

TAM 212. Midterm 1 Practice. Feb 11, 2013.

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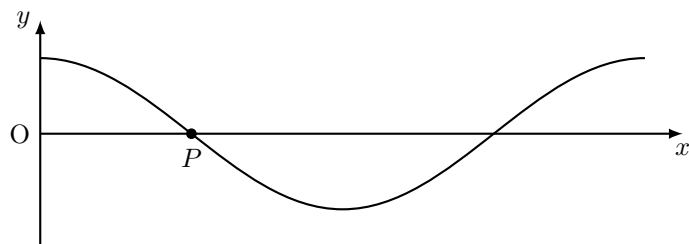
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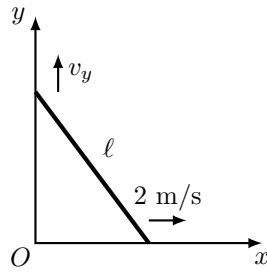
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1. (1 point) A particle is moving to the right along a variable-height ground with ground height given by $y(x) = \cos(x/10)$ m. The particle's horizontal velocity component is a constant $v_x = 20$ m/s. What is the vertical component of velocity v_y when $x = 5\pi$ m?



- (A) $v_y = 0$ m/s
- (B) $v_y < -3$ m/s
- (C) $3 \text{ m/s} \leq v_y$
- (D) $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_y < 3 \text{ m/s}$
- (E) $-3 \text{ m/s} \leq v_y < 0 \text{ m/s}$

2. (1 point) A ladder leaning against the wall has a fixed length of $\ell = 5$ m. The bottom of the ladder is 3 m from the wall and is moving along the ground away from the wall at a speed of 2 m/s. What is the vertical component of the velocity v_y of the top of the ladder, assuming it remains in contact with the wall?



- (A) $0 \text{ m/s} < v_y < 1 \text{ m/s}$
- (B) $1 \text{ m/s} < v_y$
- (C) $v_y < -1 \text{ m/s}$
- (D) $-1 \text{ m/s} \leq v_y < 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (E) $v_y = 0 \text{ m/s}$

3. (1 point) Given a polar basis $\hat{e}_r, \hat{e}_\theta$, the time derivative of the angular basis vector satisfies

$$\dot{\hat{e}}_\theta = -\hat{e}_r.$$

- (A) True
- (B) False

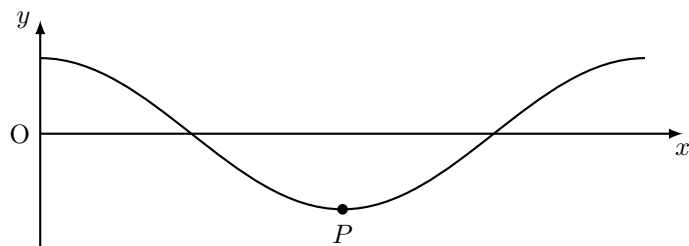
4. (1 point) The particle P has polar coordinates $r = 3$ m, $\theta = 60^\circ$ and velocity $\vec{v} = -\hat{i}$. Which statement is true?

- (A) $\dot{r} \geq 0$ and $\dot{\theta} \geq 0$
- (B) $\dot{r} < 0$ and $\dot{\theta} \geq 0$
- (C) $\dot{r} < 0$ and $\dot{\theta} < 0$
- (D) $\dot{r} \geq 0$ and $\dot{\theta} < 0$

5. (1 point) A point is currently has position vector $\vec{r} = -2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$ m and is rotating about the origin in the x - y plane with angular velocity $\omega = -3$ rad/s. What is the \hat{j} component of the velocity v_y of the point?

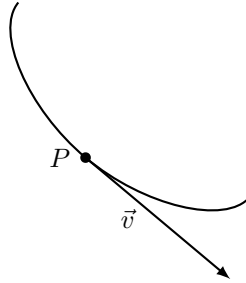
- (A) $-5 \text{ m/s} \leq v_y < 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (B) $0 \text{ m/s} < v_y < 5 \text{ m/s}$
- (C) $5 \text{ m/s} \leq v_y$
- (D) $v_y = 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (E) $v_y < -5 \text{ m/s}$

6. (1 point) A particle is moving to the right along a variable-height ground at a constant speed of $v = 20$ m/s. The ground height is given by $y(x) = \cos(x/10)$ m. When the particle is at the lowest point on the ground, what is the vertical acceleration a_y ?



