

Recall that for a parametric curve with position vector $\vec{r}(t)$, domain $a \leq t \leq b$

- arclength function $s(t) = \int_a^t \|\vec{r}'(\tau)\| d\tau$ positive speed $\|\vec{r}'(t)\| > 0$

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \|\vec{r}'(t)\| = \text{speed } v(t)$$

$\frac{ds}{dt} > 0$ for $a \leq t \leq b$ implies inverse function $t(s)$ exists, $0 \leq s \leq L = \int_a^b v(\tau) d\tau$

- unit tangent vector $\vec{T} := \frac{\vec{r}'(t)}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|} = \frac{1}{v} \vec{r}'(t)$

$$\vec{T} \cdot \vec{T} = 1 \Rightarrow 2\vec{T} \cdot \vec{T}' = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{T}'(t) \perp \vec{T}$$

- curvature $\kappa := \|\frac{d\vec{T}}{ds}\| = \|\vec{T}'(t) \frac{dt}{ds}\| = \frac{1}{v} \|\vec{T}'(t)\|$

- unit normal vector $\vec{N} := \frac{\vec{T}'(t)}{\|\vec{T}'(t)\|} = \frac{1}{\kappa v} \vec{T}'(t)$

we checked that curvature of a circle of radius R is $\frac{1}{R}$.
& curvature of a straight line is 0.

Do Exercise 3 on Friday's notes.

- from $\vec{r}'(t) = v \vec{T}$

deduced roller coaster equation

$$\vec{r}''(t) = v' \vec{T} + v \vec{T}'$$

$$\boxed{\vec{r}''(t) = v'(t) \vec{T} + \kappa v^2 \vec{N}}$$

Do exercise 5 on Friday's notes

the circle of curvature at a point $\vec{r}(t_0)$ is the circle which has same tangent & normal vectors as does the curve parameterized by $\vec{r}(t)$, at $\vec{r}(t_0)$. Also, same curvature.

generalizes what you learn in physics - that for circular motion, centripetal acceleration is $\frac{v^2}{R}$.

Remark: There are magic formulas to compute κ in the text & hw.
They're not magic at all, you get them by crossing \vec{T} with the RCE:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{T} \times \vec{r}''(t) &= \vec{T} \times (v'(t) \vec{T} + \kappa v^2 \vec{N}) \\ &\uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ &= \vec{T} \times (v'(t) \vec{T}) + \kappa v^2 \vec{B} \end{aligned}$$

$\vec{B} := \vec{T} \times \vec{N}$ is called the binormal vector
it's a unit vector \perp to \vec{T} & \vec{N} .

$$\text{take } \|\cdot\|: \frac{1}{v} \|\vec{r}' \times \vec{r}''\| = \kappa v^2 \rightarrow \kappa = \frac{1}{v^3} \|\vec{r}' \times \vec{r}''\| = \boxed{\frac{\|\vec{r}' \times \vec{r}''\|}{\|\vec{r}'\|^3} = \kappa}$$

if $\vec{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), 0 \rangle$ is in the x-y plane this becomes

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

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Quadratic surfaces, cylinders, surfaces of revolution

surfaces satisfying
a quadratic equation in x, y, z
variables

surface obtained by rotating
a curve about a line "axis"

surfaces with implicit
equation only depending on two
variables,

- We can visualize these surfaces by understanding their intersections (called "traces") in various planes; the 3 most important planes to use are the coord planes: $x-y$ plane $x-z$ plane $y-z$ plane

$$z=0$$

$$y=0$$

$$x=0$$

Example 1

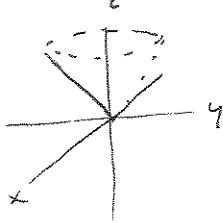
sketch $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} + \frac{z^2}{1} = 1$

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Example 2

sketch the "cylinder" $y = \cos x$

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Example 3

take the line $z=x$ in $x-z$ plane ($x>0$)
& rotate about the z -axis to make a cone.

Find an eqtn for the cone.

Example 4

$$z = x^2 + y^2$$

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Example 5

$$z = x^2 - y^2$$

Example 6

$$x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = 1$$

then try
 $x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = -1$
if you have time.