# Calculus 3 Exercises!

## **Polynomial Approximations**

- **1.** Find the degree 5 Taylor polynomial at x=0 for each of these functions:
  - a.  $\cos x$

b. 
$$1 - 3x^2 + 2x^3 + x^7 + 4x^{10}$$

c. 
$$(1-2x)^2 + (1-3x)^3 + x^{1000}$$

$$d. \ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x}}$$

e. 
$$(1+x)^{\pi}$$

f. 
$$\sin(4x)$$

g. 
$$e^x$$

h. 
$$e^{\pi x}$$

i. 
$$(1+x)^{\pi} + \sin(4x)$$

i. 
$$(1-x)^{-3}$$

k. The function f(x) which satisfies f(0) = 1 and

$$f'(x) = f(x/2).$$

(Don't be intimidated by the abstraction here, just the usual thing: take derivatives using the chain rule and then plug in 0.)

- **2.** Which degree 5 polynomial best approximates  $\sqrt{1+x}$  at x=0? Use this polynomial evaluated at x=1 to find an approximation of the value of  $\sqrt{2}$ . Use a calculator to determine the (absolute) error in using this approximation.
- **3.** Throughout this exercise, let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{3-x}$ .
  - a. Find an M such that  $|f^{(n+1)}(x)| < M$  for all x in [-1,1]. (The value of M involves n.)
  - b. Use the formula

$$Error \leq \frac{M}{n!} |a|^{n+1}$$

where M is the value found in part a. to find a bound on the error when using the degree n Taylor polynomial to approximate the value of f(1).

**4.** Let 
$$f(x) = \cos 2x$$
.

- a. Find an M such that  $|f^{(n+1)}(x)| < M$  for all x in  $[-\pi,\pi]$ . (The value of M involves n.)
- b. Use the formula

$$Error \le \frac{M}{n!} |a|^{n+1}$$

where M is the value found in part a. to find a bound on the error when using the degree n Taylor polynomial to approximate the value of f(1).

**5.** The approximation

$$\sin x \approx x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!}$$

is the best degree 8 polynomial approximation for  $\sin x$  at x=0. Show that the error in using this approximation is less than 0.1 when  $-\pi \le x \le \pi$ .

**6.** Let 
$$f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right)$$
.

- a. Find the degree n Taylor polynomial at x=0 for f(x).
- b. Show that if x is in  $\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$ , then

$$\left| f^{(n+1)}(x) \right| \le 2^{n+1} n!.$$

- c. Show that the error when approximating  $\ln 2$  by taking x=1/2 in the polynomial in part a. is at most 1/(n+1). How large should n be in order to make 1/(n+1) < 0.05?
- d. Using part a., approximate the value of ln 2 so that the error is smaller than 0.05. (Leave your answer as a sum of fractions.)
- 7. Find the degree 5 Taylor polynomial for
  - a.  $\cos x$  at  $x = \pi/2$ .
  - b.  $1-3x^2+2x^3+x^7+4x^{10}$  at x=1.
  - c.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x}}$  at x = -2.
  - d.  $(1-x)^{-3}$  at x=2.
  - e.  $\sqrt{3 + x}$  at x = 1.
  - f. The function f(x) which satisfies f'(x) = 2f(x) and f(1) = -1 at x = 1.

#### **Infinite Series**

**8.** Simplify these sums (or write "divergent!" if the sum does not exist):

a. 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (0.7)^n$$
.

b. 
$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{3^n}{5^{n-1}}$$
.

c. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^n + 6^n}{7^n}$$
.

d. 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{5^n 6^n}{7^n}$$
.

e. 
$$9.99999 \cdot \cdot \cdot = 9 + 0.9 + 0.09 + 0.009 + \cdot \cdot \cdot$$

**9.** For which values of *x* do these sums converge? What functions are they equal to when they do converge?

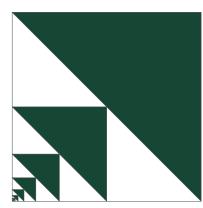
a. 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x+1)^n$$
.

b. 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2x)^n$$
.

c. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2x^n$$
.

d. 
$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (3x-2)^n$$
.

