

# Vector-valued function or Vector Functions

def.

A vector-valued function or vector function, is simply a function whose domain is a set of real numbers and whose range ranges is a set of vectors.

and denoted by  $\Sigma(t)$

$\Sigma(t)$  is represented  $\Sigma$  is a function of  $t$ , where  $t$  is a parameter  $\in t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\Rightarrow \Sigma(t) = \langle f(t), g(t), h(t) \rangle = f(t)\hat{i} + g(t)\hat{j} + h(t)\hat{k}$$

Example:

$$\Sigma(t) = \langle t^3, \sin t, e^t \rangle$$

or

$$\Sigma(t) = t^3\hat{i} + \sin t\hat{j} + e^t\hat{k}.$$

$\Sigma(t)$  is vector valued function in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$\Rightarrow \Sigma(t) = \langle e^t, 1/t^2 \rangle$$

$$\Sigma(t) = e^t\hat{i} + 1/t^2\hat{j}$$

$\Sigma(t)$  is valued valued function in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$\Rightarrow \Sigma = \Sigma(t) = \langle f(t), g(t), h(t) \rangle$$

$$= f(t)\hat{i} + g(t)\hat{j} + h(t)\hat{k}$$

the function  $f(t), g(t), h(t)$

are called component function  
or The component of  $\Sigma(t)$ .

Example:-

The component function of

$$\Sigma(t) = \langle t, \sin t, e^t \rangle$$

$$= ti + \sin t j + e^t k$$

$$\Rightarrow f(t) = t,$$

$$g(t) = \sin t, \quad h(t) = e^t$$

$$(2) \quad \Sigma(t) = \langle t+1, t^3 - 9 \rangle.$$

$$\Rightarrow \Sigma(t) = (t+1)i + (t^3 - 9)j$$

$$\Rightarrow f(t) = t+1, \quad g(t) = t^3 - 9$$

Domain of Vector-valued function :-

The Domain of the vector valued function  $\Sigma(t)$  is the set of allowable values of for  $t$ . if  $\Sigma(t)$  is denoted in terms of defined in term of component function and the domain is not specified explicitly.

then it will be understood that the domain is the intersection of all natural domains of the

Component function. This is called the natural domain of  $\Sigma(t)$ .

Q) find The natural domain of

$$\Sigma(t) = \langle \ln|t-1|, e^t, \sqrt{t} \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \Sigma(t) = \langle \ln|t-1|^2, e^{t^2}, \sqrt{t^2} \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \ln|t-1|,$$

$$y(t) = e^t,$$

$$z(t) = \sqrt{t}$$

we need to we find the domain of  $x(t)$ ,  $y(t)$  and  $z(t)$ .

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \ln|t-1|$$

$x(t)$  is define all value of  $t$  except 1  
note that if  $t=1$

$$x(t) = \ln|1-1| = \ln|0| = \ln(0) \text{ -crahf.}$$

so domain of  $\ln|t-1|$

$$\Rightarrow (-\infty, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

$$y(t) = e^t \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Domian:

$$\Rightarrow (-\infty, \infty),$$

$$z(t) = \sqrt{t}$$

define onle  $\mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$ .

$(0, \infty)$

Note That if we allow -ive value of  $t$ , then our output is complex no.

$$\text{i.e. if } t = -1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{t} = \sqrt{-1} \text{ is?}$$

$\Rightarrow$   $\sqrt{t}$  is not allow. or any complex number is not allow to become as a range element:

$$\Rightarrow Z(t) \geq \sqrt{t} \Rightarrow [0, \infty)$$

So The natural domain of  $\varphi(t)$  is the intersection of three component of  $\varphi(t)$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) \cap y(t) \cap Z(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow (-\infty, 1) \cup (1, \infty) \cap (-\infty, \infty) \cap [0, \infty)$$

So The intersection of these set is.

$$[0, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

So the natural domain  $\varphi(t)$  is

$$[0, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

⑩ Find The domain of  $\varphi(t)$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(t) = \cos \pi t i - \ln t j + \sqrt{t-2} k,$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \cos \pi t,$$

$$y(t) = -\ln t$$

$$z(t) = \sqrt{t-2}$$

The domain of  $x(t)$

const.

