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INSTRUCTIONS:

No memory aids allowed. No calculators allowed. No communication devices allowed.

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Q1 [14 marks = 2+3+3+3+3]

A particle is moving through space. Measurement equipment shows that at time  $t_0$ , the particle's acceleration is  $\langle 2, 1, 1 \rangle$  and its velocity is  $\langle 3, 4, 0 \rangle$ . Find the following quantities associated with the particle's motion at time  $t_0$ :

(a) the unit tangent vector:  $\left\langle \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 0 \right\rangle$

(b) the tangential component of acceleration: 2

(c) the principal normal vector:  $\left\langle \frac{4}{5\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{3}{5\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle$

(d) the normal component of acceleration:  $\sqrt{2}$

(e) the curvature:  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{25}$

(Hint: Express  $\vec{a}$  as a linear combination of  $\vec{T}$  and  $\vec{N}$ . What is  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{T}$ ?)

$$(a) \quad \vec{T}(t_0) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t_0)}{|\vec{r}'(t_0)|} = \frac{\langle 3, 4, 0 \rangle}{|\langle 3, 4, 0 \rangle|} = \frac{\langle 3, 4, 0 \rangle}{\sqrt{25}} = \left\langle \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 0 \right\rangle$$

$$(b) \quad \vec{a} = a_T \vec{T} + a_N \vec{N}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{T} = a_T \underbrace{\vec{T} \cdot \vec{T}}_1 + a_N \underbrace{\vec{N} \cdot \vec{T}}_0 = a_T$$

$$a_T \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{time } t_0}}{=} \langle 2, 1, 1 \rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 0 \right\rangle = \frac{6}{5} + \frac{4}{5} = 2$$

Extra space for work.

(c) and (d):  $a_N \vec{N} = \vec{a} - a_T \vec{T}$

at time  $t_0$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ = \langle 2, 1, 1 \rangle - 2 \cdot \langle \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 2 - \frac{6}{5}, 1 - \frac{8}{5}, 1 \rangle = \langle \frac{4}{5}, -\frac{3}{5}, 1 \rangle$$

$$a_N = |a_N \vec{N}| \stackrel{\text{time } t_0}{=} |\langle \frac{4}{5}, -\frac{3}{5}, 1 \rangle| = \left[ \frac{16+9+25}{25} \right]^{1/2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\vec{N} = \frac{a_N \vec{N}}{a_N} \stackrel{\text{time } t_0}{=} \frac{\langle \frac{4}{5}, -\frac{3}{5}, 1 \rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = \left\langle \frac{4}{5\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{3}{5\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle$$

(e):  $K v^2 = a_N \Rightarrow K = \frac{a_N}{v^2} = \frac{a_N}{|\vec{r}'|^2}$

$$K(t_0) = \frac{a_N(t_0)}{|\vec{r}'(t_0)|^2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(3^2+4^2+0)} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{25}$$

Or:

$$K = \frac{|\vec{r}' \times \vec{r}''|}{|\vec{r}'|^3} \stackrel{\text{time } t_0}{=} \frac{|\langle 3, 4, 0 \rangle \times \langle 2, 1, 1 \rangle|}{|\langle 3, 4, 0 \rangle|^3}$$

$$= \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{25}^3} = \frac{|\langle 4, -3, -5 \rangle|}{5^3} = \frac{\sqrt{50}}{5^3} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{25}$$

(also,  $a_N = \frac{|\vec{r}' \times \vec{r}''|}{|\vec{r}'|^3} = \dots$ )

Q2 [7 marks]

Find the length of the segment of the curve  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle \sqrt{t}, t, \frac{1}{2} \ln t \rangle$  starting at  $(1, 1, 0)$  and ending at  $(2, 4, \ln 2)$ .

$$\vec{r}(1) = \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}(4) = \langle 2, 4, \ln 2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \left\langle \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}}, 1, \frac{1}{2t} \right\rangle$$

$$|\vec{r}'(t)| = \left[ \frac{1}{4t} + 1 + \frac{1}{4t^2} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$= \left[ \left( \frac{1}{2t} + 1 \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} = \left| \frac{1}{2t} + 1 \right| = \frac{1}{2t} + 1$$

we only need  
 $1 \leq t \leq 4$

$$L = \int_1^4 \left( \frac{1}{2t} + 1 \right) dt = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \ln t + t \right]_1^4$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{2} \ln 4 + 4 \right) - (0 + 1)$$

$$= \boxed{\ln 2 + 3}$$

Q3 [5 marks]

Let  $\vec{r}(t)$  be a parameterized curve such that  $|\vec{r}'(t)| = 2$  for all  $t$ . Simplify