**10.** What percentage of the area in the following square is green?



**11.** Do the following series converge or diverge? Give a reason why your answer is correct.

a. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+n^2}{1+n^4}$$

b. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{3+\sin n}}$$

c. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2 + \sin n}{2^n}$$

d. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+2}{(n+1)^3}$$

e. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+3^n}{1+2^n}$$

f. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n+5}$$

g. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^3+1}}$$

i. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - 1}{3n^4 + 1}$$

$$j. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2+2}}$$

k. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{100^n}{n!}$$

$$1. \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2n}{\sqrt{n}+1}$$

$$\mathbf{m.} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 e^{-n}$$

n. 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n!)^2}{2^{n^2}}$$

**12.** For which values of x do the following series converge?

$$a. \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (\ln n) x^n$$

$$b. \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n}}{n^4}$$

c. 
$$1 + \frac{1 \cdot 4}{1 \cdot 3}x + \frac{1 \cdot 4 \cdot 7}{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}x^2 + \frac{1 \cdot 4 \cdot 7 \cdot 10}{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7}x^3 + \cdots$$

d. 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3^{\sqrt{n}} x^n$$

e. 
$$1 + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 5}x + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 5 \cdot 9}x^2 + \cdots$$

**13.** Do the following alternating series converge or diverge? Please provide a reason why your answer is correct.

a. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n}{n^2}$$

b. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{1+\sqrt{n}}$$

c. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 5^n}{4^n}$$

e. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n n^n$$

f. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n$$

**14.** Approximate the sum of each of the following series to within 1/100 of the true value. You may leave your answer as a sum of fractions.

a. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n!}}.$$

b. 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$$
.

c. 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n^2}{2^n}.$$

#### **Power series**

15. Every human is born knowing these series:

$$e^{x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n}}{n!}$$
 (true for all  $x$ )
$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^{n}$$
 (true for all  $-1 < x < 1$ )
$$\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+1}$$
 (true for all  $x$ )

By differentiating, integrating, or otherwise manipulating one of the above series, find the series representations for each of the functions below. Include the values of x for which equality holds.

a. 
$$\frac{\sin(x^2)}{x}$$

b. 
$$\frac{1}{1+x}$$

c. 
$$\frac{1}{1-x^2}$$

d. 
$$\frac{e^{-x^2}-1}{x^2}$$

e. 
$$x^3 \cos(x^2)$$

f. 
$$\int \frac{\sin x}{x} \, dx$$

g. 
$$\int e^{-x^3} dx$$

$$h. \ \frac{\arctan x - x}{x^2}$$

i. 
$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1 - \cos\left(\sqrt{x}\right)}{x} \right)$$

**16.** By multiplication or division of known series, find the first 4 terms in the Taylor series for:

a. 
$$e^{2x} \sin(x/2)$$

b. 
$$e^{-x^2}/(1-x)$$

c. 
$$(\arctan x)^2$$

d. 
$$1/\cos x$$

17. a. Find the interval and radius of convergence for

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(n!)^2} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2n}.$$

b. Show that y satisfies the differential equation

$$x^2y'' + xy' + x^2y = 0.$$

(Take two derivatives of y, plug it into the differential equation, and show that everything simplifies to 0.)

# **Parametric Equations**

**18.** Plot these parametric curves (with starting and ending points and an arrow indicating direction):

a. 
$$\begin{cases} x = 3t - 5, \\ y = 2t + 1 \end{cases} \text{ for } t \in (-\infty, \infty)$$

b. 
$$\begin{cases} x = t^2 - 2, \\ y = 5 - 2t \end{cases} \text{ for } t \in [-3, 4]$$

c. 
$$\begin{cases} x = t^2, \\ y = t^3 \end{cases} \text{ for } t \in [-1, 1]$$

d. 
$$\begin{cases} x = 2\cos(3t), \\ y = 3\sin(3t) \end{cases}$$
 for  $t \in [-\pi/2, 3\pi/2]$ 

e. 
$$\begin{cases} x = \ln t, \\ y = \sqrt{t} \end{cases} \text{ for } t \in [1, \infty)$$

**19.** Find the line tangent to the curves at the indicated point:

a. 
$$\begin{cases} x = 6 \sin t \\ y = t^2 + t \end{cases}$$
 at the point found when  $t = 1$ .

b. 
$$\begin{cases} x = \cos t + \cos(2t) \\ y = \sin t + \sin(2t) \end{cases}$$
 at the point  $(-1, 1)$ .

