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$$\mathbf{a} = (-b\omega_2^2 \sin^2 \theta - b\omega_1^2) \mathbf{e}_r - b\omega_2^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \mathbf{e}_\theta + 2b\omega_1\omega_2 \cos \theta \mathbf{e}_\phi$$

The point at the top has coordinate $\theta = 0$, so at that point

$$\mathbf{a} = -b\omega_1^2 \mathbf{e}_r + 2b\omega_1\omega_2 \mathbf{e}_\phi$$

The first term on the right is the centripetal acceleration, and the last term is a transverse acceleration normal to the plane of the wheel.

PROBLEMS

- 1.1 Given the two vectors $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$ and $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$, find the following:
- $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$ and $|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}|$
 - $3\mathbf{A} - 2\mathbf{B}$
 - $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}$
 - $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$ and $|\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}|$
- 1.2 Given the three vectors $\mathbf{A} = 2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$, $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k}$, and $\mathbf{C} = 4\mathbf{j}$, find the following:
- $\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C})$ and $(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) \cdot \mathbf{C}$
 - $\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$ and $(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot \mathbf{C}$
 - $\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$ and $(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{C}$
- 1.3 Find the angle between the vectors $\mathbf{A} = a\mathbf{i} + 2a\mathbf{j}$ and $\mathbf{B} = a\mathbf{i} + 2a\mathbf{j} + 3a\mathbf{k}$. (Note: These two vectors define a face diagonal and a body diagonal of a rectangular block of sides a , $2a$, and $3a$.)
- 1.4 Consider a cube whose edges are each of unit length. One corner coincides with the origin of an $Oxyz$ Cartesian coordinate system. Three of the cube's edges extend from the origin along the positive direction of each coordinate axis. Find the vector that begins at the origin and extends
- along a major diagonal of the cube;
 - along the diagonal of the lower face of the cube;
 - Calling these vectors \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} , find $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$.
 - Find the angle between \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} .
- 1.5 Assume that two vectors \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are known. Let \mathbf{C} be an unknown vector such that $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C} = u$ is a known quantity and $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{B}$. Find \mathbf{C} in terms of \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} , u , and the magnitude of \mathbf{A} .
- 1.6 Given the time-varying vector

$$\mathbf{A} = \alpha t \mathbf{i} + \beta t^2 \mathbf{j} + \gamma t^3 \mathbf{k}$$

where α , β , and γ are constants, find the first and second time derivatives $d\mathbf{A}/dt$ and $d^2\mathbf{A}/dt^2$.

- 1.7 For what value (or values) of q is the vector $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{i}q + 3\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$ perpendicular to the vector $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{i}q - q\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$?

- 1.8 Give an algebraic proof and a geometric proof of the following relations.

$$|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}| \leq |\mathbf{A}| + |\mathbf{B}|$$

$$|\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}| \leq |\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}|$$

- 1.9 Prove the vector identity $\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B})$.
- 1.10 Two vectors \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} represent concurrent sides of a parallelogram. Show that the area of the parallelogram is equal to $|\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}|$.
- 1.11 Show that $\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$ is not equal to $\mathbf{B} \cdot (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{C})$.
- 1.12 Three vectors \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} , and \mathbf{C} represent three concurrent edges of a parallelepiped. Show that the volume of the parallelepiped is equal to $|\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})|$.
- 1.13 Verify the transformation matrix for a rotation about the z -axis through an angle ϕ followed by a rotation about the y' -axis through an angle θ , as given in Example 1.5.2.
- 1.14 Express the vector $2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$ in the primed triad $\mathbf{i}'\mathbf{j}'\mathbf{k}'$ in which the $x'y'$ -axes are rotated about the z -axis (which coincides with the z' -axis) through an angle of 30° .
- 1.15 Consider two Cartesian coordinate systems $Oxyz$ and $Ox'y'z'$ that initially coincide. The $Ox'y'z'$ undergoes three successive counterclockwise 45° rotations about the following axes: first, about the fixed z -axis; second, about its own x' -axis (which has now been rotated); finally, about its own z' -axis (which has also been rotated). Find the components of a unit vector \mathbf{X} in the $Oxyz$ coordinate system that points along the direction of the x' -axis in the rotated $Ox'y'z'$ system. (*Hint: It would be useful to find three transformation matrices that depict each of the above rotations. The resulting transformation matrix is simply their product.*)
- 1.16 A racing car moves on a circle of constant radius b . If the speed of the car varies with time t according to the equation $v = ct$, where c is a positive constant, show that the angle between the velocity vector and the acceleration vector is 45° at time $t = \sqrt{b/c}$. (*Hint: At this time the tangential and normal components of the acceleration are equal in magnitude.*)
- 1.17 A small ball is fastened to a long rubber band and twirled around in such a way that the ball moves in an elliptical path given by the equation

