \pi^2 \mathbf{k}$$

$$\int_{a}^{b} \mathbf{r}(t) dt = \mathbf{R}(t) \bigg]_{a}^{b} = \mathbf{R}(b) - \mathbf{R}(a)$$

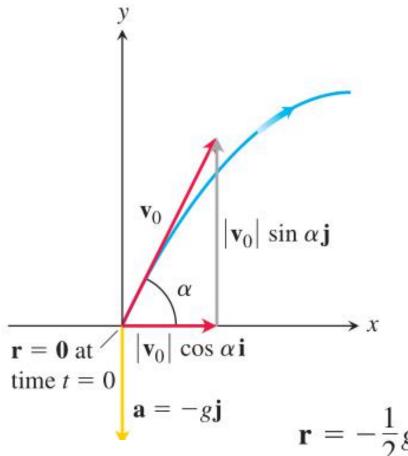
**EXAMPLE 3** a hang glider,  $\mathbf{a}(t) = -(3\cos t)\mathbf{i} - (3\sin t)\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$ . the glider departed from the point (4, 0, 0) with velocity  $\mathbf{v}(0) = 3\mathbf{j}$ . Find the glider's position as a function of t.

Solution 
$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{d^2\mathbf{r}}{dt^2} = -(3\cos t)\mathbf{i} - (3\sin t)\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$$
  
 $\mathbf{v}(t) = -(3\sin t)\mathbf{i} + (3\cos t)\mathbf{j} + 2t\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{C}_1.$   
 $\mathbf{v}(0) = 3\mathbf{j} \text{ and } \mathbf{r}(0) = 4\mathbf{i} + 0\mathbf{j} + 0\mathbf{k}.$   $\mathbf{C}_1 = \mathbf{0}.$   
 $\mathbf{r}(t) = (3\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (3\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t^2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{C}_2.$   $\mathbf{r}(0) = 4\mathbf{i}$   
 $\mathbf{C}_2 = \mathbf{i}.$   $\mathbf{r}(t) = (1 + 3\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (3\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t^2\mathbf{k}.$ 



**FIGURE 13.9** The path of the hang glider in Example 3. Although the path spirals around the *z*-axis, it is not a helix.

# The Vector and Parametric Equations for Ideal Projectile Motion



$$\mathbf{v}_{0} = (|\mathbf{v}_{0}|\cos\alpha)\mathbf{i} + (|\mathbf{v}_{0}|\sin\alpha)\mathbf{j}.$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{0} = (\mathbf{v}_{0}\cos\alpha)\mathbf{i} + (\mathbf{v}_{0}\sin\alpha)\mathbf{j}.$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{0} = 0\mathbf{i} + 0\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{0}.$$

$$m\frac{d^{2}\mathbf{r}}{dt^{2}} = -mg\mathbf{j} \qquad \frac{d^{2}\mathbf{r}}{dt^{2}} = -g\mathbf{j},$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = -(gt)\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{v}_{0}.$$

$$\mathbf{r} = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{v}_0t + \mathbf{r}_0.$$

$$\mathbf{r} = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2\mathbf{j} + \underbrace{(\boldsymbol{v}_0\cos\alpha)t\mathbf{i} + (\boldsymbol{v}_0\sin\alpha)t\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{0}.}_{\mathbf{v}_0t}$$

## **Ideal Projectile Motion Equation**

$$\mathbf{r} = (\mathbf{v}_0 \cos \alpha) t \mathbf{i} + \left( (\mathbf{v}_0 \sin \alpha) t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 \right) \mathbf{j}.$$

$$x = (\mathbf{v}_0 \cos \alpha) t \quad \text{and} \quad y = (\mathbf{v}_0 \sin \alpha) t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2,$$

# **EXAMPLE 4**

A projectile is fired from the origin over horizontal ground at an initial speed of 500 m/sec and a launch angle of 60°. Where 10 sec later?

#### Solution

$$\mathbf{r} = (500) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) (10)\mathbf{i} + \left((500) \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) 10 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) (9.8)(100)\right)\mathbf{j}$$
  
 $\approx 2500\mathbf{i} + 3840\mathbf{j}$ 

$$x = (v_0 \cos \alpha)t$$
 and  $y = (v_0 \sin \alpha)t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$ ,

$$y = -\left(\frac{g}{2v_0^2 \cos^2 \alpha}\right) x^2 + (\tan \alpha) x.$$

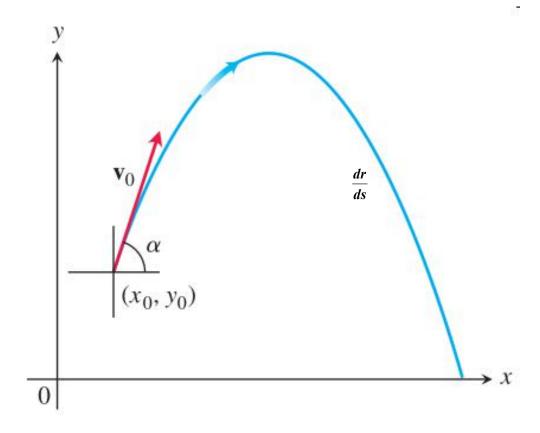
$$\mathbf{r} = (v_0 \cos \alpha)t\mathbf{i} + \left((v_0 \sin \alpha)t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2\right)\mathbf{j}.$$

