

Kinematics

The branch of mechanics which deals with the motion of a body without any reference to the forces acting on it is called kinematics.

Trajectory of a particle

The curve that is traced by a moving particle as the time progresses is called trajectory or path of the particle.

Considering a particle which is moving, and let at any instant it is at point 'P' whose position vector with respect to origin is \vec{r} (i.e. $\vec{r} = \vec{OP}$). Since the particle is moving, the vector \vec{r} will change with time, so \vec{r} is a function of time. We can therefore specify the path of particle by vector equation

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}(t)$$

Velocity and Acceleration

Let \vec{r} be the position of a particle P at any time 't'

$$\text{then } \vec{r} = \vec{r}(t)$$

we define the rate of displacement of the particle as velocity of the particle at any instant 't'

So the vector $\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$ represents the velocity of the particle in this case.

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The rate of change of velocity vector \vec{v} is defined as acceleration of the particle placed at point P

$$\text{i.e. } \vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right) = \frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2}$$

where $\vec{r} = \vec{OP}$ at any time 't'.

Example P-140

A particle is moving in such a way that its position at any time t is specified by $\vec{r} = (t^3 + t^2)\hat{i} + (\cos t + \sin^2 t)\hat{j} + (e^t + \log t)\hat{k}$. Find its velocity and acceleration.

Solution

Considering a particle which is moving in such a way that its position at any time t is given by

$$\vec{r} = (t^3 + t^2)\hat{i} + (\cos t + \sin^2 t)\hat{j} + (e^t + \log t)\hat{k}$$

If \vec{v} and \vec{a} are respectively the velocity and acceleration of the particle then

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = (3t^2 + 2t)\hat{i} + (-\sin t + 2\sin t \cos t)\hat{j} + (e^t + \frac{1}{t})\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{v} = (3t^2 + 2t)\hat{i} + (\sin 2t - \sin t)\hat{j} + (e^t + \frac{1}{t})\hat{k}$$

and
$$\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = (6t + 2)\hat{i} + (2\cos 2t - \cos t)\hat{j} + (e^t + \frac{-1}{t^2})\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} = (6t + 2)\hat{i} + (2\cos 2t - \cos t)\hat{j} + (e^t - \frac{1}{t^2})\hat{k}$$

are velocity and acceleration expression for the moving particle at any time t .

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Find the Cartesian components of velocity and acceleration.

Answer

Considering a particle which is moving along the curve $y = f(x)$.

Let at any instant the particle is at the point $P(x, y)$ whose position vector w.r.t 'O' is \vec{r} then,

$$\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}$$

diff. both sides w.r.t 't'

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \vec{v} = \left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)\hat{i} + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)\hat{j} \quad (*)$$

So

The Cartesian component of velocity along X-axis = $\frac{dx}{dt}$

& The Cartesian component of velocity along Y-axis = $\frac{dy}{dt}$

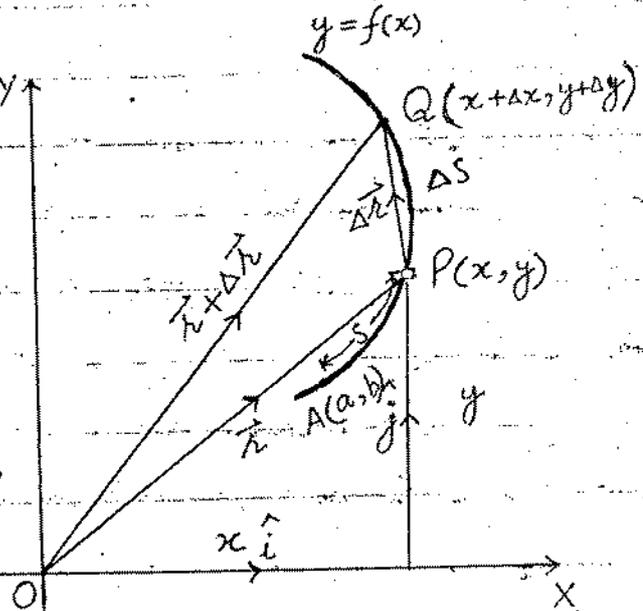
The magnitude of velocity is given

$$v = |\vec{v}| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2}$$

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

where s is the distance of the particle along the path from some fixed point $A(a, b)$ on the path.

Let $Q(x+\Delta x, y+\Delta y)$ be a point on the curve very close to $P(x, y)$.



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Since $\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$

so $\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \cdot \frac{ds}{dt}$

$$= v \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \quad \text{--- (1) } \left(\because \frac{ds}{dt} = v \right)$$

where 'v' is the magnitude of the velocity vector and $\frac{d\vec{r}}{ds}$ shows the direction of the velocity.

