

TAM 212. Midterm 1. Mar. 5, 20145.
Discussion ‘Quiz’

- There are 20 questions, each worth 5 points.
- You must not communicate with other students during this test.
- No electronic devices allowed.
- This is a 2 hour exam.
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- There are several different versions of this exam.

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2. Circle your discussion section:

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3. Fill in the following answers on the Scantron form:

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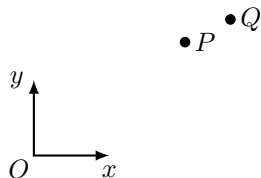
93. A

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95. D

96. C

1/1. (1 point) Points P and Q are moving in circular paths around the origin O with angular velocities ω_P and ω_Q .



The two particles are moving with the same speed. Which statement is true?

- A. $|\omega_P| \leq \frac{1}{2}|\omega_Q|$
- B. $\frac{1}{2}|\omega_Q| < |\omega_P| \leq |\omega_Q|$
- C. ★ $|\omega_Q| < |\omega_P| \leq 2|\omega_Q|$
- D. $2|\omega_Q| < |\omega_P|$

Solution. If the particles both have speed v then we can observe from the diagram that ω_P is a little bit higher than ω_Q .

More precisely, taking absolute values to ignore the direction, we have:

$$|\omega_P| = \frac{v}{r_P}$$

$$|\omega_Q| = \frac{v}{r_Q}$$

$$|\omega_P| = \frac{r_Q}{r_P}|\omega_Q|.$$

From the diagram, $\frac{r_Q}{r_P} \approx 1.25$, so ω_P is larger than $|\omega_Q|$, but smaller than $2|\omega_Q|$.

2/1. (1 point) A particle moves so that its position vector in the Cartesian basis is given by

$$\vec{r} = \cos t \hat{i} + \sin t \hat{j} + t \hat{k} \text{ m.}$$

Using cylindrical coordinates, what is the angular component of velocity v_θ at $t = \pi/4$ s?

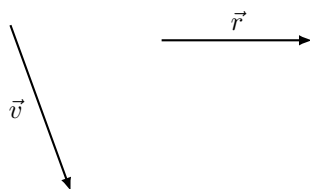
- A. $v_\theta < -1$ m/s
- B. $-1 \text{ m/s} \leq v_\theta < 0 \text{ m/s}$
- C. $v_\theta = 0$ m/s
- D. $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_\theta < 1 \text{ m/s}$
- E. ★ $1 \text{ m/s} \leq v_\theta$

Solution. If we realize that the \hat{i}, \hat{j} motion is uniform circular motion with constant $R = 1$ m and $\dot{\theta} = 1$ rad/s, then we know that $v_\theta = R\dot{\theta} = 1$ m/s.

Alternatively, $\vec{r} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{j} + \frac{\pi}{4} \hat{k}$, so $\hat{e}_r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{j}$ and $\hat{e}_\theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{j}$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}(t) &= \cos t \hat{i} + \sin t \hat{j} + t \hat{k} \\ \vec{v}(t) &= -\sin t \hat{i} + \cos t \hat{j} + \hat{k} \\ \vec{v}(\pi/4) &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{j} + \hat{k} \\ v_\theta &= \vec{v} \cdot \hat{e}_\theta \\ &= \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{j} \right) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{j} + \hat{k} \right) \\ &= 1 \text{ m/s.}\end{aligned}$$

3/1. (1 point) The position vector \vec{r} and velocity \vec{v} for a single particle P are shown below at a particular instant.

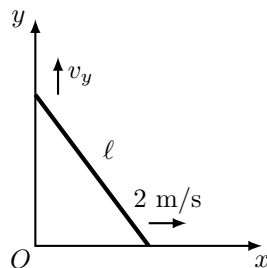


Which statement about \dot{r} is true at this instant?

- A. ★ $\dot{r} > 0$
- B. $\dot{r} = 0$
- C. $\dot{r} < 0$

Solution. $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{r} > 0$ so \vec{v} has a positive component in the \vec{r} direction, meaning that \vec{r} is getting longer and $\dot{r} > 0$.

4/1. (1 point) A ladder leaning against the wall has a fixed length of $\ell = 5$ m. The bottom of the ladder is 3 m from the wall and is moving along the ground away from the wall at a speed of 2 m/s. What is the vertical component of the velocity v_y of the top of the ladder, assuming it remains in contact with the wall?

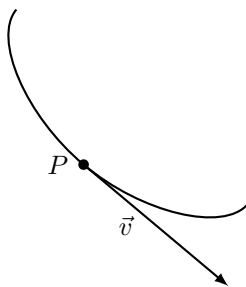


- A. ★ $v_y < -1$ m/s
- B. -1 m/s $\leq v_y < 0$ m/s
- C. $v_y = 0$ m/s
- D. 0 m/s $< v_y < 1$ m/s
- E. 1 m/s $< v_y$

Solution. Taking x to be the horizontal coordinate of the bottom of the ladder, and y the vertical coordinate of the top of the ladder, we have $x = 3$ and $y = 4$ at the instant shown. Then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \ell^2 &= x^2 + y^2 \\
 0 &= 2x\dot{x} + 2y\dot{y} \\
 \dot{y} &= -\frac{x}{y}\dot{x} \\
 v_y &= -\frac{3}{4}2 \\
 &= -1.5 \text{ m/s.}
 \end{aligned}$$

5/1. (1 point) A point P is moving around a curve and at a given instant has position and velocity \vec{v} as shown.



Which direction is the closest to the direction of the normal basis vector \hat{e}_n at the instant shown?

- A. ↙
- B. ↘
- C. ↖
- D. ★ ↗

Solution. \hat{e}_n is inwards to the curve.
