

Unit 2 Parametrics
Day 3 - Vector Valued Functions

Review of position, velocity, and acceleration

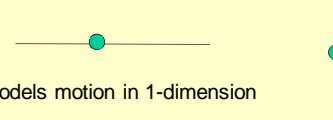
$s(t)$ = Position at time t

$v(t)$ = Velocity at time t

$a(t)$ = Acceleration at time t

$$v(t) = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$a(t) = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2s}{dt^2}$$



Models motion in 1-dimension

Position, velocity, and acceleration in 2-dimensional space

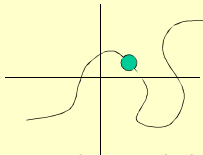
$r(t)$ = Position at time t

$v(t)$ = Velocity at time t

$a(t)$ = Acceleration at time t

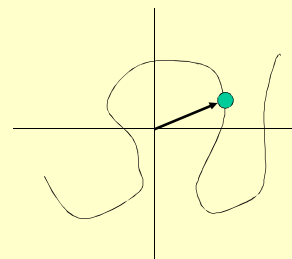
$$v(t) = \frac{dr}{dt}$$

$$a(t) = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2r}{dt^2}$$



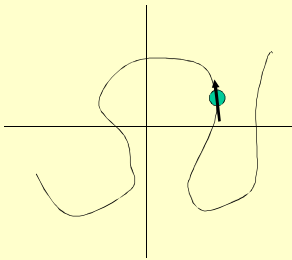
Same idea, but we need way to deal with 2-dimensions

Enter Vectors



Position vector – position of object at time t , relative to the origin.

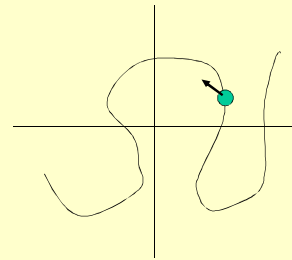
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Velocity vector – direction and speed of object at time t .

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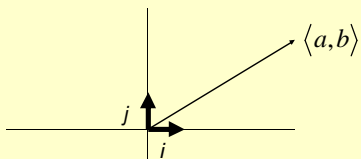


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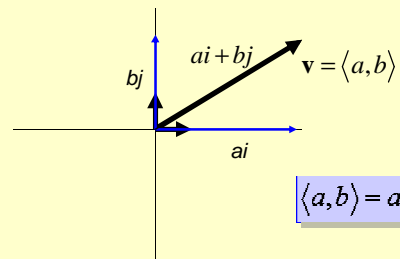
Acceleration vector – how speed and direction are changing at time t .

Standard Unit Vectors



i = standard unit vector $\langle 1, 0 \rangle$
 j = standard unit vector $\langle 0, 1 \rangle$

Any vector $\mathbf{v} = \langle a, b \rangle$ can be written as a linear combination of the two standard unit vectors.



$$\langle a, b \rangle = ai + bj$$

Here is the proof:

$$\mathbf{i} = \langle 1, 0 \rangle \quad \mathbf{j} = \langle 0, 1 \rangle$$

Start with

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v} &= \langle a, b \rangle \\ &= \langle a, 0 \rangle + \langle 0, b \rangle \\ &= a\langle 1, 0 \rangle + b\langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ &= a\mathbf{i} + b\mathbf{j} \end{aligned}$$

The vector \mathbf{v} is now a linear combination of the vectors \mathbf{i} and \mathbf{j} .

The scalar a is the horizontal component of \mathbf{v} and the scalar b is the vertical component of \mathbf{v} .

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Ex. Let $P = (-1, 5)$ and $Q = (3, 2)$.
Write \overline{PQ} as a linear combination
of $\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$

$$\overline{PQ} = \langle 4, -3 \rangle = 4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}$$

Understanding 2D Motion

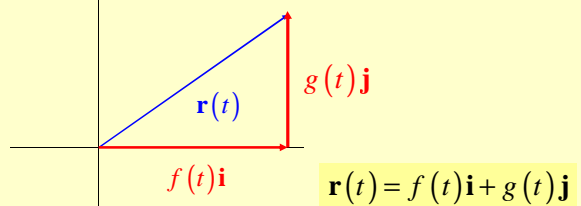
A particle moving through a plane:

The particle's coordinates are a function of time.

Ex: $x = f(t)$ and $y = g(t)$

The set of points (x, y) make the curve in the plane that represents the particle's path.

We can describe the position of a moving particle by a vector, $\mathbf{r}(t)$.



If we separate $\mathbf{r}(t)$ into horizontal and vertical components, we can express $\mathbf{r}(t)$ as a linear combination of standard unit vectors \mathbf{i} and \mathbf{j} .

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SPEED vs VELOCITY

Speed = $|\mathbf{v}(t)|$ "Speed" is magnitude of velocity.
 Speed has no direction.
 Velocity has direction.

$$\text{Direction of motion} = \frac{\text{velocity vector}}{\text{speed}} = \frac{\mathbf{v}(t)}{|\mathbf{v}(t)|}$$

"Direction" is a unit vector that indicates direction but not magnitude.



Example: Given $r(t)$ is the position vector of a particle at time t :

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (3\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (3\sin t)\mathbf{j}$$

a) Find the velocity and acceleration vectors.

$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = (-3\sin t)\mathbf{i} + (3\cos t)\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = (-3\cos t)\mathbf{i} - (3\sin t)\mathbf{j}$$

Example:

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b) Find the velocity and acceleration $t = \pi/4$

$$\text{velocity: } \mathbf{v}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \left(-3\sin\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(3\cos\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\mathbf{j} = -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}$$

$$\text{acceleration: } \mathbf{a}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \left(-3\cos\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\mathbf{i} - \left(3\sin\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\mathbf{j} = -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}$$



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$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (3\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (3\sin t)\mathbf{j}$$

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c) Find the speed and direction of motion at $t = \pi/4$.