$\Rightarrow$   $\cos nt$  is define all value of  $t$

$\Rightarrow (-\infty, \infty) \text{ or } \mathbb{R}$ .

The domain of  $y(t) = \ln(t)$

So, we know that

$\ln(t)$  is define all value of  $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ .

$\Rightarrow \text{ } \textcircled{2} \text{ } (0, \infty)$

$$\Rightarrow z(t) = \sqrt{t-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow [2, \infty)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} t^2 - 2 \geq 0 \\ t \end{array} \right.$$

$$t^2 - 2 \geq -1 \Rightarrow t^2 \geq 1 \Rightarrow t \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (-\infty, \infty) \cap (0, \infty) \cap [2, \infty)$$

$$\Rightarrow [2, \infty) \Rightarrow \text{Ans.}$$

Practice questions.

Ex 12.1 (Find domain).

question 1, 2, 3, 4

## "GRAPH OF VECTOR-Valued functions"

If  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  is a vector-valued function in 2-space or 3-space. Then we define the graph of  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  to be parametric curve describe by the component function for  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ .

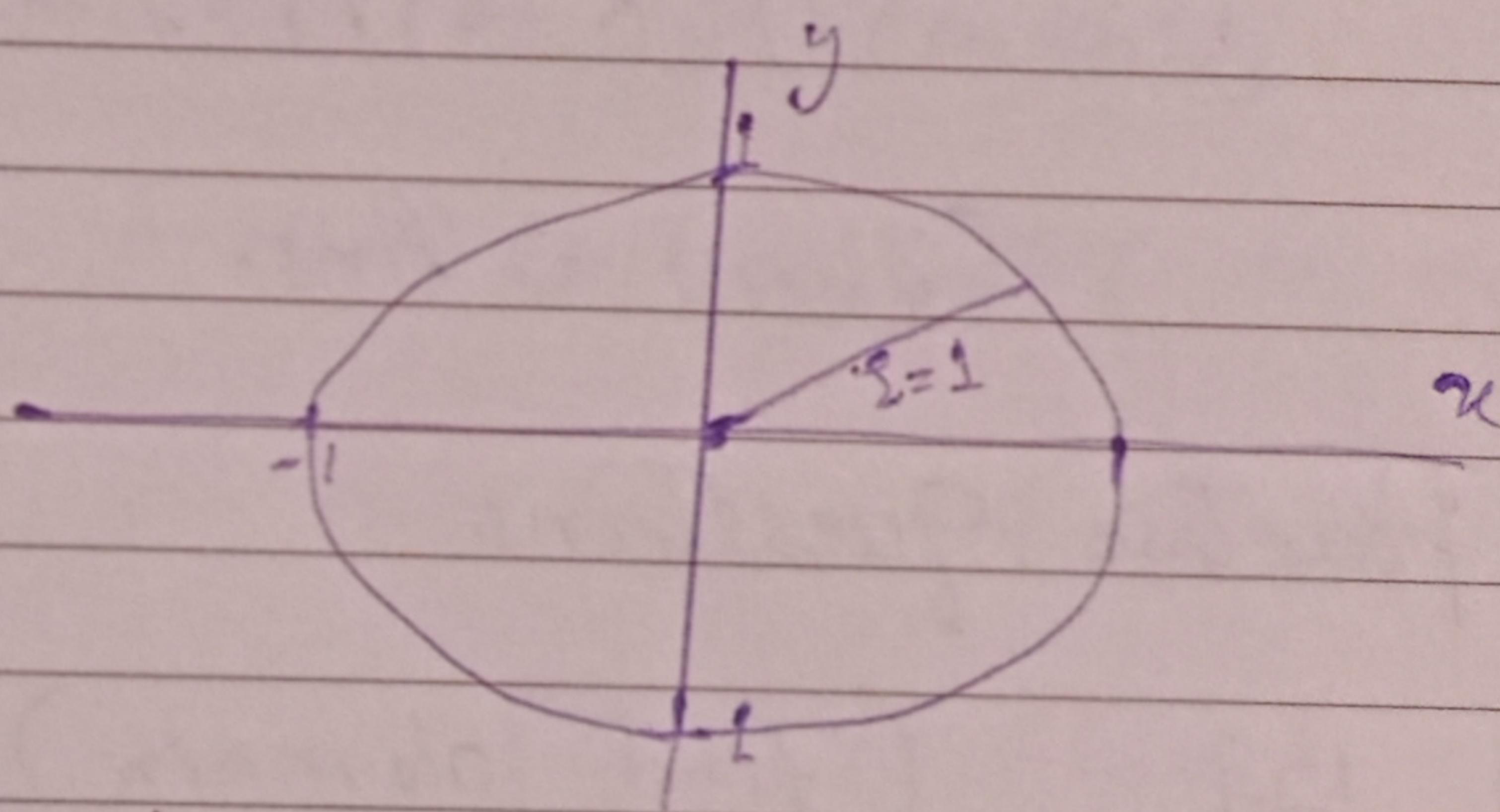
Sketch the graph of the following if

a)  $\Sigma(t) = \langle \cos t, \sin t \rangle \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

$\Rightarrow \Sigma(t) = (\cos t, \sin t)$   
 $\Sigma(t)$  is 2-space  $t \in [0, 2\pi]$

$\Rightarrow x(t) = \cos t, \Rightarrow$   
 $y(t) = \sin t. \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = 1$

So the graph is circle of radius 1, centred at origin and oriented counter clockwise.



b) Sketch the curve whose vector equation is

$$\Sigma(t) = \cos t i + \sin t j + tk$$

$\Rightarrow$  the parametric equation of this curve is:

$$\Sigma(t) = \cos t i + \sin t j + tk.$$

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$$x(t) = \cos t,$$

$$y(t) = \sin t,$$

$$z(t) = t.$$

Circle

$$x^2 + y^2 = \cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1$$

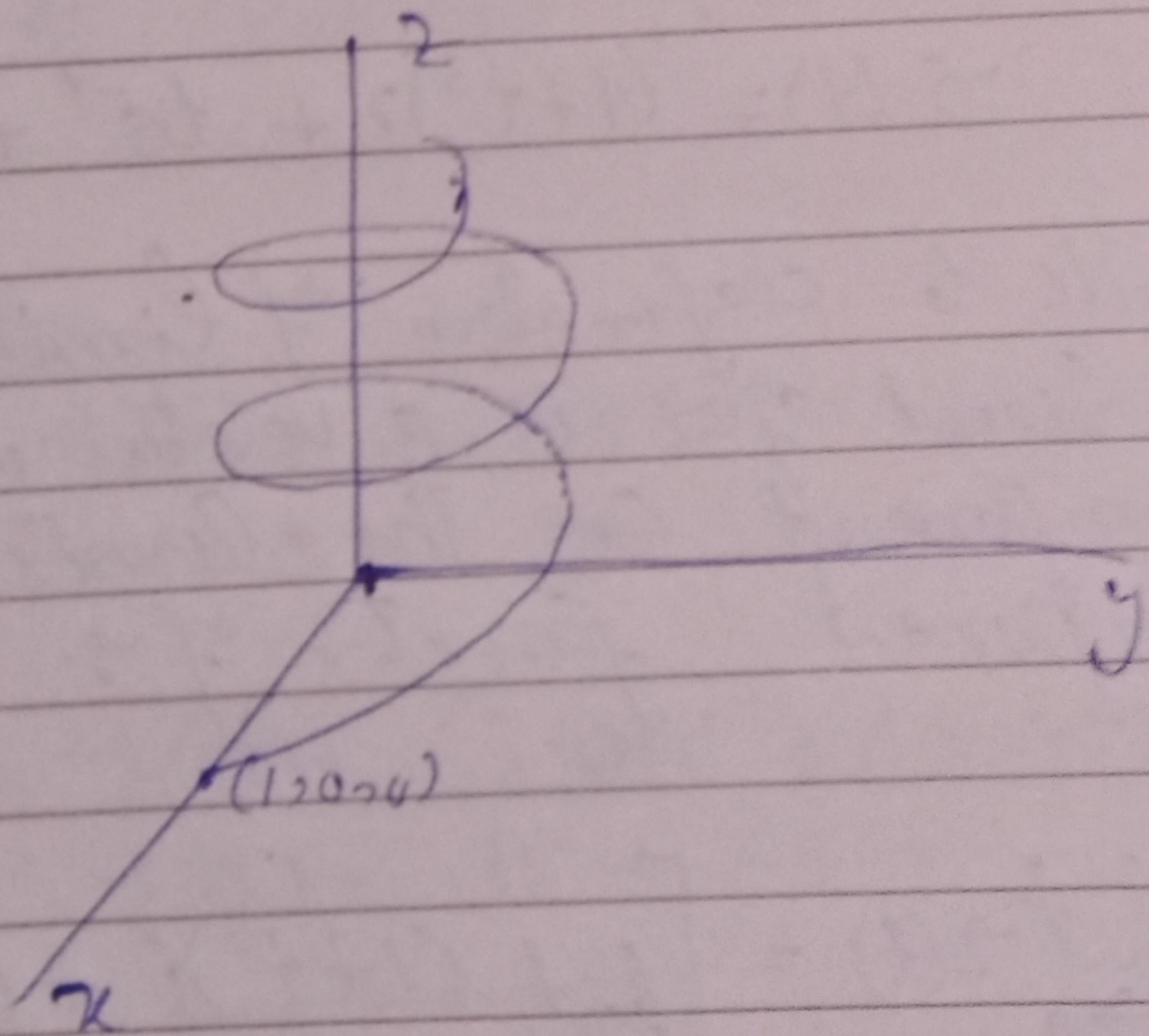
The curve must lie on the circular cylinder  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ . The point  $(x, y, z)$

