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# **MATH F111 (Mathematics-I)**



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# Lecture 12-15 (Chapter-13) Vector Valued Functions and Motion in Space

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Dot Product of two vectors

Cross product of two vectors

Limit of a real valued function  $f(x)$  at the point  $x = a$  defined on an interval.

Continuity and Differentiability of a real valued function  $f(x)$  at the point  $x = a$  defined on an interval.

# Vector Valued Function



A function of the form :

$$\vec{r}(t) = f(t)\hat{i} + g(t)\hat{j} + h(t)\hat{k}, t \in I$$

is called vector - valued function or a vector function. Its domain is the subset of real numbers and range is in the set of vectors in three dimension.

# Vector Valued Function



- The functions  $f$ ,  $g$  and  $h$  are called component functions of  $\vec{r}$ , and are real valued functions.
- A space curve (Curve in 3D space) is traced out by points  $(f(t), g(t), h(t))$ . It has direction determined by giving increasing values of  $t$  in an interval  $I$ .
- Instead of  $(f(t), g(t), h(t))$  sometimes  $\vec{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$  is as well written

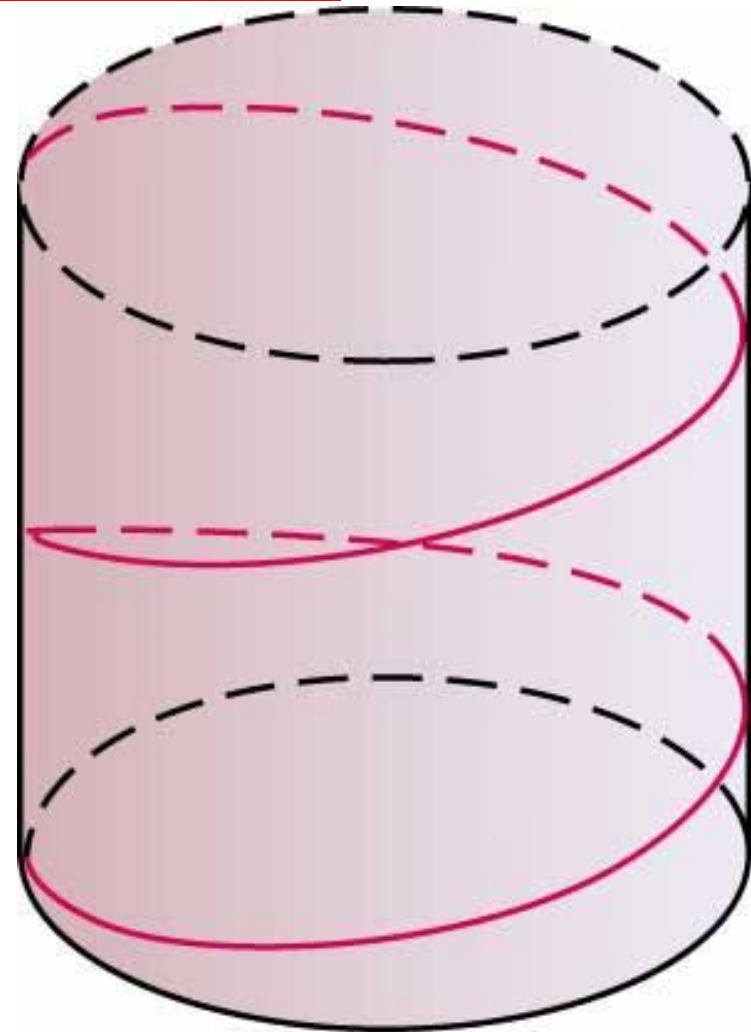
# Vector Valued Function



Example: The vector function:

$$\vec{r}(t) = (\cos t)\hat{i} + (\sin t)\hat{j} + t\hat{k}$$

The curve traced by  $\vec{r}$  winds around the circular cylinder  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ . The curve rises as the  $k$  component  $z = t$  increases. The curve is called “Helix”



# Limit and Continuity of Vector Valued Function



Limit : If  $\vec{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$ ,

$$\text{then } \lim_{t \rightarrow a} \vec{r}(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow a} x(t) \hat{i} + \lim_{t \rightarrow a} y(t) \hat{j} + \lim_{t \rightarrow a} z(t) \hat{k},$$

provided all the limits of component functions exist

Continuity : A vector valued function  $\vec{r}$  is continuous at a point  $t = a$  if and only if

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

Thus  $\vec{r}$  is continuous at a point  $t = a$  if and only if each component function is continuous at  $t = a$ .



# Differentiation of Vector Valued Function



$\vec{r}$  is continuous on an open interval  $I$  if it is continuous for all points in  $I$ .

Derivative : A vector valued function  $\vec{r}$  has a derivative (is differentiable) at a point  $t = a$  if and only if each component function have derivative at  $t = a$ .  
The derivative is the vector function:

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \frac{dx}{dt} \hat{i} + \frac{dy}{dt} \hat{j} + \frac{dz}{dt} \hat{k}$$

# Differentiation of Vector Valued Function



Let  $\vec{r}(t)$  be the position vector of a particle at time  $t$  moving along a smooth curve in space. Then

1. Velocity :  $\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$

2. Speed :  $s = |\vec{v}|$

3. Acceleration :  $\vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2}$

4. Direction of motion :  $\frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|}$

# Differentiation Rules of Vector Valued Function



**Smooth Curve:** Curve traced by  $\vec{r}(t)$  is smooth if  $\frac{d\vec{r}(t)}{dt}$  is continuous and never 0, that is  $x(t)$ ,  $y(t)$  and  $z(t)$  have continuous first derivatives that are not simultaneously zero.

Let  $\vec{u} = \vec{u}(t)$  and  $\vec{v} = \vec{v}(t)$  be differentiable vector functions of  $t$ ,  $\vec{C}$  a constant vector and  $a$  any real number and  $f$  any real valued function defined on a interval.

# Differentiation Rules of Vector Valued Function



1.  $\frac{d}{dt} \vec{C} = 0$   $\vec{C}$  is a constant vector.

2.  $\frac{d}{dt} (a\vec{u}(t)) = a \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u}(t)), a$  constant scalar.

3.  $\frac{d}{dt} (f(t)\vec{u}(t)) = f'(t)(\vec{u}(t))$   
 $+ f(t) \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u}(t)), f(t)$  real valued function.

# Differentiation Rules of Vector Valued Function



$$4. \quad \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u}(t) \cdot \vec{v}(t))$$
$$= \left( \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u}(t)) \right) \cdot \vec{v}(t) + \vec{u}(t) \cdot \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{v}(t))$$

$$5. \quad \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u}(t) \times \vec{v}(t))$$
$$= \left( \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u}(t)) \right) \times \vec{v}(t) + \vec{u}(t) \times \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{v}(t))$$

# Differentiation Rules of Vector Valued Function



6. Chain Rule :  $\frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} = \left( \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right) \left( \frac{dt}{ds} \right)$

where  $t$  is a differentiable function of  $s$ .

