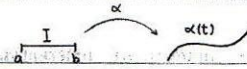


Curves

Def. A parametrized curve is a map $\alpha: I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ of an open interval $I = (a, b)$ into \mathbb{R}^3 .

$\alpha(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$, $I = (a, b)$ can be the whole line (i.e. $a \rightarrow -\infty$, $b \rightarrow \infty$)

Image of $\alpha \equiv C \equiv \{(x(t), y(t), z(t)) \mid t \in I\}$ is called the trace of the curve



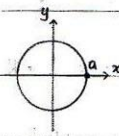
Def. A parametrized differential curve is a differentiable map $\alpha: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$.

α is differentiable (C^∞) $\Leftrightarrow x, y, z$ are C^∞

In general, $\alpha'(t) = (x'(t), y'(t), z'(t))$ is called the tangent vector (velocity vector) of the curve at t .

Ex: (1) $\alpha: (-\varepsilon, 2\pi + \varepsilon) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $\alpha(t) = (a \cos t, a \sin t)$, $a > 0$, $\alpha'(t) = (-a \sin t, a \cos t)$

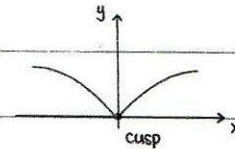
$\beta(t) = (a \cos 2t, a \sin 2t)$, $\beta'(t) = (-2a \sin 2t, 2a \cos 2t) \rightarrow \sin t$ and $\cos t$ are diff



$|\beta'(t)| = 2|\alpha'(t)|$, α and β have same trace

(2) $\alpha(t) = (t^3, t^2)$, $\alpha: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $\alpha'(t) = (3t^2, 2t)$ parametrized diff. curve

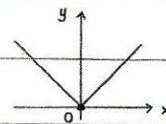
$\alpha(t)$ is the graph of $y = x^{\frac{2}{3}}$



α is not a regular curve, $\alpha'(t)|_{t=0} = (0, 0)$

$\alpha'(0) = (0, 0)$

(3) $\alpha: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $\alpha(t) = (t, |t|)$, $\alpha'(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \rightarrow 0^+ \\ -1, & t \rightarrow 0^- \end{cases}$



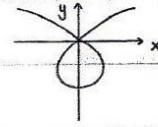
parametrized curve, but not parametrized differential curve

Note. A curve describes the motion of a particle in \mathbb{R}^3 and trace is the trajectory, but with different speed or director, the curve is considered to be different.

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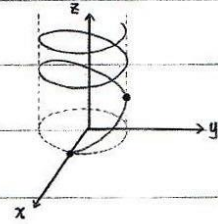
Ex: $\alpha: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \alpha(t) = (t^2 - t, t^2 - 1), \alpha(t)|_{t=1} = (0, 0), \alpha(t)|_{t=-1} = (0, 0)$



α is not required one to one. * f is 1-1 $\Leftrightarrow x \neq y \Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$

Def. A parametrized differentiable curve $\alpha: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is regular, if $\alpha'(t) \neq 0, \forall t \in I$

Ex: (helix) $\alpha: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is given by $\alpha(t) = (a \cos t, a \sin t, bt), a \neq 0, b \neq 0$

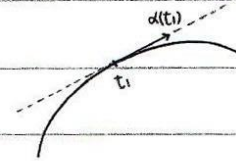


$\alpha(0) = (a, 0, 0), \alpha(\frac{\pi}{2}) = (0, a, \frac{\pi b}{2}), \alpha(\pi) = (-a, 0, \pi b)$

$\alpha(t)$ has its trace in \mathbb{R}^3 a helix of pitch $2\pi b$ on the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$

$\therefore \alpha(t)$ is $C^\infty, \alpha'(t) = (-a \sin t, a \cos t, b), \alpha'(t) \neq 0, \forall t \in \mathbb{R} \therefore \alpha(t)$ is a regular curve.

Note. (1) Any point t st. $\alpha'(t) = 0$ is a singular point of α .



(2) let $\alpha: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be parametrized differentiable curve.

For each $t \in I$ st. $\alpha'(t) \neq 0$, the tangent line to α at t is the line which contains the point $\alpha(t)$ and the vector $\alpha'(t)$.

