

Math 233 - Quiz 5

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1. (4 points) Set up the definite integral that gives the length of the graph of $\vec{r}(t) = t\hat{i} + t^3\hat{j} + e^{2t}\hat{k}$ from $t = 0$ to $t = 1$. Use your calculator to approximate the value of your integral.

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \hat{i} + 3t^2\hat{j} + 2e^{2t}\hat{k}$$

$$\int_0^1 \|\vec{r}'(t)\| dt = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + 9t^4 + 4e^{4t}} dt \approx 6.58$$

2. (4 points) Let $\vec{r}(t) = (2t+1)\hat{i} + (-2t+3)\hat{j} + t\hat{k}$. Find the arc length parameter starting at $t = 1$, and then reparameterize $\vec{r}$ in terms of arc length.

$$\vec{r}'(t) = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} s(t) &= \int_1^t \sqrt{4+4+1} d\tau \\ &= \int_1^t 3 d\tau = 3\tau \Big|_1^t \\ &= 3t - 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{s = 3t - 3} \Rightarrow t = \frac{s+3}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{R}(s) &= \left[2\left(\frac{s+3}{3}\right) + 1 \right] \hat{i} \\ &\quad + \left[-2\left(\frac{s+3}{3}\right) + 3 \right] \hat{j} + \frac{s+3}{3} \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

3. (1 point) Referring to problem 2, determine the curvature function for $\vec{r}(t)$.

$$\hat{T}(t) = \frac{2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}}{3} = \text{A CONSTANT VECTOR}$$

$$K(t) = \frac{\|\hat{T}'(t)\|}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|} = \frac{0}{3} = 0 \quad \boxed{K(t) = 0}$$

4. (1 point) What is the curvature at any point on a circle of radius 5?

$$\boxed{K = \frac{1}{5}}$$

THE CURVATURE ANYWHERE ON
A CIRCLE OF RADIUS r
IS $\frac{1}{r}$.