

Taylor and Maclaurin series.

Which functions have power series representation?
And how can we find such representation?
In this section, we find power series representations for a certain class of functions.

Taylor's theorem.

Suppose that f has $(n+1)$ continuous derivatives on an open interval I containing 0 . Then for each $x \in I$, $f(x) = P_n(x) + R_{n+1}(x)$, where

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

and $R_{n+1}(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} x^n$, where c is some number between 0 and x .

Def. In Taylor's thm, the func. $P_n(x)$ is called the n^{th} -degree Taylor polynomial of f at 0 , and the term $R_{n+1}(x)$ is the remainder term.

Remark: If $R_{n+1}(x) \xrightarrow{\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ for each $x \in I$, then $P_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$ for each $x \in I$.

In this case,

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!} x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \dots$$

This series is called the Taylor series of f at 0. It is also given the special name Maclaurin series.



Note that as n increases $P_n(x)$ appears to approach the func. e^x .

Ex. For each of the following functions, $R_{n+1}(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Find the Taylor series of f at 0 for f (or the Maclaurin series for f).

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

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

k	0	1	2	3	4	...
$f^{(k)}(x)$	e^x	e^x	e^x	e^x	e^x	...
$f^{(k)}(0)$	1	1	1	1	1	...

$$f(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^4 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{4!}x^4 + \dots$$

Thus,
$$e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}, \text{ for all } x.$$

In particular,
$$e = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} = 1 + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots$$

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

Soln.

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k$$

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

$$+ \cancel{\frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^4} + \frac{f^{(5)}(0)}{5!}x^5 + \cancel{\frac{f^{(6)}(0)}{6!}x^6} + \cancel{\frac{f^{(7)}(0)}{7!}x^7}$$

$$+ \dots$$

$$= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

k	$f^{(k)}(x)$	$f^{(k)}(0)$
0	$\sin x$	0
1	$\cos x$	1
2	$-\sin x$	0
3	$-\cos x$	-1
4	$\sin x$	0
5	$\cos x$	1
6	$-\sin x$	0
7	$-\cos x$	-1
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots

Thus,
$$\sin x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!} x^{2k+1}, \text{ for all } x.$$

$$(3) \quad \cos x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{2k}, \text{ for all } x \quad \underline{\text{Exc.}}$$

$$(4) \quad \ln(1+x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} x^k, \quad x \in (-1, 1) \quad \underline{\text{Exc.}}$$

$$(5) \quad \tan^{-1} x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1} x^{2k+1}, \quad x \in (-1, 1) \quad \underline{\text{Exc.}}$$

Ex. Find the sum.

$$(1) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{5^k}{k!} = e^5.$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)^{2k+5}}{(2k+1)!} &= \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)^4 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} \\ &= \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)^4 \sinh\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2k-3}}{(2k)!} &= \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{-3} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2k}}{(2k)!} \\ &= \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{-3} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= \text{zero}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(k+1) 3^{k+1}} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+2}}{n 3^n} \quad (n=k+1) \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n \\
 &= \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{3}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{4}{3}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1) 2^{4k}} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1} \frac{4}{2^{4k+2}} \\
 &= 4 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1} \frac{1}{4^{2k+1}} \\
 &= 4 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{2k+1} \\
 &= 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right). \\
 &\approx 4\pi/13.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(6) \quad \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2^2} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2^3} - \frac{1}{4 \cdot 2^4} + \dots \quad \text{Exc.}$$

Final Ans. $\ln(3/2)$.

Ex. Find the Maclaurin series for the func.

(1) $f(x) = e^{x^2+1}$.

Soln. $e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$

Replace x by x^2 $\Rightarrow e^{x^2} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x^2)^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k}}{k!}$

Then $e^{x^2+1} = e e^{x^2} = e \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k}}{k!}, x \in \mathbb{R}$.

(2) $f(x) = x^2 \cos(x^3)$.

Soln. $\cos x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{2k}$

Replace x by x^3 $\Rightarrow \cos x^3 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} (x^3)^{2k}$

$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{6k}$

Then $x^2 \cos x^3 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{6k+2}, x \in \mathbb{R}$.