Since $\frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta s}$ is the vector parallel to the tangent at P and its magnitude is given

$$\text{by } \left| \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \right| = \left| \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta s} \right| = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{|\Delta \vec{r}|}{\Delta s} = 1$$

(\because as $\Delta s \rightarrow 0$, $Q \rightarrow P$ and Chord $PQ \approx$ Arc PQ)

$$\text{so } \frac{\text{Chord } PQ}{\text{Arc } PQ} \approx 1$$

$$\text{Thus } \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} = \hat{t}$$

where \hat{t} is the unit vector parallel to the tangent at point P.

So from (1) we have

$$\vec{v} = v \hat{t}$$

"This equation shows that at any instant the direction of motion of the particle is along the tangent to the path."

Now differentiating equation (*) w.r.t 't' we get the acceleration \vec{a} of the particle

$$\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \vec{a} = \left(\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} \right) \hat{i} + \left(\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} \right) \hat{j}$$

So, The cartesian component of acceleration along X-axis = $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$

& The cartesian component of acceleration along Y-axis = $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$

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Example 14

At any time 't' the position of a particle moving in a plane can be specified by $(a \cos \omega t, a \sin \omega t)$ where 'a' and 'ω' are constants. Find the components of its velocity and acceleration along the coordinate axes.

Solution

Considering a particle which is moving in a plane and its position is specified by

$$(x, y) = (a \cos \omega t, a \sin \omega t)$$

then $x = a \cos \omega t$ and $y = a \sin \omega t$

diff. both sides w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a(-\sin \omega t)\omega \quad \left| \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = a(\cos \omega t)\omega \right.$$
$$= -a\omega \sin \omega t \quad \left| \quad = a\omega \cos \omega t \right.$$

are cartesian components of velocity.

Again $\frac{dx}{dt} = -a\omega \sin \omega t$ | $\frac{dy}{dt} = a\omega \cos \omega t$
diff. both sides w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -a\omega(\cos \omega t)\omega \quad \left| \quad \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = a\omega(-\sin \omega t)\omega \right.$$
$$= -a\omega^2 \cos \omega t \quad \left| \quad = -a\omega^2 \sin \omega t \right.$$

are the cartesian components of acceleration.

Question

Find the tangential and normal components of velocity and acceleration.

Solution

Considering a particle which is moving along a curve $y = f(x)$.

Let at any instant the particle is at point $P(x, y)$ whose position vector w.r.t. 'O' is \vec{r} then,

$$\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}$$

differentiating w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)\hat{i} + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v} = \left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)\hat{i} + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)\hat{j}$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2}$$

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

Since $\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$ is the velocity vector

$$= \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \cdot \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$= v \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \quad \therefore \frac{ds}{dt} = v$$

where 'v' is the magnitude of the velocity vector and $\frac{d\vec{r}}{ds}$ represents the direction of the velocity.

Since $\frac{ds}{dt}$ the velocity of the particle is all along the tangent line so,

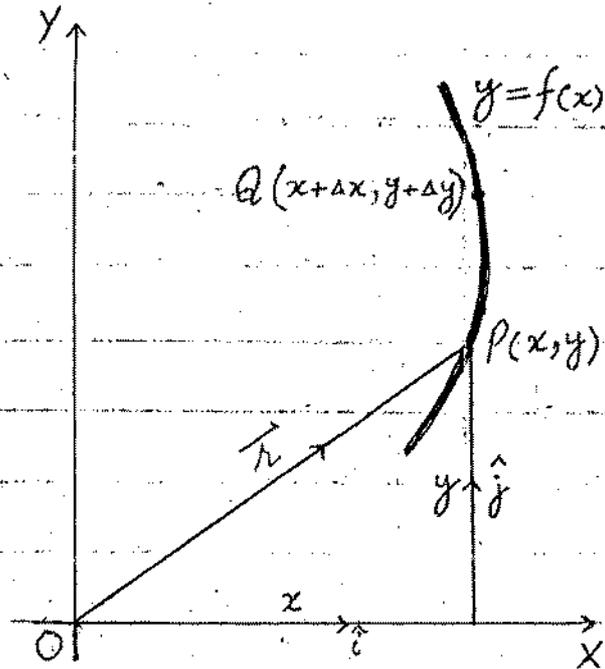
$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} = \hat{t} \text{ (unit vector along the tangent line)}$$

So

$$\vec{v} = v\hat{t}$$

$$\vec{v} = v\hat{t} + 0\hat{n}$$

So, tangential component of velocity = v



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and normal component of velocity = 0

Again $\vec{v} = v \hat{t}$

diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = v \frac{d\hat{t}}{dt} + \hat{t} \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{dv}{dt} \hat{t} + v \frac{d\hat{t}}{dt} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Since $\hat{t} \cdot \hat{t} = 1$

diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$\hat{t} \cdot \frac{d\hat{t}}{dt} + \hat{t} \cdot \frac{d\hat{t}}{dt} = 0$$

$$2 \hat{t} \cdot \frac{d\hat{t}}{dt} = 0$$

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$$\hat{t} \cdot \frac{d\hat{t}}{dt} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d\hat{t}}{dt}$ is a vector perpendicular to vector \hat{t} .
i.e. $\frac{d\hat{t}}{dt}$ is a vector along the normal line.