Maximum height: 
$$y_{\text{max}} = \frac{(v_0 \sin \alpha)^2}{2g}$$

Flight time: 
$$t = \frac{2v_0 \sin \alpha}{g}$$

Range: 
$$R = \frac{v_0^2}{g} \sin 2\alpha.$$

$$\mathbf{r} = (x_0 + (v_0 \cos \alpha)t)\mathbf{i} + \left(y_0 + (v_0 \sin \alpha)t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2\right)\mathbf{j},$$



$$m\frac{d^2\mathbf{r}}{dt^2} = -mg\mathbf{j}$$

A baseball is hit when it is 3 ft above the ground. It leaves the bat with initial speed of 152 ft/sec, making an angle of  $20^{\circ}$  with the horizontal. an instantaneous gust of wind blows in the horizontal direction directly opposite the direction the ball is taking toward the outfield, adding a component to the ball's initial velocity (8.8 ft/sec = 6 mph).

- (a) Find a vector equation (position vector) for the path of the baseball.
- (b) How high does the baseball go, and when does it reach maximum
- (c) Assuming that the ball is not caught, find its range and flight time.

Solution (a) 
$$\mathbf{r} = (x_0 + (v_0 \cos \alpha)t)\mathbf{i} + \left(y_0 + (v_0 \sin \alpha)t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2\right)\mathbf{j}$$
,  $\mathbf{r}_0 = 0\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$ . 初速度的 $x$ 分量加了 $-8.8\mathbf{i}$   $\mathbf{r} = (152\cos 20^\circ - 8.8)t\,\mathbf{i} + (3 + (152\sin 20^\circ)t - 16t^2)\mathbf{j}$ 

$$\mathbf{r} = (152\cos 20^{\circ} - 8.8)t\,\mathbf{i} + (3 + (152\sin 20^{\circ})t - 16t^{2})\mathbf{j}$$

**(b)** 
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 152 \sin 20^{\circ} - 32t = 0.$$
  $t = \frac{152 \sin 20^{\circ}}{32} \approx 1.62 \text{ sec.}$   $y_{\text{max}} = 3 + (152 \sin 20^{\circ})(1.62) - 16(1.62)^2 \approx 45.2 \text{ft}$ 

(c) 
$$3 + (152 \sin 20^{\circ})t - 16t^2 = 0$$
  
  $3 + (51.99)t - 16t^2 = 0$ .  $t = 3.3 \sec$ 

$$R = (152 \cos 20^{\circ} - 8.8)(3.3)$$
  
  $\approx 442 \text{ ft.}$ 

13.3

Arc Length in Space 空间中的弧长 **DEFINITION** The **length** of a smooth curve  $\mathbf{r}(t) = x(t)\mathbf{i} + y(t)\mathbf{j} + z(t)\mathbf{k}$ ,  $a \le t \le b$ , that is traced exactly once as t increases from t = a to t = b, is

$$L = \int_{a}^{b} \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^{2}} dt. \tag{1}$$

**Arc Length Formula** 

$$L = \int_{a}^{b} |\mathbf{v}| \, dt$$

#### **EXAMPLE 1**

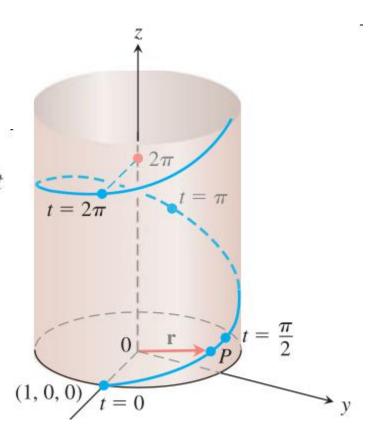
A glider is soaring upward along the helix  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t\mathbf{k}$ . How long is the glider's path from t = 0 to  $t = 2\pi$ ?

#### Solution

$$L = \int_{a}^{b} |\mathbf{v}| \, dt$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{(-\sin t)^2 + (\cos t)^2 + (1)^2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{2} dt = 2\pi \sqrt{2} \text{ units of length.}$$



#### Arc Length Parameter with Base Point $P(t_0)$

#### **Unit Tangent Vector**

$$s(t) = \int_{t_0}^{t} \sqrt{[x'(\tau)]^2 + [y'(\tau)]^2 + [z'(\tau)]^2} d\tau = \int_{t_0}^{t} |\mathbf{v}(\tau)| d\tau$$
 (3)

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = |v(t)| > 0$$
,  $s(t)$  increasing.

