

1 Review

In the following we will assume V to be a 3-dimensional vector space.

- **Vector valued function** is a map from subset of \mathbb{R} to V . In general, they can be expressed as $\mathbf{r}(t) = (r_1(t), r_2(t), r_3(t))$
- **Limit** for vector valued function is evaluated componentwise, concepts in single variable calculus generalize.
- The **tangent vector** is defined by $\mathbf{T}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{r}'(t)}{|\mathbf{r}'(t)|}$, which is the vector pointing *along* the curve.
- The **normal vector** for a curve is defined by $\mathbf{N}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{T}'(t)}{|\mathbf{T}'(t)|}$, which is *perpendicular* to the tangent vector.
- **Integrals** for vector function is defined by integration *componentwise*.
- **Arc length**: The length of a curve over the given interval of t . We can derive the equation as follows:

1. Classically, separation of two points in space is given by the Pythagoras formula $\Delta s = \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2 + \Delta z^2}$.
2. The length over a curve is approximated by $\sum_{i=1}^n \Delta s_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\Delta s_i}{\Delta t} \Delta t$.
3. Taking limit,

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{[r'_1(t)]^2 + [r'_2(t)]^2 + [r'_3(t)]^2} dt.$$

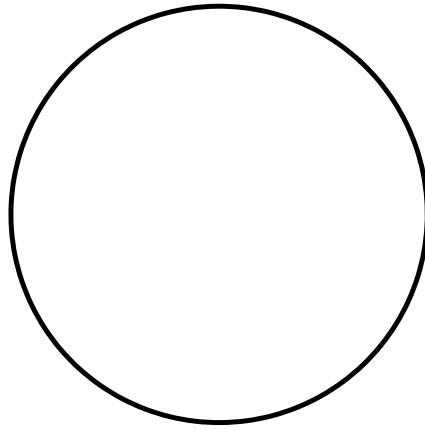
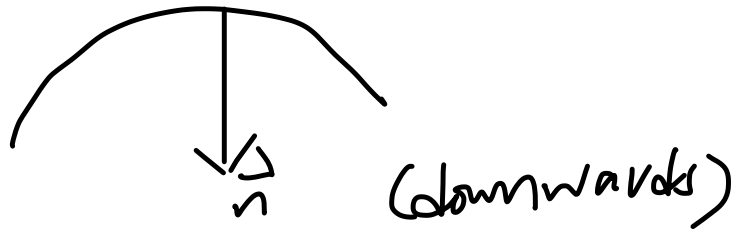
- The **curvature** of the curve is defined by $\kappa = \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{ds} \right|$, where s is the arc length function of the curve.

An alternative expression for curvature is

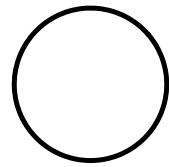
$$\kappa = \frac{|\mathbf{r}'(t) \times \mathbf{r}''(t)|}{|\mathbf{r}'(t)|^3}$$

- The **arc length parametrization** is a parametrization of a curve in which $|\mathbf{r}'(s)| = 1$.
- Definition for vector value function provided a way for us to apply Newton's second law in 3D, namely $\mathbf{F}(t) = m\mathbf{r}''(t)$.

Normal vector def:



less curved



More curved

$$\frac{d\vec{r}(t)}{ds} = \frac{d\vec{r}(t)}{dt} / \frac{ds}{dt}$$

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

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speed = speed

$$\hat{r} = 1$$

$$F=ma$$

$$\vec{F} = m \vec{r}''(t)$$

2 Problems

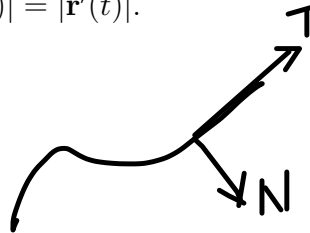
1. True or False

(a) If $|\mathbf{r}(t)| = 1$ for all t , then $|\mathbf{r}'(t)|$ is a constant.

(b) If $|\mathbf{r}(t)| = 1$ for all t , then $\mathbf{r}'(t)$ is orthogonal to $\mathbf{r}(t)$ for all t .

(c) If $\mathbf{u}(t)$ and $\mathbf{v}(t)$ are differentiable vector-valued function, then $\frac{d}{dt}[\mathbf{u}(t) \times \mathbf{v}(t)] = \mathbf{u}'(t) \times \mathbf{v}(t) + \mathbf{u}(t) \times \mathbf{v}'(t)$.

(d) If $\mathbf{r}(t)$ is differentiable, then $\frac{d}{dt}|\mathbf{r}(t)| = |\mathbf{r}'(t)|$.



2. Prove that $\mathbf{T} \perp \mathbf{N}$.

3. Show that the curvature κ is related to the tangent and normal vectors by the equation $\frac{d\mathbf{T}}{ds} = \kappa\mathbf{N}$.

4. Find the length of the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = (2t^{3/2}, \cos 2t, \sin 2t)$ for $0 \leq t \leq 1$.

