



第七节 空间曲线的曲率与挠率

- Frenet 标架
- 曲率
- 挠率

习题5.7

(A) 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10

(B) 4



若曲线 Γ 参数方程为: $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t)), (\alpha \leq t \leq \beta)$

设 $\vec{\dot{r}}(t) = (\dot{x}(t), \dot{y}(t), \dot{z}(t))$ 连续, 且 $\vec{\dot{r}}(t) \neq \vec{0}$
$$\begin{cases} x = x(t) \\ y = y(t), \\ z = z(t) \end{cases}$$

曲线长度 $s = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{x'^2(t) + y'^2(t) + z'^2(t)} dt.$

弧长函数 $s = s(t) = \int_{\alpha}^t \sqrt{x'^2(\tau) + y'^2(\tau) + z'^2(\tau)} d\tau.$

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2(t) + \dot{y}^2(t) + \dot{z}^2(t)} = \|\dot{r}(t)\| > 0$$

弧长函数单调, 存在反函数 $t = t(s)$

曲线 Γ 方程可写为: $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(t(s)),$ s 称为自然参数.

Γ 的自然参数方程为: $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(s) = (x(s), y(s), z(s)), (c \leq s \leq d)$

自然参数: 以弧长为曲线方程的参数则称为自然参数, 这时方程称为自然参数方程.

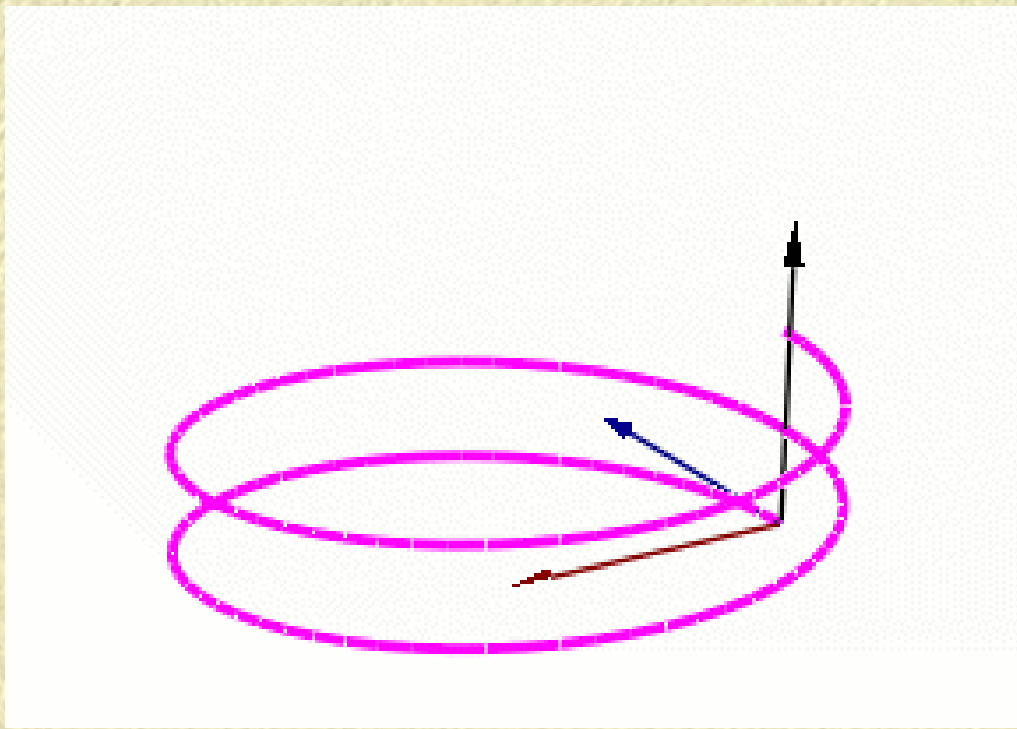
Γ 的自然参数方程为: $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(s) = (x(s), y(s), z(s)), (c \leq s \leq d)$

注: s 是自然参数的充分必要条件是 $|r'(s)| = \left| \frac{dr}{ds} \right| = 1$

$$ds = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2(t) + \dot{y}^2(t) + \dot{z}^2(t)} dt$$
$$= \sqrt{(\dot{x}(t)dt)^2 + (\dot{y}(t)dt)^2 + (\dot{z}(t)dt)^2} = \sqrt{(dx)^2 + (dy)^2 + (dz)^2}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{dx}{ds}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{ds}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{ds}\right)^2 = 1 \quad \text{而} \quad \frac{dr}{ds} = \left(\frac{dx}{ds}, \frac{dy}{ds}, \frac{dz}{ds}\right)$$

即 $\vec{r}'(s) = (x'(s), y'(s), z'(s))$ 是一个**单位切向量**.



The Frenet-Serret frame moving along a [helix](#). The **T** is represented by the blue arrow, **N** is represented by the red vector while **B** is represented by the black vector.

7.1 Frenet 标架

(1) 法平面和切线

曲线 $\Gamma: \vec{r} = \vec{r}(s), s$ 为自然参数

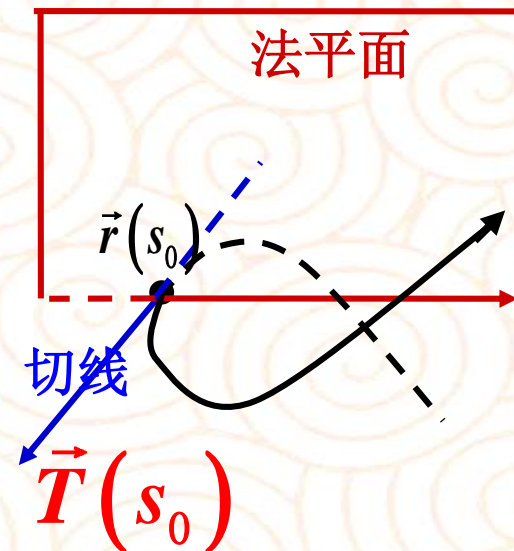
设 $\vec{r}'(s_0) \neq 0$, $\vec{T}(s_0) = \vec{r}'(s_0)$ 是与曲线正向一致的单位切向量

则 切线: $\vec{\rho} = \vec{r}(s_0) + \lambda \vec{r}'(s_0)$

割线趋近于极限位置——切线

法平面: $(\vec{\rho} - \vec{r}(s_0)) \cdot \vec{r}'(s_0) = 0$

过该点且与切线垂直的所有法线决定的平面.



Tangent

(2) 密切平面与次法线

$$\pi' : \vec{T}(s_0), [\vec{r}(s_0 + \Delta s) - \vec{r}(s_0)]$$

$$\Delta s \rightarrow 0, \pi' \rightarrow \pi$$

$$\vec{n}_{\pi'} = \vec{r}'(s_0) \times [\vec{r}(s_0 + \Delta s) - \vec{r}(s_0)]$$

$$\vec{r}(s_0 + \Delta s) - \vec{r}(s_0) \approx \vec{r}'(s_0) \Delta s + \frac{1}{2!} \vec{r}''(s_0) \Delta s^2 + o(\Delta s^2)$$

$$\Delta s \rightarrow 0, \vec{n}_{\pi} = \vec{r}'(s_0) \times \vec{r}''(s_0) \longleftrightarrow \text{次法线的方向向量}$$

P96 Ex4. $\vec{r}'(s_0) \perp \vec{r}''(s_0)$

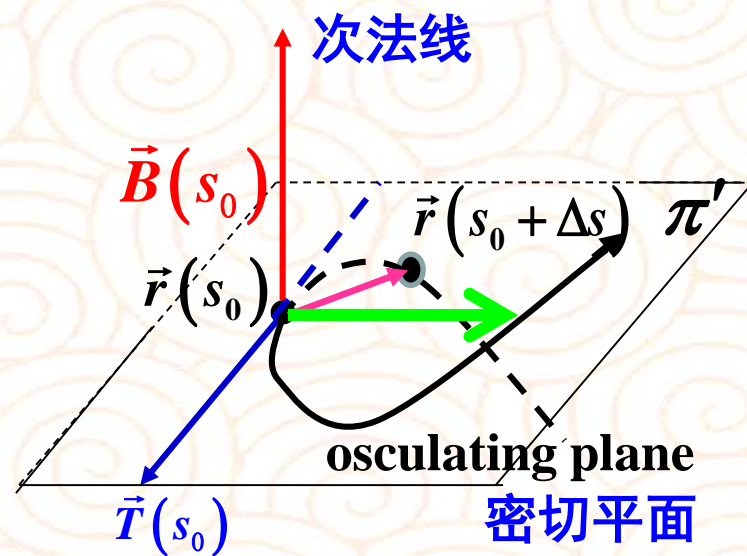
单位次法线向量 $\vec{B}(s_0)$

Binormal

$$\vec{B}(s_0) = \frac{\vec{r}'(s_0) \times \vec{r}''(s_0)}{\|\vec{r}'(s_0) \times \vec{r}''(s_0)\|} = \frac{\vec{r}'(s_0) \times \vec{r}''(s_0)}{\|\vec{r}''(s_0)\|}$$

设 $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(t)$ 为空间 R^3 中动点 $(x(t), y(t), z(t))^T$ 的向径.
 is spanned by T

证明: $\|\vec{r}(t)\| = c \Leftrightarrow$ 内积 $\langle \vec{r}'(t), \vec{r}(t) \rangle = 0$. (c 为常数)



