

CURVATURE

For each of the following curves, find the curvature at the indicated value for t . Also, state the radius of the best fitting circle at this point $\left(\text{circle radius } = r = \frac{1}{\kappa} \right)$. If $\kappa = 0$, then state that circle radius $= \infty$.

$$1. \quad \vec{r}(t) = \cos(t)\hat{i} + \sin(t)\hat{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi, \quad t = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$2. \quad \vec{r}(t) = 2\cos(t)\hat{i} - 2\sin(t)\hat{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi, \quad t = \frac{5\pi}{4}$$

$$3. \quad \vec{r}(t) = (2+3t)\hat{i} + (1+4t)\hat{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2, \quad t = 1$$

$$4. \quad \vec{r}(t) = t\hat{i} + t^2\hat{j}, \quad -2 \leq t \leq 2, \quad t = 1$$

$$5. \quad \vec{r}(t) = \sin t\hat{i} + t\hat{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi, \quad t = \pi$$