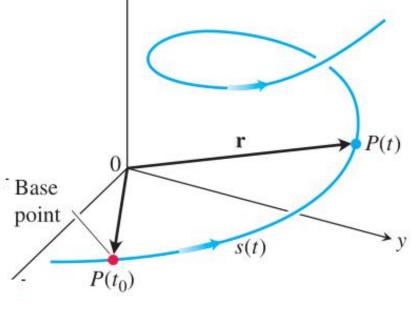
$$t = t(s)$$
.

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(t(s)).$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}\frac{dt}{ds} = \mathbf{v}\frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|} = \mathbf{T}.$$
 Base point

unit tangent vector 
$$T = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|}$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|}$$



**EXAMPLE 2** we can actually find the arc length param etrization of a curve. If  $t_0 = 0$ , the arc length parameter along the helix  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t\mathbf{k}$ 

**Solution** from  $t_0$  to t is

$$s(t) = \int_{t_0}^{t} |\mathbf{v}(\tau)| d\tau = \int_{0}^{t} \sqrt{2} d\tau = \sqrt{2} t.$$

$$t = s/\sqrt{2}.$$

$$\mathbf{r}(t(s)) = \left(\cos\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(\sin\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\mathbf{j} + \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\mathbf{k}.$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{d\mathbf{s}} = \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\sin\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\cos\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\mathbf{j} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\mathbf{k} \qquad \left|\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{d\mathbf{s}}\right| = 1$$

 $\mathbf{v} = d\mathbf{r}/dt$  is tangent to the curve  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ 

unit tangent vector 
$$T = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|}$$

**EXAMPLE 3** Find the unit tangent vector of the curve

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (1 + 3\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (3\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t^2\mathbf{k}$$

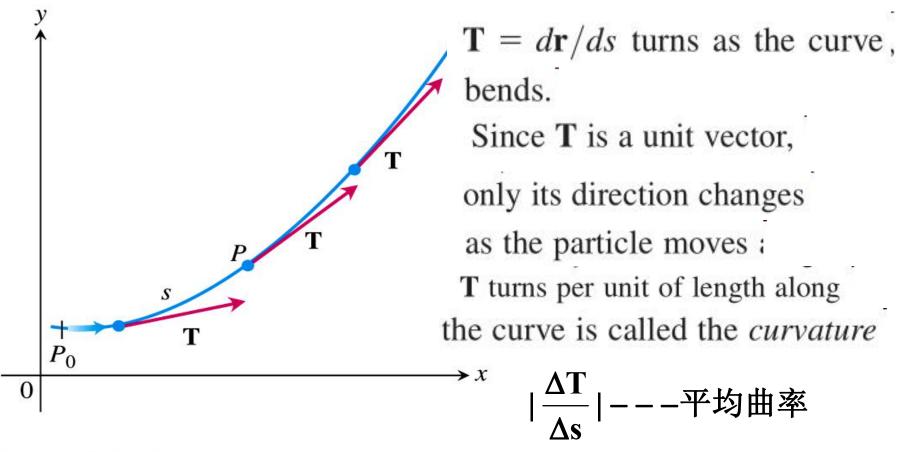
Solution 
$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = -(3\sin t)\mathbf{i} + (3\cos t)\mathbf{j} + 2t\mathbf{k} \quad |\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{9 + 4t^2}.$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|} = -\frac{3\sin t}{\sqrt{9 + 4t^2}}\mathbf{i} + \frac{3\cos t}{\sqrt{9 + 4t^2}}\mathbf{j} + \frac{2t}{\sqrt{9 + 4t^2}}\mathbf{k}.$$

### 13.4

# Curvature and the Normal Vector of a Curve

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**FIGURE 13.17** As *P* moves along the curve in the direction of increasing arc length, the unit tangent vector turns. The value of  $|d\mathbf{T}/ds|$  at P is called the curvature of the curve at P.

 $\lim_{\Delta s \to 0} \left| \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta s} \right| = \left| \frac{dT}{ds} \right| - - - \text{im}$ 

## **DEFINITION** the curve is

If **T** is the unit vector of a smooth curve, the **curvature** function of

$$\kappa = \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{ds} \right|.$$

If  $|d\mathbf{T}/ds|$  is large,  $\mathbf{T}$  turns sharply as the particle passes through P,

If  $|d\mathbf{T}/ds|$  is close to zero,  $\mathbf{T}$  turns more slowly

若
$$r = r(s)$$
,  $T = \frac{dr}{ds}$ ,  $\kappa = \left| \frac{d^2r}{ds^2} \right|$ 

$$若r=r(t)$$
,

$$\kappa = \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{ds} \right| = \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} \frac{dt}{ds} \right| = \frac{1}{|ds/dt|} \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} \right| = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} \right|.$$

#### **Formula for Calculating Curvature**

If  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  is a smooth curve, then the curvature is the scalar function

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} \right|,$$

where  $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{v}/|\mathbf{v}|$  is the unit tangent vector.