From Part b:

$$\mathbf{v}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j} \quad \mathbf{a}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}$$

$$\text{speed: } \left| \mathbf{v}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right| = \sqrt{\left(-\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{18}{4} + \frac{18}{4}} = 3$$

$$\text{direction: } \frac{\mathbf{v}(\pi/4)}{|\mathbf{v}(\pi/4)|} = \frac{-3\sqrt{2}/2}{3}\mathbf{i} + \frac{3\sqrt{2}/2}{3}\mathbf{j} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}$$



Let's explore:

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (3\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (3\sin t)\mathbf{j} \Big|_{t=\frac{\pi}{4}} \Rightarrow \mathbf{r}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}$$

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Notice

Velocity is \perp to position.

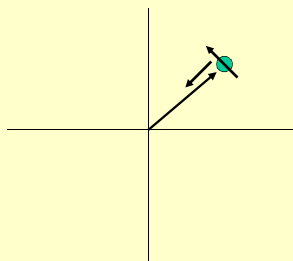
Acceleration is \perp to velocity and opposite of position.

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$$\mathbf{r}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{v}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}$$

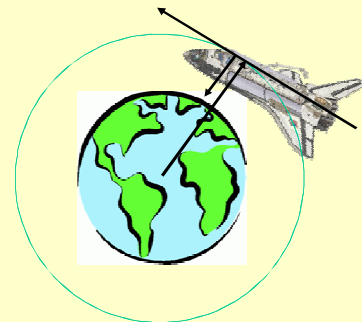
$$\mathbf{a}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}$$



Velocity is \perp to position.

Acceleration is \perp to velocity and opposite of position.

This is a unique property of sine and cosine.



Example: Given $r(t)$ is the position vector of a particle at time t :

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (2t^3 - 3t^2)\mathbf{i} + (t^3 - 12t)\mathbf{j}$$

a) Write the equation of the tangent where $t = -1$.

At $t = -1$: $\mathbf{r}(-1) = -5\mathbf{i} + 11\mathbf{j}$ slope = $\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = (6t^2 - 6t)\mathbf{i} + (3t^2 - 12)\mathbf{j}$
 point: $(-5, 11)$

$$\text{slope} = 12\mathbf{i} - 9\mathbf{j}$$

$$\text{slope: } \frac{-9}{12} = -\frac{3}{4}$$

tangent: $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

$$y - 11 = -\frac{3}{4}(x + 5)$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{29}{4}$$

Example:

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (2t^3 - 3t^2)\mathbf{i} + (t^3 - 12t)\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = (6t^2 - 6t)\mathbf{i} + (3t^2 - 12)\mathbf{j}$$

b) Find the coordinates of each point on the path where the **horizontal COMPONENT** of the velocity is 0.

The horizontal component of the velocity is $6t^2 - 6t$.

$$6t^2 - 6t = 0 \quad \mathbf{r}(0) = 0\mathbf{i} + 0\mathbf{j} \rightarrow (0, 0)$$

$$t^2 - t = 0$$

$$\mathbf{r}(1) = (2 - 3)\mathbf{i} + (1 - 12)\mathbf{j}$$

$$t(t - 1) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{r}(1) = -1\mathbf{i} - 11\mathbf{j} \rightarrow (-1, -11)$$

$$t = 0, 1$$

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4. A particle moves in the xy -plane so that the position of the particle at any time t is given by $x(t) = 2e^{3t} + e^{-2t}$ and $y(t) = 3e^{3t} - e^{-2t}$.

(a) Find the velocity vector for the particle in terms of t , and the speed of the particle at time $t = 0$.

(b) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of t , and find $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{dy}{dx}$.

(c) Find each value t at which the line tangent to the path of the particle is horizontal, or explain why none exists.

(d) Find each value t at which the line tangent to the path of the particle is vertical, or explain why none exists.

(a) $x'(t) = 6e^{3t} - 7e^{-7t}$
 $y'(t) = 9e^{3t} + 2e^{-2t}$
 Velocity vector is $\langle 6e^{3t} - 7e^{-7t}, 9e^{3t} + 2e^{-2t} \rangle$

Speed = $\sqrt{x'(0)^2 + y'(0)^2} = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 11^2} = \sqrt{122}$

(b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{9e^{3t} + 2e^{-2t}}{6e^{3t} - 7e^{-7t}}$

$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{dy}{dx} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9e^{3t} + 2e^{-2t}}{6e^{3t} - 7e^{-7t}} = \frac{9}{6} = \frac{3}{2}$

3 : $\begin{cases} 1 : x'(t) \\ 1 : y'(t) \\ 1 : \text{speed} \end{cases}$

2 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ in terms of } t \\ 1 : \text{limit} \end{cases}$

c) Need $y'(t) = 0$, but $9e^{3t} + 2e^{-2t} > 0$ for all t , so none exists.

2 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{considers } y'(t) = 0 \\ 1 : \text{explains why none exists} \end{cases}$

d) Need $x'(t) = 0$ and $y'(t) \neq 0$.

$$6e^{3t} = 7e^{-7t}$$

$$e^{10t} = \frac{7}{6}$$

$$t = \frac{1}{10} \ln\left(\frac{7}{6}\right)$$

2 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{considers } x'(t) = 0 \\ 1 : \text{solution} \end{cases}$