So we can write $\frac{d\hat{t}}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \hat{t}}{\Delta t} \hat{n}$

Hence from (1) we have

$$\vec{a} = \frac{dv}{dt} \hat{t} + v \left(\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \hat{t}}{\Delta t} \hat{n} \right)$$

$$= \frac{dv}{dt} \hat{t} + v \left(\frac{\Delta \hat{t}}{\Delta \psi} \cdot \frac{\Delta \psi}{\Delta s} \cdot \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t} \right) \hat{n}$$

$$\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \hat{t}}{\Delta \psi} = 1$$

$$\lim_{\Delta \psi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \psi}{\Delta s} = \frac{d\psi}{ds} = k$$

$$\lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t} = \frac{ds}{dt} = v$$

times by $\frac{\Delta \psi}{\Delta \psi}$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{dv}{dt} \hat{t} + v(1 \cdot k \cdot v) \hat{n}$$

$$= \frac{dv}{dt} \hat{t} + v^2 \frac{1}{\rho} \hat{n} \quad \because k = \frac{1}{\rho}$$

$$= \frac{dv}{dt} \hat{t} + \frac{v^2}{\rho} \hat{n}$$

$$\lim_{\Delta \psi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \hat{t}}{\Delta \psi} = 1$$

$$\lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \psi}{\Delta s} = \frac{d\psi}{ds} = k$$

(curvature)

$$\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t} = \frac{ds}{dt} = v$$

(Velocity)

Tangential component of acc. = $\frac{dv}{dt}$

Normal component of acc. = $\frac{v^2}{\rho}$

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Example P-11:3

A particle is moving along the parabola $x^2 = 4ay$ with constant speed v . Determine the tangential and normal components of its acc. when it reaches the point whose abscissa is $\sqrt{5}a$.

Solution

Considering a particle which is moving along a parabola $x^2 = 4ay$ with constant velocity v . Let after a time t the particle reaches at point $A(\sqrt{5}a, \frac{5a}{4})$.

Since the particle is moving with constant velocity v

$$\text{So } \frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

i.e. Tangential component of acc. = 0

Now $4ay = x^2$
diff. w.r.t. x

$$4a \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$$

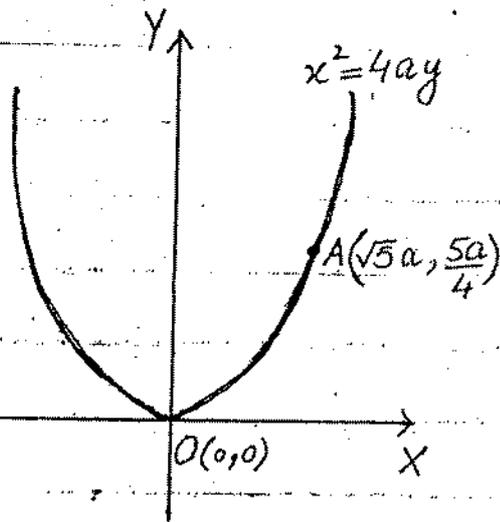
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{2a}$$

i.e. $y_1 = \frac{x}{2a}$

Again diff. w.r.t. x

$$\frac{dy_1}{dx} = \frac{1}{2a} \quad (1)$$

$$y_2 = \frac{1}{2a}$$



Since point A lies on parabola, so this point will satisfy the equation of parabola

$$4ay = x^2$$

Put $x = \sqrt{5}a$

$$4ay = (\sqrt{5}a)^2$$

$$4ay = 5a^2$$

$$y = \frac{5a}{4}$$

As $y_1 = \frac{x}{2a}$

Put $x = \sqrt{5}a$

$$y_1 = \frac{\sqrt{5}a}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } f &= \frac{(1+y_1^2)^{3/2}}{y_2} \\ &= \frac{(1+5/4)^{3/2}}{\frac{1}{2a}} = \frac{(9/4)^{3/2}}{\frac{1}{2a}} = \frac{(3/2)^{2 \times 3/2}}{\frac{1}{2a}} \end{aligned}$$

$$f = 2a \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 = 2a \cdot \frac{27}{8} = \frac{27a}{4}$$

Now The normal component of acceleration = $\frac{v^2}{f}$

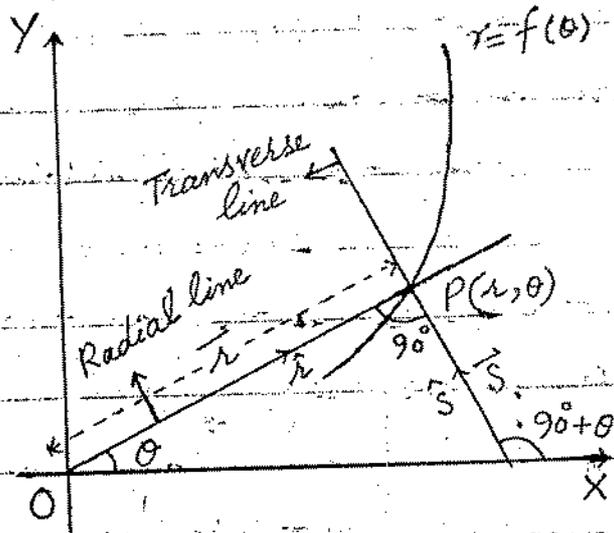
$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{v^2}{\frac{27a}{4}} \\ &= \frac{4v^2}{27a} \end{aligned}$$

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Find the radial and transverse components of velocity and acceleration.

