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1. Given the parametric equation of the curve C:

$$F(t) = t^3i + t^3j + t^3k, \quad -1 \leq t \leq 1$$

(a) Find a length function  $s = s(t)$  for C.

$$F'(u) = 3u^2i + 3u^2j + 3u^2k$$
$$F'(u) = 3u^2i + 3u^2j + 3u^2k$$
$$\|F'\| = \sqrt{3(9u^4)}$$
$$= \sqrt{27u^4} = 3u^2\sqrt{3}$$

$$s(t) = \int_{-1}^t \|F'(u)\| du$$
$$s(t) = \sqrt{3} \int_{-1}^t 3u^2 du$$
$$= \sqrt{3} \left( \frac{3}{3}u^3 \right) \Big|_{-1}^t$$
$$= \sqrt{3} u^3 \Big|_{-1}^t$$
$$s(t) = \sqrt{3} (t^3 + 1)$$

(b) Write the position vector of C as a function of s.

$$s(t) = \sqrt{3} (t^3 + 1)$$
$$t = \sqrt[3]{\frac{s}{\sqrt{3}} - 1}$$
$$G(s) = F(t(s)) = \left( \sqrt[3]{\frac{s}{\sqrt{3}} - 1} \right)^3 i + \left( \sqrt[3]{\frac{s}{\sqrt{3}} - 1} \right)^3 j + \left( \sqrt[3]{\frac{s}{\sqrt{3}} - 1} \right)^3 k$$
$$= \left( \frac{s}{\sqrt{3}} - 1 \right) i + \left( \frac{s}{\sqrt{3}} - 1 \right) j + \left( \frac{s}{\sqrt{3}} - 1 \right) k$$

(c) Verify that the resulting position vector has a derivative of length 1.

$$G'(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} j + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} k$$

$$\|G'(s)\| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}}$$

2. (a) Find the unit tangent ( $\mathbf{T}$ ), unit normal ( $\mathbf{N}$ ) for the curve  $\mathbf{C}$ :

$$\mathbf{F}(t) = \sin 4t \mathbf{i} + 3t \mathbf{j} + \cos 4t \mathbf{k} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{F}'(t) = 4 \cos 4t \mathbf{i} + 3 \mathbf{j} - 4 \sin 4t \mathbf{k}$$

$$\|\mathbf{F}'(t)\| = \sqrt{(4 \cos 4t)^2 + (3)^2 + (4 \sin 4t)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{16(\cos^2 4t + \sin^2 4t) + 9}$$

$$= \sqrt{16 + 9}$$

$$= \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \frac{\mathbf{F}'(t)}{\|\mathbf{F}'(t)\|} = \frac{1}{5} (4 \cos 4t \mathbf{i} + 3 \mathbf{j} - 4 \sin 4t \mathbf{k})$$

$$= \frac{4}{5} \cos 4t \mathbf{i} + \frac{3}{5} \mathbf{j} - \frac{4}{5} \sin 4t \mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{T}' = -\frac{16}{5} \sin 4t \mathbf{i} - \frac{16}{5} \cos 4t \mathbf{k}$$

$$\|\mathbf{T}'\| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{16}{5}\right)^2 (\sin^2 4t + \cos^2 4t)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{16}{5}\right)^2} = \frac{16}{5}$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{T}'}{\|\mathbf{T}'\|} = \frac{1}{16} \left( -\frac{16}{5} \sin 4t \mathbf{i} - \frac{16}{5} \cos 4t \mathbf{k} \right)$$

$$= -\sin 4t \mathbf{i} - \cos 4t \mathbf{k}$$

(b) Find the curvature of the curve  $\mathbf{C}$  in (1).

$$\text{or } \kappa = \frac{\|\mathbf{T}'\|}{\|\mathbf{F}'\|} = \frac{\frac{16}{5}}{5} = \frac{16}{25}$$

$$\mathbf{F}'(t) = 4 \cos 4t \mathbf{i} + 3 \mathbf{j} - 4 \sin 4t \mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{F}''(t) = -16 \sin 4t \mathbf{i} - 16 \cos 4t \mathbf{k}$$

$$\frac{16}{48} \quad \frac{16}{64}$$

$$\mathbf{F}' \times \mathbf{F}'' = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 4 \cos 4t & 3 & -4 \sin 4t \\ -16 \sin 4t & 0 & -16 \cos 4t \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \mathbf{i}(-48 \cos 4t) - \mathbf{j}(-64 \cos^2 4t - 64 \sin^2 4t) + \mathbf{k}(48 \sin 4t)$$

$$= (-48 \cos 4t) \mathbf{i} + 64 \mathbf{j} + (48 \sin 4t) \mathbf{k}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{\|\mathbf{F}'(t) \times \mathbf{F}''(t)\|}{\|\mathbf{F}'(t)\|^3}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{48^2 + 64^2}}{(5)^3}$$

$$= \frac{80}{125}$$

$$= \frac{16}{25}$$

$$\sqrt{16^2 (\sin^2 4t + \cos^2 4t) + 64^2}$$