


**BC Calculus – 9.5a & 9.5b - Derivatives and Integrals for Vector-Valued Functions**

Vector basics:

- Vectors have magnitude (length) and direction. 
- Vectors can be represented by directed line segments.
- Vectors are equal if they have the same direction and magnitude.
- Magnitude is designated by  $\|v\|$
- Vectors have a horizontal and vertical component.
- Component form of a vector is  $\langle x, y \rangle$

1. Find the component form and magnitude of the vector that has an initial point of (1,2) and terminal point (5,4).

$\langle x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1 \rangle$  Component form:  $\langle 5 - 1, 4 - 2 \rangle = \langle 4, 2 \rangle$

Magnitude:  $\|r\| = \sqrt{4^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{20} = 2\sqrt{5}$

**Vector-Valued Functions:**  $r(t) = \langle f(t), g(t) \rangle$  where  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$  are the component functions with the parameter  $t$ . *\*similar to parametric equations*

**Differentiation of Vector-Valued Functions**  
 If  $r(t) = \langle f(t), g(t) \rangle$  then  

$$r'(t) = \langle f'(t), g'(t) \rangle$$

**Properties of the derivative for vector-valued functions**

$$\frac{d}{dt}[c \cdot r(t)] = c \cdot r'(t)$$

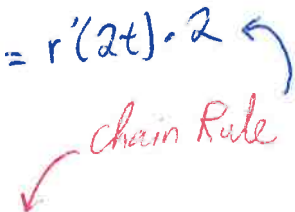
$$\frac{d}{dt}[r(t) \cdot s(t)] = r'(t) \cdot s(t) + r(t) \cdot s'(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[r(t) \pm s(t)] = r'(t) \pm s'(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[r(s(t))] = r'(s(t)) \cdot s'(t)$$

1.  $r(t) = \langle 2t^2 + 4t + 1, 3t^3 - 4t \rangle$  then  $r'(t) =$

$$r'(t) = \langle 4t + 4, 9t^2 - 4 \rangle$$

2.  $r(t) = \langle t^3 + 5, 2t \rangle$  find  $\frac{d}{dt}r(2t) = r'(2t) \cdot 2$  

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

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

$$r'(2t) = \langle 12t^2, 2 \rangle \cdot 2 = \langle 24t^2, 4 \rangle$$

3. The path of a particle moving along a path in the  $xy$ -plane is given by the vector-valued function,  $f(t) = \langle t^2, \sin t \rangle$ . Find the slope of the path of the particle at  $t = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{\cos(t)}{2t} \Big|_{t=3\pi/4} = \frac{\cos(3\pi/4)}{2(3\pi/4)} = \frac{-\sqrt{2}/2}{3\pi/2} \rightarrow \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3\pi} = \boxed{\frac{-\sqrt{2}}{3\pi}}$$

## 9.5b - Integrals for Vector-Valued Functions

### Integration of Vector-Valued Functions

If  $r(t) = \langle f(t), g(t) \rangle$  then

$$\int r(t) dt = \left\langle \int f(t) dt, \int g(t) dt \right\rangle$$

\* take the integral of horizontal and vertical components separately.

1. Find  $r(t)$  if  $r'(t) = \langle 4e^{2t}, 2e^t \rangle$  and  $r(0) = \langle 2, 0 \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \int 4e^{2t} dt & y &= \int 2e^t dt \\ & & y &= 2e^t + C_2 \\ u=2t & & 0 &= 2e^0 + C_2 \\ \frac{du}{dt} &= 2 & -2 &= C_2 \\ dt &= \frac{du}{2} & & \\ x &= \int 4e^{\frac{u}{2}} \cdot \frac{du}{2} & & \\ x &= 2e^{2t} + C_1 & & \\ z &= 2e^0 + C_1 & & \\ 0 &= C_1 & & \\ r(t) &= \langle 2e^{2t}, 2e^t - 2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

2. Find  $r(t)$  if  $r'(t) = \langle \sec^2 t, \frac{1}{1+t^2} \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \int \sec^2 t dt & y &= \int \frac{1}{1+t^2} dt \\ x &= \tan(t) + C_1 & y &= \arctan(t) + C_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$r(t) = \langle \tan(t) + C_1, \arctan(t) + C_2 \rangle$$