(3) 从切平面和主法线

主法线向量 $\vec{N}(s_0) = \vec{B}(s_0) \times \vec{T}(s_0)$

从切平面 $(\vec{\rho} - \vec{r}(s_0)) \cdot \vec{N}(s_0) = 0$

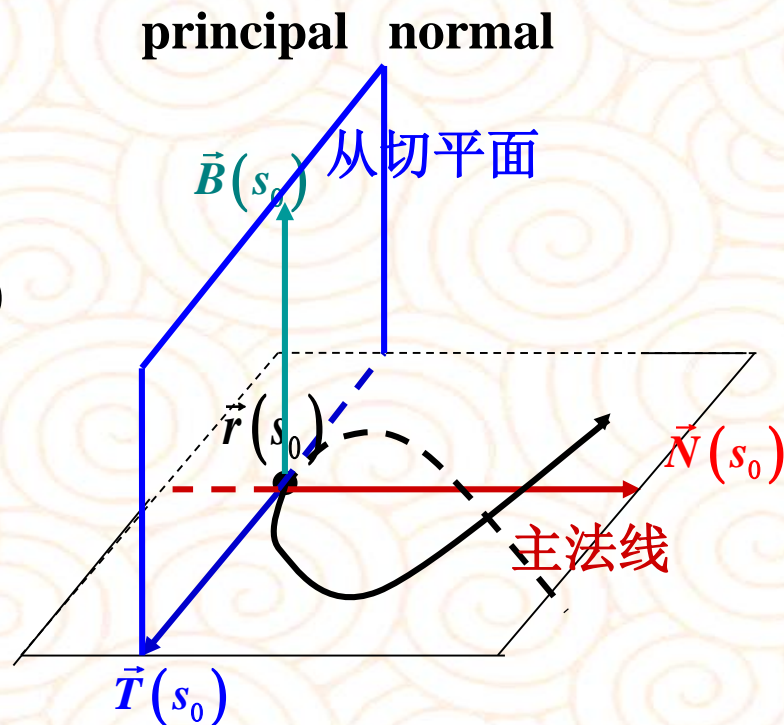
主法线 $\vec{\rho} = \vec{r}(s_0) + \lambda \vec{N}(s_0).$

$$\vec{N}(s_0) = \vec{B}(s_0) \times \vec{T}(s_0),$$

$$\vec{T}(s_0) = \vec{r}'(s_0), \quad \vec{B}(s_0) = \frac{\vec{r}'(s_0) \times \vec{r}''(s_0)}{\|\vec{r}''(s_0)\|}$$

$$\vec{N}(s_0) = \frac{1}{\|\vec{r}''(s_0)\|} (\vec{r}'(s_0) \times \vec{r}''(s_0)) \times \vec{r}'(s_0) = \frac{\vec{r}''(s_0)}{\|\vec{r}''(s_0)\|} \quad \because \vec{r}'(s_0) \perp \vec{r}''(s_0)$$

$$\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{c}$$



以上是曲线方程由自然参数 s 表示, 如由一般参数 t 表示, 则:

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}(t) \quad \vec{T}(t_0) = \frac{\dot{\vec{r}}(t_0)}{\|\dot{\vec{r}}(t_0)\|} \quad \vec{B}(t_0) = \frac{\dot{\vec{r}}(t_0) \times \ddot{\vec{r}}(t_0)}{\|\dot{\vec{r}}(t_0) \times \ddot{\vec{r}}(t_0)\|} \quad \vec{N}(t_0) = \vec{B}(t_0) \times \vec{T}(t_0)$$

$$T = \vec{r}'(s) = \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{ds} = \frac{\dot{\vec{r}}(t)}{\frac{ds}{dt}} = \frac{\dot{\vec{r}}(t)}{\|\dot{\vec{r}}(t)\|}, \quad T = \vec{r}'(s) = \dot{\vec{r}}(t) \cdot \frac{dt}{ds}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}''(s) &= \frac{dT}{ds} = \frac{d\left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{ds}\right)}{ds} = \frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} \cdot \left(\frac{dt}{ds}\right)^2 + \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \cdot \frac{d^2t}{ds^2} \\ &= \ddot{\vec{r}}(t) \cdot \left(\frac{dt}{ds}\right)^2 + \dot{\vec{r}}(t) \cdot \frac{d^2t}{ds^2}. \end{aligned}$$

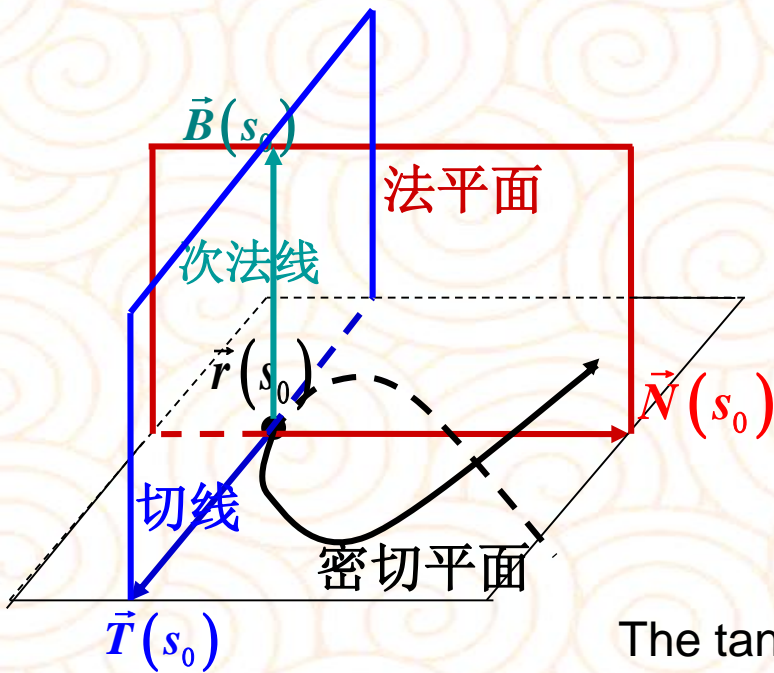
$$\vec{B}(s_0) = \frac{\vec{r}'(s_0) \times \vec{r}''(s_0)}{\|\vec{r}'(s_0) \times \vec{r}''(s_0)\|} \quad \vec{r}'(s) \times \vec{r}''(s) = \left(\dot{\vec{r}} \times \ddot{\vec{r}} \right) \left(\frac{dt}{ds} \right)^3$$

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2(t) + \dot{y}^2(t) + \dot{z}^2(t)} = \|\dot{\vec{r}}(t)\| > 0$$

Frenet 标架

$$\vec{T}(s_0), \vec{N}(s_0), \vec{B}(s_0)$$

$$\vec{T}(t_0), \vec{N}(t_0), \vec{B}(t_0)$$



The tangent, normal, and binormal unit vectors, often called **T**, **N**, and **B**, or collectively the **Frenet–Serret frame** or **TNB frame**, together form an orthonormal basis spanning \mathbb{R}^3 and are defined as follows:

T is the unit vector tangent to the curve, pointing in the direction of motion.

N is the normal unit vector, the derivative of **T** with respect to the arclength parameter of the curve, divided by its length.

B is the binormal unit vector, the cross product of **T** and **N**.

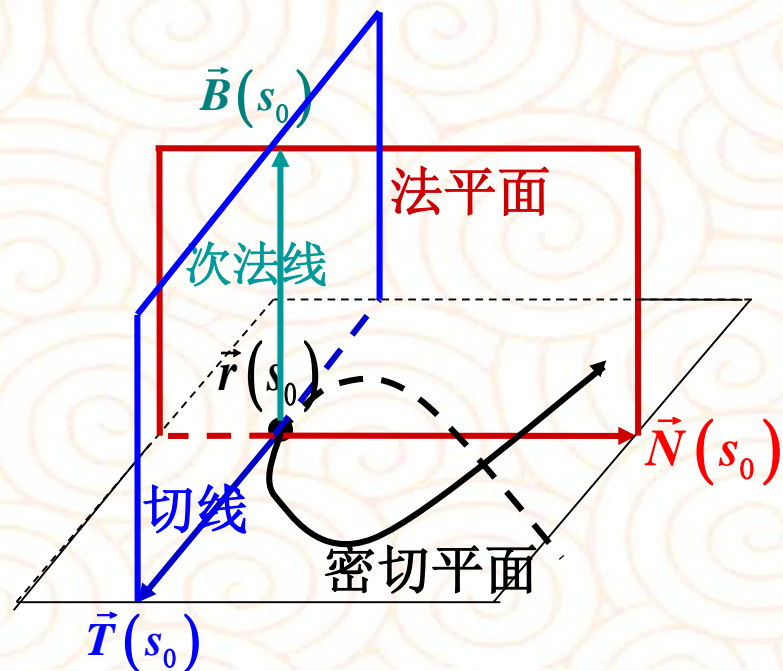
例7.1 求螺旋线 $\mathbf{r} = (a \cos t, a \sin t, kt)$
的Frenet标架、密切平面以及从切平面的方程.

