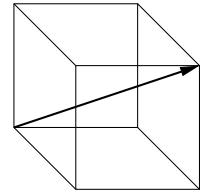


- 1 (8 points) Find the angle between a diagonal of a cube and one of its edges. Give your answer rounded to the nearest degree.



We may assume the length of a side of the cube is 1.

Then the diagonal is given by the vector  $\mathbf{v} = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$ .

The 3 sides are given by the vectors  $\mathbf{i} = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{j} = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{k} = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$ . Each gives the same angle.

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{i}}{|\mathbf{v}| \cdot |\mathbf{i}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \approx 55^\circ$$

- 2 (10 points) Let  $\mathbf{r}(t) = 3t^3\mathbf{i} + 5t^2\mathbf{j}$ . Compute all the points on the curve where the tangent line passes through the point  $(12, 0)$ .

The curve has parametric equations  $x = 3t^3$ ,  $y = 5t^2$ .

The tangent line is given by an equation of the form  $y - b = m(x - a)$  where  $(a, b)$  is a point on the curve.

Thus  $a = 3t^3$  and  $b = 5t^2$ .

$$m = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{10t}{9t^2} = \frac{10}{9t}$$

The tangent line passes through the point  $(12, 0)$  means  $x = 12$  and  $y = 0$ .

Putting it all together gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 - 5t^2 &= \frac{10}{9t} (12 - 3t^3) \\ -45t^3 &= 120 - 30t^3 \\ t^3 &= -8 \\ t &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

There is only one point and it has coordinates  $(-24, 20)$ .

- 3 (10 points) Compute symmetric equations for the line of intersection of the planes  $2x + y - z = 2$  and  $x - y - 2z = 1$ . Where does this line intersect the plane  $x - z = 1$ ?

*We need a point on the line and the direction vector.*

*To get the point, add the 2 equations together to get  $3x - 3z = 3$ .*

*Take  $z = 0$  to get  $x = 1$ . Plug these values into  $2x + y - z = 2$  to get  $y = 0$ .*

*Thus the point  $(1, 0, 0)$  is on both planes.*

*The direction vector is the cross product of the 2 plane normals.*

$$\langle 2, 1, -1 \rangle \times \langle 1, -1, -2 \rangle = \langle -3, 3, -3 \rangle$$

*We can use  $\langle 1, -1, 1 \rangle$*

*The parametric equations are  $x = t + 1$ ,  $y = -t$  and  $z = t$*

*The symmetric equations are  $x - 1 = -y = z$*

*To intersect the line with the plane  $x - z = 1$ , substitute the parametric equations into the plane equation.*

$$\begin{aligned}x - z &= 1 \\(t + 1) - t &= 1 \\1 &= 1\end{aligned}$$

*This equation is true for all values of  $t$ . Thus the line lies in the plane  $x - z = 1$ .*

4 (12 points) Let  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \cos(\pi t), t \sin(\pi t), t^3 \rangle$ .

- (a) Give parametric equations for the tangent line to this curve at the point  $(1, 0, -8)$ .

We have the point, so we only need the direction vector. Note that  $\mathbf{r}(-2) = \langle 1, 0, -8 \rangle$

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle -\pi \sin(\pi t), \sin(\pi t) + \pi t \cos(\pi t), 3t^2 \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{r}'(-2) = \langle 0, -2\pi, 12 \rangle$$

The parametric equations are  $x = 1$ ,  $y = -2\pi t$  and  $z = 12t - 8$

- (b) Compute the curvature at the given point.

We use the equation  $\kappa = \frac{|\mathbf{r}'(-2) \times \mathbf{r}''(-2)|}{|\mathbf{r}'(-2)|^3}$

We have  $\mathbf{r}'(-2) = 2\langle 0, -\pi, 6 \rangle$  from part (a).

$$\mathbf{r}''(t) = \langle -\pi^2 \cos(\pi t), \pi \cos(\pi t) + \pi \cos(\pi t) - \pi^2 t \sin(\pi t), 6t \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{r}''(-2) = \langle -\pi^2, 2\pi, -12 \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{r}'(-2) \times \mathbf{r}''(-2) = -2\pi^2 \langle 0, 6, \pi \rangle$$

$$|\mathbf{r}'(-2) \times \mathbf{r}''(-2)| = 2\pi^2 \sqrt{36 + \pi^2}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{2\pi^2 \sqrt{36 + \pi^2}}{(2\sqrt{36 + \pi^2})^3} = \frac{\pi^2}{4(36 + \pi^2)} \approx 0.054$$

- 5 (10 points) Consider the polar curve  $r = e^{2\theta}$  where  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ . Find all points on the curve where the tangent line has slope 3. Give your answer in  $xy$  coordinates.

First give  $x$  and  $y$  as parametric functions of  $\theta$ .

$$\begin{aligned}x &= e^{2\theta} \cos \theta \\y &= e^{2\theta} \sin \theta\end{aligned}$$

Compute  $dy/dx$  and set it equal to 3.

$$\begin{aligned}dx/d\theta &= 2e^{2\theta} \cos \theta - e^{2\theta} \sin \theta \\dy/d\theta &= 2e^{2\theta} \sin \theta + e^{2\theta} \cos \theta \\dy/dx &= \frac{2 \sin \theta + \cos \theta}{2 \cos \theta - \sin \theta} = 3\end{aligned}$$

Solve for  $\theta$ .

$$\begin{aligned}2 \sin \theta + \cos \theta &= 6 \cos \theta - 3 \sin \theta \\5 \sin \theta &= 5 \cos \theta \\\tan \theta &= 1 \\\theta &= \pi/4, 5\pi/4\end{aligned}$$

Use the parametric equations to calculate the points.

$$\left( \frac{e^{\pi/2}}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{e^{\pi/2}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \text{ and } \left( -\frac{e^{5\pi/2}}{\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{e^{5\pi/2}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

Or approximately

$$(3.4, 3.4) \text{ and } (-1821.5, -1821.5)$$