

Euclidian spaces

$(\mathbb{R}^n, +, \cdot)$ vector-space. (metric structure).

Parametrized Curves:

A parametrized curve in $\mathbb{R}^n$ is a smooth function $\gamma: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$.

Example • $\gamma(t) = (\cos t, \sin t)$

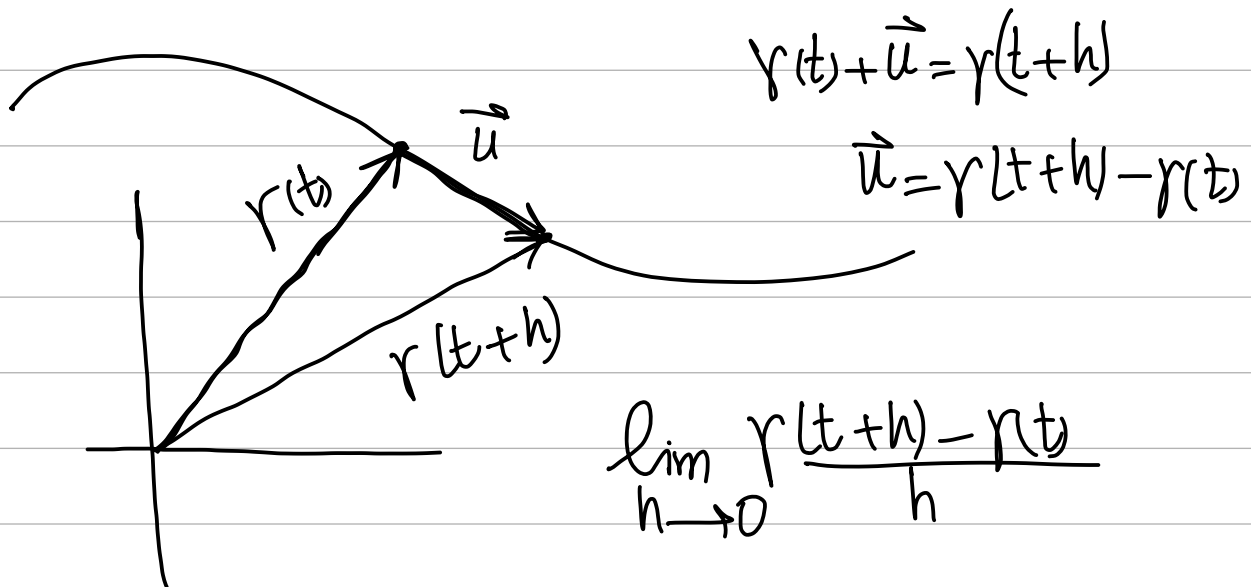
• $\gamma(t) = (t, f(t))$ for any smooth function f .
↙ parametrization of a graph $y = f(x)$.

• $\gamma(t) = (t, t^{1/3})$ not smooth.

Def:- If $\gamma: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ given by $\gamma(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$
then $\gamma' = (x_1'(t), \dots, x_n'(t))$.

Prop:- The derivative of $\gamma: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ at time $t \in I$ is given by

$$\gamma'(t) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\gamma(t+h) - \gamma(t)}{h}$$



tangent (velocity vector)
(direction of motion)

$\|\gamma'(t)\|$ speed of object at time "t".

$$s = vt \Rightarrow s = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \|\gamma'(t)\| dt$$

$\|\cdot\|$ is the norm of a vector in $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Def:- (Regular curve)

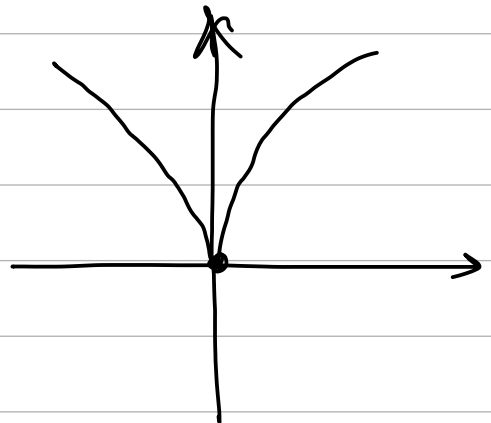
$\gamma: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is called regular if its

speed is always non-zero i.e. $\|\gamma'(t)\| \neq 0 \forall t \in I$.