- (A) $3 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_y$
- (B) $0 \text{ m/s}^2 < a_y < 3 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (C) $a_y < -3 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (D) $-2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_y < 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (E) $a_y = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$

7. (1 point) A point P is moving around a curve and at a given instant has position and velocity \vec{v} as shown.



Which direction is the closest to the direction of the normal basis vector \hat{e}_n at the instant shown?

- (A) ↗
- (B) ↘
- (C) ↖
- (D) ↙

8. (1 point) A car driving down the road is at a distance $s = t^2$ m from its starting point. At $t = 2$ s the car is driving around a curve with radius of curvature $\rho = 8$ m. What is the magnitude of the acceleration a at this time?

- (A) $a < 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (B) $1 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a < 2 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (C) $a = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (D) $0 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a < 1 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (E) $2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a$

9. (1 point) If a particle has position vector $\vec{r}(t) = 5e^t \hat{i} + \sin(2t) \hat{j} + (1 - 3t) \hat{k}$ m, what is its speed $v(0)$ at time $t = 0$ s?

- (A) $15 \text{ m/s} \leq v(0)$
- (B) $v(0) = 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (C) $10 \text{ m/s} \leq v(0) < 15 \text{ m/s}$
- (D) $5 \text{ m/s} \leq v(0) < 10 \text{ m/s}$
- (E) $0 \text{ m/s} < v(0) < 5 \text{ m/s}$

10. (1 point) Given a polar basis $\hat{e}_r, \hat{e}_\theta$, the time derivative of the radial basis vector satisfies

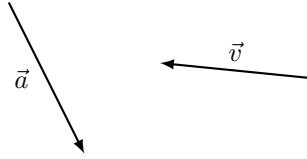
$$\dot{\hat{e}}_r \cdot \hat{e}_r = 0.$$

- (A) False
- (B) True

11. (1 point) A car is observed moving in the plane with velocity $\vec{v} = 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j}$ and acceleration $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j}$. At this instant, is it:

- (A) slowing down
- (B) keeping its speed constant
- (C) speeding up

12. (1 point) The velocity \vec{v} and acceleration \vec{a} for a single particle P are shown below at a particular instant.



Which statement is true at this instant?

- (A) the particle's speed is not changing
- (B) the particle slowing down
- (C) the particle is speeding up

13. (1 point) At a certain instant, particles P and Q have position vectors and velocities given by:

$$\vec{r}_P = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{r}_Q = -2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} \text{ m}$$

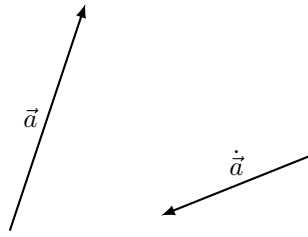
$$\vec{v}_P = -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m/s}$$

$$\vec{v}_Q = 2\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} \text{ m/s}$$

Which statement is true at this instant?

- (A) the two particles are moving further apart
- (B) the two particles are moving closer together
- (C) the two particles are staying at the same distance from each other

14. (1 point) The vector \vec{a} and its derivative $\dot{\vec{a}}$ are shown below.



Which statement is true?

- (A) the length of \vec{a} is increasing
 - (B) the length of \vec{a} is decreasing
 - (C) the length of \vec{a} is staying the same
15. (1 point) A particle is moving in the plane with changing radius so that at a particular instant we have $r = 1$ m and $\dot{r} = -4$ m/s. The speed is $v = 5$ m/s. What is the magnitude of $\dot{\theta}$?
- (A) $6 \text{ rad/s} \leq |\dot{\theta}| < 8 \text{ rad/s}$
 - (B) $8 \text{ rad/s} \leq |\dot{\theta}|$
 - (C) $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq |\dot{\theta}| < 4 \text{ rad/s}$
 - (D) $4 \text{ rad/s} \leq |\dot{\theta}| < 6 \text{ rad/s}$
 - (E) $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq |\dot{\theta}| < 2 \text{ rad/s}$

16. (1 point) A particle starts at the origin at time $t = 0$ s and its velocity is given by $\vec{v} = t^3 \hat{i} - t \hat{j}$ m. At time $t = 2$ s, what is the particle's distance r from the origin?

