

# 1) 199(5): Tetrad of Ellipse in Cylindrical Polar Representation.

First consider the vector:

$$\underline{r} = X \underline{i} + Y \underline{j} \quad - (1)$$

$$X = r \cos \theta, \quad Y = r \sin \theta, \quad - (2)$$

where

$$\underline{r} = r \cos \theta \underline{i} + r \sin \theta \underline{j}. \quad - (3)$$

So

The unit vectors of cylindrical polar representation are defined by

$$\underline{e}_r = \frac{\partial \underline{r} / \partial r}{|\partial \underline{r} / \partial r|} = \cos \theta \underline{i} + \sin \theta \underline{j} \quad - (4)$$

$$\underline{e}_\theta = \frac{\partial \underline{r} / \partial \theta}{|\partial \underline{r} / \partial \theta|} = -\sin \theta \underline{i} + \cos \theta \underline{j}. \quad - (5)$$

Therefore

In an orb. t, both  $r$  and  $\theta$  depend on  $t$ .

The ellipse is defined by:

$$X = \epsilon a + r \cos \theta \quad - (7)$$

$$Y = r \sin \theta \quad - (8)$$

where  $\epsilon$  and  $a$  do not depend on  $t$ . So the unit vectors (4) and (5) are the same, but:

$$\underline{r} = (\epsilon a + r \cos \theta) \underline{i} + r \sin \theta \underline{j} \quad - (9)$$

The tetrad is therefore defined by:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \epsilon a + r \cos \theta \\ r \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon a + r \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & r \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad - (10)$$

) and is

$$r_{\mu}^a = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon a + r \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & r \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} \quad - (11)$$

If

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} (1) \\ (2) \end{pmatrix}, \quad - (12)$$

$$\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 1, 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad - (13)$$

then

$$r_{(1)}^{(1)} = \epsilon a + r \cos \theta \quad - (14)$$

$$r_{(1)}^{(1)} = 0 \quad - (15)$$

$$r_{(2)}^{(1)} = 0 \quad - (16)$$

$$r_{(1)}^{(2)} = 0 \quad - (17)$$

$$r_{(2)}^{(2)} = r \sin \theta$$

$$r = r^{(1)} + r^{(2)} \quad - (18)$$

and

$$r^{(1)} = r^{(1)} \underline{i} \quad - (19)$$

where

$$r^{(2)} = r^{(2)} \underline{j} \quad - (20)$$

Therefore:

$$\frac{dr^{(1)}}{dt} = -r \sin \theta + \dot{r} \cos \theta \quad - (21)$$

$$\frac{dr^{(2)}}{dt} = r \cos \theta + \dot{r} \sin \theta \quad - (22)$$

because both  $r$  and  $\theta$  depend on  $t$ .

The ellipse is then:

$$r = \frac{d}{1 + \epsilon \cos \theta} \quad - (23)$$

where

$$d = a(1 - \epsilon^2) \quad - (24)$$

### 3) Double Cartesian Tetrad

Consider the position vector:

$$\underline{r}(t) = x(t) \underline{i} + y(t) \underline{j} \quad - (25)$$

which depends on time  $t$ . The tetrad in this case is defined by:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) & 0 \\ 0 & y(t) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad - (26)$$

i.e.

$$r^a_\mu = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) & 0 \\ 0 & y(t) \end{bmatrix} \quad - (27)$$

The movement represented by eq. (25) can be thought of as a dynamic unit vector, i.e. it is a frame of reference that evolves with time. The tetrad is the  $2 \times 2$  matrix that links this dynamic frame to the static frame:

$$\underline{e}(t) = \underline{i} + \underline{j} \quad - (28)$$

Eq. (26) is an example of the definition:

$$\nabla^a = \nabla_\mu^a \nabla^\mu \quad - (29)$$

where the components of the complete vector field  $\nabla^a$  and  $\nabla_\mu$  are in two different frames. These can be a dynamic frame and a static frame using the same coordinates.

#### 4) Complete Proof of the Elliptical Equations.

To Prove That  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  can be written as

$$r = d / (1 + e \cos \theta) \quad (1)$$

Proof Use  $x = c + r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$  — (1)

Then:

$$b^2 (c^2 + 2rc \cos \theta + r^2 \cos^2 \theta) + a^2 r^2 (1 - \cos^2 \theta) = (ab)^2 \quad (2)$$

Here  $c = ea$ ,  $b = (1 - e^2)^{1/2} a$  — (3)

— (4)

So:

$$a^2 (1 - e^2) e^2 a^2 + 2ra^2 (1 - e^2) ea \cos \theta + a^2 (1 - e^2) r^2 \cos^2 \theta + a^2 r^2 (1 - \cos^2 \theta) = a^4 (1 - e^2)$$

i.e.

$$a^2 (1 - e^2) e^2 + r^2 (1 - \cos^2 \theta + (1 - e^2) \cos^2 \theta) + 2r(1 - e^2) ea \cos \theta = a^2 r^2 (1 - e^2) \quad (5)$$

i.e.

$$r^2 = a^2 (1 - e^2) - a^2 e^2 (1 - e^2) - 2r(1 - e^2) ea \cos \theta + r^2 e^2 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$= a^2 (1 - e^2)^2 - 2r(1 - e^2) ea \cos \theta + r^2 e^2 \cos^2 \theta \quad (6)$$

$$r^2 = (e r \cos \theta - a(1 - e^2))^2 \quad (7)$$

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The negative root is needed because

The negative  $r = a$  when  $e = 0$  — (8)

$$r = a(1 - e^2) - e r \cos \theta \quad (9)$$

So

$$r = \frac{a(1 - e^2)}{1 + e \cos \theta} = \frac{d}{1 + e \cos \theta} \quad \text{QED} \quad (10)$$