

Review

- $\alpha(s)$  is a regular curve if  $\alpha(s)$  is parameterized by arclength ( $\|\alpha'(s)\| = 1$ )
- $\alpha(s) \perp \alpha''(s)$
- $\vec{t}(s) = \alpha'(s)$
- $\vec{n}(s) = \frac{\alpha''(s)}{\|\alpha''(s)\|} = \frac{\alpha''(s)}{k(s)}$   
 where  $k(s) \triangleq \|\alpha''(s)\| = \frac{1}{R(s)}$
- Define  $\vec{b}(s) = \vec{t}(s) \times \vec{n}(s)$

Inverse Function Theorem: Monotonic functions are invertible.

Theorem If  $\alpha$  is a regular curve in  $R^3$  then there exists a reparameterization  $\beta$  of  $\alpha$  such that  $\beta$  has unit speed.

Proof: Let  $\alpha : I \rightarrow R^3$  be a regular curve Let  $s(t) = \int_{t_0}^t \|\alpha'(t)\| dt$ . Then  $s'(t) = \|\alpha'(t)\|$ . Since  $\alpha$  is regular,  $\alpha'(t) \neq 0$ . Then  $s'(t) = \|\alpha'(t)\| \neq 0$ . Since the derivative never crosses zero and  $s$  is continuous the function must be monotonic. Therefore,  $s$  has an inverse  $t(s)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dt}{ds} &= \frac{1}{\frac{ds}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{1}{s'(t)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\|\alpha'(t)\|} \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\frac{dt}{ds}$  is always greater than 0. Let  $\beta$  be the reparameterization,

$$\beta(s) = \alpha(t(s))$$

I claim  $\beta$  has unit speed,

$$\begin{aligned} \beta'(s) &= \alpha'(t(s))t'(s) \\ \|\beta'(s)\| &= \|\alpha'(t(s))\| \|t'(s)\| \\ &= \|\alpha'(t(s))\| \left\| \frac{1}{\alpha'(t(s))} \right\| \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

So  $\beta$  is parameterized by arclength.

Example of this theorem: Consider a helix,

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \\ t &\mapsto (\cos t, \sin t, t) = \alpha(t) \\ \alpha'(t) &= (-\sin t, \cos t, 1) \\ \|\alpha'(t)\| &= \sqrt{(-\sin t)^2 + (\cos t)^2 + 1} = \sqrt{2} \\ s(t) &= \int_0^t \|\alpha'(t)\| dt = \int_0^t \sqrt{2} dt = \sqrt{2}t \\ \implies t &= s/\sqrt{2}\end{aligned}$$

So  $\beta(s) = (\cos \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}, \sin \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}})$

From now on we can say without loss of generality, we can assume a regular curve is parameterized by arclength.

Example: A regular parameterized curve  $\alpha$  has the property that all its tangent lines go through a fixed point. a) prove that the trace is a straight line segment.

Proof: Without loss of generality prove that parameterized by arclength.

Let  $p$  be the fixed point. A tangent line at  $\alpha(s)$  is the line with direction  $\alpha'(s)$  and passing through the point  $\alpha(s)$ . The equation for the line is  $l(t) = \alpha(s) + t\alpha'(s)$ .

By hypothesis, for each choice of  $s$  there exists  $t(s)$  such that

$$\alpha(s) + \alpha'(s)t(s) = p$$

Notice  $t(s)$  is differentiable,

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha(s) + \alpha'(s)t(s) &= p \\ \implies \alpha'(s) \cdot \alpha(s) + \alpha'(s) \cdot \alpha'(s)t(s) &= p \cdot \alpha'(s) \\ \implies t(s) &= \frac{\alpha'(s) \cdot \alpha(s)}{\|\alpha'(s)\|^2}\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\alpha$  is regular,  $\|\alpha'(s)\| \neq 0$  so this is a valid expression and  $t(s)$  is differentiable. So then we take the derivative of both sides,

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha(s) + \alpha'(s)t(s) &= p \\ \implies \alpha'(s) + \alpha''(s)t(s) + \alpha'(s)t'(s) &= 0 \quad (\text{take derivative of both sides})\end{aligned}$$

There are application to UAV autonomous vehicles and cellphones Definition  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is right hand sided if and only if  $\det([v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3]) > 0$

Recall the definition of a group A group  $G$  is a finite or infinite set of elements together with a binary operation (called the group operation) that together satisfy the four fundamental properties of closure, associativity, the identity property, and the inverse property.

The operation with respect to which a group is defined is often called the "group operation," and a set is said to be a group "under" this operation. Elements  $A, B, C, \dots$  with binary operation between  $A$  and  $B$  denoted  $AB$  form a group if

1. Closure: If  $A$  and  $B$  are two elements in  $G$ , then the product  $AB$  is also in  $G$ .
2. Associativity: The defined multiplication is associative, i.e., for all  $A, B, C$  in  $G$ ,  $(AB)C = A(BC)$ .
3. Identity: There is an identity element  $I$  (a.k.a.  $1, E$ , or  $e$ ) such that  $IA = AI = A$  for every element  $A$  in  $G$ .
4. Inverse: There must be an inverse (a.k.a. reciprocal) of each element. Therefore, for each element  $A$  of  $G$ , the set contains an element  $B = A^{-1}$  such that  $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$ .

Claim: The set of all  $3 \times 3$  orthonormal matrices forms a group denoted  $O(3)$ :

$$O(3) = \{A \in M_{3 \times 3}(R) : A^T A = I\}$$

Then there is  $SO(3) = \{A \in O(3) : \det A = 1\} < O(3)$ . Define the matrix multiplication operator as

$$O(3) \times O(3) \rightarrow O(3)$$

$$A, B \mapsto AB$$

$$A \in O(3) \implies (A^T A) = I \text{ and } \det A = 1$$

$$B \in O(3) \implies B^T B = I \text{ and } \det B = 1$$

Now we show  $AB \in O(3)$ ,

$$(AB)^T(AB) = B^T A^T AB = B^T B = I \in O(3)$$

So it is. Now we show that  $A^{-1} \in O(3)$ .

$$A^{-1}(A^{-1})^T = A^{-1}A = I$$