- (A) $12 \text{ m} \leq r < 16 \text{ m}$
- (B) $0 \text{ m} \leq r < 4 \text{ m}$
- (C) $4 \text{ m} \leq r < 8 \text{ m}$
- (D) $16 \text{ m} \leq r$
- (E) $8 \text{ m} \leq r < 12 \text{ m}$

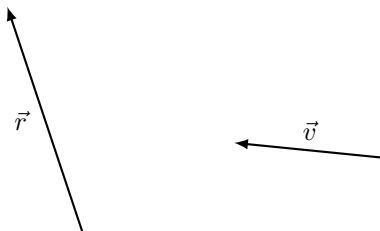
17. (1 point) A particle moves so that its position vector in the Cartesian basis is given by

$$\vec{r} = \cos t \hat{i} + \sin t \hat{j} + t \hat{k} \text{ m.}$$

Using cylindrical coordinates, what is the angular component of velocity v_θ at $t = \pi/4$ s?

- (A) $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_\theta < 1 \text{ m/s}$
- (B) $-1 \text{ m/s} \leq v_\theta < 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (C) $v_\theta = 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (D) $v_\theta < -1 \text{ m/s}$
- (E) $1 \text{ m/s} \leq v_\theta$

18. (1 point) The position vector \vec{r} and velocity \vec{v} for a single particle P are shown below at a particular instant.



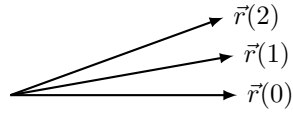
Which statement is true at this instant?

- (A) the distance of P from the origin is staying the same
- (B) the distance of P from the origin is decreasing
- (C) the distance of P from the origin is increasing

19. (1 point) A point is rotating about the origin in the x - y plane with angular velocity $\omega = 2$ rad/s and velocity $\vec{v} = 4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}$. What is the x coordinate of the point?

- (A) $2 \text{ m} \leq x$
- (B) $-2 \text{ m} \leq x < 0 \text{ m}$
- (C) $x < -2 \text{ m}$
- (D) $0 \text{ m} < x < 2 \text{ m}$
- (E) $x = 0 \text{ m}$

20. (1 point) The position vector $\vec{r}(t)$ of a point is shown below at $t = 0$ s, $t = 1$ s, and $t = 2$ s.



Which direction is the closest to the direction of the acceleration $\vec{a}(0)$ at time $t = 0$ s?

- (A) \leftarrow
- (B) \rightarrow
- (C) \uparrow
- (D) \downarrow

21. (1 point) If $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$ and the derivative is $\dot{\vec{a}} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j}$, what can we say about the rate of change of the length of \vec{a} at this instant?

- (A) the length of \vec{a} is increasing
- (B) the length of \vec{a} is staying the same
- (C) the length of \vec{a} is decreasing

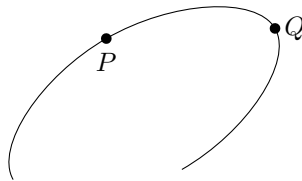
22. (1 point) A point is moving with position vector

$$\vec{r} = (t^2 - 2t)\hat{i} + t^2\hat{j}.$$

What is the radius of curvature ρ at $t = 1$ s?

- (A) ρ is infinite
- (B) $\rho = 0$ m
- (C) $0 \text{ m} < \rho < \frac{1}{2} \text{ m}$
- (D) $\frac{1}{2} \text{ m} \leq \rho < 1 \text{ m}$
- (E) $1 \text{ m} \leq \rho < \infty$

23. (1 point) A car is driving on a curved race track at constant speed, with the top view shown below.



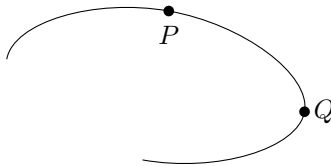
How does the magnitude of the car's acceleration a_P at point P compare to the value a_Q at point Q ?

- (A) $a_P > a_Q$
- (B) $a_P = a_Q$
- (C) $a_P < a_Q$

24. (1 point) A particle is moving with position vector given by $\vec{r} = t\hat{i} + t^2\hat{j}$. At time $t = 1$ s, what is the vertical component of the normal vector $e_{n,y}$?