The length of the curve

Recall: If $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$ is a vector in \mathbb{R}^3 , its length is $|v| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_3^2}$

Given $\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, l(\alpha[a, b]) \equiv$ the length of curve between a & b

the part of image of α between $\alpha(t)$ and $\alpha(t+\delta t)$ is nearly a straight line.

$l(\alpha[t, t+\delta t]) = |\alpha(t+\delta t) - \alpha(t)|, \delta t \rightarrow 0, \frac{\alpha(t+\delta t) - \alpha(t)}{\delta t} \sim \alpha'(t^*), t^* \in (t, t+\delta t)$

Take a partition, $P = \{a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = b\}, l_a^b(\alpha, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha(t_i) - \alpha(t_{i-1})|, |t_i - t_{i-1}|$ is small

Hw 1.3 (8) $|P| = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |t_i - t_{i-1}|$, given $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ st. $|\int_a^b |\alpha'(t)| dt - l_a^b(\alpha, P)| < \epsilon$, if $|P| < \delta$.

Def. The arc-length of a regular curve $\alpha: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ to a point $t \in I$ is defined by $s(t) = \int_{t_0}^t |\alpha'(s)| ds$

(1) The arc-length $s(t)$ is a differentiable function.

(2) $\frac{ds}{dt} = |\alpha'(t)|$ by Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

(3) It depends on the image of α , not α .

Ex: $\alpha(t) = (a \cos t, a \sin t)$, $a > 0$, $t \in [0, 2\pi]$ $\Rightarrow \alpha'(t) = (-a \sin t, a \cos t)$, $|\alpha'(t)| = a$, $S = \int_0^{2\pi} |\alpha'(t)| dt = 2\pi a$

Def. A regular curve $\alpha(s)$ is parametrized by arc-length if $|\alpha'(s)| = 1$.

Fact: Every regular curve can be reparametrized by arc-length.

Idea: Find $t(s)$ st. $\alpha(s)$ satisfies $|\alpha'(t(s))| = 1$

$$\left| \frac{d\alpha(t(s))}{ds} \right| = \left| \frac{d\alpha}{dt} \frac{dt}{ds} \right| = 1 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{d\alpha}{dt} \right| \frac{dt}{ds} = 1 \Rightarrow \int \left| \frac{d\alpha}{dt} \right| dt = \int \frac{ds}{dt} dt = s(t) \quad (\text{may assume } \frac{dt}{ds} > 0)$$

$\therefore \alpha$ is regular $\therefore s(t)$ is well-defined, $t(s)$ exists

Ex: (1) straight line $\alpha(t) = \vec{a}t + \vec{b}$, where \vec{a}, \vec{b} are nonzero constant vectors.

$$\alpha'(t) = \vec{a}, \quad s(t) = \int_0^t |\alpha'(u)| du = |\vec{a}|t \quad \therefore t(s) = \frac{s}{|\vec{a}|}$$

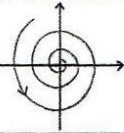
α can be reparametrized by arc-length, $\alpha(s) = \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|}s + \vec{b}$

(2) $\alpha: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $\alpha(t) = (ae^{bt} \cos t, ae^{bt} \sin t)$, $a > 0$, $b < 0$ logarithmic spiral

check α is regular: $\alpha'(t) = (ae^{bt}(b \cos t - \sin t), ae^{bt}(b \sin t + \cos t))$

$$S = \int_0^t |\alpha'(u)| du = \int_0^t \sqrt{a^2 e^{2bu} (b^2 + 1)} du = \int_0^t a e^{bu} \sqrt{b^2 + 1} du \quad \therefore S = \frac{a\sqrt{b^2+1}}{b} (e^{bt} - 1)$$

$$\therefore t(s) = \frac{1}{b} \log \left(1 + \frac{bs}{a\sqrt{b^2+1}} \right) \quad \text{check: } \alpha(s) = \alpha(t(s)), \quad |\alpha'(s)| = 1$$



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Let $\alpha(s)$ be a curve parametrized by arc-length. ($|\alpha'(s)| = 1$)

$\frac{d}{ds}(\alpha'(s)) = \alpha''(s) = \vec{\tau}$ (tangent vector with $|\vec{\tau}| = 1$), $(\vec{\tau})' = \alpha''(s)$ measure the change of the tangent vector at $|\vec{\tau}|^2 = 1$

