

Taylor's Theorem :-

Let $f(x+h)$ be a function of h (x being independent of h) which can be expanded in powers of h and the expansion be differentiable any number of times, then

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f''(x) + \dots + \frac{h^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x) + \dots$$

Proof:- let $f(x+h) = B_0 + B_1 h + B_2 h^2 + \dots$ (1)

where B_0, B_1, B_2, \dots , are the functions of x alone which are to be determined.

Now, $\frac{d}{dh} [f(x+h)] = \frac{d}{dz} f(z) \cdot \frac{dz}{dh}$ where $z = x+h$

$$= f'(z) = f'(x+h).$$

By successive differentiation of (1) w.r.to h , we get

$$f'(x+h) = B_1 + 2B_2 h + 3B_3 h^2 + 4B_4 h^3 + \dots$$

$$f''(x+h) = 2B_2 + 6B_3 h + 12B_4 h^2 + \dots$$

Put $h=0$, we get

$$f(x) = B_0, f'(x) = B_1, f''(x) = B_2 \cdot 2!, f'''(x) = 3! B_3, \dots$$

Hence,

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f''(x) + \frac{h^3}{3!} f'''(x) + \dots$$
$$\dots + \frac{h^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x) + \dots$$

Other forms of Taylor's theorem

(1) Putting a for x in (1), we get
$$f(a+h) = f(a) + hf'(a) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f''(a) + \frac{h^3}{3!} f'''(a) + \dots + \frac{h^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(a) + \dots \quad (2)$$

(2) Putting $a+h=b$ or $h=b-a$ in (2); we get
$$f(b) = f(a) + (b-a)f'(a) + \frac{(b-a)^2}{2!} f''(a) + \dots + \frac{(b-a)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(a) + \dots$$

(3) Putting $h=x-a$ in (2); we get
$$f(x) = f(a) + (x-a)f'(a) + \frac{(x-a)^2}{2!} f''(a) + \dots + \frac{(x-a)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(a) + \dots \quad (3)$$

Corr:- Putting $a=0$ and $h=x$ in (2); we get
$$f(x) = f(0) + xf'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2!} f''(0) + \frac{x^3}{3!} f'''(0) + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(0) + \dots \quad (4)$$

which is Maclaurin's theorem.

Prob:- Expand $\log(1+x)$ in powers of x . Then find series for $\log_e\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)$ and hence determine the value of $\log_e\left(\frac{11}{9}\right)$ upto five places of decimal.

Solⁿ:- let $f(x) = \log(1+x)$ $\therefore f(0) = \log 1 = 0$.

$$f'(x) = (1+x)^{-1}$$

$$f''(x) = -(1+x)^{-2}$$

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

$$f^{(4)}(x) = -6(1+x)^{-4}$$

and so, on.

$$\therefore f'(0) = 1$$

$$\therefore f''(0) = -1$$

$$\therefore f'''(0) = 2$$

$$\therefore f^{(4)}(0) = -6$$

Putting these values in

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

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

$$\therefore \log(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots$$

$$\therefore \log(1-x) = -x - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} - \dots$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \log\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right) &= \log(1+x) - \log(1-x) \\ &= \left[x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots\right] - \left[-x - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} - \dots\right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\log\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right) = 2 \left[x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} + \dots \right]$$

Put $x = \frac{1}{10}$ in the above result, we get

$$\log\left(\frac{11}{9}\right) = 2 \left[\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^3 + \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^5 + \dots \right]$$

$$\log\left(\frac{11}{9}\right) = 0.20067$$

Ex:- Expand $\log x$ upto four terms in powers of x .

Ex ① Expand $\log x$ in ascending powers of $\left(x - \frac{11}{2}\right)$.

② obtain the first four terms in the expansion of $\log x$ in powers of $(x-3)$.

Ex 1: Expand $\log x$ in powers of $(x-1)$ by Taylor's theorem and hence find the value of $\log_e(1.1)$.

Solⁿ: Here, $f(x) = \log x = \log(1 + \frac{x-1}{1})$, $f(1) = 0$

$$a=1, h=x-1.$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x},$$

$$f'(1) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2},$$

$$\therefore f''(1) = -1$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{2}{x^3},$$

$$f'''(1) = 2$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = -\frac{6}{x^4}$$

$$\therefore f^{(4)}(1) = -6 \text{ and so on}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = f(1) + (x-1)f'(1) + \frac{(x-1)^2}{2!}f''(1) + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \log x = 0 + (x-1) \cdot 1 + \frac{(x-1)^2}{2!}(-1) + \frac{(x-1)^3}{3!} \cdot 2 + \dots$$

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

Putting $x=1.1$, we get

$$\log(1.1) = (1.1-1) - \frac{1}{2}(1.1-1)^2 + \frac{1}{3}(1.1-1)^3 + \dots$$

$$= 0.095305.$$

Prob ① $f(x) = e^{x-1}$ about $c=1$.

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

③ $f(x) = x \sin 2x$ about $c=0$.

Taylor series expansion of $f(x,y)$ at (a,b)

$$\begin{aligned} f(x,y) = & f(a,b) + \frac{1}{1!} [(x-a)f_x(a,b) + (y-b)f_y(a,b)] \\ & + \frac{1}{2!} [(x-a)^2 f_{xx}(a,b) + (y-b)^2 f_{yy}(a,b) + 2(x-a)(y-b)f_{xy}(a,b)] \\ & + \frac{1}{3!} [(x-a)^3 f_{xxx}(a,b) + 3(x-a)^2(y-b)f_{xxy}(a,b) \\ & + 3(x-a)(y-b)^2 f_{xyy}(a,b) + (y-b)^3 f_{yyy}(a,b)] + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Problem:- Find the Taylor series expansion of $f(x,y) = \tan^{-1}(xy)$ about $(1,-1)$.