7. If  $\vec{r}(t)$  is a differentiable vector function of  $t$  of **constant length**, then

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

# Differentiation Rules of Vector Valued Function



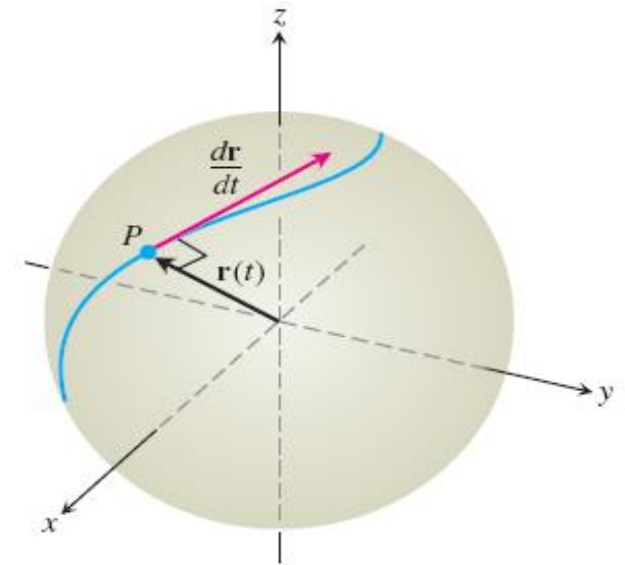
Proof :  $|\vec{r}(t)| = c$  (constant)

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{r}(t)|^2 = \vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}(t) = c^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d(\vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}(t))}{dt} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}(t) \cdot \frac{d(\vec{r}(t))}{dt} + \frac{d(\vec{r}(t))}{dt} \cdot \vec{r}(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}(t) \cdot \frac{d(\vec{r}(t))}{dt} = 0$$



# Indefinite Integral



*The* indefinite integral of  $\vec{r}$  with respect to  $t$  is the set of all antiderivatives of  $\vec{r}$ , written as

$\int \vec{r}(t) dt$ . If  $\vec{R}$  is any antiderivative of  $\vec{r}$ , then :

$$\int \vec{r}(t) dt = \vec{R}(t) + \vec{C}$$

If  $\vec{r}(t) = x(t)\hat{i} + y(t)\hat{j} + z(t)\hat{k}$ , then :

$$\int_a^c \vec{r}(t) dt = \left( \int_a^c x(t) dt \right) \hat{i} + \left( \int_a^c y(t) dt \right) \hat{j} + \left( \int_a^c z(t) dt \right) \hat{k}$$



# Exercise 13.1



**Q.8** The position vector of particles moving along the parabola  $y = x^2 + 1$  in  $xy$  – plane is:  $\vec{r}(t) = t\hat{i} + (t^2 + 1)\hat{j}$ . Find the particle's velocity and acceleration vectors at the times  $t = -1, 0, 1$  and sketch them as vectors on the curve.

# Exercise 13.1



Q.14 : Given  $\vec{r}(t) = e^{-t} \hat{i} + 2 \cos 3t \hat{j} + 2 \sin 3t \hat{k}$

is the position of a particle in space at any time  $t$ . Find the particle's speed and direction of motion at  $t = 0$ . Write the particle's velocity at that time as the product of its speed and direction.

# Exercise 13.1



**Q.19** Given that  $\vec{r}(t) = (t - \sin t)\hat{i} + (1 - \cos t)\hat{j}$  is the position vector of a particle in space at time  $t$ . Find the time or times in the time interval  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$  when the velocity and acceleration are orthogonal.

# Exercise 13.1



**Q.19** Find parametric equation for the line that is tangent to the curve:

$$\vec{r}(t) = (\sin t) \hat{i} + (t^2 - \cos t) \hat{j} + e^t \hat{k}$$

at  $t = 0$ .

# Exercise 13.1



**Q.25** A particle moves along the top of the parabola  $y^2 = 2x$  from left to right at a constant speed of 5 units per second. Find the velocity of the particle as it moves through the point  $(2, 2)$ .

## Exercise 13.2



**Q.4** Evaluate the integral:

$$\int_0^{\pi/3} [(\sec t \tan t) \hat{i} + (\tan t) \hat{j} + (2 \sin t \cos t) \hat{k}] dt$$

**Q.15** Solve the initial value problem for  $\vec{r}$  as a vector function of  $t$ :

$$\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} = -32 \hat{k}, \text{ Initial conditions : } \vec{r}(0) = 100 \hat{k}$$

$$\left. \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = 8 \hat{i} + 8 \hat{j}$$

## Exercise 13.2



**Q.18** A particle traveling in a straight line is located at the point  $(1, -1, 2)$  and has speed 2 at time  $t = 0$ , the particle moves towards the point  $(3, 0, 3)$  with constant acceleration  $2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$ . Find its position vector  $\vec{r}(t)$  at time  $t$ .

# Arc Length



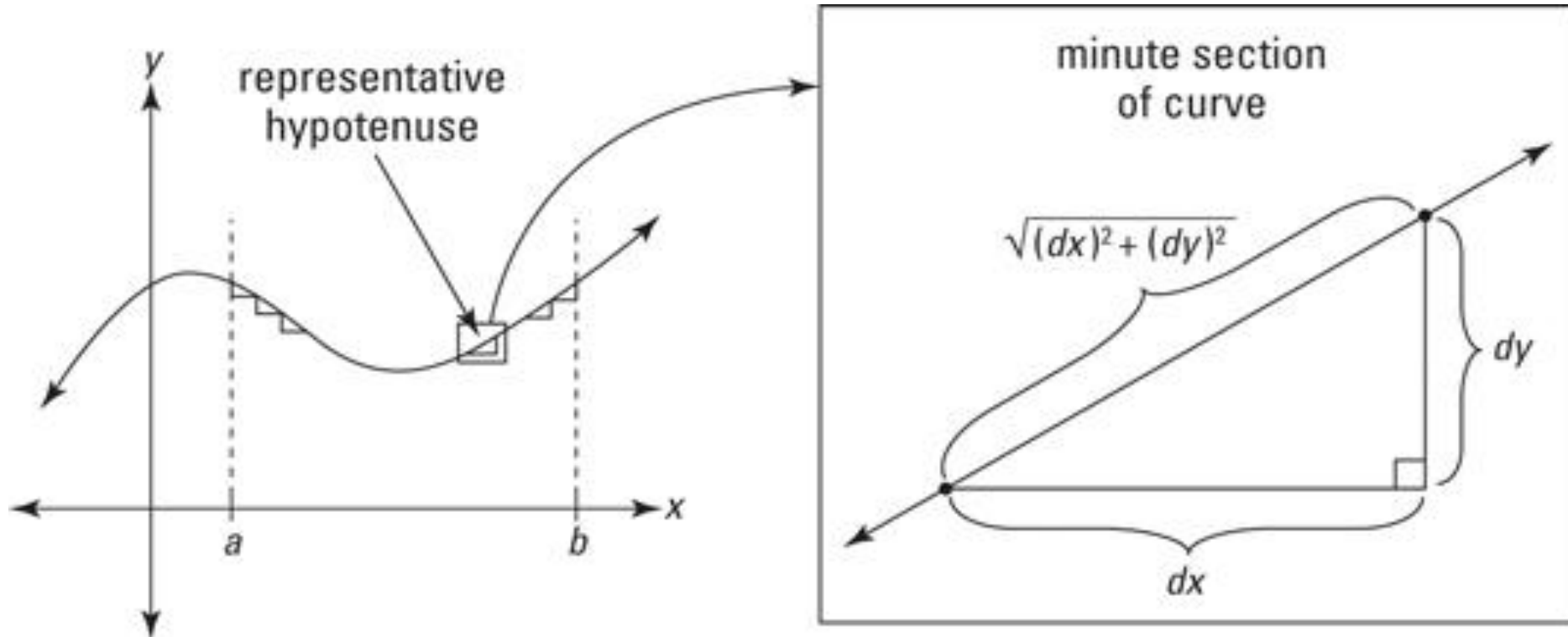
- One of the special features of smooth space curves is that they have a measurable length.
- That enables us to find points along these curves by giving their directed distance  $s$  along the curve from some base point.