$|\vec{\tau}|^2 = 1$, $\angle < \vec{\tau}, \vec{\tau}' > = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $\vec{\tau}' = k\vec{n}$ where \vec{n} is the normal vector to tangent vector $\vec{\tau}$ and parallel to $(\vec{\tau})'$

Def $k(s) = |\alpha''(s)|$ is called the curvature of the curve α

A plane is determined by $\vec{\tau}(s)$ and $\vec{n}(s)$ is called osculating plane at s

Ex: (1) straight line $\alpha(s) = \vec{a}s + \vec{b}$, $\alpha'(s) = \vec{a}$, $\alpha''(s) = 0$, $|\alpha'(s)| = |\vec{a}| = 1$, $k(s) = 0$

(2) $\alpha(t) = (a \cos t, a \sin t)$, $\alpha'(t) = (-a \sin t, a \cos t)$, $|\alpha'(t)| = a$, $s = \int_0^t |\alpha'(u)| du = at$ $\therefore t = \frac{s}{a}$

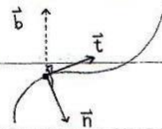
$\alpha(s) = (a \cos(\frac{s}{a}), a \sin(\frac{s}{a}))$, check $|\alpha'(s)| = 1$

$\alpha'(s) = (-\sin(\frac{s}{a}), \cos(\frac{s}{a})) = \vec{\tau}$, $\alpha''(s) = (\vec{\tau})' = (-\frac{1}{a} \cos(\frac{s}{a}), -\frac{1}{a} \sin(\frac{s}{a}))$, $|\vec{\tau}| = |\alpha'(s)| = k(s) = \frac{1}{a}$, $\vec{n} = \frac{\vec{\tau}'}{k}$

Def. Let $\alpha(s)$ be a curve parametrized by arc-length st. $k(s) > 0$, $\forall s \in I$

$\vec{b} = \vec{\tau} \times \vec{n}$ is called binomial vector to α at s .

$\{\vec{\tau}, \vec{n}, \vec{b}\}$ is called Frenet frame (trihedron).



(1) $|\vec{b}| = |\vec{\tau} \times \vec{n}| = |\vec{\tau}| |\vec{n}| \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1 \quad \therefore \vec{\tau} \perp \vec{n}$

(2) \vec{b} is perpendicular to osculating plane (spanning by $\vec{\tau}$ and \vec{n})

(3) \vec{b}' measures how the osculating plane is moving

(4) $\vec{b}' = (\vec{\tau} \times \vec{n})' = \vec{\tau}' \times \vec{n} + \vec{\tau} \times \vec{n}' = k\vec{n} \times \vec{n} + \vec{\tau} \times \vec{n}' = \vec{\tau} \times \vec{n}' \quad \therefore \vec{b}' \perp \vec{\tau}$

(5) $|\vec{b}'|^2 = 1$, $\langle \vec{b}, \vec{b}' \rangle = 1$, $\angle < \vec{b}', \vec{b}' \rangle = 0 \quad \therefore \vec{b}' \perp \vec{b}$

(6) \vec{b}' is parallel to $\vec{n} \quad \therefore \vec{b}' = \square \vec{n}$

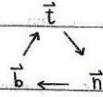
Def. Let $\alpha(s)$ be a curve parametrized by arc-length st. $\alpha'(s) \neq 0, \forall s \in I$

The number $\tau(s)$ defined by $\vec{b}' = \tau(s)\vec{n}(s)$ is called the torsion of α at s .

$$\begin{cases} \vec{t}' = k\vec{n}, & k: \text{curvature} \\ \vec{b}' = \tau\vec{n}, & \tau: \text{torsion} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \langle \vec{n}, \vec{t}' \rangle = 0 \\ \langle \vec{n}, \vec{b}' \rangle = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \langle \vec{n}', \vec{t} \rangle = -\langle \vec{n}, \vec{t}' \rangle = -k \\ \langle \vec{n}', \vec{b} \rangle = -\langle \vec{n}, \vec{b}' \rangle = -\tau \end{cases}$$

$$\vec{n} = \vec{b} \times \vec{t} \Rightarrow (\vec{n}') = (\vec{b}') \times \vec{t} + \vec{b} \times \vec{t}' = \tau(s)\vec{n} \times \vec{t} + \vec{b} \times (k(s)\vec{n}) = -\tau(s)\vec{b} - k(s)\vec{t}$$

$$\begin{cases} \vec{t}' = k\vec{n} \\ \vec{n}' = -k\vec{t} - \tau\vec{b} \\ \vec{b}' = \tau\vec{n} \end{cases} \text{ is called the Frenet formula}$$



Def. A plane spanned by \vec{n} and \vec{b} is called normal plane.

