

Problem 1(30 points). Calculations.

(a)(5 pt) $\frac{d}{dt}[(e^t \mathbf{i} + \sqrt{t} \mathbf{j}) \bullet (e^{-t} \mathbf{i} - 3\sqrt{t} \mathbf{j})]$.

(b) (5 pt) $\frac{d}{dt}[(t^2 \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}) \times (t^2 \mathbf{i} - 3t \mathbf{j})]$.

Solution:

(a)

$$\frac{d}{dt}[(e^t \mathbf{i} + \sqrt{t} \mathbf{j}) \bullet (e^{-t} \mathbf{i} - 3\sqrt{t} \mathbf{j})] = \frac{d}{dt} (1 - 3t) = -3.$$

(b)

$$\frac{d}{dt}[(t^2 \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}) \times (t^2 \mathbf{i} - 3t \mathbf{j})] = \frac{d}{dt} (t^4 - 3t) = 4t^3 - 3.$$

- (c)(10 pt) Let $h(r, \theta, t) = r^2 e^{2t} \sin(\theta - t)$, calculate h_r , h_t and h_{rt} .
 (d)(10 pt) Set $f(x, y) = \frac{x-y^3}{x^3-y^3}$. Determine whether or not f has a limit at $(1, 1)$.
 Solution:
 (c)

$$\begin{aligned} h_r &= 2re^{2t} \sin(\theta - t), \\ h_t &= 2r^2 e^{2t} \sin(\theta - t) - r^2 e^{2t} \cos(\theta - t), \\ h_{rt} &= 4re^{2t} \sin(\theta - t) - 2re^{2t} \cos(\theta - t). \end{aligned}$$

- (d) First, let (x, y) approaches $(1, 1)$ from x direction, that is, $y = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{x-y^3}{x^3-y^3} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{x^3-1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{x^2+x+1} \\ &= \frac{1}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, let (x, y) approaches $(1, 1)$ from y direction, that is, $x = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{x-y^3}{x^3-y^3} &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 1} \frac{1-y^3}{1-y^3} \\ &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

Since the two limits are different, so the limit

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{x-y^3}{x^3-y^3}$$

does not exist.

Problem 2(30 pt) An object moves so that

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = 4\mathbf{i} + (1 + 3t)\mathbf{j} + (9 - t^2)\mathbf{k}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

(a)(6 pt) Compute the velocity, the acceleration and the speed of the ball at an arbitrary time t .

(b) (6 pt) Find the time $t_1 > 0$ and the coordinates of the point P where the object hits the xy plane.

(c)(6 pt) Set up a definite integral equal to the length of the arc of the trajectory from $\mathbf{r}(0)$ to the point P . Do not evaluate the integral.

Solution:

(a) The velocity

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{r}'(t) = 3\mathbf{j} - 2t\mathbf{k}.$$

The acceleration

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = \mathbf{v}'(t) = -2\mathbf{k}.$$

The speed

$$v(t) = \|\mathbf{v}(t)\| = \sqrt{9 + 4t^2}.$$

(b) At time t_1 when it hits the xy plane, we have $9 - t_1^2 = 0$. So $t_1 = 3$.

(c) The arc length is

$$\int_0^3 \sqrt{9 + 4t^2} dt.$$

(d)(6 pt) Find the equation of the line tangent to the trajectory at P.

(e)(6 pt) Find the curvature of the trajectory at P.

Solution:

(d) At the point P, the tangent vector is $\mathbf{v}(3) = 3\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}$. Since $\mathbf{r}(3) = 4\mathbf{i} + 10\mathbf{j}$, so the tangent line is

$$x = 4, \ y = 10 + 3t, \ z = -6t.$$

(e) The unit tangent is

$$\mathbf{T}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{v}(t)}{v(t)} = \frac{3\mathbf{j} - 2t\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{9 + 4t^2}}.$$

So

$$\mathbf{T}'(t) = \frac{-2\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{9 + 4t^2}} - 4t(9 + 4t^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}}(3\mathbf{j} - 2t\mathbf{k}).$$

At $t = 3$,

$$\mathbf{T}'(3) = \frac{1}{15\sqrt{5}}(-4\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$$

and the curvature

$$\kappa = \frac{\|\mathbf{T}'(3)\|}{v(3)} = \frac{2}{45\sqrt{5}}.$$

Problem 3 (40 pt) At each point $P(x(t), y(t), z(t))$ of its motion, an object of mass m is subject to a force:

$$\mathbf{F}(t) = -m(\sin t \mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j} + (\sin t + \cos t)\mathbf{k}).$$

Given that $\mathbf{v}(0) = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k}$, and $\mathbf{r}(0) = \mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$. Find the following:

(a) (8 pt) The velocity $\mathbf{v}(t)$.