**20.** Find the first and second derivatives of these parametric curves. For which values of t is the parametric equation concave up?

a. 
$$\begin{cases} x = 2\sin t \\ y = 3\cos t \end{cases}$$

b. 
$$\begin{cases} x = t^3 - 12t \\ y = t^2 - 1 \end{cases}$$

21. Find the exact length of the curve:

a. 
$$\begin{cases} x = 1 + 3t^2, \\ y = 4 + 2t^3 \end{cases} \text{ for } t \in [0, 1]$$

b. 
$$\begin{cases} x = e^t + e^{-t}, \\ y = 5 - 2t \end{cases} \text{ for } t \in [0, 3]$$

c. 
$$\begin{cases} x = e^t \cos t, \\ y = e^t \sin t \end{cases} \text{ for } t \in [0, \pi]$$

22. Consider the parametric equations

$$\begin{cases} x = \int_0^t \frac{\cos u}{1 + u^2} du, \\ y = \int_0^t \frac{\sin u}{1 + u^2} du \end{cases}$$

for  $t \in [0, \infty)$ . What is the first positive value of t for which this curve has a vertical tangent line? What is the length of the curve from (0,0) to this value?

### **Polar Equations**

23. Plot these polar functions:

a. 
$$r = \theta$$
 for  $\theta \in [-\pi, \pi]$ ,

b. 
$$r = \sin \theta$$
 for  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$ .

c. 
$$r = 1 - 2\cos\theta$$
 for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ .

**24.** Find the equation of the line tangent to the polar curve at the given point:

a. 
$$r = 2\sin 2\theta$$
 at  $\theta = 3\pi/4$ .

**b.** 
$$r = 1/\theta$$
 at the  $x, y$  coordinate  $(0, 2/\pi)$ .

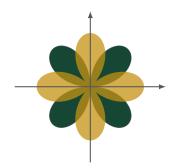
**25.** Find the points on the polar curve where the tangent line has a horizontal or a vertical tangent:

a. 
$$r = 1 + \cos \theta$$
.

b. 
$$r = 4$$

**26.** Find the area swept out by the polar equation  $r = \sqrt{\theta}$  for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ .

**27.** Find the area enclosed by the graph of  $r = \sin(2\theta)$  but outside the graph of  $r = \cos(2\theta)$ :



28. Find the exact length of the polar curve

a. 
$$r = 3 \sin \theta$$
 for  $\theta \in [0, \pi/3]$ .

b. 
$$r = e^{2\theta}$$
 for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ .

# Vectors in $\mathbb{R}^3$

**29.** Draw the points in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  represented by these relations:

a. 
$$x^2 + z^2 < 3$$

b. 
$$(x-1)^2 + y^2 + (z+1)^2 = 1$$

c. 
$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 6x + 4y - 2z = 11$$
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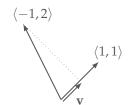
- **30.** The vector  $\mathbf{v}$  lies in the first quadrant of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , has **37.** Find the area of this parallelogram:  $|\mathbf{v}| = 4$ , and makes an angle of  $\pi/3$  with the x-axis. Write **v** as  $\langle a, b \rangle$  for some real numbers a and b.
- **31.** Do the following operations on the vectors  $\mathbf{u} =$ (3,1,2),  $\mathbf{v} = (2,0,-1)$ , and  $\mathbf{w} = (1,1,1)$ :
  - a. Find a vector in the same direction as  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$  but has length 2.
  - b. Find the angle between u and v and the angle between u and w.
  - c. Find the cross products  $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u}$ .
  - d.  $|\mathbf{u} \times (2\mathbf{v} \mathbf{w})|$ .
  - e. Find two unit vectors in a direction orthogonal to both **u** and **v**.
- **32.** Find the cross product of  $\langle t, t^2, t^3 \rangle$  and  $\langle 1, 2t, 3t^2 \rangle$ and show that it is orthogonal to both vectors.
- 33. Find all vectors **u** and **v** such that

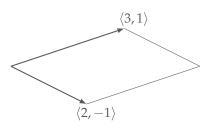
$$|\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}| = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}.$$

