

CROSS PRODUCT (Section 11.2)Given two vectors  $U, V \in \mathbb{R}^3$ Definition:  $W := U \times V$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with the following properties:

①  $W \perp U \Rightarrow (U \times V) \cdot U = 0$

Remark: The fact that two vectors  $\vec{V}_1$  and  $\vec{V}_2$  are  $\perp$  means:

① angle between  $\vec{V}_1$  and  $\vec{V}_2$  is  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

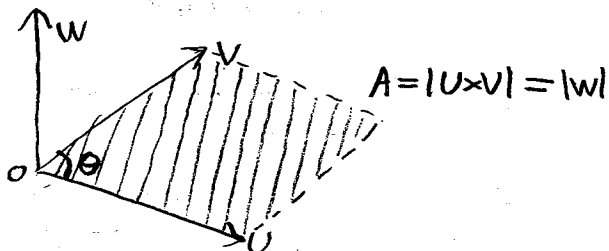
②  $\vec{V}_1 \cdot \vec{V}_2 = 0$

②  $W \perp V \Rightarrow (U \times V) \cdot V = 0$

③  $\{W, U, V\}$  form a right-hand triad  $\Rightarrow (U \times V) = -(V \times U)$

④  $|W| = |U||V|\sin\theta$

⑤ if  $U \parallel V \Rightarrow U \times V = 0$



$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{i} &= (1, 0, 0) \\ \mathbf{j} &= (0, 1, 0) \\ \mathbf{k} &= (0, 0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$V_1 = (x_1, y_1, z_1), V_2 = (x_2, y_2, z_2) \Rightarrow V_1 \times V_2 = \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ x_1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & z_2 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$= \mathbf{i} \det \begin{pmatrix} y_1 & z_1 \\ y_2 & z_2 \end{pmatrix} - \mathbf{j} \det \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & z_1 \\ x_2 & z_2 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbf{k} \det \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$= \mathbf{i}(y_1 z_2 - z_1 y_2) - \mathbf{j}(x_1 z_2 - z_1 x_2) + \mathbf{k}(x_1 y_2 - y_1 x_2) = (y_1 z_2 - z_1 y_2, z_1 x_2 - x_1 z_2, x_1 y_2 - y_1 x_2)$$

Exercise: Assume we have a particle moving in the space. At the time  $t=0$  the particle is at the position  $\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} = (1, 3, 0)$ 

The particle moves following the law:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}(t) \times 2\vec{i} & \vec{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t)) \\ \vec{r}(0) = \mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} \end{cases}$$

Find  $\vec{r}(t)$ .

$$\vec{r}(t) \times \vec{i} = \begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ z(t) \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y(t) \cdot 0 - z(t) \cdot 0 \\ -x(t) \cdot 0 + z(t) \cdot 1 \\ x(t) \cdot 0 - y(t) \cdot 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ z(t) \\ -y(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ z(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ z(t) \\ -y(t) \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} x(t) = 0 \\ \frac{d}{dt} y(t) = 2z(t) \\ \frac{d}{dt} z(t) = -2y(t) \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{initial} \\ \text{values} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} x(0) = 1 \\ y(0) = 3 \\ z(0) = 0 \end{matrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x(t) = \text{const since } x(0) = 1 \\ \Rightarrow x(t) = 1 \text{ for all } t \geq 0. \\ \downarrow \\ \text{particle will move on} \\ \text{the plane } x = 1 \end{cases}$$

Solve:  $\begin{cases} y' = 2z \\ z' = -2y \end{cases} \Rightarrow$  derive with respect to the time the second equation:  $z'' = 2y' = -2(2z) = -4z$   
 $\uparrow$   
 substitute 1st equation.

