

Math 173 - Quiz 4

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Name key

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1. (4 points) Find $\vec{r}(t)$ if $\vec{r}'(t) = e^{2t}\hat{i} + \sec^2(t)\hat{j} + (t^2 + 3)\hat{k}$ and $\vec{r}(0) = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$.

$$\vec{r}(t) = \left(\frac{1}{2}e^{2t} + c_1\right)\hat{i} + (\tan t + c_2)\hat{j} + \left(\frac{1}{3}t^3 + 3t + c_3\right)\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}(0) = \left(\frac{1}{2} + c_1\right)\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = \frac{5}{2}, c_2 = 1, c_3 = -4$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \left(\frac{1}{2}e^{2t} + \frac{5}{2}\right)\hat{i} + (\tan t + 1)\hat{j} + \left(\frac{1}{3}t^3 + 3t - 4\right)\hat{k}$$

2. (4 points) Let $\vec{u}(t) = t\hat{i} + 3t\hat{j} + t^2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{w}(t) = 4t\hat{i} + t^2\hat{j} + t^3\hat{k}$. Compute $\frac{d}{dt}[\vec{u}(t) \times \vec{w}(t)]$.

$$\vec{u} \times \vec{w} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ t & 3t & t^2 \\ 4t & t^2 & t^3 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(3t^4 - t^4) - \hat{j}(t^4 - 4t^3) + \hat{k}(t^3 - 12t^2)$$

$$= 2t^4\hat{i} + (4t^3 - t^4)\hat{j} + (t^3 - 12t^2)\hat{k}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[\vec{u} \times \vec{w}] = 8t^3\hat{i} + (12t^2 - 4t^3)\hat{j} + (3t^2 - 24t)\hat{k}$$

3. (2 points) Describe the graphs of the vector-valued functions $\vec{r}_1(t) = t\hat{i} + t^2\hat{j}$ and $\vec{r}_2(t) = t\hat{i} + t^2\hat{j} + t\hat{k}$.

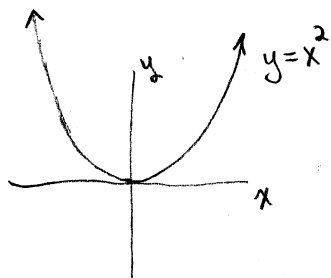
$$\vec{r}_1(t) = t\hat{i} + t^2\hat{j}$$

$$x = t$$

$$y = t^2 \Rightarrow y = x^2$$

Graph of $\vec{r}_1(t)$ is the

$y = x^2$ parabola.



Graph of $\vec{r}_2(t)$ is the same parabola but twisted 45° out of the xy -plane so that the graph lies in the $x=z$ plane.