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{i}b \cos \omega t + \mathbf{j}2b \sin \omega t$$

where b and ω are constants. Find the speed of the ball as a function of t . In particular, find v at $t = 0$ and at $t = \pi/2\omega$, at which times the ball is, respectively, at its minimum and maximum distances from the origin.

- 1.18 A buzzing fly moves in a helical path given by the equation

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{i}b \sin \omega t + \mathbf{j}b \cos \omega t + \mathbf{k}ct^2$$

Show that the magnitude of the acceleration of the fly is constant, provided b , ω , and c are constant.

- 1.19 A bee goes out from its hive in a spiral path given in plane polar coordinates by

$$r = be^{kt} \quad \theta = ct$$

where b , k , and c are positive constants. Show that the angle between the velocity vector and the acceleration vector remains constant as the bee moves outward. (*Hint: Find $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{a}/va$.*)

- 1.20 Work Problem 1.18 using cylindrical coordinates where $R = b$, $\phi = \omega t$, and $z = ct^2$.
- 1.21 The position of a particle as a function of time is given by

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{i}(1 - e^{-kt}) + \mathbf{j}e^{kt}$$

where k is a positive constant. Find the velocity and acceleration of the particle. Sketch its trajectory.

- 1.22 An ant crawls on the surface of a ball of radius b in such a manner that the ant's motion is given in spherical coordinates by the equations

$$r = b \quad \phi = \omega t \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \left[1 + \frac{1}{4} \cos(4\omega t) \right]$$

Find the speed of the ant as a function of the time t . What sort of path is represented by the above equations?

- 1.23 Prove that $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{a} = v\dot{v}$ and, hence, that for a moving particle \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{a} are perpendicular to each other if the speed v is constant. (Hint: Differentiate both sides of the equation $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = v^2$ with respect to t . Note, \dot{v} is not the same as $|\dot{\mathbf{a}}|$. It is the magnitude of the acceleration of the particle along its instantaneous direction of motion.)

- 1.24 Prove that

$$\frac{d}{dt} [\mathbf{r} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{a})] = \mathbf{r} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \dot{\mathbf{a}})$$

- 1.25 Show that the tangential component of the acceleration of a moving particle is given by the expression

$$a_\tau = \frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{a}}{v}$$

and the normal component is therefore

$$a_n = (a^2 - a_\tau^2)^{1/2} = \left[a^2 - \frac{(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{a})^2}{v^2} \right]^{1/2}$$

- 1.26 Use the above result to find the tangential and normal components of the acceleration as functions of time in Problems 1.18 and 1.19.
- 1.27 Prove that $|\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{a}| = v^3/\rho$, where ρ is the radius of curvature of the path of a moving particle.
- 1.28 A wheel of radius b rolls along the ground with constant forward acceleration a_0 . Show that, at any given instant, the magnitude of the acceleration of any point on the wheel is $(a_0^2 + v^4/b^2)^{1/2}$ relative to the center of the wheel and is also $a_0[2 + 2 \cos \theta + v^4/a_0^2 b^2 - (2v^2/a_0 b) \sin \theta]^{1/2}$ relative to the ground. Here v is the instantaneous forward speed, and θ defines the location of the point on the wheel, measured forward from the highest point. Which point has the greatest acceleration relative to the ground?

Problem 1.5 - \vec{A}, \vec{B} known. $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C} = u$
where u is known. $\vec{A} \times \vec{C} = \vec{B}$

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$$\begin{aligned}\vec{B} \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{C}) &= \vec{B} \times \vec{B} = \vec{0} \\ &= (\vec{B} \times \vec{A}) \times \vec{C} = -(\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{C}\end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = \vec{0}$$

Using CAB rule

$$\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = \vec{0} = \vec{B}(\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C}) - \vec{C}(\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})$$

$$\vec{C} = \frac{\vec{B}(\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C})}{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}} = \frac{u \vec{B}}{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}}$$