A plane spanned by \vec{b} and \vec{t} is called rectifying plane.

Ex: $\alpha(s) = (a \cos(\frac{s}{c}), a \sin(\frac{s}{c}), \frac{bs}{c})$, where $c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

$$\vec{t} = \alpha'(s) = (-\frac{a}{c} \sin(\frac{s}{c}), \frac{a}{c} \cos(\frac{s}{c}), \frac{b}{c}), \vec{t}' = \alpha''(s) = (-\frac{a}{c^2} \cos(\frac{s}{c}), -\frac{a}{c^2} \sin(\frac{s}{c}), 0), k(s) = |\alpha''(s)| = \frac{a}{c^2}$$

$$\vec{n} = \frac{\alpha''(s)}{|\alpha''(s)|} = (-\cos(\frac{s}{c}), -\sin(\frac{s}{c}), 0), \vec{b} = \vec{t} \times \vec{n} = (\frac{b}{c} \sin(\frac{s}{c}), -\frac{b}{c} \cos(\frac{s}{c}), \frac{a}{c})$$

$$\therefore \vec{b}' = \tau(s)\vec{n} \quad \therefore \vec{b}' = (\frac{b}{c^2} \cos(\frac{s}{c}), \frac{b}{c^2} \sin(\frac{s}{c}), 0), \tau(s) = -\frac{b}{c^2}$$

Thm. A curve in \mathbb{R}^3 which has $k > 0$ is a plane curve $\Leftrightarrow \tau = 0$

<pf> (\Rightarrow) Let $\alpha: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is a plane curve. Given any constant vector $\vec{\beta}$, constant r st. $\alpha(s) \cdot \vec{\beta} = r$

$$(\alpha(s) \cdot \vec{\beta})' = (r)' = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha'(s) \cdot \vec{\beta} + \alpha(s) \cdot \vec{\beta}' = 0 \quad \therefore \alpha'(s) \cdot \vec{\beta} = 0, \vec{t} \cdot \vec{\beta} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{t} \perp \vec{\beta}$$

$$(\alpha'(s) \cdot \vec{\beta})' = 0 \quad \therefore \alpha''(s) \cdot \vec{\beta} + \alpha'(s) \cdot \vec{\beta}' = 0 \quad \therefore \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\beta} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{n} \perp \vec{\beta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{b} = c\vec{\beta} \Rightarrow \vec{b}' = 0 \Rightarrow \tau = 0$$

$$(\Leftarrow) \quad \therefore \tau = 0 \quad \therefore \vec{b}' = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{b} = \text{constant vector}$$

$$(\alpha(s) \cdot \vec{b})' = \alpha'(s) \cdot \vec{b} + \alpha(s) \cdot \vec{b}' = \vec{t} \cdot \vec{b} = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha(s) \cdot \vec{b} = \text{const.} \quad \therefore \alpha(s) \text{ is a plane curve.}$$

Hw: Let $\alpha: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a curve parametrized by arc-length $k=0 \Leftrightarrow \alpha$ is a piece of line

Let $\alpha: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a curve P by arc-length and $\alpha(s)$ has $k>0$ and $\tau=0 \Rightarrow \alpha(s)$ is a part of circle of radius $\frac{1}{k}$

Find curvature k and torsion τ without assuming α is parametrized by arc-length α is a regular curve.

