

- Reminders:
- 1) HW2 due Friday 1/25 due to MLK holiday on Monday 1/21
 - 2) Read Ch. 2 (Newton's Laws)
 - 3) Midterm #1 tentatively Friday 2/8

* Newton's Laws + object trajectories

In an inertial reference frame (non-accelerating)

1) Object stays at rest or moves uniformly if there's no force applied.

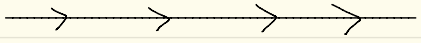
2) $\vec{F} = m\vec{a} = m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(m\vec{v}) \equiv \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$ ($\vec{F} \propto \vec{a} \propto \dot{\vec{p}}$)

3)* For 2 objects that exert forces on each other, the forces are equal magnitude + opposite direction. * Only true for special class of forces, see later discussion on momentum conservation.

Example: If $\vec{F}_{net} = 0$, then \vec{v} implies $\vec{v}(t)$ either

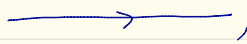
• (static)

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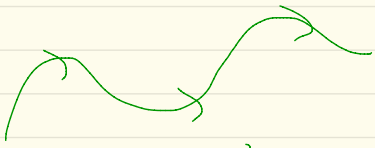
Straight line

NOTE: If $\vec{v}(t)$:



\vec{F}_{net} not necessarily 0 (i.e. speed changes, but not direction.)

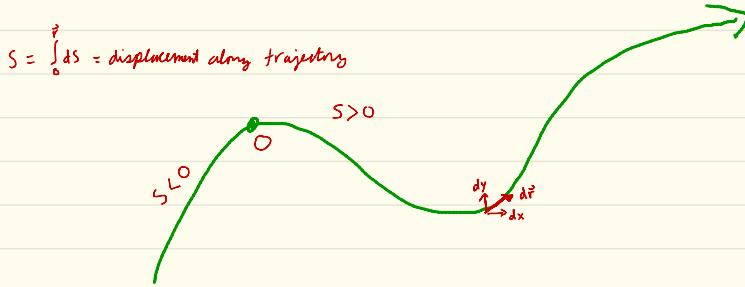
If $\vec{v}(t)$:



$\vec{a} \neq 0$ necessarily ($\vec{F}_{net} \neq 0$)

* General observations about trajectories

Consider a particle's trajectory:



* Let $\hat{e}_{||} \equiv \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds}$ = Unit vector tangent (i.e., parallel) to trajectory

$$\hat{e}_{||} \cdot \hat{e}_{||} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \stackrel{?}{=} 1$$

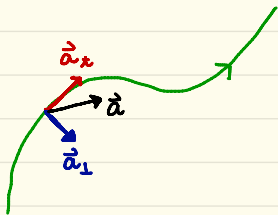
$$d\vec{r} = dx \hat{x} + dy \hat{y} + dz \hat{z}$$

$$ds = \pm |d\vec{r}| = \pm \sqrt{dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2}$$

$$\therefore \hat{e}_{||} \cdot \hat{e}_{||} = \frac{ds^2}{ds^2} = 1 \quad \text{Yup, } \hat{e}_{||} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \text{ is a unit vector}$$

Velocity: $\vec{v} \equiv \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \frac{ds}{dt} = \hat{e}_{||} v$ speed $v = \frac{ds}{dt}$ (> 0 if in + direction, < 0 if in - dir.)

$\therefore \vec{v}$ tangent to $\vec{r}(x)$ at all times

* Acceleration:

Useful breakdown of \vec{a}

$$\vec{a} = \vec{a}_{\parallel} + \vec{a}_{\perp}$$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(v\hat{e}_{\parallel})$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} = \frac{dv}{dt}\hat{e}_{\parallel} + v\frac{d\hat{e}_{\parallel}}{dt}$$

tangent to \vec{v}

Is this purely \perp to \vec{v} ?

$$\text{Is } \hat{e}_{\parallel} \cdot \frac{d\hat{e}_{\parallel}}{dt} = 0?$$

$$\hat{e}_{\parallel} \cdot \hat{e}_{\parallel} = 1 \quad (\text{at all times } t)$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dt}(\hat{e}_{\parallel} \cdot \hat{e}_{\parallel}) = 2\hat{e}_{\parallel} \cdot \frac{d\hat{e}_{\parallel}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(1) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{e}_{\parallel} + \frac{d\hat{e}_{\parallel}}{dt}$ are indeed perpendicular

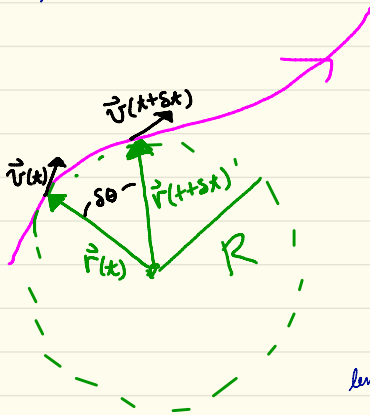
Therefore, we have

$$\vec{a}_{\parallel} = \frac{dv}{dt}\hat{e}_{\parallel} \quad (\text{changing speed})$$

$$\vec{a}_{\perp} = v\frac{d\hat{e}_{\parallel}}{dt} \quad (\text{changing direction})$$

* Angular Velocity

Around any point of trajectory, we can treat instantaneous motion as circular motion for circle of radius R



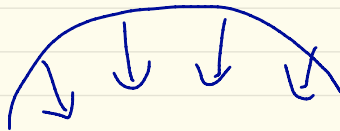
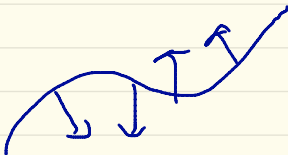
Recall, $\vec{a}_\perp = v \frac{d\hat{e}_\parallel}{dt}$

length $\delta e_\parallel = e_\parallel \delta\theta = \delta\theta$ ($e_\parallel = |\hat{e}_\parallel| = 1$)

$$\therefore \frac{\delta e_\parallel}{\delta t} = \frac{\delta\theta}{\delta t} = \omega = \frac{v}{R}$$