3.  $\int_{-1}^1 \langle t^3, t^{5/3} \rangle dt$

$$\int_{-1}^1 t^3 dt \rightarrow \left[ \frac{t^4}{4} \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{1}{4} - \left( \frac{1}{4} \right) = 0$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 t^{5/3} dt \rightarrow \left[ \frac{t^{8/3}}{8/3} \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{3}{8}(1) - \frac{3}{8}(1) = 0$$

$$\langle 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$f(t) = \left\langle -\frac{1}{2}e^{-t^2} + 1, e^{-t} - 2 \right\rangle$$

For problems 1-6, find the vector-valued function  $f(t)$  that satisfies the given initial conditions.

1.  $f(0) = \langle 2, 4 \rangle, f'(t) = \langle 2e^t, 3e^{3t} \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \int 2e^t = 2e^t + C_1 & y &= \int 3e^{3t} dt \\ 2 &= 2e^0 + C_1 & y &= e^{3t} + C_2 \\ 0 &= C_1 & 4 &= e^0 + C_2 \\ & & 3 &= C_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(t) = \langle 2e^t, e^{3t} + 3 \rangle$$

2.  $f(0) = \langle \frac{1}{2}, -1 \rangle, f'(t) = \langle te^{-t^2}, -e^{-t} \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \int te^{-t^2} dt & y &= \int -e^{-t} dt \\ u &= -t^2 & y &= e^{-t} + C_2 \\ \frac{du}{dt} &= -2t & -1 &= e^0 + C_2 \\ dt &= \frac{du}{-2t} & -2 &= C_2 \\ \frac{1}{2} &= -\frac{1}{2}e^0 + C_1 & & \\ 1 &= C_1 & & \end{aligned}$$

## 9.5a Derivatives of Vector-Valued Functions

Calculus

Practice

Each problem contains a vector-valued function. Find the given first or second derivative.

1.  $f(t) = \langle 4t^3 + 2t^2 + 7t, 4t^2 + 3t \rangle$ , then  $f'(t) =$

$$f'(t) = \langle 12t^2 + 4t + 7, 8t + 3 \rangle$$

2.  $f(t) = \langle 3 \sin 2t, 4 \cos 3t \rangle$ , then  $f'(\frac{\pi}{6}) =$

$$f'(t) = \langle 3 \cos(2t) \cdot 2, -4 \sin(3t) \cdot 3 \rangle$$

$$f'(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \langle 6 \cos(2(\frac{\pi}{6})) - 12 \sin(3(\frac{\pi}{6})) \rangle$$

$$f'(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \langle 6 \cdot \frac{1}{2}, -12(1) \rangle = \langle 3, -12 \rangle$$

3.  $f(t) = \langle 3e^{2t}, 5e^{4t} \rangle$ , then  $f''(t) =$

$$f'(t) = \langle 3e^{2t} \cdot 2, 5e^{4t} \cdot 4 \rangle$$

$$f''(t) = \langle 6e^{2t} \cdot 2, 20e^{4t} \cdot 4 \rangle$$

$$f''(t) = \langle 12e^{2t}, 80e^{4t} \rangle$$

4.  $f(t) = \langle t^{-2}, (t+1)^{-1} \rangle$ , then  $f''(-2) =$

$$f'(t) = \langle -2t^{-3}, -1(t+1)^{-2} \rangle$$

$$f''(t) = \langle 6t^{-4}, 2(t+1)^{-3} \rangle$$

$$f''(-2) = \langle \frac{6}{(-2)^4}, \frac{2}{(-1)^3} \rangle$$

$$f''(-2) = \langle \frac{6}{16}, -2 \rangle$$

$$f''(-2) = \langle \frac{3}{8}, -2 \rangle$$

5.  $f(t) = \langle e^t + e^{-t}, e^t - e^{-t} \rangle$ , then  $f'(t) =$

$$f'(t) = \langle e^t - e^{-t}, e^t + e^{-t} \rangle$$

6.  $f(t) = \langle 2 \sin 4t, 2 \cos 3t \rangle$ , then  $f'(t) =$

$$f'(t) = \langle 2 \cos(4t) \cdot 4, -2 \sin(3t) \cdot 3 \rangle$$

$$f'(t) = \langle 8 \cos(4t), -6 \sin(3t) \rangle$$

7.  $f(t) = \langle t \sin t, t \cos t \rangle$ , then  $f'(\frac{\pi}{2}) =$

$$f'(t) = \langle 1 \sin t + t \cos t, 1 \cos t - t \sin t \rangle$$

$$f'(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \langle \sin \frac{\pi}{2} + 0, \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) - \frac{\pi}{2}(1) \rangle$$