Since α can be reparametrized by arc-length, $\frac{d\alpha}{ds} = \frac{d\alpha}{dt} \frac{dt}{ds} \Rightarrow 1 = |\frac{d\alpha}{ds}| = |\frac{d\alpha}{dt}| \frac{dt}{ds} \Rightarrow \frac{dt}{ds} = \frac{1}{|\alpha'|} \dots (1)$

$$\vec{T} = \alpha' \frac{dt}{ds} = \frac{\alpha'}{|\alpha'|} (\vec{T})' = \frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{\alpha'}{|\alpha'|} \right) = \frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{\alpha'}{|\alpha'|} \right) = \frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{\alpha'}{|\alpha'|} \right) = \frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{\alpha'}{|\alpha'|} \right) = \frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{\alpha'}{|\alpha'|} \right) = \frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{\alpha'}{|\alpha'|} \right) \dots (2)$$

$$(2) \cdot \alpha' \Rightarrow 0 = k\mathbf{n} \cdot \alpha' = \frac{\alpha' \cdot \alpha'}{|\alpha'|^2} + |\alpha'|^2 \frac{d\vec{T}}{ds} \Rightarrow \frac{d\vec{T}}{ds} = \frac{-\alpha' \cdot \alpha'}{|\alpha'|^3} \Rightarrow \vec{T}' = k\vec{n} = \frac{\alpha''}{|\alpha'|^2} + \alpha' \left(\frac{-\alpha' \cdot \alpha''}{|\alpha'|^3} \right) \dots (3)$$

$$k = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\alpha'' \cdot \alpha''}{|\alpha'|^2} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\alpha' \cdot \alpha''}{|\alpha'|^3} \right)^2} = \frac{|\alpha''|^2 - (\alpha' \cdot \alpha'')^2 / |\alpha'|^2}{|\alpha'|^6} = \frac{|\alpha''|^2 - |\alpha'|^2 |\alpha'|^2 \cos^2 \theta}{|\alpha'|^6} = \frac{|\alpha''|^2 - |\alpha'|^2 |\alpha'|^2 (1 - \cos^2 \theta)}{|\alpha'|^6} = \frac{|\alpha'' \cdot \alpha'|^2}{|\alpha'|^6} = \frac{|\alpha'' \cdot \alpha'|}{|\alpha'|^3} \dots (4)$$

$$\vec{n} = \frac{|\alpha'| \alpha'' - (\alpha' \cdot \alpha'') \alpha'}{|\alpha'| \|\alpha'' \cdot \alpha'\|} \quad \vec{b} = \vec{T} \times \vec{n} = \frac{\alpha'}{|\alpha'|} \times \left(\frac{|\alpha'| \alpha'' - (\alpha' \cdot \alpha'') \alpha'}{|\alpha'| \|\alpha'' \cdot \alpha'\|} \right) = \frac{\alpha' \times \alpha''}{|\alpha'' \cdot \alpha'|}$$

$$\vec{b}' = \frac{\alpha' \times \alpha''}{|\alpha'' \cdot \alpha'|} - \frac{\alpha' \times \alpha'' [(\alpha' \times \alpha'') \cdot (\alpha' \times \alpha'')] dt}{|\alpha'' \cdot \alpha'|^3 ds}$$

$$\therefore \vec{b}' = \tau \vec{n} \quad \therefore \tau = \vec{b}' \cdot \vec{n} = \frac{(\alpha' \times \alpha'') \cdot \alpha''}{|\alpha'' \cdot \alpha'|^2} \dots (**)$$

Let $\alpha(t) = (x(t), y(t))$, $\alpha: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \Rightarrow \vec{T} = \frac{\alpha'(t)}{|\alpha'(t)|} = \frac{(x'(t), y'(t))}{\sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2}}$, $\vec{T}' = \frac{(x'', y'')}{\sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}} - \frac{x' \cdot x'' + y' \cdot y'' \cdot (x' \cdot y')}{(x'^2 + y'^2)^{3/2}}$

$$\therefore \text{on } \mathbb{R}^2 \quad \vec{T} \perp \vec{n}, \vec{T}' = k\vec{n} \Rightarrow \vec{n} = \frac{(y'(t), -x'(t))}{\sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2}}, k = \vec{T}' \cdot \vec{n} = \frac{-x'y'' + y'x''}{(x'^2 + y'^2)^{3/2}} \text{ on } \mathbb{R}^2, k > 0$$

positive determinant.