It is called unit speed or parametrized by arc-length if $\|\gamma'(t)\| = 1 \forall t \in I$.

Example $\gamma(t) = (t^3, t^2)$

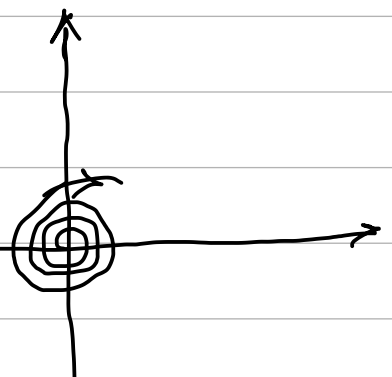
Smooth but not regular



Exercise: $\gamma(t) = c(e^{\lambda t} \cos t, e^{\lambda t} \sin t)$

Logarithmic spiral

Show that it has finite length for $\lambda < 0$.



Even though it wraps origin infinitely many times?

$$s = \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{5} e^{-2t} dt = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} r(t+2\pi) &= c \left(e^{\frac{\lambda t}{2}} e^{2\pi} \cos t, \right. \\ &\quad \left. e^{\frac{\lambda t}{2}} e^{2\pi} \sin t \right) \end{aligned}}$$

Exercise: Find the max/min speed of

$$r(t) = (a \cos t, b \sin t)$$

$$\|r'(t)\| = \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t}$$

$$F(t) = a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t$$

$$F'(t) = 0 \Rightarrow (a^2 - b^2) \sin(2t) = 0 \Rightarrow t = k\pi \text{ or } \frac{\pi}{2} + k\pi$$

Inner product on $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\bullet \quad \langle x, x \rangle \geq 0, \quad \langle x, x \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0$$

$$\quad \quad \quad = \|x\|^2$$

$$\bullet \quad \langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$$

$$\bullet \quad \begin{aligned} \langle \alpha x + \beta y, z \rangle &= \alpha \langle x, z \rangle + \beta \langle y, z \rangle \\ \langle x, \gamma y + \delta z \rangle &= \gamma \langle x, y \rangle + \delta \langle x, z \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Bilinear})$$

• Schwarz Inequality

$$\langle x, y \rangle \leq |\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$$

$$\langle x, x \rangle = \|x\|^2$$

$$X = \{0, 1\}$$

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$$

$$d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & x = y \\ 1 & x \neq y \end{cases}$$

$$d(x, y) = \|x - y\|^2$$

Suppose X is a linear space with $\|\cdot\|$

$$\|1\| = d(0, 1) = 1$$

$$\|2\| = 2\|1\| = 2 = d(0, 2) \quad (X).$$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \|x\| \|y\| \cos \theta$$

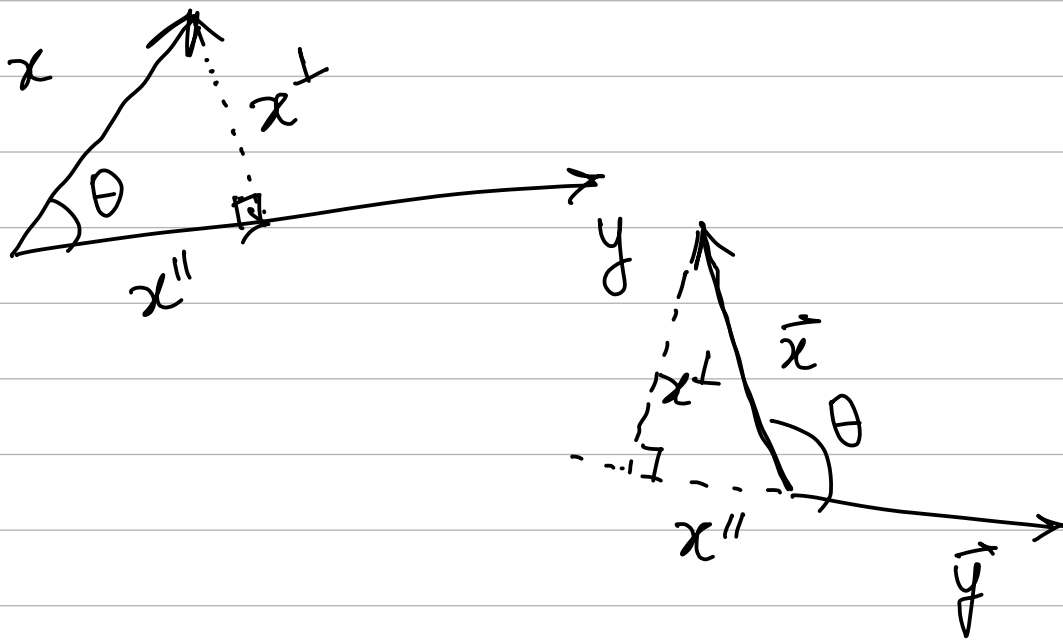
x, y orthogonal if $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$.

