

ME760 Homework 3

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Problem 1

Problem Statement

Estimate the spectral radius of the following matrix. Show your work.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution

Find the determinate of \mathbf{B} if \mathbf{B} is $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I}\lambda$ to obtain eigenvalues.

$$(7 - \lambda)[(1 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda)] + 3[-2(1 - \lambda)] = 0$$

$$(7 - \lambda)[(1 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda)] - 6(1 - \lambda) = 0$$

$$(1 - \lambda)[(7 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda) - 6] = 0$$

$$\lambda = 1,$$

$$14 - 9\lambda + \lambda^2 - 6 = 0$$

$$8 - 9\lambda + \lambda^2 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 8)(\lambda - 1) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 8, 1, 1$$

The spectral radius, ρ , is the largest eigenvalue of the matrix.

$$\boxed{\rho(\mathbf{A}) = 8}$$

Problem 2

Problem Statement

Given the curve C: $\mathbf{r}(u) = \cos u \mathbf{i} + 2 \sin u \mathbf{j}$, find (a) a tangent vector $\mathbf{r}'(u)$ and the corresponding unit vector $\hat{\mathbf{r}}'(u)$, (b) \mathbf{r}' and $\hat{\mathbf{r}}'$ at the point $P : (1/2, \sqrt{3}, 0)$, and (c) the equation of the line through P that is tangent to the curve. Sketch the curve and the tangent.

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{(a)} \\ & \boxed{\mathbf{r}'(u) = \hat{i}(-\sin u) + \hat{j}(2 \cos u)} \\ & \hat{\mathbf{r}}'(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin^2 u + 4 \cos^2 u}} \mathbf{r}'(u) \\ & \boxed{\hat{\mathbf{r}}'(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [\hat{i}(-\sin u) + \hat{j}(2 \cos u)]} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{(b)} \\ & \text{at } P(1/2, \sqrt{3}, 0), u = \pi/3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{r}'(\pi/3) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \hat{i} + \hat{j}}$$

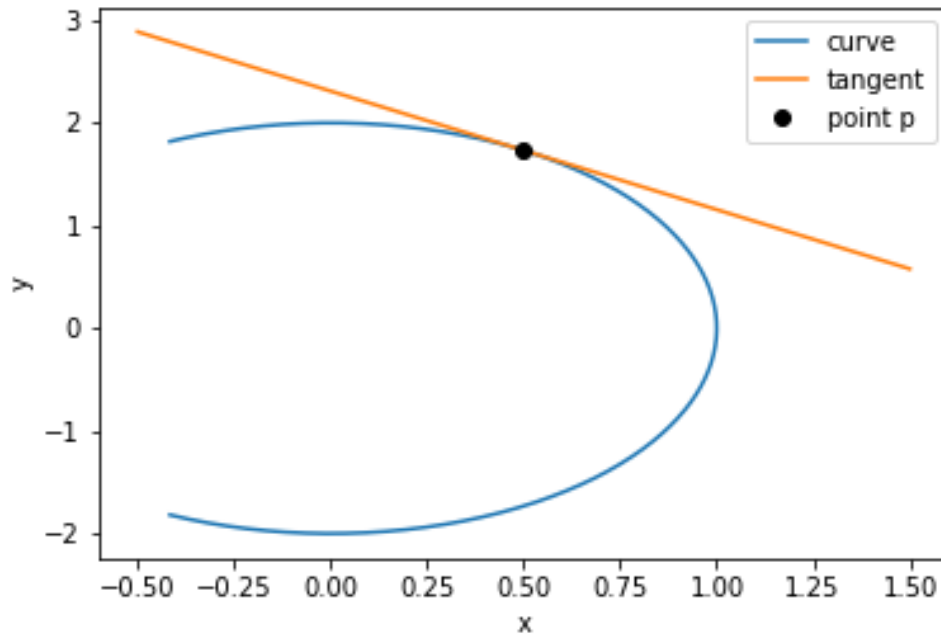
$$\boxed{\hat{\mathbf{r}}'(\pi/3) = -\frac{1}{2} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \hat{j}}$$

$$\text{(c)}$$

$$l = \mathbf{P} + \lambda \hat{\mathbf{r}}'$$

$$l = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \lambda) \hat{i} + \sqrt{3}(1 + \frac{1}{3}\lambda) \hat{j}$$

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Problem 3

Problem Statement

Find the length of the circular helix $\mathbf{r}(u) = \mathbf{i}a \cos u + \mathbf{j}a \sin u + \mathbf{k}cu$ from $(a, 0, 0)$ to $(a, 0, 2\pi c)$.