5. Show that if $|\mathbf{r}'(t)| = C$, then $\mathbf{r}'(t) \perp \mathbf{r}''(t)$.

1a).

(a) If $|\mathbf{r}(t)| = 1$ for all t , then $|\mathbf{r}'(t)|$ is a constant.

False.

Counter example: $\vec{r}(t) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}, 0, \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} \right)$

$$|\vec{r}(t)| = 1$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \left(-\frac{t}{(1+t^2)^{3/2}}, 0, \frac{1}{(1+t^2)^{3/2}} \right)$$

$$|\vec{r}'(t)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}$$

(b) If $|\mathbf{r}(t)| = 1$ for all t , then $\mathbf{r}'(t)$ is orthogonal to $\mathbf{r}(t)$ for all t .

True.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} (1) = 0$$

$$\vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) + \vec{r}'(t) \cdot \vec{r}(t) = 0$$

$$2 \vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) = 0$$

$$\vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) = 0.$$

(c) If $\mathbf{u}(t)$ and $\mathbf{v}(t)$ are differentiable vector-valued function, then $\frac{d}{dt}[\mathbf{u}(t) \times \mathbf{v}(t)] = \mathbf{u}'(t) \times \mathbf{v}(t) + \mathbf{u}(t) \times \mathbf{v}'(t)$.

True.
$$[\vec{u}(t) \times \vec{v}(t)]_x = u_y v_z - u_z v_y$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [m_y v_z - m_z v_y] = m'_y v_z - m'_z v_y + m_y v'_z - m_z v'_y$$

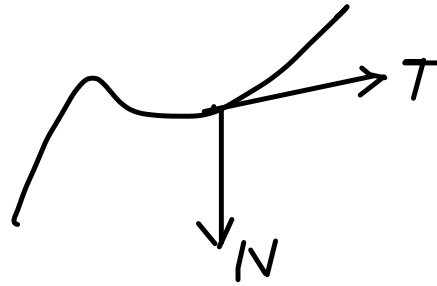
$$= [m'(t) \times v(t) + m(t) \times v'(t)]_x$$

(d) If $\mathbf{r}(t)$ is differentiable, then $\frac{d}{dt}|\mathbf{r}(t)| = |\mathbf{r}'(t)|$.

Counter-example: part (a)

2. Prove that $\mathbf{T} \perp \mathbf{N}$.

$$\vec{T} = \frac{\mathbf{r}'(x)}{|\mathbf{r}'(x)|} \Rightarrow |\vec{T}| = 1$$



$$\vec{T} \cdot \vec{T} = 1$$

$$\vec{T} \cdot \frac{d\vec{T}}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{T} \cdot \vec{T}' = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{T} \cdot \frac{\vec{T}'}{|\vec{T}'|} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{T} \cdot \vec{N} = 0$$

$$\text{def. of } \vec{N} = \frac{\vec{T}'}{|\vec{T}'|}$$

3. Show that the curvature κ is related to the tangent and normal vectors by the equation $\frac{d\vec{T}}{ds} = \kappa\vec{N}$.

$$\frac{d\vec{T}}{ds} = \frac{\frac{d\vec{T}}{dt}}{\frac{ds}{dt}} = \frac{\vec{T}'}{\frac{ds}{dt}} \Rightarrow \text{parallel to } \vec{N}$$

↑ chain rule by def.

4. Find the length of the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = (2t^{3/2}, \cos 2t, \sin 2t)$ for $0 \leq t \leq 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}'(t) &= (3t^{1/2}, -2\sin 2t, 2\cos 2t) \\ \text{length} &= \int_0^1 \sqrt{9t + (-2\sin 2t)^2 + (2\cos 2t)^2} dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \sqrt{9t + 4} dt \\ \text{let } u &= 9t + 4, du = 9dt, dt = \frac{1}{9}du\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}& \frac{1}{9} \int_4^{13} \sqrt{u} du \\ &= \frac{1}{9} \left[\frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right]_4^{13} \\ &= \frac{2}{27} \left[(13)^{3/2} - 8 \right]\end{aligned}$$