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}(\vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}'(t))$$

as much as possible. Your answer should not have any derivatives except  $\vec{r}'$ ,  $\vec{r}''$ ,  $\vec{r}'''$ , etcetera.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2}{dt^2}(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}') &= \frac{d}{dt}(\vec{r}' \cdot \vec{r}' + \vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}'') \\ &= \frac{d}{dt}(|\vec{r}'|^2 + \vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}'') \\ &= \frac{d}{dt}(4 + \vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}'') \\ &= 0 + \vec{r}' \cdot \vec{r}'' + \vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}''' \\ &= \boxed{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}'''} \end{aligned}$$

we have  $\vec{r}' \cdot \vec{r}' = |\vec{r}'|^2 = 4$

so  $\frac{d}{dt}(\vec{r}' \cdot \vec{r}') = 0$

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 $2\vec{r}' \cdot \vec{r}''$

$\Rightarrow \vec{r}' \cdot \vec{r}'' = 0$

Q4 [12 marks = 6+6]

Determine whether the following vector fields are conservative. If they are conservative, find a potential function. If not, explain why they are not conservative.

(a)  $\vec{F}(x, y) = (x^3 + 2xy^2 - y^3)\vec{i} + (2x^2y - 3xy^2 + 2y^3)\vec{j}$

Try to find  $f$  with  $\vec{F} = \nabla f$

$$f_x = x^3 + 2xy^2 - y^3$$

$$f = \int (x^3 + 2xy^2 - y^3) dx + c(y) = \frac{x^4}{4} + x^2y^2 - xy^3 + c(y)$$

$$2x^2y - 3xy^2 + 2y^3 = f_y = 2x^2y - 3xy^2 + c'(y)$$

$$c'(y) = 2y^3$$

$$c(y) = \frac{1}{2}y^4 + D \quad (\text{take } D=0)$$

$f(x, y) = \frac{x^4}{4} + x^2y^2 - xy^3 + \frac{1}{2}y^4, \vec{F} \text{ is conservative!}$

(b)  $\vec{F}(x, y) = (xy \cos y)\vec{i} + (-\frac{1}{2}x^2y \sin y - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \cos y)\vec{j}$

Suppose  $\vec{F} = \nabla f$ :

$$f_x = xy \cos y$$

$$f = \int xy \cos y dx + c(y) = \frac{1}{2}x^2y \cos y + c(y)$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}x^2y \sin y - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \cos y = f_y = \frac{1}{2}x^2 \cos y - \frac{1}{2}x^2y \sin y + c'(y)$$

$$c'(y) = -x^2 \cos y \Rightarrow \text{impossible!}$$

$\Rightarrow$  There is no  $f$  with  $F = \nabla f$

$\vec{F} \text{ is not conservative!}$

**Q5** [12 marks = 4+8]

Let  $C$  be the intersection of the surfaces  $x + y^2 + z^3 = 1$  and  $y + z^2 = 1$ .

(a) Find a parameterization of  $C$ .

take  $z = t$

$$y + z^2 = 1 \Rightarrow y = 1 - z^2 = 1 - t^2$$

$$x + y^2 + z^3 = 1 \Rightarrow x = 1 - y^2 - z^3 = 1 - (1 - t^2)^2 - t^3$$

$$= 1 - 1 + 2t^2 - t^4 - t^3$$

$$= 2t^2 - t^3 - t^4$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2t^2 - t^3 - t^4, 1 - t^2, t \rangle$$

(b) Let  $D$  be the segment of  $C$  starting at  $(0, 1, 0)$  and ending at  $(0, 0, 1)$  (oriented toward  $(0, 0, 1)$ ). Compute  $\int_D (2z^2 - x) dz + e^z dy$ .

$$\vec{r}(0) = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}(1) = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = 1, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = -2t$$

$$\int_C (2z^2 - x) dz + e^z dy =$$

$$= \int_0^1 (2t^2 - (2t^2 - t^3 - t^4)) \cdot 1 + e^t (-2t) dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 t^3 + t^4 - 2te^t dt$$

Extra space for work.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left[ \frac{t^4}{4} - \frac{t^5}{5} \right]_0^1 - 2 \int_0^1 t e^t dt \quad \rightarrow \text{integration by parts} \\ &= \left[ \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - 0 \right] - 2 \left[ [t e^t]_0^1 - \int_0^1 e^t dt \right] \\ &= \frac{5+4}{20} - 2 \left[ (e-0) - [e^t]_0^1 \right] \\ &= \frac{9}{20} - 2 \left[ e - (e-1) \right] \\ &= \frac{9}{20} - 2 = \boxed{-\frac{11}{20}} \end{aligned}$$