lies directly above the point  $(x, y, 0)$  which moves counter-clockwise around

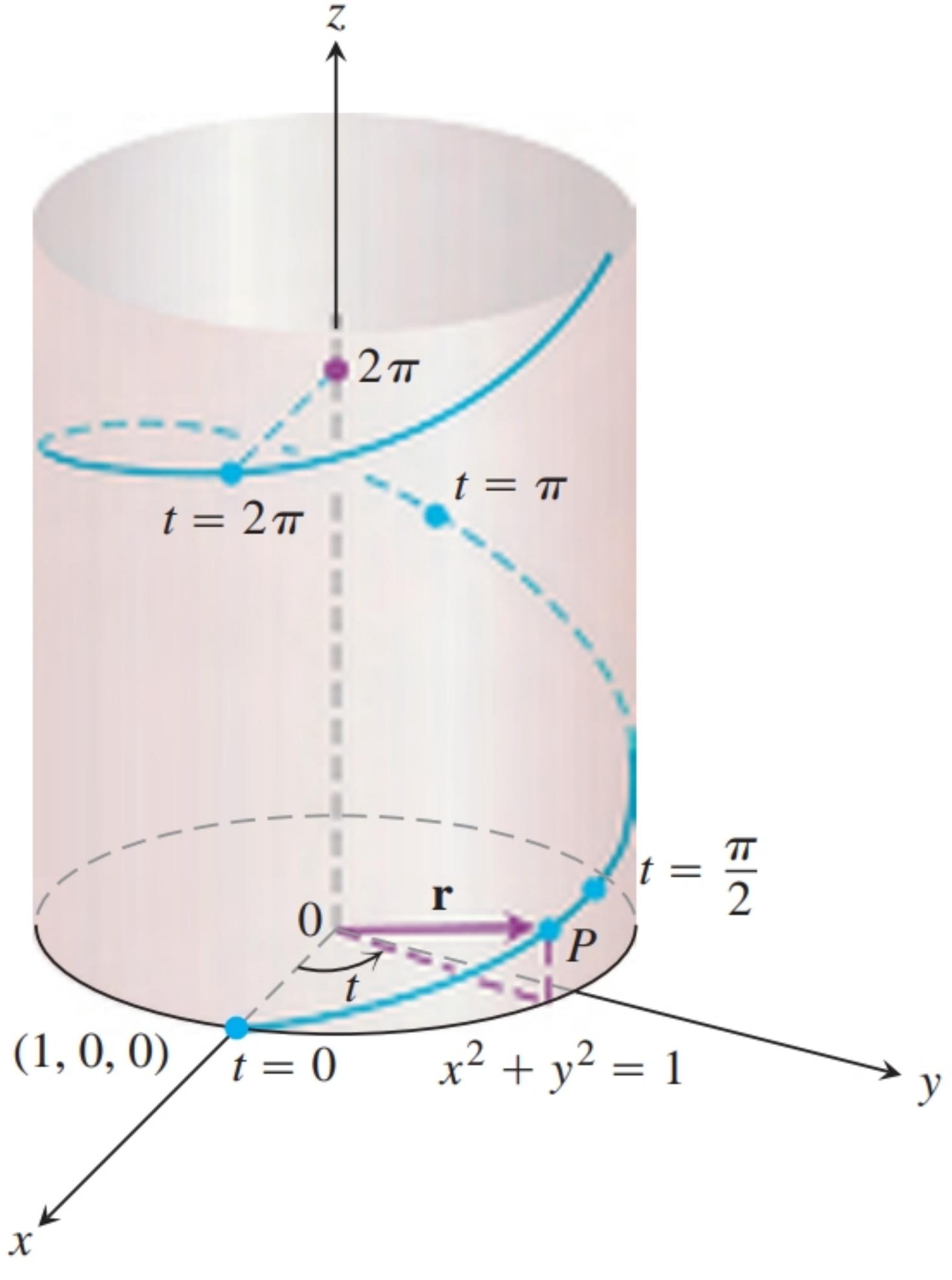
The circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  in the  $xy$ -plane.

