

10.7 - Taylor Series

Thm

Taylor Series Expansion

If $f(x)$ is represented by a power series centered at c , in an interval $(c-R, c+R)$ for $R > 0$, then that power series is the Taylor Series.

$$T(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} (x-c)^n.$$

When $c=0$, $T(x)$ is called the Maclaurin Series.

$$M(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n.$$

Pf

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-c)^n$$

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1(x-c) + a_2(x-c)^2 + a_3(x-c)^3 + \dots + a_n(x-c)^n + \dots$$

$$f'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2(x-c) + 3a_3(x-c)^2 + \dots + na_n(x-c)^{n-1} + \dots$$

$$f''(x) = 2a_2 + 3(2)a_3(x-c) + \dots + n(n-1)a_n(x-c)^{n-2} + \dots$$

⋮

$$f^{(n)}(x) = n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (n-(n-1)) a_n + \dots$$

⋮

$$f(c) = a_0$$

$$f'(c) = a_1$$

$$f''(c) = 2a_2$$

$$\underline{f^{(n)}(c) = n! a_n}$$

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!}$$

eg | Let $f(x) = x^3$. Find a Taylor Series Expansion for f centered at $x=2$.

Sol.

$$f(x) = x^3$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2$$

$$f''(x) = 6x$$

$$f^{(3)}(x) = 6$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = 0$$

$$\vdots$$
$$f^{(n)}(x) = 0 \text{ for } n \geq 4.$$

$$f(2) = 8$$

$$f'(2) = 12$$

$$f''(2) = 12$$

$$f^{(3)}(2) = 6$$

$$f^{(n)}(2) = 0 \text{ for } n \geq 4.$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} (x-c)^n$$

$$= \frac{f(c)}{0!} (x-c)^0 + \frac{f'(c)}{1!} (x-c)^1 + \frac{f''(c)}{2!} (x-c)^2 + \frac{f^{(3)}(c)}{3!} (x-c)^3 + 0$$

$$= \frac{8}{1} (1) + \frac{12}{1} (x-2) + \frac{12}{2!} (x-2)^2 + \frac{6}{3!} (x-2)^3 + 0$$

$$f(x) = 8 + 12(x-2) + 6(x-2)^2 + (x-2)^3$$

Thm 2 in the Book.

↳ Read it, understand it,

eg Find the Maclaurin Series for $\cos(x)$.

Sol. $f^{(0)}(x) = \cos x$

$$f^{(0)}(0) = 1$$

1, 0, -1, 0, 1, 0, -1, 0, ...

$$f^{(1)}(x) = -\sin x$$

$$f^{(1)}(0) = 0$$

$$f^{(2)}(x) = -\cos x$$

$$f^{(2)}(0) = -1$$

$$f^{(3)}(x) = \sin x$$

$$f^{(3)}(0) = 0$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \cos x$$

$$f^{(4)}(0) = 1$$

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$$\text{So } \cos x = f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$$

$$= \frac{f^{(0)}(0)}{1} x^0 + \frac{f^{(1)}(0)}{1} x^1 + \frac{f^{(2)}(0)}{2} x^2 + \dots$$

$$= (1) + 0x^1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + 0x^3 + \frac{x^4}{4!}$$

$$\cos(x) = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} - \dots$$

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

$$\textcircled{2} \sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$$

Pf

① Done. ✓

② Q11 Write this out by hand.
4 - non-zero terms, Answer T
when complete.

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Operations on Power Series

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$

$$g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n x^n.$$

$$\textcircled{1} f(kx) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n k^n x^n.$$

$$\textcircled{2} f(x^N) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{nN}$$

$$\textcircled{3} f(x) \pm g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_n \pm b_n) x^n.$$

Note

These operations can change the radius of convergence.
For example in $\textcircled{3}$ the radius of convergence is
the intersection of the ~~radii~~ radii of convergence.

eg Find the Maclaurin Series for $f(x) = \frac{3x-1}{x^2-1}$
and find its radius of convergence.

Sol

$$\frac{3x-1}{x^2-1} = \frac{3x-1}{(x-1)(x+1)} = \frac{A_1}{x-1} + \frac{A_2}{x+1}$$

$$3x-1 = A_1(x+1) + A_2(x-1) \quad \text{eval at } x=1$$

$$3(1)-1 = A_1(2) + A_2(0)$$

$$2 = 2A_1$$

$$A_1 = 1$$

$$3x-1 = (x+1) + A_2(x-1) \quad \text{eval at } x=-1$$

Q2] Find A_2 .

$$3(-1)-1 = 0 + A_2(-2)$$

$$-4 = -2A_2$$

$$2 = A_2$$

Sol

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

$$\frac{1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{(-1)(1-x)} = \frac{-1}{1-x} = -1 \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{x-1} = -1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n, \quad \text{radius of conv. } R=1.$$

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

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

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2(-1)^n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1) x^n$$

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

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [2(-1)^n - 1] x^n$$

$$f(x) = 1 - 3x + 1x^2 - 3x^3 + x^4 + \dots$$

So $R=1$, i.e. valid for $x \in (-1, 1)$.

eg Find the Maclaurin Series for $x^4 \cos x$.

Sol $x^4 \cos x = x^4 \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!} \right]$

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

Def The binomial coefficients for $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $0 \leq n$ an integer is

$$\binom{a}{n} = \frac{a(a-1)(a-2)\dots(a-(n-1))}{n(n-1)(n-2)\dots 1} = \frac{a(a-1)\dots(a-(n-1))}{n!}$$

and $\binom{a}{0} = 1$.

eg $\binom{7}{3} = \frac{7(7-1)(7-2)}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = \frac{7(6)(5)}{6} = 35$.

$$\binom{1/2}{3} = \frac{(1/2)(1/2-1)(1/2-2)}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = \frac{(1/2)(-1/2)(-3/2)}{6}$$

$$= \frac{3/8}{6} = \frac{3}{8 \cdot 6} = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$\binom{1}{0} = \frac{1}{0!} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

$$\binom{n}{n} = \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-(n-1))}{n!} = 1$$

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Binomial Theorem

For $a \in \mathbb{R}$

$$(x+y)^a = \sum_{k=0}^a \binom{a}{k} x^{a-k} y^k$$

eg

$$(x+y)^0 = \binom{0}{0} x^0 y^0 = \underline{1}$$

$$(x+y)^1 = \binom{1}{0} x^1 y^0 + \binom{1}{1} x^0 y^1 = \underline{1}x + \underline{1}y$$

$$(x+y)^2 = \binom{2}{0} x^2 y^0 + \binom{2}{1} x^1 y^1 + \binom{2}{2} x^0 y^2 = \underline{1}x^2 + \underline{2}xy + \underline{1}y^2$$

$$(x+y)^3 = \binom{3}{0} x^3 y^0 + \binom{3}{1} x^2 y + \binom{3}{2} x y^2 + \binom{3}{3} y^3 = \underline{1}x^3 + \underline{3}x^2 y + \underline{3}x y^2 + \underline{1}y^3$$

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Binomial Series

For any exponent a and $|x| < 1$,

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