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Quiz 4: Parametric Equations and Vectors

Time: 15 Minutes	References: Basic Calculator, Ref. Sheet, Text book, and computer (no connectivity)	Based out of 100%
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1. Find the position vector function $\vec{r}(t)$ of a Patriot missile given its acceleration vector

function $\vec{a}(t) = 7t\hat{i} - \frac{t^3}{2}\hat{j} + \sin(t)\hat{k}$, its initial position and velocity vector $\vec{v}(0) = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and

$\vec{r}(0) = 3\hat{i} - 1\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}$, respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}(t) &= \int \vec{a}(t) dt = \int (7t\hat{i} - \frac{t^3}{2}\hat{j} + \sin(t)\hat{k}) dt \\ &= (\frac{7}{2}t^2 + C_1)\hat{i} + (-\frac{t^4}{2 \cdot 4} + C_2)\hat{j} + (-\cos(t) + C_3)\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}(t) &= \int \vec{v}(t) dt = \int ((\frac{7}{2}t^2 + 1)\hat{i} + (-\frac{t^4}{8} + 2)\hat{j} + (-\cos(t))\hat{k}) dt \\ &= (\frac{7}{2 \cdot 3}t^3 + 1t + D_1)\hat{i} + (-\frac{t^5}{8 \cdot 5} + 2t + D_2)\hat{j} + (-\sin(t) + D_3)\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = (\frac{7}{6}t^3 + t + 3)\hat{i} + (-\frac{t^5}{40} + 2t - 1)\hat{j} + (-\sin(t) + 1)\hat{k} \quad \text{ANS}$$

side order of equations

① $\frac{7}{2}(0)^2 + C_1 = 1 \Rightarrow C_1 = 1$

② $-\frac{0^4}{8} + C_2 = 2 \Rightarrow C_2 = 2$

③ $-\cos(0) + C_3 = -1 \Rightarrow C_3 = 0$

① $\frac{7}{6}0^3 + 1(0) + D_1 = 3 \Rightarrow D_1 = 3$

② $-\frac{0^5}{40} + 2(0) + D_2 = -1 \Rightarrow D_2 = -1$

③ $-\sin(0) + D_3 = 1 \Rightarrow D_3 = 1$

2. Describe the position vector found above as an equivalent set of parametric equations.

$$x(t) = \frac{7}{6}t^3 + t + 3$$

$$y(t) = -\frac{t^5}{40} + 2t - 1$$

$$z(t) = -\sin(t) + 1$$

ANS.

3. What is the missile's coordinate point in space after 3 seconds.

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}(3) &= (\frac{7}{6}(3)^3 + 3 + 3)\hat{i} + (-\frac{3^5}{40} + 2(3) - 1)\hat{j} + (-\sin(3) + 1)\hat{k} \\ &= 37.5\hat{i} - 1.075\hat{j} + 0.859\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$(x, y, z) = (37.5, -1.075, 0.859)$$

ANS.