(3) $f(x) = \sin(x^2 - \frac{\pi}{2})$. (Recall that $\sin(A \pm B) = \sin A \cos B \pm \cos A \sin B$)

Soln. $f(x) = \sin x^2 \cos \frac{\pi}{2} - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \cos x^2$

$= -\cos x^2$

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

$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{(2k)!} x^{4k}, x \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$(4) f(x) = \cosh x.$$

$$\text{Soln. } \cosh x = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x}).$$

$$\begin{aligned} + e^x &= 1 + \cancel{x} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \cancel{\frac{x^3}{3!}} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \cancel{\frac{x^5}{5!}} + \dots \\ e^{-x} &= 1 - \cancel{x} + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \cancel{\frac{x^3}{3!}} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \cancel{\frac{x^5}{5!}} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$e^x + e^{-x} = 2 + 2 \cdot \frac{x^2}{2!} + 2 \cdot \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$\text{Then } \cosh x = \frac{1}{2} [e^x + e^{-x}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\cancel{2} + \cancel{2} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2!} + \cancel{2} \cdot \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots \right]$$

$$= 1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$\text{Then } \boxed{\cosh x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k}}{(2k)!}, x \in \mathbb{R}}$$

$$(5) \quad \boxed{\sinh x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}, x \in \mathbb{R}. \quad \text{Exc.}}$$

The binomial series.

$$\text{Recall that } \binom{k}{n} = \frac{k!}{(k-n)! n!}$$

$$\text{For example } \binom{4}{2} = \frac{4!}{(4-2)! 2!} = \frac{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{2 \cdot 2} = 6.$$

Binomial series: If $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ and $|x| < 1$, then

$$(1+x)^\alpha = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{\alpha}{k} x^k = 1 + \alpha x + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)}{2!} x^2 + \dots$$

Ex. Find the Maclaurin series for the func. $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x}}$ and its radius of convergence (R.C.).

Soln. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9(1-\frac{x}{9})}} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{1-\frac{x}{9}}} = \frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{x}{9}\right)^{-1/2}$

α \nearrow $-1/2$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{-1/2}{k} \left(\frac{-x}{9}\right)^k$$

This series converges for $|\frac{-x}{9}| < 1$, that is for $|x| < 9$. Thus, the R.C. is $r = 9$.

Ex. Evaluate the integral as an infinite series.

(1) $\int e^{x^2} dx$.

Soln. $e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Replace } x \text{ by } x^2}$ $e^{x^2} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k}}{k!}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \int e^{x^2} dx &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \int x^{2k} dx \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!(2k+1)} x^{2k+1} + C. \end{aligned}$$

(2) $\int e^{-x^2} dx$. Exc.

$$(3) \int \ln x e^x dx.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Soln. } \int \ln x e^x dx &= \int \ln x \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} \right) dx \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \int x^k \ln x dx \end{aligned}$$

For $\int x^k \ln x dx$, we let $\frac{dv}{x^{k+1}} \rightarrow \ln x \oplus$
 $\left(\ln x \right) \left(\frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1} \right) - \frac{1}{k+1} \int x^k dx \quad \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1} \xrightarrow{\swarrow} \frac{dx}{x} \ominus$

$$= \ln x \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1} - \frac{x^{k+1}}{(k+1)^2} + C_1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \int \ln x e^x dx &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \left[\ln x \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1} - \frac{x^{k+1}}{(k+1)^2} + C_1 \right] \\ &= \ln x \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{k+1}}{(k+1)k!} - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{k+1}}{k! (k+1)^2} + C_2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } C_2 = C_1 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} = C_1 e.$$

Ex. Evaluate

$$(1) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x^3 - x^3}{x^9}.$$

Soln. $\sin x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!} x^{2k+1}$

$x^3 \rightarrow x$ $\sin x^3 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!} (x^3)^{2k+1}$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!} x^{6k+3}$$

$$= x^3 - \frac{x^9}{3!} + \frac{x^{15}}{5!} - \dots$$

Then $\frac{\sin x^3 - x^3}{x^9} = \frac{(\cancel{x^3} - \frac{x^9}{3!} + \frac{x^{15}}{5!} - \dots) - \cancel{x^3}}{x^9}$

$$= \frac{-1}{3!} + \frac{x^6}{5!} + \dots$$

Thus, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x^3 - x^3}{x^9} = \frac{-1}{3!} = -\frac{1}{6}$

(2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1 - x}{x^2}$. Exc. Final Ans. is $\frac{1}{2}$.

Ex. Use series to show that $\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x$.

Proof: $\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = \frac{d}{dx} \left[1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} - \dots \right]$

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

$$= - \left[x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \right]$$

$$= -\sin x.$$

Ex. Let $f(x) = x \sin x^2$. Find (A) $P_4(x)$. (B) $f^{(19)}(0)$.

Soln. $\sin x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!} x^{2k+1}$.

$\boxed{x^2 \rightarrow x} \Rightarrow \sin x^2 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!} (x^2)^{2k+1}$. Then

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

$$= \boxed{} x^3 + \boxed{} x^7 + \boxed{} x^{11} + \boxed{} x^{15} + \boxed{} x^{19} + \boxed{} x^{23} + \dots$$

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 $k=0 \quad \quad k=1 \quad \quad k=2 \quad \quad k=3 \quad \quad k=4 \quad \quad k=5$

(A) $P_4(x) = x^3 - \frac{x^7}{3!} + \frac{x^{11}}{5!} - \frac{x^{15}}{7!} + \frac{x^{19}}{9!}$.