Answer

Considering a particle which is moving along the polar curve $r = f(\theta)$. Let at any instant 't' the particle is at the point $P(r, \theta)$ whose position vector w.r.t. 'O' is \vec{r} .



Let \hat{r} be the unit vector along the vector \vec{r} and \hat{s} be the unit vector along the vector \vec{s} .

We know that relation connecting cartesian and the polar coordinates are $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$

$$\hat{r} = \cos\theta \hat{i} + \sin\theta \hat{j} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{d\hat{r}}{dt} = -\sin\theta \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{i} + \cos\theta \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{j}$$

$$= (-\sin\theta \hat{i} + \cos\theta \hat{j}) \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{r}}{dt} = \hat{s} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

(by (2))

$$\hat{s} = \cos(90^\circ + \theta) \hat{i} + \sin(90^\circ + \theta) \hat{j}$$

$$\hat{s} = -\sin\theta \hat{i} + \cos\theta \hat{j} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{d\hat{s}}{dt} = -\cos\theta \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{i} + (-\sin\theta) \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{j}$$

$$= -(\cos\theta \hat{i} + \sin\theta \hat{j}) \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{s}}{dt} = -\hat{r} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \quad \text{--- (4) (by (1))}$$

we know that

$$\vec{r} = r \hat{r}$$

diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = r \frac{d\hat{r}}{dt} + \hat{r} \frac{dr}{dt}$$

$$\vec{v} = r \left(\hat{s} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) + \left(\frac{dr}{dt} \right) \hat{r} \quad \text{by (3)}$$

$$\vec{v} = \left(\frac{dr}{dt} \right) \hat{r} + \left(r \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) \hat{s}$$

So,

The radial component of velocity = $\frac{dr}{dt}$

The transverse component of velocity = $r \frac{d\theta}{dt}$

$$\text{Again } \vec{v} = \left(\frac{dr}{dt} \right) \hat{r} + \left(r \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) \hat{s}$$

diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \frac{dr}{dt} \left(\frac{d\hat{r}}{dt} \right) + \hat{r} \frac{d^2r}{dt^2} + r \frac{d\theta}{dt} \left(\frac{d\hat{s}}{dt} \right) + r \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} \hat{s} + \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{s}$$

$$\text{Put } \frac{d\hat{r}}{dt} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{s} \text{ and } \frac{d\hat{s}}{dt} = -\hat{r} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \quad \text{(by (3), (4))}$$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{s} + \frac{d^2r}{dt^2} \hat{r} + r \frac{d\theta}{dt} \left(-\hat{r} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) + r \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} \hat{s} + \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{s}$$

$$= \left(\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} - r \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)^2 \right) \hat{r} + \left(2 \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} + r \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} \right) \hat{s}$$

So,

The radial component of acceleration = $\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} - r \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)^2$

The transverse component of acceleration = $2 \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} + r \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}$

A particle P moves in a plane in such a way that at any time 't' its distance from a fixed point 'O' is $r = at + bt^2$ and the line connecting 'O' and 'P' makes an angle $\theta = ct^{3/2}$ with a fixed line OA. Find the radial and transverse components of the velocity and acceleration of the particle at $t=1$.

Solution

Considering a particle P which is moving in a plane whose distance from a fixed point 'O' is given by

$$r = at + bt^2$$

The radial component of velocity = $\frac{dr}{dt}$

$$= a + 2bt$$

Put $t=1$

$$= a + 2b(1)$$

$$= a + 2b$$

$$r = at + bt^2$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = a + 2bt$$

Transverse Component of Velocity = $r \frac{d\theta}{dt}$

$$= (at + bt^2) \frac{3c}{2} \sqrt{t}$$

Put $t=1$

$$= (a(1) + b(1)^2) \frac{3c}{2} \sqrt{1}$$

$$= (a+b) \frac{3c}{2}$$

Radial Component of acc. = $\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} - r \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt}\right)^2$

$$= 2b - (at + bt^2) \left(\frac{3c}{2} \sqrt{t}\right)^2$$

Put $t=1$

$$= 2b - (a+b) \frac{9c^2}{4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [8b - 9c^2(a+b)]$$