**EXAMPLE 1** A straight line is parametrized by  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{C} + t\mathbf{v}$ 

constant vectors C and v. Find the curvature of the line.

Solution Thus, 
$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \mathbf{v}$$
,  $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{v}/|\mathbf{v}|$ 

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} \right| = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} |\mathbf{0}| = 0.$$

#### EXAMPLE 2

Here we find the curvature of a circle. We begin with the parametrization

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (a \cos t)\mathbf{i} + (a \sin t)\mathbf{j}$$
 of a circle of radius a. Then,

#### Solution

$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = -(a\sin t)\mathbf{i} + (a\cos t)\mathbf{j}$$

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{(-a\sin t)^2 + (a\cos t)^2} = \sqrt{a^2} = |a| = a.$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|} = -(\sin t)\mathbf{i} + (\cos t)\mathbf{j} \qquad \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} = -(\cos t)\mathbf{i} - (\sin t)\mathbf{j}$$

$$\left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} \right| = \sqrt{\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t} = 1.$$
  $\kappa = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} \right| = \frac{1}{a} (1) = \frac{1}{a}$ 

T has constant: length

$$d\mathbf{T}/ds$$
 is orthogonal to  $\mathbf{T}$ 

$$\left|\frac{dT}{ds}\right| = \kappa,$$

$$\frac{1}{\kappa} \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{ds}$$
. a unit vector orthogonal to  $\mathbf{T}$ 

**DEFINITION** At a point where  $\kappa \neq 0$ , the **principal unit normal** vector for a smooth curve in the plane is  $\mathbf{N} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{ds}.$ 

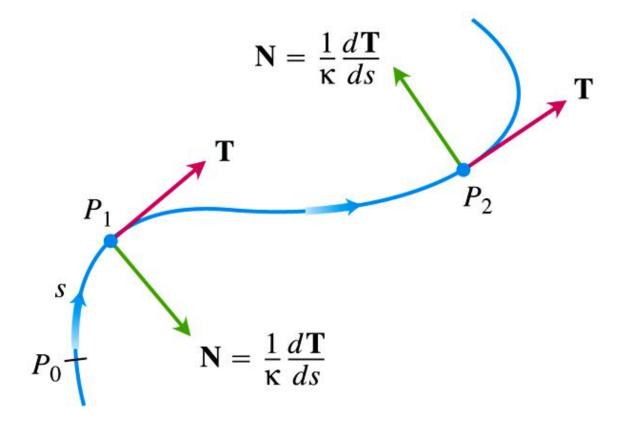


FIGURE 13.19 The vector  $d\mathbf{T}/ds$ , normal to the curve, always points in the direction in which  $\mathbf{T}$  is turning. The unit normal vector  $\mathbf{N}$  is the direction of  $d\mathbf{T}/ds$ .

If a smooth curve  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  is already given

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{d\mathbf{T}/ds}{|d\mathbf{T}/ds|} = \frac{(d\mathbf{T}/dt)(dt/ds)}{|d\mathbf{T}/dt||dt/ds|} = \frac{d\mathbf{T}/dt}{|d\mathbf{T}/dt|}.$$

#### Formula for Calculating N

If  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  is a smooth curve, then the principal unit normal is

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{d\mathbf{T}/dt}{|d\mathbf{T}/dt|},$$

where  $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{v}/|\mathbf{v}|$  is the unit tangent vector.

#### EXAMPLE 3 Find T and N for the circular motion

**Solution** We first find **T**: 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos 2t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin 2t)\mathbf{j}$$
.

$$\mathbf{v} = -(2\sin 2t)\mathbf{i} + (2\cos 2t)\mathbf{j}$$

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{4\sin^2 2t + 4\cos^2 2t} = 2$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|} = -(\sin 2t)\mathbf{i} + (\cos 2t)\mathbf{j}.$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} = -(2\cos 2t)\mathbf{i} - (2\sin 2t)\mathbf{j}$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} = -(2\cos 2t)\mathbf{i} - (2\sin 2t)\mathbf{j}$$
$$\left|\frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt}\right| = \sqrt{4\cos^2 2t + 4\sin^2 2t} = 2$$

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{d\mathbf{T}/dt}{|d\mathbf{T}/dt|} = -(\cos 2t)\mathbf{i} - (\sin 2t)\mathbf{j}.$$

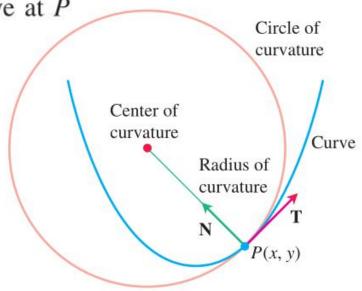
#### Circle of Curvature for Plane Curves

The circle of curvature or osculating circle at a point P on a plane curve

- **1.** is tangent to the curve at *P* (has the same tangent line the curve has)
- 2. has the same curvature the curve has at P
- 3. has center that lies toward the concave or inner side of the curve

The radius of curvature of the curve at P

Radius of curvature =  $\rho = \frac{1}{\kappa}$ .