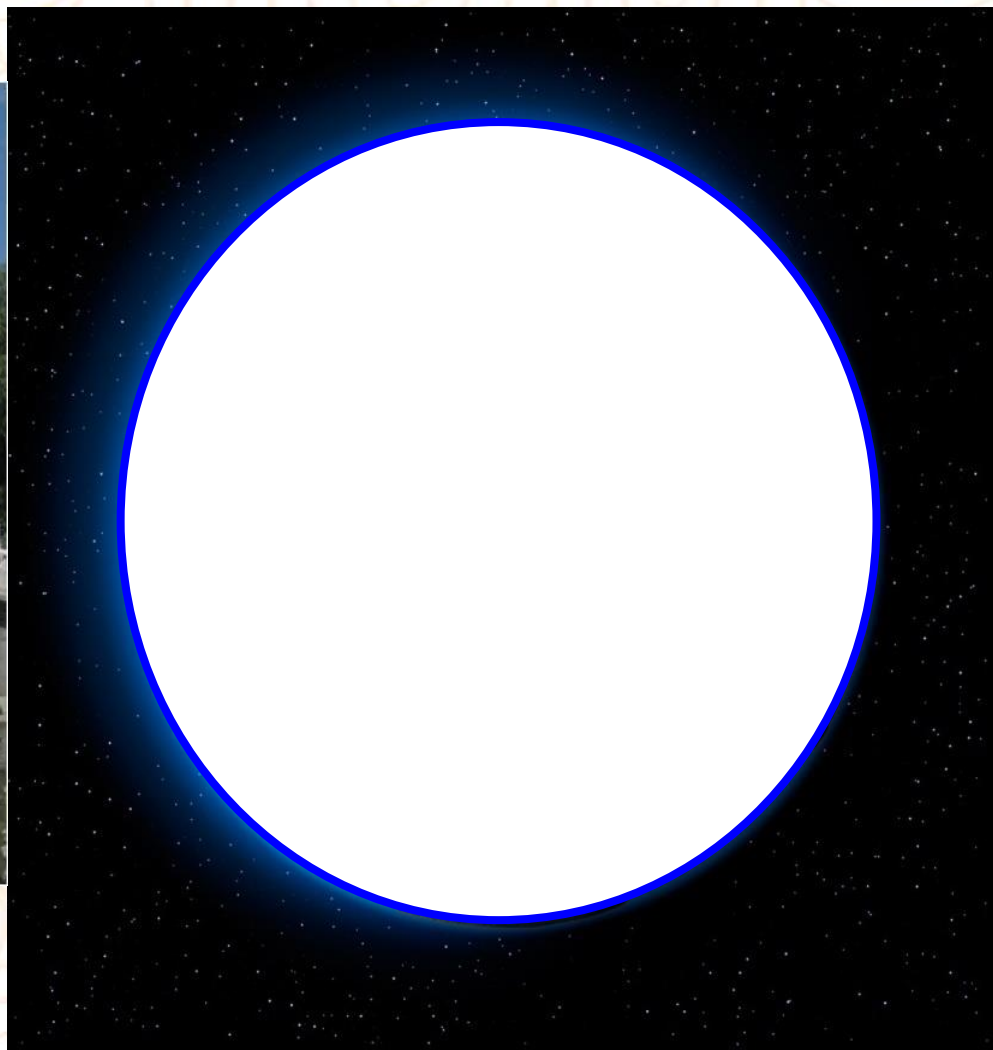
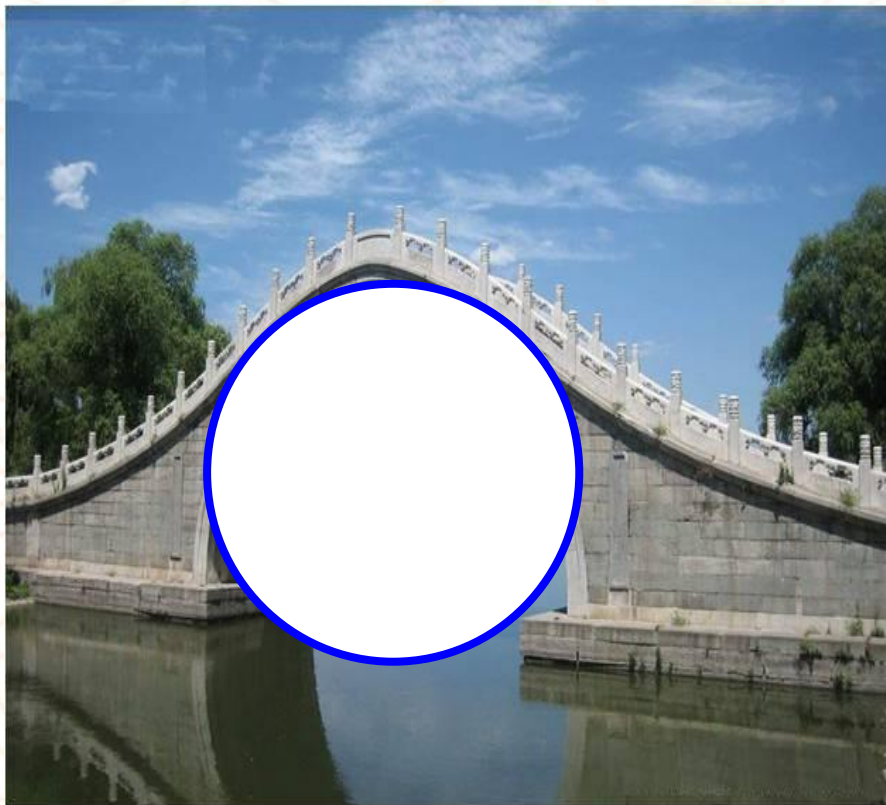
$$\vec{\mathbf{r}} = \vec{\mathbf{r}}(t) \quad \vec{\mathbf{T}}(t_0) = \frac{\dot{\vec{\mathbf{r}}}(t_0)}{\|\dot{\vec{\mathbf{r}}}(t_0)\|} \quad \vec{\mathbf{B}}(t_0) = \frac{\dot{\vec{\mathbf{r}}}(t_0) \times \ddot{\vec{\mathbf{r}}}(t_0)}{\|\dot{\vec{\mathbf{r}}}(t_0) \times \ddot{\vec{\mathbf{r}}}(t_0)\|}$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{N}}(t_0) = \vec{\mathbf{B}}(t_0) \times \vec{\mathbf{T}}(t_0),$$

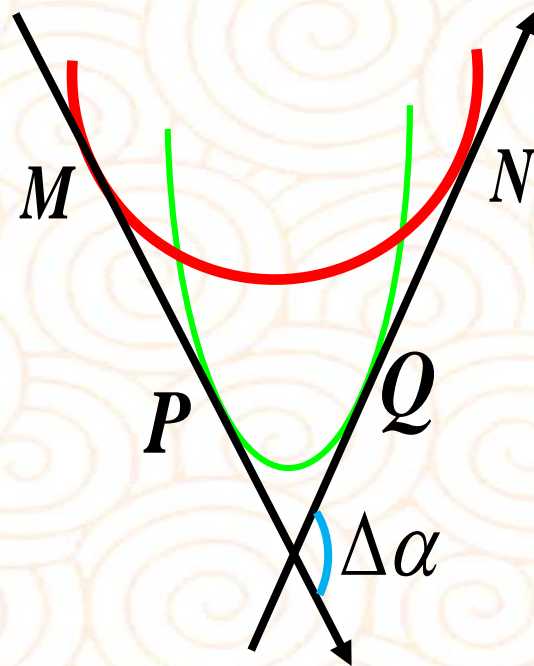
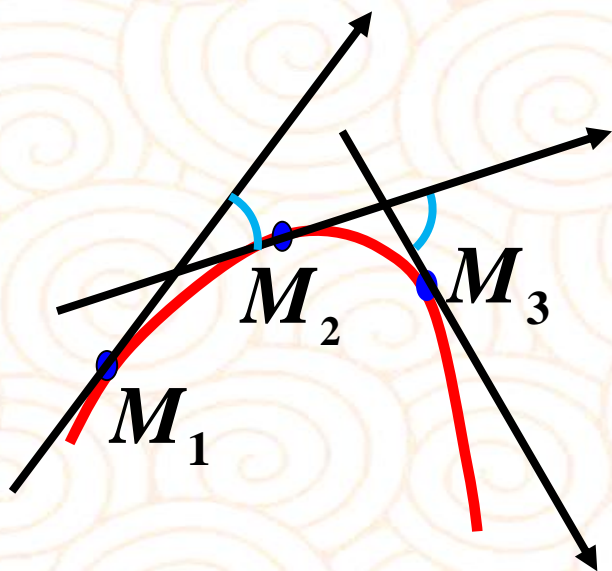
密切平面 $(\vec{\rho} - \vec{\mathbf{r}}(t)) \cdot \vec{\mathbf{B}}(t) = 0$

从切平面 $(\vec{\rho} - \vec{\mathbf{r}}(t)) \cdot \vec{\mathbf{N}}(t) = 0$





如何用数学描述这种差别？



曲线的弯曲程度 { 与切线的转角有关
与曲线的弧长有关

7.2 曲率 Curvature of plane/space curves

在光滑曲线弧上自点 M 开始取弧段 MM' , 其长为 Δs ,

M 、 M' 两点处对应的切线之间夹角为 $\Delta\theta$,

定义 $\bar{\kappa} = \left| \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta s} \right|$ 为弧段 MM' 的平均弯曲程度.

