

## 13.2 Derivatives and Integrals of Vector Fns.

Suppose  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$  are

differentiable at  $t$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\vec{r}(t+h) - \vec{r}(t)}{h} \\ &= \frac{\langle f(t+h), g(t+h) \rangle - \langle f(t), g(t) \rangle}{h} \\ &= \left\langle \frac{f(t+h) - f(t)}{h}, \frac{g(t+h) - g(t)}{h} \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

which converges to

$$\langle f'(t), g'(t) \rangle, \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0$$

$$\therefore \vec{r}'(t) = \langle f'(t), g'(t) \rangle$$

Similarly, if

$$\text{If } \vec{r}(t) = \langle f(t), g(t), h(t) \rangle$$

then

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle f'(t), g'(t), h'(t) \rangle$$

Ex. If  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle e^{2t}, t^2, e^{-t} \rangle$ ,

find  $\vec{r}'(t)$  and  $\vec{r}'(0)$ .

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 2e^{2t}, 2t, -e^{-t} \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}'(0) = \langle 2, 0, -1 \rangle$$

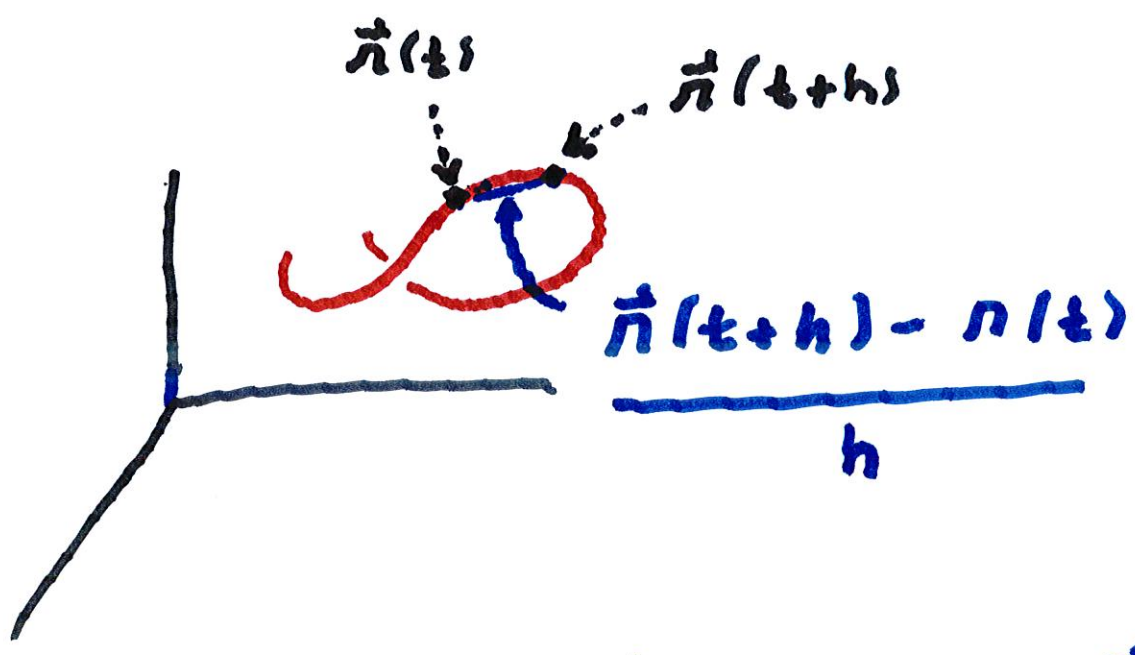
Ex. If  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle \tan t, \sec t, \frac{1}{t^2} \rangle$

find  $\vec{r}'(t)$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \left\langle \sec^2 t, \sec t \tan t, -\frac{2}{t^3} \right\rangle$$

(as long as  $\cos t \neq 0$  and  $t \neq 0$ )

### Geometric Meaning of $\vec{r}'(t)$



Suppose  $\vec{r}(t) = t\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ .

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\vec{r}(t+h) - \vec{r}(t)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{\left( (t+h)\vec{a} + \vec{b} \right) - \left( t\vec{a} + \vec{b} \right)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{h\vec{a}}{h} = \vec{a}.$$

Thus  $\vec{a}$  gives the direction  
and magnitude of motion.

In general, if  $\vec{r}$  is  
differentiable at  $t$ ,

then  $\vec{r}'(t)$  is called

the tangent vector to

the curve  $C$  at the point

$$P = \vec{r}(t)$$



If  $\vec{r}'(t) \neq 0$ , we

define  $T(t) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t)}{|\vec{r}'(t)|}$

to be the unit tangent vector  
of the curve  $C$  at  $\vec{r}(t)$ .

$T(t)$  only gives the

direction of the tan line.