# Arc Length



**Arc Length of a plane curve:** Let  $y = f(x)$  be a smooth function on  $[a, c]$ , then length of the curve  $y = f(x)$ , is given by



# Arc Length



$$L = \int_a^c ds = \int_a^c \sqrt{(dx)^2 + (dy)^2}$$
$$= \int_a^c \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$$

For the smooth curve

$$x = x(t), \quad y = y(t), \quad a \leq t \leq c$$

$$L = \int_a^c \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$$

# Arc Length



## Arc length along a curve for a vector function :

The length of a smooth curve

$$\vec{r}(t) = x(t) \hat{i} + y(t) \hat{j} + z(t) \hat{k}, \quad a \leq t \leq c$$

which is traced exactly once as  $t$  increases from  $a$  to  $c$  is :

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \int_a^c \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^2} dt \\ &= \int_a^c |\vec{v}(t)| dt \end{aligned}$$

# Arc Length



**Arc Length parameter with base point at  $t = t_0$**

$$s(t) = \int_{t_0}^t |\vec{v}(\tau)| d\tau$$

1. If  $t > t_0$ , then  $s(t) > 0$ .
2. If  $t < t_0$ , then  $s(t) < 0$ .
3. Every value of  $s$  determines a unique point on the curve

## Smooth Curve

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = |\vec{v}(t)|, \quad \frac{ds}{dt} > 0 \text{ for a smooth curve,}$$

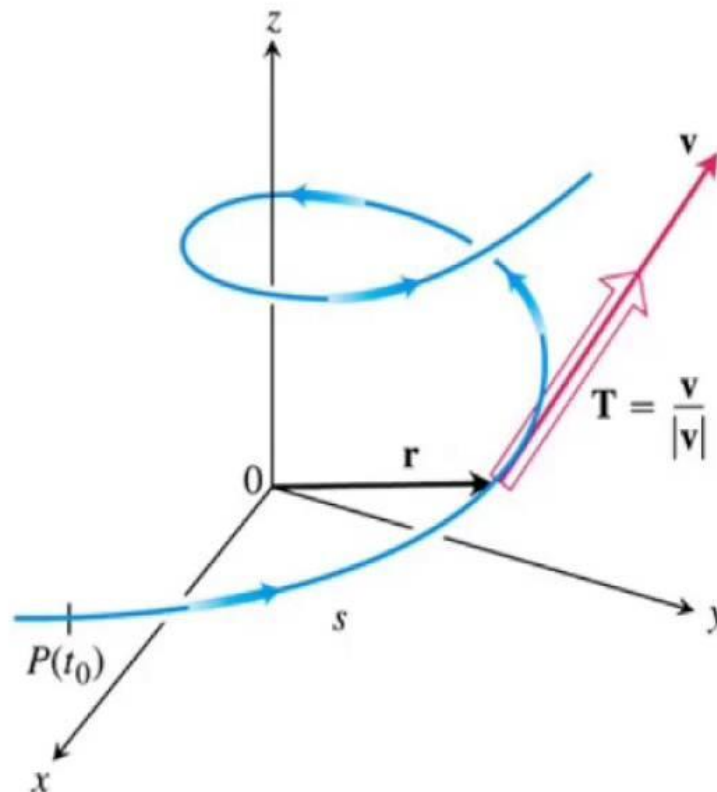
as  $|\vec{v}|$  is never zero for a smooth curve.

Thus  $s(t)$  is a strictly increasing function of  $t$ ,  
hence bijection of  $(a, b)$  with  $(s(a), s(b))$ ,

# Unit Tangent Vector T

The **unit tangent vector** gets its own notation:

$$\vec{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t)}{|\vec{r}'(t)|} = \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|}$$



# Unit Tangent Vector T



We have the velocity vector  $\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$  is tangent to the curve and the vector,  $\hat{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{v}(t)}{|\vec{v}(t)|}$  is therefore unit tangent vector to the curve.

For smooth curve

$$\hat{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{v}(t)}{|\vec{v}(t)|} = \frac{d\vec{r}(t)/dt}{ds/dt} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds}$$

## Exercise 13.3



**Q.8** Find the following curve's unit tangent vector and length of the indicated portion of the curve

$$\vec{r}(t) = (t \sin t + \cos t)\hat{i} + (t \cos t - \sin t)\hat{j},$$

$$\text{for } \sqrt{2} \leq t \leq 2$$



## Exercise 13.3



**Q.10** Find the point on the curve

$$\vec{r}(t) = (12 \sin t)\hat{i} - (12 \cos t)\hat{j} + 5t\hat{k}$$

at a distance  $13\pi$  units along the curve from the origin (base point  $(0, -12, 0)$  corresponding to  $t = 0$ ) in the direction opposite to the direction of increasing arc length.

## Exercise 13.3



**Q.13** Find the arc length parameter along the curve from the point where  $t = 0$ .

$$\vec{r}(t) = (e^t \cos t)\hat{i} + (e^t \sin t)\hat{j} + e^t \hat{k}$$

Also find the length of the portion of the curve for  $-\ln 4 \leq t \leq 0$

## Exercise 13.3



**Q.15** Find the length of the curve

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

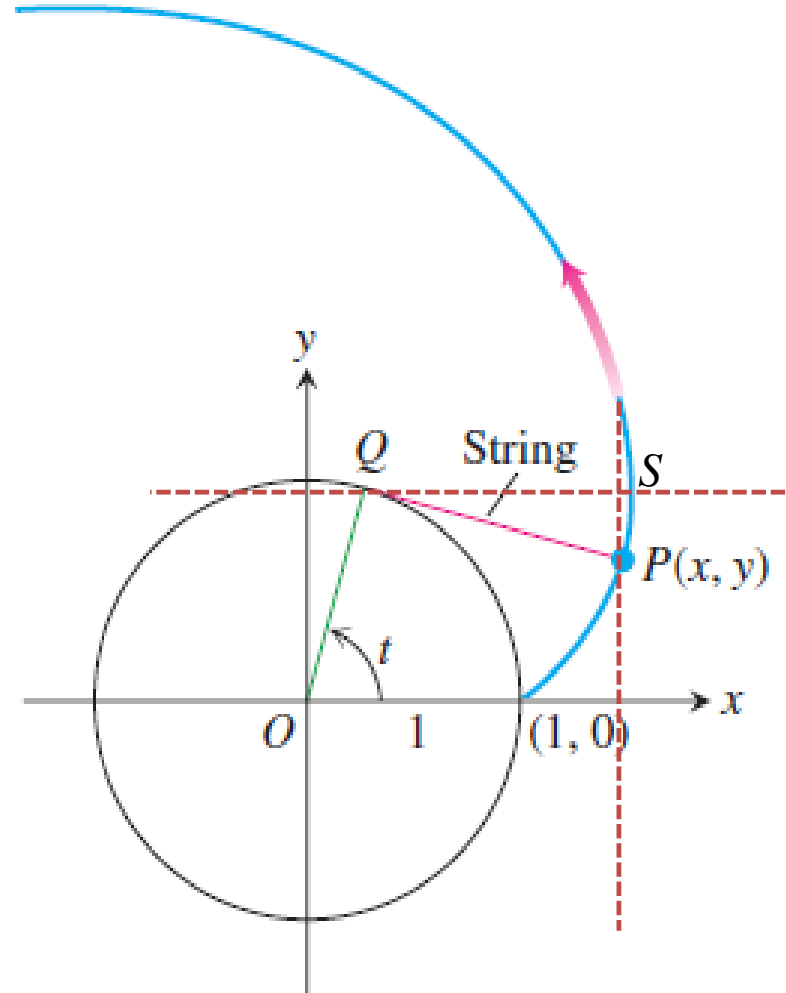
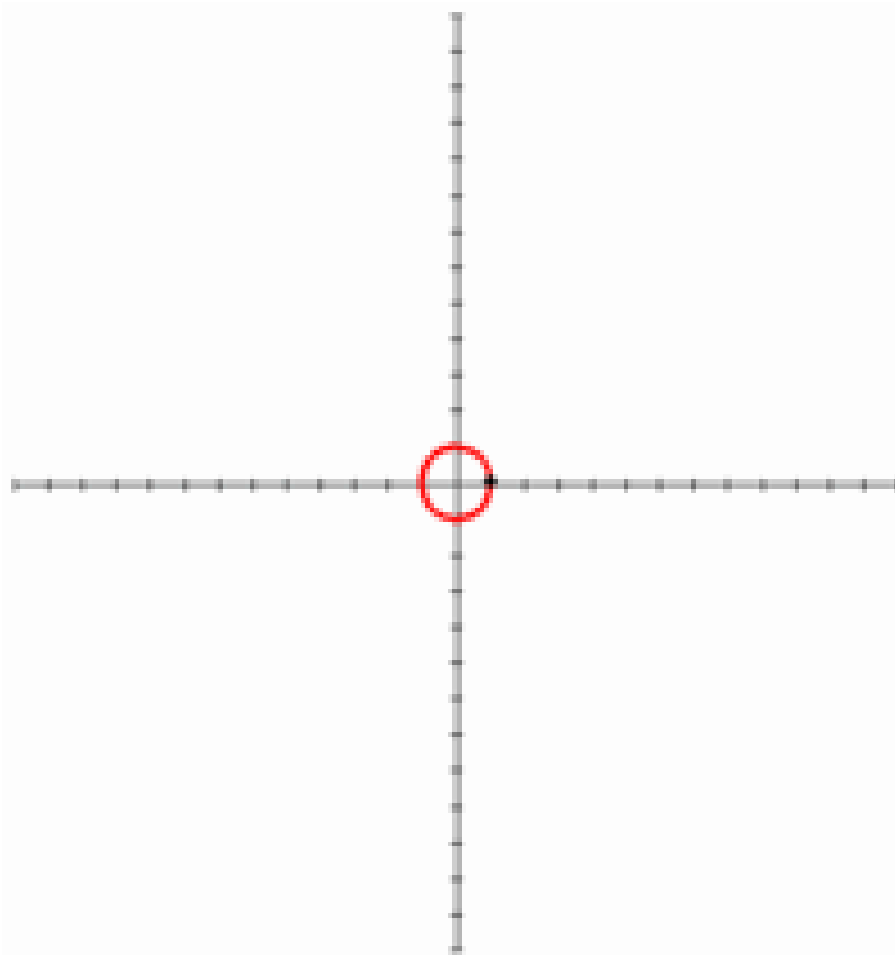
from  $(0,0,1)$  to  $(\sqrt{2},\sqrt{2},0)$