Problem 1.6

$$A = \hat{i} \alpha t + \hat{j} B t^2 + \hat{k} \gamma t^3$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \hat{i} \alpha + \hat{j} (2Bt) + \hat{k} (3\gamma t^2)$$

$$\frac{dA^2}{dt} = \hat{j} (2B) + \hat{k} (6\gamma t)$$

Problem 1.7

$$\vec{A} = q\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{B} = q\hat{i} - q\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{A} \perp \vec{B} \quad \text{if} \quad \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = q^2 - 3q + 2 = 0$$

$$(q-1)(q-2) = 0$$

$$q=1, \quad q=2 \quad \text{give} \quad \vec{A} \perp \vec{B}$$

Problem 1.8

Algebraically $|\vec{A} + \vec{B}|^2 = (\vec{A} + \vec{B}) \cdot (\vec{A} + \vec{B})$

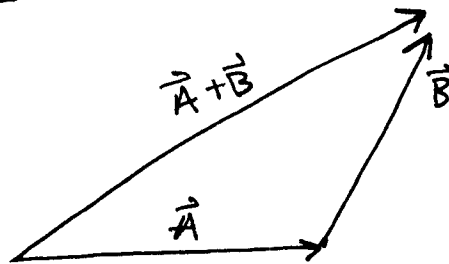
$$= A^2 + B^2 + 2\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}$$

$$(|A| + |B|)^2 = |A|^2 + |B|^2 + 2|A||B|$$

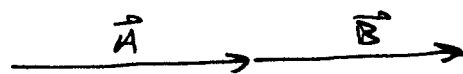
So $|\vec{A} + \vec{B}| \leq |A| + |B|$

because $2\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = 2|A||B|\cos\theta \leq 2|A||B|$

Geometrically



The length $|\vec{A} + \vec{B}|$ is at most $|A| + |B|$ because the longest $|\vec{A} + \vec{B}|$ can be is



and the length of the combination is $|A| + |B|$

Algebraically

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \cos \theta \leq |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}|$$

because $\cos \theta \leq 1$

Geometrically

$$\text{Prove } |A \cdot \hat{B}| \leq |\vec{A}|$$

The dot product projects \vec{A} in the direction \hat{n} .
The projection cannot be longer than \vec{A} itself.

Problem 1.9

$$\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) =$$

$$\vec{B} \times \vec{C} = \begin{pmatrix} i & j & k \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \\ C_x & C_y & C_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (B_y C_z - B_z C_y) \hat{i}$$

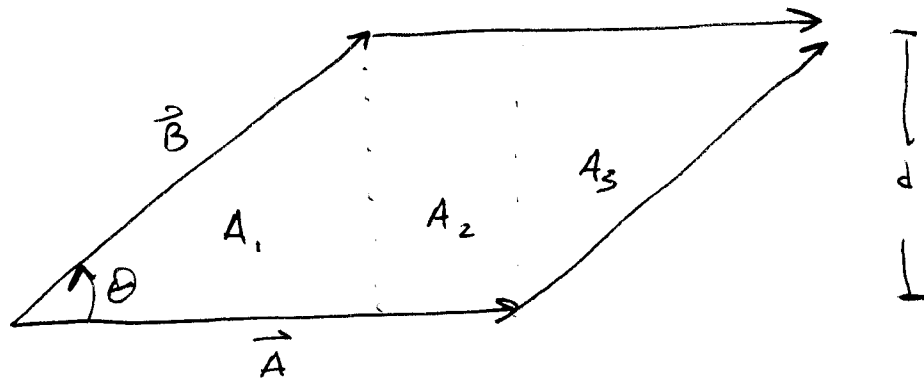
$$- (B_x C_z - B_z C_x) \hat{j}$$

$$+ (B_x C_y - B_y C_x) \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = \begin{pmatrix} i & j & k \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_y C_z - B_z C_y, & - (B_x C_z - B_z C_x), & (B_x C_y - B_y C_x) \end{pmatrix}$$

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Problem 1.10



By combining A_1 and A_3 we form a rectangle with the same area as the parallelogram. The area of the rectangle is $d |\vec{A}| = \text{Area}$

$$\frac{d}{|\vec{B}|} = \sin \theta$$

$$\text{Area} = |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \sin \theta = |\vec{A} \times \vec{B}|$$

Problem 1.11

$$\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = \begin{vmatrix} A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \\ C_x & C_y & C_z \end{vmatrix}$$

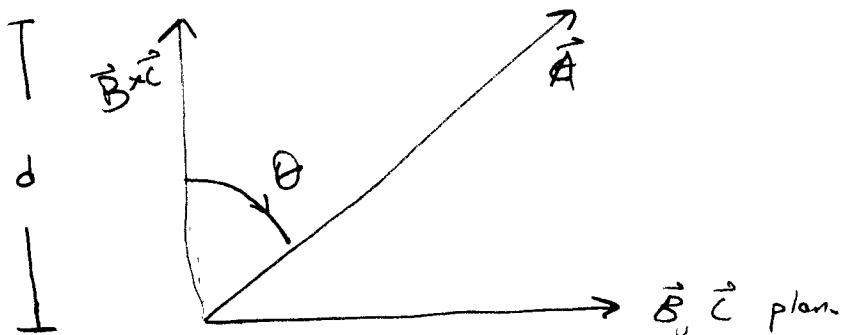
~~$\vec{B} \cdot (\vec{A} \times \vec{C}) = \begin{vmatrix} B_x & B_y & B_z \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ C_x & C_y & C_z \end{vmatrix}$~~

$$= - \begin{vmatrix} B_x & B_y & B_z \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ C_x & C_y & C_z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -\vec{B} \cdot (\vec{A} \times \vec{C})$$

Problem 1.12 Show $|\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C})|$
is volume of parallelepiped.

$$|\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C})| = |\vec{A}| |\vec{B} \times \vec{C}| \cos \theta$$



$$\frac{d}{|\vec{A}|} = \cos \theta$$

The area of the parallelepiped (in the shape of the base) is $d |\vec{B} \times \vec{C}| = |\vec{A}| |\vec{B} \times \vec{C}| \cos \theta$ (imagine adding slices)

Problem 1.13

Rotation about z-axis

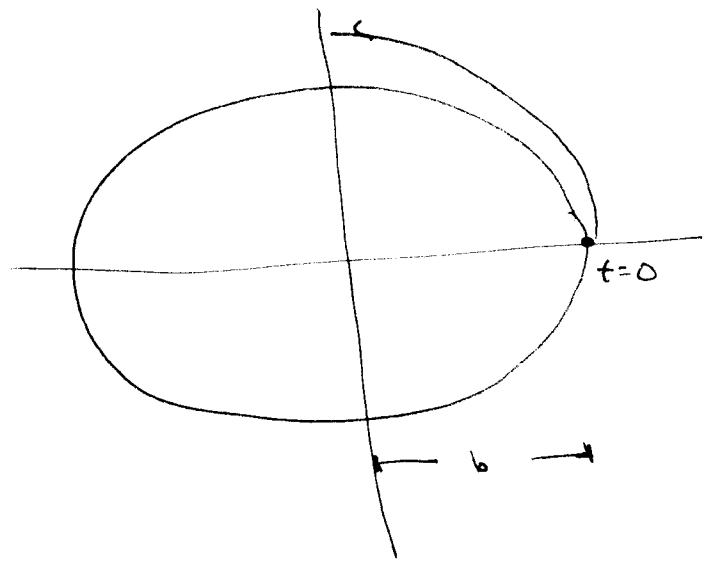
$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos\phi & \sin\phi & 0 \\ -\sin\phi & \cos\phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Problem 1.17

Ball spun in trajectory -

$$\vec{r}(t) = \hat{i} b \cos \omega t + \hat{j} 2b \sin \omega t$$

$$\vec{v}(t) = \dot{\vec{r}} = -i b \omega \sin \omega t + 2b \omega \cos \omega t \hat{j}$$



$$\vec{v}(0) = 2b\omega \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v}\left(\frac{\pi}{2\omega}\right) = -b\omega \hat{i}$$

