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Outline

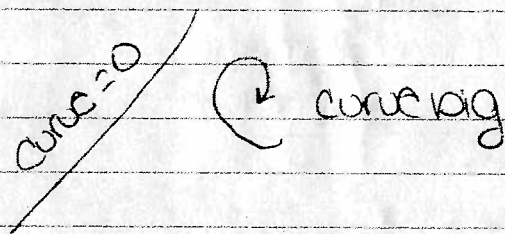
- Curvature (for space curves)

Announcements

- Exam II Thursday October 29
- week probably for review
- T. Oct 27 5pm Library Multimedia room "scary math"

Curvature: (this is a measure of how much a curve is turning at a given point)

we'll see:



concept

Different parametrization of a curve.

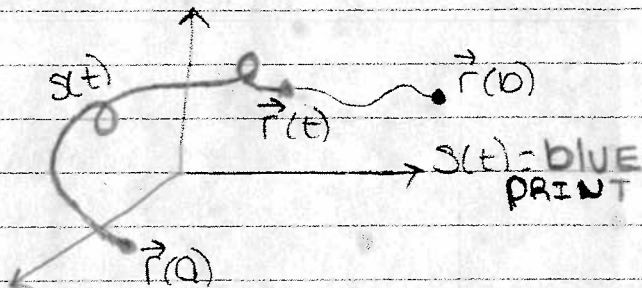
Example: $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t, t^2, t^3 \rangle$ $1 \leq t \leq 2$
one space curve

$$\vec{r}(u) = \langle e^u, e^{2u}, e^{3u} \rangle \quad 0 \leq u \leq \ln 2$$

- these are both curves from $(1, 1, 1)$ to $(2, 4, 8)$
- in fact, the space curves as geometric objects are identical.
- the only way they differ is by the speed at which they are traversed.

define: the arc length function for a curve $\vec{r}(t)$ ($a \leq t \leq b$)

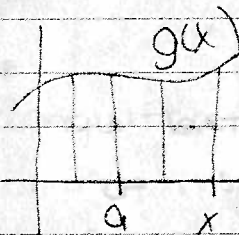
$$s(t) = \int_a^t \underbrace{|\vec{r}'(u)|}_{\text{speed}} du$$



- ① $\frac{ds}{dt} = |\vec{r}'(t)|$ (the differentiation of $s(t)$ using the fundamental theorem of calculus)

recall calc 2:

$$f(x) = \int_a^x g(u) du \xrightarrow{\text{FTC (Fundamental Theorem of Calculus)}} f'(x) = g(x)$$



- ② very often the function $s(t) = \int_a^t |\vec{r}'(u)| du$

can be solved for t ,
 $t(s) = t$



then $\vec{r}(t(s))$ is called parametrized by arc length.

param'd by arc length - in s units of time, you travel a distance of s units of length.

$$\text{Ex: } \vec{r}(t) = \langle \cos t, \sin t, t \rangle \quad 0 \leq t$$

$$s(t) = \int_0^t |\vec{r}'(u)| du$$

$$= \int_0^t \sqrt{(-\sin u)^2 + (\cos u)^2 + (1)^2} du$$

$$= \int_0^t \sqrt{2} du$$

$$= \sqrt{2}u \Big|_0^t = \sqrt{2}t$$

$$s(t) = \sqrt{2}t \rightarrow t = \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{so } \boxed{t(s) = \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{r}(t(s)) = \left\langle \cos\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\right), \sin\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\right), \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle} \quad \text{A new parametrization}$$

Let's calculate the arc length of $\vec{r}(s)$ from $s=0$ to $s=2\pi$:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |\vec{r}'(s)| ds = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot -\sin\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right]^2 + \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \cos\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right]^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2} ds$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \sin^2\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \cos^2\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \frac{1}{2}} ds$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}} ds = \int_0^{2\pi} 1 ds = 2\pi - 0 = \boxed{2\pi}$$

$\vec{r}(s)$ is parametrized so that you travel s units of distance in s units of time

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$$\text{ble } |\vec{r}'(s)| = 1$$

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(3) $r(t) = 2t\mathbf{i} + (1-3t)\mathbf{j} + (5+4t)\mathbf{k}$

Reparametrize this curve with respect to Arc length measured from the point where $t=0$ in the direction of increasing t

Arc length function: $s(t) = \int_a^t |\mathbf{r}'(u)| du = \int_a^t \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{du}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{du}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{du}\right)^2} du$

We will use this formula because $s(t)$ gives us a new t , which forms the new parametrization we are looking for.

$$r(t) = \langle 2t, 1-3t, 5+4t \rangle$$

$$\frac{dx}{du} = 2 \quad \frac{dy}{du} = -3 \quad \frac{dz}{du} = 4$$

plug these values into the arc length function:

$$s(t) = \int_0^t \sqrt{(2)^2 + (-3)^2 + (4)^2} du$$

a becomes zero because we are looking for the length of the arc traced after $t=0$ as t increases.

$$s(t) = \int_0^t \sqrt{4+9+16} du$$

$$s(t) = \int_0^t \sqrt{29} du$$

$$s(t) = \sqrt{29}u \Big|_0^t \rightarrow s(t) = \left[\sqrt{29}(t) - \sqrt{29}(0) \right]$$

$s(t) = \sqrt{29}t$ now that we have the arc length function as a function of t , we will solve for t as a function s .

$$\frac{s}{\sqrt{29}} = \frac{\sqrt{29}t}{\sqrt{29}} \rightarrow t = \frac{s}{\sqrt{29}} \quad \text{this is } t \text{ as a function of } s, \text{ the arc length function.}$$

essentially,

$$t(s) = \frac{s}{\sqrt{29}}$$

and this will be the new t for the new vector function (our parametrized function)

plug this t using this formula: $\vec{r}(t(s))$, meaning wherever you see a t in the original vector, plug in $t(s)$

$$\vec{r}(t) = 2ti + (1-3t)j + (5+4t)k$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2t, 1-3t, 5+4t \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}(t(s)) = \left\langle 2\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{29}}\right), 1-3\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{29}}\right), 5+4\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{29}}\right) \right\rangle$$

$$\vec{r}(t(s)) = \left\langle \frac{2s}{\sqrt{29}}, \frac{1-3s}{\sqrt{29}}, \frac{5+4s}{\sqrt{29}} \right\rangle$$

$$\vec{r}(t(s)) = \left(\frac{2s}{\sqrt{29}}\right)i + \left(\frac{1-3s}{\sqrt{29}}\right)j + \left(\frac{5+4s}{\sqrt{29}}\right)k$$

the reparametrization of the curve