#### **EXAMPLE 4**

Find and graph the osculating circle of the parabola  $y = x^2$  at the origin.

Solution 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = t\mathbf{i} + t^2\mathbf{j}$$
.  $\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = \mathbf{i} + 2t\mathbf{j}$   $|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{1 + 4t^2}$ 

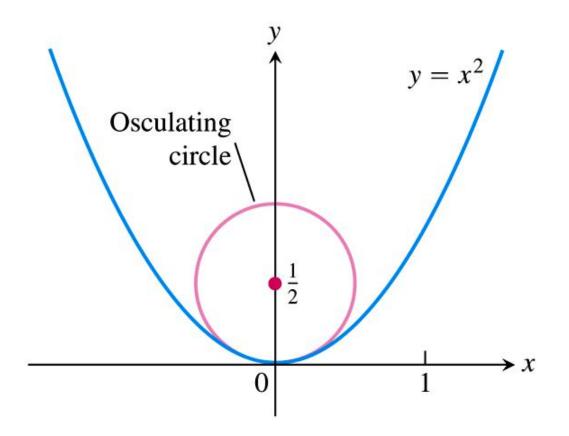
$$\mathbf{T} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|} = (1 + 4t^2)^{-1/2}\mathbf{i} + 2t(1 + 4t^2)^{-1/2}\mathbf{j}.$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} = -4t(1+4t^2)^{-3/2}\mathbf{i} + \left[2(1+4t^2)^{-1/2} - 8t^2(1+4t^2)^{-3/2}\right]\mathbf{j}.$$

$$\kappa(0) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}(0)|} \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt}(0) \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} |0\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}| = 2.$$

the radius of curvature is  $1/\kappa = 1/2$ .

$$(x-0)^2 + \left(y - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2.$$



**FIGURE 13.21** The osculating circle for the parabola  $y = x^2$  at the origin (Example 4).

$$\kappa = \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{ds} \right| = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} \right|$$

#### **EXAMPLE 5** Find the curvature for the helix

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (a\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (a\sin t)\mathbf{j} + bt\mathbf{k}, \quad a, b \ge 0, \quad a^2 + b^2 \ne 0.$$
Solution
$$\mathbf{v} = -(a\sin t)\mathbf{i} + (a\cos t)\mathbf{j} + b\mathbf{k}$$

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{a^2\sin^2 t + a^2\cos^2 t + b^2} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \left[ -(a\sin t)\mathbf{i} + (a\cos t)\mathbf{j} + b\mathbf{k} \right].$$

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \left[ -(a\cos t)\mathbf{i} - (a\sin t)\mathbf{j} \right] \right| = \frac{a}{a^2 + b^2}.$$

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{ds} = \frac{d\mathbf{T}/dt}{|d\mathbf{T}/dt|}.$$

the principal unit normal

#### **EXAMPLE 6**

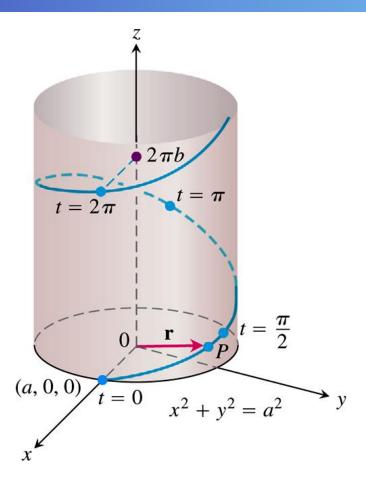
Find N for the helix in Example 5 and describe how the vector is pointing.

$$\frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \left[ (a \cos t)\mathbf{i} + (a \sin t)\mathbf{j} \right]$$

$$\left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{dt} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \sqrt{a^2 \cos^2 t + a^2 \sin^2 t} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{d\mathbf{T}/dt}{|d\mathbf{T}/dt|} = -\frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{a} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} [(a\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (a\sin t)\mathbf{j}]$$
$$= -(\cos t)\mathbf{i} - (\sin t)\mathbf{j}.$$

Thus, N is parallel to the xy-plane and always points toward the z-axis.



#### **FIGURE 13.22** The helix

 $\mathbf{r}(t) = (a\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (a\sin t)\mathbf{j} + bt\mathbf{k},$ drawn with a and b positive and  $t \ge 0$ (Example 5).

## 13.5

### Tangential and Normal Components of Acceleration

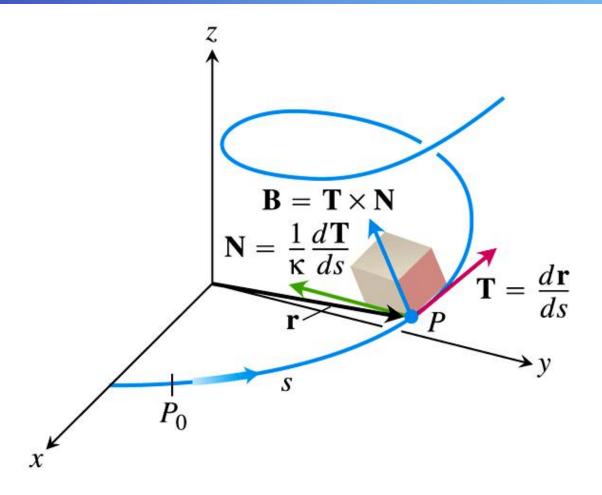


FIGURE 13.23 The TNB frame of mutually orthogonal unit vectors traveling along a curve in space.