Solution

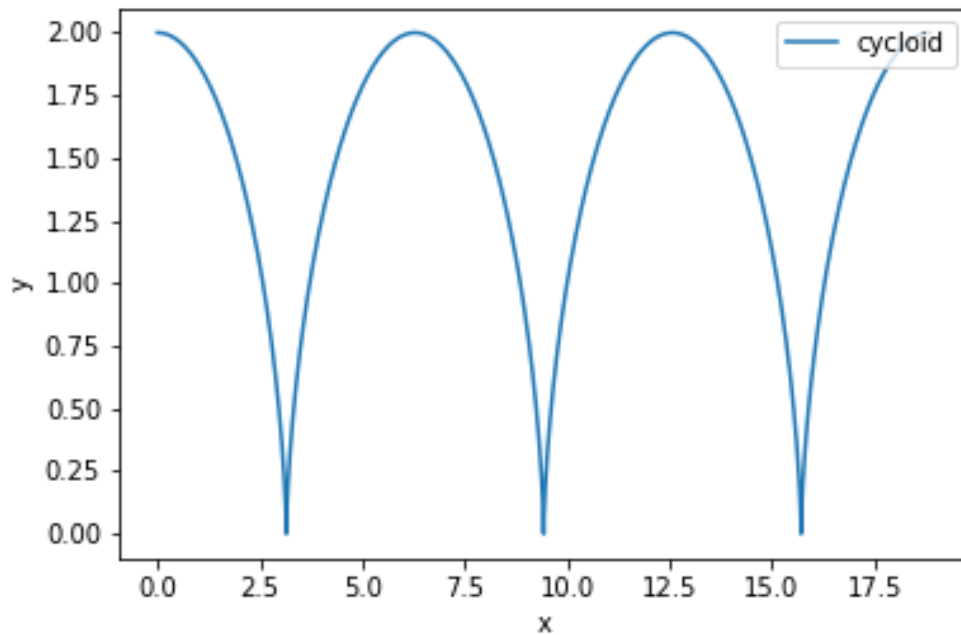
$$\begin{aligned}s &= \int_a^b |\mathbf{r}'(u)| du = \int_a^b \sqrt{\mathbf{r}'(u) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(u)} \\s &= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 u + a^2 \cos^2 u + c^2} du \\s &= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{a^2 + c^2} du \\s &= \sqrt{a^2 + c^2} u \Big|_0^{2\pi} \\s &= 2\pi \sqrt{a^2 + c^2}\end{aligned}$$

Problem 4

Problem Statement

Sketch $\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{i}(R\sin\omega t + \omega Rt) + \mathbf{j}(R\cos\omega t + R)$ taking $R = 1$ and $\omega = 1$. This curve is called a cycloid and is the path of a point on the rim of a wheel of radius R that rolls without slipping along the x -axis. Find the velocity \mathbf{v} and the acceleration \mathbf{a} at the maximum and minimum y -values of the curve.

Solution



$$R = \omega = 1$$

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{i}(\sin t + t) + \mathbf{j}(\cos t + 1)$$

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}$$

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{i}(\cos t + 1) - \mathbf{j}(\sin t)$$

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt}$$

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = -\mathbf{i}(\sin t) - \mathbf{j}(\sin t)$$

$$\text{max: } t = 0, x = 0, y = 2$$

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = 2\mathbf{i}$$

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = -1\mathbf{j}$$

$$\text{min: } t = 0\pi, x = \pi, y = 0$$

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = 1\mathbf{j}$$

Problem 5

Problem Statement

The flow of heat in a temperature field takes place in the direction of the maximum decrease of temperature. For the temperature field $T(x, y, z) = z/(x^2 + y^2)$ find this direction in general and at the point $(0, 1, 2)$.

Solution

Find $\nabla T(x, y, z)$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = \frac{-2xz}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \mathbf{i}$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \frac{-2yz}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \mathbf{j}$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \mathbf{k}$$

$$\nabla T(x, y, z) = \frac{-2xz}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \mathbf{i} - \frac{2yz}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \mathbf{j} + \frac{1}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \mathbf{k}$$

At $P(0, 1, 2)$:

$$0\mathbf{i} - \frac{2(1)(2)}{1} \mathbf{j} + 1\mathbf{k}$$

$$-4\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$$

Problem 6

Problem Statement

Find the unit normal (a) to the surface $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ at any point P , and (b) to the surface $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 26$ at the point $(1, 4, 3)$.

Solution

(a)

$$\hat{n} = \frac{\nabla f(\mathbf{r})}{|\nabla f(\mathbf{r})|} = \frac{a\mathbf{i} + b\mathbf{j} + c\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

(b)

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{r}) = 2x\mathbf{i} + 2y\mathbf{j} + 2z\mathbf{k}$$

At point P :

$$= 2\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$$

$$\text{magnitude} = \sqrt{2^2 + 8^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{104} = 2\sqrt{26}$$

$$\hat{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}}(1\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k})$$

Problem 7

Problem Statement

Find the divergence of $(-\mathbf{i}y + \mathbf{j}x)/(x^2 + y^2)$.

Solution

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = \frac{\partial V_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial V_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial V_z}{\partial z}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}\mathbf{j}$$

Apply the quotient rule for derivatives.

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = \frac{2xy}{(x^2+y^2)^2} - \frac{2xy}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0}$$

Problem 8

Problem Statement

Prove that $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{v}) = 0$.

Solution

$$\mathbf{v} = u\hat{i} + v\hat{j} + w\hat{k}$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ u & v & w \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{v} = \hat{i}(\frac{\partial}{\partial y}w - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}v) + \hat{j}(\frac{\partial}{\partial z}u - \frac{\partial}{\partial x}w) + \hat{k}(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}v - \frac{\partial}{\partial y}u)$$

Then do *div* of that quantity.

$$0 = (\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y}w - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial z}v) + (\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial z}u - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial x}w) + (\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial z}v - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial z}u)$$

Each term in the equation above will cancel out.