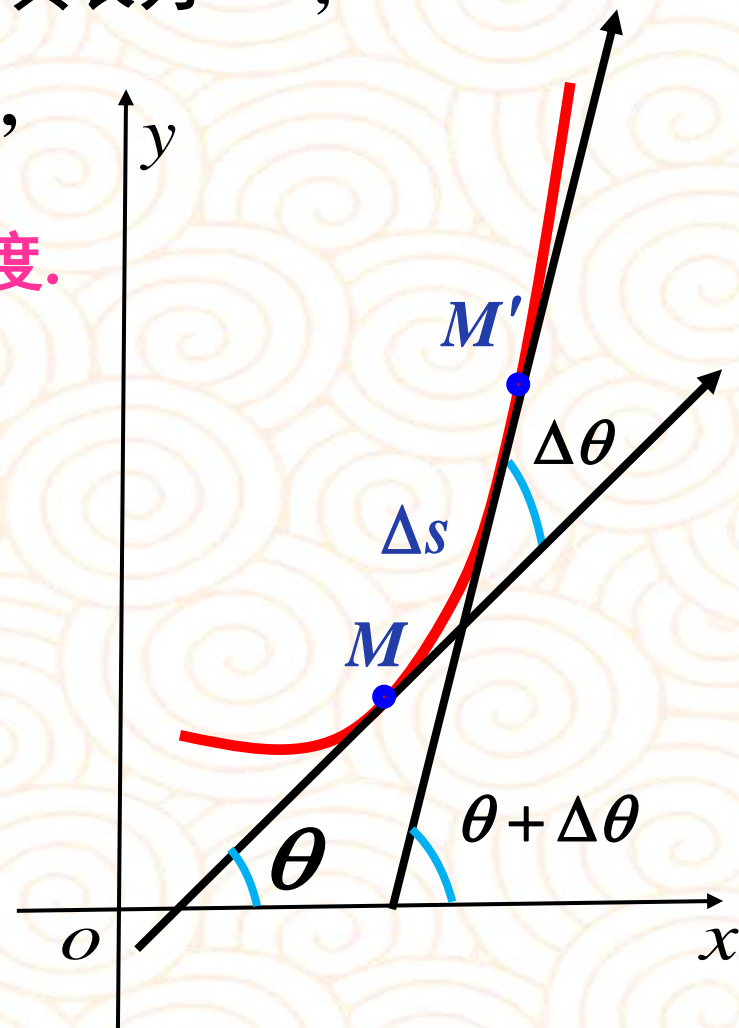
称为弧段 MM' 的平均曲率.

当 $\Delta s \rightarrow 0$ 时 (即 $M' \rightarrow M$ 时),

该平均曲率的极限值 称为点 M 处的曲率,

记作:

$$\kappa = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta s} \right| = \left| \frac{d\theta}{ds} \right|$$

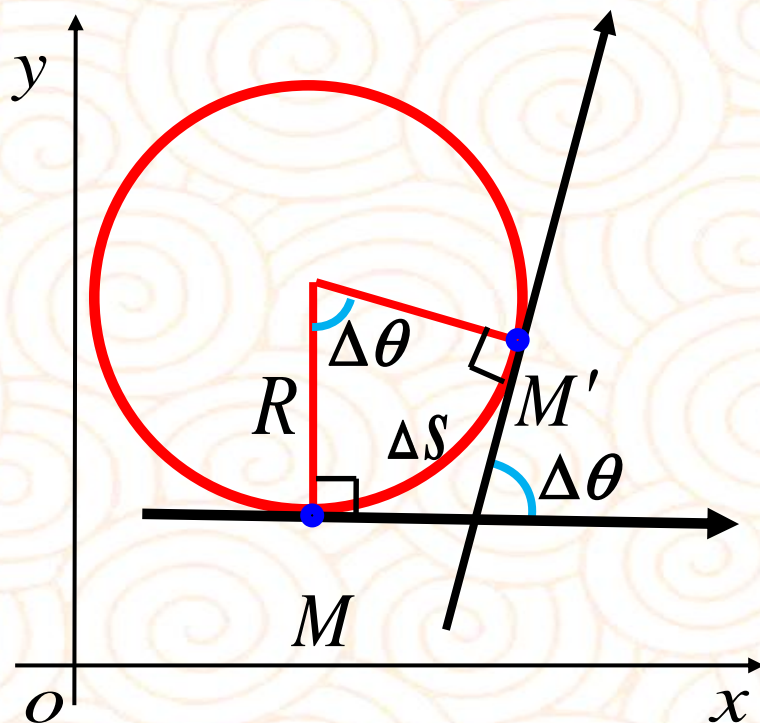


例1 求半径为 R 的圆上任意点处的曲率.

解： 如图所示，

$$\Delta s = R\Delta\theta$$

$$\therefore \kappa = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta s} \right| = \frac{1}{R}, \text{ 为一常数.}$$

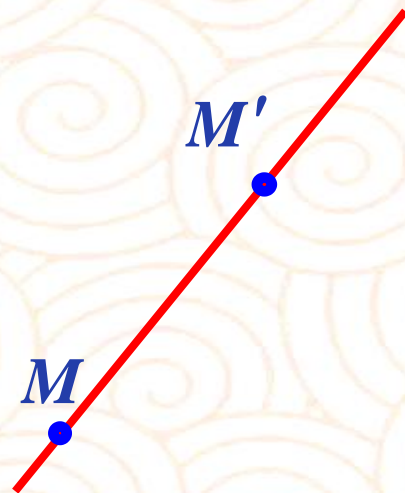


R 越大曲率越小，圆弧越平直； R 越小曲率越大，弯曲得越厉害.

$$\text{地球半径 } 6371\text{km}, \text{ 曲率 } = \frac{1}{6371000} \approx 0.000000157 (\text{rad/m})$$

例2 求直线上任一点处的曲率.

解: 如图所示,



$$\kappa = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta s} \right| = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} 0 = 0.$$

直线上任意点处的曲率为 0, —— 直线不弯!

对一般的曲线, 曲率的计算公式?

1. 当曲线方程的参数为自然参数 s 时

定义7.1 (曲率) 设空间光滑曲线方程为:

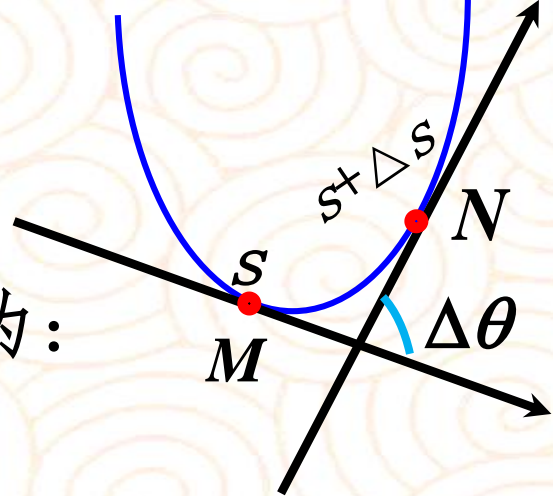
$\Gamma: \vec{r} = \vec{r}(s) \ (a \leq s \leq b)$ s 为自然参数,

曲线上点 M 对应的参数为 s , 点 M 附近的点 N 对应的参数为 $s + \Delta s$, 点 M 处的切向量 $r'(s)$ 与点 N 处的切向量 $r'(s + \Delta s)$ 夹角为 $\Delta\theta$,

称 $\lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta s} \right|$ 为曲线 Γ 在点 M 处的曲率, 记作 κ .

$$\text{i.e. } \kappa = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta s} \right|.$$

定理7.1 设空间光滑曲线 Γ 方程为 $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(s)$, s 为自然参数 $r(s)$ 二阶可导, 则 Γ 上点 $r(s)$ 处的曲率为: $\kappa(s) = \|\vec{r}''(s)\|$.

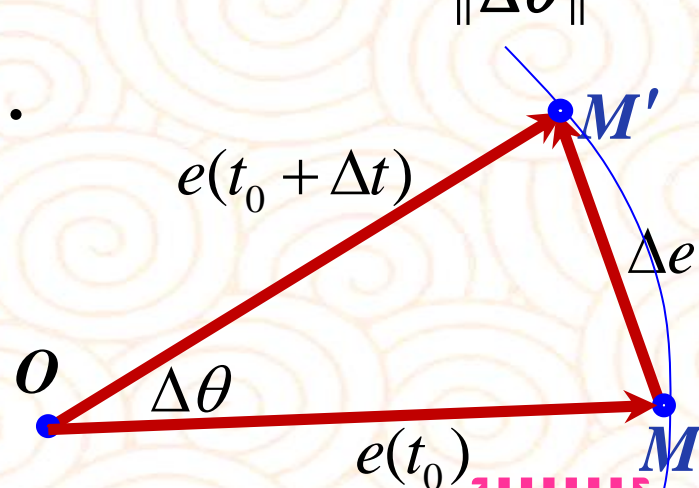


引理 设 $e(t)$ 为定义在 $U(t_0) \subseteq R$ 上的单位向量值函数,

$\Delta e = e(t_0 + \Delta t) - e(t_0)$, $\Delta\theta$ 为 $e(t_0)$ 与 $e(t_0 + \Delta t)$ 的夹角, 则: $\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \left\| \frac{\Delta e}{\Delta\theta} \right\| = 1$.

分析 $\|\Delta e\| = 2\|e(t_0)\| \sin \frac{|\Delta\theta|}{2} = 2 \sin \frac{|\Delta\theta|}{2}$.

$$\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \left\| \frac{\Delta e}{\Delta\theta} \right\| = \lim_{\Delta\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin \frac{|\Delta\theta|}{2}}{|\Delta\theta|} = 1.$$



进一步

$\because T(s) = r'(s)$ 是与 Γ 正向一致的单位切向量 $\therefore \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \left\| \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta\theta} \right\| = 1$
 T 就是 e 的特殊情况

$$\kappa(s) = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta s} \right| = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \left\| \frac{\Delta \vec{T}}{\Delta\theta} \right\| \left| \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta s} \right| = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \left\| \frac{\Delta \vec{T}}{\Delta s} \right\| = \|\vec{T}'(s)\| = \|\vec{r}''(s)\|$$

定理7.1 设空间光滑曲线 Γ 方程为 $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(s)$, s 为自然参数,
 $r(s)$ 二阶可导, 则 Γ 上点 $r(s)$ 处的曲率为: $\kappa(s) = \|r''(s)\|$.