- **34.** Let  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$  be vectors. Which of these operations make sense?
  - a.  $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w}$
  - b.  $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{w}$
  - c.  $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})|\mathbf{w}|$
  - d.  $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w}$
  - e.  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w}$
  - f.  $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w}$
  - g.  $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \times \mathbf{w}$
  - h.  $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \times \mathbf{w}$
- **35.** Show, for any general vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , that

$$(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0.$$

**36.** Find the vector **v** depicted here:





**38.** Generalizing question **37**, find a formula for the area of the parallelogram defined by the two vectors  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{u}$ in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

#### **Lines and Planes**

- 39. Find the parametric equations for the lines described below:
  - a. The line passing through the point (2,3,-1) and parallel to  $\langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle$ .
  - b. The line passing through the point (0,3,-1) and perpendicular to both  $\langle 2, 2, 1 \rangle$  and  $\langle 1, -2, 1 \rangle$ .
  - c. The line passing through the points (0, 1, -1) and (2,2,2).
  - d. The line of intersection between the planes x + y + yz = 1 and x + z = 0.
- **40.** Find the equation for the planes described below:
  - a. The plane passing through (1, -1, 1) and perpendicular to the vector  $\langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle$ .
  - b. The plane passing through the origin in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and parallel to the plane 2x - y + z = 3.
  - c. The plane that contains the line

$$\begin{cases} x = 3 + 2t, \\ y = t, \\ z = 8 - t, \end{cases}$$

for  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and is parallel to 2x + 4y + 8z = 17.

- d. The plane which passes through the points (1, 2, 3), (4,5,6), and (7,8,10).
- e. The plane which passes through the point (1,2,3)and contains the line

$$\begin{cases} x = 3t, \\ y = 1 + t, \\ z = 2 - t, \end{cases}$$

for  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- the points (1, 0, -2) and (3, 4, 0).
- f. The plane containing all points equidistant from angstroms during a complete turn, and there are  $2.9 \times$  $10^8$  complete turns. Estimate the length of each helix.

**52.** Let k be any number. At what point does the graph

of  $e^{kx}$  have maximum curvature?

#### **Vector Valued Functions**

41. Sketch the curve described by the vector valued function:

a. 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \sin t, t \rangle$$

b. 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 1, \cos t, 2 \sin t \rangle$$

- **42.** Show that the curve described by  $\mathbf{r}(t) =$  $\langle t \cos t, t \sin t, t \rangle$  lies on the cone  $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$ and use this fact to sketch the curve.
- **43.** At which points do  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \sin t, \cos t, t \rangle$  and  $x^2 +$  $y^2 + z^2 = 5$  intersect?
- **44.** Find the unit tangent vector T(t) at the indicated point

a. 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle te^{-t}, 2 \arctan t, 2e^t \rangle$$
 at  $t = 0$ .

b. 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \cos t, 3t, 2\sin 2t \rangle$$
 at  $t = 0$ .

c. 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2\sin t, \tan t, 2\cos t \rangle$$
 at  $t = \pi/4$ .

**45.** If 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t, t^2, t^3 \rangle$$
, find  $\mathbf{r}'(t)$ ,  $\mathbf{T}(1)$ ,  $\mathbf{r}''(t)$ ,  $\mathbf{r}'(t) \times \mathbf{r}''(t)$ , and  $\mathbf{r}'(t) \cdot \mathbf{r}''(t)$ .

**46.** Find the parametric equations for the line tangent to the curve at the given point:

a. 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle e^{-t} \cos t, e^{-t} \sin t, e^{-t} \rangle$$
 at  $(1, 0, 1)$ 

b. 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \left\langle \ln t, 2\sqrt{t}, t^2 \right\rangle$$
 at  $(0, 2, 1)$ .

- **47.** Find the length of the curve described by  $\mathbf{r}(t) =$  $\langle a \sin t, bt, a \cos t \rangle$  for  $t \in [-10, 10]$ .
- **48.** Find the unit tangent vector **T**, the unit normal vector **N**, and the curvature  $\kappa$  for  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2\sin t, 5t, 2\cos t \rangle$
- **49.** Find the curvature of the curve defined by the function  $y = \cos x$ .
- **50.** Find the unit tangent vector **T**, the unit normal vector N, and the binomial vector B at the point (1,2/3,1)for  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t^2, 2t^3/3, t \rangle$ .
- 51. The DNA molecule has the shape of a double helix. The radius of each helix is nearly 10 angstroms (1 angstrom is  $10^{-8}$ cm). Each helix rises about 34