

Example $\underline{r}(t) = \langle t^2 - 1, t \rangle$ $\underline{T}(t) = \left\langle \frac{2t}{\sqrt{4t^2+1}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{4t^2+1}} \right\rangle$ (37)

$\underline{T}'(t) = \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{4t^2+1} \cdot 2 - 2t \cdot \frac{1}{2}(4t^2+1)^{-1/2} \cdot 8t}{4t^2+1}, -\frac{1}{2}(4t^2+1)^{-3/2} \cdot 8t \right\rangle$

$= \left\langle \frac{2(4t^2+1) - 8t^2}{(4t^2+1)^{3/2}}, \frac{-4t}{(4t^2+1)^{3/2}} \right\rangle$ parallel to $\langle 2, -4t \rangle$

$\underline{N}(t) = \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{4+16t^2}}, \frac{-4t}{\sqrt{4+16t^2}} \right\rangle$

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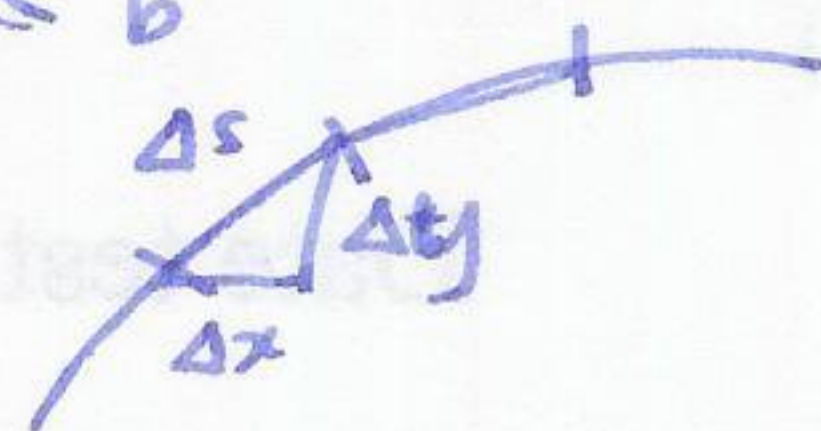
Useful fact if $\underline{r}(t)$ moves with unit speed, i.e. $\|\underline{r}'(t)\| = 1$,

then

§12.5 Arc length and curvature

Recall: length of plane curves $(x(t), y(t))$ $a \leq t \leq b$

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



$$\sum \Delta s = \sum \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2}$$

vector notation: $\underline{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$

then $s = \int_a^b \|\underline{r}'(t)\| dt$

3d: $\underline{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$ $a \leq t \leq b$

then arc length $s = \int_a^b \|\underline{r}'(t)\| dt = \int_a^b \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^2} dt$

last time parametrized curves / vector valued functions of 1-variable. (38) (37a)

$$\underline{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$$

$$\underline{r}'(t) \quad \text{"velocity"} \quad \underline{T}(t) = \frac{\underline{r}'(t)}{\|\underline{r}'(t)\|}$$

$$\underline{r}''(t) \quad \text{"acceleration"} \quad \underline{N}(t) = \frac{\underline{T}'(t)}{\|\underline{T}'(t)\|}$$

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§12.5 Arc length and curvature

recall: length of plane curves $(x(t), y(t)) \quad a \leq t \leq b$

then length = $\int_a^b \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$

vector notation: $\underline{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle, \underline{r}'(t) = \langle x'(t), y'(t) \rangle$

length of $\underline{r}(t) = \int_a^b \|\underline{r}'(t)\| dt$
 $a \leq t \leq b$

mnemonic



$$\sum \Delta s \quad \Delta s^2 = \Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2$$

$$\sum \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2}$$

Diagram showing a curve in the xy-plane with a small segment between t and $t+\Delta t$. The horizontal change is $\Delta x \approx \frac{dx}{dt} \Delta t$ and the vertical change is $\Delta y \approx \frac{dy}{dt} \Delta t$.