Here

$$\theta = ct^{3/2}$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = c \cdot \frac{3}{2} t^{1/2}$$

$$= \frac{3c}{2} \sqrt{t}$$

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} = \frac{3c}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} t^{-1/2}$$

$$= \frac{3c}{4\sqrt{t}}$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = a + 2bt$$

$$\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} = 2b$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Transverse component of acc.} &= 2 \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} + r \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} \\ &= 2(a+2bt) \frac{3C\sqrt{t}}{2} + (at+bt^2) \frac{3C}{4\sqrt{t}} \end{aligned}$$

Put $t=1$

$$= 2(a+2b) \frac{3C}{2} + (a+b) \frac{3C}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3C}{4} [4a+8b+a+b]$$

$$= \frac{3C}{4} (5a+9b)$$



Exercise Set 7

Q.No.1

A particle starts from O at $t=0$. Find its velocity and acceleration at any time 't' if its position at that time is given by

(i) $\vec{r} = (t^3+2t)\underline{i} + (5t^2-7)\underline{j}$

(ii) $\vec{r} = at^2\underline{i} + 4at\underline{j}$

(iii) $\vec{r} = a \cos t \underline{i} + b \sin t \underline{j}$

(iv) $\vec{r} = a(t - \cos t)\underline{i} + \bar{a}(1 + \sin t)\underline{j}$

Solution

Considering a particle which starts moving from point O at $t=0$. Let at any instant the particle is at point P whose position vector w.r.t. origin is given by

(i) $\vec{r} = (t^3+2t)\underline{i} + (5t^2-7)\underline{j}$

diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = (3t^2+2)\underline{i} + (10t-0)\underline{j}$$

$\vec{v} = (3t^2 + 2)\underline{i} + 10t\underline{j}$ is the velocity of the particle at any instant 't'.

Again diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = (6t + 0)\underline{i} + 10(1)\underline{j}$$

$\vec{a} = 6t\underline{i} + 10\underline{j}$ is the acceleration of the particle at any instant 't'.

(ii), (iii) and (iv) can be solved similarly.

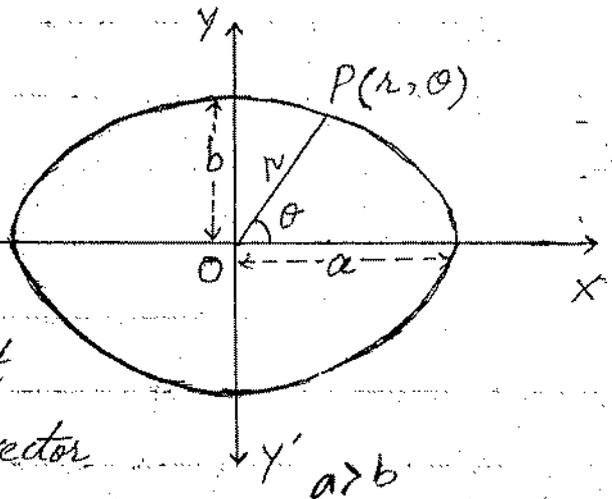
Q. No. 2 - At a particle is moving

The position of a particle moving along an ellipse is given by $\vec{r} = a \cos t \underline{i} + b \sin t \underline{j}$.

If $a > b$, find the position of the particle where its velocity has a maximum or minimum magnitude.

Solution

Considering a particle which is moving along an ellipse. Let at any time 't' the particle is at point $P(r, \theta)$ whose position vector w.r.t. 'O' is \vec{r} .



then $\vec{r} = a \cos t \underline{i} + b \sin t \underline{j}$
diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = a(-\sin t)\underline{i} + b \cos t \underline{j}$$

$$\vec{v} = -a \sin t \underline{i} + b \cos t \underline{j}$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{(-a \sin t)^2 + (b \cos t)^2}$$

$$v = \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t} \quad (1)$$

$$v^2 = a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t$$

Since for the velocity 'v' to be maximum

$$(i) \frac{dv}{dt} = 0 \quad (ii) \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} < 0$$

and for the velocity 'v' to be minimum

$$(i) \frac{dv}{dt} = 0 \quad (ii) \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} > 0$$

Again

$$v^2 = a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t$$

diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$2(v) \frac{dv}{dt} = a^2 (2 \sin t \cos t) + b^2 (2 \cos t (-\sin t))$$

$$2v \frac{dv}{dt} = a^2 \sin 2t - b^2 \sin 2t$$

$$2v \frac{dv}{dt} = (a^2 - b^2) \sin 2t$$

Put $\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$

$$2v(0) = (a^2 - b^2) \sin 2t$$

$$(a^2 - b^2) \sin 2t = 0$$

$$\sin 2t = 0$$

$$\therefore a^2 - b^2 \neq 0 \text{ as } a > b$$

$$\Rightarrow 2t = 0, \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, \dots$$

$\div 2$

$$t = 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots$$

Again

$$2v \frac{dv}{dt} = (a^2 - b^2) \sin 2t$$

diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$2(v \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + \frac{dv}{dt} \frac{dv}{dt}) = (a^2 - b^2) \cos 2t$$