Ex. For the curve  $C$   
parameterized by

$$\vec{r}(t) = (1-2t)\vec{i} + \sqrt{t}\vec{j}, \quad t \geq 0,$$

find the unit tangent vector

$T$  at  $(-1, 1)$ .

$$\text{We need } 1-2t = -1$$

$$\text{or } 2t = 2 \rightarrow \underline{t=1}$$



$$\vec{r}'(t) = -2\vec{i} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}}\vec{j}$$

$$= -2\vec{i} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{j} \quad (t=1)$$

$$T(u) = -2\vec{i} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{j}$$

$$\sqrt{4 + \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{-2\vec{i} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{j}}{\sqrt{4 + \frac{1}{4}}}$$

$$= \frac{-4\vec{i} + \vec{j}}{\sqrt{17}}$$



If  $\vec{\pi}(t) = \langle f(t), g(t), h(t) \rangle$ ,

then  $\vec{\pi}''(t) = \langle f''(t), g''(t), h''(t) \rangle$

## Differentiation Rules

Suppose that  $\vec{u}(t)$  and  $\vec{v}(t)$  are differentiable vector functions and  $f(t)$  is a real-valued function. Then

$$1. \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u}(t) + \vec{v}(t)) = \vec{u}'(t) + \vec{v}'(t)$$

$$2. \frac{d}{dt} (c \vec{u}(t)) = c \vec{u}'(t)$$

$$3. \frac{d}{dt} (f(t) \vec{u}(t)) = f'(t) \vec{u}(t) + f(t) \vec{u}'(t)$$

$$4. \frac{d}{dt} [\vec{u}(t) \cdot \vec{v}(t)] = \vec{u}'(t) \cdot \vec{v}(t) + \vec{u}(t) \cdot \vec{v}'(t)$$

$$5. \frac{d}{dt} [\vec{u}(t) \times \vec{v}(t)] = \vec{u}'(t) \times \vec{v}(t) + \vec{u}(t) \times \vec{v}'(t)$$

$$6. \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \vec{v}(f(t)) \right] = f'(t) \vec{v}'(f(t))$$

(Chain Rule)

Ex. Suppose that  $|\vec{n}(t)| = c$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{n}(t)|^2 = c^2$$

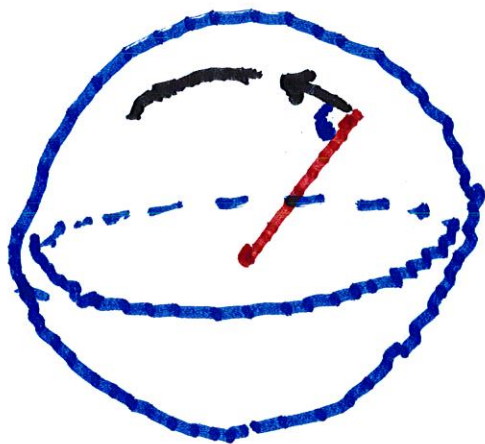
$$\vec{n}(t) \cdot \vec{n}(t) = c^2$$

Now diff:

$$\therefore 0 = \vec{n}'(t) \cdot \vec{n}(t) + \vec{n}(t) \cdot \vec{n}'(t)$$

$$= 2 \vec{n}(t) \cdot \vec{n}'(t)$$

Then  $\vec{n}'(t)$  is  $\perp$  to  $\vec{n}(t)$



Integrals If  $\vec{n}(t) = \langle f(t), g(t), h(t) \rangle$   
 $= f(t)\vec{i} + g(t)\vec{j}$

$+ h(t)\vec{k}$

$$\int_a^b \vec{n}(t) dt =$$

$$\left( \int_a^b f(t) dt \right) \vec{i} + \left( \int_a^b g(t) dt \right) \vec{j} + \left( \int_a^b h(t) dt \right) \vec{k}$$

We can also compute indefinite integrals

$$\text{If } \vec{n}(t) = 3t^2 \vec{i} + \cos 2t \vec{j} + \frac{1}{t^2+1} \vec{k}$$

$$\int \vec{n}(t) dt = t^3 \vec{i} + \frac{\sin 2t}{2} \vec{j} + \tan^{-1}(t) \vec{k} + \vec{C},$$

$$\text{where } \vec{C} = C_1 \vec{i} + C_2 \vec{j} + C_3 \vec{k}$$

$$\text{Ex. Find } \int_0^1 \left( \frac{4}{1+t^2} \vec{j} + \frac{2t}{1+t^2} \vec{k} \right) dt$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{4}{1+t^2} dt = 4 \tan^{-1} t \Big|_0^1 = 4 \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} - 0 = \pi$$



$$\int_0^1 \frac{2t}{1+t^2} dt = \ln(1+t^2) \Big|_0^1 = \ln 2$$

$$\therefore \int_0^1 \left( \frac{4}{1+t^2} \vec{j} + \frac{2t}{1+t^2} \vec{k} \right) dt$$

$$= \pi \vec{j} + \ln 2 \vec{k}$$

Ex. Find the point on the curve

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2\cos t, 2\sin t, e^t \rangle.$$

where  $x + y = 1$ , where the  
where the tangent

line is parallel to the plane

$$\sqrt{3}x + y = 1.$$

The normal to the plane is

$\langle \sqrt{3}, 1, 0 \rangle$ . The tangent

vector to the curve at time  $t$

is  $\vec{r}'(t) = \langle -2\sin t, 2\cos t, e^t \rangle$

We need  $\vec{r}'(t) \cdot \langle \sqrt{3}, 1, 0 \rangle = 0$

or

$$-2\sqrt{3} \sin t + 2 \cos t = 0$$

$$\rightarrow -2\sqrt{3} \tan t + 2 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \tan t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore \vec{r}\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \left\langle \sqrt{3}, 1, e^{\pi/6} \right\rangle$$