Prop: If $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\|y\| \neq 0$, then there is

a unique way to write x as a sum
of two vectors

$$x = x'' + x^\perp$$

x'' is parallel to y and $x^\perp$ is orthogonal
to y .



Proof: Enough to show that there is
a unique $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t

$$x'' = \lambda \frac{y}{\|y\|}, \text{ then } x = x'' + x^\perp$$

$x^\perp$ is orthogonal to $y \Rightarrow$

$$0 = \langle x^\perp, y \rangle = \langle x - x'', y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle - \lambda \frac{\langle y, y \rangle}{\|y\|^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|y\|^2} \quad \blacksquare$$

x'' is called projection of x on y .

• A set $Y = \{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$ is called orthonormal if

$$\langle y_i, y_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & i=j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

Ex! Show that every orthonormal set is linearly independent.

Prop: If $V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a subspace and $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

then there is a unique way to write
 x as

$$x = x^{\parallel} + x^{\perp}$$

$$x^{\parallel} \in V \text{ and } x^{\perp} \in V^{\perp}.$$

Proof (Idea)

let $\gamma = \{y_1, \dots, y_k\}$ be an

orthonormal basis of V . Show that $\exists!$

choice of scalars $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{R}$

$$x^{\parallel} = a_1 y_1 + \dots + a_k y_k \text{ and } x^{\perp} = x - x^{\parallel}$$

then

$$\langle x^{\perp}, y_i \rangle = 0 \quad \text{solve for } a_i.$$

Standard orthonormal basis of $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$e_i = (0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0).$$

lemma:

If $\gamma, \beta: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a pair of curves
and $c: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a smooth function then

$$i) \frac{d}{dt} \langle \gamma, \beta \rangle = \langle \gamma', \beta \rangle + \langle \gamma, \beta' \rangle$$

$$ii) \frac{d}{dt} (c\gamma) = c'\gamma + c\gamma'.$$

Proof (left as an exercise).

Prop:- let $\gamma, \beta: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a pair of
curves.

1) If γ has a constant norm, then γ'
is orthogonal to γ for all $t \in I$.

2) If $\gamma(t)$ is orthogonal to $\beta(t)$ for
all $t \in I$ then

$$\langle \gamma', \beta \rangle = -\langle \gamma, \beta' \rangle$$

Proof: (Trivial)

Prop: If $\gamma: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a curve with constant speed, then γ' is orthogonal to γ'' . ($\forall t \in I$)

Example:

let $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a curve.

Define $p = \gamma(a)$ and $q = \gamma(b)$ and let

L be the arclength of γ .

Prove that $L \geq \|q - p\|$

↓
straight line

Sol:-
$$L = \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt \geq \int_a^b \langle \gamma', n \rangle dt$$

Consider $n = \frac{q-p}{\|q-p\|}$

$$= \int_a^b \frac{d}{dt} \langle \gamma, n \rangle dt$$

$$= \langle q-p, n \rangle = \|q-p\|$$

• $a(t) = \gamma''(t)$ (acceleration vector)

Prop 3-
$$\frac{\langle a(t), v(t) \rangle}{\|v(t)\|} = \frac{d}{dt} \|v(t)\|$$

Proof-

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \langle v(t), v(t) \rangle^{1/2} &= \frac{1}{2} \langle -, - \rangle^{-1/2} \frac{d}{dt} \langle v, v \rangle \\ &= \frac{\langle a, v \rangle}{\|v\|} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise:

If γ is a curve in $\mathbb{R}^n$ with $|\gamma(t)| = C$, prove that $\langle a, -\gamma(t) \rangle = \|v\|^2$

$$\langle \gamma, \gamma \rangle = C^2$$

$$2\langle \gamma, \gamma' \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \langle \gamma', \gamma' \rangle + \langle \gamma, \gamma'' \rangle = 0$$