Def. A rigid motion in \mathbb{R}^3 is a result of composing a translation with an orthogonal transformation with

Recall: (1) A translation by a vector $v \in \mathbb{R}^3$ is a map $A: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ that is given by $A(p) = p+v, p \in \mathbb{R}^3$

(2) A linear map $\rho: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is an orthogonal transformation if $\rho u \cdot \rho v = u \cdot v, \forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}^3$

Remark. arc-length, curvature and torsion are invariant under rigid motion

$$M: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ rigid motion, } \bar{\alpha}(t) \text{ a curve, } \bar{\alpha}(t) = M \circ \alpha = \rho \circ \alpha + C, \int_a^b |\frac{d\bar{\alpha}}{dt}| dt = \int_a^b |\frac{d(M \circ \alpha)}{dt}| dt$$

rotation transformation

Thm. Fundamental theorem of the curve (local)

Given differential function $k(s) > 0, \tau(s), s \in I, \exists$ a regular curve parametrized by arc-length $\alpha: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$
 s is the arc-length of $\alpha, k(s)$ is the curvature of $\alpha, \tau(s)$ is the torsion of α .

Moreover, α is unique up to rigid motion, i.e. \exists rigid motion $M: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \bar{\alpha} = M \circ \alpha = P \circ \alpha + C$

<pf> (uniqueness) Let $\alpha(s)$ and $\bar{\alpha}(s)$ be two curve parametrized by $s \in [a, b]$

s is their arc-length and $k(s), \tau(s), \bar{k}(s), \bar{\tau}(s)$ satisfied $k(s) = \bar{k}(s), \tau(s) = \bar{\tau}(s)$

Let $s_0 \in [a, b]$, consider $\beta(s) = \bar{\alpha}(s) - (\bar{\alpha}(s_0) - \alpha(s_0)), \beta(s_0) = \bar{\alpha}(s_0) - (\bar{\alpha}(s_0) - \alpha(s_0)) = \alpha(s_0)$

$\therefore \beta(s) \equiv$ a translation of $\alpha(s)$

Now rotate $\beta + \beta'(s_0) = \alpha'(s_0)$ call the resulting curve $\gamma(s)$ rotate again to match the normal vector at s_0 .

Now all the resulting curve $\theta(s) \therefore \theta(s), \alpha(s)$ have identical k and τ and $\alpha(s_0) = \theta(s_0), \alpha'(s_0) = \theta'(s_0),$

$\alpha''(s_0) = \theta''(s_0)$ and also with identical binormal vector at s_0 .

Let $\{\bar{t}, \bar{n}, \bar{b}\}$ and $\{\bar{t}, \bar{n}, \bar{b}\}$ be the Frenet frame for $\alpha(s)$ and $\theta(s)$

consider $f(s) = |t - \bar{t}|^2 + |n - \bar{n}|^2 + |b - \bar{b}|^2 \quad (|t|^2 = \langle t, t \rangle)$

$f'(s) = 2[\langle t - \bar{t}, t - \bar{t}' \rangle + \langle n - \bar{n}, n' - \bar{n}' \rangle + \langle b - \bar{b}, b' - \bar{b}' \rangle]$

$= 2[k \langle t - \bar{t}, n - \bar{n} \rangle - k \langle n - \bar{n}, t - \bar{t} \rangle + \tau \langle n - \bar{n}, -b + \bar{b} \rangle + \tau \langle b - \bar{b}, n - \bar{n} \rangle] = 0 \Rightarrow f'(s) = 0 \therefore f(s) \text{ const.}$

$\therefore f(s_0) = 0 \Rightarrow f(s) \equiv 0, \forall s \in [a, b] \Rightarrow t = \bar{t}, n = \bar{n}, b = \bar{b}$

consider $g(s) = |\alpha(s) - \theta(s)|^2, g'(s) = 2 \langle \alpha(s) - \theta(s), \alpha'(s) - \theta'(s) \rangle = 2 \langle \alpha(s) - \theta(s), t - \bar{t} \rangle = 0, \forall s \in [a, b]$

However, $g(s_0) = |\alpha(s_0) - \theta(s_0)|^2 = 0 \Rightarrow g(s) \equiv 0 \Rightarrow \alpha(s) = \theta(s)$