- (A) $\frac{1}{2} \leq e_{n,y}$
- (B) $-\frac{1}{2} \leq e_{n,y} < 0$
- (C) $e_{n,y} = 0$
- (D) $e_{n,y} < -\frac{1}{2}$
- (E) $0 \leq e_{n,y} < \frac{1}{2}$

25. (1 point) A point is moving around the curve shown below with varying speed.



The radius of curvature and speed at P and Q are given by:

$$\rho_P = 4 \text{ m}$$

$$v_P = 4 \text{ m/s}$$

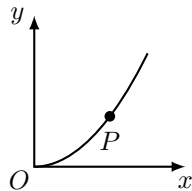
$$\rho_Q = 2 \text{ m}$$

$$v_Q = 2 \text{ m/s.}$$

Which of the following is true about the normal accelerations $a_{P,n}$ at P and $a_{Q,n}$ at Q ?

- (A) $a_{P,n} > a_{Q,n}$
- (B) $a_{P,n} = a_{Q,n}$
- (C) $a_{P,n} < a_{Q,n}$

26. (1 point) A particle is moving to the right along the curve $y = \frac{1}{3}x^2$ m at a constant speed of $v = \frac{5}{3}$ m/s. What is the horizontal component of velocity v_x when $x = 2$ m?



- (A) $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_x < 2 \text{ m/s}$
- (B) $2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_x$
- (C) $-2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_x < 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (D) $v_x = 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (E) $v_x < -2 \text{ m/s}$

27. (1 point) For a certain position P the distance from the origin is $r = 4$ m and the polar basis vectors are:

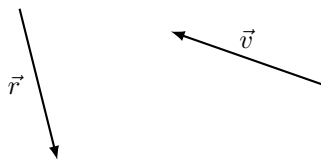
$$\hat{e}_r = -\frac{1}{2}\hat{i} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\hat{j}$$

$$\hat{e}_\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\hat{i} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{j}$$

What is the horizontal coordinate x ?

- (A) $-2 \text{ m} \leq x < 0 \text{ m}$
- (B) $2 \text{ m} < x$
- (C) $x < -2 \text{ m}$
- (D) $0 \text{ m} < x < 2 \text{ m}$
- (E) $x = 0 \text{ m}$

28. (1 point) The position vector \vec{r} and velocity \vec{v} for a single particle P are shown below at a particular instant.



Which statement about $\dot{\theta}$ is true at this instant?

- (A) $\dot{\theta} < 0$
- (B) $\dot{\theta} = 0$
- (C) $\dot{\theta} > 0$

29. (1 point) The vector $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j}$ has derivative $\dot{\vec{a}} = -2\hat{i} - \hat{j}$. What is the rate of change \dot{a} of the length?

- (A) $\dot{a} < -1$
- (B) $0 < \dot{a} < 1$
- (C) $-1 \leq \dot{a} < 0$
- (D) $1 \leq \dot{a}$
- (E) $\dot{a} = 0$

30. (1 point) A particle moves so that its position in polar coordinates is given by

$$r = \frac{1}{2}t^2 \text{ m}$$
$$\theta = 2t \text{ rad.}$$

What is the radial component of acceleration a_r at $t = 2$ s?

- (A) $0 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_r < 7 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (B) $7 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_r$
- (C) $a_r < -7 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (D) $a_r = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (E) $-7 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_r < 0 \text{ m/s}^2$

31. (1 point) A position P has an associated polar basis with

$$\hat{e}_\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{i} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j}.$$

What is θ ?

- (A) $\frac{3}{2}\pi \leq \theta < 2\pi$
- (B) $\pi \leq \theta < \frac{3}{2}\pi$
- (C) $0 \leq \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi$
- (D) $\frac{1}{2}\pi \leq \theta < \pi$

32. (1 point) The particle P has polar coordinates $r = 2$ m, $\theta = -\frac{3}{4}\pi$ rad and rates of change $\dot{r} > 0$ and $\dot{\theta} < 0$. Which statement about the velocity \vec{v} of P must be true?

- (A) $v_y < 0$
- (B) $v_y \geq 0$
- (C) $v_x \geq 0$
- (D) $v_x < 0$

33. (1 point) A position P has an associated polar basis with

$$\hat{e}_r = \frac{1}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\hat{j}.$$

What is \hat{e}_θ ?