$$f'(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \langle 1, -\frac{\pi}{2} \rangle$$

8.  $f(t) = \langle 3t^2 + 6t + 1, 4t^3 - 2t^2 + 6t \rangle$ , then  $f'(1) =$

$$f'(t) = \langle 6t + 6, 12t^2 - 4t + 6 \rangle$$

$$f'(1) = \langle 12, 12 - 4 + 6 \rangle$$

$$f'(1) = \langle 12, 14 \rangle$$



9. The path of a particle moving along a path in the  $xy$ -plane is given by the vector-valued function,  $f(t) = \langle t^3 + 2t^2 + t, 2t^3 - 4t \rangle$ . Find the slope of the path of the particle at  $t = 3$ .

$$f'(t) = \langle 3t^2 + 4t + 1, 6t^2 - 4 \rangle$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{6t^2 - 4}{3t^2 + 4t + 1} \Bigg|_{t=3} = \frac{54 - 4}{27 + 12 + 1} \rightarrow \frac{50}{40} = \boxed{\frac{5}{4}}$$

10. The position of a particle moving in the  $xy$ -plane is defined by the vector-valued function,  $f(t) = \langle t^3 - 6t^2, 2t^3 - 9t^2 - 24t \rangle$ . For what value of  $t \geq 0$  is the particle at rest?

\*particle at rest when  $x'(t) = 0$  and  $y'(t) = 0$ .

$$x'(t) = 3t^2 - 12t$$

$$0 = 3t(t - 4)$$

$$t = 0, \underline{t = 4}$$

$$y'(t) = 6t^2 - 18t - 24$$

$$0 = 6(t^2 - 3t - 4)$$

$$0 = 6(t - 4)(t + 1)$$

$$\underline{t = 4}, t = -1$$

$$\boxed{t = 4}$$

### 9.5a Derivatives of Vector-Valued Functions

### Test Prep

11. **Calculator active.** The path of a particle moving along a path in the  $xy$ -plane is given by the vector-valued function  $f$  and  $f'$  is defined by  $f'(t) = \langle t^{-1}, 2ke^{kt} \rangle$  where  $k$  is a positive constant. The line  $y = 4x + 5$  is parallel to the line tangent to the path of the particle at the point where  $t = 2$ . What is the value of  $k$ ?

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2ke^{kt}}{t^{-1}} \Bigg|_{t=2} = \frac{2ke^{2k}}{2^{-1}} = 4ke^{2k}$$

slope  $\downarrow$   
 $m = 4$

$\downarrow$

$$4 = 4ke^{2k}$$

$$1 = ke^{2k}$$

$$ke^{2k} - 1 = 0$$

$$\boxed{k \approx 0.426}$$

12. At time  $t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ , the position of a particle moving along a path in the  $xy$ -plane is given by the vector-valued function,  $f(t) = \langle t \sin t, \cos 2t \rangle$ . Find the slope of the path of the particle at time  $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{-\sin(2t) \cdot 2}{\sin(t) + t \cdot \cos(t)} \Bigg|_{t=\pi/2} = \frac{-2 \sin(2 \cdot \pi/2)}{\sin(\pi/2) + \pi/2 \cos(\pi/2)} = \frac{0}{1} = \boxed{0}$$