2. 当曲线方程的参数为一般参数 t 时

$\Gamma: \vec{r} = \vec{r}(t)$, $r(t)$ 二阶可导且 $\dot{r}(t) \neq 0$, 则 $\kappa(t) = \frac{\|\dot{r}(t) \times \ddot{r}(t)\|}{\|\dot{r}(t)\|^3}$

分析 $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(t)$, $\vec{r}'(s) = \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{ds} = \dot{r}(t) \cdot \frac{dt}{ds}$

$$\vec{r}''(s) = \frac{d^2\vec{r}}{ds^2} = \frac{d\left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{ds}\right)}{ds} = \frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} \cdot \left(\frac{dt}{ds}\right)^2 + \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \cdot \frac{d^2t}{ds^2} = \ddot{r}(t) \cdot \left(\frac{dt}{ds}\right)^2 + \dot{r}(t) \cdot \frac{d^2t}{ds^2}$$

$$\|\vec{r}'(s)\| = 1 \Leftrightarrow \vec{r}''(s) \perp \vec{r}'(s)$$

$$\kappa(s) = \|\vec{r}''(s)\| = \|\vec{r}'(s) \times \vec{r}''(s)\|$$

$$= \left\| \dot{r}(t) \times \ddot{r}(t) \left(\frac{dt}{ds}\right)^3 + \dot{r}(t) \times \dot{r}(t) \frac{dt}{ds} \cdot \frac{d^2t}{ds^2} \right\|$$

$$= \left\| \left(\dot{\vec{r}} \times \ddot{\vec{r}} \right) \left(\frac{dt}{ds}\right)^3 \right\| = \frac{\|\dot{r}(t) \times \ddot{r}(t)\|}{\|\dot{r}(t)\|^3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{ds}{dt} &= \sqrt{\dot{x}^2(t) + \dot{y}^2(t) + \dot{z}^2(t)} \\ &= \|\dot{r}(t)\| > 0 \end{aligned}$$

2. 当曲线方程的参数为一般参数 t 时

设空间曲线由一般的参数方程表示为 $\Gamma: \vec{r} = \vec{r}(t)$,

$\Gamma: \vec{r} = \vec{r}(t)$, $r(t)$ 二阶可导且 $\dot{r}(t) \neq 0$, 则 $\kappa(t) = \frac{\|\dot{r}(t) \times \ddot{r}(t)\|}{\|\dot{r}(t)\|^3}$

特殊情况: 平面曲线

$$(1) \vec{r} = (x(t), y(t), 0)$$

曲线弧方程为参数方程

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

$$\begin{cases} x = \varphi(t) \\ y = \psi(t) \end{cases}$$

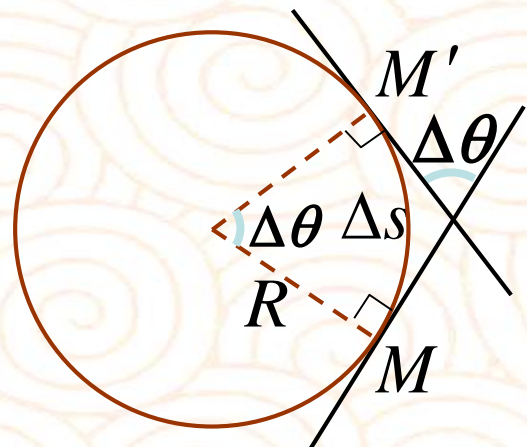
$$(2) y = y(x)$$

$$\kappa = \frac{|y''|}{[1 + (y')^2]^{3/2}}.$$

例 求半径为 R 的圆上任意点处的曲率 .

解: 如图所示, $\Delta s = R\Delta\theta$

$$\therefore \kappa = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta s} \right| = \frac{1}{R}$$



或: $\vec{r} = (x(t), y(t), 0) = (R\cos t, R\sin t, 0)$

$$\begin{cases} x = R\cos t \\ y = R\sin t \end{cases} \quad \kappa = \frac{|\ddot{x}\dot{y} - \dot{x}\ddot{y}|}{[(\dot{x})^2 + (\dot{y})^2]^{3/2}} = \dots = \frac{1}{R}.$$

可见: R 愈小, 则 K 愈大, 圆弧弯曲得愈厉害;

R 愈大, 则 K 愈小, 圆弧弯曲得愈小.

3. 曲率中心与曲率半径

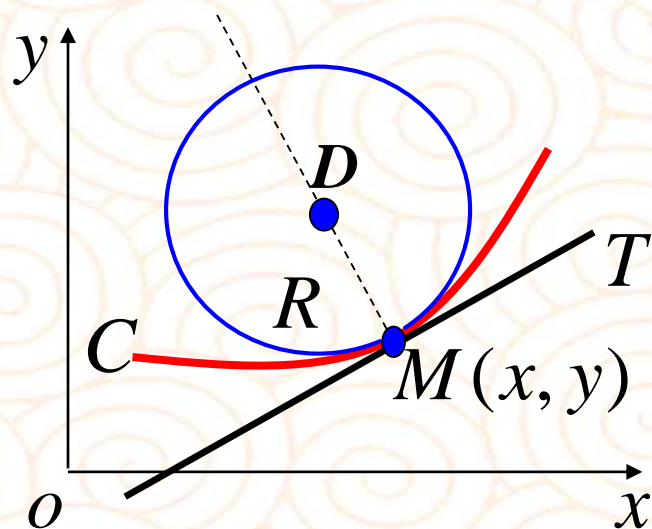
设 M 为平面曲线 C 上任一点，在点 M 处作曲线的切线和法线，在曲线的凹向一侧法线上取点 D 使

$$|DM| = \frac{1}{\kappa} = R$$

称以 D 为中心, R 为半径的圆为曲线在点 M 处的曲率圆, R 叫做曲率半径, D 叫做曲率中心.

在点 M 处曲率圆与原曲线 C 有下列密切关系:

- (1) 有公切线; (2) 凹向一致; (3) 曲率相同 .

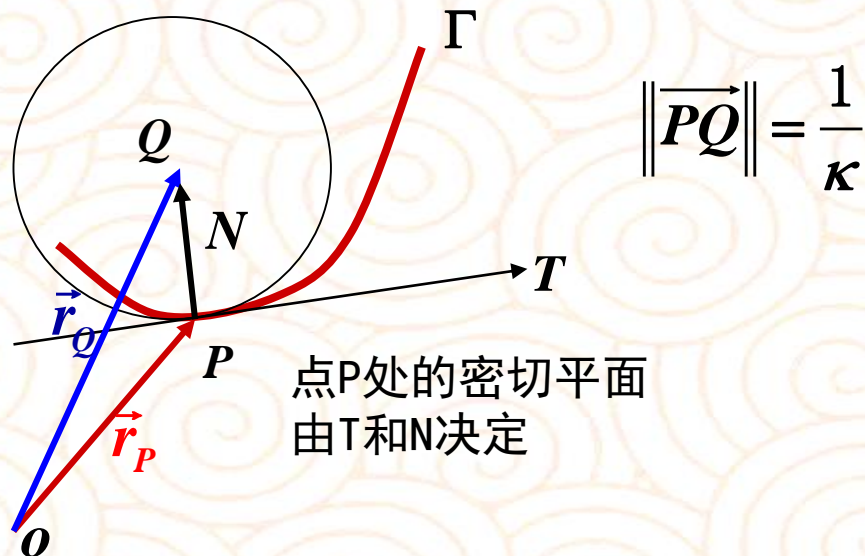


3. 曲率中心与曲率半径

当曲线 C 为空间曲线时，

借助于点 P 处的密切平面与主法线，可同样作出曲率圆

称为曲率圆或密切圆

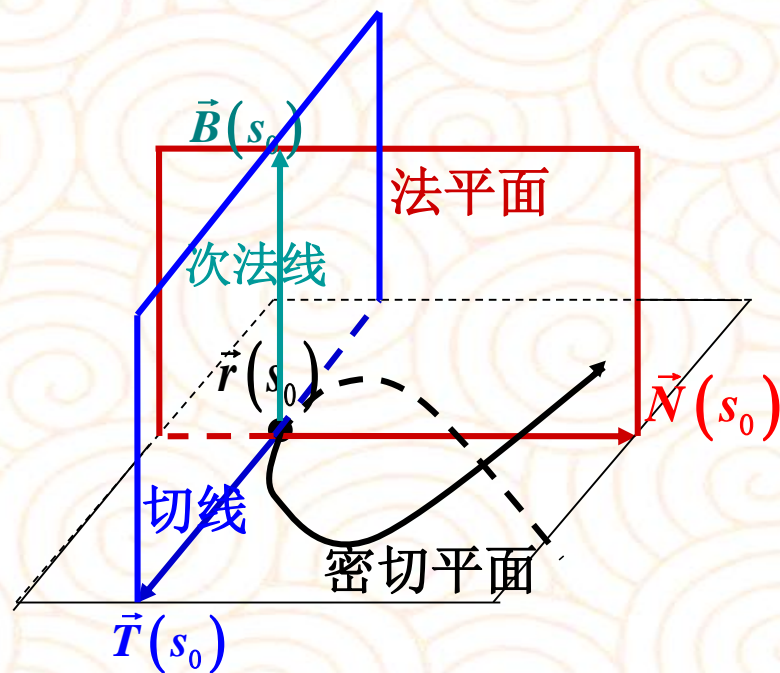


曲率中心的向径为：

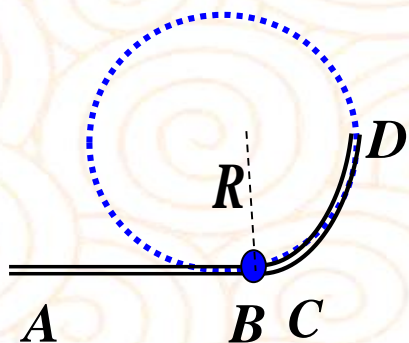
$$\vec{r}_Q = \vec{r}_P(s) + R(s)\vec{N}(s)$$

