

Result:

$$\cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}; \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

Some important Maclaurin Series:

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Function

Maclaurin Series

$$f(x) = e^x$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$-\infty < x < \infty$$

(converges for all x)

$$f(x) = \sin x$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cdot \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots$$

$$-\infty < x < \infty$$

$$f(x) = \cos x$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cdot \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots$$

$$-\infty < x < \infty$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$$

$$-1 < x < 1$$

$$f(x) = \arctan x$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cdot \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots$$

$$-1 < x < 1$$

Taylor and Maclaurin Polynomials:

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \frac{x^5}{120} + \dots$$

$$p_0(x) = 1 \rightarrow 0^{\text{th}} \text{ degree Maclaurin polynomial for } e^x$$

$$p_1(x) = 1 + x \rightarrow 1^{\text{st}} \text{ degree}$$

$$p_2(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} \rightarrow 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ degree}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$p_5(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \frac{x^5}{120} \rightarrow 5^{\text{th}} \text{ degree.}$$

Approximate $e^{1.5}$: $p_5(1.5) \approx 4.46172$

\downarrow
 ≈ 4.48169

Definition of the n^{th} degree Taylor polynomial and Maclaurin polynomial of a function:

If $f(x)$ has n derivatives at a , then the n^{th} degree Taylor poly. for f centered a is:

$$P_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!}$$

$$P_n(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x-a)^n$$

n^{th} degree Maclaurin polynomial is

$$P_n(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n.$$

$P_4(x)$

Ex. ① Find the 4th degree Maclaurin polynomial for
 $f(x) = \ln(1+x)$

② Use $P_4(x)$ to approximate $\ln(1.1)$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad P_4(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^4$$

$$f(0) = \ln(1) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x}; \quad f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{-1}{(1+x)^2}; \quad f''(0) = -1$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{2}{(1+x)^3}; \quad f'''(0) = 2$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \frac{-6}{(1+x)^4}; \quad f^{(4)}(0) = -6$$

$$p_4(x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} \longrightarrow f(x) = \ln(1+x)$$

② To approximate $\ln(1.1) = \ln(1+0.1)$ by

$$p_4(0.1) = 0.1 - \frac{(0.1)^2}{2} + \frac{(0.1)^3}{3} - \frac{(0.1)^4}{4}$$

$$= 0.1 - \frac{0.01}{2} + \frac{0.001}{3} - \frac{0.0001}{4}$$

$$p_4(0.1) \approx 0.09531$$

$$\ln(1.1) = 0.09531018 \dots$$

Taylor Remainder Theorem

Assume f is differentiable $(n+1)$ times on an interval I containing a .

$p_n(x) := n^{\text{th}}$ degree Taylor polynomial centered at a .

$$\text{let } R_n(x) = f(x) - P_n(x)$$



n^{th} Taylor Remainder

The followings hold:

① The Taylor series for f converges to f at x if and only if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0$.

② Upper bound for the remainder $R_n(x)$:

error

$$|R_n(x)|$$

\leq

$$\frac{M}{(n+1)!} |x-a|^{n+1}$$

upper bound
for
error

where M is a number such that $|f^{(n+1)}(x)| \leq M$ for all x in I .

E.g. $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

① Find the 1st and 2nd degree Taylor polynomials for f centered at $a = 4$. ($P_1(x)$; $P_2(x)$)

② Use $P_1(x)$ and $P_2(x)$ to approximate $\sqrt{6} = f(6)$. Find upper bounds for $R_1(6)$ and $R_2(6)$.

$$P_1(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a). \text{ Here } a = 4$$

$$f(4) = \sqrt{4} = 2. \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}; \quad f'(4) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P_1(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{4}(x-4)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}$$

$$P_2(x) = \underbrace{f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)} + \underbrace{\frac{f''(a)}{2}(x-a)^2}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4x^{3/2}} \rightarrow f''(4) = -\frac{1}{4 \cdot (4)^{3/2}} = -\frac{1}{32}$$

$$P_2(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{4}(x-4) - \frac{1}{64}(x-4)^2$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad p_1(6) = 2 + \frac{1}{4}(6-4) = \boxed{2.5} \quad \text{1st approx.}$$

$$p_2(6) = 2 + \frac{1}{4}(6-4) - \frac{1}{64}(6-4)^2 = \boxed{2.4375} \quad \text{2nd approx.}$$

According Taylor Remainder Theorem.

$$|R_2(x)| \leq \frac{M}{2!}(x-a)^2; \quad M \text{ is an upper bound for } |f^{(2)}(x)|$$

Here: $x=6$; $a=4$; M ?

$$|f''(x)| = \left| \frac{-1}{4x^{3/2}} \right| \text{ on the interval } (4,6)$$

$$M = \frac{1}{4(4)^{3/2}} = \frac{1}{32}$$

$$|R_2(x)| \leq \frac{1/32}{2} \cdot (6-4)^2 = \frac{1}{32} \cdot 2 = \frac{1}{16} = 0.0625$$

Error when using $p_2(x)$ to estimate $f(x)$ at $x=6$
is no more than 0.0625