9.5b Find  $f(t)$

3.  $f(0) = \langle 3, 1 \rangle, f'(t) = \langle 6t^2, 4t \rangle$

$$x = \int 6t^2 dt \quad y = \int 4t dt$$

$$x = \frac{6t^3}{3} + C_1 \quad y = \frac{4t^2}{2} + C_2$$

$$3 = 2(0) + C_1 \quad 1 = 2(0) + C_2$$

$$3 = C_1 \quad 1 = C_2$$

$f(t) = \langle 2t^3 + 3, 2t^2 + 1 \rangle$

4.  $f(0) = \langle -2, 5 \rangle, f'(t) = \langle 2 \cos t, -3 \sin t \rangle$

$$x = \int 2 \cos(t) dt \quad y = \int -3 \sin(t) dt$$

$$x = 2 \sin(t) + C_1 \quad y = 3 \cos(t) + C_2$$

$$-2 = 2 \sin(0) + C_1 \quad 5 = 3 \cos(0) + C_2$$

$$-2 = C_1 \quad 5 = 3 + C_2$$

$$\quad \quad \quad 2 = C_2$$

$f(t) = \langle 2 \sin(t) - 2, 3 \cos(t) + 2 \rangle$

5.  $f'(0) = \langle 3, 0 \rangle, f(0) = \langle 0, 3 \rangle,$   
 $f''(t) = \langle 5 \cos t, -2 \sin t \rangle$

$$x' = \int 5 \cos(t) dt \quad y' = \int -2 \sin(t) dt$$

$$x' = 5 \sin(t) + C \quad y' = 2 \cos(t) + C$$

$$3 = 5 \sin(0) + C \quad 0 = 2 \cos(0) + C \quad -2 = C$$

$$3 = C$$

$$x' = 5 \sin(t) + 3 \quad y = 2 \sin(t) - 2t + C$$

$$3 = 2 \sin(0) - 2(0) + C \quad 3 = C$$

$$x = \int 5 \sin(t) + 3 dt \quad y = 2 \sin(t) - 2t + 3$$

$$x = -5 \cos(t) + 3t + C \quad y = 2 \sin(t) - 2t + 3$$

$$0 = -5 \cos(0) + 0 + C \quad 5 = C$$

$f(t) = \langle -5 \cos(t) + 3t + 5, 2 \sin(t) - 2t + 3 \rangle$

6.  $f'(0) = \langle 0, 2 \rangle, f(0) = \langle 3, 0 \rangle, f''(t) = \langle 4t^3, 3t^2 \rangle$

$$x' = \int 4t^3 dt \quad y' = \int 3t^2 dt$$

$$x' = \frac{4t^4}{4} + C \quad y' = \frac{3t^3}{3} + C$$

$$0 = C \quad 2 = 0 + C$$

$$x = \int t^4 + 0 dt \quad y = \int t^3 + 2 dt$$

$$x = \frac{t^5}{5} + C \quad y = \frac{t^4}{4} + 2t + C$$

$$3 = 0 + C \quad 0 = 0 + 0 + C \quad 0 = C$$

$$x = \frac{1}{5}t^5 + 3$$

$f(t) = \langle \frac{1}{5}t^5 + 3, \frac{1}{4}t^4 + 2t \rangle$

7. **Calculator active.** For  $t \geq 0$ , a particle is moving along a curve so that its position at time  $t$  is  $(x(t), y(t))$ . At time  $t = 1$ , the particle is at position  $(2, 4)$ . It is known that  $\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\sqrt{t+3}}{e^t}$  and  $\frac{dy}{dt} = \cos^2 t$ . Find the  $x$ -coordinate of the particles position at time  $t = 5$ .

\*final position = initial position + displacement

$$x(b) = x(a) + \int_a^b x'(t) dt$$

$$x(5) = x(1) + \int_1^5 \frac{\sqrt{t+3}}{e^t} dt$$

$$x(5) = 2 + 0.7988$$

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8. The instantaneous rate of change of the vector-valued function  $f(t)$  is given by  $f'(t) = \langle 8t^3 + 2t, 10t^4 \rangle$ . If  $f(1) = \langle 3, 7 \rangle$ , what is  $f(-1)$ ?