$\vec{r}_P(s)$ 为点 P 的向径

曲率半径为： $R = \frac{1}{\kappa}$

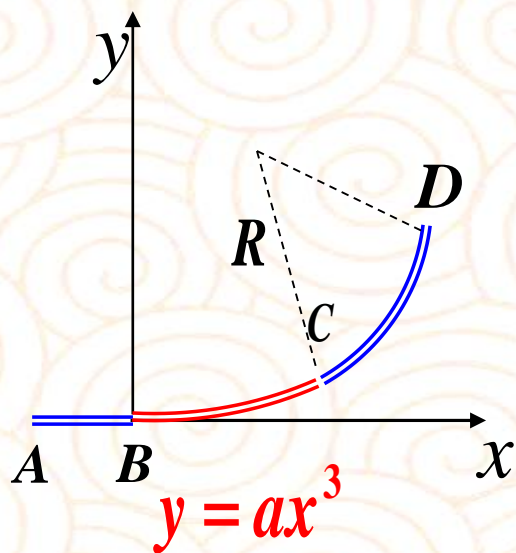


例1 火车从直道进入圆弧弯道(半径为 R)时, 为什么常常会产生摇晃震动? 怎样减小这种晃动?



向心力 $F = \frac{mv^2}{R}$ 有突变(间断).

$$y = ax^3 \quad (a > 0), \quad \kappa = \frac{|y''|}{[1 + (y')^2]^{3/2}}$$



$$\text{曲率半径 } R = \frac{1}{\kappa} = \frac{(1 + 9a^2x^4)^{3/2}}{6a|x|},$$

使BC段端点C处的曲率半径等于圆弧弯道CD的半径 R

$x \rightarrow 0$ (B点), 曲率半径 $R \rightarrow \infty$;

$x \neq 0$ 时, R 是连续变化的.

例1. 我国铁路常用立方抛物线 $y = \frac{1}{6Rl}x^3$ 作缓和曲线,

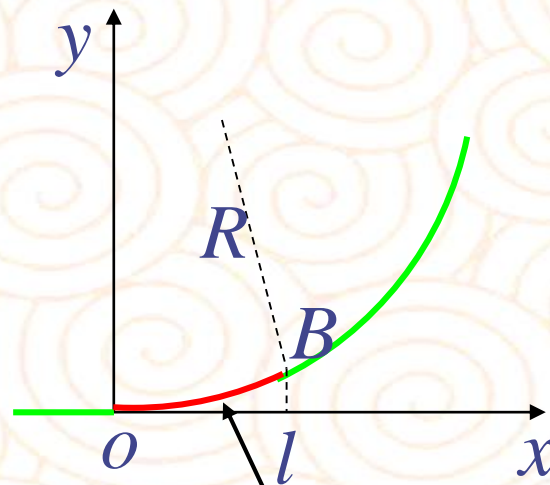
其 $\kappa = \frac{|y''|}{(1+y'^2)^{3/2}}$ 为半径, l 是缓和曲线的长度, 且 $l \ll R$.
求两个端点 $O(0,0), B(l, \frac{l^2}{6R})$ 处的曲率.

解: 当 $x \in [0, l]$ 时,

$$\because y' = \frac{1}{2Rl}x^2 \leq \frac{l}{2R} \approx 0 \quad y'' = \frac{1}{Rl}x$$

$$\therefore \kappa \approx |y''| = \frac{1}{Rl}x$$

$$\text{显然 } \kappa \Big|_{x=0} = 0; \quad \kappa \Big|_{x=l} \approx \frac{1}{R}$$



$$y = \frac{1}{6Rl}x^3$$

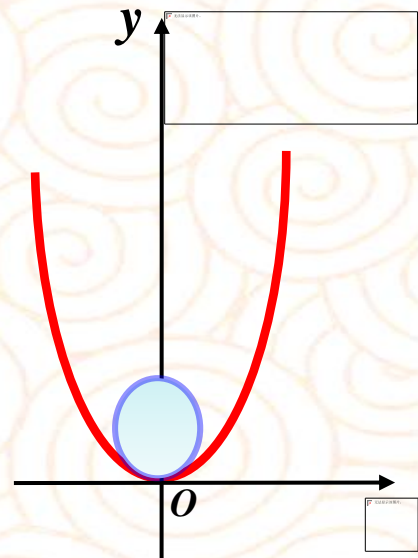
例2 设工件内表面的截线为 $y = 0.4x^2$ (单位: CM) , 现要用砂轮磨光其内表面, 问用直径多大的砂轮才比较合适?

解 问题实质: 如何做一个砂轮, 使得砂轮的半径在任意点处都不超过该点曲率圆半径的最小值.

$$y' = 0.8x, \quad y'' = 0.8, \quad R = \frac{1}{\kappa} = \frac{(1 + 0.64x^2)^{3/2}}{0.8}$$

$$\min R(x) = \frac{1}{0.8} = 1.25, \quad (x = 0 \text{ 时})$$

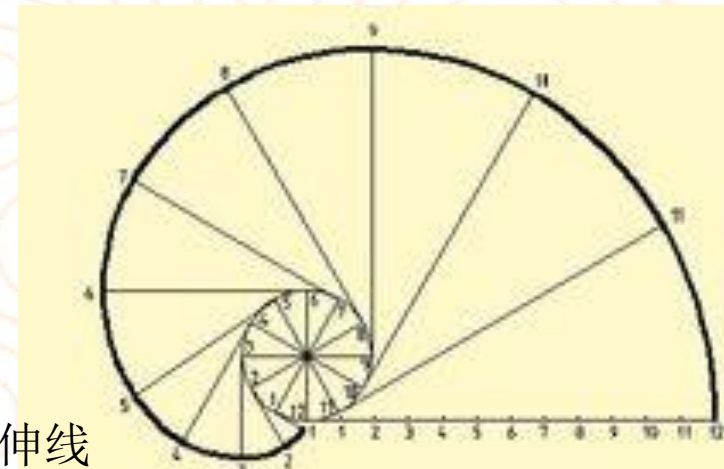
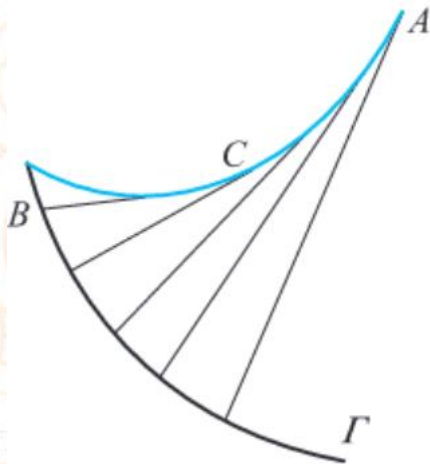
故砂轮的直径应该略小于 $1.25 \times 2 = 2.5 \text{ cm}$.



$$\kappa = \frac{|y''|}{[1 + (y')^2]^{3/2}}.$$

渐屈线与渐伸线

- 渐伸线(evolute), 也称渐近线。与一条曲线C的所有切线相交成直角的曲线 Γ , 称为曲线C的渐伸线。
- 当一根绳正沿着另一曲线绕上或脱下时, 它描出一条渐伸线。
- 渐伸线的形状见于鹰嘴、鲨鱼背鳍和棕榈树悬叶尖端。机器齿轮, 齿两侧曲线(齿廓曲线) 大多采用渐伸线。
- 渐屈线与渐伸线是一对相对的概念, 若曲线A是曲线B的渐屈线, 曲线B即为曲线A的渐伸线。每条曲线的渐屈线唯一确定, 但却可以有无穷多条渐伸线。
- 任何两条渐伸线对应点的距离是常数。



圆的渐伸线

渐伸线的方程

设曲线C方程为 $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(s)$,

曲线C的渐伸线方程为 $\rho = \rho(s)$,

曲线C上任意一点的切线均为其渐伸线相应点的法线

$\rho(s) = \mathbf{r}(s) + \alpha(s)\mathbf{T}(s)$, 求出 $\alpha(s)$ 即可

$$\rho'(s) = \mathbf{r}'(s) + \alpha'(s)\mathbf{T}(s) + \alpha(s)\mathbf{T}'(s), \quad \mathbf{T}(s) = \mathbf{r}'(s), \mathbf{T}'(s) = \mathbf{r}''(s)$$

$$\rho'(s) = \mathbf{r}'(s) + \alpha'(s)\mathbf{r}'(s) + \alpha(s)\mathbf{r}''(s),$$

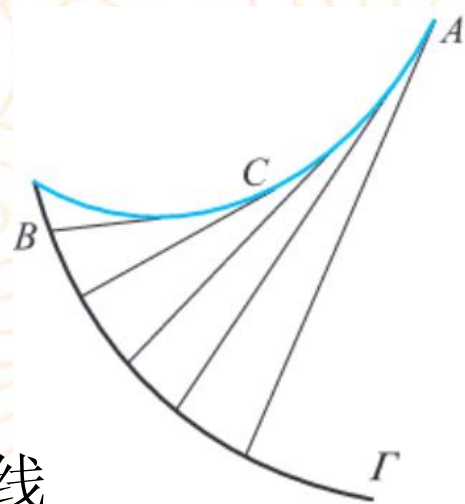
两边用 $\mathbf{r}'(s)$ 作内积, $\mathbf{r}'(s) \cdot \mathbf{r}''(s) = 0, \|\mathbf{r}'(s)\| = 1$

$$\rho'(s) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(s) = 1 + \alpha'(s),$$

$$\because \rho'(s) \text{ 是渐伸线的切向量}, \quad \therefore \rho'(s) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(s) = 0 \quad \alpha'(s) = -1,$$

$$\alpha'(s) = -s + c,$$

渐伸线方程为: $\rho(s) = \mathbf{r}(s) + (-s + c)\mathbf{T}(s).$



渐屈线的方程

设平面上的曲线方程为 $y = f(x)$, 且 $y'' \neq 0$, 求曲线上点 M 处的曲率半径及曲率中心 $D(\alpha, \beta)$ 的坐标公式.