$\div 2$

$$v \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{dv}{dt}\right)^2 = (a^2 - b^2) \cos 2t \quad \left| \quad v = \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t} \right.$$

$$\text{Put } t=0, \frac{dv}{dt} = 0, v = b$$

$$\text{then Put } t=0 \\ v = b$$

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$$b \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + 0 = (a^2 - b^2) \cos 0$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} > 0 \quad \text{as } a > b$$

Clearly for $t=0$; (i) $\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$ (ii) $\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} > 0$ — (i)

Again

$$v \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{dv}{dt}\right)^2 = (a^2 - b^2) \cos 2t$$

$$\text{Put } t = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{dv}{dt} = 0, v = a$$

$$a \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + 0 = (a^2 - b^2) \cos \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = \frac{-(a^2 - b^2)}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} < 0 \quad \text{as } a > b$$

Clearly for $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$; (i) $\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$ (ii) $\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} < 0$ — (ii)

Again

$$v \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{dv}{dt}\right)^2 = (a^2 - b^2) \cos 2t$$

$$\text{Put } t = \pi, \frac{dv}{dt} = 0, v = b$$

$$b \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + 0 = (a^2 - b^2) \cos 2\pi$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} > 0 \quad \text{as } a > b$$

Clearly for $t = \pi$; (i) $\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$ (ii) $\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} > 0$ — (iii)

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Again $v \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{dv}{dt}\right)^2 = (a^2 - b^2) \cos 2t$

Put $t = \frac{3\pi}{2}$; $\frac{dv}{dt} = 0, v = a$ $\left| \begin{array}{l} V = \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t} \\ \text{Put } t = \frac{3\pi}{2} \\ \text{then } v = a \end{array} \right.$

$a \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + 0 = (a^2 - b^2) \cos \frac{3\pi}{2}$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = \frac{-(a^2 - b^2)}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} < 0 \quad \text{as } a > b$$

Clearly for $t = \frac{3\pi}{2}$ (i) $\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$ (ii) $\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} < 0$ — (iv)

Clearly the velocity will be minimum for $t = 0, \pi, \dots$ (from (i) and (iii))

Now $\vec{r} = a \cos t \underline{i} + b \sin t \underline{j}$

Put $t = 0, \pi$

we get $\vec{r} = a \underline{i}, -a \underline{i}$

$\vec{r} = \pm a \underline{i}$ are the positions of the particle where it attains its minimum velocity.

Clearly the velocity will be maximum

for $t = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots$ (from (ii) and (iv))

Now $\vec{r} = a \cos t \underline{i} + b \sin t \underline{j}$

Put $t = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$

we get

$$\vec{r} = b \underline{j}, -b \underline{j}$$

$\vec{r} = \pm b \underline{j}$ are the positions of the particle where it attains its maximum velocity.

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Q. No. 3

✓ A particle is moving with uniform speed 'v' along the curve or
constant

$$x^2 y = a \left(x^2 + \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{5}} \right)$$

Show that its acceleration has the maximum value $\frac{10v^2}{9a}$

Solution

Considering a particle which is moving along the curve

$$x^2 y = a \left(x^2 + \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{5}} \right)$$

with constant speed 'v'.

so, then $\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$

The tangential component of acc. = 0

and the normal component of acceleration = $\frac{v^2}{\rho}$

Now

$$x^2 y = a \left(x^2 + \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{5}} \right)$$

$\div x^2$

$$y = a \left(1 + \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{5}} x^{-2} \right)$$

diff. w.r.t. x

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = a \left(0 + \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{5}} (-2) (x)^{-3} \right)$$

$$y_1 = -\frac{2a^3}{\sqrt{5}} x^{-3}$$

Again diff. w.r.t. x

$$\frac{dy_1}{dx} = -\frac{2a^3}{\sqrt{5}} (-3) x^{-4}$$

$$y_2 = \frac{6a^3}{\sqrt{5} x^4}$$

Now

$$\rho = \frac{(1 + y_1^2)^{3/2}}{y_2} = \frac{\left[1 + \left(\frac{-2a^3}{\sqrt{5} x^3} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2}}{\frac{6a^3}{\sqrt{5} x^4}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho &= \frac{\left(1 + \frac{4a^6}{5x^6}\right)^{3/2}}{\frac{6a^3}{\sqrt{5}x^4}} \\
 &= \left(\frac{5x^6 + 4a^6}{5x^6}\right)^{3/2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{5}x^4}{6a^3} \\
 &= \frac{(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{3/2}}{5\sqrt{5}x^9} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{5}x^4}{6a^3} \\
 &= \frac{(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{3/2}}{30a^3x^5}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now the normal component of acceleration = $\frac{v^2}{\rho}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \frac{v^2}{\frac{(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{3/2}}{30a^3x^5}} \\
 &= \frac{v^2 \cdot 30a^3x^5}{(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{3/2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$A = 30a^3v^2x^5(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-3/2}$$

Since 'A' depends on $B = x^5(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-3/2}$

\therefore 'A' will be maximum if 'B' is maximum.