- (A) $\hat{e}_\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\hat{i} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{j}$
- (B) $\hat{e}_\theta = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{j}$
- (C) $\hat{e}_\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{j}$
- (D) $\hat{e}_\theta = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\hat{i} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{j}$

34. (1 point) A particle P has position vector and velocity:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r} &= 5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{v} &= 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} \text{ m/s}.\end{aligned}$$

Is the distance from P to the origin:

- (A) increasing
- (B) staying the same
- (C) decreasing

35. (1 point) A particle P has position vector, velocity, and acceleration given by:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r} &= 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{v} &= 2\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} \text{ m/s} \\ \vec{a} &= -3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m/s}^2\end{aligned}$$

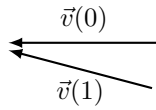
Consider the following statements:

- (i) The particle is moving closer to the origin.
- (ii) The particle is moving further from the origin.
- (iii) The particle is speeding up.
- (iv) The particle is slowing down.

Which statements are true?

- (A) (i) and (iii)
- (B) (ii) and (iii)
- (C) (i) and (iv)
- (D) (ii) and (iv)
- (E) none of the other options

36. (1 point) The velocity $\vec{v}(t)$ of a point is shown below at $t = 0$ s and $t = 1$ s.



Which direction is the closest to the direction of the acceleration $\vec{a}(0)$ at time $t = 0$ s?

- (A) \uparrow
- (B) \downarrow
- (C) \leftarrow
- (D) \rightarrow

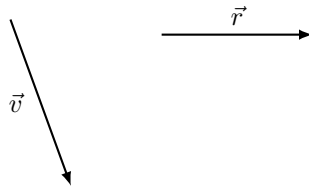
37. (1 point) A vector \vec{a} and its derivative $\dot{\vec{a}}$ have $\|\vec{a}\| = 3$, $\|\dot{\vec{a}}\| = 4$, and $\vec{a} \cdot \dot{\vec{a}} = -6$. What can we say about the rate of change of the length of \vec{a} at this instant?

- (A) the length of \vec{a} is increasing
- (B) the length of \vec{a} is decreasing
- (C) the length of \vec{a} is staying the same

38. (1 point) A point has Cartesian coordinates $x = -3$ m, $y = -2$ m. What is its polar coordinate angle θ ?

- (A) $\pi \text{ rad} \leq \theta < \frac{3}{2}\pi \text{ rad}$
- (B) $\frac{1}{2}\pi \text{ rad} \leq \theta < \pi \text{ rad}$
- (C) $0 \text{ rad} \leq \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi \text{ rad}$
- (D) $\frac{3}{2}\pi \text{ rad} \leq \theta < 2\pi \text{ rad}$

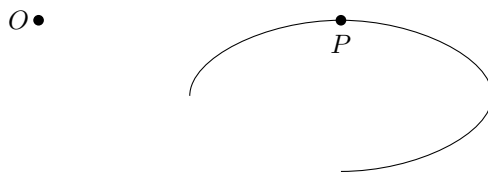
39. (1 point) The position vector \vec{r} and velocity \vec{v} for a single particle P are shown below at a particular instant.



Which statement about \dot{r} is true at this instant?

- (A) $\dot{r} = 0$
- (B) $\dot{r} > 0$
- (C) $\dot{r} < 0$

40. (1 point) A point is moving around the curve and is currently at position P . Consider a polar basis $\hat{e}_r, \hat{e}_\theta$ at P from the origin O and a tangential/normal basis \hat{e}_t, \hat{e}_n at P .



Which of the following is true?

- (A) $\hat{e}_n = -\hat{e}_r$
- (B) $\hat{e}_n = -\hat{e}_\theta$
- (C) $\hat{e}_n = \hat{e}_r$
- (D) $\hat{e}_n = \hat{e}_\theta$

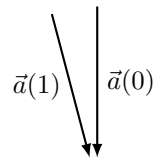
41. (1 point) A position P has an associated polar basis so that

$$\hat{i} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{e}_r - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{e}_\theta.$$

What is θ ?

- (A) $\pi \leq \theta < \frac{3}{2}\pi$
- (B) $\frac{3}{2}\pi \leq \theta < 2\pi$
- (C) $\frac{1}{2}\pi \leq \theta < \pi$
- (D) $0 \leq \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi$

42. (1 point) The vector $\vec{a}(t)$ is pictured below at $t = 0$ s and $t = 1$ s.