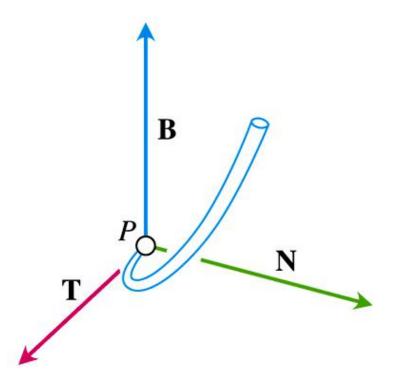


FIGURE 13.24 The vectors **T**, **N**, and **B** (in that order) make a right-handed frame of mutually orthogonal unit vectors in space.

**DEFINITION** If the acceleration vector is written as

$$\mathbf{a} = a_{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{T} + a_{\mathrm{N}}\mathbf{N},\tag{1}$$

then

$$a_{\rm T} = \frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = \frac{d}{dt} |\mathbf{v}| \quad \text{and} \quad a_{\rm N} = \kappa \left(\frac{ds}{dt}\right)^2 = \kappa |\mathbf{v}|^2$$
 (2)

are the tangential and normal scalar components of acceleration.

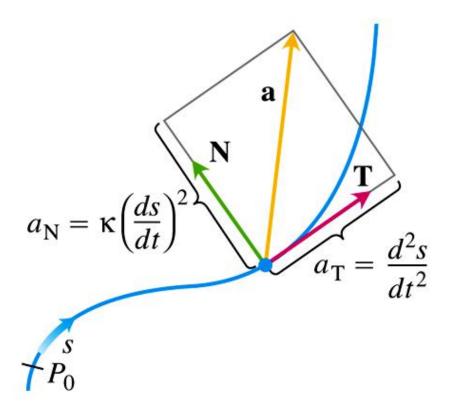
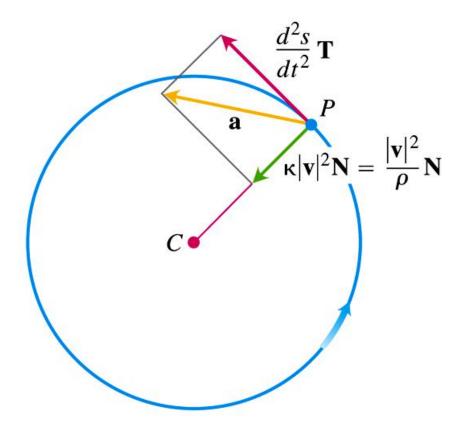


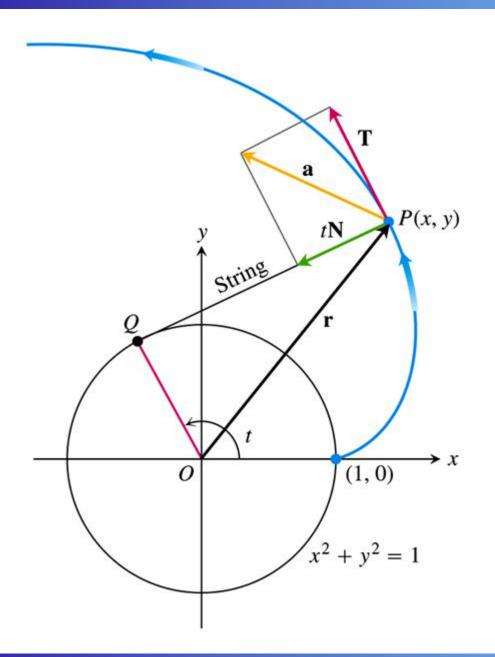
FIGURE 13.25 The tangential and normal components of acceleration. The acceleration **a** always lies in the plane of **T** and **N**, orthogonal to **B**.



**FIGURE 13.26** The tangential and normal components of the acceleration of an object that is speeding up as it moves counterclockwise around a circle of radius  $\rho$ .

#### Formula for Calculating the Normal Component of Acceleration

$$a_{\rm N} = \sqrt{|\mathbf{a}|^2 - a_{\rm T}^2} \tag{3}$$



**FIGURE 13.27** The tangential and normal components of the acceleration of the motion  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t + t \sin t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t - t \cos t)\mathbf{j}$ , for t > 0. If a string wound around a fixed circle is unwound while held taut in the plane of the circle, its end P traces an involute of the circle (Example 1).