Since  $z = t$ , the curve spirals upward around the cylinder as  $t$  increase.

The curve is called a helix.



So,



**FIGURE 13.3** The upper half of the helix  
 $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t\mathbf{k}$   
 (Example 1).

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# limit of a vector function:-

## ~~& Continuity~~ Continuity:-

The limit of a vector function  $\vec{r}(t)$  is defined by taking the limit of its component functions as follows.

If  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$   
Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow a} \vec{r}(t) = \left( \lim_{t \rightarrow a} x(t), \lim_{t \rightarrow a} y(t), \lim_{t \rightarrow a} z(t) \right)$$

Provided the limit of the component function exist.

(\*) Find  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \vec{r}(t)$  where  $\vec{r}(t)$

$$\vec{r}(t) = (1+t^3)\hat{i} + t\hat{e}^{-t} + (t^3+3)\hat{k}$$

A/c to definition of limit

The limit of  $\vec{r}$  is a vector whose components are the limits of the component functions of  $\vec{r}$ .

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \vec{r}(t) = \left[ \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (1+t^3)\hat{i} + \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (t\hat{e}^{-t})\hat{j} \right.$$

$$\left. + \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (t^3+3)\hat{k} \right]$$

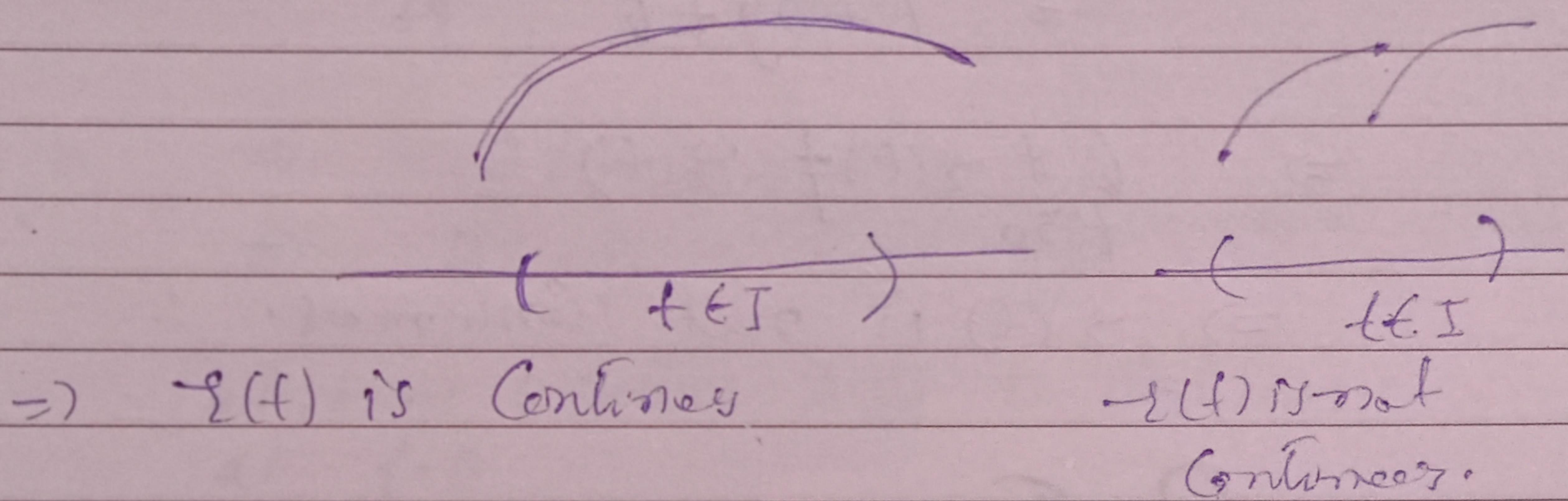
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \vec{r}(t) = (1+0^3)\hat{i} + (0\hat{e}^0)\hat{j} + (0^3+3)\hat{k}$$
$$= \hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \vec{r}(t) = i + 3k.$$