3d version: $\underline{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$
 $\underline{r}'(t) = \langle x'(t), y'(t), z'(t) \rangle$

length of $\underline{r}(t) = \int_a^b \|\underline{r}'(t)\| dt = \int_a^b \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^2} dt$
 $a \leq t \leq b$

Example find arc length of helix $\underline{r}(t) = \langle \cos t, \sin t, t \rangle \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

$$\underline{r}'(t) = \langle -\sin t, \cos t, 1 \rangle$$

length = $\int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{(-\sin t)^2 + (\cos t)^2 + 1^2} dt = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{2} dt = [\sqrt{2}t]_0^{2\pi} = 2\pi\sqrt{2}$

Example find an length of $\underline{r}(t) = t\underline{i} + \frac{4}{3}t^{3/2}\underline{j} + \frac{1}{2}t^2\underline{k}$
 $0 \leq t \leq 1$

$$x(t) = t\sqrt{3} \quad y(t) = \frac{4}{3}t^{3/2} \quad z(t) = \frac{1}{2}t^2$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \sqrt{3} \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 2t^{1/2} \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = t$$

$$\text{an length} = \int_0^1 \sqrt{(\sqrt{3})^2 + (2t^{1/2})^2 + t^2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 \sqrt{3 + 4t + t^2} dt \quad \begin{matrix} t^2 + 4t + 1 \\ (t+2)^2 - 4 + 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$= \int_0^1 \sqrt{(t+2)^2 - 1} dt$$

substitute $t+2 = \sec x$
 $\frac{dt}{dx} = \sec x \tan x$

mnemonic: $\sqrt{x^2 - 1}$
 $\uparrow$ want perfect square.
 $\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1$
 $1 + \tan^2 x = \sec^2 x$
 $\tan^2 x = \sec^2 x - 1$

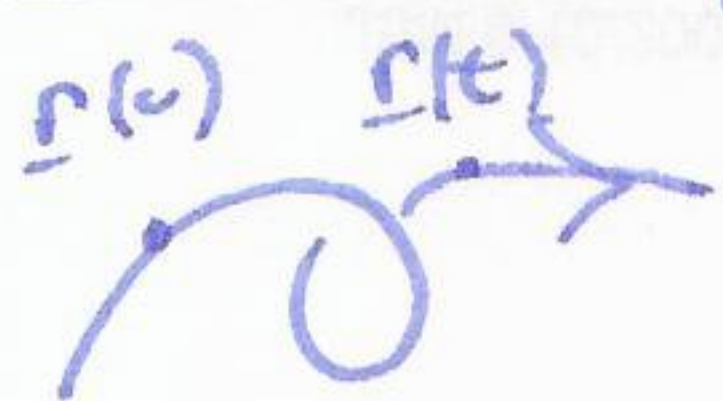
$$\int_0^1 \sqrt{\sec^2 x - 1} \sec x \tan x dx = \int_0^1 \sec x \tan^2 x dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \sec x \tan x \cdot \tan x dx = [\sec x \tan x] - \int_0^1 \sec x \sec^2 x dx$$
$$= \sec x \tan x - \int_0^1 \sec x + \sec x \tan^2 x dx$$

$$= \sec x \tan x - \ln |\sec x + \tan x| - \int_0^1 \sec x \tan^2 x dx$$

$$\int_0^1 \sec^3 x \tan^2 x dx = \frac{1}{2} [\sec x \tan x - \ln |\sec x + \tan x|]_{\sec^{-1}(2)}^{\sec^{-1}(3)}$$

