

Problem Sheet 3 for the Tutorial, October 13.
(Vector-Valued Functions and Motion in Space.)

Problem 1. Find the length of the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\sqrt{2}t)\mathbf{i} + (\sqrt{2}t)\mathbf{j} + (1 - t^2)\mathbf{k}$ from $(0, 0, 1)$ to $(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}, 0)$.

Solution:

Problem 2. Find \mathbf{T} , \mathbf{N} , and κ for the space curves defined by position vector $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos^3 t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin^3 t)\mathbf{j}$, $0 < t < \pi/2$.

Solution:

Problem 3. Show that a moving particle will move in a straight line if the normal component of its acceleration is zero.

Solution:

Problem 4. Find parametric equations for the line that is tangent to the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = e^t\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + \ln(1-t)\mathbf{k}$ at $t = 0$.

Solution:

Problem 5. Evaluate the integrals:

$$\int_0^1 [t^3 \mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j} + (t + 1)\mathbf{k}] \, dt$$

$$\int_0^1 [te^{t^2} \mathbf{i} + e^{-t} \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}] \, dt$$

Solution: