

## 3.2 Derivatives and Integrals of Vector Functions (10.2)

**Def:** Derivative of a vector function is defined by  $\frac{d\vec{f}}{dt} = \vec{f}'(t) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\vec{f}(t+h) - \vec{f}(t)}{h}$

If we define:  $\vec{f}(t) = \langle f_1(t), f_2(t), f_3(t) \rangle$  we get

**Thm:**

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{f}'(t) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\vec{f}(t+h) - \vec{f}(t)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\langle f_1(t+h), f_2(t+h), f_3(t+h) \rangle - \langle f_1(t), f_2(t), f_3(t) \rangle}{h} = \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left\langle \frac{f_1(t+h) - f_1(t)}{h}, \frac{f_2(t+h) - f_2(t)}{h}, \frac{f_3(t+h) - f_3(t)}{h} \right\rangle = \langle f'_1(t), f'_2(t), f'_3(t) \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Ex 8.  $\frac{d}{dt} \langle t, t^2, t^3 \rangle = \langle 1, 2t, 3t^2 \rangle$

Ex 9.  $\vec{r}(t) = \cos t \mathbf{i} + \sin t \mathbf{j} + t \mathbf{k} \Rightarrow \vec{r}'(t) = -\sin t \mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$

**Def:** A vector tangent to a curve  $\vec{r}(t)$  at point  $t_0$  is given by  $\vec{r}'(t_0)$  provided that  $\vec{r}(t)$  exists at  $t_0$  and that  $\vec{r}'(t_0) \neq 0$ . We often interested in unit tangent vector defined by  $T(t_0) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t_0)}{\|\vec{r}'(t_0)\|}$ .

Ex 10. Find unit tangent vector to  $\vec{r}(t) = \cos t \mathbf{i} + \sin t \mathbf{j} + t \mathbf{k}$  at  $t_0 = 0$ :

$$\vec{r}'(t) = -\sin t \mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} \Rightarrow$$

$$T(t_0) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t_0)}{\|\vec{r}'(t_0)\|} = \frac{\langle -\sin t, \cos t, 1 \rangle}{\sqrt{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t + 1}} = \frac{1}{2} \langle -\sin t, \cos t, 1 \rangle$$

**Differentiating rules:**

1.  $(\vec{u}(t) + \vec{v}(t))' = \vec{u}'(t) + \vec{v}'(t)$

2.  $(c\vec{u}(t))' = c\vec{u}'(t)$

$$(f(t)\vec{v}(t))' = \frac{d}{dt} \langle f(t)v_1(t), f(t)v_2(t), f(t)v_3(t) \rangle =$$

$$\begin{aligned}3. \quad &= \langle f'(t)v_1(t) + f(t)v'_1(t), f'(t)v_2(t) + f(t)v'_2(t), f'(t)v_3(t) + f(t)v'_3(t) \rangle \\ &= f'(t)\vec{v}(t) + f(t)\vec{v}'(t)\end{aligned}$$

$$(\vec{u}(t) \cdot \vec{v}(t))' = \frac{d}{dt} (u_1(t)v_1(t) + u_2(t)v_2(t) + u_3(t)v_3(t)) =$$

$$\begin{aligned}4. \quad &= u'_1(t)v_1(t) + u_1(t)v'_1(t) + u'_2(t)v_2(t) + u_2(t)v'_2(t) + u'_3(t)v_3(t) + u_3(t)v'_3(t) = \\ &= \vec{u}'(t) \cdot \vec{v}(t) + \vec{u}(t) \cdot \vec{v}'(t)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{u}(t) \times \vec{v}(t))' &= \frac{d}{dt} \langle u_1(t)v_3(t) - u_3(t)v_1(t), \cdot, \cdot \rangle = \\
 5. \quad &= \langle u'_1(t)v_3(t) + u_1(t)v'_3(t) - (u'_3(t)v_1(t) + u_3(t)v'_1(t)), \cdot, \cdot \rangle \\
 &= \vec{u}'(t) \times \vec{v}(t) + \vec{u}(t) \times \vec{v}'(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

6. Chain rule:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{u}(f(t)))' &= \frac{d}{dt} \langle u_1(f(t)), u_2(f(t)), u_3(f(t)) \rangle = \langle u'_1(f(t))f'(t), u'_2(f(t))f'(t), u'_3(f(t))f'(t) \rangle = \\
 &= \vec{u}'(f(t))f'(t) \\
 \frac{d}{dt} (\langle t, e^t, 0 \rangle \times \langle 0, t, \cos t \rangle) &= \frac{d}{dt} \langle e^t \cos t, -t \cos t, t^2 \rangle = \langle e^t(\cos t - \sin t), -\cos t + t \sin t, 2t \rangle \\
 \text{Ex 11. } &\frac{d}{dt} (\langle t, e^t, 0 \rangle \times \langle 0, t, \cos t \rangle) = \left( \frac{d}{dt} \langle t, e^t, 0 \rangle \right) \times \langle 0, t, \cos t \rangle + \langle t, e^t, 0 \rangle \times \left( \frac{d}{dt} \langle 0, t, \cos t \rangle \right) = \\
 &= \langle 1, e^t, 0 \rangle \times \langle 0, t, \cos t \rangle + \langle t, e^t, 0 \rangle \times \langle 0, 1, -\sin t \rangle = \langle e^t(\cos t - \sin t), -\cos t + t \sin t, 2t \rangle \\
 \frac{d}{dt} \langle t^2, \cos t^2, \ln t^2 \rangle &= 2t \left( \frac{d}{dp} \langle p, \cos p, \ln p \rangle \right)_{p=t^2} = 2t \left\langle 1, -\sin p, \frac{1}{p} \right\rangle_{p=t^2} = \\
 \text{Ex 12. } &= 2t \left\langle 1, -\sin t^2, \frac{1}{t^2} \right\rangle = \left\langle 2t, -2t \sin t^2, \frac{2}{t} \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

### 3.2.1 Integrals

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_a^b \vec{r}(t) dt &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n \vec{r}(t_j^*) \Delta t = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n (r_1(t_j^*) \vec{i} + r_2(t_j^*) \vec{j} + r_3(t_j^*) \vec{k}) \Delta t = \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n r_1(t_j^*) \Delta t \right) \vec{i} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n r_2(t_j^*) \Delta t \right) \vec{j} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n r_3(t_j^*) \Delta t \right) \vec{k} = \\
 &= \left( \int_a^b r_1(t) dt \right) \vec{i} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \int_a^b r_2(t) dt \right) \vec{j} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \int_a^b r_3(t) dt \right) \vec{k} = \left\langle \int_a^b r_1(t) dt, \int_a^b r_2(t) dt, \int_a^b r_3(t) dt \right\rangle \\
 \text{Ex 13. } &\int \left\langle t^2, \cos t, \frac{1}{t} \right\rangle dt = \left\langle \int t^2 dt, \int \cos t dt, \int \frac{dt}{t} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{t^3}{3}, \sin t, \ln t \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$