(B) Note that $\frac{d^{19}}{dx^{19}} \left[\frac{(-1)^k x^{4k+3}}{(2k+1)!} \right] = \begin{cases} \text{Zero} & , \text{ for } k=4, \\ \frac{(-1)^4 (4(4)+3)!}{(2(4)+1)!} & , \text{ for } k=4. \end{cases}$

This is $19!/9!$ \rightarrow

It follows that $f^{(19)}(0) = 19!/9!$.

Taylor series centered at a.

Taylor's thm (centered at a).

Suppose that g has $(n+1)$ continuous derivatives on an open interval I containing the point a .

Then for each $x \in I$, we have

$$g(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{g^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x-a)^k + R_{n+1}(x), \text{ where}$$

$$R_{n+1}(x) = \frac{g^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} (x-a)^{n+1} \left(c \text{ is some number between } x \text{ and } a. \right)$$

Remark: If $R_{n+1}(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

then
$$g(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{g^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x-a)^k.$$

This series is called the Taylor series of the func.
 f at a .

Ex. Find the Taylor series for the func. at a .

(1) $g(x) = 4x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 1$, at $a = 2$.

Soln. $g(x) = 4x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 1 \implies g(2) = 29.$

$$g'(x) = 12x^2 - 6x + 5 \implies g'(2) = 41.$$

$$g''(x) = 24x - 6 \implies g''(2) = 42.$$

$$g'''(x) = 24 \implies g'''(2) = 24.$$

$$g^{(m)}(x) = 0, \text{ for all } m \geq 4 \implies g^{(m)}(2) = 0.$$

$$\text{Then } g(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{g^{(k)}(2)}{k!} (x-2)^k$$

$$= g(2) + g'(2)(x-2) + \frac{g''(2)}{2!} (x-2)^2 + \frac{g'''(2)}{3!} (x-2)^3$$

$$= 29 + 41(x-2) + \frac{42}{2!} (x-2)^2 + \frac{24}{3!} (x-2)^3$$

$$= 29 + 41(x-2) + 21(x-2)^2 + 4(x-2)^3$$

(2) $g(x) = x^2 \ln x$, at $a = 1$. Exc.

Ex. Expand the func. $g(x)$ as indicated.

(1) $g(x) = e^x$ about $a = 1$.

Soln. $e^x = e^{(x-1)+1} = e e^{x-1} = e \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x-1)^k}{k!}, x \in \mathbb{R}.$

(2) $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ about $a = 3$.

Soln. $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{(x-3)+3} = \frac{1}{3 \left[\frac{x-3}{3} + 1 \right]} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \left(\frac{x-3}{3} \right)^k$

Then $\frac{1}{x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{3^{k+1}} (x-3)^k.$

Note that this series converges for $|\frac{x-3}{3}| < 1$,
that is, for $|x-3| < 3$, i.e. $x \in (0, 6)$.

(3) $g(x) = \sin x$ about $a = -\pi/2$.

Soln. $\sin x = \sin\left(\left(x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$
 $= \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$
 $= -\cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$
 $= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{(2k)!} \left(x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2k}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$

(4) $g(x) = \ln x$, about $a = 1$.

Soln $\ln x = \ln(1 + (x-1))$
 $= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k} (x-1)^k.$

Recall that

$$\ln(1+t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k} t^k$$

which conv. for $|t| < 1$.

Note that this series conv. for $|x-1| < 1$, that is, for
 $0 < x < 2$.

(5) $g(x) = \ln x$, about $a = e$.

Soln. $\ln x = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} (x-1)^k.$

$\boxed{\frac{x}{e} \rightarrow x}$ $\ln\left(\frac{x}{e}\right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} \left(\frac{x}{e} - 1\right)^k$
 $= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} \left(\frac{x-e}{e}\right)^k.$

Then $\ln x - 1 = \ln x - \ln e = \ln\left(\frac{x}{e}\right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} (x-e)^k}{k e^k}.$

Thus, $\ln x = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k e^k} (x-e)^k.$

Note that this series converges for $\left|\frac{x-e}{e}\right| < 1$, that is, for $|x-e| < e$. So, $x \in (0, 2e)$.

In general, we have the following fact.

Fact: $\ln x = \ln a + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k a^k} (x-a)^k, a > 0.$

This series converges for $x \in (0, 2e)$.

Ex. (Multiplication of power series).

Find the first 3 nonzero terms in the Maclaurin series for $f(x) = e^x \sin x$.

Soln. $e^x \sin x = \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots\right) \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots\right)$

$$= x + x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \dots$$

Ex. (Division of power series).

Find the first 3 nonzero terms in the Maclaurin series for $f(x) = \tan x$.

Soln. $\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots}{1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots}$

Exc.

$$= x + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{2}{15}x^5 + \dots$$

This lecture: Taylor series.

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