## Exercise 13.3



**Q.19 The involute of a circle** 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. In the accompanying figure, the circle in question is the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and the tracing point starts at  $(1, 0)$ . The unwound portion of the string is tangent to the circle at  $Q$ , and  $t$  is the radian measure of the angle from the positive  $x$ -axis to segment  $OQ$ . Derive the parametric equations of the point  $P(x, y)$  for the involute.

# Exercise 13.3



## Exercise 13.3



**Q.20 The involute of a circle:** Find the unit tangent vector to the involute of the circle at the point  $P$ , discussed in **Q.19**.

# Curvature



The magnitude of rate at which  $\hat{T}$  turns per unit of arc length along the curve is called the curvature.

$$\kappa = \left| \frac{d\hat{T}}{ds} \right| = \left| \frac{d\hat{T} / dt}{ds / dt} \right| = \frac{1}{|\vec{v}(t)|} \left| \frac{d\hat{T}}{dt} \right|$$

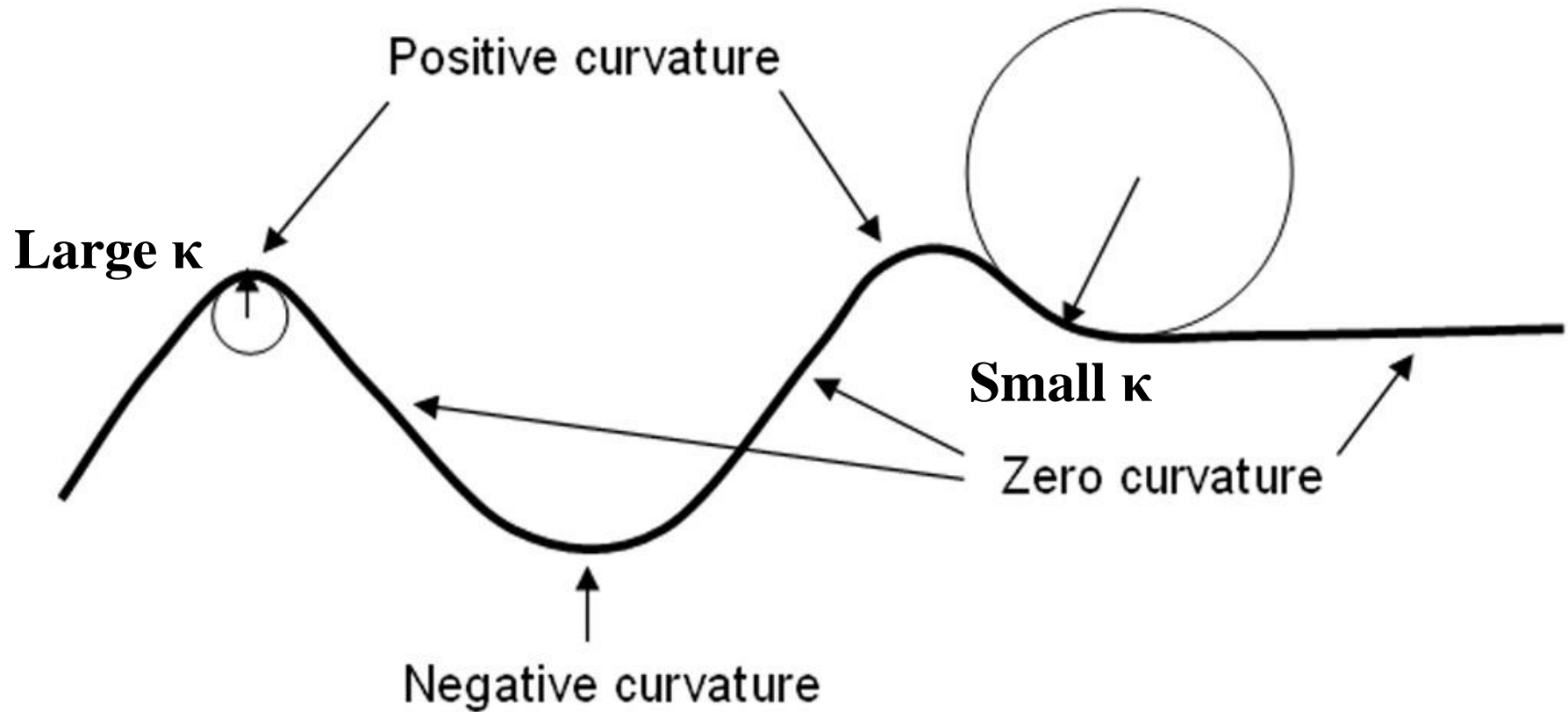
Remark :

1. If  $\left| \frac{d\hat{T}}{ds} \right|$  is small, then  $\kappa$  is small and  $\hat{T}$  turns slowly as the particle passes through the point.

2. If  $\left| \frac{d\hat{T}}{ds} \right|$  is large, then  $\kappa$  is large and  $\hat{T}$  turns sharply as the particle passes through the point.



# Curvature



## What is curvature of straight line?

- ❑ As tangent to straight line in direction of straight line is straight line itself, rate of change of tangent line to straight line is zero with respect to arc length.
- ❑ Hence curvature of straight line is zero.
- ❑ One can as well prove it through parametric representation but intuitive way is simpler.

# Curvature



Through parametric representation we have equation of straight line which passes through a point  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  and has direction ratio  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  is:

$$x = x_0 + \alpha t, y = y_0 + \beta t, z = z_0 + \gamma t$$

and if we just compute curvature through formula we get that as zero.

**What is curvature of circle of radius  $a$  ?**

If a particle moves on circle of radius  $a$  with center at origin in anti-clockwise direction in plane, vector motion of particle is represented as:

$$\vec{r}(t) = (a \cos t)\hat{i} + (a \sin t)\hat{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}(t) = (-a \sin t)\hat{i} + (a \cos t)\hat{j} \Rightarrow |\vec{v}(t)| = a$$

# Curvature



$$\text{Now } \hat{T} = \frac{\vec{v}(t)}{|\vec{v}(t)|} = (-\sin t)\hat{i} + (\cos t)\hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\hat{T}}{dt} = (-\cos t)\hat{i} + (-\sin t)\hat{j} \Rightarrow \left| \frac{d\hat{T}}{dt} \right| = 1$$