Now for B to be maximum

$$(i) \frac{dB}{dx} = 0 \quad (ii) \frac{d^2B}{dx^2} < 0$$

Now

$$B = x^5(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-3/2}$$

diff. both sides w.r.t. 'x'

$$\frac{dB}{dx} = x^5(-3/2)(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-5/2}(30x^5) + (5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-3/2} \cdot 5x^4$$

$$\frac{dB}{dx} = -45x^{10}(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-5/2} + 5x^4(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-3/2}$$

$$= -5x^4(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-5/2} [9x^6 - (5x^6 + 4a^6)]$$

$$= -5x^4(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-5/2} (4x^6 - 4a^6)$$

$$\text{Put } \frac{dB}{dx} = 0$$

$$-5x^4 (5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-5/2} (4x^6 - 4a^6) = 0$$

$$-5x^4 = 0 \quad | \quad (5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-5/2} \neq 0 \quad | \quad 4x^6 - 4a^6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0$$

$$\div 4 \quad 4x^6 = 4a^6$$

$$x^6 = a^6$$

$$\Rightarrow x = a$$

Again

$$\frac{dB}{dx} = -5 \left[x^4 (5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-5/2} (4x^6 - 4a^6) \right]$$

diff. w.r.t. x

$$\frac{d^2B}{dx^2} = -5 \left[x^4 (5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-5/2} \cdot 24x^5 + x^4 (4x^6 - 4a^6) \left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) (5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-7/2} \cdot 30x^5 \right. \\ \left. + (5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-5/2} (4x^6 - 4a^6) \cdot 4x^3 \right]$$

$$\text{when } x = 0, \quad \frac{d^2B}{dx^2} = 0$$

$$\text{when } x = a$$

$$\frac{d^2B}{dx^2} = -5 \left[a^4 (9a^6)^{-5/2} \cdot 24a^5 \right]$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{d^2B}{dx^2} < 0$$

Clearly for $x = a$

$$(i) \frac{dB}{dx} = 0 \quad (ii) \frac{d^2B}{dx^2} < 0$$

Clearly for $x = a$, $B = x^5 (5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-3/2}$ will be maximum. Hence $A = 30a^3 v^2 x^5 (5x^6 + 4a^6)^{-3/2}$ will be maximum.

$$\text{Now } A = \frac{30a^3 v^2 x^5}{(5x^6 + 4a^6)^{3/2}} \quad \text{Put } x = a \\ = \frac{30a^3 v^2 a^5}{(5a^6 + 4a^6)^{3/2}} \\ = \frac{30a^8 v^2}{(9a^6)^{3/2}} = \frac{30a^8 v^2}{27a^9} = \frac{10v^2}{9a}$$

as required.

Find the tangential and normal components of acceleration of a point describing the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

with uniform speed 'v' when the particle is at (0, b)

Solution

Considering a point which is moving along the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ with uniform (constant) speed v then

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

i.e. The tangential component of acceleration = 0

(No tangential component of acceleration)

The normal component of acceleration = $\frac{v^2}{\rho}$

Now $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

$$\times a^2 b^2$$

$$b^2 x^2 + a^2 y^2 = a^2 b^2$$

diff. w.r.t. x

$$b^2 (2x) + a^2 (2y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$\div 2$

$$b^2 x + a^2 y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$a^2 y \frac{dy}{dx} = -b^2 x$$

$$\div a^2 y \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-b^2 x}{a^2 y}$$

(0, b)

x, y

Put $x=0, y=b$

$$y_1 = \frac{-b^2 \cdot 0}{a^2 \cdot b}$$

$$y_1 = 0$$

Since $y_1 = -\frac{b^2}{a^2} \frac{x}{y}$

diff. w.r.t. x

$$\frac{dy_1}{dx} = -\frac{b^2}{a^2} \left[\frac{y(1) - x \frac{dy}{dx}}{y^2} \right]; \quad \begin{matrix} (0, b) \\ x, y \end{matrix}$$

Put $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0, x=0, y=b$

$$y_2 = -\frac{b^2}{a^2} \left[\frac{b - 0(0)}{b^2} \right]$$

$$y_2 = -\frac{b}{a^2}$$

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

$$= \frac{(1 + 0^2)^{3/2}}{-\frac{b}{a^2}}$$

$$\rho = -\frac{a^2}{b}$$

Normal Component of acceleration = $\frac{v^2}{\rho}$

$$= \frac{v^2}{-\frac{a^2}{b}}$$

$$= -\frac{bv^2}{a^2}$$

Q No 5

Find the radial and transverse components of the velocity of a particle moving along the curve $ax^2 + by^2 = 1$ at any time 't' if the polar angle

$$\theta = ct^2$$

Solution

Considering a particle which is moving along the curve $ax^2 + by^2 = 1$ ——— (1)

$$\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} - r \frac{d\theta^2}{dt^2} \quad \frac{dr}{dt}, \quad \frac{r d\theta}{dt}$$

$$2 \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} + r \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}$$

