

Lecture VII Notes

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0.1 Formulas From 13.3

1. $\vec{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t)}{|\vec{r}'(t)|}$
2. $\vec{N}(t) = \frac{\vec{T}'(t)}{|\vec{T}'(t)|}$
3. $\vec{B}(t) = \vec{T}(t) \times \vec{N}(t)$
4. $\kappa(t) = \frac{|\vec{T}'(t)|}{|\vec{r}'(t)|} = \frac{|\vec{r}'(t) \times \vec{r}''(t)|}{|\vec{r}'(t)|^3}$

1 Formulas of Frenet-Serret

1. $\frac{d\vec{T}}{ds} = \kappa \vec{N}$
2. $\frac{d\vec{N}}{ds} = -\kappa \vec{T} + \tau \vec{B}$
3. $\frac{d\vec{B}}{ds} = -\tau \vec{N}$

2 Motion in Space – 13.4

1. $\vec{v}(t) = \vec{r}'(t)$
2. $\vec{a}(t) = \vec{v}'(t) = \vec{r}''(t)$
3. speed = $|\vec{v}(t)|$
4. The force, \vec{F} is always acting in the same direction as the acceleration, \vec{a} , with proportionality constant mass, m
5. In a circular path, an object's position is given by: $\vec{r}(t) = a \cos \omega t \hat{\mathbf{i}} + a \sin \omega t \hat{\mathbf{j}}$, where a is the radius of the circle, and ω is the constant speed of the object. The velocity is given by: $\vec{v}(t) = \vec{r}'(t) = -a\omega \sin \omega t \hat{\mathbf{i}} + a\omega \cos \omega t \hat{\mathbf{j}}$, and the acceleration is given by: $\vec{a}(t) = \vec{v}'(t) = -a\omega^2 \cos \omega t \hat{\mathbf{i}} - a\omega^2 \sin \omega t \hat{\mathbf{j}}$
6. Also in circular motion, $\vec{F}(t) = m\vec{a}(t) = -m\omega^2(a \cos \omega t \hat{\mathbf{i}} + a \sin \omega t \hat{\mathbf{j}})$