

Lecture 5

Taylor Series:- Taylor series of function $f(x)$ about $x=a$ is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x-a)^n = f(a) + (x-a)f'(a) + \frac{(x-a)^2}{2!} f''(a) + \dots + \frac{(x-a)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(a) + \dots$$

where f be a function with derivatives of all order.

Maclaurin Series:- Maclaurin series of f is the Taylor series of f at $x=0$ or

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

Ex ① Find the Taylor series generated by $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ at $a=2$. Where, if anywhere, does the series converge to $\frac{1}{x}$?

Sol:- We need to find $f(2), f'(2), f''(2), \dots$

~~Taking~~ $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$

$$\Rightarrow f(2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

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The Taylor series at $a=2$ is

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2^2}(x-2) + \frac{(x-2)^2}{2!} \left(\frac{2}{2^3} \right) + \frac{(x-2)^3}{3!} \left(-\frac{6}{2^4} \right) + \dots$$

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

Ans

is a geometric series with

$$a = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } r = -\frac{(x-2)}{2}.$$

It converges absolutely ~~$|x-2| < 2$~~ $|r| < 1$

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$$\text{and its sum is } = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1 + \frac{(x-2)}{2}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{x}{2}} = \frac{1}{x}$$

ie. Taylor series of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ at $a=2$ converges to $\frac{1}{x}$ for $|x-2| < 2$ or $0 < x < 4$.

Taylor Polynomial :-

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

Ex ② Find the Taylor series and Taylor polynomial generated by $f(x) = e^x$ at $x=0$.

Solⁿ:- $f(x) = e^x$

$$\therefore f(0) = e^0 = 1$$

$$\therefore f'(0) = 1 \text{ and so on}$$

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

The Taylor series of e^x at $x=0$ is

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

$$= 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \quad \text{: Maclaurin series}$$

Now, Taylor Polynomial of order n at $x=0$ is

$$P_n(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

Ex ③ Find the Taylor series and Taylor polynomial generated by $f(x) = \cos x$ at $x=0$.

Taylor's formula:-

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

where $R_n(x) = \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(c)$ $c \in (a, x)$

Remainder of order n .

Problem ① The Maclaurin series for e^x .

Show that the Taylor series generated by $f(x) = e^x$ at $x=0$ converges to $f(x)$ for every real value of x .

Solⁿ:- Maclaurin series for e^x is

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + R_n(x)$$

where $R_n(x) = \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(c) = \frac{e^c x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$ $c \in [0, x]$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |R_n(x)| = 0$ for every x .

\therefore Series converges to e^x for every x .

Prob ②:- The Maclaurin series for $\sin x$

Show that the Maclaurin series for $\sin x$ converges to $\sin x$ $\forall x$.

Solⁿ:- $f(x) = \sin x$

$f'(x) = \cos x$

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

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

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

$f^{(5)}(x) = \cos x$

$f(0) = \sin 0 = 0$

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

$f''(0) = 0$

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

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

$f^{(5)}(0) = 1$

Hence, Maclaurin series for $\sin x$ is

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

Hence, we write as

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - + - - + \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} + R_{2n+1}(x)$$

$$\text{and } R_{2n+1}(x) = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^{2n+2}}{(2n+2)!} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \forall x.$$

Hence, Maclaurin series for $\sin x$ converges to $\sin x$ for every x .

Ex (3) The Maclaurin series for $\cos x$

Ans $\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + - - = \sum \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$

Prob (4) Find the Maclaurin series for $\cos 2x$

Soln:-

$$\begin{aligned} \cos 2x &= 1 - \frac{(2x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(2x)^4}{4!} - \frac{(2x)^6}{6!} + - - \\ &= 1 - \frac{2^2 x^2}{2!} + \frac{2^4 x^4}{4!} - \frac{2^6 x^6}{6!} + - - \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2^{2n} x^{2n}}{(2n)!} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}} \end{aligned}$$

Prob (5) Find the Maclaurin series for $x \sin x$.

Soln:-

$$\begin{aligned} x \sin x &= x \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + - - \right) \\ &= x^2 - \frac{x^4}{3!} + \frac{x^6}{5!} - \frac{x^8}{7!} + - - \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+2}}{(2n+1)!} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}} \end{aligned}$$

Example (4) Using known series, find the first few terms of the Taylor series for the given function using power series operations.

(a) $\frac{1}{3}(2x + x \cos x)$ (b) $e^x \cos x$

Solⁿ:- (a) $\frac{1}{3}(2x + x \cos x) = \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{x}{3}(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots)$
 $= \frac{2x}{3} + \frac{x}{3} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{3 \cdot 4!} - \dots$
 $= x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{72} - \dots$ Ans.

(b) $e^x \cos x = \cancel{e^x} (1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots)$
 $\times (1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots)$
 $= (1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots)$
 $- (\frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{2! \cdot 2!} + \frac{x^5}{2! \cdot 3!})$
 $+ (\frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^5}{4!} + \frac{x^6}{2! \cdot 4!} + \dots) + \dots$
 $= 1 + x + x^3 \left(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + x^4 \left(\frac{1}{24} + \frac{1}{24} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \dots$
 $= 1 + x - \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{6} + \dots$ Ans.