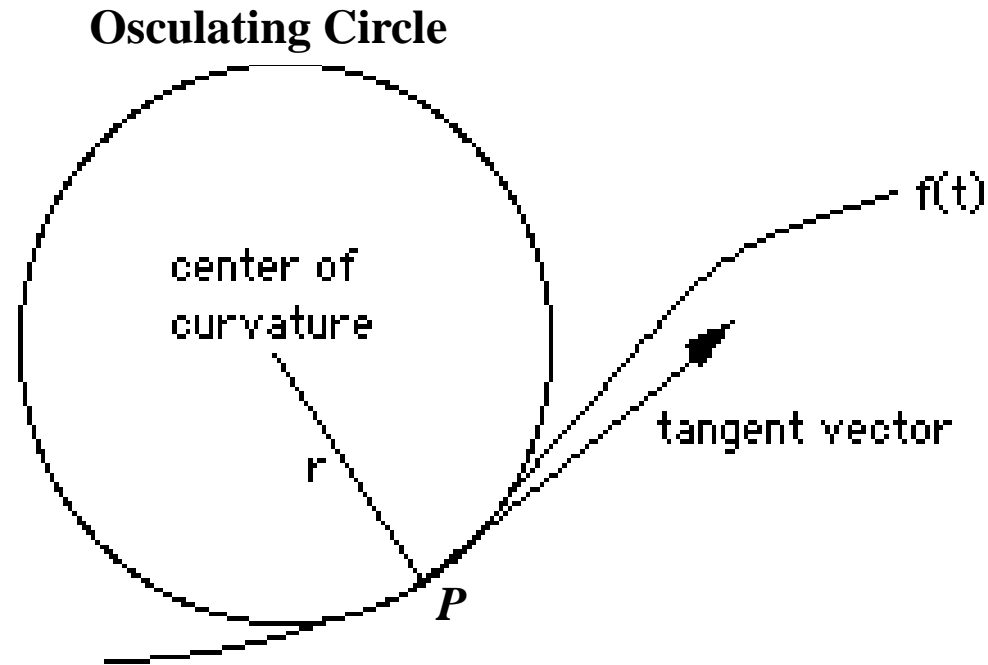
$$\text{hence curvature } \kappa = \frac{1}{|\vec{v}(t)|} \left| \frac{d\hat{T}}{dt} \right| = \frac{1}{a}$$

# Circle of Curvature



The circle of curvature or **Osculating circle** at a point  $P$  on a plane curve where  $\kappa \neq 0$  is the circle in the plane of the curve that:

1. is tangent to the curve at  $P$
2. has the same curvature the curve has at  $P$
3. has center that lies towards the concave or inner side of the curve



# Radius of Curvature



The **radius of curvature** of the curve at  $P$  is the radius of the circle of curvature, i.e.  $\rho = 1/\kappa$

The **center of curvature** of the curve at  $P$  is the center of circle of curvature.

# Principle Unit Normal Vector N



1.  $\hat{T}$  has constant length implies  $\frac{d\hat{T}}{ds}$  is orthogonal to  $\hat{T}$

(how?)

2. Therefore if we divide  $\frac{d\hat{T}}{ds}$  by its length  $\kappa$  we obtain

a unit vector  $\hat{N}$  orthogonal to  $\hat{T}$  called principal Unit

$$\text{Normal vector } \hat{N} \Rightarrow \hat{N} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \frac{d\hat{T}}{ds} = \frac{d\hat{T} / ds}{\left| d\hat{T} / ds \right|} = \frac{d\hat{T} / dt}{\left| d\hat{T} / dt \right|}$$



# Principle Unit Normal Vector N



- The vector  $d\hat{T} / ds$  always points in the direction in which  $\hat{T}$  is turning.
- If we face in the direction of increasing arc length, then  $d\hat{T} / ds$  points:
  - (i) towards the right if  $\hat{T}$  turns clockwise,

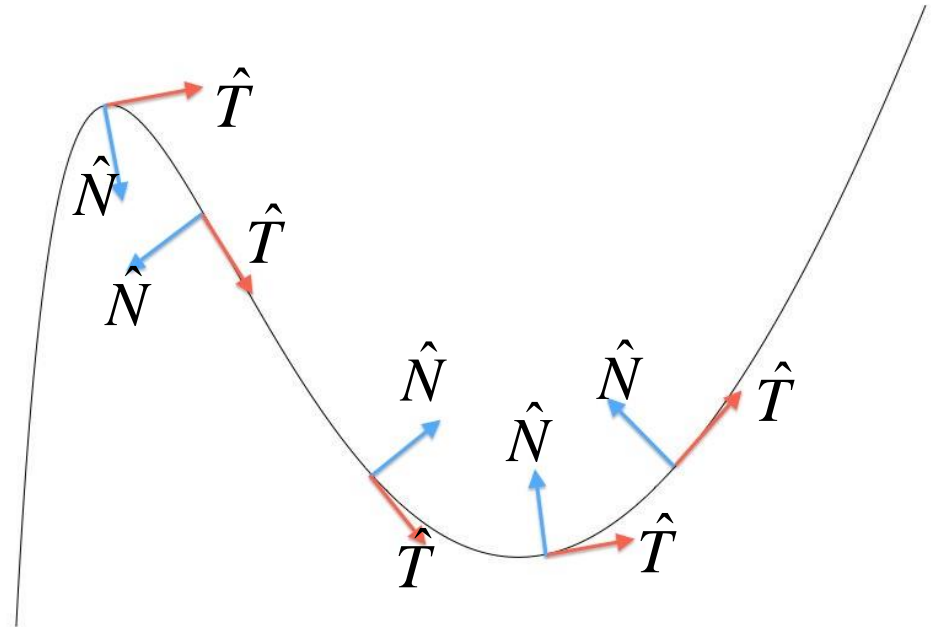
# Principle Unit Normal Vector N



(ii) towards the left if  $\hat{T}$  turns anti-clockwise.

Thus,  $\hat{N}$  will point towards the concave side of the curve.

$$\hat{N} \times \frac{d\hat{T}}{ds} = 0$$



# Principle Unit Normal Vector N



$$\text{Problem : } \vec{a}(t) = \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} \hat{T}(t) + \left( \frac{ds}{dt} \right)^2 \kappa(t) \hat{N}(t)$$

$$\vec{v}(t) = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \frac{ds}{dt} = \left( \frac{d\vec{r} / dt}{ds / dt} \right) \frac{ds}{dt} = \hat{T} \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$\text{as } |\vec{v}(t)| = \frac{ds}{dt}, \quad \hat{T} = \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|}$$

# Principle Unit Normal Vector N



$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \hat{T} \frac{ds}{dt} \right) = \hat{T} \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} + \frac{ds}{dt} \frac{d}{dt} (\hat{T}(t))$$

$$\text{But } \hat{N}(t) = \frac{1}{\kappa} \frac{d\hat{T}}{ds} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \frac{\frac{d\hat{T}}{dt}}{\frac{ds}{dt}}, \text{ hence } \frac{d\hat{T}}{dt} = \kappa |\vec{v}| \hat{N}$$

$$\vec{a}(t) = \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} \hat{T} + \kappa |\vec{v}|^2 \hat{N}.$$

# Principle Unit Normal Vector N



We write  $\vec{a}(t) = a_T \hat{T} + a_N \hat{N}$ ,

where

$$a_T = \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} = \frac{d}{dt} |\vec{v}|, \quad a_N = \kappa |\vec{v}|^2 \geq 0$$

are called tangential and normal  
components of acceleration.

# Principle Unit Normal Vector N



Problem : Prove  $\kappa(t) = |\vec{v} \times \vec{a}| / |\vec{v}|^3$

$$\vec{v}(t) = \frac{ds}{dt} \hat{T} \text{ and } \vec{a}(t) = \frac{d^2s}{dt^2} \hat{T}(t) + \left( \frac{ds}{dt} \right)^2 \kappa(t) \hat{N}(t)$$

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{a} = \frac{ds}{dt} \hat{T} \times \left( \frac{d^2s}{dt^2} \hat{T} + \left( \frac{ds}{dt} \right)^2 \kappa(t) \hat{N} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \kappa(t) = \frac{|\vec{v} \times \vec{a}|}{|\vec{v}|^3}$$

## Exercise 13.4



Q.4 Find  $\hat{T}$ ,  $\hat{N}$ ,  $\kappa$  for the plane curve

$$\vec{r}(t) = (\cos t + t \sin t)\hat{i} + (\sin t - t \cos t)\hat{j}, \quad t > 0$$

## Exercise 13.4



Q6. Show that curvature of a smooth curve

$$\vec{r}(t) = x(t)\hat{i} + y(t)\hat{j}$$

defined by a twice differentiable  
function  $x = x(t)$ ,  $y = y(t)$  is

$$K = \frac{|\dot{x}\ddot{y} - \ddot{x}\dot{y}|}{(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{3/2}}.$$