<pf> (existence of $\alpha(s)$) We want to construct curve from $k(s) > 0$ and $\tau(s), t(s) = \alpha'(s)$

construct $\{\bar{t}, \bar{n}, \bar{b}\}$ satisfy the Frenet formula

If we set $t = (t_1, t_2, t_3), n = (n_1, n_2, n_3), b = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$

$$* \begin{cases} t'_1 = kt_1 & n'_1 = -kt_1 - \tau b_1 & b'_1 = \tau n_1 \\ t'_2 = kt_2 & n'_2 = -kt_2 - \tau b_2 & b'_2 = \tau n_2 \\ t'_3 = kt_3 & n'_3 = -kt_3 - \tau b_3 & b'_3 = \tau n_3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} t' \\ n' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & kI & 0 \\ -kI & 0 & -\tau I \\ 0 & \tau I & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ n \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

There are nine equation * has unknown, * is 9×9 linear ODE

By ODE Thm., if we prescribe the column of t, n, b at a fixed point, then \exists sol. to the system.

We take $t(s_0) = (1, 0, 0)$, $n(s_0) = (0, 1, 0)$, $b(s_0) = (0, 0, 1)$

If $h: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^9$, $h(s) = (t(s), n(s), b(s))$, $h(s_0) = (e_1, e_2, e_3) \therefore h'(s) = A(s)h(s)$, $h(s_0) = (100010001)$

By ODE Thm $\exists!$ sol. $g: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^9$ to the IVP. Claim: $\{t, n, b\}$ are orthonormal.

$$(t|t)' = 2\langle t', t \rangle = 2k\langle t, n \rangle \quad (\langle t, n \rangle)' = k|n|^2 - k|t|^2 - 2\langle t, b \rangle$$

$$(n|n)' = 2\langle n', n \rangle = -2k\langle n, t \rangle - 2\tau\langle n, b \rangle \quad (\langle n, b \rangle)' = 2|n|^2 - k\langle b, t \rangle - \tau|b|^2$$

$$(b|b)' = 2\langle b', b \rangle = 2\tau\langle n, b \rangle \quad (\langle t, b \rangle)' = k\langle n, b \rangle + \tau\langle t, n \rangle$$

ℓ : vector value function, $\ell: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^6$, $\ell(s) = (|t|^2, |n|^2, |b|^2, \langle t, n \rangle, \langle n, b \rangle, \langle b, t \rangle)$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d\ell}{ds} = M(s)\ell(s) \\ \ell(s)|_{s=s_0} = (1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0) \end{array} \right. , \text{ where } M(s) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2k(s) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2k(s) & -2\tau(s) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\tau(s) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -k(s) & k(s) & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\tau(s) \\ 0 & \tau(s) & -\tau(s) & 0 & 0 & -k(s) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \tau(s) & k(s) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

consider const curve $u(s) = (1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0)$ is a sol of $\textcircled{6}$ ($\because \textcircled{6}$ linear ODE)

By ODE uniqueness of sol $\Rightarrow u(s) = \ell(s) \Rightarrow \ell(s) = (1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0)$

$$\therefore \text{We have } \begin{cases} |t|^2 = 1 & \langle t, n \rangle = 0 \\ |n|^2 = 1 & \langle n, b \rangle = 0 \\ |b|^2 = 1 & \langle b, t \rangle = 0 \end{cases} \quad \forall s \in [a, b]$$

$\{t, n, b\}$ satisfy the Frenet formula $\Rightarrow \alpha(s) = \int_{s_0}^s t(u) du = \int_{s_0}^s \alpha'(u) du$

Global property of plane curve

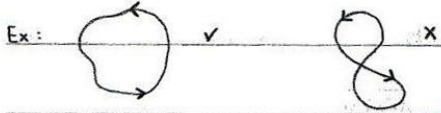
Def. A curve $\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a closed curve, if $\alpha(a) = \alpha(b)$, \dots , $\alpha^{(m)}(a) = \alpha^{(m)}(b)$, where α and its

derivatives agree at a and b .

Def. A simple closed curve in \mathbb{R}^3 is a curve with no self-intersection,

i.e. $\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ and $\alpha(t_1) = \alpha(t_2)$, for some $t_1, t_2 \in [a, b]$, then $t_1 = t_2$.

