

## Lecture 7

### Review

Suppose  $\vec{r}(t)$  is position of a particle at time  $t$ . Then

$\vec{v}(t) = \dot{\vec{r}}(t)$  is velocity,  $|\vec{v}(t)|$  is speed

$\vec{a}(t) = \dot{\vec{v}}(t) = \ddot{\vec{r}}(t)$  is acceleration

Remark Can integrate to go from  $\vec{a} \rightarrow \vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{r}(t)$ .

Example  $\vec{a}(t) = \hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$   $\vec{v}(0) = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$   $\vec{r}(0) = \hat{i}$  Find  $|\vec{v}(t)|$  &  $|\vec{r}(t)|$

$$\vec{a}(t) = (1, 3, 0) \quad \vec{v}(t) = (t, 3t, 0) + \vec{c} \quad \vec{c} = (1, 0, 1)$$

$$\vec{v}(t) = (t+1, 3t, 1)$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \left(\frac{1}{2}t^2 + t, \frac{3}{2}t^2, t\right) + \vec{c} \quad \vec{c} = (1, 0, 0)$$

$$\boxed{\vec{r}(t) = \left(\frac{1}{2}t^2 + t + 1, \frac{3}{2}t^2, t\right)}$$

### Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law of Motion

$$\vec{F}(t) = m \vec{a}(t)$$

Example  $\vec{r}(t) = (a \cos bt, a \sin bt)$  Find Force if mass =  $m$

$$\vec{v}(t) = (-ab \sin bt, ab \cos bt)$$

$$\vec{a}(t) = (-ab^2 \cos bt, -ab^2 \sin bt)$$

$$\vec{F} = -mb^2 \vec{r}(t) \quad \text{centrifugal force}$$

Remark speed =  $ab$

Example

Fire projectile, initial velocity  $\vec{v}_0$ , angle  $\alpha$ .

Assume only force is gravity down.

Find  $\vec{r}(t)$ , Find  $\alpha$  to maximize range

Solution Assume start at origin. Then  $\vec{F} = m\vec{a} = -mg\vec{j}$   
 $= (0, -mg)$

Thus  $\vec{a}(t) = (0, -g)$

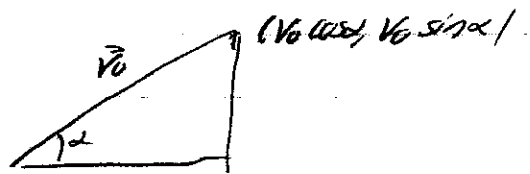
$$\vec{v}(t) = (0, -gt) + \vec{c} \quad \vec{c} = v(0) = \vec{v}_0$$

$$\vec{v}(t) = (0, -gt) + \vec{v}_0$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = (0, -\frac{1}{2}gt^2) + \vec{v}_0 t + \vec{D} \quad \vec{D} = \vec{0}$$

$$\boxed{|\vec{r}(t)| = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2\vec{j} + \vec{v}_0 t}$$

Let  $v_0 = |\vec{v}_0|$



Thus

$$\vec{r}(t) = (v_0 \cos \alpha)t, (v_0 \sin \alpha)t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

Hits ground when  $v_0 \sin \alpha t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 = 0$ , i.e.  $t = \frac{2v_0 \sin \alpha}{g}$

$$\text{Distance travelled} = \frac{2v_0 \sin \alpha}{g} \cdot v_0 \cos \alpha = \frac{v_0^2}{g} \cdot 2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha$$

$$= \frac{v_0^2}{g} \sin(2\alpha)$$

maximized when  $\alpha = \pi/4$

$$\boxed{D = \frac{v_0^2}{g}}$$

## Tangential & Normal Components of Accel

### Review

Let  $s = |\dot{\vec{r}}(t)| = \text{speed}$ . Note  $\cdot s$  is a function of  $t$   
 $= |\dot{\vec{v}}(t)|$   $\cdot$  book writes  $v$

(\*)  $\hat{T}(t) = \frac{\dot{\vec{r}}(t)}{|\dot{\vec{r}}(t)|} = \frac{\dot{\vec{v}}(t)}{s}$  is unit tangent vector.

