

## Homework 1

## Math 200-Section B

## Key

1. A vector in the direction opposite of  $\vec{u} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{k}$  is  $-\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$ .

A unit vector in this direction is:

$$\frac{-\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(-1)^2 + 2^2}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\hat{k}.$$

So a vector of magnitude 2 in this direction is  $2\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\hat{k}\right) = \boxed{-\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\hat{i} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}\hat{k}}$

2.  $2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 + x - y + 2z = 5$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x + y^2 - \frac{1}{2}y + z^2 + z = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{16} + y^2 - \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{16} + z^2 + z + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{5}{2} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + \left(y - \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + \left(z + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{23}{8}$$

This is a circle of radius  $\sqrt{\frac{23}{8}}$  centered at  $\left(-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$

3.  $\vec{u} = \hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}$

$$\vec{v} = \hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}$$

So  $\vec{v} \times \vec{u} = \hat{i} \times \hat{k} = -\hat{j}$ , length = 1, direction =  $-\hat{j}$

4. volume =  $|\vec{u} \times \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}|$   
 $= |(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})|$   
 $= |1 + 0 - 8|$   
 $= \boxed{7}$

$$5. \begin{cases} x = 3-t \\ y = 2t-1 \\ z = 2t-2 \end{cases}$$

The line meets the  $xy$ -plane when  $z=0$ , i.e.  $2t-2=0$ , i.e. when  $t=1$ . So at the point  $(3-(1), 2(1)-1, 0) = (2, 1, 0)$ .

It meets the  $xz$ -plane when  $y=0$ , i.e.  $2t-1=0$ , i.e. when  $t=\frac{1}{2}$ . So at the point  $(3-(\frac{1}{2}), 0, 2(\frac{1}{2})-2) = (\frac{5}{2}, 0, -1)$

It meets the  $yz$ -plane when  $x=0$ , i.e.  $3-t=0$ , i.e. when  $t=3$ . So at the point  $(0, 2(3)-1, 2(3)-2) = (0, 5, 4)$

6. Since  $\vec{r}$  is differentiable at  $t_0$ , we know that  $\vec{r}'$  is defined at  $t=t_0$ , i.e.,  $\vec{r}'(t_0)$  exists. Since  $\vec{r}'(t_0)$  exists, and  $\vec{r}'(t) = f'(t)\hat{i} + g'(t)\hat{j} + h'(t)\hat{k}$ , then  $f'(t_0)\hat{i} + g'(t_0)\hat{j} + h'(t_0)\hat{k}$  exists, so  $f'(t_0)$ ,  $g'(t_0)$ , and  $h'(t_0)$  all exist. Since  $f'$ ,  $g'$ , and  $h'$  are all defined at  $t=t_0$ ,  $f$ ,  $g$ , and  $h$  are all continuous at  $t=t_0$ , therefore  $\vec{r}(t)$  is continuous at  $t=t_0$ .

The converse is not true. Example: let  $\vec{r} = |t|\hat{i}$ , then  $\vec{r}$  is continuous but not differentiable at  $t=0$ .

7. By using the formula for the Triple Scalar Product (Section 10.2, page 804 in the textbook), we can rewrite the equation as:

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{w}) = \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{w} + \vec{u} \cdot \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \times \vec{w} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} \times \frac{d\vec{w}}{dt}$$

We must show this is true.

Looking at the left hand side of the equation, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{w}) &= \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) + \vec{u} \cdot \frac{d}{dt}(\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) \\ &= \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{w} + \vec{u} \cdot \left( \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \times \vec{w} + \vec{v} \times \frac{d\vec{w}}{dt} \right) \\ &= \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{w} + \vec{u} \cdot \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \times \vec{w} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} \times \frac{d\vec{w}}{dt}.\end{aligned}$$

Done.