## Exercise 13.4



$$\text{Solution : } \vec{v} = \dot{x} \hat{i} + \dot{y} \hat{j},$$

$$\vec{a} = \ddot{x} \hat{i} + \ddot{y} \hat{j},$$

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{a} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \dot{x} & \dot{y} & 0 \\ \ddot{x} & \ddot{y} & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (\dot{x} \ddot{y} - \ddot{x} \dot{y}) \hat{k}$$

## Exercise 13.4



$$\Rightarrow |\vec{v} \times \vec{a}| = |\dot{x} \ddot{y} - \ddot{x} \dot{y}|$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}$$

$$\therefore K = \frac{|\vec{v} \times \vec{a}|}{|\vec{v}|^3} = \frac{|\dot{x} \ddot{y} - \ddot{x} \dot{y}|}{(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{3/2}}$$

## Exercise 13.4



**Q.7** For the plane curve  $y = f(x)$ , show that its curvature at the point  $(x, f(x))$  is:

$$K = \frac{|f''(x)|}{\left(1 + (f'(x))^2\right)^{3/2}}$$

## Exercise 13.4



$$\text{Solution : } \vec{r}(t) = x(t) \hat{i} + f(x(t)) \hat{j},$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}(t) = \dot{x} \hat{i} + \dot{x} f'(x) \hat{j},$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}(t) = \ddot{x} \hat{i} + \left( (\dot{x})^2 f''(x) + \ddot{x} f'(x) \right)$$

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{a} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \dot{x} & \dot{x} f'(x) & 0 \\ \ddot{x} & \left( (\dot{x})^2 f''(x) + \ddot{x} f'(x) \right) & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (\dot{x})^3 f''(x) \hat{k}$$

## Exercise 13.4



$$\Rightarrow |\vec{v} \times \vec{a}| = |(\dot{x})^3 f''(x)|$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{x}^2 (f'(x))^2}$$

$$\therefore K = \frac{|\vec{v} \times \vec{a}|}{|\vec{v}|^3} = \frac{|f''(x)|}{\left(1 + (f'(x))^2\right)^{3/2}}$$

## Exercise 13.4



**Q.17** Show that the parabola has its largest curvature at its vertex.

We have  $y = ax^2 = f(x)$ ,  $a > 0$

$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 2ax$  and  $f''(x) = 2a$

$$\therefore \kappa = \frac{|f''(x)|}{\left(1 + (f'(x))^2\right)^{3/2}} = \frac{|2a|}{\left(1 + 4a^2x^2\right)^{3/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\kappa}{dx} = \frac{-24|a|a^2x}{\left(1 + 4a^2x^2\right)^{5/2}} = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

## Exercise 13.4



$$\left. \frac{d^2 \kappa}{dx^2} \right|_{x=0} = -24|a|a^2 < 0$$

$\Rightarrow \kappa$  is maximum at  $x = 0$ , i.e. at vertex  $(0, 0)$

$$\kappa_{\max} = 2|a|$$

## Exercise 13.5



Prob. Write  $\vec{a}$  in the form  $\vec{a} = a_T \hat{T} + a_N \hat{N}$   
without finding  $\hat{T}$  and  $\hat{N}$  for  
 $\vec{r}(t) = (2t + 3)\hat{i} + (t^2 - 1)\hat{j}$ .



# Exercise 13.5



$$\text{Solution } a_T = \frac{d}{dt} |\vec{v}| = \frac{2t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}$$

$$\vec{a} = 2 \hat{j} \Rightarrow |\vec{a}| = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_N = \sqrt{|\vec{a}|^2 - a_T^2} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}$$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{2t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} \hat{T} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} \hat{N}$$

# Binormal Vector



The binormal vector of a curve in space is

$$\hat{B} = \hat{T} \times \hat{N}$$

which is a unit vector orthogonal to both  $\hat{T}$  and  $\hat{N}$ .

# Serret-Frenet Frame



The vectors  $\hat{T}, \hat{N}, \hat{B}$  form a right-handed frame naturally (or intrinsically) associated to the curve which moves from point to point. This exists at a point  $P$  when the *curvature* at that point is nonzero.

**Co-ordinate planes in Serret-Frenet frame:**

**Osculating plane at  $P$  :** plane through  $P$  spanned by  $\hat{T}$  and  $\hat{N}$  (normal to vector  $\hat{B}$ )

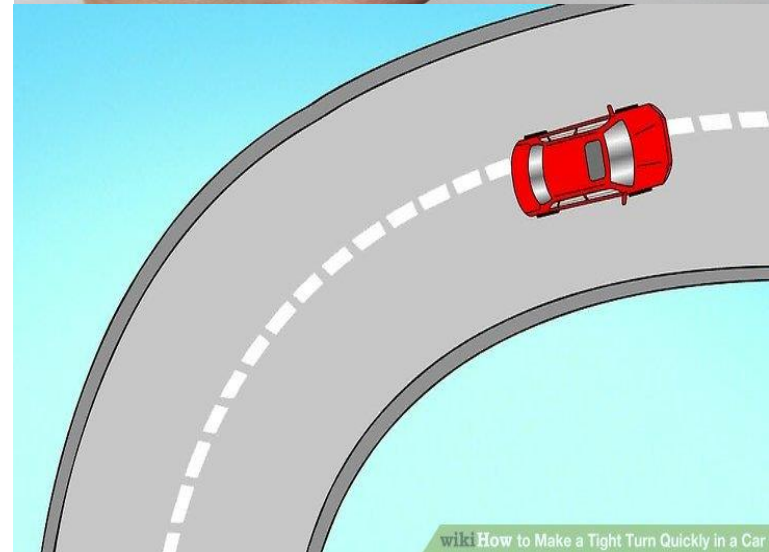
**Normal plane :** spanned by  $\hat{N}$  and  $\hat{B}$

**Rectifying plane :** spanned by  $\hat{T}$  and  $\hat{B}$ .

# Torsion



Torsion : We define torque as the capability of rotating objects around a fixed axis. Or how much a vehicle's path rotates or twists out of its plane of motion as the vehicle moves along it.



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# Torsion



Geometric significance of  $\tau$  :

$$\hat{B} = \hat{T} \times \hat{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\hat{B}}{ds} = \frac{d\hat{T}}{ds} \times \hat{N} + \hat{T} \times \frac{d\hat{N}}{ds}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\hat{B}}{ds} = \hat{T} \times \frac{d\hat{N}}{ds}$$

# Torsion



$\Rightarrow \frac{d\hat{B}}{ds}$  is orthogonal to  $\hat{T}$

$\therefore \frac{d\hat{B}}{ds}$  is orthogonal to  $\hat{B}$  (WHY ?)

Hence  $\frac{d\hat{B}}{ds}$  is orthogonal to the plane

of  $\hat{B}$  &  $\hat{T} \Rightarrow \frac{d\hat{B}}{ds}$  is parallel to  $\hat{N}$

# Torsion



$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\hat{B}}{ds} = -\tau \hat{N}, \quad \text{where the}$$

scalar  $\tau$  is called Torsion along the curve.

(minus sign is a convention which we have to follow)

$$\therefore \frac{d\hat{B}}{ds} \cdot \hat{N} = -\tau \hat{N} \cdot \hat{N} = -\tau.$$

# Torsion



## A Computational formula for Torsion

$$\tau = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \dot{x} & \dot{y} & \dot{z} \\ \ddot{x} & \ddot{y} & \ddot{z} \\ \dddot{x} & \dddot{y} & \dddot{z} \end{vmatrix}}{|\vec{v} \times \vec{a}|^2}, \quad |\vec{v} \times \vec{a}| \neq 0.$$



## Exercise 13.5



Q. Determine  $\hat{T}$ ,  $\hat{N}$ ,  $\hat{B}$ ,  $\kappa$  and  $\tau$   
for the curve given by

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

at the point  $t = \pi/2$ .

