

Math 114 HW 2

due Tuesday, 5/31

1. (Spring 2013) Find the equation of the plane that passes through $(1, 3, 2)$ and contains the line

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 1 + t \\y &= -1 - 2t \\z &= 3 + 2t\end{aligned}$$

What is the y-coordinate of the point where this plane intersects the y-axis?

2. (Spring 2013) Let $\vec{r}(t) = \sqrt{2} \cos t \hat{i} + \sqrt{2} \sin t \hat{j} + t \hat{k}$. Using the parametric equations for the line tangent to the curve at $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$, find the coordinates of the point where the tangent line intersects the xy-plane.
3. (Fall 2011) Find $\vec{r}(t)$ if

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} &= \langle t^2, 1, -t \rangle \\ \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}(1) &= \left\langle \frac{2}{3}, 0, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \\ \vec{r}(0) &= \langle 1, -1, 0 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

What is the value of $\vec{r}(1)$?

4. (Spring 2012) A particle in space accelerates according to $\vec{a}(t) = 2\hat{i} + (t^2 - 1)\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ with initial velocity $\vec{v}_0 = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$ and initial position $\vec{r}_0 = \hat{i} + 5\hat{k}$. What is the position of the particle at time $t = 2$?
5. (Fall 2013) A projectile is launched from the ground at an angle of $\frac{\pi}{4}$, and with an initial speed of $48\sqrt{2}$ feet/sec. How many seconds does it take a projectile to reach a height of 32 feet for the first time? Take gravitational acceleration g to be 32 feet/sec².
6. (Spring 2013) Assume the acceleration of gravity is 10 m/sec² downwards. A cannon ball is fired at ground level. If the cannon ball rises to a height of 80 meters and travels a distance of 240 meters before it hits the ground, what is the magnitude of the initial velocity in meters per second?
7. (Fall 2010) Let $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2t, t^2, \ln t \rangle$. Find the arclength for $1 \leq t \leq e$.
8. (Fall 2013) A curve C in 3-space is defined by

$$\vec{r}(t) = (4 \cos t)\hat{i} + (4 \sin t)\hat{j} + 3t\hat{k}$$

Find the point p_0 on the curve C which has distance $\frac{5\pi}{4}$ from the point $(4, 0, 0)$, as measured along the curve.

9. (Fall 2009) A kid is riding a roller coaster in an amusement park. Part of the track follows the curve

$$\vec{\mathbf{r}}(t) = \left\langle t, t^2, \frac{2}{3}t^3 \right\rangle, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2$$

How long is this part of the coaster track?

10. (Spring 2005) Find the unit tangent vector to the curve

$$\vec{\mathbf{r}}(t) = e^{2t} \cos t \hat{\mathbf{i}} + e^{2t} \sin t \hat{\mathbf{j}} + e^{2t} \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

at the point where $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$.