

Assignment 2 - solutions

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[> restart;  
[> with(VectorCalculus):
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- Q1

The position, in cartesian coordinates is given by a piecewise function; the pieces are (as vectors):

```
> p1,p2 := PositionVector([t,t^3,0]),  
PositionVector([t,0,t^3]);
```

$$p1, p2 := \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t^3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 0 \\ t^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We need to show that the position, velocity and acceleration are continuous, but that the Normal vector is not.

```
> r := zip((a,b)->piecewise(t<0,a,b),p1,p2);
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$$r := \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} & t < 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ 0 \\ t^3 \end{bmatrix} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

We need to compute the limit at 0 of the position (internally computes left and right limits):

```
> map(limit,r,t=0);
```

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The velocity can then be derived as

```
> v := diff(r,[t]);
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$$v := \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3t^2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} & t \leq 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} & 0 < t \end{cases}$$

We can do the same thing for the velocity

```
> map(limit, v, t=0);
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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the acceleration too:

```
> a := diff(v, t): map(limit, a, t=0);
```

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The simplest way to define a normal is to find a unit vector which is perpendicular to $T(t)$. Here we will save ourselves some trouble:

```
> N := map(simplify, TNBFframe(r, t, output=['N'])) assuming  
t::real;
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$$N := \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3|t|t}{\sqrt{1+9t^4}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+9t^4}} & t < 0 \\ 1 & t = 0 \\ 0 & 0 < t \\ 0 & t \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+9t^4}} & 0 < t \end{bmatrix}$$

And now we can compute the limits:

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> map(limit, N, t=0, left), map(limit, N, t=0, right);
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$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

from which we can see that the normal moves discontinuously

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- Q2

Let a curve C in cartesian coordinates be given by

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> r :=  
PositionVector([(sin(t)*cos(t)*(16*cos(t)^4-20*cos(t)^2+5),  
(16*cos(t)^4-12*cos(t)^2+1)*sin(t)^2,  
(16*cos(t)^4-12*cos(t)^2+1)*sin(t)^2)]);
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$$r := \begin{bmatrix} \sin(t) \cos(t) (16 \cos(t)^4 - 20 \cos(t)^2 + 5) \\ (16 \cos(t)^4 - 12 \cos(t)^2 + 1) \sin(t)^2 \\ (16 \cos(t)^4 - 12 \cos(t)^2 + 1) \sin(t)^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

As the hint says, this can be simplified since the above contains an expanded form of $\cos(5*t)$ and $\sin(5*y)$, viz

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> expand(cos(5*t)), expand(sin(5*t));
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$$16 \cos(t)^5 - 20 \cos(t)^3 + 5 \cos(t), 16 \sin(t) \cos(t)^4 - 12 \sin(t) \cos(t)^2 + \sin(t)$$

So we can see that r has a common factor of $\sin(t)$, and the rest being:

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> r1 := map(combine, expand(r/sin(t)));
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$$r1 := \begin{bmatrix} \cos(5t) \\ \sin(5t) \\ \sin(5t) \end{bmatrix}$$

thus we really need to work with

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> r2 := map(x->x*sin(t),r1);

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$$r2 := \begin{bmatrix} \cos(5t)\sin(t) \\ \sin(5t)\sin(t) \\ \sin(5t)\sin(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

We can change coordinates:

```
> Cspherical := MapToBasis(Vector(r2), spherical);
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$$\begin{aligned} Cspherical := & \sqrt{\cos(5t)^2\sin(t)^2 + 2\sin(5t)^2\sin(t)^2} \mathbf{e}_r + \\ & \arctan(\sqrt{\cos(5t)^2\sin(t)^2 + \sin(5t)^2\sin(t)^2}, \sin(5t)\sin(t)) \mathbf{e}_\phi + \\ & \arctan(\sin(5t)\sin(t), \cos(5t)\sin(t)) \mathbf{e}_\theta \end{aligned}$$

This is messy. However, one can fairly easily see that the expression for theta is $\arctan(\tan(5*t))$, so that theta=5*t. Phi comes out to $\arctan(|\sin(t)|/(\sin(t)*\sin(5*t)))$. Since arctan is even, that is $\arctan(1/\sin(5*t))$. r comes out to $|\sin(t)| * \sqrt{1+\sin(5*t)^2}$.

The main conclusion is that there was a transcription error somewhere... I meant theta=5*t, phi = t, and r=1 ! I am surprised no one caught this.

We can still compute the answer, but it is messy