Which direction is the closest to the direction of $\dot{\vec{a}}(0)$?

- (A) \leftarrow
- (B) \downarrow
- (C) \uparrow
- (D) \rightarrow

43. (1 point) A point is currently at position $x = 3$ m, $y = 2$ m, $z = 0$ m and is rotating in the x - y plane about the origin with angular velocity $\vec{\omega} = 2\hat{k}$. The velocity \vec{v} of the point is:

- (A) $\vec{v} = -4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j}$
- (B) $\vec{v} = -4\hat{i} - 6\hat{j}$
- (C) $\vec{v} = 4\hat{i} - 6\hat{j}$
- (D) $\vec{v} = 4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j}$

44. (1 point) A particle moves so that its position in polar coordinates is given by

$$r = 2t \text{ m}$$
$$\theta = -\frac{\pi}{8}t^2 \text{ rad.}$$

What is the \hat{i} component of velocity v_x at $t = 2$ s?

- (A) $v_x < -6$ m/s
- (B) $-6 \text{ m/s} \leq v_x < 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (C) $v_x = 0$ m/s
- (D) $6 \text{ m/s} \leq v_x$
- (E) $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_x < 6 \text{ m/s}$

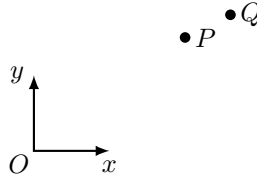
45. (1 point) The position vector of a particle is given by

$$\vec{r} = (4t^2 - 2)\hat{i} + (4t^2 - t^3)\hat{j} \text{ m.}$$

Which statement is true at time $t = 0$?

- (A) the \hat{j} component of the particle's velocity is decreasing
- (B) the \hat{j} component of the particle's velocity is staying the same
- (C) the \hat{j} component of the particle's velocity is increasing

46. (1 point) Points P and Q are moving in circular paths around the origin O with angular velocities ω_P and ω_Q .



The two particles are moving with the same speed. Which statement is true?

- (A) $\frac{1}{2}|\omega_Q| < |\omega_P| \leq |\omega_Q|$
- (B) $|\omega_P| \leq \frac{1}{2}|\omega_Q|$
- (C) $|\omega_Q| < |\omega_P| \leq 2|\omega_Q|$
- (D) $2|\omega_Q| < |\omega_P|$

47. (1 point) A spaceship is moving with velocity and acceleration given in a polar basis by

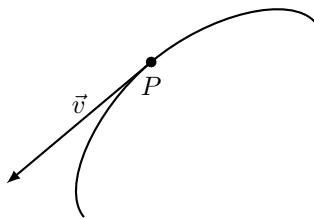
$$\vec{v} = 3\hat{e}_r + 4\hat{e}_\theta \text{ m/s}$$

$$\vec{a} = -7\hat{e}_r - \hat{e}_\theta \text{ m/s}^2.$$

What is the radius of curvature of the spaceship's path?

- (A) $0 \text{ m} \leq \rho < 2 \text{ m}$
- (B) $\rho = 0 \text{ m}$
- (C) $6 \text{ m} \leq \rho$
- (D) $2 \text{ m} \leq \rho < 4 \text{ m}$
- (E) $4 \text{ m} \leq \rho < 6 \text{ m}$

48. (1 point) A car is driving on a curved track with the top view shown below. At a given instant the car is at point P with velocity \vec{v} and its speed is increasing, so the tangential and normal components of its acceleration are equal in magnitude.



Which direction is the closest to the direction of the acceleration \vec{a} at the instant shown?

(A) \rightarrow

(B) \leftarrow

(C) \uparrow

(D) \downarrow

49. (1 point) A point has polar coordinates $r = 4$ m, $\theta = -120^\circ$. What is its horizontal coordinate x ?

(A) $x < -2$ m

(B) $2 \text{ m} < x$

(C) $0 \text{ m} < x < 2 \text{ m}$

(D) $x = 0$ m

(E) $-2 \text{ m} \leq x < 0 \text{ m}$

50. (1 point) A car is observed moving in the plane with velocity $\vec{v} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}$ and acceleration $\vec{a} = -2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$. At this instant, is it:

- (A) stationary
- (B) driving around a curve counterclockwise
- (C) driving around a curve clockwise
- (D) driving in a straight line