设点 M 处的曲率圆方程为

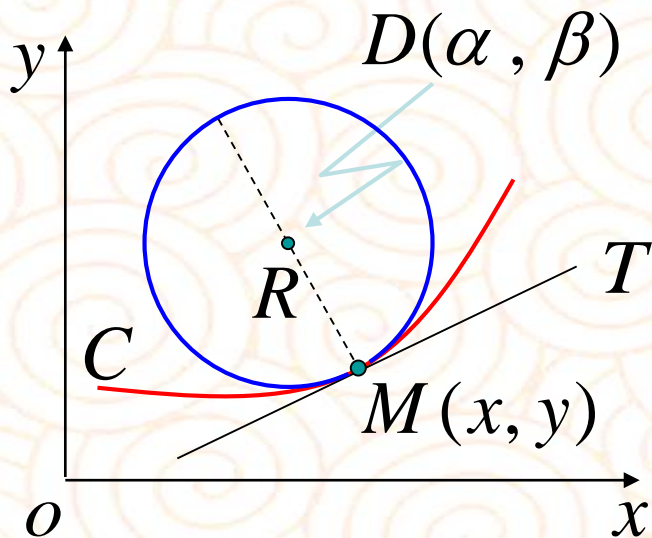
$$(\xi - \alpha)^2 + (\eta - \beta)^2 = R^2$$

故曲率半径公式为

$$R = \frac{1}{\kappa} = \frac{(1 + y'^2)^{3/2}}{|y''|}$$

α, β 满足方程组

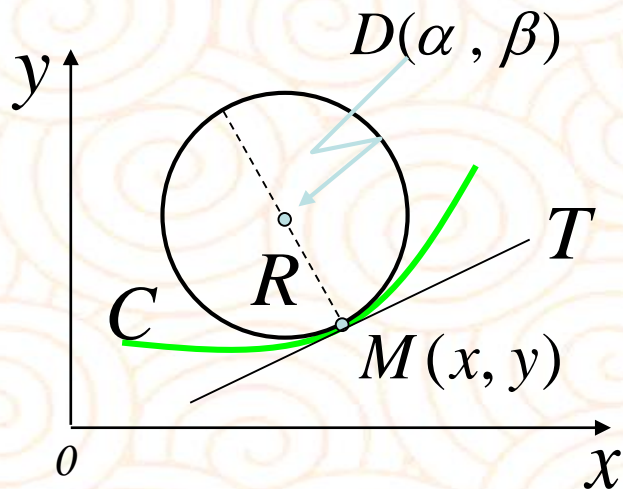
$$\begin{cases} (x - \alpha)^2 + (y - \beta)^2 = R^2 & (M(x, y) \text{ 在曲率圆上}) \\ y' = -\frac{x - \alpha}{y - \beta} & (DM \perp MT) \end{cases}$$



由此可得曲率中心公式

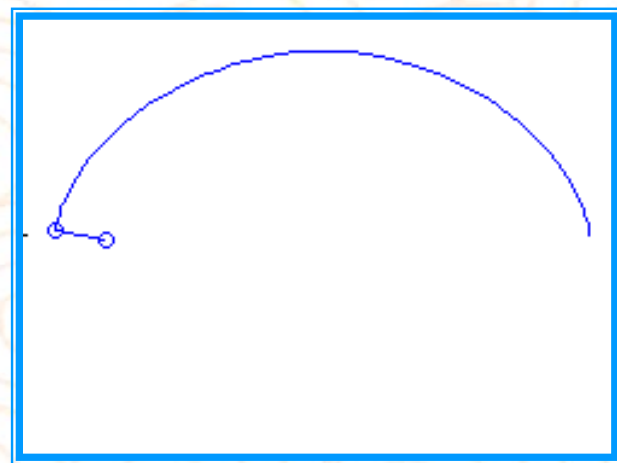
$$\begin{cases} \alpha = x - \frac{y'(1+y'^2)}{y''} \\ \beta = y + \frac{1+y'^2}{y''} \end{cases}$$

(注意 $y - \beta$ 与 y'' 异号)



当点 $M(x, y)$ 沿曲线 $y = f(x)$ 移动时, 相应的曲率中心的轨迹 G 称为曲线 C 的**渐屈线**, 曲线 C 称为曲线 G 的**渐伸线**.

曲率中心公式可看成渐
屈线的参数方程(参数为 x).



点击图中任意点动画开始或暂停

例. 求摆线 $\begin{cases} x = a(t - \sin t) \\ y = a(1 - \cos t) \end{cases}$ 的渐屈线方程.

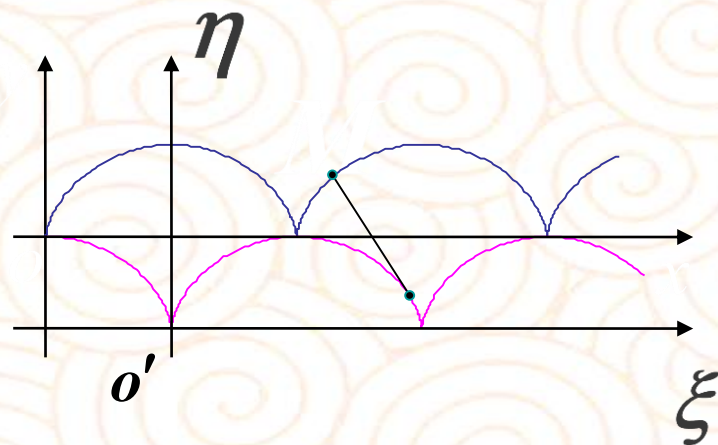
解: $y' = \frac{\dot{y}}{\dot{x}} = \frac{\sin t}{1 - \cos t}, \quad y'' = \frac{\frac{d}{dt}(y')}{\dot{x}} = \frac{-1}{a(1 - \cos t)^2}$

代入曲率中心公式, 得

$$\begin{cases} \alpha = a(t + \sin t) \\ \beta = a(\cos t - 1) \end{cases}$$

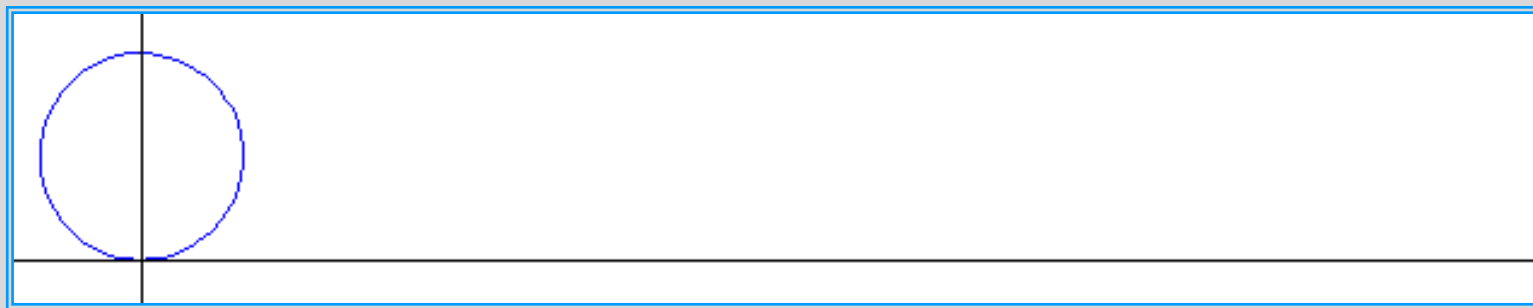
$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \text{令 } t = \pi + \tau, \end{array} \right. \begin{cases} \xi = \alpha - \pi a \\ \eta = \beta + 2a \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \xi = a(\tau - \sin \tau) \\ \eta = a(1 - \cos \tau) \end{cases} \quad (\text{仍为摆线})$$



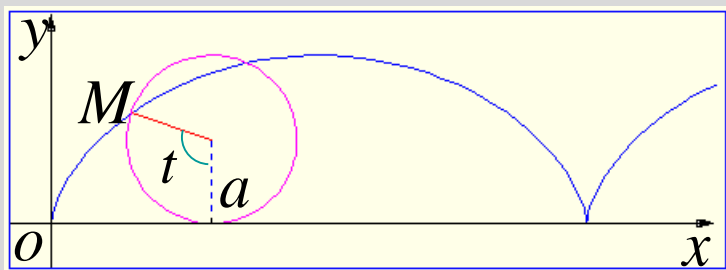
摆线 $\begin{cases} x = a(t - \sin t) \\ y = a(1 - \cos t) \end{cases}$

半径为 a 的圆周沿直线无滑动地滚动时，其上定点 M 的轨迹为摆线。

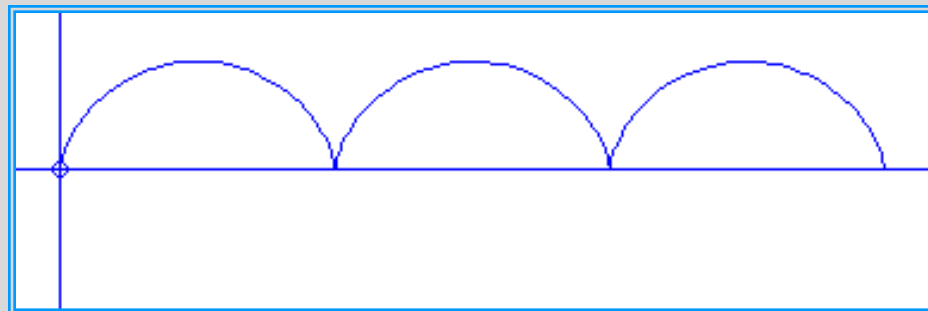


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参数的几何意义



摆线的渐屈线



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7.3 挠率 Torsion of a curve

如何描述曲线偏离密切平面的弯曲程度?