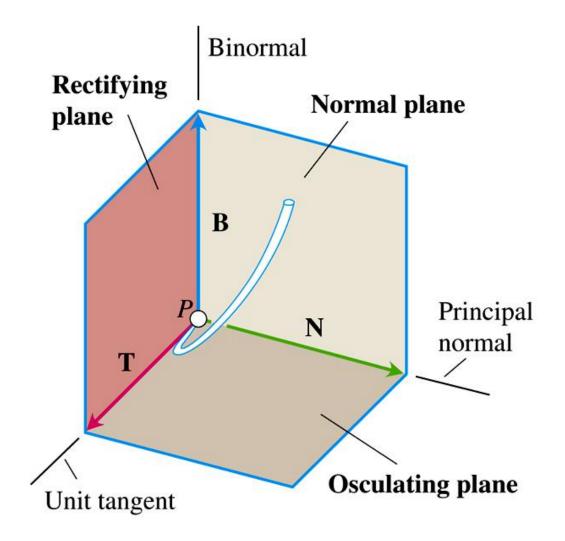


FIGURE 13.28 The names of the three planes determined by T, N, and B.

**DEFINITION** Let  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{N}$ . The **torsion** function of a smooth curve is

$$\tau = -\frac{d\mathbf{B}}{ds} \cdot \mathbf{N}.\tag{4}$$

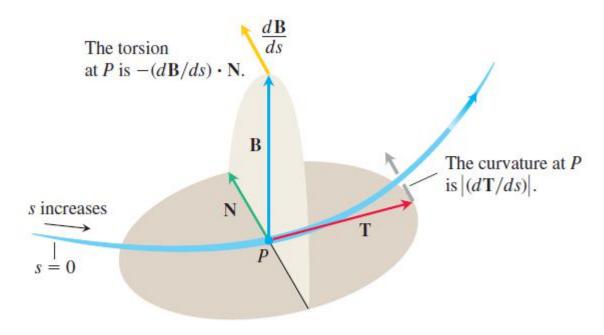


FIGURE 13.29 Every moving body travels with a TNB frame that characterizes the geometry of its path of motion.

#### **Vector Formula for Curvature**

$$\kappa = \frac{|\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{a}|}{|\mathbf{v}|^3} \tag{5}$$

#### Formula for Torsion

$$\tau = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \dot{x} & \dot{y} & \dot{z} \\ \ddot{x} & \ddot{y} & \ddot{z} \\ \ddot{x} & \ddot{y} & \ddot{z} \end{vmatrix}}{|\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{a}|^2} \qquad (if \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0})$$
(6)

#### **Computation Formulas for Curves in Space**

Unit tangent vector: 
$$\mathbf{T} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|}$$

Principal unit normal vector: 
$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{d\mathbf{T}/dt}{|d\mathbf{T}/dt|}$$

Binormal vector: 
$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{N}$$

Curvature: 
$$\kappa = \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{ds} \right| = \frac{|\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{a}|}{|\mathbf{v}|^3}$$

Torsion: 
$$\tau = -\frac{d\mathbf{B}}{ds} \cdot \mathbf{N} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \dot{x} & \dot{y} & \dot{z} \\ \ddot{x} & \ddot{y} & \ddot{z} \\ \ddot{x} & \ddot{y} & \ddot{z} \end{vmatrix}}{|\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{a}|^2}$$

Tangential and normal scalar components of acceleration:  $\mathbf{a} = a_{\text{T}}\mathbf{T} + a_{\text{N}}\mathbf{N}$ 

$$a_{\rm T} = \frac{d}{dt} |\mathbf{v}|$$

$$a_{\rm N} = \kappa |\mathbf{v}|^2 = \sqrt{|\mathbf{a}|^2 - a_{\rm T}^2}$$

13.6

## Velocity and Acceleration in Polar Coordinates

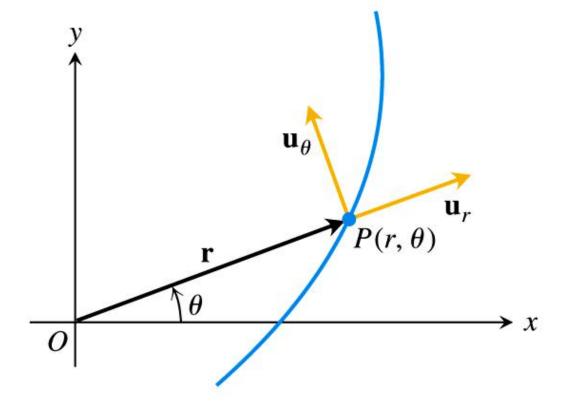


FIGURE 13.30 The length of  $\mathbf{r}$  is the positive polar coordinate r of the point P. Thus,  $\mathbf{u}_r$ , which is  $\mathbf{r}/|\mathbf{r}|$ , is also  $\mathbf{r}/r$ . Equations (1) express  $\mathbf{u}_r$  and  $\mathbf{u}_\theta$  in terms of  $\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{j}$ .

