

- The vector Line Integral of a vector function \mathbf{F} along a curve $\mathbf{r}(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$ is $\int_a^b \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \frac{\mathbf{r}'(t)}{|\mathbf{r}'(t)|} |\mathbf{r}'(t)| dt$.

- The above can be shortened to simply

$$\int_a^b \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t) dt$$

- The $\frac{\mathbf{r}'(t)}{|\mathbf{r}'(t)|}$ takes into account that we only care about the direction of the force tangent to the curve.
- The $|\mathbf{r}'(t)| dt$. Takes into account that our speed may not be 1.
- The work done by a force \mathbf{F} on a particle moving along a curve parametrized by $\mathbf{r}(t)$ is the vector line integral of \mathbf{F} along the path $\mathbf{r}(t)$.