## Exercise 13.5



$$\text{Solution : } \vec{v}(t) = \cos t \hat{i} - \sqrt{2} \sin t \hat{j} + \cos t \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{v}(t)| = \sqrt{2}, \quad \hat{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{v}(t)}{|\vec{v}(t)|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{T}(t) = \frac{[\cos t \hat{i} - \sqrt{2} \sin t \hat{j} + \cos t \hat{k}]}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\hat{T}(\pi / 2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-\sqrt{2} \hat{j}) = -\hat{j}$$

## Exercise 13.5



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

$$\left| \frac{d\hat{T}(t)}{dt} \right| = 1 \Rightarrow \kappa = \frac{1}{|\vec{v}(t)|} \left| \frac{d\hat{T}(t)}{dt} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ (Constant)}$$

$$\hat{N}(t) = \frac{1}{\kappa |\vec{v}(t)|} \frac{d\hat{T}(t)}{dt} = \frac{(-\sin t \hat{i} - \sqrt{2} \cos t \hat{j} - \sin t \hat{k})}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\hat{N}(\pi / 2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-\hat{i} - \hat{k})$$

# Exercise 13.5



$$\hat{B}(t) = \hat{T}(t) \times \hat{N}(t) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\cos t}{\sqrt{2}} & -\sin t & \frac{\cos t}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\sin t & -\cos t & \frac{-\sin t}{\sqrt{2}} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{i} - \hat{k})$$

$$\hat{B}(\pi / 2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{i} - \hat{k})$$

## Exercise 13.5



$$\tau = -\frac{d\hat{B}}{ds} \cdot \hat{N} = \frac{-1}{|\vec{v}(t)|} \frac{d\hat{B}}{dt} \cdot \hat{N} = 0$$

Since  $\hat{B}$  is a constant function.

Hence  $\tau$  is zero throughout.

What does it mean for torsion to be zero for all time? Study Q.25

## Exercise 13.5



Plane through point  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$

for which vector  $A\hat{i} + B\hat{j} + C\hat{k}$

is normal vector is

$$A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0$$

## Exercise 13.5



Parametric equation of line through point  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  that is parallel to

vector  $A\hat{i} + B\hat{j} + C\hat{k}$  is

$$x = x_0 + tA,$$

$$y = y_0 + tB,$$

$$z = z_0 + tC, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

## Exercise 13.5



Q.7 Find  $\hat{T}$ ,  $\hat{N}$  and  $\hat{B}$  at  $t = \pi / 4$  for

$$\vec{r}(t) = (\cos t)\hat{i} + (\sin t)\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

Then find equations for osculating, normal and rectifying planes at  $t = \pi / 4$



## Exercise 13.5



Solution :  $\vec{v}(t) = (-\sin t)\hat{i} + (\cos t)\hat{j}$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{v}(t)}{|\vec{v}(t)|} = (-\sin t)\hat{i} + (\cos t)\hat{j} \Rightarrow \hat{T}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{i} + \hat{j})$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{N}(t) = \frac{\frac{d\hat{T}}{dt}}{\left|\frac{d\hat{T}}{dt}\right|} = (-\cos t)\hat{i} - (\sin t)\hat{j} \Rightarrow \hat{N}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{i} + \hat{j})$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{B}(t) = \hat{T}(t) \times \hat{N}(t) = \hat{k} \Rightarrow \hat{B}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \hat{k};$$

## Exercise 13.5



$$\vec{r}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j} - \hat{k} \Rightarrow P\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, -1\right)$$

lies on the osculating plane and  $\hat{B} = \hat{k}$  is perpendicular to osculating plane.

Therefore equation of osculating plane

$$\Rightarrow 0\left(x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + 0\left(y - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + (z - (-1)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow z + 1 = 0$$

# Exercise 13.5



Equation of Normal plane :

$\hat{T} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{i} + \hat{j})$  is perpendicular to Normal plane.

Therefore equation of Normal plane

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(y - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + 0 \cdot (z - (-1)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x - y = 0$$

## Exercise 13.5



Equation of Rectifying plane :

$\hat{N} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{i} + \hat{j})$  is perpendicular to Rectifying plane.

Therefore equation of Rectifying plane

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

$$\Rightarrow x + y = \sqrt{2}$$

## Exercise 13.5



Q. Find the parametric equation of the tangent line & equation of normal plane to the curve given as

$$\vec{r}(t) = (t + \sin t)\hat{i} + (1 - \cos t)\hat{j} + \frac{\sin t}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{k}$$

$$\text{at } t = \pi / 2$$

# Motion in Polar Coordinates



When a particle moves along a curve in the polar coordinate plane, we express its **position**, **velocity** and **acceleration** in the terms of unit vectors  $\hat{u}_r$  and  $\hat{u}_\theta$ .

$\hat{u}_r$ : A unit vector that points along the position vector (radial direction),  $OP$  hence

$$\hat{u}_r = \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|} = \frac{\vec{r}}{r}$$

# Motion in Polar Coordinates



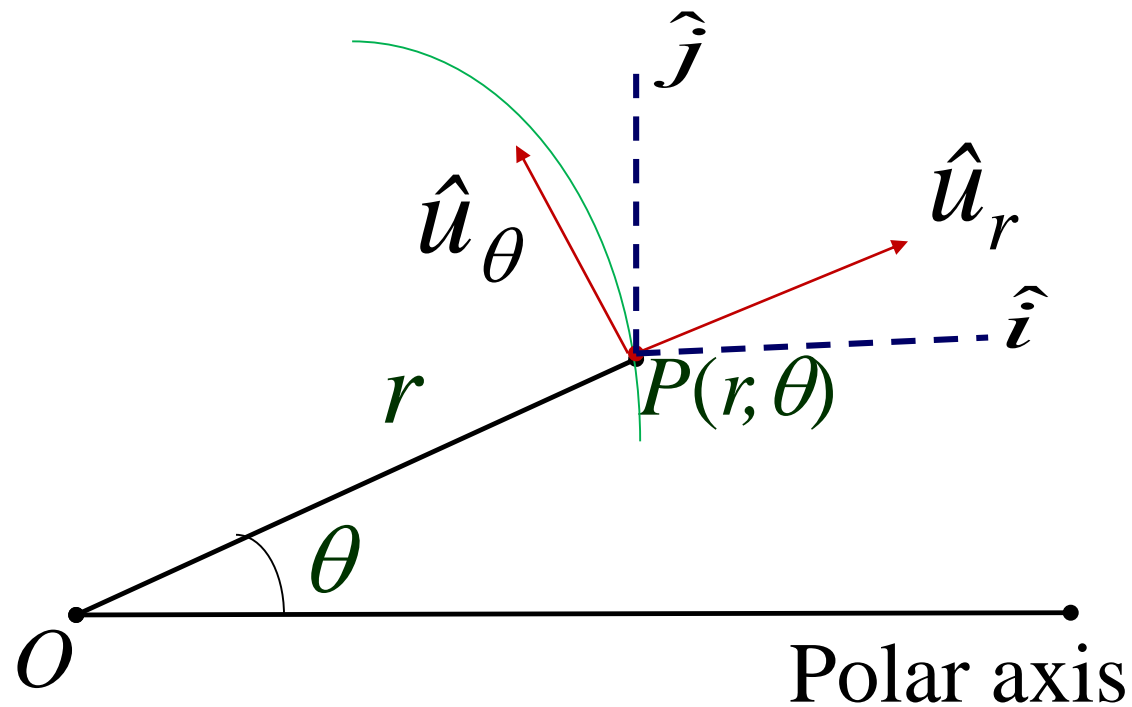
$\hat{u}_\theta$ : A unit vector, normal to  $\hat{u}_r$  (obtained by rotating  $\hat{u}_r$  anticlockwise  $\pi/2$ ) that points in the direction of increasing  $\theta$   
 $r$ : length of  $\vec{r}$  which is the positive polar coordinate  $r$  of the point  $P(r, \theta)$ .