$$x(b) = x(a) + \int_a^b x'(t) dt$$

$$x(-1) = x(1) + \int_1^{-1} (8t^3 + 2t) dt$$

$$x(-1) = 3 + \left[ \frac{8t^4}{4} + \frac{2t^2}{2} \right]_1^{-1} = 2(1)^4 + 1^2 - [2(1)^4 + 1]$$

$$x(-1) = 3 + 3 - 3 = 3$$

$$y(b) = y(a) + \int_a^b y'(t) dt$$

$$y(-1) = y(1) + \int_1^{-1} 10t^4 dt$$

$$y(-1) = 7 + \left[ \frac{10t^5}{5} \right]_1^{-1} = 2(-1)^5 - 2(1)^5$$

$$y(-1) = 7 - 2 - 2 = 3$$

$f(-1) = \langle 3, 3 \rangle$

9. **Calculator active.** At time  $t \geq 0$ , a particle moving in the  $xy$ -plane has velocity vector given by  $v(t) = \langle 3t^2, 3 \rangle$ . If the particle is at point  $(1, 2)$  at time  $t = 0$ , how far is the particle from the origin at time  $t = 2$ ?

$$x(b) = x(a) + \int_a^b v(t) dt \quad \left| \quad y(2) = y(0) + \int_0^2 3 dt \right.$$

$$x(2) = x(0) + \int_0^2 3t^2 dt \quad \left| \quad y(2) = 2 + 3t \Big|_0^2 \right.$$

$$x(2) = 1 + \left. \frac{3t^3}{3} \right|_0^2 = 8 \quad \left| \quad = 2 + 6 - 0 = 8 \right.$$

$$x(2) = 9 \quad \left| \quad y(2) = 8 \right.$$

distance from origin:  $\sqrt{9^2 + 8^2} \approx \boxed{12.0415}$

10. **Calculator active.** At time  $t \geq 0$ , a particle moving in the  $xy$ -plane has velocity vector given by  $v(t) = \langle 2, \frac{\cos t}{e^t} \rangle$ . If the particle is at point  $(1, 2)$  at time  $t = 0$ , how far is the particle from the origin at time  $t = 3$ ?

$$x(3) = x(0) + \int_0^3 2 dt \rightarrow 1 + 2t \Big|_0^3 \rightarrow 1 + 6 - 0 = 7$$

$$y(3) = y(0) + \int_0^3 \frac{\cos t}{e^t} dt \rightarrow 2 + 0.52815 = 2.52815$$

Distance from origin:  $\sqrt{7^2 + (2.52815)^2}$   
 $\approx \boxed{7.4425}$

## 9.56 Integrating Vector-Valued Functions

## Test Prep

11. **Calculator active.** A remote controlled car travels on a flat surface. The car starts at the point with coordinates  $(7, 6)$  at time  $t = 0$ . The coordinates  $(x(t), y(t))$  of the position change at rates given by  $x'(t) = -10 \sin t^2$  and  $y'(t) = 9 \cos(2 + \sqrt{t})$ , where  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  are measured in feet and  $t$  is measured in minutes. Find the  $y$ -coordinate of the position of the car at time  $t = 1$ .

$$y(1) = y(0) + \int_0^1 y'(t) dt$$

$$y(1) = 6 + \int_0^1 9 \cos(2 + \sqrt{t}) dt$$

$$y(1) = 6 + -7.78906$$

$$y(1) \approx -1.789$$

12. The instantaneous rate of change of the vector-valued function  $f(t)$  is given by  $f'(t) = \langle 2 + 20t - 4t^3, 6t^2 + 2t \rangle$ . If  $f(1) = \langle 5, -3 \rangle$ , what is  $f(-1)$ ?

$$x(-1) = x(1) + \int_1^{-1} (2 + 20t - 4t^3) dt$$

$$x(-1) = 5 + \left. \left[ 2t + \frac{20t^2}{2} - \frac{4t^4}{4} \right] \right|_1^{-1}$$

$$5 + [-2 + 10 - 1] - [2 + 10 - 1]$$

$$= 5 + 7 - 11 = 1$$

$$y(-1) = y(1) + \int_1^{-1} (6t^2 + 2t) dt$$

$$y(-1) = -3 + \left. \left[ \frac{6t^3}{3} + \frac{2t^2}{2} \right] \right|_1^{-1}$$

$$= -3 + (-2 + 1) - (2 + 1) = -3 - 1 - 3 = -7$$

$$f(-1) = \langle 1, -7 \rangle$$