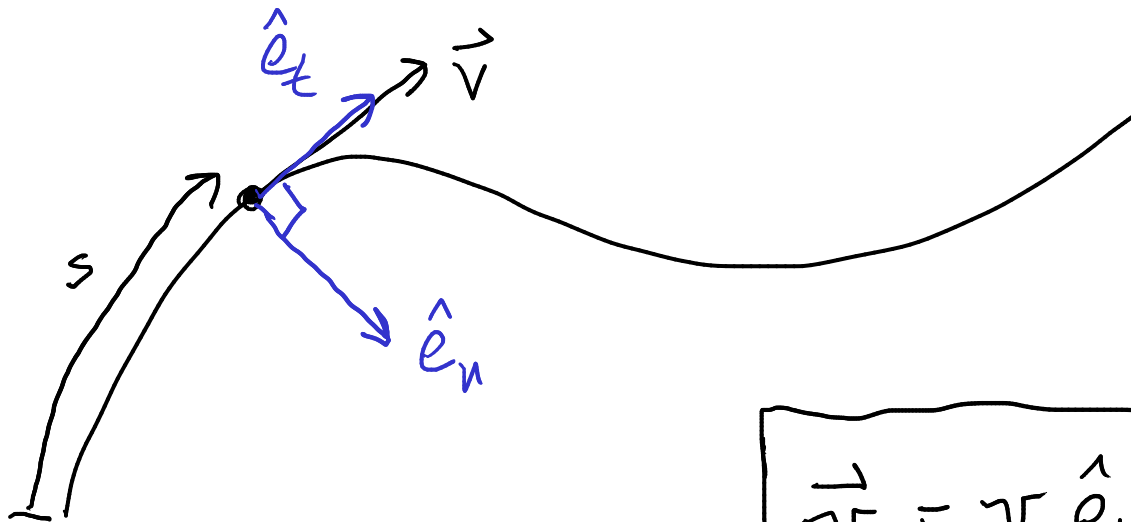


# Tangential / Normal basis



$\hat{e}_t$  tangential

$\hat{e}_n$  normal  
(inwards)

$$\hat{v} = v \hat{e}_t + 0 \hat{e}_n$$

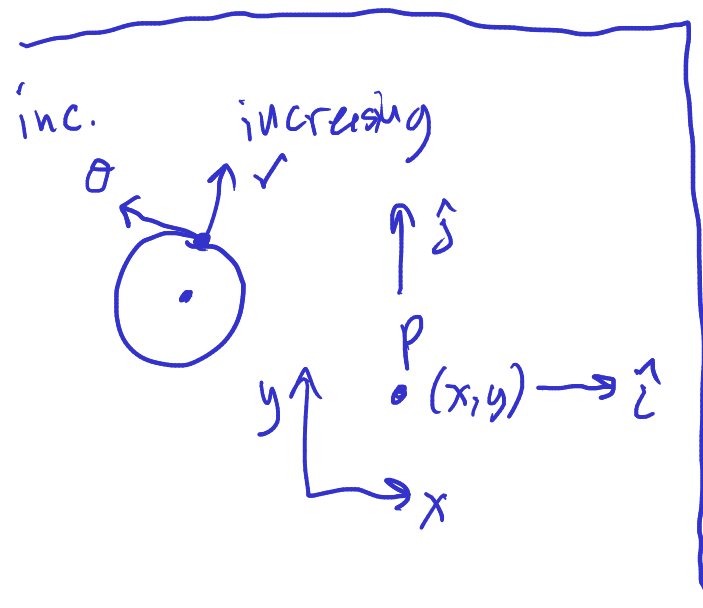
$$\hat{e}_t = \hat{v}$$

$$\hat{v} = v \hat{v} \leftarrow \hat{e}_t$$

$s$  = path length = arc length  
= distance traveled.

$$v = \dot{s}$$

$$s = \int_0^t v(\tau) d\tau$$



$$\vec{v} = \dot{s} \hat{e}_t$$

$$\vec{a} = \dot{\vec{v}} = \frac{d}{dt} (\dot{s} \hat{e}_t) = \ddot{s} \hat{e}_t + \dot{s} \dot{\hat{e}}_t$$

