

Problem 1

If $f(t) = t^3$ and $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle e^t, t^2 + 1, \sin(2t) \rangle$.

Compute $\frac{d}{dt} f(t)\mathbf{r}(t)$.

method 1 distribute the t^3 into the vector

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} t^3 \mathbf{r}(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} \langle t^3 e^t, t^5 + t^3, t^3 \sin(2t) \rangle \\ &= \langle 3t^2 e^t + t^3 e^t, 5t^4 + 3t^2, 3t^2 \sin(2t) + t^3 \cdot 2 \cos(2t) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

method 2 Chain Rule

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} f(t) \mathbf{r}(t) &= f'(t) \mathbf{r}(t) + f(t) \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{r}(t) \\ &= 3t^2 \langle e^t, t^2 + 1, \sin(2t) \rangle + t^3 \langle e^t, 2t, 2 \cos(2t) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Simplifying gives.

$$\langle 3t^2 e^t + t^3 e^t, 5t^4 + 3t^2, 3t^2 \sin(2t) + t^3 \cdot 2 \cos(2t) \rangle$$

Problem 2

Let $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2t, t^2, t^3 \rangle$.

- (a) Find $T(t)$.
- (b) Find an equation of the tangent line at $t = 3$.
- (c) Find $\mathbf{r}'(t) \times \mathbf{r}''(t)$ at $t = 2$

A) $T(t)$ is the unit tangent vector function

$$T(t) = \frac{\mathbf{r}'(t)}{|\mathbf{r}'(t)|}$$

$$\mathbf{r}' = \langle 2, 2t, 3t^2 \rangle$$

$$|\mathbf{r}'| = \sqrt{2^2 + (2t)^2 + (3t^2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4 + 4t^2 + 9t^4}$$

$$T(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4 + 4t^2 + 9t^4}} \langle 2, 2t, 3t^2 \rangle$$

or

$$T(t) = \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{4 + 4t^2 + 9t^4}}, \frac{2t}{\sqrt{4 + 4t^2 + 9t^4}}, \frac{3t^2}{\sqrt{4 + 4t^2 + 9t^4}} \right\rangle$$

B) for the tangent line at $t = 3$ we need $\mathbf{r}(3)$ and $\mathbf{r}'(3)$

$$\mathbf{r}(3) = \langle 6, 9, 27 \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{r}'(3) = \langle 2, 6, 27 \rangle$$

answer:

$$\text{tangent line} = \langle 6 + 2t, 9 + 6t, 27 + 27t \rangle$$

C)

Problem 2 cont.

Let $r(t) = \langle 2t, t^2, t^3 \rangle$.

(a) Find $T(t)$.

(b) Find an equation of the tangent line at $t = 3$.

(c) Find $r'(t) \times r''(t)$ at $t = 2$

method 1) find cross product and then evaluate for $t=2$

$$r'(t) = \langle 2, 2t, 3t^2 \rangle$$

$$r''(t) = \langle 0, 2, 6t \rangle$$

$$r'(t) \times r''(t) = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & 2t & 3t^2 \\ 0 & 2 & 6t \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \left[2t(6t) - 2(3t^2) \right] i - \left[2(6t) - 0(3t^2) \right] j + \left[2(2) - 0(2t) \right] k$$

$$= 6t^2 i - 12t j + 4 k = \langle 6t^2, -12t, 4 \rangle$$

at $t=2$ we get $\langle 24, -24, 4 \rangle$

method 2) find $r'(2)$ and $r''(2)$ and then do the cross product

$$r'(2) = \langle 2, 4, 12 \rangle$$

$$r''(2) = \langle 0, 2, 12 \rangle$$

$$r'(2) \times r''(2) = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & 4 & 12 \\ 0 & 2 & 12 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \left[4(12) - 2(12) \right] i - \left[2(12) - 0(12) \right] j + \left[2(2) - 0(4) \right] k$$

$$= \left[4(12) - 2(12) \right] i - \left[2(12) - 4(12) \right] j + \left[2(12) - 4(12) \right] k$$
$$= 24i - 24j + 4k = \langle 24, -24, 4 \rangle$$

Problem 3

Find a vector equation for the tangent line to the curve of intersection of the cylinders $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ and $y^2 + z^2 = 20$ at the point $(3, 4, 2)$.

First we need a space curve that represents the intersection of cylinders.

Since both cylinders have a y -variable

Let $y = t$

This gives $x^2 + t^2 = 25$ and $t^2 + z^2 = 20$
 $x^2 = 25 - t^2$ $z^2 = 20 - t^2$
 $x = \pm\sqrt{25 - t^2}$ $z = \pm\sqrt{20 - t^2}$

Since we were given the point $(3, 4, 2)$

we know $x > 0$ and $z > 0$ so

$r(t) = \langle \sqrt{25 - t^2}, t, \sqrt{20 - t^2} \rangle$ and we

want the tangent line at $t = 4$ ($y = 4$)

$r'(t) = \langle \frac{1}{2}(25 - t^2)^{-1/2}(-2t), 1, \frac{1}{2}(20 - t^2)^{-1/2}(-2t) \rangle$

$r'(t) = \langle \frac{-t}{\sqrt{25 - t^2}}, 1, \frac{-t}{\sqrt{20 - t^2}} \rangle$

$r'(4) = \langle \frac{-4}{\sqrt{25 - 16}}, 1, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{20 - 16}} \rangle$

$$= \left\langle \frac{-4}{\sqrt{9}}, 1, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{4}} \right\rangle = \left\langle -\frac{4}{3}, 1, -\frac{4}{2} \right\rangle$$

$$r'(4) = \left\langle -\frac{4}{3}, 1, -2 \right\rangle$$

$$\text{now } r(4) = \langle 3, 4, 2 \rangle$$

$$\text{Tangent line} = \left\langle 3 - \frac{4}{3}t, 4t, 2 - 2t \right\rangle$$