

1. (25 Points): Given the two vectors $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{v} = \langle 1, -1, 2 \rangle$, find

(a) $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$

Solution: 7

(b) $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$

Solution: $\langle 10, 0, -5 \rangle$

(c) $|\mathbf{u}|$

Solution: $\sqrt{29}$

(d) The angle between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

Solution: $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{7}{\sqrt{29}\sqrt{6}} \right) = 1.011407085429384 \text{ rad} = 57.94935736473121^\circ$

(e) The equation of the plane containing the points $P_1 = (3, 5, 1)$, $P_2 = (5, 8, 5)$, and $P_3 = (4, 4, 3)$. Hint: $\overrightarrow{P_1P_2} = \mathbf{u}$ and $\overrightarrow{P_1P_3} = \mathbf{v}$.

Solution: $10(x - 3) - 5(z - 1) = 0$

2. (25 Points): Given the space curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{i} + t^2\mathbf{j} + t^3\mathbf{k}$

(a) Set up the integral for finding the length of this curve for $0 \leq t \leq 1$.

Solution: $\mathbf{r}'(t) = 2t\mathbf{j} + 3t^2\mathbf{k}$

$$\int_a^b |\mathbf{r}'(t)| dt = \int_0^1 \sqrt{4t^2 + 9t^4} dt$$

(b) Evaluate the integral to find the length of this curve for $0 \leq t \leq 1$.

Solution:

$$\int_0^1 \sqrt{4t^2 + 9t^4} dt = \int_0^1 t\sqrt{4 + 9t^2} dt = \frac{1}{18} \int_4^{13} \sqrt{u} du = \frac{1}{27} u^{3/2} \Big|_4^{13} = \frac{1}{27} (13^{3/2} - 8)$$

3. (20 Points): Given the space curve,

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \left\langle te^{-t}, \frac{t^3 + t}{2t^3 - 1}, t \sin \left(\frac{1}{t} \right) \right\rangle$$

(a) Find $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{r}(t)$, if it exists.

Solution: $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{r}(t) = \left\langle 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1 \right\rangle$

(b) Find $\mathbf{r}'(t)$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}'(t) &= \left\langle e^{-t} - te^{-t}, \frac{(2t^3 - 1)(3t^2 + 1) - 6t^2(t^3 + t)}{(2t^3 - 1)^2}, \sin \left(\frac{1}{t} \right) - \frac{1}{t} \cos \left(\frac{1}{t} \right) \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle e^{-t} - te^{-t}, -\frac{4t^3 + 3t^2 + 1}{(2t^3 - 1)^2}, \sin \left(\frac{1}{t} \right) - \frac{1}{t} \cos \left(\frac{1}{t} \right) \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

4. (30 Points): Given the space curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 3 \sin(t), 2t, 3 \cos(t) \rangle$, find $\mathbf{T}(t)$, $\mathbf{N}(t)$, and the curvature.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{T}(t) &= \frac{\mathbf{r}'(t)}{|\mathbf{r}'(t)|} = \frac{\langle 3 \cos(t), 2, -3 \sin(t) \rangle}{|\langle 3 \cos(t), 2, -3 \sin(t) \rangle|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} \langle 3 \cos(t), 2, -3 \sin(t) \rangle \\ \mathbf{N}(t) &= \frac{\mathbf{T}'(t)}{|\mathbf{T}'(t)|} = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} \langle -3 \sin(t), 0, -3 \cos(t) \rangle}{|\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} \langle -3 \sin(t), 0, -3 \cos(t) \rangle|} = \langle -\sin(t), 0, -\cos(t) \rangle \\ \kappa &= \frac{|\mathbf{T}'(t)|}{|\mathbf{r}'(t)|} = \frac{\frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}}{\sqrt{13}} = \frac{3}{13}\end{aligned}$$

5. (10 Points Extra Credit): Find the equation for the torsion of $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 3 \sin(t), 2t, 3 \cos(t) \rangle$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B}(t) &= \mathbf{T}(t) \times \mathbf{N}(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} \langle -2 \cos(t), 3, 2 \sin(t) \rangle \\ \mathbf{B}'(t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} \langle 2 \sin(t), 0, 2 \cos(t) \rangle \\ \tau &= -\frac{\mathbf{B}'(t) \cdot \mathbf{N}(t)}{|\mathbf{r}'(t)|} = -\frac{-\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}}{\sqrt{13}} = \frac{2}{13}\end{aligned}$$