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we know that relation connecting cartesian and polar coordinates are

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta$$

so from (1) we have

$$a(r \cos \theta)^2 + b(r \sin \theta)^2 = 1$$

$$a r^2 \cos^2 \theta + b r^2 \sin^2 \theta = 1$$

$$r^2 (a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta) = 1$$

$$r^2 = \frac{1}{a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta}$$

$$r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta}}$$

$$r = (a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

The radial component of velocity = $\frac{dr}{dt}$

The transverse component of velocity = $r \frac{d\theta}{dt}$

Now $r = (a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

diff. w.r.t. 't'

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = -\frac{1}{2} (a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \frac{d}{dt} (a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{-1}{2 (a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \left[a (2 \cos \theta (-\sin \theta) \frac{d\theta}{dt}) + b (2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{d\theta}{dt}) \right]$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2 (a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \left[-a \sin 2\theta \frac{d\theta}{dt} + b \sin 2\theta \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right]$$

$$= \frac{-1 (-\sin 2\theta \frac{d\theta}{dt}) (a-b)}{2 (a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{(a-b) \sin 2\theta}{2 (a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

$$\theta = ct^2$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = 2ct$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{(a-b) \sin 2\theta}{r(\alpha \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)^{3/2}} \cdot r^2 c t$$

$$\text{Radial Component of velocity} = \frac{(a-b) c t \sin 2\theta}{(\alpha \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)^{3/2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Transverse Component of velocity} &= r \frac{d\theta}{dt} \\ &= (\alpha \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta)^{-1/2} \cdot 2 c t \\ &= \frac{2 c t}{\sqrt{\alpha \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta}} \end{aligned}$$

Q.No.6

Find the radial and transverse and transverse components of acceleration of a particle moving along a circle $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$ with constant angular velocity c .

Solution

Considering a particle which is moving along a circle

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

We know that the relation connecting Cartesian and polar coordinates are

$$x = r \cos \theta ; y = r \sin \theta$$

So from (1) we have

$$(r \cos \theta)^2 + (r \sin \theta)^2 = a^2$$

$$r^2 \cos^2 \theta + r^2 \sin^2 \theta = a^2$$

$$r^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) = a^2$$

$$r^2 (1) = a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow r = a$$

$r = a$

The radial component of acceleration

$$= \frac{d^2r}{dt^2} - r \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)^2$$

$$= 0 - a(c)^2$$

$$= -ac^2$$

$\frac{dr}{dt} = 0$

$\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} = 0$

Angular velocity = c

i.e. $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = c$

$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} = 0$

The transverse component

of acceleration = $2 \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} + r \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}$

$$= 2(0)(c) + a(0)$$

$$= 0 + 0$$

$$= 0$$

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consider a particle along ellipse. The position of particle

$r = a \cos t \underline{i} + b \sin t \underline{j}$

if we differentiate

$\frac{dr}{dt} = (-a \sin t) \underline{i} + b \cos t \underline{j}$

$\underline{v} = (-a \sin t) \underline{i} + b \cos t \underline{j}$

$v = \sqrt{(-a \sin t)^2 + (b \cos t)^2}$

$= \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t}$

$= \sqrt{a^2 (1 - \cos^2 t) + b^2 \cos^2 t}$

$= \sqrt{a^2 - a^2 \cos^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t}$

$= \sqrt{a^2 - (a^2 - b^2) \cos^2 t}$

Case I: magnitude of velocity

will be max if $\cos^2 t$ is minimum

Minimum value of $\cos^2 t = 0$

at $t = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$

~~$t = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$~~

at $t = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$ velocity max

at $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$r = a \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \underline{i} + b \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \underline{j}$

put $t = \frac{3\pi}{2}$

$r = a \cos \frac{3\pi}{2} \underline{i} + b \sin \frac{3\pi}{2} \underline{j}$

$= 0 \underline{i} + (-b) \underline{j} = -b \underline{j}$

$y = -b \underline{j}$ on the position of particle it attains its max velocity

Case II: magnitude of velocity will be

min if $\cos^2 t$ is max

max value of $\cos^2 t = 1$

~~$\cos^2 t = 1$~~

$t = 0, \pi$

So at $t = 0, \pi$ velocity min

put $t = 0$

Now $r = a \cos 0 \underline{i} + b \sin 0 \underline{j}$

$= a \underline{i}$

put $t = \pi$

Now $r = a \cos \pi \underline{i} + b \sin \pi \underline{j}$

$= -a \underline{i} + 0 \underline{j} = -a \underline{i}$

$x = a \underline{i}$ on the position of particle it attains minimum velocity.