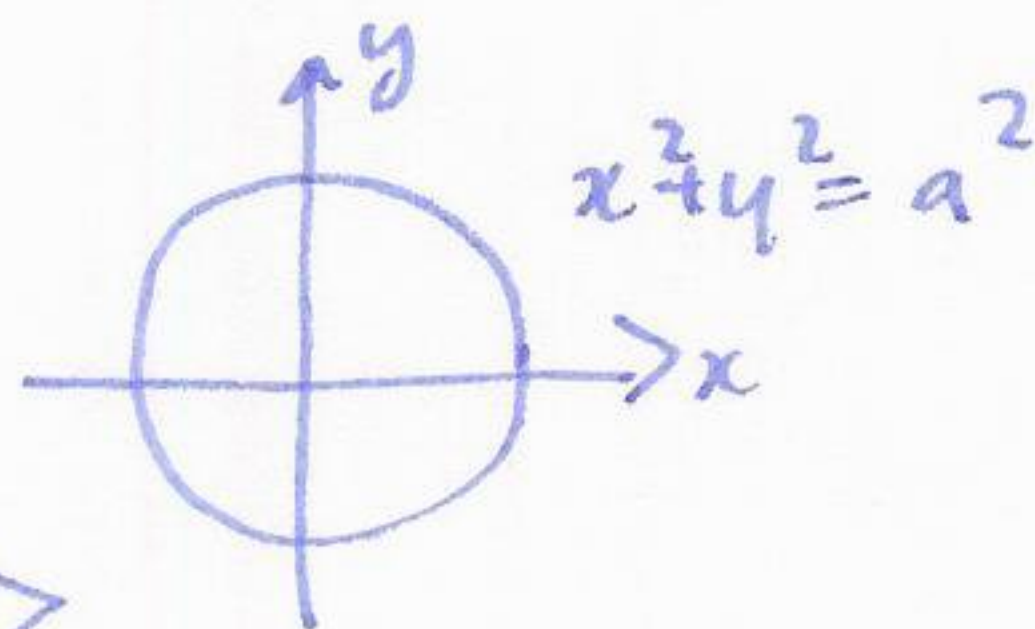
arc length parameterization



suppose the length of $\underline{r}(t)$ between $t=0$ and $t=l$ is equal to l , then we say $\underline{r}(t)$ is an arc length parameterization of the curve.

useful fact: $\|\underline{r}'(t)\| = 1 \Leftrightarrow \underline{r}(t)$ is an arc length parameterization for all t

why? recall $\int_0^l \|\underline{r}'(t)\| dt$ if $\|\underline{r}'(t)\| = 1$ then this is $\int_0^l 1 dt = [t]_0^l = l$.



Example circle of radius a :

parameterize: $\underline{r}(\theta) = \langle a \cos \theta, a \sin \theta \rangle$

$$\underline{r}'(\theta) = \langle -a \sin \theta, a \cos \theta \rangle$$

$$\|\underline{r}'(\theta)\| = \sqrt{(-a \sin \theta)^2 + (a \cos \theta)^2} = a \quad (\neq 1 \text{ in general!})$$

$$\text{length: } \int_0^l a d\theta = [a\theta]_0^l = la.$$

try new parameterization: $\underline{r}(\theta) = \langle a \cos(\frac{\theta}{a}), a \sin(\frac{\theta}{a}) \rangle$.

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{r}'(\theta) &= \langle -a \cdot \frac{1}{a} \sin(\frac{\theta}{a}) \cdot \frac{1}{a}, a \cos(\frac{\theta}{a}) \cdot \frac{1}{a} \rangle \\ &= \langle -\sin(\frac{\theta}{a}), \cos(\frac{\theta}{a}) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

$$\|\underline{r}'(\theta)\| = 1 \text{ as required.}$$

so this is an arc-length parameterization.

Curvature

Let $\underline{r}(t)$ be a curve parameterized by arc length then the

curvature $\kappa(t) = \left\| \frac{dT(t)}{dt} \right\| = \|\underline{T}'(t)\|$ where $\underline{T}(t) = \frac{\underline{r}'(t)}{\|\underline{r}'(t)\|} = \underline{r}'(t)$

Curvature

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Let $\underline{r}(s)$ be a curve parameterized by arc length. then we define the curvature $k(s) = \|\underline{T}'(s)\|$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{recall } \underline{T}(s) &= \frac{\underline{r}'(s)}{\|\underline{r}'(s)\|} \\ &= \underline{r}'(s). \end{aligned}$$

Example circle of radius a

$$\underline{r}(\theta) = \left\langle a \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{a}\right), a \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{a}\right) \right\rangle$$