Speed

$$v = \sqrt{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}}$$

$$= \sqrt{b^2 \omega^2 \sin^2 \omega t + 4b^2 \omega^2 \cos^2 \omega t}$$

$$= \sqrt{b^2 \omega^2 + 3b^2 \omega^2 \cos^2 \omega t}$$

Problem 1.21

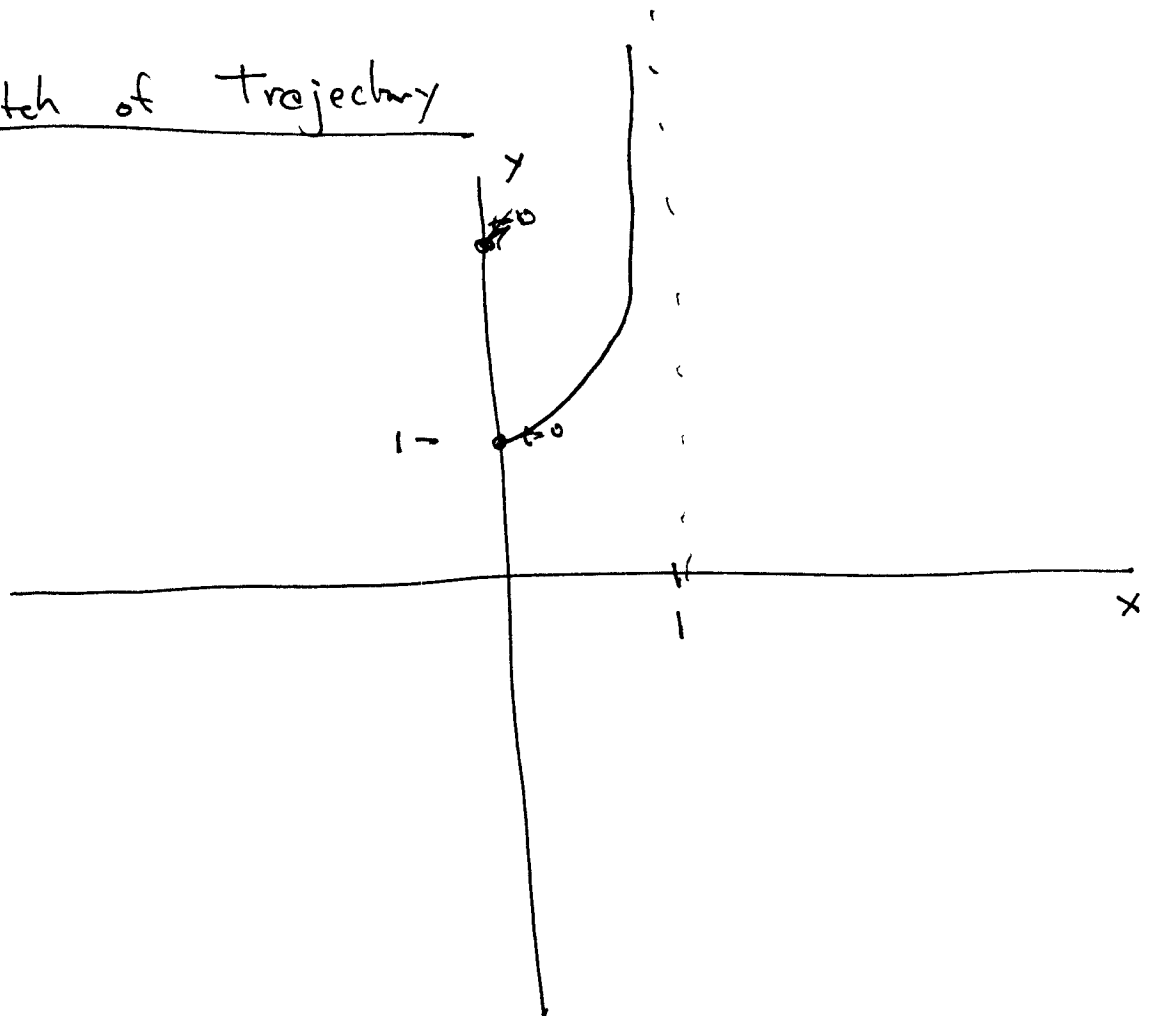
The position of a particle is given by

$$\vec{r}(t) = \hat{i}(1 - e^{-kt}) + \hat{j}e^{kt}$$

$$\vec{v} = \dot{\vec{r}} = \hat{i}ke^{-kt} + \hat{j}ke^{kt}$$

$$\vec{a} = -\hat{i}k^2e^{-kt} + \hat{j}k^2e^{kt}$$

Sketch of Trajectory



Problem 1.24

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{r} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{a})$$

$$= \vec{v} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{a}) \stackrel{=0}{=} + \vec{r} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{v} \times \vec{a})$$

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{a} \perp \vec{v}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\vec{v} \times \vec{a}) = \underbrace{\vec{a} \times \vec{a}}_0 + \vec{v} \times \vec{a}'$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \vec{r} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{a}) = \vec{r} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{a}')$$