$$\hat{u}_r = \cos\theta \hat{i} + \sin\theta \hat{j}$$

$$\hat{u}_\theta = \cos(\pi/2 + \theta) \hat{i} + \sin(\pi/2 + \theta) \hat{j}$$

$$\hat{u}_\theta = \sin\theta \hat{i} + \cos\theta \hat{j}$$

# Motion in Polar Coordinates





# Motion in Polar Coordinates



$$\frac{d\hat{u}_r}{d\theta} = -\sin \theta \hat{i} + \cos \theta \hat{j} = \hat{u}_\theta$$

$$\frac{d\hat{u}_\theta}{d\theta} = -\cos \theta \hat{i} - \sin \theta \hat{j} = -\hat{u}_r$$

distinguish between  $r$  and  $\vec{r}$

# Velocity for Motion in Polar Coordinates



$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}(t) &= \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(r\hat{u}_r) = \frac{dr}{dt}\hat{u}_r + r\frac{d\hat{u}_r}{dt} \\ &= \frac{dr}{dt}\hat{u}_r + r\frac{d\hat{u}_r}{d\theta}\frac{d\theta}{dt} \\ &= \frac{dr}{dt}\hat{u}_r + r\left(\frac{d\theta}{dt}\right)\hat{u}_\theta \\ &= \dot{r}\hat{u}_r + r\dot{\theta}\hat{u}_\theta\end{aligned}$$

# Acceleration for Motion in Polar Coordinates



$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a}(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} \vec{v}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \\&= \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{dr}{dt} \hat{u}_r \right) + \frac{d}{dt} \left[ r \left( \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) \hat{u}_\theta \right] \\ \Rightarrow \vec{a}(t) &= \frac{d^2 r}{dt^2} \hat{u}_r + \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\hat{u}_r}{dt} \\&\quad + \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{u}_\theta + r \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) \hat{u}_\theta + r \left( \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) \left( \frac{d\hat{u}_\theta}{dt} \right)\end{aligned}$$

# Acceleration for Motion in Polar Coordinates



$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \vec{a}(t) &= \frac{d^2 r}{dt^2} \hat{u}_r + \frac{dr}{dt} \hat{u}_\theta \frac{d\theta}{dt} \\ &+ \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{u}_\theta + r \frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} \hat{u}_\theta \\ &+ r \left( \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) - \hat{u}_r \left( \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)\end{aligned}$$

# Acceleration for Motion in Polar Coordinates



$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a}(t) &= \left[ \frac{d^2 r}{dt^2} - r \left( \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)^2 \right] \hat{u}_r \\ &\quad + \left( 2 \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} + r \frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} \right) \hat{u}_\theta \\ &= (\ddot{r} - r\dot{\theta}^2) \hat{u}_r + (2\dot{r}\dot{\theta} + r\ddot{\theta}) \hat{u}_\theta\end{aligned}$$

# Cylindrical Coordinates

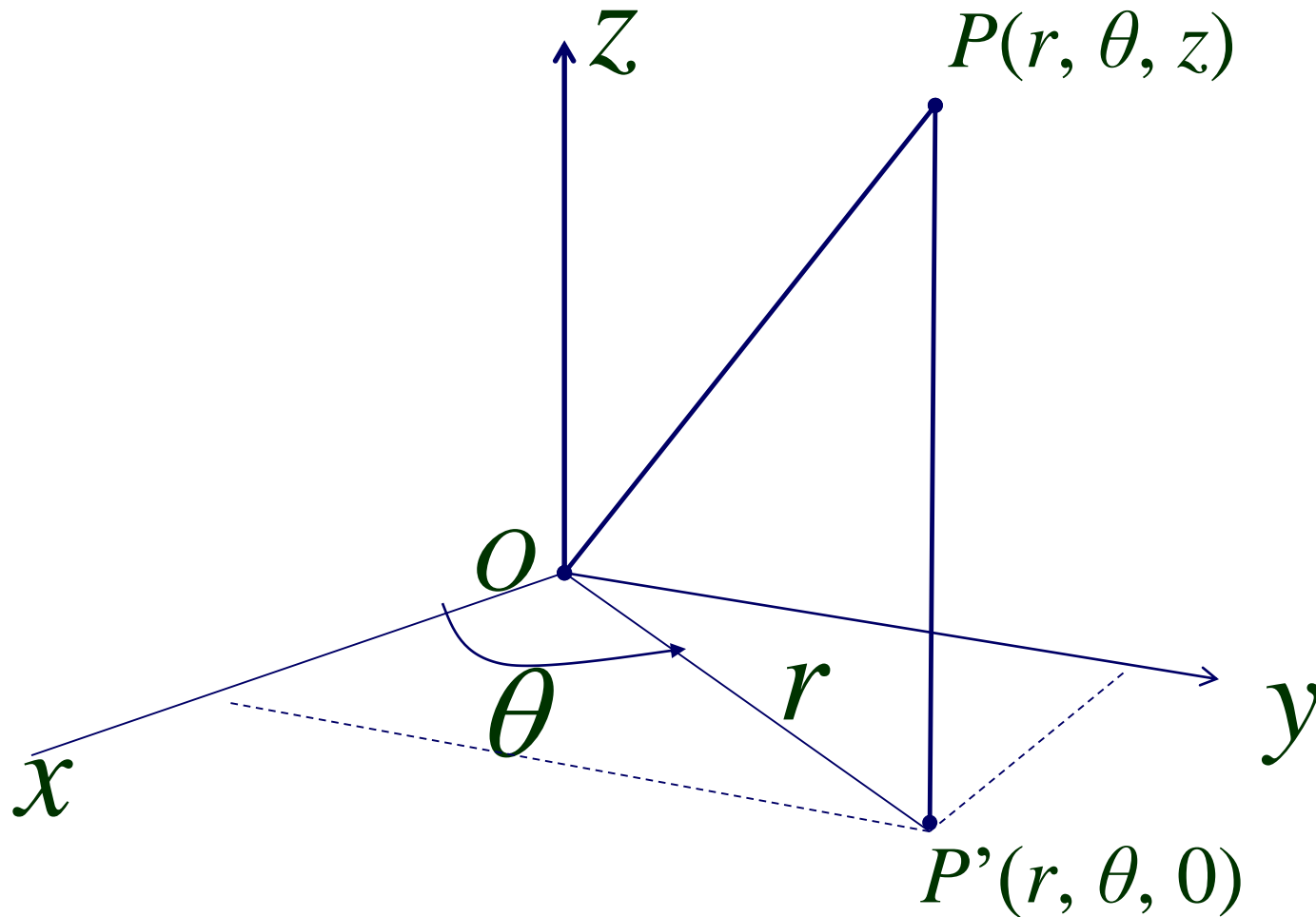


We obtain cylindrical coordinates of space by combining polar coordinates in  $r\theta$  – plane with the usual  $z$  – axis, in  $(r, \theta, z)$ .

$r$  and  $\theta$  are polar co-ordinates of the projection of  $P$  onto the  $r\theta$  – plane.

$z$  : the directed distance from the  $r\theta$  – plane to the point  $P$ .

# Cylindrical Coordinates



# Cylindrical Coordinates



Equations relating Rectangular  $(x, y, z)$   
and Cylindrical  $(r, \theta, z)$  coordinates

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta, \quad z = z$$

$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2, \quad \tan \theta = y/x$$



# Motion in Cylindrical Coordinates



$$\hat{u}_r \times \hat{u}_\theta = \hat{k},$$

$$\hat{u}_\theta \times \hat{k} = \hat{u}_r,$$

$$\hat{k} \times \hat{u}_r = \hat{u}_\theta,$$

$$\vec{r} = r\hat{u}_r + z\hat{k}$$

$\Rightarrow (\hat{u}_r, \hat{u}_\theta, \hat{k})$  is right handed orthogonal frame of unit vectors.

# Motion in Cylindrical Coordinates



$$\vec{v}(t) = \dot{r}\hat{u}_r + r\dot{\theta}\hat{u}_\theta + \dot{z}\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}(t) = (\ddot{r} - r\dot{\theta}^2)\hat{u}_r + (2\dot{r}\dot{\theta} + r\ddot{\theta})\hat{u}_\theta + \ddot{z}\hat{k}$$

# Motion in Cylindrical Coordinates

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Q. Express velocity and acceleration  
in polar coordinate if

$$r = a(1 - \cos \theta), \quad \frac{d\theta}{dt} = 3.$$

**THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR PATIENCE !!!**