Def. A plane curve $\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a positively oriented simple closed curve if the interior region enclosed by curve is on the LHS.



Thm. (Isoperimetric Inequality) Let $\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a positive oriented simple closed curve in \mathbb{R}^2

Denote $l = \text{length of } \alpha$, $A = \text{area of region enclosed (bounded) by } \alpha \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2$

Then $4\pi A \leq l^2$ equality holds \Leftrightarrow the image of α is circle.

Recall: Green Theorem

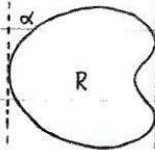
Let c be a positively oriented piecewise smooth simple closed curve in \mathbb{R}^2 and let R be the region enclosed by c .

If f and g are function (x, y) defined on open region containing R and have "continuous partial derivative", then $\int_c (f \frac{dx}{dt} + g \frac{dy}{dt}) dt = \iint_R (\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}) dx dy$ $f, g \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$

* Let $f = -y$, $g = x$, then $\int_c (-y x' + x y') dt = \iint_R 2 dx dy = 2 \iint_R dx dy = 2 \text{Area}(R)$

$\therefore \text{Area}(R) = A = \frac{1}{2} \int_c (x y' - y x') dt \dots (*)$

$$A \leq \frac{l^2}{4\pi}$$

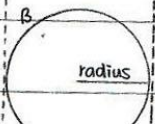


diameter = $d = 2r$

Let curve α be parametrized by arc-length $\alpha(s) = (x(s), y(s))$, $s \in [a, b]$

Let curve β (circle) be parametrized by arc-length $\beta(s) = (x(s), y(s))$

$$A_c = \pi r^2$$



$$x^2(s) + y^2(s) = r^2$$

We know that $A(R) = \text{area of region } R = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a (xy' - yx') ds$

$$\therefore \int_0^a (x'y) ds = (xy)|_0^a - \int_0^a xy' ds \quad \therefore \int_0^a (x'y) ds = - \int_0^a xy' ds, \quad \int_0^a xy' ds = - \int_0^a yx' ds$$

$$A(R) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a (xy' - yx') ds = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a (xy' + x'y) ds = \int_0^a xy' ds$$

$$A(\text{Cir}) = \pi r^2 = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a (x\bar{y}' - \bar{y}x') ds = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a (-\bar{y}x' - \bar{y}x') ds = - \int_0^a (\bar{y}x') ds \quad x^2 + y^2 = r^2 \quad \therefore \text{by arc-length}$$

$$A(R) + A(\text{Cir}) = A(R) + \pi r^2 = \int_0^a (xy' - \bar{y}x') ds \leq \int_0^a \sqrt{(xy' - \bar{y}x')^2} ds \leq \int_0^a \sqrt{(x^2 + \bar{y}^2)(x'^2 + y'^2)} ds = \int_0^a r ds = ar \dots (**)$$

$$\sqrt{A(R)} \sqrt{A(\text{Cir})} \leq \frac{1}{2} [A(R) + A(\text{Cir})] = \frac{1}{2} [A(R) + \pi r^2] \leq \frac{ar}{2} \Rightarrow A(R) \pi r^2 \leq \frac{a^2 r^2}{4} \Rightarrow A(R) \leq \frac{a^2}{4\pi}$$

$$A = \frac{a^2}{4\pi} : \int_0^a \sqrt{(xy' - \bar{y}x')^2} ds = \int_0^a \sqrt{(x^2 + \bar{y}^2)(x'^2 + y'^2)} ds \Rightarrow -2xy\bar{y}'x' = x^2x'^2 + y^2y'^2$$

$$(x\bar{x}' + \bar{y}y')^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x\bar{x}' = -\bar{y}y', \quad (xy' - \bar{y}x')^2 = x^2y'^2 + 2x\bar{x}'y'y' + \bar{y}^2x'^2 = x^2 + x'^2 r^2 = r^2$$

$$\therefore x^2 = r^2(1 - x'^2) \Rightarrow x = \pm r y', \quad y = \pm r x' \quad \therefore x^2 + y^2 = r^2 y'^2 + r^2 x'^2 = r^2$$

Remark. Isoperimetric inequality also holds for α , where α is piecewise continuous allow finite # corner.