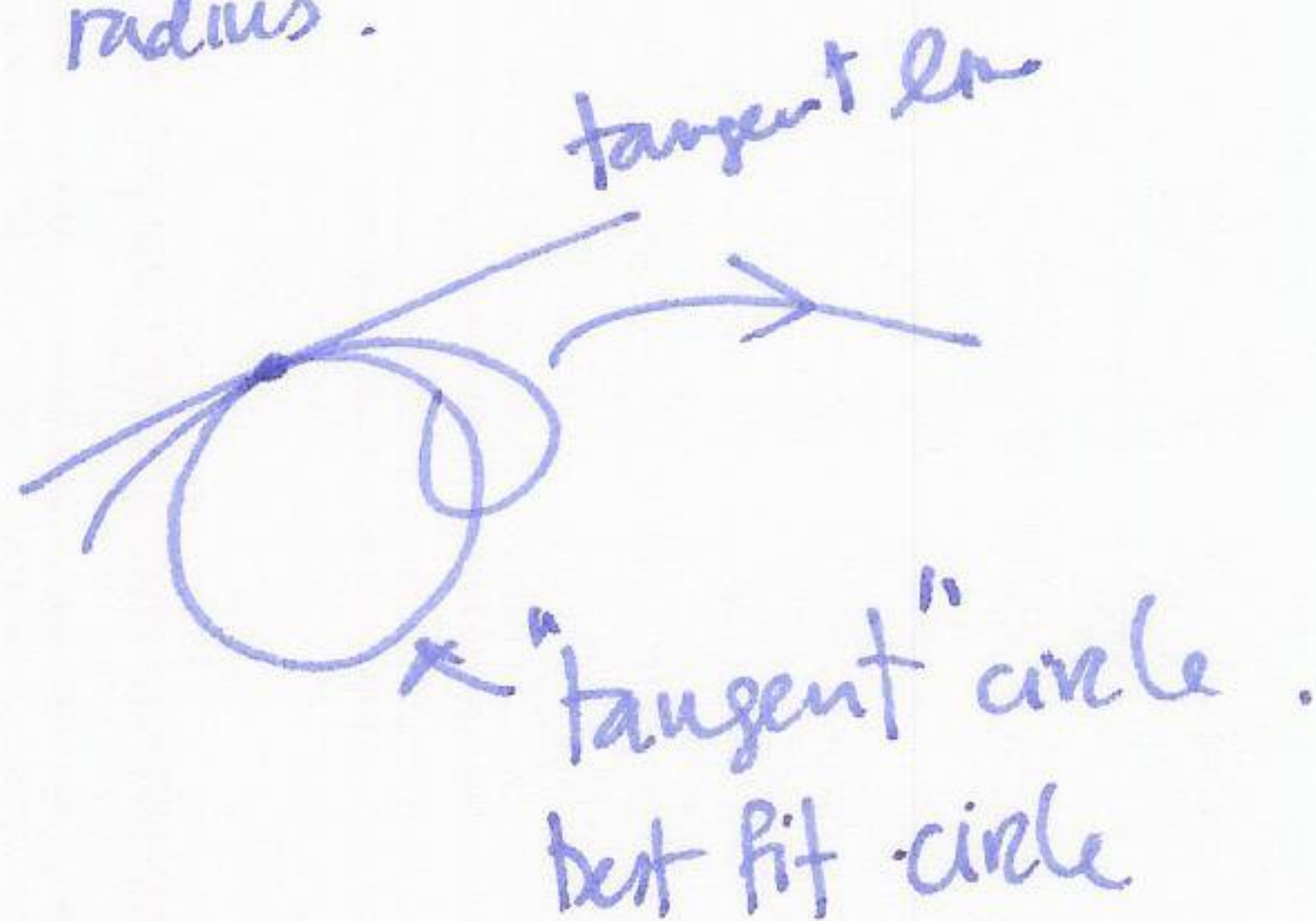
$$\underline{r}'(\theta) = \left\langle -\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{a}\right), \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{a}\right) \right\rangle = \underline{T}(\theta)$$

$$\underline{T}'(\theta) = \left\langle -\frac{1}{a} \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{a}\right), -\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{a}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{a} \right\rangle$$

$$K(\theta) = \|\underline{T}'(\theta)\| = \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{\text{radius}}.$$

Meaning of curvature K

$K(s) = \frac{1}{\text{radius}}$ of circle which best approximates curve at $\underline{r}(s)$.



what happens if $\underline{r}(t)$ not parameterized by arc length?

$$K(t) = \frac{\|\underline{T}'(t)\|}{\|\underline{r}'(t)\|}$$