```
> v := diff(Cspherical, t);
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$$\begin{aligned} v := & \frac{1}{2} \frac{10\cos(5t)\sin(t)^2\sin(5t) + 2\cos(5t)^2\sin(t)\cos(t) + 4\sin(5t)^2\sin(t)\cos(t)}{\sqrt{\cos(5t)^2\sin(t)^2 + 2\sin(5t)^2\sin(t)^2}} \mathbf{e}_r \\ & + \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{2\cos(5t)^2\sin(t)\cos(t) + 2\sin(5t)^2\sin(t)\cos(t)}{\sqrt{\cos(5t)^2\sin(t)^2 + \sin(5t)^2\sin(t)^2}} \sin(5t)\sin(t) \right. \\ & - \frac{5\sqrt{\cos(5t)^2\sin(t)^2 + \sin(5t)^2\sin(t)^2}\cos(5t)}{\sin(5t)^2\sin(t)} \\ & \left. - \frac{\sqrt{\cos(5t)^2\sin(t)^2 + \sin(5t)^2\sin(t)^2}\cos(t)}{\sin(5t)\sin(t)^2} \right) \mathbf{e}_\phi + \\ & \left. \left(1 + \frac{\cos(5t)^2\sin(t)^2 + \sin(5t)^2\sin(t)^2}{\sin(5t)^2\sin(t)^2} \right) \frac{5 + \frac{5\sin(5t)^2}{\cos(5t)^2}}{1 + \frac{\sin(5t)^2}{\cos(5t)^2}} \mathbf{e}_\theta \right) \end{aligned}$$

```
> v2 := combine(simplify(v));
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$$\begin{aligned} v2 := & \frac{-3\sin(12t) - 2\sin(8t) + 5\sin(10t) + 3\sin(2t)}{\sqrt{12 - 4\cos(10t) - 12\cos(2t) + 2\cos(8t) + 2\cos(12t)}} \mathbf{e}_r + \\ & \frac{10\operatorname{csgn}(\sin(t))\cos(5t)}{-3 + \cos(10t)} \mathbf{e}_\phi + 5\mathbf{e}_\theta \end{aligned}$$

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> a := diff(v2, t);
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a := 
$$\left( \frac{-36 \cos(12t) - 16 \cos(8t) + 50 \cos(10t) + 6 \cos(2t)}{\sqrt{12 - 4 \cos(10t) - 12 \cos(2t) + 2 \cos(8t) + 2 \cos(12t)}} - \frac{1}{2} \right.$$


$$(-3 \sin(12t) - 2 \sin(8t) + 5 \sin(10t) + 3 \sin(2t))$$


$$(40 \sin(10t) + 24 \sin(2t) - 16 \sin(8t) - 24 \sin(12t)) /$$


$$(12 - 4 \cos(10t) - 12 \cos(2t) + 2 \cos(8t) + 2 \cos(12t))^{(3/2)} \right) \mathbf{e}_r + \left($$


$$\frac{10 \operatorname{csgn}(1, \sin(t)) \cos(5t)}{-3 + \cos(10t)} - \frac{50 \operatorname{csgn}(\sin(t)) \sin(5t)}{-3 + \cos(10t)}$$


$$+ \frac{100 \operatorname{csgn}(\sin(t)) \cos(5t) \sin(10t)}{(-3 + \cos(10t))^2} \right) \mathbf{e}_\phi$$

> combine(simplify(a));

$$(47 - 47 \cos(2t) - 156 \cos(10t) - 9 \cos(22t) + 93 \cos(12t) - 4 \cos(18t) + 63 \cos(8t)$$


$$+ 13 \cos(20t)) / (-3 \sqrt{12 - 4 \cos(10t) - 12 \cos(2t) + 2 \cos(8t) + 2 \cos(12t)})$$


$$+ \sqrt{12 - 4 \cos(10t) - 12 \cos(2t) + 2 \cos(8t) + 2 \cos(12t)} \cos(10t) \mathbf{e}_r + ($$


$$-50 \operatorname{csgn}(1, \sin(t)) \cos(5t) + 10 \operatorname{csgn}(1, \sin(t)) \cos(15t) + 450 \operatorname{csgn}(\sin(t)) \sin(5t)$$


$$+ 50 \operatorname{csgn}(\sin(t)) \sin(15t)) / (19 - 12 \cos(10t) + \cos(20t)) \mathbf{e}_\phi$$


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Long term behaviour [would have been easy if the coords were (1,t,5*t) !]. In this case, the limit as t->infinity is a real mess.

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Q3

[> **restart; with(VectorCalculus):**

Some example. We can take our point b to be fixed at the origin, and the 'center' of the object to be moving. For simplicity, let the angular velocity be constant:

> **omega := <4, 5, 6>;**

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} := 4 \mathbf{e}_x + 5 \mathbf{e}_y + 6 \mathbf{e}_z$$

Then we need to have

> **Vcen = - CrossProduct(omega, <r1, r2, r3>);**

$$\mathbf{V}_{\text{cen}} = (-5r_3 + 6r_2) \mathbf{e}_x + (-6r_1 + 4r_3) \mathbf{e}_y + (-4r_2 + 5r_1) \mathbf{e}_z$$

We can actually pick r to be constant, since r is a relative difference. For example

> **Vcen = - CrossProduct(omega, <1, 1, 1>);**

$$\mathbf{V}_{\text{cen}} = \mathbf{e}_x - 2\mathbf{e}_y + \mathbf{e}_z$$

In other words, from the center's perspective, it is always going in a particular direction -- but that is an illusion caused by the rotation of the frame.

A completely similar computation can be done for the acceleration.

A better example would be one where the situation is 'physical'.

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- Q4

[Answer to this one to be provided later.

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- Q5

The goal is to solve $\text{Skew}(\omega) = \text{diff}(R(t), t) * \text{Transpose}(R(t))$. We have that

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> r := expand( <(1-t^2)*cos(Pi*t), (1-t^2)*sin(Pi*t),
t^2>/sqrt((1-t^2)^2+t^4) );
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$$r := \frac{(1-t^2)\cos(\pi t)}{\sqrt{1-2t^2+2t^4}} \mathbf{x} + \frac{(1-t^2)\sin(\pi t)}{\sqrt{1-2t^2+2t^4}} \mathbf{y} + \frac{t^2}{\sqrt{1-2t^2+2t^4}} \mathbf{z}$$