(b) (4 pt) The speed $v(\pi)$.

Solution: (a) From $\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$, we have

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = -(\sin t \mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j} + (\sin t + \cos t)\mathbf{k}).$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}(t) &= \mathbf{v}(0) + \int_0^t \mathbf{a}(t) dt \\ &= \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k} - \int_0^t (\sin t \mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j} + (\sin t + \cos t)\mathbf{k}) dt \\ &= \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k} - (-\cos t \mathbf{i} + \sin t \mathbf{j} + (-\cos t + \sin t)\mathbf{k}) \Big|_0^t \\ &= \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k} + (\cos t - 1) \mathbf{i} - \sin t \mathbf{j} + (\cos t - 1 - \sin t) \mathbf{k} \\ &= \cos t \mathbf{i} - \sin t \mathbf{j} + (\cos t - \sin t) \mathbf{k}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) At $t = \pi$, the speed

$$v(\pi) = \|\mathbf{v}(\pi)\| = \sqrt{-\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{k}} = \sqrt{2}.$$

- (c) (8 pt) The position function $\mathbf{r}(t)$.
 (d) (10 pt) The tangential and normal components of the acceleration $\mathbf{a}(\pi)$.
 (e) (10 pt) The osculating plane at $\mathbf{r}(\pi)$.

Solution:

- (c) The position function

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{r}(t) &= \mathbf{r}(0) + \int_0^t \mathbf{v}(t) dt \\
 &= \mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k} + \int_0^t (\cos t \mathbf{i} - \sin t \mathbf{j} + (\cos t - \sin t) \mathbf{k}) dt \\
 &= \mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k} + (\sin t \mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j} + (\sin t + \cos t) \mathbf{k}) \Big|_0^t \\
 &= \mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k} + \sin t \mathbf{i} + (\cos t - 1) \mathbf{j} + (\sin t + \cos t - 1) \mathbf{k} \\
 &= \sin t \mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j} + (\sin t + \cos t + 2) \mathbf{k}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- (d) The tangential component

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{a}_T(\pi) &= \frac{\mathbf{v}(\pi) \cdot \mathbf{a}(\pi)}{v(\pi)} = \frac{(-\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{k}) \cdot (\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k})}{\sqrt{2}} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

and the normal component

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{a}_N(\pi) &= \sqrt{\|\mathbf{a}(\pi)\|^2 - (\mathbf{a}_T(\pi))^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{2 - \frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- (e) The unit tangent vector is

$$\mathbf{T}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{v}(t)}{\|\mathbf{v}(t)\|} = \frac{\cos t \mathbf{i} - \sin t \mathbf{j} + (\cos t - \sin t) \mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{2 - 2 \sin(2t)}}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{T}'(t) &= \frac{-\sin t \mathbf{i} - \cos t \mathbf{j} + (-\sin t - \cos t) \mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{2 - 2 \sin(2t)}} \\
 &\quad + \frac{2 \cos(2t)}{2 - 2 \sin(2t)} (\cos t \mathbf{i} - \sin t \mathbf{j} + (\cos t - \sin t) \mathbf{k}).
 \end{aligned}$$

The normal vector of the osculating plane is

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mathbf{T}(\pi) \times \mathbf{T}'(\pi) \\
 &= \frac{\cos \pi \mathbf{i} - \sin \pi \mathbf{j} + (\cos \pi - \sin \pi) \mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{2 - 2 \sin(2\pi)}} \times \frac{-\sin \pi \mathbf{i} - \cos \pi \mathbf{j} + (-\sin \pi - \cos \pi) \mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{2 - 2 \sin(2\pi)}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}(\pi)\|^2} \mathbf{v}(\pi) \times \mathbf{a}(\pi) = \frac{1}{2} (-\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{k}) \times (\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $\mathbf{r}(\pi) = -\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$, so the osculating plane is

$$x + y + 1 - (z - 1) = 0,$$

or

$$x + y - z + 2 = 0.$$