

Math 233 - Quiz 4

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Show all work to receive full credit. Supply explanations when necessary.

1. (3.5 points) Find $\vec{r}(t)$ if $\vec{r}'(t) = -8 \cos(4t) \hat{i} + te^{-t^2} \hat{j} + \frac{3}{t^2+1} \hat{k}$ and $\vec{r}(0) = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$.

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

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

$$c_2 = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = (-2 \sin 4t + 4) \hat{i} + \left(-\frac{1}{2} e^{-t^2} + \frac{7}{2}\right) \hat{j} + (3 \tan^{-1} t - 2) \hat{k}$$

2. (3.5 points) For $t > 0$, let $\vec{r}(t) = (\cos t + t \sin t) \hat{i} + (\sin t - t \cos t) \hat{j}$. Compute the unit tangent vector, $\hat{T}(t)$.

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

$$= t \cos t \hat{i} + t \sin t \hat{j}$$

$$\|\vec{r}'(t)\| = \sqrt{t^2 \cos^2 t + t^2 \sin^2 t} = \sqrt{t^2} = t, \quad t \geq 0$$

$$\hat{T}(t) = \cos t \hat{i} + \sin t \hat{j}$$

3. (3 points) Let $\vec{r}(t) = t^2 \hat{i} + t^3 \hat{j} + t \hat{k}$. Set up the definite integral that gives the length of the graph of \vec{r} from the point $(0, 0, 0)$ to the point $(4, 8, 2)$. Use your calculator to approximate the value of your integral. $\uparrow_{t=0}$ $\uparrow_{t=2}$

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

$$\|\vec{r}'(t)\| = \sqrt{4t^2 + 9t^4 + 1}$$

$$S = \int_0^2 \sqrt{4t^2 + 9t^4 + 1} \, dt \approx 9.57$$