# 13.1: Intro to 3D Vector Curves

To visualize 3D-curves, we start by Step 1: Find surface/path of motion.  $\leftarrow$  eliminate parameter Step 2: Plot points.





*Example:* All pts given by the equations

Now plot points!



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**Another 3D Examples**  $x = t \cos(t)$ ,  $y = t \sin(t)$ ,  $z = t$  *Example:* All pts given by the equations  $x = t \cos(t)$ ,  $y = t \sin(t)$ ,  $z = t$ 

are on the cone  $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$ . Now plot points!





## **Intersection issues**

*For all intersection questions, combine the conditions*

(a) *Intersecting a curve and surface*.

Combine conditions

*Example*:

Find all intersections of

 $x = t$ ,  $y = cos(\pi t)$ ,  $z = sin(\pi t)$ with the surface

$$
x^2 - y^2 - z^2 = 3.
$$



## (b) *Intersecting two curves.*

Use two different parameters!!! Combine conditions. We say the objects **collide** if the intersection happens at the same parameter value (i.e. same time).

## *Example*:

Two particles are moving according to  $r_1(t) = \langle t, 5t, 9 \rangle$ , and  $r_2(t) = \langle t-2,5,t^2 \rangle$ . Do their paths intersect? Do they collide?

## (c) *Intersecting two surfaces*.

Answer will be a 3D curve. To parameterize the curve:

> Let one variable be *t*. Solve for others in terms of *t*.

OR

For circle/ellipse try

$$
\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{x = a \cos(t)}{y = b \sin(t)}
$$

## *Examples*

1. Find *any* parametric equations that describe the curve of intersection of  $z = 2x + y^2$  and  $z = 2y$ 

2. Find *any* parametric equations that describe the curve of intersection of

$$
x^2 + y^2 = 1
$$
 and 
$$
z = 5 - x
$$



3. Find *any* parametric equations that describe the curves of intersection of  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$  and  $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$ 

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## *Eliminate the parameter until you get a*



A couple side notes:

## **Forms**

**Parametric Form**  $x = t \cos(t)$ ,  $y = t$ ,  $z = t \sin(t)$ 

Position Vector Form  
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$$
\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t \cos(t), t, t \sin(t) \rangle
$$



## **Three types of intersections**

*General principle, combine conditions!*

(a) *("Easy") A curve and surface*. Combine conditions, solve for *t.*

## (b) *("Medium") Two curves*.

Use different parameters! Combine conditions, solve for both parameters.

# (c) *("Hard?")* **Two surfaces.**

These can be tricky. Answer will be a *curve*! A typical goal is to try to *parameterize* the curve, here's now…

Combine conditions:

- Pick one variable as t, solve for others.
- And/or use circular motion.

Examples: *(HW 13.1 / 7, 8)* Find the intersection of

$$
x = t, y = \cos(\pi t), z = \sin(\pi t)
$$

$$
x^2 - y^2 - z^2 = 3.
$$

## *Example*: *(HW 13.1/12, 13) Sp'17 Exam Problem*

Given:

$$
r_1(t) = \langle 2t, 3t^2, 2t^3 \rangle
$$
  
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$$
r_2(t) = \langle 2 - 2t, 3 + 3t, 2 - 6t \rangle
$$

Find the (x,y,z) point(s) at which the **paths** of the two particles described cross.

*Example*: *(HW 13.1/9-11)*

Find *any* parametric equations that describe the curve of intersection of

$$
x^2 + y^2 = 1
$$
 and 
$$
z = 5 - x
$$



#### + Question Details  $9.$

Find a vector function,  $r(t)$ , that represents the curve of intersection of the two surfaces.

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The cylinder x^2 + y^2 = 4 and the surface z = xyr(t) =
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#### + Question Details  $10.$

Find a vector function,  $r(t)$ , that represents the curve of intersection of the two surfaces.



### 11. + Question Details

Find a vector function,  $r(t)$ , that represents the curve of intersection of the two surfaces.

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The paraboloid z = 2x^2 + y^2 and the parabolic cylinder y = 4x^2
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 $\mathbf{r}(t) =$ 

### **Do calculus component-wise!**

*1st Derivative vector*:  $\vec{r}'(t) = \langle x'(t), y'(t), z'(t) \rangle$ *2nd Derivative vector*:  $\vec{r}''(t) = \langle x''(t), y''(t), z''(t) \rangle$ 

*Anti-derivative vector:*

$$
\int \vec{r}(t)dt = \left\langle \int x(t)dt, \int y(t)dt, \int z(t)dt \right\rangle
$$



### 2.  $\div$  Question Details

Consider the given vector equation.