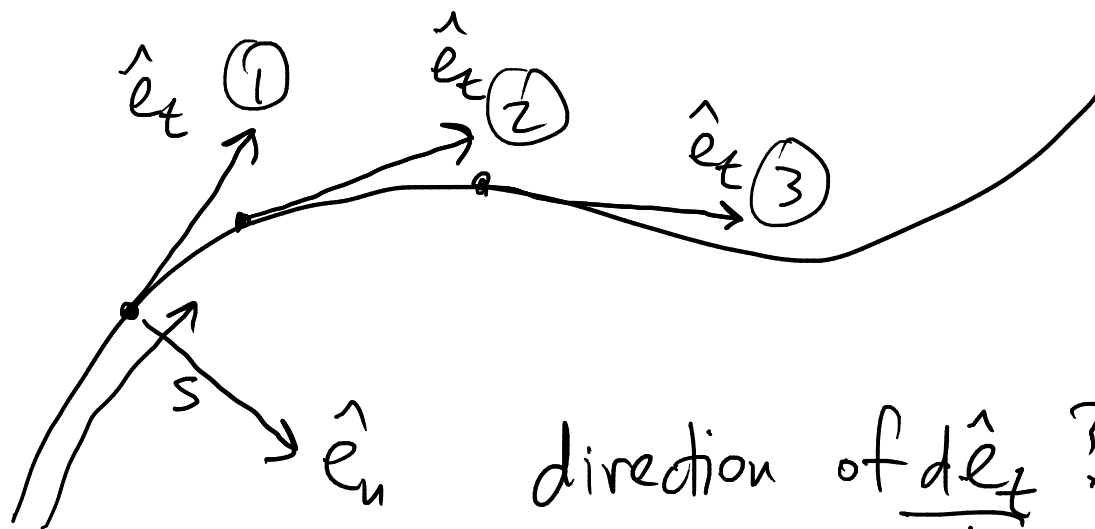
$\nwarrow$  car: accelerator/brake.  
 tangential acceleration

convert  $t$ -derivative to  $s$ -derivative

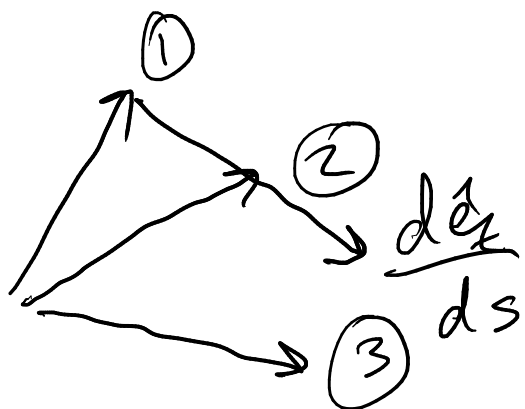
$$\frac{d}{dt} \hat{e}_t = \frac{ds}{dt} \frac{d}{ds} \hat{e}_t = \dot{s} \frac{d\hat{e}_t}{ds}$$

$$\vec{a} = \ddot{s} \hat{e}_t + \dot{s}^2 \frac{d\hat{e}_t}{ds}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{e}_t}{ds}$$



direction of  $\frac{d\hat{e}_t}{ds}$ ?



A : parallel to  $\hat{e}_t$

(B) perpendicular to  $\hat{e}_t$

C : neither

is  $\frac{d\hat{e}_t}{ds} = \hat{e}_n$ ?

A : Yes

(B) No

C : Neither

$$\frac{d\hat{e}_r}{dt} = \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_\theta$$

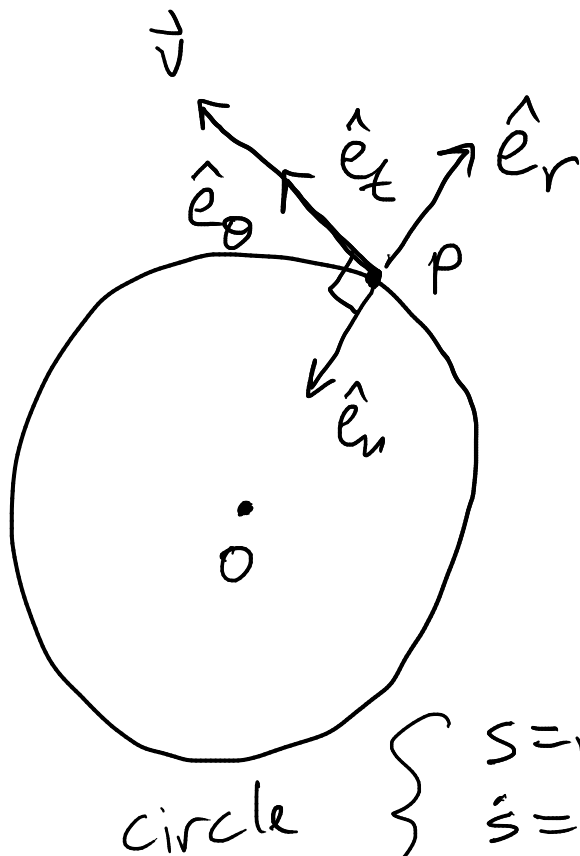
$$\frac{d\hat{e}_t}{ds} = \kappa \hat{e}_n$$

← kappa

$$\vec{a} = \ddot{s} \hat{e}_t + \dot{s}^2 \kappa \hat{e}_n$$

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{r}$$

↑  
radius of curvature



$$\hat{e}_r = -\hat{e}_n$$

always

true for circles.  $r$  constant

$$\vec{a} = \underbrace{r\ddot{\theta}}_{\dot{v}} \hat{e}_\theta - \underbrace{r\dot{\theta}^2}_{\frac{v^2}{r}} \hat{e}_r \leftarrow -\hat{e}_n$$

$$\vec{a} = \ddot{s} \hat{e}_t + \frac{\dot{s}^2}{r} \hat{e}_n$$

$$\begin{cases} s = r\theta \\ \dot{s} = r\dot{\theta} \\ \ddot{s} = r\ddot{\theta} \end{cases}$$