

Math 120-Recitation Week 5

1. Find the Maclaurin series of $(2 + 3x^2)^{1/10}$ and state the open interval that it converges to the function.

2. Find the Taylor series expansion of $\frac{1}{x(x+3)}$ about the point $a = 1$.

3. In the following describe and sketch the set of points in \mathbb{R}^3 that satisfy the given pair of equations and inequalities:

a) $x = 1, \quad z = 3$ b) $x^2 + y^2 = 4, \quad z \geq y$ c) $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 9, \quad z = x$

4. Let $A = (1, 2), B = (3, 4)$ and $C = (5, -4)$ be vertices of a triangle. Using vector methods find the point G where the medians of the triangle meet. Find the vector and scalar projection of the vector represented by \vec{BG} on the vector represented by \vec{BC} .

5. (Just as a supplement to the material that will be covered in the lecture)

a) Show that $|\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}|^2 = |\mathbf{a}|^2 + 2 \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} + |\mathbf{b}|^2$

b) Show that $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} \leq |\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}|$ (Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality)

c) Deduce from (a) and (b) that $|\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}| \leq |\mathbf{a}| + |\mathbf{b}|$ (Triangle Inequality)

6. a) Find the symmetric equations for the line that passes through the point $(0, 2, -1)$ and is parallel to the line with parametric equations $x = 1 + 2t, \quad y = 3t, \quad z = 5 - 7t$.

b) Find the points in which the line in part a) intersect the coordinate planes.

7. Let L_1 and L_2 be the lines given by the parametric equations

$$L_1: x = 1 + 2t, \quad y = 1 + 9t, \quad z = 2 - t,$$

$$L_2: x = -1 + t, \quad y = 4 + t, \quad z = 1 + 3t.$$

Determine whether L_1 and L_2 are parallel, intersecting or skew. If they intersect find the intersection point.

8. Find the distance d from the point $(2, 1, 0)$ to the line with equations $x = -2, \quad y + 1 = z$.