(\*\*)  $\kappa = \frac{|\dot{\hat{T}}(t)|}{|\dot{\vec{r}}(t)|} = \frac{|\dot{\hat{T}}(t)|}{s}$  curvature

(\*\*\*)  $\hat{N} = \frac{\dot{\hat{T}}(t)}{|\dot{\hat{T}}(t)|}$  unit normal vector.

### Analysis:

$$\dot{\vec{v}} = s \dot{\hat{T}} \quad \text{by (*)}$$

$$\vec{a} = s' \hat{T} + s \dot{\hat{T}} \quad \text{apply } \frac{d}{dt}$$

$$\vec{a} = s' \hat{T} + s |\dot{\hat{T}}| \frac{\dot{\hat{T}}}{|\dot{\hat{T}}|}$$

$$\vec{a} = s' \hat{T} + s \kappa \hat{N} \quad \text{by (**) and (***)}$$

### Conclude

$$\boxed{\vec{a} = s' \hat{T} + \kappa s \hat{N}}$$

This gives component of  $\vec{a}$  in  
tangent direction and Normal direction

### Observe

1. Constant speed  $\leftrightarrow s' = 0 \leftrightarrow$  accel all in normal direction
2. Acceleration all in osculating plane & no  $\hat{B}$  component
3. High speed, sharp turn gives lots of Normal accel.

Rmk As before we can get  $\vec{a} = a_T \vec{T} + a_N \vec{N}$  with

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

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

### Problems

1.  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t \sin t, t \cos t, t^2 \rangle$  Find velocity, accel & speed

$$\vec{v}(t) = \langle \sin t + t \cos t, \cos t - t \sin t, 2t \rangle$$

$$\vec{a}(t) = \langle \cos t - t \sin t + \cos t, -\sin t - t \cos t - \sin t, 2 \rangle$$

$$\text{speed} = \sqrt{(\sin t + t \cos t)^2 + (\cos t - t \sin t)^2 + 4t^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\sin^2 t + t^2 \cos^2 t + \cos^2 t + t^2 \sin^2 t + 4t^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 + 5t^2}$$

2.  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 3t - t^3, 3t^2 \rangle$  Find horizontal & normal comp of accel.

Method 1  $\vec{v}(t) = \langle 3 - 3t^2, 6t \rangle = \vec{r}'(t)$   
 $|\vec{v}(t)| = \sqrt{9 - 12t^2 + 4t^2} = 3$

$$\vec{a} = \vec{r}''(t) = \langle -6t, 6 \rangle$$

$$a. \vec{r}(t) = (3t - t^3, 3t^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}'(t) &= (3 - 3t^2, 6t) & s &= \sqrt{9t^2 - 18t^2 + 9 + 36t^2} \\ & & &= \sqrt{9t^2 + 18t^2 + 9} = \sqrt{3t^2 + 3} \\ & & &= 3t^2 + 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{a}(t) = \vec{r}''(t) = (-6t, 6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_T &= \frac{\vec{r}' \cdot \vec{r}''}{|\vec{r}'|} = \frac{-18t + 18t^3 + 0 + 36t}{3t^2 + 3} \\ &= \frac{18t^3 + 18t}{3t^2 + 3} = \frac{18t(t^2 + 1)}{3(t^2 + 1)} = 6t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_N &= \frac{|(3 - 3t^2, 6t, 0) \times (-6t, 6, 0)|}{3t^2 + 3} = \frac{|19, 18 - 18t^2 + 36t^2|}{3t^2 + 3} \\ &= \frac{36t^2 + 18}{3t^2 + 3} \\ &= \boxed{6} \end{aligned}$$

Method 2

$$a_T = \vec{r}' \cdot \hat{T}$$

$$a_N = \vec{r}'' \cdot \hat{N}$$