6. Find the tangential and normal component of $\mathbf{r}(t) = \cos t \mathbf{i} + \sin t \mathbf{j} + t \mathbf{k}$.

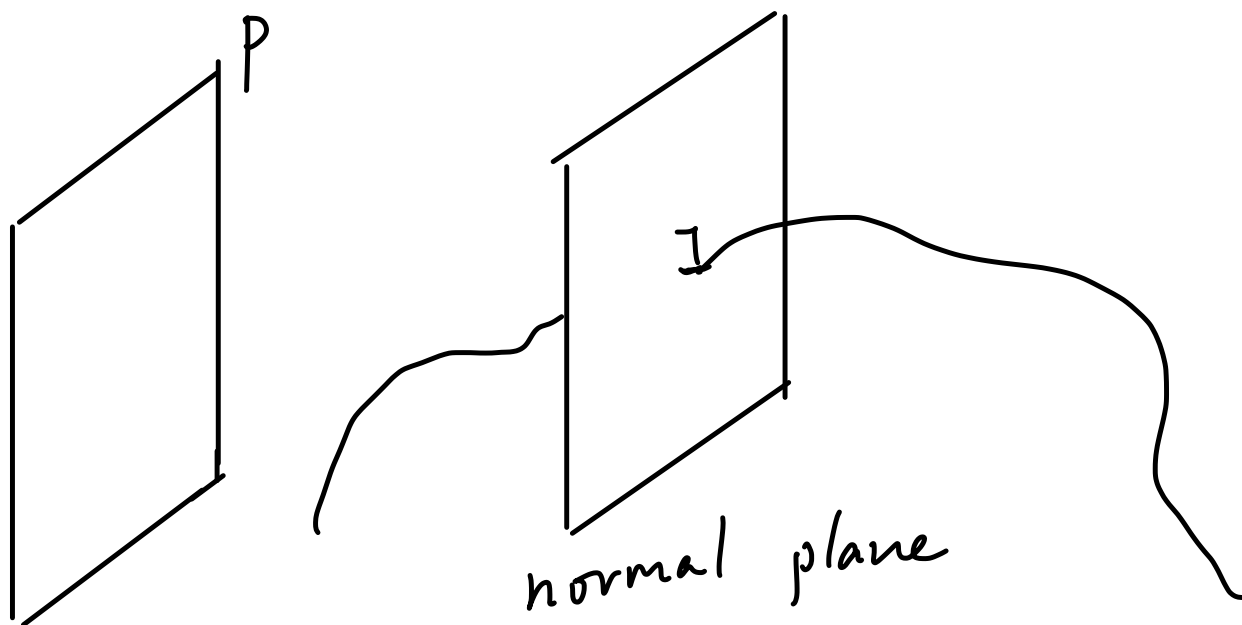
$$\vec{r}'(t) = (-\sin t, \cos t, 1)$$

$$\vec{r}''(t) = (-\cos t, -\sin t, 0)$$

$$\vec{T} = \frac{(-\sin t, \cos t, 1)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{N} &= \frac{(-\cos t, -\sin t, 0)}{1/\sqrt{2}} \\ &= (-\cos t, -\sin t, 0)\end{aligned}$$

7. At what point on a curve C is the normal plane parallel to the plane P ?



Given P , we know normal vector \vec{n} . What to find:

$$\text{Solve } \vec{T}(t) = \vec{n} \quad / \quad \vec{n} \parallel \vec{r}'(t)$$

8. Show that $\frac{d}{dt}|\mathbf{r}(t)| = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}(t)|} \mathbf{r}(t) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t)$.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}|\mathbf{r}(t)| &= \frac{d}{dt} \sqrt{x(t)^2 + y(t)^2 + z(t)^2} \\&= \frac{x(t)x'(t) + y(t)y'(t) + z(t)z'(t)}{|\vec{r}(t)|} \\&= \frac{\vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}'(t)}{|\vec{r}(t)|}\end{aligned}$$

9. Find the arc length parametrization of the curve $C : (2t^{3/2}, \cos 2t, \sin 2t)$.

Goal: Find t in term of s :

$$s(t) = L(t) = \int_0^t \sqrt{9t+4} \, dt$$

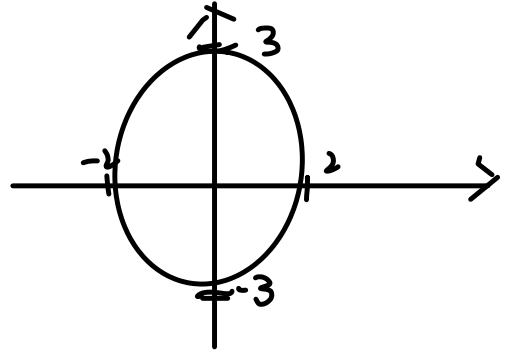
$$s(t) = \frac{2}{27} (9t+4)^{3/2} - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{1}{9} \left[\left(\frac{27}{2} s + 4 \right)^{2/3} - 4 \right]$$

$$\frac{dt}{ds} = 1.$$

10. Find the curvature expression of the curve $C: \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$.

→ 先 parametrization



$$\vec{r}(t) = (2\cos t, 3\sin t, 0)$$

$$s(t) = \int_0^t \sqrt{(-2\sin t)^2 + (3\cos t)^2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^t \sqrt{5 + 4\sin^2 t} dt \quad \leftarrow \text{無得 in, 所以要用另一條 formula}$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = (2\cos t, 3\sin t, 0)$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = (-2\sin t, 3\cos t, 0)$$

$$\vec{r}''(t) = (-2\cos t, -3\sin t, 0)$$

$$\frac{\|\vec{r}'(t) \times \vec{r}''(t)\|}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|^3} = \frac{\|(0, 0, 6\sin^2 t + 6\cos^2 t)\|}{(\sqrt{4\sin^2 t + 9\cos^2 t})^3}$$

$$= \frac{6}{(4 + 5\cos^2 t)^{3/2}}$$

所以係 $t=0$ 是 less curved, $t=\frac{\pi}{2}$ 最 curved

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