A vector function  $\vec{r}$  is continuous at  $a$  if

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow a} \vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}(a)$$

$\vec{r}$  is continuous at  $a$  if and only if its components function  $x, y, z$  are continuous at  $a$ .



Consider

$$\vec{r}(t) = (3+t)i + (\cos t)j + 3k.$$

$$t=0$$

⇒

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}(0) = (3+0)i + (\cos 0)j + 3k$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}(0) = 3i + j + 3k$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{r}(0) = 3i + j + 3k}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \vec{r}((3+t)i + (3-t)j + 3k)$$

$$= 3i + j + 3k$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}(a)}$$

∴  $\vec{r}(t)$

is continuous

Consider

$$\gamma(t) = \cos t \mathbf{i} + 2e^t \mathbf{j} + \frac{\sin t}{t} \mathbf{k}$$

at  $t=0$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma(0) = \cos(0) + 2e^0 \mathbf{j} + \frac{\sin(0)}{0}$$

$$= \mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + \text{does not exist}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \gamma(t) &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \cos t \mathbf{i} + \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} 2e^t \mathbf{j} + \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} \mathbf{k} \\ &= 1 + 2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \gamma(t) \neq \gamma(0)$$

$\Rightarrow \gamma(t)$  is not continuous.

Question:-

Find The limit

$$\text{①} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{t^2+1}{3t^2+2}, \frac{1}{t} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{t^2+1}{3t^2+2} \right) \mathbf{i} + \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{t} \right) \mathbf{k}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t^2}{t^2} \left[ \frac{1 + 1/t^2}{3 + 2/t^2} \right] \mathbf{i} + \frac{1}{\infty} \mathbf{k}$$

∴

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}}{3 + \frac{1}{\alpha}} \right) i + \left( \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) j$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{1+0}{3+0} \right) i + \left( \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) j \quad \because \frac{1}{\alpha} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} i + 0j \Rightarrow \langle \frac{1}{3}, 0 \rangle \rightarrow \text{Ans.}$$

(ii)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} (ti - 3j + t^2k)$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 2} (ti) - \lim_{t \rightarrow 2} 3j + \lim_{t \rightarrow 2} t^2 k$$

$$\Rightarrow 2i - 3j + (2)^2 k$$

$$\Rightarrow 2i - 3j + 4k \Rightarrow \langle 2, -3, 4 \rangle$$

Determine whether  $\vec{s}(t)$  is continuous at  $t=0$ .

(a)  $\vec{s}(t) = 3 \sin t i - 2t j$

so by definition of continuity  $\lim_{t \rightarrow a} \vec{s}(t) = \vec{s}(a)$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \vec{s}(t) = \vec{s}(0) \quad \because a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{s}(0) = 3 \sin(0) i - 2(0) j$$

$$\vec{s}(0) = 0 - 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (3 \sin t) i - \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (2t) j$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \sin(0) i - 2(0) j$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 - 0 = 0$$

Hence  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \vec{s}(t) = \vec{s}(0)$   $\vec{s}(t)$  is

continuous at  $t=0$

(b)

$$\vec{r}(t) = t^2 \vec{i} + \frac{1}{t} \vec{j} + t \vec{k}$$

not that.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \vec{r}(t)$  at  $t=0$   
does not exist

$\Rightarrow \vec{r}(t)$  is not continuous at  $t=0$

$\therefore \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (\vec{r}(t))$  does not exist

{ Practise Question Ex 14.2 }

question, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

$\sqrt{4}$        $\sqrt{4}$   
limit      continuity