Solve:  $\boxed{z'' + 4z = 0} \rightarrow$  characteristic polynomial  $\lambda^2 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 2i$   
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{z(t) = c_1 \cos(2t) + c_2 \sin(2t)}$

Try to solve the equation for  $y(t)$ :  $y'(t) = 2(c_1 \cos(2t) + c_2 \sin(2t)) \Rightarrow$   
 $= 2c_1 \cos(2t) + 2c_2 \sin(2t)$

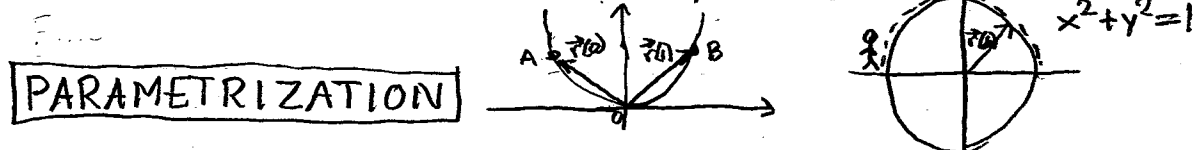
$\Rightarrow y(t) = c_1 \sin(2t) - c_2 \cos(2t)$

Last step: Compute  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  using  $y(0) = 3$   
 $z(0) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} z(0) &= c_1 \cos(0) + c_2 \sin(0) = c_1 \Rightarrow c_1 = 0 \\ y(0) &= c_1 \sin(0) - c_2 \cos(0) = -c_2 \Rightarrow c_2 = -3 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y(t) = 3 \cos(2t) \\ z(t) = -3 \sin(2t) \end{cases}$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \cos(2t) \\ -3 \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Given a curve and two points on this curve, how can we compute the distance between these two points?



## PARAMETRIZATION

Find a parameter  $t$  that allows you to describe the curve in the following form:

$$t \rightarrow (x(t), y(t)) \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ or } t \rightarrow (x(t), y(t), z(t)) \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^3$$

Example #1: parabola  $y = x^2$ . Write  $y = x^2$  in parametrized form.

$$t \rightarrow (x(t), y(t))$$

try #1:  $t = x \Rightarrow t \mapsto (t, t^2) \quad t \in (-\infty, \infty)$

$\vec{r}(t) = (t, t^2)$  for  $-\infty < t < +\infty$  describes the parabola  $y = x^2$

try #2:  $t = 5x$ ,  $\vec{r}(t) = \left(\frac{t}{5}, \left(\frac{t}{5}\right)^2\right)$

Example #2:  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ , parametrize

try #1:  $x = t \Rightarrow t \mapsto (t, \pm \sqrt{1-t^2})$  NOT a function, not working!

try #5:  $t = \arctan(\frac{y}{x}) \Rightarrow t \mapsto (\cos(t), \sin(t)) \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

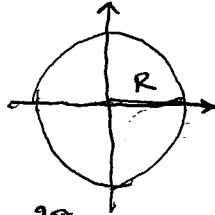
Given a curve  $t \rightarrow \vec{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$   
 and two points on the curve  $\vec{r}(t_1), \vec{r}(t_2)$

Def: The length of the curve between  $\vec{r}(t_1)$  and  $\vec{r}(t_2)$  is:

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} |\vec{r}'(t)| dt$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = (R \cos(t), R \sin(t)), \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = (-R \sin(t), R \cos(t))$$



length of the circle:  $\int_0^{2\pi} |\vec{r}'(t)| dt = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{R^2 \sin^2(t) + R^2 \cos^2(t)} dt$

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

Curve is the intersection between:  $\begin{cases} x+y=1, & y=1-x \\ z=x^2+y^2 & z=x^2+(1-x)^2 \end{cases}$

Find the parametrization:  $t \rightarrow (x(t), y(t), z(t))$

try #1:  $t=x \quad t \rightarrow (t, 1-t, t^2+(1-t)^2)$

#2:  $t=y \quad t \rightarrow (1-t, t, t^2+(1-t)^2)$

#3:  $t=z \quad t \rightarrow (\cancel{X}, \cancel{X}, t)$  Not working!

$$\begin{cases} x+2y+2z=4 \\ x^2+4y^2=4 \end{cases} \quad t \rightarrow (2 \cos(t), \sin(t), \frac{1}{2}(4-2 \cos(t)-2 \sin(t)))$$

$$4 \cos^2(t) + 4 \sin^2(t) = 4$$

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