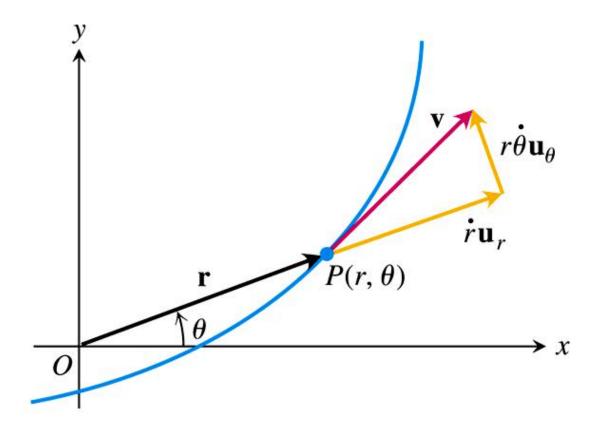
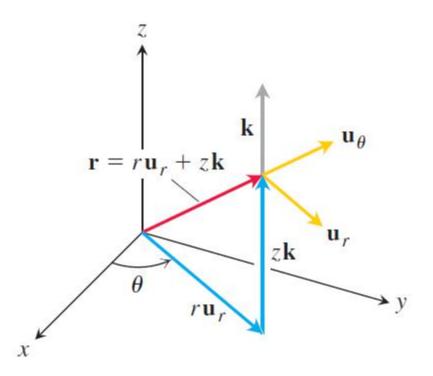


FIGURE 13.31 In polar coordinates, the velocity vector is

$$\mathbf{v} = \dot{r}\,\mathbf{u}_r + r\dot{\theta}\,\mathbf{u}_\theta.$$



**FIGURE 13.32** Position vector and basic unit vectors in cylindrical coordinates. Notice that  $|\mathbf{r}| \neq r$  if  $z \neq 0$  since  $|\mathbf{r}| = \sqrt{r^2 + z^2}$ .

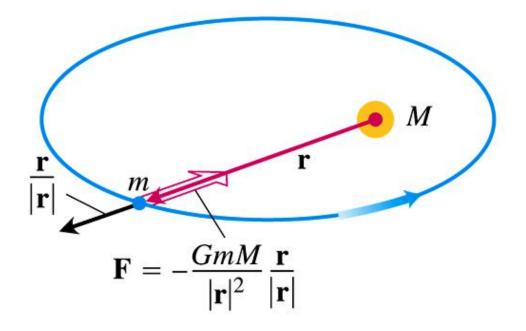


FIGURE 13.33 The force of gravity is directed along the line joining the centers of mass.

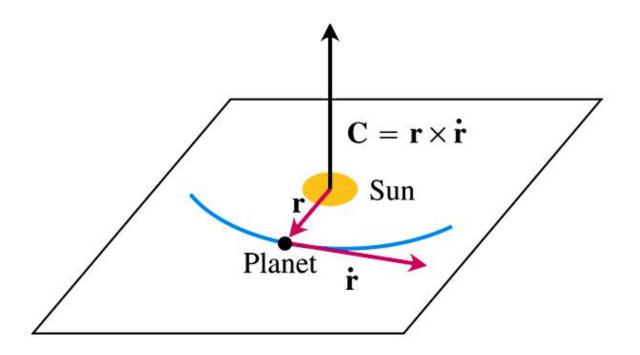


FIGURE 13.34 A planet that obeys Newton's laws of gravitation and motion travels in the plane through the sun's center of mass perpendicular to  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{r} \times \dot{\mathbf{r}}$ .

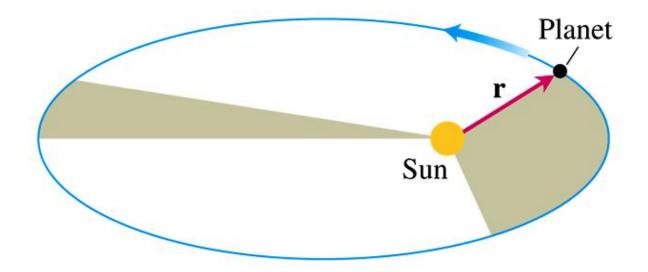
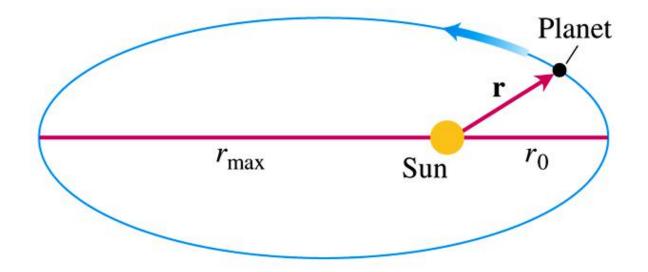


FIGURE 13.35 The line joining a planet to its sun sweeps over equal areas in equal times.



**FIGURE 13.36** The length of the major axis of the ellipse is  $2a = r_0 + r_{\text{max}}$ .