Ex. Find a vector eq'n for the  
tangent line to the curve of  
intersection of the cylinders

Ex. Find the tangent line  
of the curve

$$x = 1 + 2\sqrt{t}, \quad y = t^3 - t, \quad z = t^3 + t$$

at the point  $(3, 0, 2)$ .

Express the line in  
parametric equations.

$$x' = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}, \quad y' = 3t^2 - 1, \quad z' = 3t^2 + 1$$

If  $1 + 2\sqrt{t} = 3$ , then  $t = 1$ .

Note that  $y(1) = 1^3 - 1 = 0$

and  $z(1) = 1^3 + 1 = 2.$

Note also that

$x'(1) = 1$ ,  $y' = 2$ , and  $z'(1) = 4.$

$\therefore$  tangent line is

$$r'(t) = (3, 0, 2) + t(1, 2, 4)$$

In parametric equations :

$$x = 3 + t, \quad y = 2t, \quad z = 2 + 4t$$

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Compute

$$\int (\sec^2 t \vec{i} + t(t^2+1)^3 \vec{j} + t^2 \ln t \vec{k})$$

$$1. \int \sec^2 t dt = \tan t \vec{i}$$

$$2. \int t(t^2+1)^3 dt = \int \frac{(t^2+1)^3}{2} 2t dt$$

$$= \frac{(t^2+1)^4}{2 \cdot 4}$$

$$u = t^2 + 1$$

$$du = 2t dt$$

$$3. \int t^2 \ln t dt =$$

$$u = \ln t \quad dv = t^2 dt$$

$$du = \frac{dt}{t} \quad v = \frac{t^3}{3}$$



$$= \ln t \cdot \frac{t^3}{3} - \int \frac{t^3}{3} \frac{dt}{t}$$

$$= \ln t \cdot \frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{1}{9} t^3$$

$\therefore$  Original Vector integral is:

$$\tan t \vec{i} + \frac{(t^2+1)^4}{8} \vec{j} + \left( \frac{\ln t \cdot t^3}{3} - \frac{t^3}{9} \right) \vec{k}$$

Recall that if  $\vec{r}(t)$  is  
a smooth vector function,

then

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle x'(t), y'(t), z'(t) \rangle$$

is the derivative. At each  
 $t$ , it gives the direction  
and the magnitude of the  
motion. Find  $\vec{T}(t)$ .

Ex. If  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2t+1, t^2, 3t \rangle$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 2, 2t, 3 \rangle$$

$$|\vec{r}'(t)| = \sqrt{4 + 4t^2 + 9}$$

$$\vec{T}(t) = \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{13+4t^2}}, \frac{2t}{\sqrt{13+4t^2}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{13+4t^2}} \right\rangle$$

As we shall see,

$|\vec{r}'(t)| =$  rate of change of motion  
at time  $t$ .

$$\text{If } \vec{r}(t) = \langle t^2 - 1, 2t + 1, t^2 + t \rangle \quad 24$$

Find  $T(t)$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 2t, 2, 2t + 1 \rangle$$

$$|\vec{r}'(t)| = \sqrt{4t^2 + 4 + 4t^2 + 4t + 1}$$

$$= \sqrt{8t^2 + 4t + 5}$$

$$T(t) = \frac{\langle 2t, 2, 2t + 1 \rangle}{\sqrt{8t^2 + 4t + 5}}$$

Sometimes we need the  
unit tangent vector

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

As a vector it gives the  
direction, but not the  
magnitude, since  $|T(t)| = 1$

$$\text{If } \vec{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$$

$$\text{then } \vec{r}'(t) = \langle x'(t), y'(t), z'(t) \rangle$$

$$\text{and } \underline{\vec{r}''(t) = \langle x''(t), y''(t), z''(t) \rangle}$$

$\vec{r}''(t)$  is the second derivative



Ex. Find an expression for

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \vec{u}(t) \cdot (\vec{v}(t) \times \vec{w}(t)) \right]$$

By Leibnitz' Rule

$$\begin{aligned} &= \vec{u}'(t) \cdot (\vec{v}(t) \times \vec{w}(t)) \\ &+ \vec{u}(t) \cdot (\vec{v}'(t) \times \vec{w}(t)) \\ &+ \vec{u}(t) \cdot (\vec{v}(t) \times \vec{w}'(t)) \end{aligned}$$