8.  $\vec{r} = 2t\hat{i} + 2t\hat{j} + (1-t)\hat{k}$

$$\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{4+4+1} = 3$$

$$\vec{r} = (0, 0, 1) \text{ when } t=0$$

$$\vec{r} = (2, 2, 0) \text{ when } t=1$$

$$\text{length is then } \int_{t_i}^{t_f} |\vec{v}| dt = \int_0^1 3 dt = 3t \Big|_0^1 = 3-0 = \boxed{3}$$

$$9. \vec{r} = t\hat{i} + (\sin t)\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{r} = \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, 1\right) \text{ when } t = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \hat{i} + (\cos t)\hat{j}$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{1 + \cos^2 t}$$

$$\vec{T} = \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \cos^2 t}} \hat{i} + \frac{\cos t}{\sqrt{1 + \cos^2 t}} \hat{j}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{T}}{dt} = \sin t (\cos t) (1 + \cos^2 t)^{-3/2} \hat{i} + \left[ \sin t \cos^2 t (1 - \cos^2 t)^{-3/2} - \dots \right] \hat{j}$$

$$\hookrightarrow -\sin t (1 + \cos^2 t)^{-1/2} \hat{j}$$

$$K = \frac{1}{|\vec{v}|} \left| \frac{d\vec{T}}{dt} \right|. \text{ At } t = \frac{\pi}{2}, \text{ this is } \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} |0\hat{i} - \hat{j}| = (1)\sqrt{0+1} = 1$$

$$\text{So } \rho = \frac{1}{K} = 1$$

Since  $\frac{d\vec{T}}{dt} = -\hat{j}$  at  $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$  the curve is concave down at  $(\frac{\pi}{2}, 1)$  and the center of the circle is at  $(\frac{\pi}{2}, 0)$ .

So the equation for the circle of curvature is  $(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^2 + (y - 0)^2 = 1$

$$10. \quad \vec{r} = \frac{t^3}{3} \hat{i} + \frac{t^2}{2} \hat{j}, \quad t > 0$$

$$\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = t^2 \hat{i} + t \hat{j}, \quad t > 0$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{t^4 + t^2} = t\sqrt{t^2+1}, \quad \text{since } t > 0$$

$$\vec{T} = \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|} = \frac{t}{\sqrt{t^2+1}} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^2+1}} \hat{j} = \vec{T}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{T}}{dt} = (t^2+1)^{-3/2} \hat{i} - t(t^2+1)^{-3/2} \hat{j}$$

$$\left| \frac{d\vec{T}}{dt} \right| = \sqrt{(t^2+1)^{-3} + t^2(t^2+1)^{-3}} = \sqrt{(t^2+1)^{-3}(1+t^2)} = \sqrt{(t^2+1)^{-2}} = \frac{1}{t^2+1}$$

$$\vec{N} = \frac{d\vec{T}/dt}{|d\vec{T}/dt|} = \frac{t^2+1}{(t^2+1)^{3/2}} \hat{i} - \frac{t(t^2+1)}{(t^2+1)^{3/2}} \hat{j} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^2+1}} \hat{i} - \frac{t}{\sqrt{t^2+1}} \hat{j} = \vec{N}$$

$$\vec{B} = \vec{T} \times \vec{N} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{t}{\sqrt{t^2+1}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^2+1}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^2+1}} & \frac{-t}{\sqrt{t^2+1}} & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{-t^2-1}{t^2+1} \hat{k} = -\hat{k} = \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = 2t \hat{i} + \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{a} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ t^2 & t & 0 \\ 2t & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -t^2 \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{v} \times \vec{a}| = t^2$$

$$K = \frac{|\vec{v} \times \vec{a}|}{|\vec{v}|^3} = \frac{t^2}{(t\sqrt{t^2+1})^3} = \frac{1}{t(t^2+1)^{3/2}} = K$$

$$\frac{d\vec{a}}{dt} = 2\hat{i}$$

$$\vec{r} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} t^2 & t & 0 \\ 2t & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}}{|\vec{v} \times \vec{a}|^2} = \boxed{0} = \vec{r}$$