 $r(t) = e^{18t} i + e^{9t} j$ (a) Find  $\mathbf{r}'(t)$ .

(b) Sketch the plane curve together with position vector  $r(t)$  and the tangent vector  $r'(t)$  for the given value of  $t = 0$ .



### *A couple important follow-up facts*

- $\bullet$   $\overrightarrow{T}(t) = \frac{1}{\overrightarrow{R}(t)}$  $|\vec{r}(t)|$  $\vec{r}'(t)$  anit tangent vector (HW 13.2/ 5, 6)
- To find the tangent **line** to  $\vec{r}(t)$  at  $t = t_0$  (HW 13.2 / 7)
	- Step 1: Compute location

$$
\vec{r}(t_0) = \langle x(t_0), y(t_0), z(t_0) \rangle = \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle.
$$

*Step 2*: Compute a tangent vector

$$
\overrightarrow{r}'(t_0) = \langle x'(t_0), y'(t_0), z'(t_0) \rangle = \langle a, b, c \rangle.
$$

• Step 3:  $x = x_0 + at$ ,  $y = y_0 + bt$ ,  $z = z_0 + ct$ 

# *Example*: (*HW 13.2 / 7, 8, 9*) *W'15 Exam 1 - Loveless*

Consider the curve given by:

 $x = 2t, y = 5, z = t^2 - 10t$ 

(a) There is one point on the curve at which the tangent line is parallel to the xy-plane.

Find the tangent line at this point.

(b) Find the angle of intersection of the original curve this other curve  $x = 7 + u$ ,  $y = 2u + 11$ ,  $z = u<sup>2</sup> + u - 22$ 

## **Derivatives Quick Review**

*A basic example:* Write down the derivative of

$$
g(x) = x^3 \cos(2x) + \sqrt{1 + e^{3x}}
$$

### **Calculus Fact Sheet**

**Essential Derivative Rules** 



From my Calculus 1 Fact Sheet: [math.washington.edu/~aloveles/Math126Materials/CalculusFactSheet2.pdf](https://sites.math.washington.edu/~aloveles/Math126Materials/CalculusFactSheet2.pdf)

## **Antiderivatives Quick Review**

*A basic example:* Find  $f(t)$ , if  $f'(t) = 6\sqrt{t} + \sin(t) + 9te^{t^2}$ with  $f(0) = 7$ .

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**Essential Integral Rules** 

$$
\frac{\int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} + C \qquad \qquad \int \frac{1}{ax+b} dx = \frac{1}{a} \ln |ax+b| + C}{\int e^{ax} dx = \frac{1}{a} e^{ax} + C \qquad \qquad \int b^x dx = \frac{1}{\ln(b)} b^x + C}
$$
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$$
\frac{\int \cos(ax) dx = \frac{1}{a} \sin(ax) + C \qquad \qquad \int \sin(ax) dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cos(ax) + C}{\int \sec^2(x) dx = \tan(x) + C \qquad \qquad \int \csc^2(x) dx = -\cot(x) + C}
$$
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$$
\frac{\int \sec(x) \tan(x) dx = \sec(x) + C \qquad \qquad \int \csc(x) \cot(x) dx = -\csc(x) + C}{\int \frac{1}{x^2 + a^2} dx = \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1}(\frac{x}{a}) + C \qquad \qquad \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1}(\frac{x}{a}) + C}
$$
\n
$$
\frac{\int \tan(x) dx = \ln |\sec(x)| + C \qquad \qquad \int \cot(x) dx = \ln |\sin(x)| + C}{\int \sec(x) dx = \ln |\sec(x) + \tan(x)| + C \qquad \int \csc(x) dx = \ln |\csc(x) - \cot(x)| + C}
$$
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$$
\int \sec^3(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \sec(x) \tan(x) + \frac{1}{2} \ln |\sec(x) + \tan(x)| + C
$$

For Ch. 13, you MUST remember:

- how to find +C.
- how to simplification and **u-substitution**.
- How to use **integration by parts**.

There are more methods, but you won't need to remember those until chapter 15.

## *Try again component-wise*:

(HW 13.2 / 10) Find the antiderivative of  $\vec{r}'(t) = \langle e^{3t}, t^4, t \sin(t) \rangle$ with  $\vec{r}(0) = \mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$ .