

Zoom Class 24/4/2020# Curvature at the Origin (By Newtonian Method)

$$\text{We have } \rho = \frac{(1 + y_1^2)^{3/2}}{y_2}$$

If the curve is $y = f(x)$ and is passing through origin $(0, 0)$ then $x=0$ and $y=0$

$$\therefore \text{Let } y_1(0,0) = p \text{ and } y_2(0,0) = q$$

$$\text{then } \rho_{(0,0)} = \frac{(1 + p^2)^{3/2}}{q} \quad \text{--- (A)}$$

To find the values of p and q we expand $y = f(x)$ through Maclaurin's

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$$\Rightarrow y = f(0) + x f'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2!} f''(0) + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 0 + x p + \frac{x^2}{2!} q + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow y = px + \frac{qx^2}{2} + \text{higher powers of } x \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$\therefore p = 0$ then (1) implies $\left. \begin{array}{l} x=0 \\ y=0 \Rightarrow y'=0 \end{array} \right\}$
 $y = \frac{qx^2}{2} + \text{higher powers of } x$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2y}{x^2} = q + \text{higher powers of } x$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2y}{x^2} = q \Rightarrow \rho = \frac{(1+0)^{3/2}}{q}$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\rho_{(0,0)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2}{2y}}$$

Also if the curve passes through origin and y-axis is tangent then

$$\boxed{\rho_{(0,0)} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y^2}{2x}}$$

Curvature at Origin in polar form

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If the given equation of curve is in polar form and x-axis is tangent at origin then,
 $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$

$$\therefore \rho_{(0,0)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2}{2y}$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{r^2 \cos^2 \theta}{2r \sin \theta} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \because x = r \cos \theta \\ x \rightarrow 0 \\ \Rightarrow \cos \theta \neq 0 \Rightarrow \theta \rightarrow 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{r \cos^2 \theta}{2 \sin \theta}$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{r}{2\theta} \left(\frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} \right) \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{r}{2\theta} \cdot (1) \cdot (1)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \cos \theta = 1$$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\rho = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{r}{2\theta}}$$

Ques Show that the radii of curvature of the curve $y^2 = x^2 \frac{(a+x)}{a-x}$ at the origin are $\pm \sqrt{2} a$

Soln $\because y^2 = x^2 \frac{(a+x)}{(a-x)}$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 (a-x) = x^2 (a+x) \text{ --- (1)}$$

$\because y = f(x)$ and $x=0$ at origin

$$\therefore y = px + \frac{q}{2} x^2 + \dots$$

$$\therefore (1) \Rightarrow (a-x) \left\{ px + \frac{q}{2} x^2 + \dots \right\}^2 = x^2 (a+x)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-x) \left\{ p^2 x^2 + 2p \cdot \frac{q}{2} x^3 + \dots \right\} = ax^2 + x^3$$

Comparing co-efficients of x^2 and x^3 we get

$$ap^2 = a \Rightarrow p^2 = 1 \Rightarrow p = \pm 1$$

$$\text{and } apq - p^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a \cdot p \cdot q - 1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow apq = 1+1 = 2 \Rightarrow q = \frac{2}{ap}$$

$$\text{If } p = 1 \Rightarrow q = \frac{2}{a}, \text{ If } p = -1 \Rightarrow q = -\frac{2}{a}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \rho &= \frac{(1 + (\pm 1)^2)^{3/2}}{9} \\ &= \frac{(1+1)^{3/2}}{\pm(2/a)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \pm (2)^{3/2} \times a$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \pm (2^{3/2-1}) \times a$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \pm (2^{1/2}) a$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \pm \sqrt{2} a$$

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Ques 5 Show that the radii of curvature at the origin for the curve $x^3 + y^3 = 3axy$ are each equal to $(3/2)a$.

Soln Given equation $x^3 + y^3 = 3axy$ is of the curve passing through origin. ^① So either ~~the~~ x axis or y -axis is tangent.

If x -axis is tangent. then we know that

$$\rho = \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 0 \\ y \rightarrow 0}} \frac{x^2}{2y}$$

Now Equation (1) implies

$$\frac{x^3}{2xy} + \frac{y^3}{2xy} = \frac{3axy}{2xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{2y} + \frac{y^2}{2x} = \frac{3a}{2} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{2y} + \frac{1}{4}xy \cdot \frac{2y}{x^2} = \frac{3a}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x,y \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{x^2}{2y} + \frac{1}{4}xy \cdot \frac{2y}{x^2} \right\} = \frac{3a}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 \cdot 0 = \frac{3a}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \frac{3a}{2}$$

Similarly when y -axis is tangent

$$\rho = \lim_{x,y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y^2}{2x}$$

Again from eqn (2) we have

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{4}xy \cdot \frac{x}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{2x} \right\} = \frac{3a}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x,y \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{1}{4}(x \cdot y) \cdot \frac{x}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{2x} \right\} = \frac{3a}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 \cdot 0 + \rho = \frac{3a}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \frac{3a}{2}$$

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