$\mathbf{B}(s)$ 是单位向量, 故 $\mathbf{B}'(s) \perp \mathbf{B}(s)$

$$\mathbf{B}(s) = \mathbf{T}(s) \times \mathbf{N}(s)$$

$$\text{得 } \mathbf{B}' = \mathbf{T}' \times \mathbf{N} + \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{N}' \quad \square$$

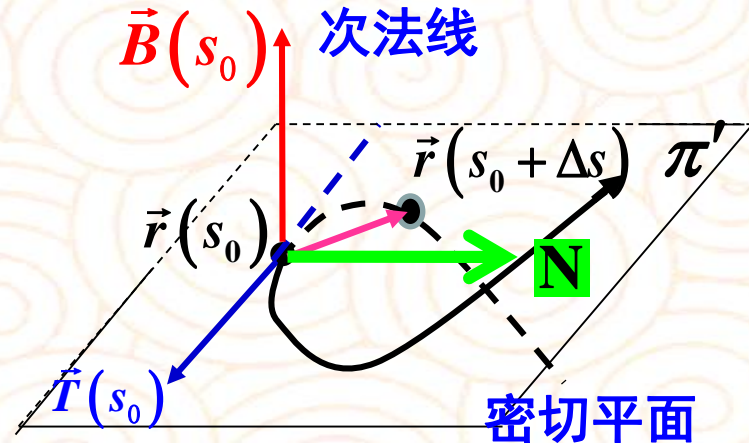
因 $\mathbf{N} = \frac{\mathbf{r}''}{\|\mathbf{r}''\|} = \frac{\mathbf{T}'}{\|\mathbf{T}'\|}$, 从而有 $\mathbf{T}' \times \mathbf{N} = \vec{0}$, 代入得 $\mathbf{B}' = \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{N}'$

故 $\mathbf{B}' \perp \mathbf{T}$, $\mathbf{B}'(s) \perp \mathbf{B}(s)$ 故 \mathbf{B}' 必与 $\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{T}$, 即 \mathbf{N} 是共线的, 不妨设

$$\mathbf{B}' = -\tau \mathbf{N} \quad \tau = -\mathbf{B}' \cdot \mathbf{N}$$

$$\text{而且 } \|\mathbf{B}'\| = |\tau|$$

定义7.2 (挠率) 称 $\tau(s) = -\mathbf{B}'(s) \cdot \mathbf{N}(s)$ 为曲线 $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(s)$ 在点 $\mathbf{r}(s)$ 处的挠率. $|\tau| = \|\mathbf{B}'(s)\|$



$$\begin{aligned}\tau(s) &= -\mathbf{B}' \cdot \mathbf{N} = -(\mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{N}') \cdot \mathbf{N} \\ &= (\mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{N}) \cdot \mathbf{N}' \quad (\text{混合积改变顺序的性质})\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{B}' = \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{N}'$$

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{\mathbf{r}''}{\|\mathbf{r}''\|} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \mathbf{T}'$$

$$= (\mathbf{T} \times \frac{1}{\kappa} \mathbf{T}') \cdot \left[\left(\frac{1}{\kappa}\right)' \mathbf{T}' + \frac{1}{\kappa} \mathbf{T}'' \right]$$

$$\mathbf{D}(uf)(x) = f(x) \mathbf{D}u(x) + u \mathbf{D}f(x)$$

$$= (\mathbf{T} \times \frac{1}{\kappa} \mathbf{T}') \cdot \frac{1}{\kappa} \mathbf{T}'' = \frac{1}{\kappa^2} [\mathbf{T} \quad \mathbf{T}' \quad \mathbf{T}'']$$

$$\kappa(s) = \|\mathbf{r}''(s)\|$$

$$\tau(s) = \frac{[r'(s) \quad r''(s) \quad r'''(s)]}{\|\mathbf{r}''(s)\|^2}, \quad s \text{ 为自然参数}$$

$$\Gamma: \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t)), \quad t_1 \leq t \leq t_2.$$

$$\tau(t) = \frac{[\dot{\mathbf{r}}(t) \quad \ddot{\mathbf{r}}(t) \quad \ddot{\mathbf{r}}(t)]}{\|\dot{\mathbf{r}}(t) \times \ddot{\mathbf{r}}(t)\|^2}.$$

例 求圆柱螺线 $\mathbf{r}=\{a \cos t, a \sin t, bt\}$ ($a>0, b>0$ 均为常数) 的曲率、挠率.

解 $\dot{\mathbf{r}} = \{-a \sin t, a \cos t, b\},$

$$\ddot{\mathbf{r}} = \{-a \cos t, -a \sin t, 0\},$$

$$\dddot{\mathbf{r}} = \{a \sin t, -a \cos t, 0\}.$$

$$\kappa = \frac{\|\dot{\mathbf{r}} \times \ddot{\mathbf{r}}\|}{\|\dot{\mathbf{r}}\|^3} = \frac{a}{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\tau = \frac{[\dot{\mathbf{r}}, \ddot{\mathbf{r}}, \dddot{\mathbf{r}}]}{\|\dot{\mathbf{r}} \times \ddot{\mathbf{r}}\|^2} = \frac{b}{a^2 + b^2}$$

所以圆柱螺线的曲率和挠率都是常数.

例：证明空间曲线 $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(s)$ 为直线的充要条件是曲率 $\kappa(s) = 0$

证明：若为直线, 设其方程 $\vec{r}(s) = s\vec{e} + \vec{b}$, 其中 \vec{e} 为单位方向向量. \vec{b} 为直线上某定点的向径, $\|\vec{e}\| = 1$, 则:

$$\kappa(s) = \|\vec{r}''(s)\| = \|\vec{e}'\| = 0$$

反之, 若 $\kappa(s) = 0$, 则 $\kappa(s) = \|\vec{r}''(s)\| = 0, \vec{r}''(s) = \vec{0}$

故 $\vec{r} = s\vec{a} + \vec{b}$, 即该曲线是直线.

例：证明: 空间曲线 $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(s)$ 为平面曲线的充要条件是
其上任一点处挠率 $\kappa(s) = 0$

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4. 求曲线 $\begin{cases} x + \operatorname{sh} x = y + \sin y, \\ z + e^z = x + 1 + \ln(x+1) \end{cases}$ 在点 $O(0,0,0)$ 处的曲率和 Frenet 标架.

$\begin{cases} x + \operatorname{sh} x = y + \sin y \\ z + e^z = x + 1 + \ln(x+1) \end{cases}$ 以 x 为参数. 该曲线可写成 $r = (x, y(x), z(x))$

对 x 求导, $\begin{cases} 1 + \operatorname{ch} x = \dot{y}(x) + \cos y \cdot \dot{y}(x) = (1 + \cos y) \dot{y}(x) \\ \dot{z}(x) + e^z \dot{z}(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{x+1} \end{cases}$ $\dot{r}(x) = (\dot{x}, \dot{y}(x), \dot{z}(x))$, $\dot{r}(0) = (1, 1, 1)$

$T(0) = \frac{\dot{r}(0)}{\|\dot{r}(0)\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(1, 1, 1)$

再对 x 求导, $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = 1 \\ \dot{y} = \frac{1 + \operatorname{ch} x}{1 + \cos y} \\ \dot{z} = \frac{2 + x}{(1+x)(1+e^z)} \end{cases}$

$\begin{cases} \operatorname{sh} x = -\sin y \cdot (\dot{y})^2 + (1 + \cos y) \ddot{y} \\ e^z (\dot{z})^2 + (1 + e^z) \ddot{z} = -\frac{1}{(x+1)^2} \end{cases}$ $\ddot{y}(0) = 0$ $\ddot{r}(x) = (0, \ddot{y}(x), \ddot{z}(x))$, $\ddot{r}(0) = (0, 0, -1)$

$1 + 2\ddot{z} = -1$, $\ddot{z}(0) = -1$

该曲线在 $O(0,0,0)$ 的曲率 $k = \frac{\|\dot{r}(0) \times \ddot{r}(0)\|}{\|\dot{r}(0)\|^3} = \frac{\left\| \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \right\|}{(\sqrt{3})^3} = \frac{\|(-1, 1, 0)\|}{3\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{9}$

$B(0) = \frac{\|\dot{r}(0) \times \ddot{r}(0)\|}{\|\dot{r}(0) \times \ddot{r}(0)\|} = \frac{(-1, 1, 0)}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-1, 1, 0)$. $N(0) = B(0) \times T(0) = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{vmatrix} = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}})$