

13.2, number 17: Find $\vec{r}(t)$ if $\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} = -32\vec{k}$, $\vec{r}(0) = 100\vec{k}$, and $\left.\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}\right|_{t=0} = 8\vec{i} + 8\vec{j}$.

Answer: Integrate $\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} = -32\vec{k}$ to learn that

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = -32t\vec{k} + \vec{c}.$$

Plug in $t = 0$ to learn that $8\vec{i} + 8\vec{j} = \left.\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}\right|_{t=0} = -32(0) + \vec{c}$. Thus,

$$8\vec{i} + 8\vec{j} = \vec{c}$$

and

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = -32t\vec{k} + \vec{c} = 8\vec{i} + 8\vec{j} - 32t\vec{k}.$$

Integrate again,

$$\vec{r} = 8t\vec{i} + 8t\vec{j} - 16t^2\vec{k} + \vec{c}_1.$$

Plug in $\vec{r}(0) = 100\vec{k}$ to learn

$$100\vec{k} = \vec{r}(0) = \vec{c}_1.$$

Thus,

$$\boxed{\vec{r}(t) = 8t\vec{i} + 8t\vec{j} + (100 - 16t^2)\vec{k}.$$