```
> assume(t::RealRange(Open(-1), Open(1)));
```

One way to do this is to derive a system of axes. But if we look, r is already normalized:

```
> rn := Normalize(r);
```

$$rn := \frac{(1-t^2)\cos(\pi t)}{\sqrt{1-2t^2+2t^4}} \mathbf{x} + \frac{(1-t^2)\sin(\pi t)}{\sqrt{1-2t^2+2t^4}} \mathbf{y} + \frac{t^2}{\sqrt{1-2t^2+2t^4}} \mathbf{z}$$

So we can 'guess' that in spherical coordinates, this will be nice. In fact:

```
> rn := simplify(MapToBasis(Vector([1, arctan((1-t^2)/t^2),
Pi*t]), coords='spherical'), cartesian));
```

$$rn := -\frac{(-1+t^2)\cos(\pi t)}{\sqrt{1-2t^2+2t^4}} \mathbf{x} - \frac{(-1+t^2)\sin(\pi t)}{\sqrt{1-2t^2+2t^4}} \mathbf{y} + \frac{t^2}{\sqrt{1-2t^2+2t^4}} \mathbf{z}$$

Instead of bashing our heads against giant formulas for R and R' , let's use this. We have that

```
> (rho, theta, phi) := (1, arctan((1-t^2)/t^2), Pi*t);
```

$$\rho, \theta, \phi := 1, \arctan\left(\frac{1-t^2}{t^2}\right), \pi t$$

So we can simplifying look at the motion matrix (2.31) to get that

```
> eqns := simplify({{-u3 = diff(theta,t)*cos(phi), u2 =
-diff(theta,t)*sin(phi), -u1 = diff(phi,t)}});
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$$eqns := \left\{ -u3 = -\frac{2t\cos(\pi t)}{1-2t^2+2t^4}, u2 = \frac{2t\sin(\pi t)}{1-2t^2+2t^4}, -u1 = \pi \right\}$$

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> solve(eqns, {u1, u2, u3});
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$$\left\{ u2 = \frac{2t\sin(\pi t)}{1-2t^2+2t^4}, u3 = \frac{2t\cos(\pi t)}{1-2t^2+2t^4}, u1 = -\pi \right\}$$

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- Q6

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> restart;
> x := <r*cos(omega*t), r*sin(omega*t), 1>; F1 := <1,1,1>;
> W1 := int(F1.VectorCalculus[diff](x,t), t=0..2*Pi/omega);
```

W1 := 0

[Work is 0 over that time period - force is conservative. In general,

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> W := int(F1.VectorCalculus[diff](x,t),t=0..T) assuming T>0;
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$$W := -r + r \cos(\omega T) + r \sin(\omega T)$$

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> res := solve(diff(W,T)=0,T);
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$$res := \frac{\pi}{4\omega}$$

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> eval(diff(W,T,T),T=res);
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$$-r\sqrt{2}\omega^2$$

So the work is a maximum when $T = \pi/(4\omega)$ since the above is negative.

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> F2 := <t,t,1>;
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> W2 :=
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int(LinearAlgebra[DotProduct](F2,VectorCalculus[diff](x,t),conjugate=false),t=0..2*pi/omega);
```

$$W2 := \frac{2r\pi}{\omega}$$

Work is not zero. In general:

```
> W :=
```

```
int(LinearAlgebra[DotProduct](F2,VectorCalculus[diff](x,t),conjugate=false),t=0..T) assuming T>0;
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$$W := \frac{r(-1 - \sin(\omega T) + \cos(\omega T)\omega T + \cos(\omega T) + \sin(\omega T)\omega T)}{\omega}$$

```
> solve(normal(diff(W,T))=0,T);
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$$0, \frac{\pi}{4\omega}$$

There are maximums at 0 and at $\pi/(4\omega)$.

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> eval(diff(W,T,T),T=0), eval(diff(W,T,T),T=pi/(4*omega));
```

$$r\omega, -\frac{r\sqrt{2}\omega\pi}{4}$$

The $T=0$ is a minimum, $T=\pi/(4\omega)$ is a maximum.

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>
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