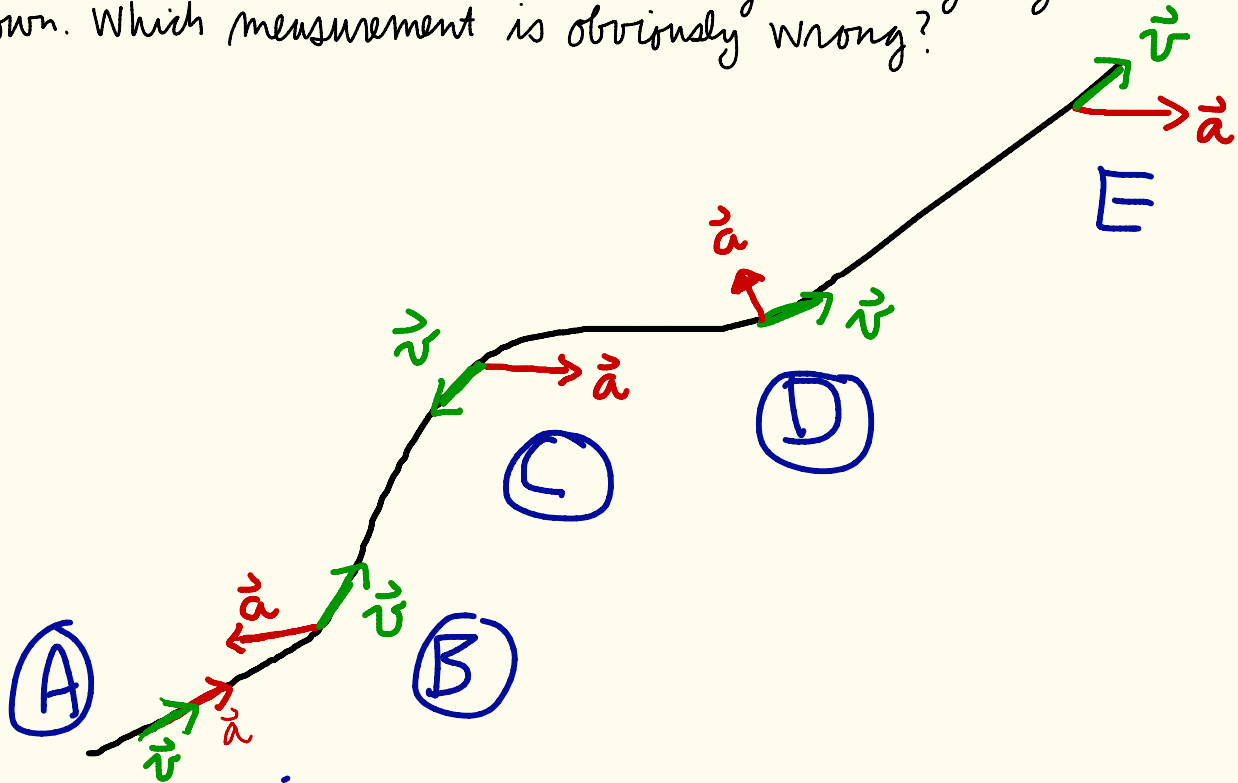
$\Rightarrow a_\perp = v\omega = \frac{v^2}{R}$ and \vec{a}_\perp points towards the instantaneous center of curvature.

$\therefore \vec{a}$ will always point to the side which trajectory curves

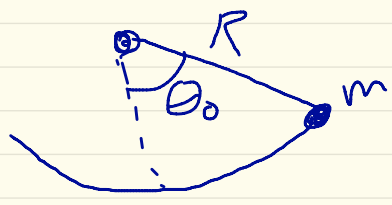


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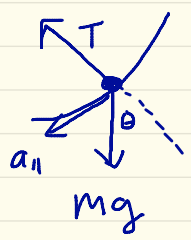
A student measures $\vec{a}(t)$ + $\vec{v}(t)$ along the trajectory shown. Which measurement is obviously wrong?



Example: Pendulum released from $\theta = \theta_0$ w/ mass m .



* Find tension T of string in terms of θ + θ_0



$$\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

$$ma_{\parallel} = -mg \sin \theta$$

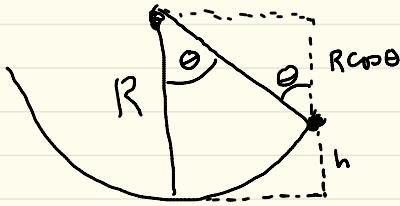
$$ma_{\perp} = T - mg \cos \theta$$

* here, the circular motion is exact (i.e., not just for small θ)

$$\therefore ma_{\perp} = m \frac{v^2}{R} = T - mg \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{mv^2}{R} + mg \cos \theta$$

* How to eliminate v^2 ? Energy conservation!



Energy Conservation: $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 + mgh = E$ ($\dot{E} = 0$)
 (KE) (PE)

$$h + R \cos \theta = R \Rightarrow h = R(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\therefore E(\theta) = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + mgR(1 - \cos \theta) = E(\theta_0) \stackrel{KE=0}{=} mgR(1 - \cos \theta_0)$$

Solving: $mv^2 = 2mgR(\cos \theta - \cos \theta_0)$ + plug into $T = \frac{mv^2}{R} + mg \cos \theta$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{2mgR(\cos \theta - \cos \theta_0)}{R} + mg \cos \theta = mg(3 \cos \theta - 2 \cos \theta_0)$$